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Hard to fly when too high

OWA CITY — Athletes walk fine lines when approaching important

You have to compete with emotion. Come out too cool, you'll get your head handed to you. But the more pumped up you are, the quicker you can deflate.

Iowa's football team says it was too excited for last year's game against Ohio State in Iowa City. A week after departing Penn State with a 21-20 upset win, the Hawkeyes hosted the No. 2ranked Buckeyes. A win would have given Iowa a 4-0 Big Ten record.

Ohio State triumphed, 38-26. The Buckeyes built their 31-6 halftime lead on a recovery of a blocked punt in the end zone, two touchdown passes set up by interceptions and a kickoff the Hawks never saw, let alone recovered.

Iowa fought back gallantly in the second half, but was doomed by its early self-destruction against a very talented, very opportunistic team.

"Making mistakes because we wanted it so badly," was how Iowa Coach Hayden Fry remembered it this week.

How could the Hawks not have wanted it so badly? How can they not want Saturday's game at Ohio State so badly?

"I have to be real careful and my coaches have to be careful, and my players have to understand that we have a legitimate shot of winning the game this year if we step it up to another level," Fry said. "How do you step it up without becoming emotional and all that? It's a difficult thing. I don't have the answer.'

But maybe he does. Maybe the answer is "Men, remember the way we went out half-cocked last year against Ohio State? Well, don't do that again. Just play ball and have fun, you silly geese."

Not being dopes, Iowa's players surely learned from the OSU loss of 1996.

"We're a pretty veteran team," Iowa's Tim Dwight said. "I think we understand what we have to do. We understand the best we play and when we play well is when we just go out there and not worry about who we're playing, and play the game as best we can.

"You've got to understand if you get too hyped up and things don't go well, then you falter. Like last year, we were way too high for the game. Then things didn't go our way in the first half and we just kind of fell apart. We know what it feels like to get too high.'

Iowa almost surely won't rumble into Ohio Stadium and beat the Buckeyes from pillar to post. After calling all the tunes and dancing all the dances for four games, the Hawks will face adversity in Columbus. To have any chance

of winning, poise is essential. "We just have to relax and go on with the attitude that things are gonna happen and they're gonna put us in some bad situations," Dwight said.

This ought to be a time when Fry feels a corny joke will work better for a pre-game talk than fire and brimstone.

"I'm sure not gonna give them any pep talks or anything like that," Fry said. "If we just go out there and play our regular game, we've got a good football team. We'll be pretty good.

"There's no speeches that need to be made for this game," Dwight agreed. 'I'm sure they're not getting all rah-rah,

Championship teams keep even keels. They don't hold lesser teams like Illinois in contempt or place powers like Ohio State on pedestals. They prepare for and respect everyone.

That isn't to say this Iowa squad is championship material. It has, however, been all business for four games. If it was looking ahead to the Buckeyes, it

did a masterful job of disguising it. Now the biggest game of the season (so far, anyhow) is at hand. If you see the Hawks break out of their swarm and start flying around like nutjobs as they come out for Saturday's opening kickoff, bet on the Bucks. If they stay together and appear calm, you may want to avoid any wagering.



Gazette file photo by John F. Martin

lowa quarterback Matt Sherman, hollering out an audible last month against UNI in Iowa City, leads the Hawks in a Big Ten showdown this Saturday at Ohio State. Although Sherman is one of the winningest quarterbacks in school history, he has yet to be completely embraced by all of the Hawkeye faithful.

Proven winner can't win fans

Win at OSU could bring them all into Sherman's camp

By Jim Ecker

Gazette sportswriter
OWA CITY — Matt Sherman might be the best unloved quarterback in Iowa history. He's compiled an impressive body of work, yet some fans have been slow to embrace the senior from St.

That could change Saturday with a signature victory over the seventh-ranked Ohio State

Iowa Coach Hayden Fry laughs at the suggestion. He thinks Sherman has proven himself in enough tough games to merit a special spot in school annals.

do anything," Fry insisted. "It's the other folks who write about him or evaluate him or whatever.

"He's doing his thing. His statistics speak for themselves. It's just a matter of recogni-

That's it exactly: Recognition. It has eluded Sherman most of his career, for whatever reason.

He would get plenty Saturday if he leads the 11th-ranked Hawkeyes to an upset victory over the seventh-ranked Buckeyes at Ohio Stadium.

Sherman has never craved special recognition. He's happy to let Tim Dwight and Tavian Banks share the ap-

He just wants to do his job and help Iowa win games. He doesn't think he needs a signa-

Iowa quarterback Matt Sherman ranks second in school history in touchdown passes and fourth in school history in passing yards:

TD passes

Player	Yrs	TDs
Chuck Long	1981-85	74
Matt Sherman	1994-97	42
Matt Rodgers	1988-91	41
Chuck Hartlieb	1986-88	37
Randy Duncan	1956-58	23

Yards

Yrs	Yards
1981-85	10,461
1986-88	6,934
1988-91	6,725
1994-97	6,004
1963-65	3,738
	1981-85 1986-88 1988-91 1994-97

ture victory over the Buckeyes to cement his spot in school history, and doesn't seem to

"Maybe some people say that, but I think what I've done for this team is spoken in the records," he said.

Seattle fades

quickly after

Moyer injury

SEATTLE (AP) — An elbow injury did what the Baltimore

Orioles couldn't do - knock

Jamie Moyer out of the game.

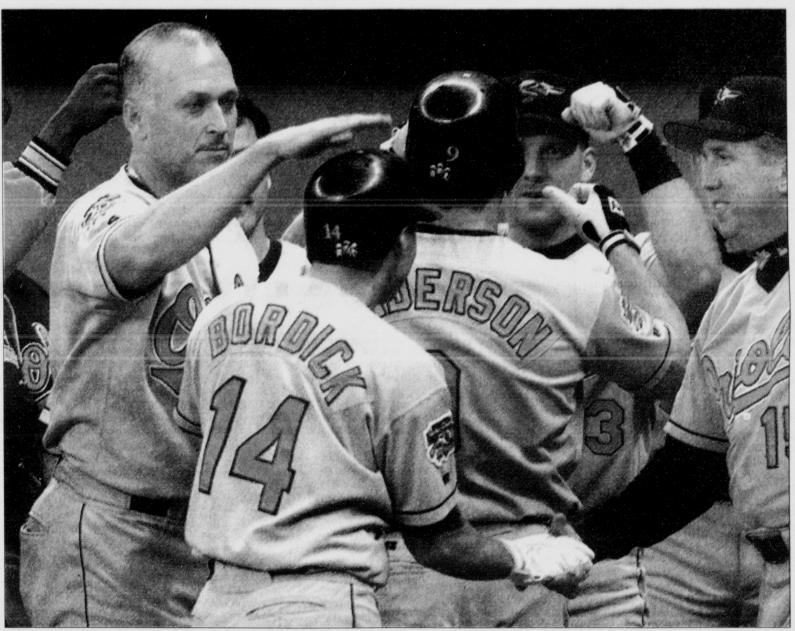
walked off the mound Thurs-

day, the Orioles began their

As soon as the left-hander

■ Turn to 3C: Sherman

Orioles rip bullpen



Baltimore Orioles Brady Anderson and Mike Bordick are greeted by teammates Thursday after scoring on a Roberto Alomar double in the fifth inning at Seattle. Baltimore defeated the Mariners, 9-3, to take a 2-0 lead in their American League Division Series.

march to another easy win over the Seattle Mariners.

Baffled by Moyer's offspeed pitches for half the game, Baltimore went ahead immediately after the 17-game winner was forced out with a strained flexor muscle in his left elbow.

The Orioles rocked Seattle's struggling bullpen for six and runs. their second straight 9-3 rout sent them

home with a 2-0 lead in the best-of-5 series.

Baltimore can advance to the AL championship series

Cleveland tops Yankees, 2C

for a second straight year with a win Saturday at Camden Yards. The Orioles, who got homers from Harold Baines and Brady Anderson, are 9-4 against the Mariners.

Roberto Alomar was 0-for-2 against Moyer when he stepped to the plate with Baltimore trailing 2-1 in the fifth inning. Alomar couldn't be-

■ Turn to 2C: Orioles

Bassett to Hinrichs a winner

Kennedy strikes late to pull out win over East

> By Jeff Dahn Gazette sportswriter

With the game on the line, Kyle Bassett threw a rope.

Working on a fourth-and-seven from the Waterloo East 9-yard line with 1:08 left in the game, Bassett fired a strike over the middle to a streaking Randall Hinrichs who plunged into the end zone at the 1:04 mark to give Cedar Rapids Kennedy a 21-18 victory Thursday night at Kingston Stadium.

"I was a little bit nervous," Hinrichs said of the winning play. "(Bassett) said he was going to be throwing it to me, and I said, 'Well, I'll get open.' He got it there and

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luckily I caught it.

"I broke open right at the right time and he got it there right at the right time. The line blocked good and it was a great pass.'

The touchdown capped a 14-play, 77-yard Kennedy drive that ate 5 minutes and 24 seconds off the clock. The win, the Cougars' second straight, lifted them to 3-2 in the Mississippi Valley Conference while East fell

East, which missed a extra point kick and a pair of two-point conversion tries, took an 18-14 lead with 6:37 left in the game. Stephan Schauf had recovered a Kennedy fumble

■ Turn to 5C: Kennedy

CITY HIGH VS. WEST

Reg. Season

The results of the last six meetings between lowa City High and Iowa City West in prep football. They play again tonight: Preview, 5C.

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Game	Outcome	W-L, Finish
Reg. Season	City High 28, West 7	City High 13-0, state champ
Playoffs	City High 26, West 21	West 6-4, 1st round
	1995	
Game	Outcome	W-L, Finish

Game	Outcome		W-L, Finish
		1996	
Playoffs	West 14, Cit	, ,	City High 10-2, semifinals

Playoffs City High 19, West 14 NOTE: City High leads the regular season series, 21-7, and the playoff series, 2-1.

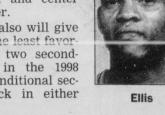
City High 28, West 7

Ellis back to SuperSonics

SEATTLE (AP) — Dale Ellis is a Seattle SuperSonic again.

The Sonics acquired the swingman Thursday from the Denver Nuggets for Greg Graham and center Steve Scheffler.

The Sonics also will give the Nuggets the least favor able of their two secondround picks in the 1998 draft and a conditional second-round pick in either 1999 or 2002.



Sonics starting in the 1986-87 season, before

being traded in February 1991 to Milwaukee.

Ellis, 37, played four seasons with the

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Bob Cousy and those guys (who played years ago) must be sick to their stomachs. The check is going to be big. I just want to pick one of those up and look at it.'

Stephon Marbury about teammate Kevin Garnett's contract extension with the Timberwolves that averages to about \$254,000 a game.

TRIVIA QUESTION

■ When was the last time the lowa football team won

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Gretzky going out in N.Y.

NEW YORK (AP) - Wayne Gretzky has made his last move. No, the Great One isn't



Gretzky

ing scorer has signed a

contract extension with the guarantees he will finish his career with the team. The contract extension

retiring. He's just staying

The NHL's all-time lead-

City High 13-0, state champ

will keep the 36-year-old scoring king with the

Rangers for at least two more seasons. Gretzky reportedly will earn \$6.5 million this season and \$5 million the following year.

IOWA CITY WEST at IOWA CITY HIGH

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m. RADIO: KXIC-AM (800); KCJJ-AM (1560)

RECORDS: West 4-0, City High 3-1
WHAT TO EXPECT: The 29th "Battle for the Boot" is

once again a huge game in terms of Mississippi Valley Conference divisional titles and state bragging rights. Class 4A second-ranked West enters with the MVC's top-ranked offense (358.0 yards per game) led by quarterback Nick Whisler (26-50, 468 yards, 4 TDs, no interceptions) and running backs Bruce Davis and Matt Weldon (177 ypg combined). No. 4 City High counters with an explosive offense. of its own (353.2 ypg) led by quarterback Tony Burrier (95.5 passing ypg) and backs Nathan Haag and Justin Coyer (157 rushing ypg combined). West has out-scored its first four foes, 121-39. City High its first four 119-36. These are two very evenly matched teams that should put on quite a show

C.R. REGIS at C.R. WASHINGTON

■ SITE: Kingston Stadium. Washington is the home team and its fans are asked to sit on the west (press box) side of

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m.

RADIO: KCRG-AM (1600), KTOF-AM (1360)

■ RECORDS: Regis 0-4, Washington 1-3
■ WHAT TO EXPECT: These two east side neighbors will meet for the final time before Regis combines with LaSalle to form Xavier High School next fall. Washington leads the overall series, 13-10, after winning four of the last five meetings. Roth Lange bear attracted this meetings. Both teams have struggled this season, but both have also improved over the last four weeks. Regis fought third-ranked Prairie to the wire before falling, 21-13, a week ago, when quarterback Matt Vaughn proved to be the master of the short pass to several receivers. Washington dropped a hard-fought 28-25 decision to Linn-Mar in a game that could have gone either way. So could this one

DUBUQUE SENIOR at C.R. PRAIRIE

SITE: John Wall Field

GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m.

RECORDS: Senior 3-1, Prairie 4-0

WHAT TO EXPECT: The Class 4A third-ranked Hawks had to use every ounce of muscle they could muster in beating winless Regis last week, and their players vowed to come out with more fire this week. Upstart Senior, a 38-14 winner over Waterloo West a week ago, trails only Prairie and is tied with lowa City High and Dubuque Wahlert for second place in the MVC's Valley Division. The Rams have the league's third-ranked defense (214.2 ypg) and the offense has clicked behind running back Scott Boleyn (108.8 ypg). Prairie's Ben Sanderson is second in the conference in rushing (126.6 ypg), and teammate Dustin Coufal ranks sixth

LINN-MAR at DUBUQUE HEMPSTEAD

■ SITE: Dalzell Field, Dubuque

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m.

RECORDS: Linn-Mar 1-3, Hempstead 3-1

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: Hempstead spent some time in the Class 4A top-10 before losing to crosstown rival Wahlert last week, 26-0. The Mustangs' option attack can be deadly, led by backs Chad Soppe (89.8 ypg), Andrew McCready (73.8) and quarterback Jeremy Kasper (29.3). Linn-Mar avoided the first 0-4 start in Coach Greg Purnell's lengthy tenure by beating Washington, 28-25, last week, and will be eager to keep things rolling.

MARION at WESTERN DUBUQUE

SITE: Epworth

RADIO: KDST-FM (99.3) ■ RECORDS: Marion 3-1, 1-1; Western Dubuque 4-0, 2-0

WHAT TO EXPECT: Class 3A fourth-ranked Western Dubuque will be looking to put some cushion between itself and the other contenders in District 4, and the outcome of this week's games will be very telling. The Bobcats have won with a solid defense that is allowing an average of only 2.5 points per game. Marion boasts an offensive attack that has put an average of 22.3 points a game on the board. A loss to unbeaten Maquoketa hurt the Indians' chance at a district title, but they can remain in the hunt with a win tonight.

BENTON COMMUNITY at MAQUOKETA

■ SITE: Maquoketa

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m. ■ RADIO: WMT-AM (600)

RECORDS: Benton 1-3, 1-1; Maquoketa 4-0, 2-0

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: This is the other big game in Class 3A District 4 tonight. Don't be fooled by Benton's record the Bobcats three losses have come by a total of seven were in a position to win all three Seventh-ranked Maquoketa has coasted to date but is embarking on a crucial three-game portion of its schedule that has games at South Tama next Friday and at home against Western Dubuque on Oct. 17

MIDLAND at C.R. LASALLE

SITE: Lancer Field

GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m

RECORDS: Midland 0-4, 0-2; LaSalle 2-2, 2-0 ■ WHAT TO EXPECT: It's been an unpredictable season for LaSalle, which has looked very good at times, very sloppy at others. Still, the Lancers are at the top of the Class 14 District 6 standings, trying to keep pace with unbeaten Northeast. If they can avoid the turnovers that plagued them in last week's 12-6 overtime victory over Guttenberg, this is a

WAUKON at INDEPENDENCE

game the Lancers should win handily

SITE: Independence

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m RECORDS: Waukon 3-1, 2-0; Independence 3-1, 1-1

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: Waukon joins Decorah as the only unbeaten teams in Class 3A District 3, and would love to have that record in tact when the Vikings come to Waukon next Friday night. The Indians have had excellent balance led by running back Jeremy Mohwinkle, quarter back Nick Rissman and receiver Brian White. Independence, a 41-21 loser to Crestwood last week, is led by running back Justin Beatty but may need to throw the ball to be successful

CENTRAL CITY-SPRINGVILLE at UNION

SITE: LaPorte City

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m.
■ RECORDS: CC-Springville 3-1, 1-1; Union 4-0, 2-0
■ WHAT TO EXPECT: Class 2A eighth-ranked Union has a potent rushing attack led by Garrett Gingerich, Mike Loveless and Eric Pettengill, all of whom average over seven yards a carry. The Knights spanked Center Point-Urbana, 41-14, last week and have been out-scoring their opponents by an average of 33 points. Central City-Springville is still in the hunt in District 4 after a 28-7 win over Jesup last week.

NORTH CEDAR at MOUNT VERNON

SITE: Mount Vernon

■ GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m

RECORDS: North Cedar 2-2, 1-1; Mount Vernon 3-1,

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: The race is on in Class 2A District 5, with each game getting bigger and bigger with each passing week. Tenth-ranked Mount Vernon has been impressive in shutout wins over Monticello and Durant-Bennett the last two weeks but now faces a more difficult stretch in its

NORTH MAHASKA at BELLE PLAINE

■ SITE: Belle Plaine

■ RECORDS: North Mahaska 2-2, 2-0; Belle Plaine 4-0,

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: Class 1A sixth-ranked Belle Plaine can eliminate one of the contenders from the title chase in District 7 with a win tonight. The Plainsman have been impressive behind the considerable running talents of Bill Walton rushed for 292 yards and five touchdowns in their 35-21 win over Iowa Valley last week

HLV at IOWA CITY REGINA

GAME TIME: 7:30 p.m.

■ RECORDS: HLV 4-0, 2-0; Regina 2-2, 1-1

■ WHAT TO EXPECT: HLV has been an offensive machine in its first four games, averaging 407 yards an outing. The Warriors, 54-0 winners over North Linn last week, are led by running back Michael Claeys (636 yards, 11 TDs). HLV's defense hasn't been too shabby, either, and ranks second in the district. Regina's passing combination of quarterback Mike Turning to receiver Tim Corbett is among the district's

It's not just another game

When City High, West meet the winner tends to capture a state title

> By Jeff Dahn Gazette sportswriter

The "Battle for the Boot" is just one of nine regular season games the football teams from Iowa City West and Iowa City High will play this season, but historically it's certainly been the most significant.

The last three winners of the annual meeting — tonight's rendition is the 29th — have gone on to win the Class 4A state championship. The schools have met in the playoffs each of those years, with the same outcome as the regular season.

keep the game in perspective. "It is just another game, and one

West Coach Reese Morgan tries to

team will be successful and the other won't," Morgan said. "But because of what has happened the last few

It's a part of this game and part of the rivalry in the community."

Tonight's kickoff in the Mississippi Valley Conference inter-divisional game is 7:30 p.m. at City High's Bates Field. Annually a sellout, another standing-room-only crowd is expected tonight.

West enters the game 4-0 and ranked second in Class 4A. City High has won three straight games to improve to 3-1 and has moved up to fourth in the rankings.

That's a little off the pace of the last two seasons.

CITY HIGH WAS ranked No. 1 and West No. 2 when they battled for the "Boot" in 1995, a game West won, 14-0. West was No. 1 and City High No. 2 when they met in the playoff semifinals that same year, with West winning, 14-3.

It happened again in last year's regular season meeting.

West was No.1 and City High

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No. 2 coming in, and City High won, 28-7. The Little Hawks were topranked when they beat No. 3 West, 19-14, in the first round of the 1996

With so much prestige and a city's bragging rights riding on the outcome, you'd think the kids would be sky high. City High Coach Larry Brown, who has led the Little Hawks to three of the last four Class 4A state titles, said that isn't necessarily the case.

"It's easier to keep the kids on an even keel than the community," he said. "The kids have been playing against each other since they were in seventh grade. They know each other real well.

"We just want to go out and execute as well as we can and the game will take care of itself.'

Morgan said he understands all the hype.

City has been blessed with some talented young athletes, we've had great support from the community and great coaching staffs," he said. 'We've been playing very good football (in Iowa City) and there are high expectations.

"We're looking forward to playing an excellent City High football

The respect is mutual.

"THEY'VE GOT SOME very good skill people, and they look like they're a pretty solid team," Brown said of the Trojans.

Neither coach would comment specifically about the health of their teams coming into tonight's game, but both admitted to some bumps and bruises that are common the fifth week of the season.

"We don't like to talk about (injuries)," Morgan said.

"I'll just say we haven't had any

Cedar Falls tops J-Hawks

CEDAR FALLS — Ted Prier scored three touchdowns and Cedar Falls overcame a 10-point second-half deficit to post a 33-22 win over Cedar Rapids Jefferson in prep football Thursday night at the UNI-Dome.

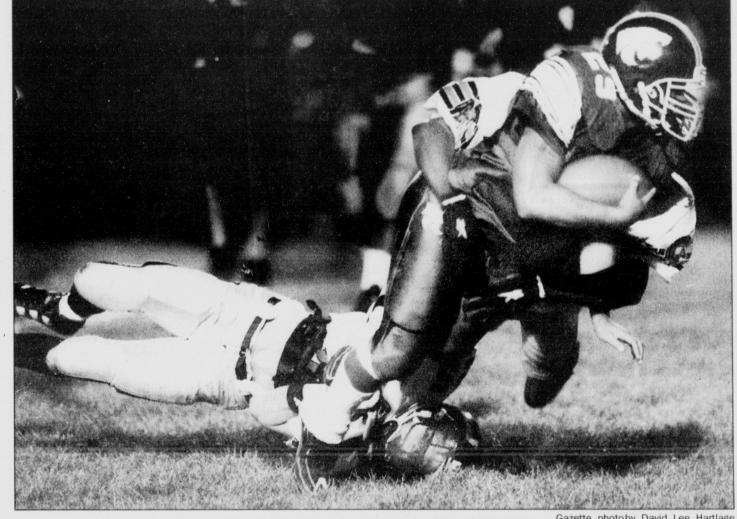
Mitch Johnson opened the third quarter with a 59-yard run that put Jefferson up 22-12. But Cedar Falls responded with 21 unanswered points.

Jacob Mueller began the Tiger comeback with an 11-yard touchdown pass to Brad Richtsmeier. Prier's two-point run made it 22-20. Prier bulled over from the 2 in the fourth quarter to give Cedar Falls a 26-22 lead. The Tigers then recovered Jefferson quarterback Matt McCracken's fumble in the end zone for a touchdown. Cedar Falls (2-3) opened the

scoring in the first quarter on Prier's 89-yard touchdown run. The extra point failed. Jefferson responded with a 1-yard TD run in the second quarter by Jeremy Brown. Mark Ulrich's kick made Prier scored again on a 4-yard

run to make it 12-7 Cedar Falls. But McCracken found Ben Bosenberg for a 42-yard scoring pass that put Jefferson ahead. Brown's two-point run made it 15-12 J-Hawks at the half.

Johnson led Jefferson (2-3) with 130 yards rushing.



Gazette photoby David Lee Hartlage

J.C. Steinburg of Cedar Rapids Kennedy plows over Waterloo East defender Ryan Regenald for a first down last night at Kingston Stadium. Kennedy scored in the waning moments on a pass from Kyle Bassett to Randall Hinrichs to top East, 21-18. Kennedy, which improved its season record to 3-2, rallied from a 12-0 deficit at halftime to take the lead at 14-12. But East scored with 6:37 left to set up Kennedy's dramatic late drive.

Kennedy: Wins it with late drive

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its third turnover of the game — at the Cougar 31, and three plays later speedy Darren Ball zipped 20 yards for a TD

The Cougars sputtered at the outset of the drive, moving 9 yards on three plays, but then began to click. Bassett completed passes of 16 and 10 yards to Ryan Pauly and J.C. Stein-

burg popped runs of 12 and eight to highlight the march.

"We sucked it up, and we blocked pretty well on that last drive," Kennedy Coach Don Knock said. "I wish we would have blocked that well earlier in the night. We moved the ball down the field and we got



some big pass plays. We got lucky." Pauly's 10-yard reception gave Kennedy

a 1st-and-10 on the Trojan 12, but two running plays and an incompletion moved the ball only three yards. That set up the winning play.

"We were kind of scrambling, and they were doubling Pauly," Knock said. "Ryan's done a great job out there . . . but we came back to Hinrichs on the inside route and it was there.

"We got lucky, because East played a heck of a ballgame. (Coach) Brian Joens nedy; Cedar Falls at East.

did a great job of getting those kids ready

East built a 6-0 first quarter lead after Kennedy surrendered the ball on downs at the Trojan 38 with 4:11 remaining. A holding penalty moved the line of scrimmage back to the 24, but two plays later Lance Meeks swept to his left, took a pitch from quarterback Bill Kugler and zipped 50 yards for a touchdown.

On Kennedy's next possession, Willie Bradford jumped on a Steinburg fumble on the Trojans' 23, a chunk of turf Ball covered on East's first play from scrimmage. That made it 12-0, East.

Kennedy moved with five on a 1-yard sneak by Bassett with 9:27 left in the first half, then the Cougar defense rose to the occasion when Josh Eaton intercepted Kugler pass in the Kennedy end zone with 3:09 remaining.

"The defense had some big plays," Knock said. "Before half, I thought they had a great interception in the end zone that would have been disastrous if (East) would have scored there.

Steinburg finished with 142 yards on 26 carries, but coughed the ball up four times. Bassett was 11-for-19 passing for 108 yards and the TD, and Pauly caught six throws for 69 yards.

• Next Friday: C.R. Washington at Ken-

Kicker scoffs at Monday jinx

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — A Monday night jinx on kickers? New England's Adam Vinatieri, who has the NFL's longest current streak of successful fieldgoal attempts, scoffs at the idea. Let's see what he says in a few days

Two of the last three ended in potential winning field goals that were botched by a bad hold and a bad snap.

after he plays in his first Monday night

"You feel bad for the kicker," Vinatieri said. "I don't think about that and don't think our holder or snapper is going to

Sept. 15, Philadelphia's Tom Hutton bobbled a good snap and ruined Chris Boniol's attempt at a 22-yard field goal that would have beaten Dallas 23-21. Sept. 22, Pittsburgh's Jim Sweeney

made a bad snap that led to Norm Johnson's blocked 40-yard attempt with Jacksonville ahead 23-21 with six seconds left. It was returned for a touchdown. In both cases, the road team lost. The Patriots will be on the road Monday

night in Denver in a matchup of the

AFC's only two unbeaten teams.

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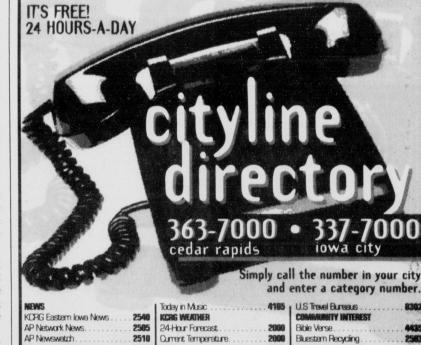
But Vinatieri, a rookie last season, hasn't missed in nine games, tying Tony Franklin's club record of 14 consecutive successful field-goal tries. His last miss came Nov. 17. The opponent: Denver.

In fact, the only blemish on his regular-season record since then is the bruise on holder Tom Tupa's hand. That occurred two weeks ago in a 31-3 win over Chicago when the whistle blew for a delay of game after the ball was snapped. As Tupa pulled the ball away, Vinatieri followed through anyway and kicked his

"I apologized several times, but I guess

that's part of the game," Vinatieri said. His most important field goal of the season was a 34-yarder in overtime that beat the Jets 27-24. He got a chance to try that because New York's John Hall missed from 29 yards with 16 seconds left in regulation.

Having already made a pressure kick could help Vinatieri Monday if he gets another chance to win on the last play.



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SPORTSDAY

EVENTS OF AREA INTEREST

Prep football

Midland at LaSalle, 7:30 p.m.

Dubuque Senior at Prairie, 7:30 p.m. Regis vs. Washington at Kingston Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

Linn-Mar at Dubuque Hempstead Marion at Western Dubuque

Bettendorf, Davenport West, Kennedy at Twin Pines, 3:15 p.m.

College volleyball

Boys' prep golf

Purdue at Iowa, 7 p.m.

Iowa State at Nebraska

Northern Iowa at Indiana State College field hockey

Ohio State at Iowa, 3:30 p.m.

Women's college soccer

Indiana at Iowa, 3 p.m.

Kansas at Iowa State, 4 p.m. Grinnell at Wheaton

Women's college tennis Western Illinois at Northern Iowa, 4 p.m.

Iowa at Notre Dame Invitational Luther hosting Rolex ITA Regional

Men's college golf

Northern Iowa hosting UNI Fall Classic

Women's college golf

Mount Mercy in Midwest Classic Conference tournament at Iowa City

Luther, Cornell, Upper Iowa, Coe in Iowa Conference tournament at Dubuque

ON TELEVISION

(Live and first-run events only)

Auto racing

USAR Hooters Cup Series. (Tape) 2 p.m. (ESPN2)

Baseball

National League Division Series: Atlanta Braves at Houston Astros, Game Three. 3 p.m.

National League Division Series: Florida Marlins at San Francisco Giants, Game Three. 7 p.m. (NBC)

Boxing

Fight Time on FOX. 7 p.m. (SportsChannel)

Drag racing

NHRA Pennzoil Nationals Qualifying. 7 p.m. (ESPN2)

Golf

Buick Challenge. Noon (ESPN) Pro hockey

NHL: Vancouver Canucks at Anaheim Mighty Ducks. 10 p.m. (ESPN2)

World Cup Qualifier: Jamaica at United States. 6:30 p.m. (ESPN)

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WEDNESDAY'S LATE RESULTS

THURSDAY'S RESULT

TONIGHT'S GAMES

hoenix at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m. olorado at Calgary, 8 p.m. etroit at Edmonton, 8 p.m. naheim vs. Vancver at Tokyo, 10 p.m.

Thursday

PGA BUICK CHALLENGE

At Pine Mountain, Ga. (Callaway Gardens Resort, par-72) First-round leaders

LPGA BETSY KING CLASSIC

first round due to frost delay

GERMAN MASTERS
At Berlin
(Berliner Golf & C.C., par-72)
First-round leaders

nhard Langer .

At Kutztown, Pa. (Berkleigh C.C., par-72) First-round leaders te: Nine golfers unable to finish

hoenix 6, Chicago 2 dmonton 5, San Jose 3

Boston 6, Los Angeles 5

PRO GOLF

Are the Hawkeyes ready to face Ohio State?

Can the Cyclones turn things around?

■ Was Mary Albert treated fairly?

BOWLING

Leagues

Leagues
HIGHLIGHTS
Shawn Steele Fired a 300 game in the
Evergreen League at May City Bowl.
Men's high series was posted by Greeg
Glass, with 765 in the Youth-Adult
Scratch Doubles at May City.
Diane Hawkins scored a 255 in the
Cardigen Amusement at Castle Lanes,
and Røbbin Jones had a 682 series in the
New Castles to foo women's scores. Stacie Hauskins had a 253 in the YouthAdult Jeague at May City.
70 pins over game average — Neal
Brown (198) 289. Dennis Novak (139)
234, Ryan Sullivan (173) 253. Debbie Bernard-Aines (125) 198.
100 pins over series average — Shawn
Steele (204) 730. Ken Burg (204) 717,
Penniv-Werling (173) 635, Path Kelly
1541 570. Mel Buckner (150) 551, Debbie
Chris Hansen (149) 607, Jim Novak (182)
688, Mary Schirmer (146) 552, BernardAines (125) 498, Rosie Rehberg (137) 513.

Aines (125) 498, Rosie Rehberg (137) 513, Vicki Filling (175) 632, Diana Turner

JUDILEE LANES Better Halves: Kathy Gusta 210-531. Jubilee Janes: Margaret Hartkemeyer 212, Pätti Kelly 570. Rollin Stones: Dave Bowen 257-629, Linda Stone 237, Sharon

Carpenter 583. **Old Timers:** Lavera Di in 179, Lee Nowadzky 189, Bill Kell CASTLE LANES

New Castles: Robbin Jones 237-682, Kurt, Stephenson 254-696. King of Beers: John Lemon 254-696. King of Beers: John Lemon 254-678, Sheri Martin 211, Marciar Mensen 596. Camden Amuse-ment: Jerry Swanson 265. Ben Jennings 400, Diane Hawkins 255-626. Wednesday Mourners: Phyllis DeMean 207-548.

WESTDALE BOWL Wed. AM Coffee Breakers: Debbie Bernard-Aines 198-498. Comets: Joyce Barnd 222-548.

CEDAR RAPIDS BOWL

C.R. Bowlettes: Penny Werling 220-646 Wed. 5&10: Neal Brown 289-654 Welcome Newcomers: Shirley Ferguson 198-495. MAY CITY BOWL

MAY CITY BOWL

May City Belles: Vicki Filling 227-632.
Wed. Seniors: Jim Novak 245-688, Frances Beltz 213, Mary Schirmer 562.
Best Halves: Diana Rios 212-567, Fed Chavez 254, Dan Bunn 615. Evergreen: Shawn. Steele 300-730. Youth-Adult Scratch Doubles: Kenny Meader 245, Adam Green 664, Stacie Hauskins 253-592, Greeg Glass 279-765.

LANCER LANES

LANCER LANES Wednesday Mourners: Shirley Kabela Gienda Pearson 201, Velma Stramel 526. Nite-Hawks: Dennis Novak 234, Chris Hansen 607, Karen Walter 225-579. Can-nonball 8: Darrell Walters 258. Dan Grady 675. Outcasts: Sally O'Brien 224-585.

Trivia answer lowa defeated Ohio State, 16-9, and that year went 10-1-1.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

DIVISION SERIES (Best-of-5)

Thursday's Results

Baltimore 9, Seattle 3

(Baltimore leads series, 2-0) Cleveland 7, New York 5

(Series tied, 1-1) Saturday's Games

Seattle (Fassero 16-9) at Baltimore (Key 16-10), 3:30 p.m. (FOX) New York (Wells 16-10) at Cleveland (Nagy 15-10), 6:37 p.m. (NBC)

Sunday's Games

Seattle at Baltimore, 3:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN) New York at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)

Monday's Games

Seattle at Baltimore, 3:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN) New York at Cleveland, 7:11 p.m., if necessary

NATIONAL LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

DIVISION SERIES (Best-of-5) Today's Games

Atlanta (Smoltz 15-12) at Houston (Reynolds 9-10), 3:07 p.m. (ESPN)

(Atlanta leads series, 2-0)

Florida (Fernandez 17-12) at San Francisco (Alvarez 4-3), 7:07 p.m. (NBC)

(Florida leads series, 2-0) Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Neagle 20-5) at Houston, 12:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN) Florida (Saunders 4-6) at San Francisco, 10:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN)

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at Houston, 12:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN) Florida at San Francisco, 10:07 p.m., if necessary

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Hmnds rf	1	1	0	0	Buhner rf	4	0	1	1
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Baines dh	4	2	2	1	DaWisn c	4	0	0	1
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attle 7. 2B—ByAnderson (1), RAlomar (1), RPalmeiro (2), CRipken 2 (2), RKelly (2), HR—ByAnderson (1), Baines (1), SB—Griffey Jr 2 (2). IP H RER BB SO

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Orosco	1/3	0	0	0	0	
RaMvers	1	0	0	0	0	1
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Ayala	11/3	4	6	6	3	2
Charlton	2/3	1	0	0	0	1
Slocumb	1	1	0	0	1	(
PB—Webster. Umpires—Home						

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HBP—by Mesa (Stanley). Umpires—Home, Morrison; First, eed; Second, Scott; Third, Garcia; Left, ousins; Right, Tschida. T—3:32. A—57,360 (57,545).

New London-Danville at Eddyville Sigourney-Keota at Harmony-Marq West Burlington ND at Central Lee

North Tama at Dunkerton Riceville at Sumner Turkey Valley at Cedar Falls NU High Wapsie Valley at Hudson

Alburnett at Bellevue Guttenberg at Ed-Co Midland at C.R. LaSalle Northeast at Postville

CLASS IA DISTRICT 5

CLASS 1A DISTRICT 6

CLASS 1A DISTRICT 7

CLASS A DISTRICT 7 Eldon Cardinal at Moravia-MU Tri-County at Lynnville-Sully WACO at Twin Cedars Winfield-Mt. Union at English Valleys

CLASS A DISTRICT 8

CLASS A DISTRICT 9

CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday

BOBCAT INVITATIONAL
At Epworth
Teams — 1. North Scoll 64, 2. Monticello
86, 3. DeWilt Central 100, 4. Davenport Assumption 11, 5. Cascade 132, 6. MFL. MarMac 209, 7. Western Dubuque 249, 8. Believue Marquette 262, 9. West Delaware 290,
10. Southwestern (Wis). 347, 11. Marion 360,
12. Lansing Kee 351, 13. Maquoketa 353, 14.
Independence 386, Garnavillo / Elikader 387.

CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday

BOBCAT INVITATIONAL
At Epworth
Teams — 1. Southwestern (Wis.) 58, 2.
(tie) Cascade 117, Maquoketa 117, 4. Monticello 159, 5. Garnavillo/Elikader 186, 6. Lansing Kee 202. 7. Davenport Assumbtion 213,
8. Marion 230, 9. North Scott 250, 10. DeWitt
Central 254, 11. Independence 271, 12. MFL
Mar/Mac 306, 13. West Delaware 336, 14.
Cassville (Wis.) 416, 15. Believue 429, 16.
Linn-Mar 447.

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday

METRO Iowa City High def. Linn-Mar, 15-4, 15-3, 15-3

AREA

Believue def. Bennett, 15-8, 15-2, 14-16,

Believe der, 5einer, 19-1, 19-2, 19-2, 19-2, 19-2, 19-3, 19-2, 19-3, 19-4, 19-3, 19-

15-11
Sumner def. Postville, 15-12, 15-6, 15-12
Turkey Valley def. Wapsie Valley, 15-3, 15-2, 15-2
Waverly-Shell Rock def. Benton Community, 15-1, 15-5, 15-2
West Central def. MFL MarMac, 16-14, 15-10, 15-13

COLLEGE

WOMEN'S

SOCCER

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday

Wednesday

Clarksville at Valley CEW Janesville at Tripoli Lansing Kee at Allison-Bristo West Central at Fredericksbu

BOYS'

GIRLS'

PREP

Second, Kosc; Third, Phillips; Left, Right, McClelland. T—3:25. A—59,309 (59,084).

PREP FOOTBALL Thursday

METRO Cedar Falis 33, Jefferson 22 Kennedy 21, Waterloo East 18

fferson 6, Cedar Falls 6 (tie) nnedy 55, Waterloo East 6 MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Cedar Falls 33, C.R. Jefferson 22 C.R. Kennedy 21, Waterloo East 18 STATE

C.R. Kennedy 21 Waterloo East 18

	WE	CF
First downs	10	
Rushes-yards	22-193	47-1
Passing yards	79	1
Comp-att-int	7-21-1	11-19
Punts-avg.	5-45.0	4-36
Fumbles-lost	1-0	5
Penalties-yards	5-54	3-
Waterloo East	12 0	0 6
C.R. Kennedy	0 7	7 7-
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WE-Darren Ball 23 run (run CRK—Kyle Bassett 1 run (Scott Therkelsen kick CRK—JC Steinburg 5 run (Ther-

kelsen kick)
WE—Ball 20 run (pass failed)
CRK—Randall Hinrichs 9 pass
from Bassett (Therkelsen kick)

Cedar Falls 33 C.R. Jefferson 22

AT UNI	DOME	
	CRJ	
First downs	13	
Rushes-yards	146	
Passing yards	82	
Comp-att-int	5-17-2	6-1
Punts-avg.	4-39.0	5-
Fumbles-lost	3-2	
Penalties-yards	82	
C.R. Jefferson	0 15	7 0-
Cedar Falls	6 6	8 13-
CF—Ted Prier 8 CRJ—Jeremy B		

kick)
CF—Prier 4 run (run failed)
CRJ—Ben Bosenberg 42 pass from
Matt McCracken (Brown run)
CRJ—Mitch Johnson 59 run (Ul-CR3—Mick)
CF—Brad Richtsmeier 11 pass
from Jacob Mueller (Prier run)
CF—Prier 2 run (run failed)
CF—Recovered fumble in end zone

Tonight

METRO Dubuque Senior at Prairie Linn-Mar at Dubuque Hempstead Marion at Western Dubuque Midland at LaSalle Regis vs. Washington at Kinoster

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CLASS 3A DISTRICT 3

Crestwood at New Hampton Oelwein at Decorah Waterloo Columbus at Waverly-SR Waukon at Independence CLASS 3A DISTRICT 4 Benton Community at Maquoketa DeWitt Central at West Delaware Marion at Western Dubuque South Tama at Vinton-Shellsburg

CLASS 3A DISTRICT 5 CLASS 3A DISTRICT 6

rinnell at Clarke noxville at Norwalk CLASS 2A DISTRICT 3 Central-Garnavillo at MFL MarMac Denver at Osage North Fayette at South Winneshiek St. Ansgar at Nashua-Plainfield

CLASS 2A DISTRICT 4 ascade at Maquoketa Valley Lentral City-Springville at Union Dyers. Beckman at Center Pt.-Urbana esup at Starmont CLASS 2A DISTRICT 5

CLASS 2A DISTRICT 6 CC-Amana at Highland-Lone Tree Louisa-Muscatine at West Branch West Liberty at Wilton Williamsburg at Mid-Prairie CLASS 2A DISTRICT 7

PRO FOOTBALL

National Football League

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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SUNDAY'S GAMES

(lawa times)
Cincinnati at Jacksonville, noon
Dallas at New York Glants, noon
Detroit at Buffalo, noon
Kansas Citly at Miami, noon
Piltsburgh at Baltimore, noon
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, noon
Washington at Philadelphia, noon
Tempessee at Seathle, 3 p.m.
New York Jefs at Indianapolis, 3 p.m.
New York Jefs at Indianapolis, 3 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Chicago, 7 p.m. MONDAY'S GAME

New England at Denver, 8 p.m. Open date: Atlanta, Carolina, St. Louis,

NFL Injury Report (As provided by the league) SUNDAY'S GAMES

Cincinnati (1-3) at Jacksonville (3-1) -lengals: DOUBTFUL: S Tremain Mac foot), QUESTIONABLE: RB Ki-Jana Cart er (shoulder); LB Tom Tumulty (thin Jaguars: DOUBTFUL: LB James Hami (quadricep). PROBABLE: QB Rob John er (shoulder), LB forn Lumuity (minn), Jaguars: DOUBTFUL: LB James Hamillon (quadriceo). PROBABLE: QB Rob Johnson (ankle): LB Bryan Schwartz (shoulder).

Dallas (3-1) at N.Y. Giants (2-3) — Cowbors: QUESTIONABLE: DE Broderick Thomas (elbow). PROBABLE: GL Arry Alleien (hamstring). DT Chad Hennings (groin); CB Kevin Smith (knee): LB Fred Strickland (knee). Glarins (UTI: C Derek Engler (ankle). CB frisk Barber (knee). RB Rodney Hambon (knee). QUESTIONABLE: LB Marcus Buckley (hip): WR Thomas Lewis (foe). PROBABLE: DT Christian Peter (ankle). Detroit (3-2) at Buffalo (2-2) — Lions: OUT: TE Pete Chryplewicz (shoulder): GCT: Harrison (knee). DOUBTFUL: S Ron (Rice (ankle). Billis: QUESTIONABLE: DE Jim Jeffcoat (knee). PROBABLE: CB Jim Jeffcoat (knee). PROBABLE: CB Jim Jeffcoat (knee): LB Sam Rogers (hamstring). WR Steve Tasker (hamstring). WR Steve Tasker (hamstring). WR Steve Tasker (hamstring). WR Steve Tasker (hamstring). WR Dewson (knee): WR Brett Perriman (knee): LB Derrick Thomas (arm). PROBABLE: CB James Hasty (thigh). DROBABLE: DB Dephins: OUT: LB Staniev Pritchett (knee): Geliniured reserve). QUESTIONABLE: P John Kild (hamstring). PROBABLE: P John Kild). The Smith (knee). CB Tim Jacobs (ankle): TB Brent Smith (knee).

Kidd (namstring) PROBABLE: RB Dewayne Dotson (knee). CB Tim Jacobs (ankle); T Brent Smith (knee). CB Tim Jacobs (ankle); T Brent Smith (knee). CB Tim Jacobs (ankle); T Brent Smith (knee). CB Tim Jacobs (ankle). PROBABLE: P Mitch Berger (hip); G David Dixon (knee). RB Lerov Hop); G David Dixon (knee). RB Lerov Hop); Cardinals: OUT: LB Eric Hill (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: RB Larry Centers (knee); T James Dexter (knee): T Malt Jovce (knee), RB Derrick Moore (knee). PROBABLE: RB Kevin Boule (hamstring); LB Lyron Cobbins (hamstring); WR Rob Moore (knee): G Rob Selby (back). New Orleans (1-4) at Chicago (0-5)—Saints: OUT: TE Irv Smith (knee). QUESTIONABLE: DT Joe Johnson (foot); G Chris Naeole (ankle): DE Brady Smith (ankle): Bears: OUT: CB James Burton (leg); C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Lake): Bears: OUT: CB James Burton (leg); C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): Bears: OUT: CB James Burton (leg); C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): Bears: OUT: CB James Burton (leg); C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): De Alondor (leg): C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): De Alondor (leg): C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): De Alondor (leg): C-G Chris Villarrial (leg). DOUBTFUL: WR. Alke): De Alondor Spellman (shoulder). PROBABLE: T James Williams (ankle). N. Y. Jets (3-2) at Indianapolis (0-4) —

man (shoulder). PROBABLE: T James Williams (ankle).

N.Y. Jets (3-2) at Indianapolis (0-4) — Jets: DOUBTFUL: WR Alex Van Dvke (hamstring). GUESTIONABLE: T David Williams (600). Colts: DOUBTFUL: TE Ken Dilger (hamstring). GUESTIONABLE: LS Stephen Grant (neck); T Tony Mandartic (sankle). PROBABLE: WR Sean Dawkins (stomach). 5 Derwin Gray (knee): RB Roosevelt Potts (knee): LB Scotl Van Der Ahe (neck); G Derak West (groin). PittSburgh (2-2) at Baltimore (3-2) — Steelers: DOUBTFUL: G Brenden Stal (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: K Chris Jacke (hip); CB Chad Scotl (ankle). PROBABLE: CB Randy Fuller (hamstring): TE Milch

(hip); CB Chad Scott (ankle). PROBABLE: CB Randy Fuller (hamstring). TE Mitch Lyons (back). Ravens: DOUBTFUL: S Kim Herring (knee). QUESTIONABLE: WR Ray Ethridge (ankle). WR Jermaine Lewis (hamstring): DT Tony Siragusa (ankle). PROBABLE: DE Rob Burnett (back): DT Mike Frederick (back): WR Michael Jack-son (shoulder).

Mike Frederick (back): WR Michael Jackson (shoulder).
San Diego (2-3) at Oakiand (2-3)—
Chargers: OUT: K John Canney (knee).
QUESTIONABLE: CB Mark Montreuil (hamstring): WR Latario Rachal (arm).
PROBABLE: G Troy Sienkiewicz (hamstring). Raiders: QUESTIONABLE: CB Albert Lewis (hamstring). PROBABLE: RB Joe Aska (shoulder): CB Terry McDanlet (knee): S James Trapp (ribs).
Tampa Bay (3-0) at Green Bay (3-2)—
Buccaneers: QUESTIONABLE: CB Anthony Parker (hamstring): LB Rufus Porter (shoulder): DE Regan Upshaw (ankle).
PROBABLE: G Jorge Diaz (back): LB Hardy Nickerson (neck): Packers: DOUBT-FUL: WR Don Beebe (head). QUESTION-BLE: TO Gilbert Brown (knee-loe): WR Derrick Mayes (ankle): T John Michaels (knee): C Frank Winters (foot).
Tennessee (1-3) at Saethe (2-3)— Oilers:

Derrick Mayes (ankle); T John Michaels (knee): C Frank Winters (foot).

Tennessee (1-3) at Seathe (2-3) — Oilers: QUESTIONABLE: G-C Bruce Matthews (knee). Seahawks: OUT: DE Phillip Daniels (knee): QB John Friesz (Ihumu): DE Martin Harrison (knee): DOUBTFUL: WR Joey Galloway (ankle); RB Chris Warren (hamstring); QUESTIONABLE: WR Ronnie Harris (hamstring); T Walter Jones (ankle): DT Corlez Kennedy (knee).

Washington (3-1) at Philadelphia (1-3) — Redskins: OUT: G Bob Dahl (knee): DE Kenard Lang (ear infection). QUESTIONABLE: RB Stephen Davis (thumbig): DB Scott Turner (ankle): PROBABLE: DT Chris Mims (abdomen): G Joep Patlon (ankle): WR Lesile Shepherd (shoulder): P Matt Turk (high). Eagles: QUESTIONABLE: RB nBeckles (foot): C Steve Everlit (hamstring): LB Jeff Herrod (hamstring): LB Jeff Herrod (hamstring): PCDABLE: WR Chris T. Jones (knee): DT Jimmie Jones (ankle): TE Chad Lewis (neck): LB Darrin Smith (ankleachilles): WR Freddie Solomon (hamstring): CB Troy Vincent (shoulder).

MONDAY NIGHT

MONDAY NIGHT New England (4-0) at Denver (5-0) — Patriots: DOUBTFUL: DE Willie McGinest (knee), QUESTIONABLE: CB Steve Israe (knee); RB David Meggett (hamstring) Bronces: DOUBTFUL: K Jason Elam (hig-groin), QUESTIONABLE: RB Howard Grif-

BOYS' GOLF

Thursday AT SQUAW CREEK Teams — 1. Waterloo West 155, 2. lo-a City High 156, 3. Cedar Falls 157, 4.

Medalist - Brock Mulder (WatWest) C.R. WASHINGTON (163): Justin

IOWA CITY HIGH (156): David Hayek 37, Sean Dervrich 39, John Doern 39, Chris Doern 41. AT ST. ANDREWS

Teams — 1. C.R. Jefferson 147, C.R. ennedy 154, Iowa City West 176, Water-o East 217.

Co-Medaists — Chad Greenlee (CRJ) C.R KENNEDY (154): Jeff Gudendaut b, Jake McClimon 39, Matt Loomis 39, IOWA CITY WEST (176): Feldick 34, Brian Miller 45, J.C. Jogersi 46, Treni Dickel 51.

AT HUNTER'S RIDGE **Teams** — 1. Linn-Mar 168, 2. C.R. Resis 179, 3. C.R. Prairie 182, 4. Western ubuque 191. IOWA COLLEGES Coe def. Luther, 15-7, 17-15, 6-15, 15-13 Co-Medalists — Garrett Lane (LM),

Co-Medalists — Garrett Lane (LM), 40; Bobby Grove (LM), 40. LINN-MAR (168): Lane 40, Grove 40, Dustin Miller 41, Chris Williams 47. C.R. REGIS (179): Chris Colby 42, Mike Nocher 44, Andy Tied1 46, Lee Roz-eboom 47, Rob Byers 47, Ted Fouls 47. C.R. PRAIRIE (182): Cole Ferguson 44, Todd Tomash 44, Nik Kloubek 46, Jay Schulte 48. AT INDIANOLA Simpson 3, Cornell 2 Goals: S — Vegas 3; C — Tisue, Kupko. Schulte 48.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thursday

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3	2	0	600	127	92	WIDMEST
2	2	0	.500			Yale vs. Valparaiso at Chicag

lowa at Ohio State, 2:35 p.m. Penn State at Illinois Michigan at Indiana Minnesota at Michigan State Wisconsin at Northwestern BIG 12

Saturday

BIGTEN

lowa State at Missouri, 1 p.m. Kansas State at Nebraska Oklahoma at Kansas, Texas at Oklahoma State Texas A&M at Colorado Texas Tech at Baylor GATEWAY

MIDWEST CONFERENCE IOWA CONFERENCE

Coe at Grinnell, 1:30 p.m. Cornell at Knox Luther at Dubuque Upper Iowa at Simpson Central at William Penn Dana at Buena Vista Loras at Wartburg OTHER IOWA COLLEGES

Midland Luth, at Northwestern (It Morningside at Augustana (S.D.) Taylor (Ind.) at St. Ambrose Urbana (Ohio) at Iowa Wesleyan Westmar at Sioux Falls AP TOP 25 #8 Auburn at South Carolina #9 Tennessee vs. Mississippi #10 Washington vs. #25 Arizona State #12 Michigan State vs. Minnesofa #13 LSU at Vanderbilt #14 Virginia Tech vs. Miami (Ohio) #15 Washington State at Oregon #16 Colorado vs. #21 Texas A&M #18 Georgia vs. Mississippi State #19 Stanford vs. Notre Dame #20 Alabama at Kentucky #22 UCLA vs. Houston #23 Air Force vs. Citadel

MIDWEST Ball State at Western Michiga

EAST Bucknell at Harvard Buffalo at Connecticut Central Connecticut State at Fairfield Columbia at Lafayette Cornell at Darlmouth Delaware at Boston University Duquesne at Marist Duquesne at Marist
East Carolina at Svracuse
Georgia Tech at Boston College
Hofstra at Rhode Island
iona at Canisius
James Madison at Villanova
LaSalle at Bentley
Lehigh at Colpate
New Hampshire at Massachusett
New Haven at Monmouth (N.J.)
Pittsburgh at Temple
Princeton at Holy Cross
Rutgers at West Virginia

SOUTH Arkansas Tech at McNeese State Army al Tulane
Bethune-Cookman at Delaware State
California at Louisiana Tech
Davidson at Guilford
Duke at Marvland
East Tennessee St. at Appalachian St.
Elion at Liberty
Florida A&M at Hampton U.
Furman at Western Carolina

SOUTHWEST

Alcorn State at Arkansas-Pine Bluff Grambling State vs. Prairie View Jackson State at Texas Southern Rice at Tulsa SW Louisiana at Arkansas State FAR WEST Cal Poly-SLO at New Mexico State
CS Northridge at Portland State
Eastern Washington at Montana State
Hawaii at Colorado State
Houston at UCLA
Idaho State at Sacramento State
Montana At Micropian

TRANSACTIONS Thursday

BASEBALL American League Texas Rangers — Announced OF War ren Newson has refused assignment an been granted free agency.

National League Chicago Cubs — Named Steve Melende BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
Charlotte Hornets — Signed F Junior
uurrough and G Corey Beck.
Chicago Bulls — Signed F Keith Booth to
three-year confract.

Cleveland Cavaliers — Signed F Sherel ord; F Adrian Caldwell; G Mitchell Butler. nd G Jerome Allen. **Dallas Mavericks** — Signed F Michael inley to a five-year contract extension. **Los Angeles Lakers** — Signed G DeJuan Miami Heat - Signed F Muntrelle Dob-

Milwaukee Bucks — Signed G Melvir poker; F Jamie Feick; and F Jeff Nordgaard.

Portland Trail Blazers — Signed F Sean Higgins; C Alton Lister; C Terrell Bell; G Ernest Hall; and F/C Curr Ranta.

Seattle Supersonics — Acquired G-F Dale Eilis from the Denver Nuggets for G Greg Graham, C Steve Scheffler, a 1998 second-round draft pick and a conditional second-round pick in either 1999 or 2002.

American Basketball League Columbus Quest — Signed G Katie Smith

FOOTBALL Arena Football League Milwaukee Mustangs — Signed FB-LB Odell Parks and WR-LB Henry Milton. HOCKEY
National Hockey League
Dallas Stars — Signed D Craig Muni to a
ne-year contract. Assigned D Brad Luowich to Michigan of the IHL.
Florida Panthers — Signed F Serge Payr to a three-year contract.
New York Rangers — Agreed to terms
iff C Wayne Gretzky.

with C Wavne Gretzky.
Pittsburgh Penguins — Assigned RW
Roman Oksiuta to Quebec of the IHL.
Tampa Bay Lightning — Signed F Troy.
Mailete. Assigned F Louie DeBrusk to San
Antonio of the IHL. International Hockey League Chicago Wolves — Acquired D Kevin Dahl on loan from the Calgary Flames. Re-signed G Ray LeBlanc. Signed D Craig Blinns.

Los Angeles Galaxy — Recalled G Marco Cerna from Orange County of the A-League.

COLLEGE

Atlantic Coast Conference — Named ernadette McGlade assistant commission- for women's baskerball. Atlantic 10 Conference — Named Courtey Morrison assistant director of communications. Albany, N.Y. — Named Richard Sauers

omen's golf coach.

Edinboro — Named Pam Artman womn's assistant basketball coach.

Long Beach State — Named Justin Kisnersky assistant sports information direcure the state of the Radford — Named Donnie Tickle assistant athletic director.

Breakdowns plague N. Iowa

It's pretty much the same old story for UNI in Week 5

By J.R. Ogden

Gazette assistant sports editor Mike Dunbar is sick of turnovers, penalties and other mental breakdowns.

The first-year Northern Iowa football coach has been talking about it nearly every week during the Panthers' 2-2 start and is starting to lose his patience.

"Me being on their (butt)," he said when asked what it will take to eliminate those problems. "That's about as blunt as I can be.'

In his short tenure with the Panthers, Dunbar has proven to be a taskmaster. His practices are intense because he wants

the games to be intense. "Our practice habits are improving tremendously would expect those things to continue to improve," he said.

Maybe more time than I anticipated, but it just takes time." But Dunbar doesn't think

"It takes time.

his players are fumbling, throwing interceptions or committing ill-timed penalties because they are too tight,

trying too hard to please the new coach "I don't buy that too tense thing," he said. "I want them focused and ready to go and concentrating. To be able to play, you need to be focused and

focused on the task at hand.

Mike Dunbar

'It takes time'

"We want them to be calm, but you need to be intense in regards to the mental focus and the concentration that exists to play in anything competitively — from tiddly-winks to football to whatever it is." Dunbar said to look at Chica-

greatest athlete that maybe exists today. "Why is he so great in every big game he plays?," Dunbar asked. "In my opinion, it's prep-

aration and mental focus.

Pedersen or Peterson?

■ If you go looking for UNI

football player Matt Pedersen in

go Bulls star Michael Jordan,

who he called "probably the

which one?

UNI FOOTBALL

Cedar Falls, you'll likely get a

That's because the Panthers sport a Matt Pedersen from Hudson at linebacker and a Matt Peterson from Cedar Falls on the defensive line.

The two share more than a name, however. They are redshirt sophomores, both born on the 26th (Peterson in February, Pedersen in April) and they share the same house.

"You gotta distinguish Cedar Falls or Hudson," Pedersen said during a recent telephone call to his home.

Dunbar calls Pedersen "Bob" - his nickname — and Peterson Peterson.

"It's confusing sometimes," Pedersen said. The two met on their recruit-

ing visit and a bond was formed. This is the second year they've lived together.

"We're pretty good friends," Pedersen said.

Rankings game ■ Northern Iowa is ranked 23rd in this week's The Sports Network NCAA I-AA Top 25, the longest-running I-AA poll, and 22nd by The SportsTicker, an ESPN/USA Today weekly poll in

its first season. That's a good place for the Panthers, according to Jeff Sagarin's NCAA football rankings, which rates every I-A and I-AA team on the basis of schedule strength as well as wins and

UNI is ranked 130th overall, but 22nd among the I-AA teams. UNI's schedule strength ranks 97th out of the 233 teams in the rankings. Villanova is the top I-AA team, according to Sagarin. It

teams like Indiana (71), Baylor (82) Minnesota (83), Texas Tech (84), Illinois (87) and Iowa State Villanova is rated fourth by

ranks 64th overall, ahead of I-A

Montana, the top-rated team in both weekly polls, is third in Sagarin's ratings, 92nd overall. Delaware is second among the

TSN, fifth by the SportsTicker.

I-AA programs. McNeese State, which handed UNI a 22-5 setback Sept. 20, is tabbed fourth by Sagarin and Gateway Football Conference member Youngstown, UNI's

homecoming date, is fifth.

Texas Tech woes stretch back 6 years

Raiders used 76 ineligible athletes in that time frame

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Six years of academic certification errors came to a head Thursday for Texas Tech, which released an audit that found 76 athletes in eight sports competed ineligibly over that time.

It will be up to the NCAA

which this month is expected to reveal results of a 11/2-year investigation into allegations of improprieties in the athletics program, whether teams must forfeit any victories or return postseason tournament money. Athletics certification troubles

have caused six athletes to miss playing time or be declared ineligible in recent months. The men's basketball team requested it not be considered for the NCAA tournament last season when two players were deemed ineligible during the Big 12 tournament.

"If nothing else, this audit indicates a clear pattern of unsatisfactory work, lack of attention to detail and a lack of a general understanding of NCAA satisfactory progress legislation," Chancellor John T. Montford said in a written statement. Directed by an Overland Park,

Kan., law firm that specializes

COLLEGE ATHLETICS in NCAA compliance matters. the audit investigated records of 683 current and former athletes. The athletes' names were dele-

ted from the report.

school year, athletes competed ineligibly at one time or another in football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, women's soccer, men's tennis, men's track and women's volleyball.

All current athletes have been

properly certified and are fully

It found that since the 1991-92

eligible, administrators said. New compliance director Robert Burton said it wasn't clear whether the school would have to forfeit past games or return the \$120,000 received for the men's basketball team's two NCAA tournament victories in 1996. Four players on that team

were deemed ineligible.

gram carried ineligible players in three seasons. However, the 1993 NCAA national championship squad checked out clean. Additionally, ineligible play-

The women's basketball pro-

ers participated in four football bowl games and NCAA tournaments in baseball and men's tennis. The women's basketball team reached the regionals all three years it had ineligible

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