



Volleyball, anyone?

Battalion photo by David Boggan

Members of the International Volleyball Coaches Conference participate in one of the practice sessions that are being held in G. Rolle White Coliseum. The two week conference

is scheduled to end Friday, after 140 participants have been instructed in the latest methods of coaching and playing the sport of volleyball.

From Atlanta baseball to Longhorn football?

United Press International
SAN ANTONIO — Pat Rockett, who started at shortstop for the Atlanta Braves most of last year and the first half of this season, was at Tuesday reportedly considering dropping professional baseball to play football for the Texas Longhorns.
Rockett has been AWOL from the baseball organization since the All-Star break when he was ordered to report to Richmond of the International League. His hitting had dropped to .141 for the year.
Rockett, 23, an all-around player, had signed a letter of intent to play for the University of Texas after playing on the 1971 Lee School state championship team and the 1972 state semifinals, but instead chose baseball.
"I was quoted Tuesday as saying I had considered abandoning baseball to go to college and play football rather than play AAA ball at Longhorn, where he spent most of his minor league career.
"I'm in good shape and I'm only 23. I've thought maybe I'll go to college and play football," Rockett

was quoted as saying, "So far, we've just mentioned it, though."
Charles Rockett, the player's father, said Rockett had been living at home since the All-Star break but had not discussed his future plans to that extent.
Atlanta General Manager Bill Lucas, however, discounted the possibility that Rockett would quit professional baseball and said he spoke to Rockett by telephone from Atlanta Monday. "He didn't say he wouldn't go," Lucas said a week ago after Rockett was ordered to the minor league team.
Lucas said he expected to discuss Rockett's future with him further after Rockett, who was a starter both offensively and defensively in football, conferred with his parents.
Rockett was named all-state both at split end and as a defensive back in his senior season, the last San Antonio to make all-state both ways on the first team.
He played in the state baseball tournament both his sophomore and senior seasons and was signed by local major league scout Al LaMachia.

Martin not impressed

Jackson suspended

United Press International
NEW YORK — The two most bitter antagonists in the New York Yankees' continuing soap opera clashed openly again Monday night, and it resulted in Reggie Jackson being suspended indefinitely without pay by Manager Billy Martin.
In the 10th inning of a game with

the Kansas City Royals, with Thurman Munson on base with a leadoff single in the 10th, Jackson was asked to bunt on the first pitch but fouled it off. Martin then removed the bunt sign only to watch Jackson foul off two more bunt attempts, the last of which catcher Darrell Porter caught for an out.

The Yankees failed to score in the inning and when Jackson returned to the bench he was told by Coach Gene Michael he was through for the night. After Kansas City rallied for four runs in the 11th inning to win, 9-7, an angered Martin summoned General Manager Cedric Tallis and talked to him for almost an hour.
While reporters waited to talk to Martin, Jackson tried to defend his decision to bunt in the 10th.

Jackson's statement about being a part-time player was a sarcastic swipe at Martin, who has been employing the slugging outfielder strictly as a designated hitter the last few games at the suggestion of owner George Steinbrenner. Jackson made no bones about not liking the DH assignment and Martin interpreted Jackson's failure to follow orders as a way of getting back at the manager.
"The bunt was on, on the first pitch — it was taken off via verbal instructions by the third base coach," said Martin. "The manager's orders were just disregarded. He bunted in direct defiance of a verbal order to hit. There's not going to be anybody who defies the manager or management in any way."

"I was trying to get him (Munson) over the best way I could," said Jackson, who was signed by the Yankees to a \$3 million five-year contract for his slugging ability and not his bunting prowess. "If I could move him into scoring position with Lou Piniella coming up behind me, I figure we have a good chance to win the ball game. What's the difference? If you get it (the bunt) down, you're a hero. If you don't, you're a bum."
"I'm trying to move the guy over, does that make me a bad guy? I'm just a part-time player."

"I'd just like to know how long I'm going to be suspended, so I can go home to California and relax," said Jackson. "This guy's (Martin) been doing this to me for a year and half now. No matter what I do I come away as the big, greedy moneymaker against a poor, little street-fighter."

KC rookies win, contain Campbell

United Press International
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Dave Reeve converted a pair of second-quarter field goals of 25 and 41 yards and Canadian Football League ref-

uge Zenon Andrusyshyn added a third of 25 yards early in the fourth quarter to give the Kansas City Chiefs a 9-0 rookie exhibition game victory Tuesday night over the Houston Oilers.

Oilers get distraction squad, too

United Press International
HOUSTON — When the action on the field gets dull this year at Houston Oilers football games the cameramen will be able to move to the action on the sidelines and the Derrick Dolls.

The Kansas City defense intercepted five passes, recorded four sacks and held Heisman Trophy winner Earl Campbell to 37 yards in 10 carries in his pro debut.

The name of the new Oiler cheer-leading squad was selected from approximately 8,000 entries in a contest sponsored by radio station KIKK.

Kansas City linebacker Mike Otto intercepted two Gifford Nielsen passes, returning the first 35 yards to the Houston 6 to set up the first field goal. After the Chiefs moved only 3 yards in 3 plays, Notre Dame free agent Reeve made it 3-0 from 25 yards out.

Cornerback Gregg Anderson intercepted a second Neilsen pass at the Kansas City goal line and returned it 23 yards to start the second scoring drive. The Chiefs moved 53 yards in 5 plays, also capitalizing on a 15-yard Houston personal foul penalty to set up Reeve's 41-yarder.

Andrusyshyn's field goal capped a 66-yard drive in 12 plays to put the game out of reach.

The winning name was drawn by owner K.S. "Bud" Adams Jr. from an Oiler's coach's hat containing the names of 10 finalists.

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