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Colletto trying to rein in QB Hunter

By Jim Ecker
Gazette sportswriter

Purdue's Eric Hunter has taken his lumps against Iowa in Big Ten football games the last two years, but that's nothing compared to some of the shots he's taken from his own coach this season. Jim Colletto will not win any awards for diplomacy in his maiden season as Purdue's coach, but he's looking for results, not compliments from Miss Manners.

Hunter, a 6-foot-4 quarterback with a cannon arm, has been Colletto's favorite target, but that's

■ Hawks have been stifling Purdue, 3C

probably because Hunter has as much raw ability as anyone. Here are samples from Colletto's quote book: "The real problem with Eric is he makes up his own plays as he goes," said Colletto after one unhappy performance. "He thinks he can be a miracle man and throw it between five guys." But that's not Hunter's biggest problem, accord-

ing to the coach. "Eric's biggest problem is he throws the ball like an NFL player one play," charged Colletto, "and he throws the ball like my 12-year-old on the next play." Hunter has tried to shrug it off. "I just don't let those things get to me," he said. "I don't really read the newspapers anyway. Half the things he says I don't even know." The 11th-ranked Hawks (5-1, 2-1) will get their third look at Hunter when they face the Boiler-makers (3-3, 2-1) today at Ross-Ade Stadium in West Lafayette (11:36 a.m., ESPN). The Hawks sacked Hunter nine times in a 24-0 victory here two years ago, and they gave him a beating in a 38-9 conquest in Iowa City a year ago. Exit Fred Akers as coach and enter Jim Colletto, who had been Ohio State's offensive coordinator. Hunter understands what Colletto is trying to accomplish with his harsh statements, even if he doesn't like them. "He may think I'm like a wild horse that has to be tamed," said Hunter. "I guess he's trying to groom me into being a pro quarterback."

■ Who: Iowa vs. Purdue
■ Where: West Lafayette, Ind.
■ When: 11:36 a.m. today (Iowa time)
■ TV: ESPN on cable

Hunter certainly has the body and the arm. Iowa Coach Hayden Fry compares him to Randall Cunningham of the NFL's Philadelphia Eagles in terms of size, strength and ability to run and throw. Hunter has completed 46 of 95 passes for 463 yards against Iowa the last two years, but the key numbers are these: Four interceptions and zero touchdown passes. During that same time, Iowa's Matt Rodgers has hit 36 of 55 passes for 424 yards against Purdue, and his key numbers are these: Five TD passes and zero interceptions. That's one reason Colletto has toned down Hunter's trigger finger and substituted a philosophy based on running and defense — and not a bunch

of wild passes. "It's a very disciplined, organized offense," said Fry, "and I'm sure Eric's had a difficult time adjusting. He loves to scramble. That's when he's at his best." Hunter was benched earlier this season, with freshman Matt Pike playing the second half in a 6-3 loss to Minnesota. But Hunter and Colletto appear to be getting along better now. "He's an outspoken guy," said Hunter. "He says what's on his mind, without hesitation. He just wants us to go out there and play the best we possibly can without mental errors. That's the most important thing." Today, the most important thing for Hunter will be trying to solve Iowa's defense, which blanked Illinois' Jason Verduzco in the second half at Kin-nick Stadium a week ago. "I thought they had a pretty good pass rush on me the last two times," said Hunter. "They kept a lot of pressure on me. "I don't think they'll blow us out. I think it will be a lot more competitive."

Wahlert vaults into title share

Win over Kennedy also gives L-M share of MVC crown

By Jeff Dahn
Gazette sportswriter

DUBUQUE — Dubuque Wahlert's Lance Massey reached up to intercept a pass and pulled down a playoff berth for him and his Golden Eagle teammates in- stead.

Massey intercepted a pass thrown by Cedar Rapids Kenne- dy's Chad Wiese late in the fourth quarter, halting a Cougar drive and helping Wahlert to a 22-8 upset of Kennedy in Missis- sippi Valley Conference football at Dalzell Field.

The win boosted the Golden Eagles to 7-2, giving them a share of the Valley title with Kennedy and Linn-Mar — also both 7-2 — and assuring them a spot in the Class 4A playoffs.

SIXTH-RANKED Kennedy, which lost for the second time in

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three weeks, had secured a play- off berth with its seventh win last week. "This win tonight is more im- portant than anything that's go- ing to happen next week," said an elated Wahlert Coach Mike Cooper. "We just had a great ef- fort. The kids picked a great time to play their best game of the season."

The Golden Eagles were com- ing off a loss to Cedar Rapids Washington last week and were in a must-win situation if they hoped to make it to the playoffs

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for the second straight year and fourth time in the last five years. They got the job done by build- ing a 12-0 halftime lead and stop- ping any and all Cougar threats.

KENNEDY WAS vying for its first outright MVC football

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Rout for Wolverines

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Not even blurred vision could slow Desmond Howard.

Howard caught touchdown passes of 65 and 41 yards, the second after a hard hit blurred his vision, as No. 4 Michigan beat Big Ten foe Minnesota, 52-6, in a game rescheduled to Friday because of the World Series.

Ricky Powers and Tyrone Wheatley each ran for two touchdowns for Michigan (6-1 overall, 4-0 Big Ten), which has lost only to top-ranked Florida State.

Minnesota (2-5, 1-3), which is averaging a 41-year low of 9.4 points a game, has won the Lit- tle Brown Jug awarded to the winner in this battle only twice in the last 26 years.

HOWARD'S 65-yard scoring catch gave the Wolverines a 28-0 lead with 5:57 left in the half. On Michigan's next drive, Elvis Grbac overthrew Howard over the middle and Howard was driven to the turf.

Howard, reported to have

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blurred vision, didn't play the rest of the half and didn't start the second half. But he returned midway through the third quar- ter to catch the 41-yard TD pass.

HOWARD PLAYED little af- ter that, yet managed six catches for 154 yards overall.

His two TD catches gave him 15 for the season, breaking the Big Ten record of 14 by Michi- gan's Anthony Carter in 1980. It was the eighth straight game that Howard has scored at least two touchdowns.

Howard has 17 touchdowns this season, and his 102 points are 36 more than the Gophers have scored this season.

Grbac's three TD passes gave him a school-record 49 for his career, one more than Rick Leach. Grbac completed 15 of 21 passes for 242 yards before being replaced in the third quarter.



Gazette photo by Chris Stewart

Hey, I scored

Iowa City High's Tim Dwight flips the ball after scoring the game's first touchdown in a 24-10 victory Friday night at Prairie. City High completes the year at 5-4, Prairie at 3-6. Story, 3C.

Walden asks ISU defense to carry team 1 more time

By Al Hall
Gazette sportswriter

Iowa State football coach Jim Walden has challenged his de- fense for today's 1 p.m. home- coming game with Oklahoma State.

"Now's the time to mature and show people you've stepped it up a notch," Walden told his de- fense. "Do it now."

More than ever, Iowa State needs a good game from its de- fense, which has made dramatic improvement this season but has little to show for it because the offense has struggled during a 2-4 campaign.

The Cyclones' injury-riddled offense will start its third quar- terback of the season. If red-shirt freshman Kevin Caldwell has any chance of leading Iowa State to victory, it looks like the de- fense will have to come through in a big way. The defense is al- lowing 336.3 yards a game, third in the Big 8.

But the Cyclones are averag- ing just 287.2 yards, seventh in the league, and haven't had a touchdown in three of their last four games. That's al complicat- ed Iowa State's top two quar- terbacks — Chris Pedersen and Bob Utter — being injured and done for the season.

Caldwell, who started the se- son at quarterback, moved to running back when injuries weakened that position. Now, he's back under center.

"I think he will do fine," Wal- den said. "If nothing real bad happens early, I think Kevin will go right along with it. I think we can gear some things to him."

Walden said fans shouldn't be fooled by Oklahoma State's 0-6 record. The Cowboys' oppo- nents thus far are a combined 28-7-1. "This is not by any stretch of the imagination some kind of lousy football team com- ing in here," he said.

He is particularly impressed with Okie State's defensive front. "Our offensive line coach thinks, and I agree with him, their front four could play for anybody in the Big 8," he said.

"If there's a weakness in their (defensive) team, it's pass de- fense. Well, so much for that if you get my gist. That's not what we're going to come in and do."

STARTING LINEUPS

OFFENSE		
OSU (0-6, 0-2)		ISU (2-4, 0-2)
Player (weight)	Pos.	Player (weight)
Milliner (150)	SE	Spencer (199)
Jose (290)	LT/ST	McClish (319)
Bobo (275)	LG/SG	Booth (275)
Surette (266)	C	Armbrust (278)
Greenlee (305)	RG/WG	Nassifrom (255)
Butler (278)	RT/WT	Keller (336)
Copeland (240)	TE	Schulte (222)
Ford (195)	QB	Caldwell (190)
Kirksey (193)	FL	Hughes (191)
Denson (165)	TB	Holmes (187)
Franks (242)	FB	Patterson (195)
Myers (185)	K	Stewart (175)

DEFENSE		
OSU		IOWA STATE
Player	Pos.	Player
Thompson (250)	LE	Watkins (225)
Colbert (277)	LT	Rehberg (270)
Nobles (233)	MLB	Miner (232)
Satterwhite (270)	RT	Block (250)
Gildon (220)	RE	Grubb (251)
Funckess (203)	LB	Nitchie (206)
Woolridge (225)	LB	Rahjan (225)
Clark (198)	LCB	Lazard (189)
Erving (215)	RCB	Walker (167)
Harmon (190)	FS	DouBrava (192)
Cannon (200)	SS	Fulton (181)
Vincent (191)	P	Schnoor (169)

TIME, PLACE: 1 p.m. Saturday, Cyclone Stadium, Ames.
RADIO: Cyclone Network including WMT-FM (96.5)
TV: None
SERIES: Oklahoma State leads, 19-12-1.
ATTENDANCE: 42,000 (capacity 50,000).

The Cyclones figure to stay on the ground with Caldwell at the controls. His strength is running the football. But Walden said the Cyclones would pass the ball.

"I prefer to pass," Caldwell said. "But sometimes running around a little bit can open up some passes for me. We are going to throw the ball. We'll do a lot of things to try to move the ball down the field."

Freshman tailback Rafael Den- son leads the Oklahoma State at- tack. He rushed for 91 yards last week in a 41-7 loss to Missouri.

Caldwell said Iowa State's goal is to have some fun.

"We've been having such an unfortunate season with all the injuries and all the things that have been happening," he said. "With all that stuff being around, we sort of lost perspec- tive. I think for the last couple of weeks, football really wasn't that much fun. This week, we're just trying to get into the groove and get back to having fun."

Fun would be a homecoming win. Iowa State (2-4) is a 6-point favorite to earn that victory.

Minnesota Twins not nearly as confident as a week ago

MINNEAPOLIS — People here are nervous.

You don't get the feel- ing Minnesota Twins fans be- lieve all their team has to do is show up in the Metrodome to- night and Sunday night to earn two wins and a World Series ti- tle over the Atlanta Braves.

No, this definitely won't be easy.

After bouncing off the Metro- dome carpet to win three straight games in Atlanta, the Braves have reason to believe they are the team of destiny that so many people claim.

No deficit has been unconquer- able for Atlanta this year. Those first two Series losses here may have been caused by a hangover from their seven-game National League Championship Series win over Pittsburgh more than anything.

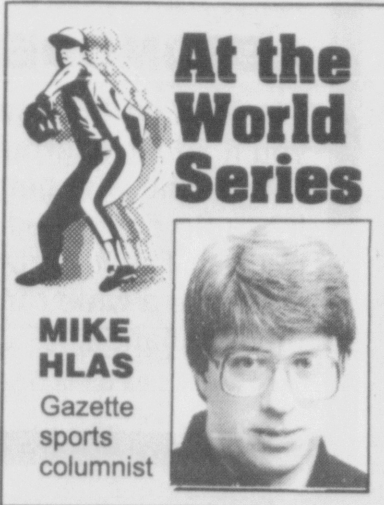
After two home-field wins that came down to the game's last

play, the Braves' 14-5 win Thurs- day night may have put the ex- clamation point on this Series. And with brilliant young Steve Avery pitching for Atlanta to- night against the faltering Scott Erickson, the Braves have to like their chances.

Ahem. There still is this little matter of winning once in the Dome. Minnesota is as fierce at home in the World Series as it is futile on the road.

Still, Avery has allowed just three earned runs in 23½ pos- tseason innings, while Erickson, the American League's only 20- game winner, has lasted a total of 8½ shaky innings in his two postseason starts.

IF TWINS MANAGER Tom Kelly had anyone reliable to use in Erickson's place, he would use him. Minnesota's only con- sistent starting hurler in this Se- ries has been veteran Jack Mor- ris. Should the Twins win



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tonight, their chances are at least 50-50 with Morris going against the very good John Smoltz Sunday.

If Erickson can't go more than four innings tonight, the Series probably is over. Minnesota's

bullpen was impeccable in the postseason until the Twins reached Atlanta. Now Kelly holds his breath each time he picks up his dugout phone to the bullpen.

Meanwhile, all the nice stories out of this Series seem to focus on the Braves. Sudden-slagger second baseman Mark Lemke hit more triples (three) in the last two games than he had all season. Another good-glove, no-hit guy, shortstop Rafael Belliard, is batting .333 with four RBI. Catcher Greg Olson has a .478 on-base percentage.

Then there is left fielder Lon- nie Smith, who has become the first player since Reggie Jackson in 1977 to hit home runs in three consecutive games.

Smith is bidding to become the first player ever to be on world championship teams with four franchises. He was a key player for the 1980 Philadelphia Phil-

lies, 1982 St. Louis Cardinals and 1985 Kansas City Royals, all of whom won the Series.

Smith's career took a plunge in Kansas City in 1987 when he was among several players in baseball involved in a drug scan- dal.

He signed as a minor-league free agent with Atlanta in 1988 and was sent to Class AAA Rich- mond. Few expected to see Smith back in the majors after what had been a sterling career. He hit .339 as a rookie for the '80 Phillies and .307 with 68 stolen bases with the '82 Cardinals.

Smith made it back, however, and made it back all the way. He hit .315 with 21 homers for At- lanta in 1989, and was the NL's Comeback Player of the Year.

IRONICALLY, Smith is in the Braves' postseason starting line- up only because teammate Otis Nixon was suspended for the rest of the season Sept. 16 for vi-

olating baseball's drug policy. Nixon had been hitting .297, and had 72 steals.

At age 35, Smith hit .307 in his final 63 games this season. His World Series career, which in- cludes a .290 batting average and 12 extra-base hits, was further enhanced by his recent home run binge in Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium.

A week ago Friday, before he and his teammates worked out in the Metrodome the day before Game 1 of the Series, Smith qui- etly sat in a corner of the team's dressing room.

"People will always criticize my play," he said. "That stuff doesn't bother me anymore. The ones who don't like me can say what they want. The ones who do know me know I can play."

Today, Smith can add a fourth World Series championship ring to a hand as full of gold as any active player in the game.

Hawks have had Purdue's number

By Jim Ecker
Gazette sportswriter

The Purdue Boilermakers have run backwards against Iowa the last two times they've met in Big Ten football.

In 1989, the Hawkeyes sacked Purdue quarterback Eric Hunter nine times and the Boilermakers finished with minus 73 yards rushing in a 24-0 U of I victory. Those nine sacks and minus 73 yards are school records for the Hawkeye defense.

Last year, Purdue ended a long afternoon at Kinnick Stadium with minus 22 yards rushing in a 38-9 Hawkeye victory. That makes minus 95 yards rushing in their last two games.

The Boilermakers finished last in the nation last year in net

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rushing with a scant 55.6 yards per game, but Purdue has raised that figure to a healthy 188.7 under new coach Jim Colletto.

Purdue's Corey Rogers is the leading freshman running back in the Big Ten with 284 yards.

■ STREAKY SERIES — Purdue beat Iowa 20 straight times from 1961 to 1980, but the Hawkeyes have beaten the Boilermakers eight times in a row now, from 1983 to the present.

Only one bowl scout, from the John Hancock Bowl, will be at Ross-Ade Stadium today.

Iowa is favored by 11½ points. Rain is in the forecast.

■ MEDICAL REPORT — Iowa Coach Hayden Fry said tailback Mike Saunders and quarterback Matt Rodgers will be "90 to 95 percent" by kickoff today.

Saunders has been fighting torn cartilage in his rib-cage area, and Rodgers has played the last two weeks with a swollen right hand.

Marvin Lampkin, the No. 2 tailback who has a stress fracture in his leg, will not face Pur-

STARTING LINEUPS

IOWA (5-1, 2-1)			PURDUE (3-3, 2-1)		
Player (weight)	Pos.	Player (weight)	Player (weight)	Pos.	Player (weight)
Fillion (180)	SE	Brown (208)			
S. Davis (280)	LT	Janiak (293)			
Velicer (285)	LG	Caldwell (275)			
Devlin (275)	C	Dressel (290)			
Ferroni (270)	RG	Chronopoulos (295)			
Baxley (280)	RT	Schmidt (282)			
Cross (225)	TE	Green (249)			
Rodgers (210)	QB	Hunter (205)			
Hughes (202)	FL	Calloway (153)			
Montgomery (212)	FB	Connors (209)			
Saunders (200)	TB	Hill (184)			
Skilleff (186)	K	O'Leary (155)			

IOWA			PURDUE		
Player	Pos.	Player	Player	Pos.	Player
Blue (235)	DE/LB	Minter (275)			
Geater (270)	LT	Gray (252)			
Crain (240)	NG	Zgonina (284)			
Wells (275)	RT	Hardin (265)			
Smith (214)	DE/LB	Delvis (237)			
Derby (226)	LB	Schwartz (226)			
Faley (224)	LB	Beatty (241)			
James (175)	CB	Adams (183)			
Plate (195)	CB	Young (188)			
Clark (195)	FS	Johnson (208)			
Wise (215)	SS	Smith (194)			
Huisak (200)	P	Bruun (215)			

TIME, PLACE: 11:36 a.m. today, Ross-Ade Stadium, West Lafayette, Ind.
RADIO: Hawkeye Network flagship KHAK-AM 1360 and KHAK-FM 98.1 Cedar Rapids (also KDST-FM 99.3 Dyersville, KADR-AM 1400 and KCTN-FM 100.1 Elkhart, KCUJ-AM 1560 Iowa City, KMAQ-FM 95.3 Maquoketa, KNEI-AM 1140 and KNEI-FM 103.9 Waukon).
Iowa Sports Network flagship WAT-AM 600 Cedar Rapids (also KRDI-FM 101.0 Decorah, KCII-AM 1380 and KCII-FM 95.3 Washington).
Palmer Radio Network flagship WHO-AM 1040 Des Moines (also KCRG-AM 1600 Cedar Rapids, KXIC-AM 800 Iowa City).
TV ESPN.
SERIES: Purdue leads, 40-25-2.
ATTENDANCE: 35,000.

due, according to Fry.

Purdue's best defensive tackles, Frank Kmet and Kris Burns, are sidelined for the year with injuries.

■ YOUNG BOILERS — Purdue has only two seniors among its top 22 players on offense.

The Boilermakers have beaten Eastern Michigan (49-3), Northwestern (17-14) and Wisconsin (28-7), with losses to California (42-18), Notre Dame (45-20) and Minnesota (6-3).

Linebacker Jim Schwantz has 11 sacks for Purdue.

Hempstead slips past Jeff in 'pride' game

By Mike Koolbeck
Gazette sportswriter

Two prep football teams with a ton of tradition met Friday night at Kingston Stadium in a meaningless Mississippi Valley Conference game.

Though no playoff berth was on the line, something far more important in the football universe was — pride.

"That and for the seniors," said first-year Dubuque Hempstead Coach Roger Baylor, after his Mustangs slipped past Cedar Rapids Jefferson, 7-6.

Both teams have state championships in their past — Jeff in '72, Hempstead in '79. Both finished this season 4-5.

After the teams finished the first half the way they started, 0-0, Hempstead took the second-half kickoff and marched 59 yards in 11 plays. Quarterback Dave Lemm raced the final 11 yards untouched on an option keeper for the touchdown. R.J. Lang's PAT kick gave Hempstead a 7-0 lead with 8:02 remaining.

The key play of the drive was a 15-yard strike from Lemm to Ryan Kemp on fourth-and-10 from the J-Hawk 28.

Jeff was forced to punt on its next pos-

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session. On Hempstead's first play from scrimmage, Paul Wolf fumbled and J-Hawk senior Nick Haidin recovered at the Mustang 30.

An offside penalty and a pair of Dan Kluth passes gave the J-Hawks first-and-goal at the 2. Kluth, the J-Hawk senior quarterback, attempted to hand off to Scott Micek. Instead the ball popped free and into the end zone where senior tackle Matt Uhde grabbed it for a touchdown. But Tony Beranek's PAT kick to tie the game hooked left.

Jefferson mounted a drive midway through the fourth quarter that moved the ball from its 20 to the Hempstead 26. The big play was a 29-yard pass on fourth-and-1 from punter Jason Sims to wideout Zac Allison that carried to the Mustangs' 42.

But on first down from the 26, Robert Lehnner coughed up the ball and Hempstead's John Rohner recovered at the 25.

"It seemed like we did things right at the right time. We got the turnover when we needed it and ran the fake punt when

we needed it. We just didn't get the ball over the goal line," said Jefferson first-year coach Jim Dostal. "We played hard and ran out of time."

Jefferson outgained Hempstead, 212-149. The J-Hawks had four turnovers, Hempstead 2.

Hempstead senior fullback Clyde Kay rushed 18 times for 57 yards to finish the season with 1,018 yards. Kay picked up 27 yards in the final 5:48 of the game.

"That's nice," said Baylor, "but that wasn't a priority. We really do work within a team concept. I'm happy he got his 1,000 yards because that tells us everybody did their job."

The teams tore up the middle of the field in the first half. Hempstead totaled 50 yards, one first down and crossed midfield only once.

Jefferson mounted the only sustained drive of the half early in the second quarter. The J-Hawks took 15 plays, picking up all three of their first downs and 54 of 94 yards, in moving from their 10 to the Hempstead 36 where they punted on fourth-and-3.

City High pulls away late to top Prairie

Fight mars ending of Metro football contest

By Al Hall
Gazette sportswriter

Iowa City High scored twice in a span of 1:28 early in the fourth quarter to beat Cedar Rapids Prairie, 24-10, in a battle of frustrated football teams Friday night at John Wall Field.

An otherwise interesting prep finale got ugly when a fight broke out following a City High punt in the final minute.

"Prairie always plays hard," City High Coach Larry Brown said.

"UNTIL THE END, I thought it was a really good high school football game. I really hated to see that happen because I thought both teams went out and played hard."

Seeing the two teams play so hard was refreshing. It wasn't like they were playing for con-

ference championships or play-off spots. City High closed the season at 5-4 and Prairie finished 3-6.

"Sometimes when you're fighting for respect and pride, it can be more than the playoffs," Prairie's Craig Jelinek said. "That's the way we talked to the kids about it."

This was a game that turned on about three plays.

• City High scored on its first possession after a pass interference call kept the drive alive on third and 15 from the Prairie 46.

It was an unpopular call on the Prairie sideline, but led to Tim Dwight's 5-yard touchdown run.

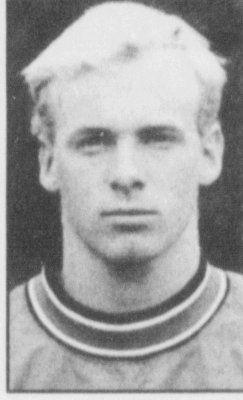
• After Prairie tied it on Matt Hatcher's 2-yard run early in the second period, the Hawks had City High in a jam. It was third and 35 on the 15 and backup quarterback Braxton Neiman was in the game because starter Chris Hamdorf was shaken up on a sack.

But Neiman hit Joey Woody with a 36-yard pass and City High marched to Brion Hurley's

Larry Brown



Tim Dwight



39-yard field goal and a 10-7 half-time lead.

"He's a senior," Brown said. "He was an all-conference defensive back last year and played quarterback as a sophomore. He's really a quality kid and he did a nice job there."

• And after Prairie had tied it, 10-10, on Bret Jones' 29-yard field goal early in the second half, City High got the lead back for good on a 75-yard drive sparked by Jason House's 41-yard run. "They're always a good trap-

ping team and they got us on that one," Jelinek said. "That kid hit the hole in a hurry."

Hamdorf eventually scored the go-ahead TD from 5 yards out.

Then, City High recovered a fumble and went in for the clinching TD, Dwight spinning in from the 13 with 9:36 left to play.

Prairie couldn't get a first down in the fourth quarter.

Dwight finished with 82 yards on 13 carries and City High outgained Prairie, 210-113.

Illini should bounce back vs. Northwestern

Associated Press

Iowa and Illinois will be on the road but should survive today's round of Big Ten Games along with Ohio State and Indiana.

Iowa (5-1, 2-1) is at Purdue (3-3, 2-1); Michigan State (1-5, 1-2) is at Ohio State (5-1, 2-1); Illinois (4-2, 2-1) is at Northwestern (1-5, 0-3) and Indiana (3-2-1, 2-1) is at Wisconsin (3-3, 0-3).

Back-to-back games against Ohio State and Iowa has taken a lot out of Illinois, said Coach John Mackovic. Although Illinois shouldn't have trouble with

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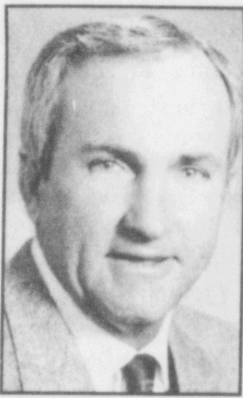
Northwestern, Mackovic would like to see improvement in his running game.

Michigan State finally won a game and that has Ohio State's John Cooper worried.

"I have a lot of concern about playing Michigan State," said Cooper. "Everybody knows what kind of a coach George (Perles) is and the talent they have. Unfortunately things happened to them early this year."

Not to be outdone, Perles said "Ohio State has more talent than

John Cooper



any team we've played in a long time. They have a wealth of material on offense and the same on defense. I have never seen so many Parade all-Americans."

Indiana could be one of the best unranked teams in the country but that doesn't keep suspended Coach Bill Mallory from fretting about playing at Wisconsin. "It's their homecoming and they'll give it their best shot," said Mallory. However, "We've gotten a lot better since our first game at Notre Dame."

The Hoosiers lost that one 49-27 and last week dropped a tough 24-16 decision at Michigan. In between they won three and tied one.

Probation tougher this time for Sooners

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Probation hurts. It's meant to.

A lot of Oklahoma fans, growing angrier by the week at Coach Gary Gibbs, seem to forget that.

But damaging a program that is judged to have gained an unfair advantage by breaking the rules is the whole idea behind probation. Sooner boosters, buoyed by their team's 4-0 record and No. 6 ranking after four games this year, probably thought it was 1973 all over again.

Oklahoma started a probation period in 1973 just as Barry Switzer was beginning his run as head coach. Not until Kansas pulled off a 23-3 upset in 1975 did Switzer lose a game — no doubt setting an unofficial record for most graceful recovery from NCAA sanctions.

But those Oklahoma teams of the mid-70s were playing in a different collegiate world from the early '90s teams Gibbs is nursing through the probation imposed at the end of the Switzer era.

The Sooners are ranked No. 21 and have a 4-2 record this week

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going into their game at home against a revitalized Kansas. Most distasteful to Oklahoma followers, Gibbs is 0-6 against Texas and Colorado and dragging a two-game losing streak.

Oklahoma (4-2, 1-1) was a 15-point favorite over the Jayhawks (4-2, 1-1), who are coming off a 41-0 shutout of Iowa State and hold the statistical edge in almost every offensive and defensive category.

In other Big Eight games Saturday, No. 9 Nebraska (5-1, 2-0), sobered by the near-loss to Kansas State, is a 21-point favorite at home against an up-and-down Missouri (3-2-1, 1-1). Oklahoma State (0-7, 0-2) is an 8-point underdog at Iowa State (2-4, 0-2).

One of the more interesting matchups could be No. 16 Colorado (4-2, 2-0) at Kansas State (4-2, 1-1). The Buffs are certain to be reminded all week by their coaches that Kansas State almost beat Nebraska and is as dangerous an opponent as they'll see all year. But will the players listen?

Bowden laughs off huge point spreads

Associated Press

Top-ranked Florida State is favored by 29½ points over Louisiana State on Saturday at Baton Rouge, La.

Seminoles coach Bobby Bowden likes to keep his arithmetic a little simpler than that.

"The score's nothing-nothing when the game starts," he said. Bowden just laughs when the big point spread is mentioned.

"I don't know where in the world they get that," he said. "I wish they wouldn't do that. That's what happens when you get ranked No. 1. Everybody picks you high. We were picked by 60 last week."

Florida State (7-0) beat Middle Tennessee 39-10 last Saturday.

Saturday's other big games have No. 2 Miami (6-0) at Arizona; Oregon at No. 3 Washington (6-0); Southern California at No. 5 Notre Dame (6-1); West Virginia at No. 8 Penn State (6-2); Missouri at No. 9 Nebraska (5-1); San Jose State at No. 10 California (5-1); No. 11 Iowa (5-1) at Purdue, and No. 12 North Carolina State (6-0) at No. 19 Clemson (3-1-1).

Also: Houston at No. 13 Texas A&M (4-1); Michigan State at No. 14 Ohio State (5-1); No. 16 Colorado (4-2) at Kansas State; No. 17 Illinois (4-2) at Northwestern; No. 18 Syracuse (5-2) at Rutgers; Kansas at No. 21 Oklahoma (4-2); Texas Christian at No. 22 Baylor (5-2); No. 23 Pittsburgh (5-2) at No. 20 East Carolina (5-1); and Kentucky at No. 24 Georgia (5-2).

This probably is Florida State's last visit to Tiger Stadium. The Seminoles are joining the Atlantic Coast Conference next season and had to drop a non-conference game.

AP TOP 25

LSU coach Curley Hallman said it's impossible to prepare for Florida State in only one week, because of its talent and its scheme.

Seminoles quarterback Casey Weldon has completed 119 of 191 passes for 1,723 yards and 17 touchdowns, and Amp Lee has 101 carries for 622 yards. The defensive leaders are inside linebacker Kirk Carruthers and cornerback Terrell Buckley.

"I've always said that if you have just one dominating player on offense and one on defense, and the rest are just good old hard-nosed players, you've got a winning team," Hallman said. "Florida State has that kind of player sprinkled all over."

MIAMI MAKES its first trip into Tucson, Ariz., to play the Wildcats, who were off last week and were trying to get some players healthy after consecutive losses of 54-0 to Washington and 54-14 to UCLA.

Still, Arizona coach Dick Tomey declines to use injuries as an excuse.

"If we use that as an excuse for not doing well, then next week it becomes an advanced excuse for not doing well," Tomey said. "This is the hand we've been dealt. We've got to play it, whatever happens."

Miami coach Dennis Erickson was 1-1 against Arizona while coaching at Washington State.

The Hurricanes will be without starting running back Stephen McGuire, who is out for two to four weeks with a knee injury.



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AREA SLATE

Today
METRO PREPS
 Girls' swimming: Mississippi Valley Conference Meet at Jefferson, 2 p.m.

AREA COLLEGES
 Football: Iowa at Purdue, 1:30 a.m.; Oklahoma State at Iowa State, 1 p.m.; Northern Iowa at Western Kentucky, 1 p.m.; Knox at Coe, 1:30 p.m.; Cornell at Illinois College; Grinnell at Monmouth; Luther at Buena Vista; Upper Iowa at William Penn.

Volleyball: Iowa at Indiana; Indiana State at Northern Iowa, 7 p.m.; Loras, Carroll at Cornell, 10 a.m.; Illinois College, William Penn at Coe, 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Women's swimming: Iowa at Nebraska.
 Meet's women's cross country: Mount Mercy in Midwest Classic Conference Championships at Davenport; Luther, Cornell, Grinnell, Coe at Warburg Invitational.

Men's soccer: Midwest Conference playoffs: St. Olaf at Luther, 2 p.m.
 Women's soccer: Midwest Conference playoffs: St. Olaf at Luther, noon; Cornell at Loras.

Men's tennis: Iowa State at ITCA at Wichita, Kan.
 Women's tennis: Northern Iowa at Western Illinois doubles tournament.

OTHERS
 Dog racing: At Waterloo Greyhound Park, 1 & 7:30 p.m.; At Dubuque Greyhound Park, 1 & 7:30 p.m.

TV SLATE



Today
College Football — Iowa at Purdue, (Live) 11:30 a.m. on ESPN.
College Football — Kentucky at Georgia, (Live) 11:30 a.m. on TBS.
College Football — USC at Notre Dame, (Live) 12:30 p.m. on NBC.
College Football — Michigan State at Ohio State, (Live) 2:30 p.m. on ABC.
Auto Racing — NASCAR, Busch Spring 200, (Live) 2:30 p.m. on NSH.
College Football — West Virginia at Penn State, (Live) 3 p.m. on ESPN.
Olympic Winterfest — (Tape) 3:30 p.m. on CBS.
Saturday Sports Showcase — (Tape) 4 p.m. on NBC.

College Football — Florida State at Louisiana State, (Live) 6:30 p.m. on ESPN.
Baseball — World Series, Game 6: Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins, (Live) 7:15 p.m. on CBS.
U.S. Olympic Gold — Boxing: United States vs. Soviet Union, (Tape) 9:20 p.m. on TBS.
Gymnastics — Brother Cup Rhythmic Championship, (Tape) 2 a.m. on ESPN.

Sunday
Running — Chicago Marathon, (Live) 8 a.m. on WGN.
Shooting — 1991 Bianchi Cup, (Tape) 11 a.m. on NSH.
NFL Football — Chicago Bears at New Orleans Saints, (Live) Noon on KGAN.
NFL Football — Cincinnati Bengals at Houston Oilers, (Live) Noon on ABC.
American Sports Cavalcade — 2:05 p.m. on NSH.
Golf — Merrill Lynch Shoot-Out Championship, (Tape) 3 p.m. on ABC.
NFL Football — Regional games: Denver Broncos at New England Patriots, (Live) 3 p.m. on KWWL.
Horse Racing — Remington Park Futurity, (Live) 3:30 p.m. on ESPN.
American Sports Cavalcade — (Tape) 6 p.m. on NSH.
NFL Football — Washington Redskins at New York Giants, (Live) 6:30 p.m. on ESPN.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL
Saturday's Matches
 CLASS 1A SECTIONALS
 (All at 7 p.m.)
REGION 7 FINALS
 At DeWitt
 North Linn vs. Maquoketa Valley

At Stanwood
 Midland vs. Lincoln
At West Liberty
 Solon vs. Clear Creek-Amana

COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Friday's Results
IOWA COLLEGES
 Colorado def. Iowa State, 15-14, 15-4, 15-13.
 Illinois College def. Cornell, 13-15, 15-11, 15-13, 15-17, 15-13.
 Northern Iowa def. Illinois State, 15-12, 15-8, 13-15, 9-15, 15-14.
 Ohio State def. Iowa, 15-4, 15-13, 15-13.

BOWLING
Highlights
 By Dick Pemevner
 The men tied for series honors with 666. David Packingham #1 was rolling with the Boozin Buddies at May City Bowl and Joe Staub (191) got his with the Thursday Lites Scratch at Lancer lanes. Dave Packingham #1 was shooting in the same league as Packingham and took high game with 267. Barb Aarhus (165) was share with the Hedge Podge at May City Bowl and gained honors with 215-58. Mary Nelson (147) was not with the Merry Mix at Westdale Bowling Center and grabbed high game with 231.

Leagues
LANCER LANES
 Thur Nite Scratch: Joe Staub 262-666, Tim Runyan 262, Jay Tedrow 215-545, Lancer Lassies: Mary Barker 214-549, Thur Ramco: Sheila Moffett 215, Sheryl Irish 571, Early Birds: Sandy McKivker 201-510, 4 O'Clock Thur Meet: John Inge 630, Rob Newell 236.

MAY CITY BOWL
 Hedge Podge: Barb Aarhus 215-58, Boozin Buddies: Dave Packingham 267, Dave Packingham #1 666, Keglers: Carl Benson 215-54, Allen #1: Mary Fritz 232, Gene Balcom 411.

TOWN & COUNTRY BOWL
 Collins Couples: Dick Miller 210, Tim Hamilton 623, Marg Brown 183-498, Old Times: Les Walby 197-514, Kay Pavik 214-517.

WESTDALE BOWLING CENTER
 Merry Mix: Mary Nelson 234-567, Westdale Boosters: Steve Siltons 237, Dick Cornelis 600, Wild Card: Dave Braunman 226-602, Ladies Allied Inc: Patty Swain 216, Janet Hadies 539, Westdale 18, Jani Davis 243, Dan Geissom 581, 2 Plus 2: Mary Miles 194, Desire Siemsen 448, Dennis Ginn 234, John Cooley 588.

CASTLE LANES
 North Lites: Denny Hedstrom 254, Terry O'Connell 603, Anything Goes: Roger Wheeler 248-444, Jeanne Harrold 181-511.

C.R. BOWLING CENTER
 TMBE: Tom Nickles 206, Raydell Reid 379, Morning Editions: Anne Jenkins 225-574, Thur Latecomers: Joyce Davis 178, Sue Muller 466, Randy Tollerton 225, Todd Mitchell 588, Bow! Mike Alford 248, Pegl Seitz 626, Elmcrest Ladies: Peggy Fashimauer 189, Mary Pumbo 364, Final & Larry Young 236, Roger Burbridge 613, Sue Clark 199-523, Better Half: Kathy Kratz 221, Pat McDaniel 565.

JUBILEE LANES
 LeFlore: Ken Starks 227, Manly LeCere 583, Sue Kelly 188-547, Ward Jones 188, Parker City Thurs: Clea Sharp 244-583, Hawkeye Classic: Bob Anderson 236, Kevin Williamson 650, Little Six Gazette: Harry Roberts 225-591, Collins Thur Nooners: Ron Jahnke 184, Bill Schult 360 (2 games), CRCC: Shirley Hill 197-514.

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