

# SPORTS DIGEST

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## Jury convicts Jets' Gastineau of assault charge

### FOOTBALL

Mark Gastineau, the New York Jets' All-Pro defensive end, was convicted of a misdemeanor assault in a nightclub brawl at Studio 54 in New York but a six-member jury yesterday acquitted his teammate, quarterback Ken O'Brien, 23, of similar charges.

Gastineau, 27, faces up to one year in jail and a \$1,000 fine although prosecutor Jeffrey Schlanger said such a severe penalty was unlikely.

The defendants were accused of punching and kicking John Benson, 22, a waiter at the club; Charles McGinley, 29, of Union City, N.J.; and Peter Fernandez, 19, of Jersey City, N.J. Schlanger charged that the altercation last Sept. 30 started after Gastineau lost an arm-wrestling match; the defense lawyers countered that the players were not involved in the fight.

The players missed four weeks of practice to attend the trial. Gastineau has played two games and leads the NFL in quarterback sacks, with six.

NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle welcomes the rival USFL to a fall schedule but said he doubts the NFL will ever welcome any of the USFL teams as expansion franchises. USFL investors "are being very misled if they think that could happen," Rozelle said in Houston.

"The situation is totally different from earlier days. The teams that came in from the AFL gave us a much stronger NFL because they developed markets where there had been none."

As for the fall schedule move, he added, "I think it's better for the NFL and for the colleges to have them playing in the fall," Rozelle said. "With a spring schedule that is a type of overexposure. There is no natural break in the seasons."

### BASEBALL

NL President Chub Feeney reduced the suspension of St. Louis shortstop Ozzie Smith from seven to three days.

As a result of additional films of the incident Sept. 1, Smith's fine also was cut from a reported \$5,000 to \$2,500.

Feeney said, "It appears that while Ozzie Smith did charge and make contact with umpire Steve Rippley, he did not strike him with his forearm or intentionally knock him to the ground."

Two Chicago Cub fans, who have watched the team from the flat roof of their apartment building, are suing the landlord because he has plans to rent the roof to a business for \$5,000 during the playoffs. Jon Duncan and Thomas Eakle are trying to preserve their access to the roof, located across the street from Wrigley Field.

A Mariner farmhand, Salt Lake City Gulls second baseman Harold Reynolds, was named to the PCL all-star team. He hit .296, with three homers, 54 RBIs and 37 stolen bases. Alejandro Sanchez, Phoenix outfielder, was named league MVP. He hit 26 home runs and had 108 runs batted in. Other all-stars were pitchers Mike Bielecki (19-3) and Alfonso Pulido (18-

6), both of Hawaii; catcher Jamie Nelson (.276) and outfielder Doug Loman (.324) of Vancouver; outfielder Tony Brewer (.357) and first baseman, Sid Bream (.343), Albuquerque; shortstop Ozzie Guillen (.296) and DH Rick Lancelotti (.287), Las Vegas, and third baseman Rick Schu (.301), Portland.

### TENNIS

Chris Evert Lloyd, who lost to Martina Navratilova in the women's final of the U.S. Open last Saturday, beat Martina in a charity exhibition match at Rancho Bernardo, Calif., last night 6-2, 7-6. It was her first win over Navratilova since December, 1982, in the Australian Open.

"It's always a thrill for me to beat her even if it wasn't a tournament," Lloyd said.

Fourth-seeded Pat Cash of Australia, a semifinalist in the U.S. Open, was ousted by Lloyd Bourne 7-5, 6-3 and Terry Moor stunned second-seeded Johan Kriek of South Africa 4-6, 7-6, 6-1 in the Pacific Southwest Open. Moor won the second-set tie-breaker 7-5.

Top-seeded Jimmy Connors breezed past Glenn Michibata of Toronto 6-2, 6-0 on the UCLA courts.

Ivan Lendl has withdrawn from the \$200,000 TransAmerica Open starting Monday in San Francisco, drawing the ire of promoter Barry MacKay. Lendl is returning to Czechoslovakia to prepare for the Davis Cup semifinal with Sweden. The U.S.-Australia semifinal will be played in Portland Sept. 28-30.

Aaron Krickstein, 17, returning to the scene of his first professional victory, reached the quarterfinals of the Israeli Grand Prix with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over fellow American Jeff Turpin.

### COLLEGES

Former Kansas State women's basketball coach Lynn Hickey, now at Texas A&M, has been charged with improprieties by her former assistant, Sally Anthony. Anthony said that Hickey loaned money to players for bus tickets, rented an apartment and stocked it with food for four players and paid off a bad check written by a player. Anthony, fired by Athletic Director Dick Towers last month, has filed a \$200,000 racial-discrimination suit against Towers.

A Southeastern Conference spokesman said the league will leave it up to each school to decide if it will accept the University of Florida's offer to forfeit three 1980 football victories because of illegal scouting activities.

Allegations that the Gators spied on opponents in 1980 and 1981 were included among the 107 charges contained in an official letter of inquiry the Gainesville school received from the NCAA Tuesday.

If Mississippi State accepts the offer it would claim a share of the 1980 conference title with Georgia. Mississippi State's only SEC loss in six games was to Florida.

Florida Coach Charley Pell says he's through with college football after this season. "I have no interest whatsoever in being involved in college coaching again — in any way shape or form," Pell said. "They can have college football and all of its (expletive)."

### SOCCER

The MISL Tacoma Stars have extended the contracts of three players, Jimmy Sinclair, Neil Megson and John Baretta.

Executives of the financially troubled NASL discussed a plan for league retrenchment and franchise mergers, submitted by Clive Tovey, chairman of the Toronto Blizzard. Among the recommendations are a reduction in teams from eight to six and shortening the schedule from a 24-game season to 16.

### BOXING

A court-ordered examination of the cut that kept Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini out of a nationally televised fight failed to come off Tuesday in New Orleans when the former lightweight champion failed to show. Mancini's lawyer, Ed Flack, said yesterday the boxer was never properly served with the court order to appear. Mancini's fight against Kenny Bogner was scheduled for Saturday. Last Thursday, Mancini said he had received a cut over his left eye some two weeks earlier while training in the Catskills.

Former heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali checked out of Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital in New York Tuesday after a five-day stay for general tests, a hospital spokesman said. Ali's stay at the hospital was voluntary. In recent years, his speech has slurred and his overall movement has become more lethargic.

### BASKETBALL

Rick Berry, 6-foot-8 forward who was expected to start for the Oregon State basketball team this season, has decided to transfer to San Jose State, where his father, Bill, is the head coach.

Pat Riley, coach of the LA Lakers, appears to be close to signing a three-year contract. Laker owner Jerry Buss and Riley's agent were scheduled to hold their fourth negotiating session today.

### LOCAL:

The Sno-King Blue Knights (1-2) have switched the starting time of Saturday's Northwest Football Alliance game with Peninsula (0-2) from 7:30 to 2 p.m. at Edmonds.

Seahawk special teams coach Rusty Tillman will be one of four athletes inducted into the Northern Arizona University Hall of Fame. He played for NAU in 1968-69. He will be with the Seahawks in Foxboro, Mass., this weekend and will miss Saturday night's induction ceremony.

Jet ski racers will compete Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. for the state championship at Port Washington Marina in Bremerton. Current Northwest points leader in the expert division is Gary Schmidt of Kent, with the 1983 national novice champion Steve Miller of Renton second. Richard Larkin of Victoria, B.C., is favored in the pro classes and Dyana Haechler of Kent is seeded first in the women's division.

### HOCKEY

Hakan Loob's three goals and a pair by Thomas Steen led Sweden past the U.S. 9-2 last night in Edmonton, Alta., and put the Swedes in the Canada Cup final. They will play the winner of tonight's Soviet Union-Canada game.

Sweden had lost 7-1 to the U.S. in the opening game of the tournament. Loob, who played last season for the NHL Calgary Flames, scored after 5½ minutes when a puck, cleared around the corner in the U.S. end, bounced off a defenseman's stick right in front of the net. Steen scored 14 seconds after the ensuing center-ice faceoff.

The Swedes turned the game into a rout with goals 38 seconds apart later in the period by Per-Erik Eklund and Loob. That caused goalie Tom Barrasso to remove himself from the game. The U.S. goals were by Brian Lawton and Ed Olczyk in the third period. Kent Nilsson, also of the Flames, contributed a goal and four assists for Sweden.

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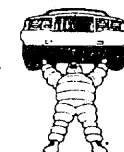
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# Shannon to make pro debut against LA boxer tomorrow

Two-time Olympian Robert Shannon of Edmonds will make his professional debut tomorrow night on an Everett boxing card that also will feature undefeated lightweight Bret Summers and Olympic Trials finalist Joe Belinc.

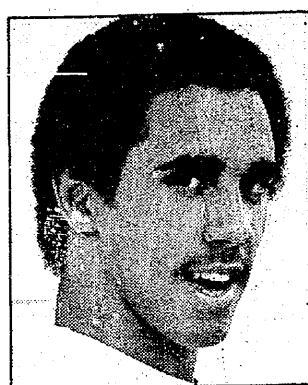
Shannon, 21, who was knocked out by South Korea's Sung-Kil Moon in the second round of the Olympic featherweight competition, will meet Carlos Rodraques of Los Angeles in a six-round bout. According to the promoter, Troy Summers of Ring Star Boxing Team, Rodraques is 3-0 with three knockouts.

Bret Summers, who is 18-0 with 12 knockouts, will face Mexican Francisco Armenta (14-1) in the 10-round main event. Bret Summers, 24, who knocked out Jerry

Lewis in the eighth round of a Seattle bout July 17, lives in Marysville but is trained and managed by Emmanuel Steward of Detroit's Kronk Gym.

Belinc will make his pro debut in a four-round junior welterweight bout against Valentine Burgos (3-2) of San Jose. Belinc, 19, reached the finals of the Olympic Trials by decisioning world champion Pernell Whitaker, but lost a controversial box-off to Whitaker, who went on to win the Olympic gold medal at 132 pounds.

The fight card, which might include a heavyweight bout, will begin at 8 p.m. at the Everett Ramada Pacific Hotel. Tickets, priced at \$25, \$20, \$15 and \$10, can be ordered by calling 659-9115. Seattle fans may call collect.



Robert Shannon  
Scheduled for 6-rounder

## Madrid rookie takes early first-round Safeco lead

KENT — Rookie Marta Figueras-Dotti fired a 6-under-par 66 today to take the early first-round lead in the LPGA Safeco Classic at Meridian Valley Country Club.

Figueras-Dotti, 23, from Madrid, Spain, missed only two greens and had only 27 putts in recording her 66. She shot the front

side in 34 and the back in 32, an effort which included a 30-foot birdie putt on the 14th hole.

With half the field still on the course, another relative unknown, Lynn Stoney, a 25-year-old from Youngstown, Ohio, was in second place with a 68. In third was Hall of Famer Kathy Whitworth, who

bogeyed the final hole to finish with a 69.

At 70 were Lynn Cooke-Parker and Clarkston's Robin Walton.

Yesterday, Pat Meyers and four amateurs teamed up to win the Safeco pro-am, scoring 55 to take the \$340 top prize by one stroke. Joan Joyce's team placed second.

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## JUANITA VS MERCER ISLAND

The last time these two schools met was during the State Basketball Championships. Don't miss this "AAA" Kingco League battle as the Rebels of Juanita, led by running back Kurt Steck, travel to the home turf of the Mercer Island Islanders. Their rivalry should produce another great game. Tickets available at the gate.

For an update on scores, league standings, and "what's happening" in prep football, stay tuned for The Seattle Times' "KINGBOWL COUNTDOWN" at halftime.

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