

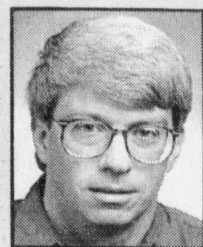
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Who, oh who, can get a win?

Duty calls, so this typist will be in Champaign for today's Iowa-Illinois football game.

Dra! This would have been an ideal day to traipse from garage sale to garage sale. Winter is soon upon us, and I understand you can find official City of Cedar Rapids snow shovels at discount rates all over town. They're practically walking out the door. In fact, they already have.

Ah, there's nothing like a good political scandal to take our minds off the mundane, namely Division I-A football in Iowa this fall. Had someone told you two months ago that Iowa and Iowa State would be two-touchdown underdogs to Illinois and Kansas State, respectively, your response might have been the following:

"Balderdash!"

Or something along those lines.

The last time either Iowa or Iowa State won was five weeks ago, when the Hawkeyes beat, ahem, the Cyclones. The last time Iowa or Iowa State won when they weren't playing each other was Sept. 3 when the Hawks disposed of, ahem, Central Michigan.

The last time Iowa State won? That was so long ago that there were no strikes or lockouts in professional sports, almost no one had ever heard the phrase "Life is like a box of chocolates," and O.J. Simpson was known only as a tongue-tied ex-jock sportscaster.

This may sound like heresy to many of you Hawks, but if either of our state's alleged "Big Two" is to win today, I give Iowa State the better chance.

Kansas is the second-best team in its own state, which used to be a cut-and-dried condemnation. Now it only means the Jayhawks aren't as good as Kansas State. A great many teams in the nation aren't, including, obviously, Iowa State.

If ever there were a time for the Cyclones to make a three-hour stand, today might be it. They've had two weeks since their last game to lick their wounds. Maybe they'll summon something from deep down to stop the bleeding, if only for an afternoon.

And yet, Kansas is a team that has beaten the likes of Michigan State. ISU can clinch another losing season today, and probably will.

ALL IOWA HAS to do today is score some points against the Big Ten's best defense, and do so on the road with a quarterback, Mike Duprey, who is making his first collegiate start. And that's just for openers.

The Hawkeyes must also fend off a quarterback, Johnny Johnson, who is adept at both passing and running. They had enough trouble last week just stopping Indiana QB John Paci, who was proficient only at running.

On top of that, Iowa's specialty teams have looked like strangers to the arts of placekicking, punting, and returning kicks. That's with the exception of a gentleman from Davenport named Tavian Banks, who made up for some unremarkable returns last Saturday with a 60-yard sprint after fielding an Indiana kickoff.

By no means is Banks a potential savior to what has become a dreary Hawkeye season, but at this point the best Hawk followers might have to hope for a few cheap thrills and some reason to believe things are going to eventually get better in Hayden Fry's camp.

Illinois has been Team Schizo with a home loss to Purdue followed by a 24-10 win at its favorite road stop, Ohio State. However, this is the time of year in college football when things start to shake down. If you're a bowl team and/or a conference title contender, you show it. If you're merely marking time, you show that, too.

If Iowa is going to do more than mark time the rest of this season, it needs to prove it today. That doesn't mean it has to win, but it has to compete. It has to stand up to the Fighting Illini for four quarters without flinching.

Illinois is playing for something today and this year. Are the Hawkeyes?

Duprey comes full circle

Iowa QB returns to top of depth chart

By Jim Ecker
Gazette sportswriter

Mike Duprey could have quit the University of Iowa football team in a huff this summer and few people would have blamed him.

He could have gotten angry and

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packed his bags after falling from No. 1 on the depth chart at quarterback all the way to fourth-string.

It was especially bad because two younger guys, Ryan Driscoll and Matt

Sherman, had climbed ahead of him. The future looked dim, but Duprey never thought about quitting.

"I decided I was going to go home during the summer, work out and

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come back with a positive mental attitude and try my best to give it my all during two-a-days," he said. "I didn't have anything to lose."

He made the right decision.

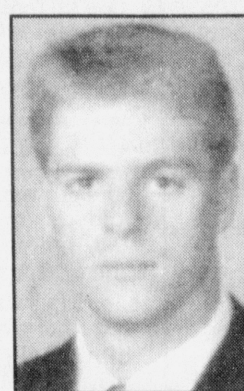
Duprey, a 6-4, 215-pound junior from Massachusetts, will make his first start at quarterback for the Hawkeyes today in their Big Ten game at Illinois (1:05 p.m., no TV).

With Driscoll and Sherman injured, Duprey has vaulted to the top just in

time to face the toughest defense in the Big Ten and one of the toughest in the country.

The Illini (3-2, 1-1) are allowing 216.2 yards and 10.4 points per game. They rank second in the country in total defense, fourth in scoring defense, 12th in rushing defense and 17th in pass defense.

Bring 'em on, Duprey said.



Mike Duprey
First start

"I look at it as a great challenge this weekend," he said. "You're going against one of the top defenses in the nation."

"If you can perform well in those types of circumstances for your first game, from there on out it can't get much tougher than that."

Although Duprey was No. 4 on the depth chart when the season began, it should have been No. 4 with an asterisk. He was No. 1 heading into spring drills before hurting his right shoulder, and it's taken until now to regain his spot.

Duprey knows he's on the hot seat. The Illini boast several of the

■ Turn to 5C: **Hawks**

Warriors trounce Cougars

Burrell enjoys career night in 42-0 drubbing

By Jeff Dahn
Gazette sportswriter

Tim Williams said he and his Cedar Rapids Washington teammates came out with "a lot of fire" against Cedar Rapids Kennedy Friday night.

The same fire that ignited the Warriors scorched the Cougars.

Class 4A 10th-ranked Washington put on one of the most dominating performances Kingston Stadium has seen this season in a 42-0 Mississippi Valley Conference rout of Kennedy in front of about 4,000 fans.

The Warriors improved to 5-2 and remain in the thick of

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the 4A playoff picture. Kennedy saw its playoff hopes dashed as it dipped to 3-4.

Washington's Aaron Burrell had the best game of his three-year varsity career, carrying 20 times for 248 yards, scoring four touchdowns, and catching three passes for another 45 yards.

Burrell, who rushed for only 282 yards in the Warriors' first six games, led a 384-yard Washington rushing attack, keying an offensive explosion that accumulated 510 total yards.

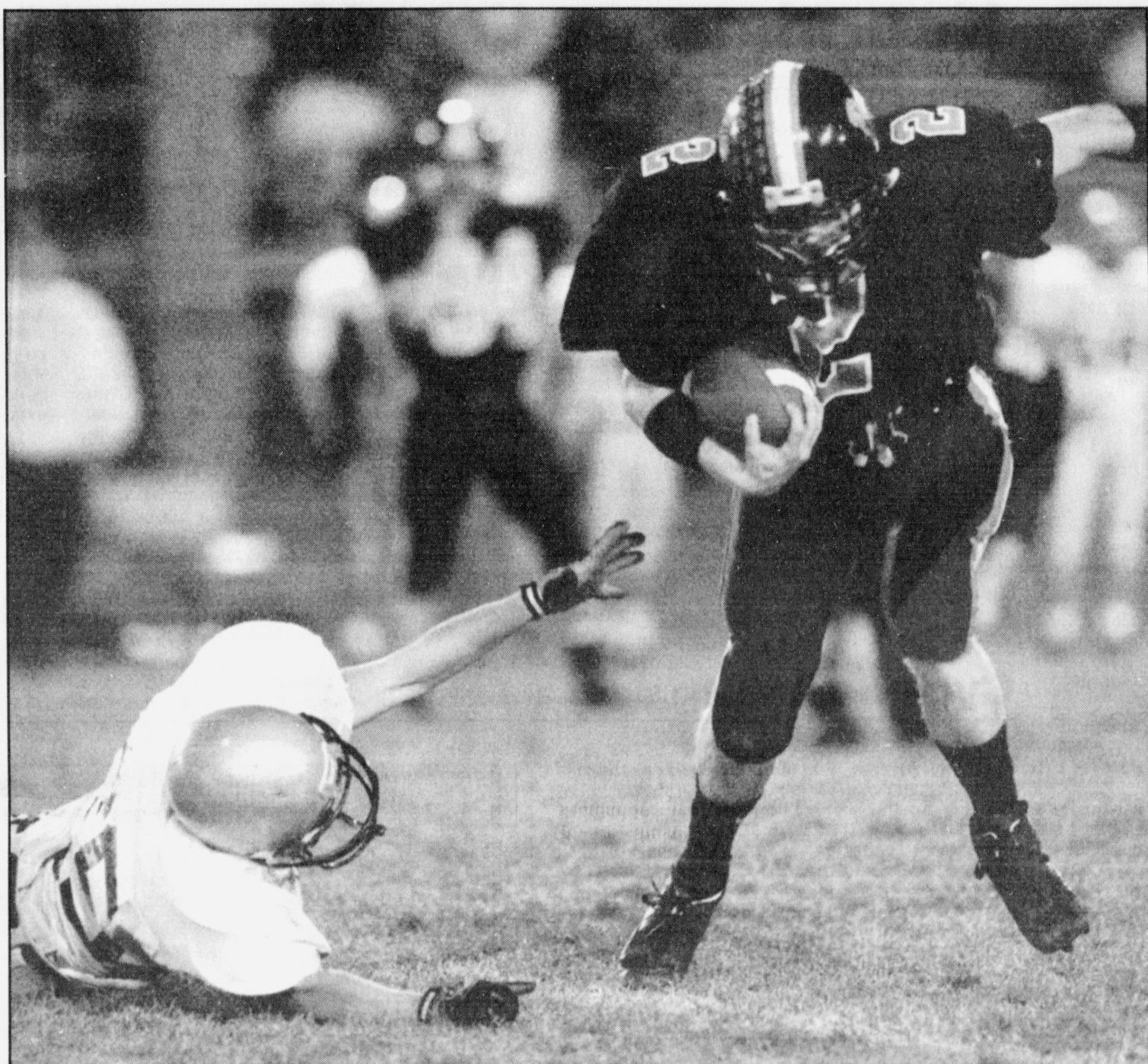
While the Warriors' offense was running wild, their defense kept busy limiting the Cougars to just 99 total yards.

"That's the best overall game we've put together this year," Washington Coach Wally Sheets said. "I'm proud of the way they came back after getting knocked pretty good last week by City High."

Top-ranked Iowa City High beat Washington a week ago, 36-7.

Burrell's touchdown carries covered 5, 74, 13 and 61 yards.

■ Turn to 3C: **Wash**



Gazette photo by Todd McInturf

Cedar Rapids Prairie running back Brock Boettcher (right) sweeps around the end for a first down Friday in front of Cedar Rapids Jefferson defender Travis Ptacek during their Mississippi Valley Conference game at Prairie. Prairie won, 35-0.

Fielder runs wild over Jeff

By Jeff Johnson
Gazette sportswriter

His height is subject for debate, but there's one thing most everybody will agree on about Blayne Fielder.

He's a tough little son-of-a-gun when he's carrying a football.

The diminutive senior running back dodged and darted his way for 138 yards

and a touchdown Friday night to help lead Cedar Rapids Prairie to a 35-0 shellacking of Cedar Rapids Jefferson at John Wall Field.

The win snaps Prairie's two-game losing streak and catapults it into a four-way tie for first place in the Valley Division of the Mississippi Valley Conference with a 4-3 record.

Jefferson is 0-7.

"This was a real big win for us. Our seniors have never been beaten by Jefferson," said Fielder, who is listed in the Prairie program as 5-foot-8 but who is closer to 5-6 according to his coach.

"Most of it was the offensive line

Turn to 3C: **Prairie**

Cyclones brace for Kansas' powerful rushing

Jayhawks love to run, and Cyclones struggle against it

By Mike Koolbeck
Gazette sportswriter

The goal of Iowa State's football team for today's game against Kansas was summed up in four words by Cyclone Coach Jim Walden:

"Don't get run over."

That may be easier said than done

for Walden's winless Cyclones, whose porous defense is matched against one of the best rushing attacks in the nation in today's homecoming game at Ames. Kickoff is 1 p.m. at Cyclone Stadium.

"It's a big challenge," Iowa State sophomore linebacker Tim Sanders said.

Big does not quite capture the magnitude of the challenge facing Iowa State (0-5 overall, 0-1 Big Eight). The Cyclone rushing defense ranks 106th of 107 NCAA Division I-A teams, allowing

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270.4 yards per game. Kansas (3-2, 0-1) is averaging 272.6 rushing yards per game, which ranks ninth nationally, despite rushing for just 70 yards in a loss to Kansas State in its last outing.

Further, Iowa State's run-oriented option attack faces a Kansas defense that is allowing only 83 yards rushing per game.

Yet, somehow, Iowa State is only a 14-point underdog.

Walden said the return of offensive linemen Doug Ragaller and, possibly, Mark Konopka, and quarterback Todd Doxzon could be the tonic for Iowa State's struggling offense. All three have been idled by injuries and in their absence the Cyclone offense has sputtered, managing only 264 yards and 13.2 points per game.

"I don't think Kansas is the key, I think our own players being out there will be the key," Walden said. "You

■ Turn to 2C: **Cyclones**

Spartans stay the course

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Tom Izzo signed a five-year, \$108,000 annual contract Friday to take over as Michigan State basketball coach when Jud Heathcote retires in the spring.

Izzo was named to succeed Heathcote on April 9, 1993, but won't assume his new duties until July 1, 1995, the university said Friday.

"We are pleased to have this assurance of continuity in the Spartan basketball program," university President Peter McPherson said. "The agreement signals more than continuity, it signals a significant mutual commitment."

The Iron Mountain native will be the Spartan's 16th head basketball coach.

TODAY'S TIPOFF

TELEVISION

■ College football — Ohio State at Michigan State, 11 a.m. ABC; Brigham Young at Notre Dame, 12:30 p.m. NBC; Penn State at Michigan, 2:30 p.m. ABC; Alabama at Tennessee, 5:30 p.m. ESPN; Oklahoma at Colorado, 8:30 p.m. ESPN

■ Horse racing — Goodwood Handicap/Ancient Title, 4 p.m. ESPN

Complete listing in Fine Print

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You could be six inches from him and not touch him. He's the quickest person I've seen in my life."

— San Francisco 49ers defensive back Merton Hanks on Detroit Lions running back Barry Sanders.

EVENTS IN THE AREA

■ Volleyball — Washington, Jefferson, Prairie, Linn-Mar, Kennedy, Regis at Mississippi Valley Conference Championships at Waterloo West; Marion, LaSalle at Wamac Conference Championships at Waterloo Columbus.

■ Girls' swimming — Kennedy, Jefferson, Washington, Linn-Mar, Prairie at Mississippi Valley Conference Championships at Iowa City.

■ Football — Iowa at Illinois, 1 p.m.; Kansas at Iowa State, 1 p.m.; Simpson at Luther, 1:30 p.m.; Upper Iowa at Dubuque.

Complete listing in Fine Print

TRIVIA QUESTION

■ When was the last time the Iowa football team was shut out at Illinois?

Answer in Fine Print

Holyfield scoffs at tests

ATLANTA (AP) — Former heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield says a diagnosis of sarcoidosis, a disease that often attacks the lungs and heart, will not interfere with his plans to make a comeback.

Holyfield said Thursday he plans to fight either in November or December in Atlanta before attempting another shot at a title bout.

He said he underwent tests this week under the supervision of his internist, Dr. Christopher Vaughns, who diagnosed the sarcoidosis.

"They said I passed all my tests and I could get back in there without a health problem," Holyfield said. "I'm cleared to fight and I'm applying for a license."

Massimino leaves UNLV for \$1.75 million

Ex-coach angrily defends himself, terms of deal

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

LAS VEGAS — At first speaking in a slow cadence, and then raising his voice and gesturing with his hands, Rolie Massimino on Friday night announced his resignation as basketball coach at UNLV.

Massimino will walk away with a settlement of \$1.75 million, to be paid in monthly installments over the next five

years.

At a crowded press conference Massimino defended his controversial contract, saying in a loud voice — nearly a shout — that the supplemental contract he had agreed to “over a dish of macaroni” was not illegal.

“May I mention that whatever I went through, that you’ve got to understand, it’s something very special, collegiate athletics and education,” Massimino said, raising his voice. “I went through a lot. ... Now it is time to move on. Let’s be happy and be excited and support the new coach, whoever he is.”

Massimino also said: “I thought I

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learned an awful lot in my life, until I went through this.”

UNLV Athletic Director Jim Weaver said there would be no basketball practice today, the first day it is allowed under NCAA rules. Weaver said there might not be practice until next Wednesday or Thursday.

He said Massimino’s buyout will be funded by the university.

“The money will be coming from our athletic department budget. We will not be using any outside funds in order to

take care of the obligations with respect to this agreement,” Weaver said. “We think we have a shortfall of \$150,000 to \$180,000. We are very hopeful that money will be made up with new ticket sales.”

Massimino will keep all the money UNLV is to pay him even if he gets another job, Weaver said.

Massimino’s replacement is expected to be Tim Grgrich, a former Jerry Tarkanian assistant, now an assistant coach with the Seattle SuperSonics.

Guinn said that he had not talked with Grgrich yet, but sources had said that informal talks had been held

through intermediaries and that Grgrich did have an offer to consider.

Earlier in the week, a close friend said Grgrich was “very excited” about the possibility of returning to UNLV. Grgrich never moved his family out of town when he went to Seattle and has a clause in his SuperSonics contract that allows him to leave for any college job.

The mechanism for Massimino’s removal was the discovery of a secret supplemental contract he had signed with former UNLV president Robert Maxson, a contract that had never gone before the school’s Board of Regents for approval.

Prairie: Enjoys breather

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doing a great job. Adam Jelinek, at fullback, did a hell of a job, too. The blocking up front was just great tonight. We basically wanted to take it right at them.”

With standout receiver Justin Ward missing much of the game due to a bruised thigh, Prairie turned to its backfield — Fielder, Jelinek and wingback Brock Boettcher — to supply most of its offense. The Hawks ran the ball 46 times for 242 yards.

Fielder rushed 26 times, Boettcher five times for 50 yards and a touchdown, and Jelinek eight times for 20 yards and another score. Quarterback Grant Evers added 32 yards and a touchdown.

“Jefferson knew we had to run, and we were still able to go ahead and run the ball,” Prairie Coach Craig Jelinek said. “That says quite a bit about the kids. Our offensive line did a great job at the point of attack, and Blayne Fielder, what can you say? Blayne does a great job after he’s hit. You’ve never seen a kid, 5-6 or 5-7, that never falls backward like he does.”

“Blayne’s a super kid. He’s all heart.”

PRAIRIE WAS also stellar on the defensive side of the ball, holding Jefferson to 38 yards total offense. The J-Hawks, playing without leading rusher Corey Young, ran just 21 plays to Prairie’s 50.

“I thought our defense played outstanding,” Jelinek said. “I thought we had a great pass rush, and I thought we shut the inside down. We played a couple of new people tonight, Bret Hess and Travis Thompson at linebacker, and they did a great job.”

Thompson picked off a pass in the third quarter that led to a touchdown.

“We made some mistakes,” Jefferson Coach Jim Dostal said. “We’re a little thin right now, having been beaten up a bit through the season. I thought we looked good in the first half, but the second half we didn’t play as well as we would have liked.”

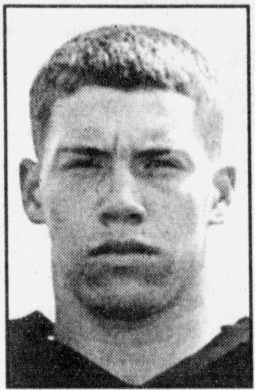
“The kids are still working hard. The biggest thing is sometimes they don’t believe in themselves. We have more belief in them than they do. It’s not easy for them, and it’s not easy for the coaching staff, either.”

EVERS SCORED on a 3-yard sneak and Boettcher on a 14-yard gallop to give Prairie a 15-0 halftime lead.

The Hawks drove 49 yards to paydirt on their opening possession of the second half with Fielder capping an eight-play, ground-oriented series with a 16-yard sweep for score.

Jelinek added a 1-yard TD plunge in the third quarter for a 29-0 lead, and Evers found end Kyle Young for a 9-yard score early in the fourth for the final margin.

“This will build us up for the next two games, and hopefully we’ll get those and head on to the playoffs,” Fielder said. “We’ve got a real big game (against division co-leader Dubuque Senior) next week.”



Blayne Fielder
138 rushing yards

Kalkwarf pulls Marion through, 32-15

Mike Kalkwarf ran for three touchdowns Friday night as Marion rolled to a 32-15 Class 3A District 5 prep football victory at Maquoketa.

Kalkwarf scored on runs of 4, 74 and 36 yards as the Indians picked up their first district win of the season.

Marion improved to 1-4, 2-5 overall. The Cardinals fell to 3-2, 3-4.

■ CITY HIGH 56, DUBUQUE HEMPSTEAD 19 — Dubuque Hempstead shots itself in the foot with five turnovers as the top-ranked Little Hawks survived four of their own to roll to a Mississippi Valley Conference win at Iowa City.

The Mustangs got off to a rocky start, fumbling on their own 10-yard line on the opening possession. On the next play, Ron Thein ran it in for the first of his five touchdowns.

Thein also ran a fumble 35 yards for a touchdown and teammate Mike Richards ran an interception back 34 yards for a score.

Sixth-ranked Mount Vernon held Durant-Bennett to 10 yards rushing and 66 yards of total offense as the Mustangs rolled to 54-6 homecoming victory Friday night.

Quarterback Luke McDermott ran for a touchdown and threw for three more as Mount Vernon improved to 6-1 overall and 4-1 in Class 2A, District 6.

McDermott ran five times for 55 yards and hit all nine of his passes for 153 yards. Three of those

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tosses were touchdown strikes to Ryan Wieseler, who finished with seven receptions for 144 yards.

Matt Meyer led the Mustangs in rushing with 125 yards on eight carries and returned an interception 43 yards. Tim Overman also intercepted a pass for the Mustangs.

■ CLARENCE-LOWDEN/LINCOLN 38, CENTRAL CITY-SPRINGVILLE 30 (OT) — Kyle Koth hit Nick Beck with a 10-yard pass, then

Wash: Williams gets 97 yards

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Many of his runs were things of beauty as he zigged, zagged and broke tackles en route to finding the open field.

“After the City High game, we thought maybe we could run the ball better than we had been,” Burrell said.

“We felt like we had something to prove to the coaches ... and we came out and did the job.”

Burrell wasn’t the only Warrior finding huge holes. Williams powered for 97 yards on 16 carries behind the offensive line of Matt Seiter, Kevin Kloss, Rob Mellett, Jon Berns and Jason Butler.

It was line play that made the difference.

“We were really coming off hard on both sides of the ball,” said Berns, a 6-4, 270-pound senior. “We just owned them up front.”

The two teams battled through a scoreless first quarter before Washington struck for a pair of touchdowns in a 43-second span in the second quarter.

The first came on a 5-yard run by Burrell — capping a 16-play, 86-yard drive — and the second on a 34-yard pass interception return by Mar-sielle Clark.

David Larsen booted PATs after each of those TDs, the first of six he kicked during the game.

The Warriors took that 14-0 lead into the locker room at halftime,

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Thein finished with 106 yards on 15 carries as the Little Hawks improved to 7-0 and the Mustangs fell to 2-5.

■ IOWA CITY WEST 41, DUBUQUE SENIOR 21 — Sophomore Carlos Honore rushed for more than 280 yards for the second straight week as the Trojans rolled at Dalzell Field.

Honore scored on runs on 1, 8 and 33 yards while totaling 289 yards on 20 carries. He had 286 last week in a 28-21 win over Cedar Rapids Prairie.

West quarterback Ryan Hansen also had an outstanding night — all in the first half. He completed 6 of 10 passes for 110 yards and two touchdowns. Hansen hit Daren Dickel from 32 yards out and Dave Lane from 16.

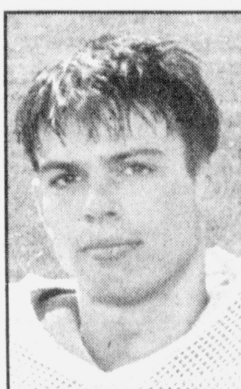
He also added a 13-yard run.

connected with Brian Dally for the two-point conversion as the Rebels upended the Catbirds in overtime at Springville.

Central City-Springville opened up a 12-point lead on touchdown runs by Kasey Kadolph and Darrin Silver, but the Rebels scored three touchdowns in the second quarter to lead 22-12 at the half.

The last of those touchdowns came when the Catbirds’ field goal attempt was blocked with no time remaining and Kyle Meyer ran 80 yards for the touchdown.

The Catbirds had a chance to win with 50 seconds left after Kadolph hit Shane Power with a 9-yard pass to tie the game. But Greg Pflughaupt



Luke McDermott
3 TD passes

was stuffed on the two-point conversion and the game went to overtime.

Pflughaupt finished with 107 yards on 24 carries.

■ EAST CENTRAL 27, LISBON 21 — Troy House’s 1-yard touchdown run with 3:09 remaining in the game powered East Central at Lisbon in Class A-7.

Eric Phillips was in on all three Lisbon TDs, first passing 14 yards to Brad Carlson, then running 8 and 1 yards.

■ SOLON 60, HIGHLAND-LONE TREE 6 — The top-ranked Spartans rolled in a Class 2A, District 6 matchup at Lone Tree, improving to 7-0, 5-0.

Solon got two touchdowns each from running backs Jason Owen and Ryan Schneider, who rushed for 85 and 73 yards, respectively.

The game ended with 8:56 left in the fourth quarter, sending winless Highland-Lone Tree to 0-7.

Mount Mercy opens year at No. 2

TULSA, Okla. — With all five starters returning from a national semifinal team last year, Mount Mercy received the No. 2 ranking Friday in the preseason NAIA Division II women’s basketball poll.

The Mustangs, ranked second at the end of last season, are rated behind only Northern State (S.D.) in the Top 25. The rest of the top five is Concordia (Wis.), Panhandle State (Okla.) and Findlay (Ohio), respectively.

Northern State has won two of the last three national titles and will move to NCAA Division II in 1995-96. Northern State has four starters returning from a 32-1 team.

Mount Mercy finished 31-4 last season, losing to Western Oregon in the NAIA national tournament

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semifinals, 82-74. Nine players with starting experience return for Coach Dave Slifer’s team.

“We have six seniors who have encountered three national tournaments, two National Catholic basketball championship games and whose goal is to win the NAIA Division II national tournament,” Slifer said. “There are a million things that could happen to us. But at full strength, we have the ability to compete at the highest level.”

Slifer, whose Mount Mercy record is 147-24, has scheduled several games against NCAA Division II and NAIA Division I teams.

Estes’ target 1 short Bolt’s record

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Bob Estes hit his target and in doing so, almost established a PGA record Friday in the second round of the \$1 million Texas Open.

“I set a target score of 65 and

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birdied the last two holes to make it,” Estes said after his 6-under-par jaunt over the tight, tree-lined Oak Hills Country Club course established a three-shot lead.

Estes, who was up at 1:30 a.m. ironing shirts in his hotel room,

said he set the target to combat a possible letdown after a spectacular opening round of 62.

“I’ve done it. Everybody’s done it. You shoot a really good score, then come back with something around par,” he said.

“I didn’t want to do that. It’s too early to start backing off,” Estes said after completing 36 holes in 127, 15-under-par and a single stroke off the PGA Tour’s record by Tommy Bolt in the 1954 Virginia Beach Open.

“If I’d known that, maybe I would have set my target a little lower,” Estes said.

As it was, he left Bob Tway a

distant second at 67-130 with an unfavorable forecast looming for the weekend. The remnants of Hurricane Rosa is expected to produce possibly heavy rain and thunderstorms today and Sunday.

West Branch native Dave Rummells shot his second straight 67 for a 134 total.

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Chamberlain rolls 809 series

Dennis Chamberlain rolled games of 245, 289 and 266 Friday for an 809 series at Castle Lanes.

Chamberlain, a member of the

Lancer 10 League, has been bowling 10 years and entered Friday with a 193 average. His previous high series was an 801.

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