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Red Peppers

By Gus Schrader

Love Those Hoosiers

TF THE Big Ten Skywriters were racehorse I players, they'd die broke. As a group, they've picked only two Big Ten football champions correctly in 15 years.

As they say in the Supreme Court, we're delivering the minority opinion that they're wrong again this year.

The 16th annual Skywriters tour is finished. Oh, we've still got a little homework to do, so you'll be seeing Red Peppers with "Bloomington, Ind." and "Minneapolis" datelines the next two days as we complete our "love letters from a sports writer" series.

In fact, tomorrow we'll try to explain why the majority of the Skywriters are wrong for picking Ohio State to repeat. Twenty-three of the 37 named Ohio State, despite the knowledge only three teams have won the title the season after going Rose Bowling.

We were among the four Skywriters who took a flyer on Indiana. Why? Well, the Hoosiers don't have to play either Ohio State or Michigan this season, and their only tough game on the road will be at Michigan State. They also visit Wisconsin and Northwestern, but those should be holidays. Their home games are Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa and Pur-

Eight misguided Skywriters were lured by Duffy Daugherty's siren song into picking Michigan State first, Bob Hoerner, Lansing State Journal sports ed and a lover of defensive football, sailed for Murray Warmath's Minnesotans.

Wayne DeNeff of the Ann Arbor News cast a home-town ballot for Michigan. That may not be a bad idea. It's always embarrassing to accompany a team to the Rose Bowl when you've picked somebody else - like having your date find out you called several other

Dubious Distinction

In case you tuned in late, a Skywriter is just a plain old garden-variety Midwestern football writer who flies (in a plane, usually, although some can get plenty altitude on their own) visiting the Big Ten and Notre Dame football camps.

We point that out because people aren't always sure. At Lansing, Mich., we checked into a motel that had "Welcome, Skywriters" on the marquee. A Little Old Lady accosted one of our group (in the bar, incidentally) and politely inquired if we were a bunch of aviators who flew around spelling out advertising with smoke from our airyplanes.

Honesty forces us to admit we came home bearing more honor than when we departed. You will recall we left town hurriedly Sept. 3 after shooting a 79 with a 21 handicap in a Labor day golf tourney.

Our good golfing friends still refer to us as "Old S.B." We are told this in an endearing term for "Old Sand-Bagger", but not al-

At the end of each year's tour the Skywriters hold a Survival Party, celebrating the fact the magic number of successful plane landings exactly matches the number of takeoffs. We let down our hair and nominate candidates for "Skywriter of the Year."

Commissioner Bill Reed and other sober dignitaries judge which shall receive the trophy donated by Fred Stabley, Michigan State sports information director who loves fun, too. This is no Pulitzer prize, because

journalistic excellence is ignored in favor of picking the Skywriter who fouled up the most (with or without the help of Demon Rum), missed the most airport buses or had the most embarrassing moment.

Well, this time there was a double-cross. None of the three candidates was chosen. Instead, the commissioner and his fellow judges picked Jim Braham and me because of our nomination of Jim Schlemmer, 70year-old sports editor of the Akron Beacon-

Braham, erudite young sports writer for the Cleveland News, has got to be the best mimic in the sports writing dodge. He wowed 'em with impersonations of Ed Sullivan, Jack Kennedy, Don Adams, Tonto and Jonathan Winters' "Maude Frickert". We quickly offered to let him keep the blame trophy the first six months-forever if he will.

No Strips for Playboy

There were some good candidates, too. In fact, it's quite a group. If you think sports writers don't have their crosses to bear, too, consider this: Our Skywriters included a perfect midget (Dick Beals, who edits the Big Ten Newsletter in L.A.), the tour's first black writer (popular Larry Casey of the Chicago Today) and a man who has made the grade despite the severe handicap of muscular dystrophy (Jim Byrne of the Minneapolis Tribune). Byrne was voted Rookie of the Year. incidentally.

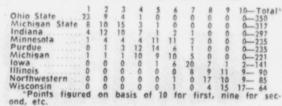
We also made it clear around without any college kids taking off their clothes when we visited their campuses.

Why do we say that? You see, one of our number was Brice Draper, sports writer for Playboy magazine. Now you may plead innocent and maintain you didn't even know Playboy had an outdoor sports department, but you surely must remember what happened when Brice spoke at Grinnell college

His subject was "Sex and the New Morality". In a demonstration against Playboy's sex sensationalism, six Grinnell students stood up and took all their clothes off. We're still pursuing the logic in that protest, but it drew indecent exposure raps for the college kids.

"I'm sorry the six young men and women got into trouble because of it," sighed Draper, who admits he risked one eye and found none of the strippers likely candidates for Playboy's center fold-out.

BIG TEN SKYWRITERS POLL



HOW THEY PICKED THEM

Ohio State—John Bansch, Indianapolis Star; Rel Bochat, Milwaukee Sentinel; George Bolinger, Lafayette Journal-Courier; Jim Braham, Cleveland Press; Tom Butler, Wisconsin State Journal; Larry Casey, Chicago Today; Ed Chay, Cleveland Plain-Dealer; Bill Cornwell, Grand Rapids Press; Brice Draper, Playbby; Bob-Ford, Kokomo Tribune; Alex Gaal, Big Ten Club of L.A.; John Hillyer, Chicago Today; Paul Hornung, Columbus Dispatch; Bill Jauss, Chicago Daily News; Walter Johns, Central Press; Jerry Liska, Chicago AP; Bob Owens, Bloomington Courier-Tribune; Paul Ritter, Cincinnati Enquirer; Dave Smith, Rockford Morning Star; Russ Smith, Waterloo Courier Clank Stoppels, Grand Rapids Press; John Walsh, Gary Post-Tribune; Kaye Kessler, Columbus Citizen-Journal.

Michigan State—Dick Beals, Big Ten club of L.A. im Byrne, Minneapolis Tribune; Tait Cummins, Ceda apids WMT; Joe Doyle, South Bend Tribune; Larry Mid lemas, Detroit News; Doug Mintline, Flint Journal, Cu ylvester, Detroit Free Press; Maury White, Des Moine

when Steger teamed with Hilm-

Cornell a 7-point advantage.

St. Olaf appeared to be in

troubled on its own 11 after

the kickoff, but on their first

It lasted one play.

bled the distance.

Minnesota-Bob Hoerner, Lansing State Journal

Michigan-Wayne DeNeff, Ann Arbor News.

Steger Tosses 3 TD Passes

Cornell Bruised by St. Olaf 42-27

MT. VERNON - St. Olaf out-

lasted Cornell 42-27 in a wild offensive display that opened the season for both teams Saturday. The two teams totaled 1,039 vards.

Most of Cornell's rambling St. Olaf was via quarterback Mark Steger's passes. He connected on 25 of 46 for 341 yards and three touchdowns.

Cornell: TD — Bill Spatten (2, run); Pat Luther (34, pass from Mark Steger); Dave Hilmers (60, pass from Steger); XP — Dave Howard (kick); Dick Grant (pass from Steger).

But St. Olaf, led by reserve halfbacks Bob Freed and Ole Gunderson and fullback Bob Wetterburg, ground out an awesome 431 yards with its running attack, and added 167 on quarterback Dennis Nelson's passes for 598 yards.

Freed gained 156 yards, including an 89-yard touchdown gallop. Wetterburg added 124 yards on 26 carries, and scored from the 2.

The fireworks didn't begin in scoring strike to Luther.

his 49-yard paydirt romp.

Cornell regained the lead the first play of the second

7 6 8 6-27 pass play. Steger's pass to

stanza when linebacker Pat Luther returned a pass interception 22 yards to the St. Olaf 16, Steger passed 14 yards to sophomore speedster Dave Hilmers, and fullback Dave Hilmers, and fullback

Bill Spatten plunged over nell couldn't overcome. Kent Johnson scored the first

once. Gunderson, a reserve, Cornell expanded its lead to on a 38-yard pass from Nelson Total scored twice, on runs of 49 and 13-0 early in the second quarter in the third period. Gunderson chicago 8 yards, and finished with 101 on Marcial Polomo's fumble re-followed with his 8-yard dash covery and Steger's 35-yard early in the fourth.

earnest until the second quarter and Cornell had the best of the early going.

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Slam Aids Seaver in 22nd Win

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Ron Swoboda walloped his first major league grand slam homer and Tom Seaver became the second pitcher in the major leagues to win 22 games as the sizzling New York Mets defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates 5-2 Saturday for their 10th victory in a row.

The victory, coupled with Chicago's 7-4 loss to St. Louis at night, stretched New York's National league East lead to 31/2

Swoboda connected in the eighth inning after Pittsburgh starter Luke Walker walked Bud Harrelson and Tommie Agee and reliever Chuck Hartenstein issued an intentional walk to Donn Clendenon following a passed

Swoboda, hitting a 1-0 pitch off Hartenstein, drove a shot over the left field wall, his seventh homer of the year.

The Pirates took a 1-0 lead off Seaver in the third on Willie Stargell's broken bat single after Fred Patek walked. and went to second on a sac-

But the Mets tied it 1-1 in the seventh when Al Weis drove in Ed Charles who walked and went to third on Jerry Grote's single.

Seaver, 22-7, struggled throughout the game and was in trouble with his wildness in the fifth when, with two outs, Matty Alou bounced a single over short. Seaver hit Alley with a pitch and then uncorked a wild pitch as Willie Stargell struck out. But he got Roberto Clemente to force Stargell with a grounder to Weis at second.

Seaver and Grote; Walker, Hartenstein (8), Canton (9) and Sanguillen, W—Seav-er, 22-7. L—Walker, 2-6. HRs—New York, Swoboda (7).

Cards Spill Cubs 7-4

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Joe Torre drove in two runs with a basesloaded tie-breaking single as the St. Louis Cardinals came from behind with four runs in the eighth inning and beat the floundering Chicago Cubs 7-4 Saturday night.

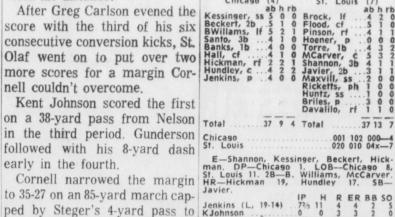
games for the Cubs and dropped them 3½ games behind New York in the National league

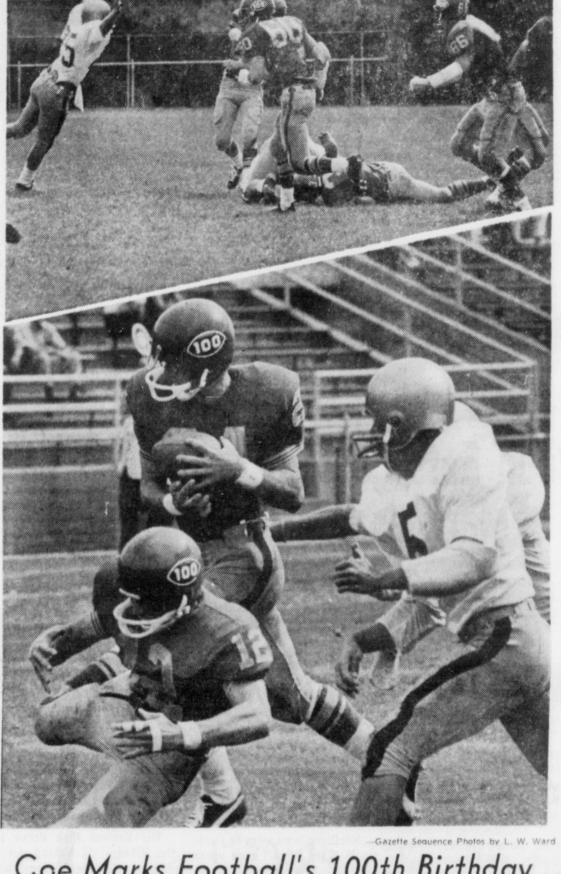
Trailing 4-3 after Chicago's Randy Hundley hit a two-run homer in the sixth, the Cards went to work on Cub starter Ferguson Jenkins in the eighth. Jenkins was seeking his 20th victory but was saddled instead with his 14th

Jenkins walked Julian Javier ers to help John Raaz and his to start the uprising and one out aerial mates roll up a 28-7 openlater pinch hitted Vic Davalillo ing victory at Kingston stadium. later, Gunderson swept end on singled Javier to third and continued to second on Jim Hick- ence QB from Jefferson, Iowa, Cornell regained the lead on man's throwing error. the first play of the second half,

and walked Lou Brock intention- Mike Harris and a 33-yarder ers on a 60-yard touchdown ally, then got Curt Flood to to Clinton's Jim Schneden. bounce into a force play at the The other score came on Grant for two extra points gave plate for the second out. But Tisue's one-yard buck after Johnson walked Vada Pinson, Coe's ground attack began to forcing Davalillo in with the click. Tisue set it up with a

two-run single. Tim McCarver's for Knox' only touchdown aft- coach whose record the last play the Oles turned Freed single accounted for the final er Coe had assembled a 14-0 four-plus years shows two vicloose with a quick pitchout around right end, and he ram- run.





Coe Marks Football's 100th Birthday

The 100th season of college football opened Saturday with Coe beating Knox 28-7. John Raaz (partially hidden in top photo) hurled three scoring passes, and one of them was this 33-yarder. Jim Schneden grabbed the ball away from teammate Mike Harris (12) at the goal as the two dueled with two Knox defenders. Note Coe helmets say "100" to signify the centenial year.

The defeat was the ninth in 10 Raaz Fires 3 TD Strikes

Coe Raps Knox 28-7

By Gus Schrader

Coe discovered it has a running game to complement its

passing Saturday. Phil Tisue, Dewayne Torkelson, Dick Rowe and Dennis Gay smashed through the slender knox ranks of Knox college's defend-

Raaz, last year's all-conferhurled touchdown strikes of Ken Johnson replaced Jenkins 66 and 53 yards to Boone's

29-vard kickoff return. Phil Regan relieved Johnson Bill Zimdar hurled a 12- games in the last 12 years, and Torre greeted him with a yard pass to Mark McIntosh groaned Dick Bowman, Knox snatched it for the second lead at the half. Then came tories, 30 losses and one tie. Tisue's TD to clinch the vic- "However, we think we're

said Coe Coach Glenn Drahn, our final game.

Yards rushing Yards passing Passes Return yardage Punts, ave. Fumbles lost

SCORING SEQUENCE
Coe: Harris, 66, pass from Raaz
Kick failed.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ers of Galesburg, Ill. The school's last triumph was 14-7 over Grinnell in the third game of 1966. Knox tied Carleton 13-13 in the final contest of 1967 and has now lost nine in a row.

'We have won only on this squad. Last year we complete a 53-yard play.

see we could get tough on the id club, and this year they ed a Knox ball carrier so hard st. 37 13 7 ground. We have two rookie seem to have even better he somehow suffered a wound Phil guards on offense. Tom passing with John Raaz back, on the top of his head, not even Schroder is a junior, but he Coe is well coached. I don't losing his helmet. He had five early in the fourth.

Cornell narrowed the margin

E-Shannon, Kessinger, Beckert, Hickman DP-Chicago 1. LOB-Chicago 8. Played tight end last season.

Cornell narrowed the margin HR-Hickman 19. Williams, McCarver. Hundley 17. SB- Craig Norton is only a soph.

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Raaz completed seven of 21 passes for 196 yards. After the Content Greenwood, Steve Smith, Glenn outcome was assured, Doug Beitler took over at QB and completed five of nine. He had the Kohawks on the Knox nineyard line when time ran out.

Torkelson, who did most of his running in the second half, edged Tisue for ground-gaining honors, 77 yards to 76. Rowe honors, 77 yards to 78. Rowe honors, 41 and Gav 38.

The game was grinding toward a scoreless first half when Harris snagged Raaz' pass for the 66-yard scoring play.

Then Bill Peterman recovered a Knox fumble and Raaz struck again. This time Harris was reaching for his pass at the goal line when Schneden came motoring by and

Harris outdistanced his pursuit again on the final scoring tory just when things began getting back pretty close to play when he took Raaz' strike to look a little shaky for the scratch, as we have 18 sophs on the 20 and legged it in to

"We knew we could pass," had only 14 players left for Ed Walsh, Coe defensive back, suffered a strange injury "and it was encouraging to "Coe always has a good, sol- in the second quarter. He bang-

Norton **Tallies** 8 Points

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By Jack Ogden

Executive Sports Editor Kennedy high school battled back from a 7-0 halftime deficit Saturday night at Kingston stadium to spill Regis, 8-7, in a rugged intracity football strug-

"We went all-out in practice this week," explained Kennedy Coach Dale Tryon, whose Cougars were upset in the opener by Prairie a week ago.

"I was pleased with the way we played and particularly with the fact we have now established a running game."

The Kennedy running game, particularly in the second half, was impressive. Chuck Norton, who produced most of the game's key plays, carried for 60 yards in 20 tries and young Jack Ryan, still carrying a tackle's No. 73 on his back, went

Norton was an either-or heading into the tilt. He suffered a concussion in the opener last week.

"I haven't had any contact since then," he explained, "until tonight."

Saturday he dived for first downs twice in the Cougars' winning 73-yard drive. As the Kennedy momentum mounted. he drove 10 yards to the five for a first down as the third period

As the fourth started, he went four to the one, then carried a pitchout around the right end for the game-winning two-point

The only other serious Kennedy threat came in the opening minutes when Regis fumbled on its own seven. But the Royal defense held on the one and Coach Tom Good's squad then marched 99 yards in 15 plays to take a 7-0 lead.

The payoff was a 25-yard scorng pass from quarterback Mike Gorman to end Pat O'Donnell. Mike McCue kicked the extra

"Sure, I'm disappointed," admitted Good after the battle. But I wasn't disappointed in our play. We played well, but

E-Pat O'Donnell, Dave Klaus, Mike

Standings

Kansas City (Drako 9-11) at Minnesota (Hall 8-5).
Oakland (Hunter 9-14 and Dobson 14-12) at Chicago (Peters 8-14 and John 7-11). Cleveland (McDowell 16-13) at Baltimore (Cuellar 21-10).
Detroit (Lolich 18-7) at Washington (Coleman 10-13).
Boston (Nagy 11-2) at New York (Stottlemyre 18-13).

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