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Rozelle issues mandate for NFL requiring random drug testing

NEW YORK (AP) — A drug program that includes mandatory random testing for National Football League players during the season will begin with 1986 training camp physicals this month, Commissioner Pete Rozelle said Monday.

The National Football League Players Association in Washington said it will not accept the program because it represents an unauthorized change in the current collective bargaining agreement.

"I feel the collective bargaining agreement and the by-laws give me the obligation and the authority to protect the health and welfare of the players and to preserve the public confidence in the NFL," Rozelle said.

He said he derived his authority from Section 8.13 (A) of the NFL Constitution and bylaws and Article

VIII of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

In a statement released in Washington, Gene Upshaw, president of the NFLPA said the union would be willing to meet with Jack Donlon, executive director of the NFL Management Council, to discuss possible changes in the current drug-testing program.

Dr. Forest Tennant, Jr., an expert in the field of chemical-dependency treatment, was placed in charge of the program.

NFL players "fit the target group" for drugs in age, money and time (the off-season is about six months), Rozelle said.

One point in the program will require more frequent urine testing, including two unscheduled tests during the regular season for every player in the league.

Upshaw noted the current drug program negotiated in 1982 calls for a mandatory test before the season and an extensive drug counseling program. The NFL is the only professional sport that requires mandatory testing, Upshaw added.

Under Rozelle's program, drugs to be tested for will include cocaine, marijuana, opiates (e.g. heroin), PCP, amphetamines, and alcohol.

Amphetamines will be tested for, but initially handled through education and counseling, Rozelle said.

Tennant said a test for amphetamines can reflect the use of cough medicine or medicine for allergies. Rozelle said he hoped a perfected test for amphetamines could be in place by next year.

The commissioner said alcohol will not be prohibited, but high levels of it and other indications of al-

cohol problems will lead to treatment and possible discipline.

Anabolic steroids also will be the subject of educational programs while methodology is being developed to handle them.

Other points of the program include:

- All users of prohibited substances will be placed under medical care as soon as identified through confirmed positive tests.
- A set of procedures will be established that in some cases will provide remedies while preserving the confidentiality of the test results. In other cases, players who test positive will be removed immediately from their teams' active rosters, and in extreme cases they could be banned permanently from the league.

Joyner sets mark at Goodwill Games

MOSCOW (AP) — Jackie Joyner put together a series of remarkable performances and shattered the world record in the heptathlon by more than 200 points with the first 7,000-point total in history at the Goodwill Games Monday.

Joyner's 7,148-point performance in the seven-event competition highlighted another big day for American athletes at the multi-sport festival. Americans took the lead in the gold-medal count from the Soviet Union, 22-21.

Texas A&M's Floyd Heard won the 200-meter dash with a 20.12-second clocking, while Aggie senior Chris O'Neil swam the butterfly portion of the United States' third-place finish in the 400 relay to boost the U.S. medal winnings.

Heard, who just finished his freshman year at A&M, has won his last four 200 finals, including a 20.54 finish Thursday in the Olympic Day event at Dresden, East Germany, part of the Mobil Grand Prix series.

A&M Assistant Track Coach Ted Nelson said Heard has been peaking at this time of the year, because he has been able to specialize in the 100 and 200 and running more often in big races than he would during the school year.

"He's a good runner," Nelson said of Heard. "He's diligent in his work-

Ags' Heard, O'Neil grab gold

outs and does what you ask him to do. He does the little things that the great track runners do."

O'Neil, who completed his collegiate eligibility this year, also earned a gold medal at the Goodwill Games with a 54.23 finish in the 100-meter butterfly to beat Texas' Ken Flaherty Saturday.

A&M Swimming Coach Mel Nash said he was pleased with O'Neil's performance.

"Moscow isn't the most hospitable place," Nash said. "It's a little intimidating swimming in the Soviet's home pool. But to win there says a lot about him."

O'Neil had the fastest butterfly split in the 400 relay, but the U.S. team could not overcome the Soviet A and B teams and finished with a time of 3 minutes, 45.64 seconds, nearly three seconds off the winning pace.

Swimmer Sean Killion of Cherry Hill, N.J., beat former world record-holder Vladimir Salnikov of the Soviet Union in the men's 400-meter freestyle, and Angel Myers of Americus, Ga., and Furman University won her third and fourth gold medals.

Joyner's gold medal was one of four earned by the United States in

the 12-event track and field program. The Americans also collected six golds in eight events on the final day of swimming and finished the competition with 15 golds and 49 medals, a tremendous feat for a "second-string" team. The top U.S. swimmers are preparing for the world championships.

Overall, the Soviets have 67 medals, the United States 64.

In a stunning upset in the pool, Killion beat Salnikov in the men's 400-meter freestyle in 3 minutes, 51.91 seconds.

Myers finished as the biggest winner in the pool, capturing her third and fourth medals to go along with one bronze.

Ags' Kerr shines at Pan Am Jr.

Texas A&M freshman Stanley Kerr picked up two gold medals at the Pan American Junior Track and Field Championships Saturday night in Winter Park, Fla.

Kerr won the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.20 seconds, and anchored the U.S. 400 relay team to a 39.72 finish over Cuba. A&M signee Derrick Florence ran the second

leg of the relay and on Sunday finished second in the 200 with a time of 21.64. Kerr was held out of the 200 because the United States rotated its sprinters.

A&M recruit Percy Waddle was part of the U.S. 1,600 relay that was upset by Cuba and finished second with a 3:05.44

Wimbledon lacking without McEnroe

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Boris Becker, talented, exciting and likeable, has captured Wimbledon and its fans for the second straight year. But talk still focused on the missing magic of John McEnroe.

While Becker successfully defended his title against Ivan Lendl, the world's top-ranked player, the shadow of McEnroe was everywhere.

Players often mentioned his name in interviews, and London's racy tabloid newspapers, severe McEnroe critics in the past, referred to him wistfully throughout the two weeks.

McEnroe, a three-time Wimbledon singles champion, long held the No. 1 spot on grass and every other surface. But he skipped this year's

lawn party to a self-imposed sabbatical from the sport because of the birth of his first child.

Now Becker, an 18-year-old West German, can claim to be the best, at least on grass, after beating Lendl 6-4, 6-3, 7-5 Sunday.

"McEnroe has been the world number one on grass for years," American Peter Fleming, McEnroe's former doubles partner, said after losing Sunday's doubles final to Sweden's Joakim Nystrom and Mats Wilander.

"Right now, you have to say Becker is the champion, but to really earn that title, he has to beat John."

McEnroe, who has played only several charity exhibitions since his first-round loss in the Nabisco Mas-

ters in January, said he will return to Grand Prix play on the hard courts at Stratton Mountain, Vt., Aug. 4-10, preparing for the next Grand Slam tournament, the U.S. Open.

"Becker's the best now, and it's McEnroe's job to prove otherwise," Fleming said. "I think he will. It's a good incentive for him."

Wilander, who was seeded No. 2 in the 128-player singles draw this year but fell in the fourth round, said he was looking forward to McEnroe's return.

"Tennis needs John," the Swedish star said. "He is a real personality."

Becker also is a personality, whose power and flashy, lunging volleys have captured the fancy of the fans. His infectious, bubbly style is differ-

ent from that of McEnroe, but he has twice proven that he can win at Wimbledon.

"Man, young man, boy," Lendl said. "Whatever you call him, call him champion."

In 1985, Becker became the youngest, the first German and the first non-seeded player to win the world's most prestigious grass-court tournament. On Sunday, the fourth-seeded Becker became the lowest-seeded player to win the championship since Sweden's Bjorn Borg won as the No. 4 seed in 1976.

"I thought perhaps it was a little early to win Wimbledon at 17 last year," Becker said. "But now I think I would like to keep on winning it."

Sherrard continues holdout with Dallas

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Mike Sherrard, the Dallas Cowboys' first-round draft choice, rejected a second contractual offer of \$1.5 million and is one of four rookies now listed as holdouts, officials said Monday.

Sherrard, along with the other top four choices — Darryl Clack, Mark Walen and Max Zendejas — have not signed contracts and didn't appear at training camp when it started Sunday, team spokesman Doug Todd said.

The Cowboys did reach agreements Sunday with sixth-round choice Lloyd Yancey, 10th-round choice Bryan Chester and 12th-rounder Chris Duliban, Todd said. Terms were not disclosed.

Although the Cowboys' new five-year offer that Sherrard rejected Sunday is substantially higher than the original \$865,000 package, agent Leigh Steinberg said the two sides are far from an agreement.

Steinberg wants \$1.6 million for four years. Broken down to four years, the Cowboys have essentially offered \$1.22 million to Sherrard.

Steinberg said he is basing his request on contracts signed last year by

four NFL wide receivers drafted in the first round. Al Toon, Eddie Brown, Jerry Rice and Jesse Hester received an average of \$1.576 million for four years.

"I can't accept a contract that is \$300,000 short of what Jesse Hester got last year," Steinberg said. "Unfortunately, this is a serious money difference."

Steinberg said, meanwhile, that he would accelerate negotiations with the United States Football League's Arizona Outlaws, who have offered Sherrard \$1.9 million for four years.

Cowboys vice president Joe Bailey said he has made an offer that is "fair to the base salary structure of our team."

Dallas Coach Tom Landry said he will remain patient with the absence of the top four draft choices.

"I can't blame the kids," he said. "They have agents who want more money. But I don't think it's our fault, either. It's going to hurt them to miss the time in camp, but they're still going to have to prove it in camp against the veterans."

Landry will conduct rookie camp this week. Veteran players are scheduled to report Sunday.

Horner's homers

Atlanta slugger says record takes back seat to team's division race

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Bob Horner, who entered the record book with four home runs in one game, said Monday that he was more concerned with the Atlanta Braves' place in the standings than his place in history.

"I just blacked out," Horner said, recalling his final trot around the bases after lining a Jeff Reardon fastball over the left-center field fence in the ninth inning of Sunday's game in Atlanta against Montreal.

"What can you possibly think at a moment like that?" Horner said. "In one vein I was happy I did it, but in another vein I'm sorry it really didn't help the cause."

Montreal won the game, 11-8, despite Horner's heroics. He hit solo homers in the second and fourth innings and a three-run shot in the fifth, all off Expos starter Andy McGaffigan. He popped out against Tim Burke in the seventh.

Only 11 players in major league history have hit four home

runs in one game, the last being Mike Schmidt of the Phillies in 1976.

Three players, including Schmidt, needed extra innings to do it. And four players — including Schmidt, Lou Gehrig, Rocky Colavito and Bobby Lowe — have done it in consecutive at-bats.

"You don't ever plan on something like that happening to you," Horner said before Monday's game with the Phillies. "You're very lucky if it happens once in your career. I've savored the moment."

Horner, who on Sunday joked that he had "a good week today" jumped into a tie for the National League lead with 17 homers, even with Glenn Davis of Houston and Mike Marshall of Los Angeles.

"I suppose it's nice, your little niche in history," he said. "Everybody's been reminding of that, so it's hard to forget it. It was one of those things that happens that you never forget. But it would have been nice to win."

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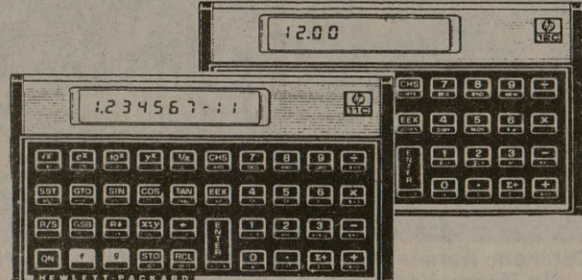
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