



California or bust

photo by Linda Santinoceto

Mel Nash, Texas A&M swimming coach, prepares his team for the U.S. Swimming Championships, which begin tomorrow in Clovis,

Calif. The Aggies finished third in the Southwest Senior Circuit in July. Nash said he anticipates two Aggies will finish in the top 20.

Decision could come today

Kuhn's time is running out

United Press International
BOSTON — It's the last of the ninth inning for Bowie Kuhn, and he's losing.

Kuhn's final days as commissioner of baseball are slowly ticking away, and he needs some power off the bench if he is to survive. Kuhn's fate is expected to be determined today at the annual summer meeting of baseball's 26 owners and, unless his supporters can reach a compromise with his detractors, his 15-year term as commissioner will officially end Aug. 12.

Kuhn's supporters are guardedly optimistic that they can find a way to keep him in office.

With 10 days left on Kuhn's contract, no successor has been announced by Milwaukee Brewers' owner Allan "Bud" Selig, who heads a search committee to select a replacement for Kuhn.

Selig has met with many obstacles in trying to find a qualified successor and he will make a report on his committee's findings at today's meeting.

Kuhn said he felt he was aware of a procedure in baseball's rules that could extend his tenure.

"I'm not making any predictions, but I think there are a number of scenarios that could materialize," Kuhn said.

However, for Kuhn to remain in office, he must receive 75 percent of the votes in each league. He has enough votes in the American League for re-election but last November in Chicago the National League

owners voted 11-5 not to renew his contract. Since the opposition has increased

If Kuhn's term expires, there is no replacement. Executive Council, composed of four owners from each league and the two league presidents, would run baseball. The council is empowered to name a commissioner pro tem and a commissioner can be named and in that situation it is undoubtedly want Kuhn to continue in office.

Nielsen will start against Colts

United Press International
SAN ANGELO — Six-year veteran Gifford Nielsen has been handed the Houston Oilers' starting quarterback assignment for the pre-season game against the Baltimore Colts, coach Ed Biles said.

For running backs, Biles said he would deploy rookie Larry Moriarity, a Notre Dame stand-

out, and ailing veteran Earl Campbell.

Campbell was unable to complete a second workout Monday due to a leg injury, and if he is unable to play, Biles said he would start second-year veteran Donnie Craft.

The rest of the starting offense will have rookie Harvey

Salem—the Oilers' second draft pick out of California-Berkeley—at left tackle; Mike Munchak at left guard; David Carter at center; Ed Fisher at right guard, and Morris Towns at right tackle.

The defense will include Malcolm Taylor at left end; Mike Stensrud at middle guard; Elvin

Bethea at right end; Riley, Daryl Hunt, Ron Zile and Greg Bingham at linebackers.

Willie Tullis was the right cornerback; rookie Brown of Oregon at left back; Mike Reinhold at safety, and Carter at strong safety.

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