

McCallum anxious to challenge Army

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Last December, in what should have been Napoleon McCallum's grand farewell to Navy football, he watched from the sidelines as his teammates were unceremoniously humbled by Army, 28-11. McCallum, one of the brighter stars in 1983 as a junior, sustained a broken ankle two games into the 1984 season and hobbled around the bench the rest of the year.

"It's hard to sit on the sideline and watch your team not do as well as you want it to," he said.

"My class, the Class of '85, went out there, and I felt bad because I was part of that class. And I

1,110 yards with 14 touchdowns on 246 carries. In his junior year, he set a Navy record with 1,587 yards.

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The Middies would love to trade a handful of fumbles, interceptions and penalties that have cost them five losses by a total of 15 points.

"It bothers me the more I look back on it, the more I answer questions about it," McCallum said. "We lost a lot of tough games, games where if one call would have gone our way, we would have



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wasn't able to go out there and give some extra leadership.

"It's hard to wait a whole year before you can play them again."

On Saturday, he gets his chance in the 86th meeting between the two service academies. Granted a "hardship" year, McCallum, who was featured in national magazines and touted for the Heisman Trophy, has responded with a good season for the Middies, who are having a not-so-good 3-7 year.

"I've had a nice year, a so-so year, not as good as I'd really like," said McCallum, who has gained

made a field goal. Or one play to keep a drive going, one play where our defense could have stopped them.

"It's a lot of 'ifs.' I think every game there was a different 'if' that could have changed the game. It's hard to lose that way, but the guys on the team have a lot of character."

Would a victory over Army salvage the season?

"I don't think it would really salvage it, but it's something you can remember that would be pleasant about this season," McCallum said.

Army, 8-2 and with reservations in Atlanta for the Dec. 31 Peach Bowl against Illinois, has a

wishbone offense that averages 350.8 yards a game. In last year's game, the Cadets put together three touchdown drives that lasted 16 plays and devoured plenty of time.

"We made a lot of mistakes," McCallum said. "I think the coaches are better prepared for the wishbone now, we just have to execute better."

Army has a chance to tie a school record of nine victories in a season, reached nine times, the last in 1949. Army had gone 1-9-1 against Navy in the 11 season before last year's game.

Cadets out to snap losing skid

By STEPHEN WHITE
Sports Writer

Chuck Spielman knew the Muleskinners had a ton of losing tradition to overcome when he agreed to take charge of the St. John's Military School basketball program this season.

But Spielman, who is also the school's athletic director, thinks this could be the year St. John's snaps its embarrassing losing streak, which has swelled to 64 consecutive games. The Cadets have mustered but one victory in the last seven years.

The Muleskinners open their season at home tonight at 7:30 against Ell-Saline in a Post Rock League game.

After reaching an all-time low two years ago (scoring just seven points in one game), the Muleskinners made progress last season, twice playing opponents within 15 points.

With three starters and two experienced reserves returning from that team, the Muleskinners have a nucleus to build around — a rarity taken for granted at most schools which don't have the exceptionally high turnover rate of St. John's.

The Cadets' most-prized veteran is

Muleskinners schedule

DECEMBER
6-Ell-Saline; 10-Tescott; 13-at Bennington; 17-St. Marys Academy.

JANUARY
17-at Solomon; 20-24-Post Rock League Tournament; 28-at Millonvale; 31-Bennington.

FEBRUARY
4-Solomon; 7-31 Tescott; 11-at St. Marys Academy; 18-Millonvale; 21-at Ell-Saline.
(*Post Rock League games.)

John Wells, a 6-2 senior forward who came on second semester last season to average 11.5 points per game. Other returning starters include Chuck Riley, a 6-1 junior guard whose speed is second to none in the Post Rock League, and Robert Lossman, a 5-11 senior whose play tapered off after a strong start last season.

Jeff Baker, a 6-5 senior, is expected to move into the Muleskinners' starting lineup after gaining limited experience second semester last season, as is Travis Klopfenstein, 5-10 junior guard.

"I feel that our strengths will be two-fold this year," Spielman said. "First, our height should be a factor; and, because of our height, I hope

that we will be able to control the backboards.

"Also, we should have some quick guards and some good ball-handlers returning, and we should be able to get the ball up the floor better."

Additionally, Spielman sees the success of St. John's football team carrying over onto the hardwood. The Cadet football team just completed a 3-4 season, its best since the school resumed playing football 12 years ago.

"Even though they only won three games, I believe that it has shown that a group of boys put together for the first time, including some without any experience, can compete and win in our league. I feel that feeling will carry over to basketball and definitely help us," Spielman said.

"One weakness is that this is the first year I've coached basketball in about eight years, and it's going to take the players awhile to get used to my style of coaching.

"We have a good bunch of boys and I feel that the talent is there. What we have to work on is becoming a team. I feel if we can accomplish this, we will have succeeded, no matter what the win-loss record is."

Spartans at Missouri Southern tourney; Hamilton regains academic eligibility

JOPLIN, Mo. — Marymount's young basketball team hits the road this weekend for another "learning experience."

The Spartans, who were handed a 97-66 defeat by Fort Hays State on Monday night, meet Drury tonight in the opening round of the Lionbackers Classic on the campus of Missouri Southern State College.

Saturday night, Marymount meets Missouri Southern. Both Spartan games are scheduled to tip off at 9 p.m. at Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

And both contests figure to be a monumental challenge for Marymount, which brings a 5-3 record into the tourney.

Drury, the defending NAIA District 16 champion, owns a 6-4 record. One of those six wins was a 61-58 decision over Fort Hays State.

Southern, which meets Northeastern (Okla.) State in tonight's 7 p.m. opener, has been red-hot in the early going. The Lions improved their record to 8-1 earlier this week by defeating Drury, 88-81.

"As young as we are and as early in the season as it is, it's going to be a real tough two-game test," said Marymount coach Dan Pratt.

Pratt said the recent losses to Washburn and Fort Hays State, along with the tough opposition this weekend, will benefit the Spartans later in the season.

"We knew this was going to be a difficult part of the schedule when we started," Pratt said. "This is a tough stretch but it's going to make us a much better team at the end of the season if we can survive. The key is they

(Marymount players) must understand that."

The Spartans will finally have the services of 6-8 center Rich Hamilton, who was academically ineligible for Marymount's first eight games.

Hamilton, a sophomore from Philadelphia, Pa., should give the Spartans a big boost inside. As a freshman, he averaged 11 points and 7 rebounds an outing and set a single-season field goal percentage record with his 61 percent accuracy.

"We're not going to expect him to be the one guy who will lead us to victory," Pratt said. "We'd just like him to get back to where he was at the end of last season. But that'll take a few games."

For now, Hamilton will assume a backup role. Pratt said the same quintet which started Monday's game against Fort Hays would get the starting call again tonight. That includes forwards Anthony Stephens and Perry Guitroz, center Lonnie Sanders and guards Joe Mansfield and Doug Butler.

Drury's attack is paced by 6-4 senior forward Kelvin Parham, who is averaging 20 points a game. Guard Ted Young (13.9) and forward Tony King (12.8) also are averaging in double figures for the Panthers.

Southern has four players averaging in double figures — Greg Garton (17.6), Marvin Townsend (15.3), Jeff Greene (14.6) and Reggie Grantham (13.2). Grantham, a starter on Fort Hays State's 1984 NAIA championship team, leads the Lions in assists with a 3.6 per game average.

Mustangs split wrestling duals

McPHERSON — Salina Central opened its wrestling season by splitting a pair of dual matches here Thursday night.

The Mustangs topped Hutchinson in their opening match, 46-18, before dropping a 30-24 decision to McPherson.

Central had five double-winners in its opening night of action. The quintet included Doug Neuschaefer at 98, Kirk Hoeffner at 112, Rick Upshaw at 119, Eric Zeeman at 145 and Darrel Loder at 185.

The Mustangs won nine of the 12 matches against Hutch and one of Central's defeats was a forfeit at 105 pounds.

McPherson sewed up its victory over the Mustangs by winning close decisions in the 155 and 167-pound classes. James Gates decided Micky Weis, 11-9, at 155 and Mark Nansel outdueled Pat Wyss, 6-3, at 167.

SALINA CENTRAL 46, HUTCHINSON 18
98 — Neuschaefer, SC, pinned H. Landrum; 105 — M. Landrum, H. won by forfeit; 112 — Hoeffner, SC, dec. Clark, 3-1; 119 — Upshaw, SC, dec. McNeal, 15-0; 126 — Hamiele, SC, dec. McClure, 12-3; 132 — Brown, H, pinned Duff; 138 — Stiras, SC, won by forfeit; 145 — Zeeman pinned Goodpasture; 155 — Weis, SC, dec. Sandvill, 7-0; 167 — Wyss, SC, pinned Branson; 185 — Loder, SC, pinned Tarrant; Hwt — Mundenko, H, pinned Long.

McPHERSON 30, SALINA CENTRAL 24
98 — Neuschaefer, SC, pinned Martin; 105 — Hein, M, won by forfeit; 112 — Hoeffner, SC, pinned Kaloupek; 119 — Upshaw, SC, dec. Pandlay, 12-0; 126 — Toase, M, dec. Hamiele, 6-2; 132 — Wilson, M, pinned Duff; 138 — Yanakopoulos, M, dec. Stiras; 145 — Zeeman, SC, dec. Kuhlman, 7-3; 155 — Gates, M, dec. Weis, 11-9; 167 — Nansel, M, dec. Wyss, 6-3; 185 — Loder, SC, pinned Sargent; Hwt — Long, SC, pinned Rausch.

Lombardi Award goes to Casillas

HOUSTON (AP) — University of Oklahoma nose guard Tony Casillas was named Thursday night as the 1985 winner of the Lombardi Award, which annually goes to the player deemed as the nation's top collegiate lineman.

Casillas, a 6-3, 280-pound senior, had 35 tackles, four for losses and two quarterback sacks in seven games this year for the Sooners, who play Southern Methodist on Saturday. He missed two games with an injury.

Officials of the award refuse to announce the vote totals of the four finalists.

ball, averaging more than 20 yards a catch.

Anderson, a 165-pound junior, was the strong end on the Eagles' single-wing offense. When he wasn't using his strong blocking skills, he was averaging 14 yards a reception.

The first-team defensive team is strong. The three linebackers are Jeff Allison of Minneapolis, Arian Funk of Hillsboro and David Hawk of Smoky Valley.

Allison is a 175-pound junior and another hard-nosed player. Allison — a second team 3A choice last season — was third in the NCAA in tackles with 124.

Hawk was the heart of Smoky Valley's defense. He recorded 83 tackles and recovered three fumbles while earning All-NCAA first-team honors.

Like Hawk, Funk is an intimidating force at 220 pounds. He was a unanimous All-MKL selection at linebacker.

Joining Gaschler in the secondary are Clifton-Clyde's Jason Branford, Herington's Todd Brown and Southeast of Saline's Dan Stutterheim.

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guard as a sophomore, moved from safety to end on defense this year and recorded 62 tackles.

Hillsboro senior Todd Arnold is the other first-team running back. Arnold was a unanimous first-team All-Mid-Kansas League player at running back and defensive back.

Arnold rushed for 1,043 yards and 12 touchdowns and returned 19 punts for 141 yards in leading the Trojans to the regional playoffs.

"Todd really came on for us this year," said Hillsboro coach Don Penner. "He doesn't have great speed in the 40 but does do an excellent job of picking his holes."

The first-team offensive ends are Southeast of Saline's Steve Fritz and Clifton-Clyde's Jim Anderson.

Fritz was the North Central Activities Association's third-leading receiver with 16 catches for 331 yards and four touchdowns. Fritz lived by the big play when he did catch the

Briefly

Hundley picked for Shrine game

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A 34-man roster featuring Washington State running back Reuben Mayes and Brigham Young quarterback Robbie Bosco has been selected to represent the West at the 61st annual Shrine East-West All-Star college football game, it was announced Thursday.

The game will be played Jan. 11 at Stanford Stadium. Kansas State free safety Barton Hundley was among those chosen for the West squad, as well as two Kansas Jayhawks, linebacker Willie Pless and tight end Sylvester Byrd.

In addition to Mayes, who averaged 112.4 yards per game this season, the backfield will feature Tulsa's Gordon Brown and Oregon's Tony Cherry. Sharing the quarterback duties will be Mark Rypien of Washington State.

The team will be coached by Lavell Edwards of Brigham Young. Serving as his assistants are Ted Tollner, Southern California and Jim Wacker, Texas Christian.

Shockers face Portland in tourney

WICHITA — Wichita State plays the first of five consecutive home basketball games tonight when the Shockers take on the University of Portland in a first-round game of the Pizza Hut Wichita Shootout.

The WSU-Portland game begins at 9 p.m. at Levitt Arena, following a 7 p.m. game between Tennessee Tech and Temple. WSU is 1-1 on the year and Portland 3-0, with both teams owning a win over Oregon State. Tennessee Tech is 2-0 and Temple 2-1.

Tonight's losers play Saturday at 7 p.m., with the championship game at 9 p.m.

Junior forward Gus Santos leads the Shockers in scoring with a 20-point average.

Welterweight title fight tonight

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Donald Curry and Milton McCrory battle tonight for the undisputed welterweight boxing championship.

Curry is recognized as welterweight champion by the World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation. McCrory is the World Boxing Council title-holder.

Curry has posted a 23-0 record, with 18 knockouts, while McCrory has won 27 fights, 22 by knockouts, and fought a 12-round draw with Colin Jones.

The bout, for which each fighter will get \$750,000, will be held indoors at the 9,000-seat Hilton Center at the Las Vegas Hilton and it will be televised by HBO.

Trump plans dome for NFL team

NEW YORK (AP) — Developer Donald Trump will build a domed football stadium in Queens and find a National Football League team to play in it, the state Urban Development Corp. announced Thursday.

Getting an NFL team as the prime tenant is an absolute condition of the deal, and unless this is done the government will not begin condemning land at the proposed site, the agency said.

Trump said that he doubted the football team would be the New York Jets, but that he anticipated no trouble in finding another team. He also said he thought the final version of the ballpark might have 90,000 seats rather than the 82,000 that the UDC announced.

Trump owns the New Jersey Generals of the rival United States Football League. The Generals have played their home games at Giants Stadium in suburban East Rutherford, N.J., home of two NFL teams: the Jets and the New York Giants.

Minnesota aide named head coach

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — John Gutekunst, Minnesota's defensive coordinator for the last two years, was named head football coach of the Gophers Thursday.

Gutekunst, 41, succeeds Lou Holtz, who left Minnesota last week to replace Gerry Faust as Notre Dame coach.

For days, reports have circulated that Maryland coach Bobby Ross was Minnesota's first choice, since he is a proven Division I winner while Gutekunst has never held a head coaching job. But on Thursday morning, Ross removed his name from Minnesota's consideration when he announced that he would stay at Maryland.

Gutekunst signed a four-year contract at \$85,000 a year, not including television and radio income.

"We know we can be competitive for the Big Ten championship and, hopefully, the national championship," said Gutekunst, who served as defensive coordinator for Virginia Tech from 1979-83 before joining Holtz, who had come to Minnesota from Arkansas.

Gutekunst will coach the Gophers when they play in the Independence Bowl Dec. 21 against Clemson at Shreveport, La.

Rice coach hired at Vanderbilt

HOUSTON (AP) — Football coach Watson Brown, who gave the downtrodden Rice Owls hope of returning to respectability over the past two seasons, resigned Thursday night to return to his alma mater as head coach at Vanderbilt.

He replaces George MacIntyre, who resigned after a 3-71-1 season at Vanderbilt.

Brown directed the Owls to a 4-18 record over two seasons. The Owls finished 3-8 this season but ended a Southwest Conference 26-game league losing streak and won back-to-back games for the first time since 1981.

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