

Sports

Astros, Cedeno await decision on suspension

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HOUSTON — With an important series against the San Francisco Giants scheduled this weekend, the Houston Astros are anxious to learn if suspended first baseman Cesar Cedeno will be playing with them.

The first-place Astros play tonight in the Astrodome against the Giants, who are 1½ games off the lead. Cedeno, the starting first baseman, has been hitting .285.

The Astros are expecting word sometime today from National League President Chub Feeney, who has been reviewing films and umpires' reports of Cedeno's leap into the Atlanta stands Tuesday to grab a heckler calling him a "killer."

Feeney gave Cedeno an indefinite suspension the next day, but Cedeno appealed through Major League Players' Association. Although that made Cedeno available to play until Feeney's final decision, Manager Bill Virdon held Cedeno out of Wednesday's game in Atlanta.

Cedeno said he jumped into the stands because his wife was in hearing range of the heckler. No one was hurt in the incident and no charges were filed. Cedeno was ejected from the game by the umpires. The heckler, identified as Raymond Smith of Atlanta, voluntarily left the stadium.

The fan's name-calling apparently referred to Cedeno's 1973 involuntary manslaughter conviction in his native Santo Domingo for the shooting death of a 19-year-old girl in his motel room.

Although the Astros said they did not condone Cedeno's decision to jump into the stands, they planned no action against him.

Basketball coaches to record album

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NASHVILLE — Two successful basketball coaches and one former coach turned sportscaster have decided to try get rid of their athletic blues by singing country music.

Former Marquette Coach Al McGuire, Kentucky's Joe B. Hall and Indiana's Bobby Knight have scheduled an all-day workout Monday at the Soundshop Recording Studios, under the coaching of Hendersonville recording producer Gene Large.

One country singer, Faron Young, didn't appreciate the intrusion of the sports figures into his field.

"If those sports people don't quit moving into our territory, I'm

going to meet with Hank Snow and Ernest Tubbs and talk with them about getting into coaching," Young quipped.

None of the sports figures were available for comment Thursday, but Large said the recording effort was no joking matter.

"This is no plaything project. Top Nashville musicians are going to play on the session and we'll have the best engineering and editing that money can buy," Large said. "I figure it should be ready for release in the late fall or early winter — along about the time the basketball season starts."

Although basketball coaches are known for singing the blues, this threesome has decided on a Country-Western album.

Major League Baseball

American League					National League				
East					East				
Detroit	19	11	.633	—	St. Louis	15	12	.556	—
Baltimore	17	13	.567	2	New York	15	15	.500	1½
New York	17	13	.567	2	Chicago	15	15	.500	1½
Milwaukee	18	14	.563	2	Montreal	14	14	.500	1½
Boston	16	13	.552	2½	Philadelphia	12	17	.414	4
Cleveland	17	15	.531	3	Pittsburgh	12	20	.375	5½
Toronto	14	15	.483	4½					
West					West				
Kansas City	16	14	.533	—	Houston	19	11	.633	—
Oakland	14	14	.500	1	Los Angeles	18	12	.600	1
Chicago	13	17	.433	3	San Francisco	17	12	.586	1½
Texas	12	16	.429	3	Atlanta	16	13	.552	2½
Minnesota	13	18	.419	3½	Cincinnati	15	14	.517	3½
California	11	17	.393	4	San Diego	9	22	.290	10½
Seattle	12	19	.387	4½					
Thursday's Results					Friday's Games				
Toronto 2, Seattle 0					Texas at California				
Cleveland 4, Baltimore 1					Seattle at Toronto				
Chicago 12, Milwaukee 6					Boston at New York				
					Cleveland at Detroit				
					Baltimore at Milwaukee				
					Chicago at Minnesota				
					Kansas City at Oakland				
					No games scheduled				
					San Francisco at Houston				
					Montreal at Chicago				
					Philadelphia at Pittsburgh				
					San Diego at Atlanta				
					Los Angeles at Cincinnati				
					New York at St. Louis				

Brock's 'homecoming' a success

By FRANK L. CHRISTLIEB
Battalion Staff
There weren't any floats, cheers or parades at Bill Brock's Baylor University homecoming.

Making his first appearance at the school where he coached for the past two years, the new coach of the Texas A&M University women's softball team had to settle for two season-opening victories instead of a festive homecoming celebration.

However, Brock would rather see his new team start the 1981-82 season successfully, and the Aggies' 11-0 and 2-1 sweep of Tuesday's double-header in Waco has definitely made him rest a little easier.

That's not to say that Brock ever had any doubts about the efficiency of his young team, which returns 10 players off the squad that finished fourth in the nation during the spring.

"I don't know where the end (in terms of success) of this team is,"

Brock said. "It has the quality to be one of the top caliber teams in the nation. We're still young in areas that are crucial positions, but I'm real optimistic."

Brock, who took over the team when Texas A&M coach Bill Galway resigned during the summer to coach at Louisiana Tech University, coached the Division II Bears to two straight College World Series berths. With the help of new assistant coach Sue Lilley, a product of Indiana University, Brock hopes to take the Division I Aggies to their third straight CWS.

In the first game of the double-header, Shan McDonald pitched a one-hitter as the Aggies collected 11 hits in shutting out the Bears. Brock used several of his talented freshmen in both games, and the most promising performer was first baseman Josie Carter. She had five RBI in the first game, including a two-run homer and a three-run double. Adding to the

Aggie offensive attack were Maria Resendez, with a single, triple and RBI, and Linda Lancaster, with a single and double.

In the second game, freshman pitcher Lisa Martinez gave up three hits and struck out five in leading the Aggies to a 2-1 win. Again, Carter played a key role by singling in Lisa Lancaster with the winning run in the seventh inning.

One important spot on the Aggie roster was vacant in the double-header, as pitcher Lori Stoll is on tour in Japan with the American Softball Association's national team. Stoll will join the Aggies Tuesday.

The Aggies host six other teams this weekend in the Texas A&M Invitational tournament at Travis Park in Bryan. The teams include UTA, Texas Women's University, Sam Houston State, St. Mary's, Texas Tech and Baylor. Texas A&M is slated to play UTA at 11:30 a.m. today and Baylor at 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, the Aggies will play Texas Tech at 9 a.m., St. Mary's at 1:30 p.m., TWU at 5:30 and SHSU at 7:30. Students with Texas A&M ID's will admitted free, as will youngsters under 13. The charge for students without ID's will be \$1, and passes for the entire tourney will cost \$2.

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NOVEMBER 3, 1981

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
ON THE BALLOT**

Senate Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to authorize cities, towns and other taxing units to grant exemptions from ad valorem taxes on an unproductive, underdeveloped or blighted area in order to encourage its development. The amendment would also allow the legislature to authorize a city or town to issue bonds or notes to finance this development and to pledge future increases in ad valorem tax revenues from the property in such areas to repay these bonds or notes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents for certain public free school fund land held in good faith under color of title for at least 50 years as of November 15, 1981."

**PROPOSITION NO. 3
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 38 proposes a constitutional amendment that would enable the legislature to grant to a state finance management committee the authority to manage state funds. Funds constitutionally dedicated to specific purposes would not be subject to committee management. The committee would be composed of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Chairman of the Senate State Affairs Committee, and the Chairman of the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to grant to a state finance management committee the power to manage the expenditure of certain appropriated funds."

**PROPOSITION NO. 2
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 117 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a person to receive a patent to land from the Commissioner of the General Land Office under certain conditions. Application for the patent must be made within five years from approval of the amendment. The land must be surveyed, public free school land not previously patentable. The person must have a properly recorded deed to the land, which he acquired without knowledge of the patent defect and which title he and his predecessors in interest have held for at least 50 years. The person and his predecessors in interest must have continuously claimed the land and paid the taxes for at least 50 years.

This amendment does not apply to beach land, submerged land, or islands. An applicant may not use this provision to

**PROPOSITION NO. 4
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 6 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that one-half of the surplus tax revenues

above the spending limit provided by Article VIII, Section 22, of the Texas Constitution would be placed in a Water Assistance Fund to be used as provided by law, including projects for water development and conservation, water quality enhancement, and flood control purposes or any combination of these purposes.

The amendment also provides \$500,000,000 of the general credit of the state to guarantee bonds issued in commercial markets by local political subdivisions, including cities, counties, and special districts. The amendment allows amounts to be established to decrease or retire state debt, which is defined as that debt secured by the full faith and credit of the state. The amendment would raise the interest that could be paid on authorized, but unissued, bonds guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the state from 6% to 12%.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the use of a portion of the excess revenues of the state for water development, water conservation, water quality enhancement, and flood control purposes; authorizing the use of the state's credit, not to exceed five hundred million dollars, to guarantee the bonds of cities, counties, towns, and other units of local government in the financing of projects for such purposes; increasing the interest rate that may be paid on previously approved, but unissued, state bonds; and authorizing a program to retire state bonds."

**PROPOSITION NO. 5
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 49 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt livestock and poultry from taxation. Currently, farm products in the hands of the producer and family supplies for home and farm use are exempt.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide for the inclusion of livestock and poultry with farm products as exempt from taxation."

**PROPOSITION NO. 7
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue and sell an additional \$250,000,000 in bonds increasing the Veterans' Land Fund's total bond issuance authorization from \$700,000,000 to \$950,000,000. The amendment would increase the maximum interest payable by the state on these bonds from 6% to 10%, and permit an even higher rate, if specified by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of additional bonds to finance the veterans' land program and to increase the maximum interest rate allowable on veterans' land fund bonds."

**PROPOSITION NO. 6
ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 81 authorizes the governing body of a county, city, school district or other political subdivisions to exempt from taxation a portion of the market value of a residence homestead. The portion exempted may be as much as 40% for 1982-1984; 30% for 1985-1987; and 20% for 1988 and after. The amount of an exemption may not be less than \$5,000 unless the legislature by general law prescribes other monetary restrictions on the amount of the exemption. An eligible adult is allowed to receive other applicable exemptions provided by law. An exception is made where ad valorem tax has previously been pledged for the payment of debt.

The amendment further directs the legislature to require that notice be given to property owners of a reasonable estimate of tax on their property in certain situations.

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