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USFL-NFL trial

\$3 damage settlement may cause end of USFL

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Football League was ordered to pay just \$3 in token damages after being found nominally liable Tuesday for one antitrust violation against the rival United States Football League.

Although the USFL said it would appeal, the decision threatened to doom the league, which had sought \$1.69 billion in its struggle to stay in business.

"It's going to be very tough," said USFL Commissioner Harry Usher. "It's like a death in the family."

He said the four-year-old league's eight remaining owners, who abandoned their spring-summer format after the 1985 season, would meet Aug. 6 in New York to decide whether to compete as planned

against this NFL this fall. Other USFL officials had said earlier that they needed at least \$300 million in damages to survive one more season.

"We're lost now. We're dead," said Rudi Schiffer, vice president of marketing and public relations for the USFL Memphis Showboats.

The U.S. District Court jury of five women and one man, which deliberated for 31 hours over four days after an emotional 11-week trial, said the NFL used its monopoly power to damage the USFL and to gain control of the pro football market but that the USFL had damaged itself. It awarded actual damages of only \$1, trebled to \$3 in an antitrust case.

USFL general counsel Jane Ellison said Judge Peter K. Leisure would be asked to increase the dam-

ages because of confusion among the jurors in their deliberations, but NFL co-counsel Robert Fiske said the judge had no authority to do that. Leisure will hear post-trial motions Wednesday.

The NFL was cleared of eight other charges, including the key accusation of monopolizing television.

Donald Trump, owner of the USFL New Jersey Generals and leading proponent of head-to-head competition with the NFL, said the verdict was "great moral victory."

"Now with the confusion and what seems to be a hung jury, we expect to win a total victory," Trump said in a statement read to reporters by his secretary.

USFL attorney Harvey Myerson claimed that the jury was deadlocked

3-3 on damages, with three of the jurors favoring substantial damages.

Miriam Sanchez, a schoolteacher who was the most adamant USFL juror, said she favored \$200 million to \$300 million for the younger league.

But Sanchez said none of the others favored an award that large and rather than risk a hung jury, the three jurors who favored any damages agreed to the \$1 in hopes that Leisure might increase them.

"The \$1 was a compromise," she said.

"Some compromise!" said NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle.

"Justice is wonderful," crowed NFL lawyer Frank Rothman, who was sometimes criticized for his quiet demeanor in the face of the flamboyant tactics of his opponent Myerson.

"One dollar. I just paid the buck," Rothman said. "There was no case. The jury was very, very astute. They saw through a case built on nothing but smoke, and not very good smoke at that. The \$1 is an insult to the USFL. It's what the jury thought about the lawsuit."

One of the jurors, Margaret Lilenfeld, said the jury agreed that while the NFL was a monopoly, the USFL was primarily responsible for the estimated \$150 million in losses it sustained during three years of spring play.

"It was very difficult," Lilenfeld said. "We decided that there was a monopoly and that the NFL had tried to maintain it, but the USFL had damaged themselves."

Walker undecided on pro career moves

DALLAS (AP) — New Jersey Generals running back Herschel Walker says he might go into real estate if the United States Football League folds because of Tuesday's USFL-NFL trial decision.

The Dallas Cowboys, who drafted Walker in the fifth round in 1985, hope to run him in the same backfield with Tony Dorsett.

"I enjoy football, but I enjoy life, also," Walker told *The Dallas Morning News* from his parents' home in Georgia on Monday. "I just want everyone to know it's not 100 percent that I'm going to the Cowboys if the USFL folds." "Right now, I'd say it's 50-50," he said. "I'm not sure what I'm going to do."

Walker, who won the Heisman Trophy while becoming the University of Georgia's all-time leading rusher with 5,259 yards in three seasons, said he would consider working in real estate with Generals owner Donald Trump.

Walker's \$6 million contract extension with the Generals would go into effect this season.

Walker said he is not creating a money dispute for contract negotiations with the Cowboys.

"I don't need any more (money)," Walker said. "I just have to decide if I want to continue playing. I like living in the New York-New Jersey area, which has something to do with it."

Landry recalls London of '44

LONDON (AP) — The last time Dallas Cowboys' head coach Tom Landry visited London was in 1944. Then he was a World War II bomber pilot, age 20, serving with the U.S. Army Air Corps.

Based at Ipswich, 69 miles east of the British capital, Landry made frequent trips into London. They were fun trips, a chance to forget for a while the dangerous missions across the English Channel to France, Holland and Belgium.

"I used to go into London a lot during those times," Landry recalled Tuesday. "I came here in October 1944 and flew B-17s until the end of the war. I remember Buckingham Palace and all around Piccadilly Circus even though London was all blacked out then."

He added: "It's going to be nice to look around again and see how much I remember about it. I flew about 30 missions here before the war ended."

Landry is in London with his

Cowboys for a preseason game against the Super Bowl champion Chicago Bears at Wembley Stadium Sunday.

The match, given the full backing of the NFL and dubbed "American Bowl '86," was sold out early May. Officials expect 80,000 fans from all over England, Scotland and Wales to travel to London for the game.

Both teams arrived Monday with Landry and his Bears' counterpart, Mike Ditka, promising that British fans would have a chance to see the likes of running backs Tony Dorsett and Walter Payton, and quarterbacks Jim McMahon and Danny White during Sunday's game.

But the one player all of Britain wants to meet and greet this week is Chicago's William "The Refrigerator" Perry. On Tuesday, he was mobbed by reporters and photographers at training and then by scores of autograph hunters.

Landry also had a bunch of admirers from the media listening to

his every word — and they wanted to know where his tribly had gone.

"You'll see it on me at game time," he said. The blue Cowboys baseball cap of Tuesday would be replaced by the most famous fedora in American football Sunday.

"It all started when I first began coaching," said Landry of his tribly. "I started wearing a hat and I've worn one ever since. I'm not superstitious, it's just that I felt good wearing a hat and I stayed with it."

The usually poker-faced Landry was asked by one British reporter what made him laugh.

"Winning most of the time," was his quickfire reply before he explained why he always seemed so impassive when the fans this side of the Atlantic see him on television.

"When I'm working on the sideline I'm concentrating most of the time. Concentrating is very important, so I'm not watching the game the way the fans do."

Surprise finish upsets favored archers

HOUSTON (AP) — When Darrell Pace and Rick McKinney, America's best archers, looked up at the scoreboard at the end of their event Tuesday, they saw something strange — neither of them had won the U.S. Olympic Festival gold medal.

Val Rosas, a three-time All-American from Buena Park, Calif., scored the biggest victory of his career by upsetting Pace, of Hamilton, Ohio, and McKinney, of Gilbert, Ariz. Pace won the gold medal in the 1976 and '84 Olympics and McKinney is a seven-time national champion and 1983 and '85 world champion.

Rosas, who entered the final four rounds in fourth place, shot a per-

fect 60 for six arrows to start the 30-meter portion with 89 points. Rosas took third place after the 70-meter shooting and outshot the field in the final round, from 90 meters, for the title.

Rosas had 324 points, four ahead of Pace and six in front of McKinney. It was the first time since 1979 that Pace and McKinney were not 1-2 in the Festival.

In the women's competition, A&M graduate Tricia Green moved from seventh place to second behind Debra Ox, of Howell, Mich., after the third of four rounds in the archery competition. Ox has 320 points to Green's 313.

In women's basketball, the South

team entered the gold medal round of the competition with an 87-77 victory over the East squad. A&M sophomore Donna Roper scored eight points and had two steals for the South.

The South 'A' team, led by Jim Copeland, who won his second gold medal, captured the cycling team trials Tuesday morning. Copeland won the 120-kilometer road race to win the first gold medal of the Festival.

John Albert Faldo of Charleston, W. Va., and Noelle Porter of San Clemente, Calif., the second seeds, won the mixed doubles in tennis, beating the No. 1 seeds, John Boytun of Spring and Trisha Laux of Roswell, Ga., 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Boytun was a winner in the men's doubles, teaming with Barry Richards, also of Spring, for a 6-3, 3-6, 6-4 win over Mike Bryan of Lafayette, La., and Mitch Michulka of Richardson.

In women's doubles, Betsy Somerville of Honolulu and Ginger Helgeson of Edina, Minn., scored a 6-3, 3-6, 7-5 decision over Porter and Mary Beth Young of La Habra, Calif., for the gold medal.

In softball, the South men remained unbeaten with their fifth straight victory, 7-1 over the North. Represented by the Decatur (Ill.) Pride, the South will face the North (Pay 'n Pak of Bellevue, Wash.) again in the finals today.

Aggie Notes . . . Two future Aggies swam in competition Tuesday at the Woodlands. Paul Weber of Sacramento, Calif., finished sixth in the 200-meter individual medley with a time of two minutes, 12.16 seconds. Incoming freshman Susan Habermas of Guithersburg, Md., finished eighth in the 800 freestyle with a 9:17.41.

The Battalion regrets failing to mention the placing of Connie Schiller of the A&M Skeet and Trap Club in Tuesday's edition.

Schiller finished seventh with 182 out of a 200 points in Sunday's international skeet competition.

Ryan's hope: Elbow perseveres season

HOUSTON (AP) — Just about the time Nolan Ryan began pitching like the Nolan Ryan of old, the Houston Astros had to start worrying about an old Nolan Ryan.

Ryan, 39, the all-time major league leader with 4,209 strikeouts, has been mowing down hitters with regularity since June 24, when he came off the 21-day disabled list after suffering from a sore elbow.

The elbow, however, is acting up again and the 19-year veteran may miss his next pitching turn.

Before he was sidelined early in the year, Ryan was 3-6 with a 5.21 earned run average and 59 strikeouts — hardly impressive statistics. Since he returned, he's 4-1 with a 2.16 ERA and 67 strikeouts, helping the Astros build a 3½-game lead over San Francisco in the tight National League West race.

"It's always been painful," Ryan says of his ailing million-dollar arm.

"It's never OK. In the early part of the season, I was ineffective because I couldn't throw. When I took some time off, it got a little better."

Ryan fanned 10 Philadelphia Phillies in five innings Sunday before leaving the game. That came on the heels of a 14-strikeout performance against Montreal a week ago, giving him 24 K's in his last 14½ innings.

The 14 strikeouts was the high in the National League this year for any pitcher. For Ryan, it matched his career NL best, equalling the 14 he whiffed in 1968 when he was pitching for the New York Mets.

"I can't ever remember his stuff being better — ever," catcher Alan Ashby says of his recent performances. "When he's on like that, I just sit back there and let him throw the ball through me."

Ryan technically is suffering from a sprained medial collateral ligament in his elbow. The cure is time off. In

the heat of a pennant race, however, that solution is not what the Astros want to hear.

"If we could get him some time off, it would definitely get better," says Houston trainer Dave Labossiere. "He needs time for it to get well, and we don't have any to give him right now. It's a sprain and it's been bothering him most of the season."

"Nolan's arm is tender," Manager Hal Lanier says. "Hopefully, that's all it is. I hope he won't have to miss a turn."

The problem early in the year was that his arm problem affected his delivery, according to Ryan.

"It was like when you have a sore leg. You don't want to limp and you try not to limp, but you still limp. I was taking something off the ball and messing with my technique. You can't pitch like that," he says.

Major League Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				NATIONAL LEAGUE			
East Division		Pct.		East Division		Pct.	
Boston	59	40	59%	New York	66	31	650
Baltimore	55	45	550	Montreal	49	47	510
New York	56	45	554	Philadelphia	49	49	500
Cleveland	52	46	531	St. Louis	45	53	459
Detroit	53	47	530	Chicago	43	54	443
Toronto	54	48	529	Pittsburgh	40	56	417
Milwaukee	48	50	490				
West Division		Pct.		West Division		Pct.	
California	53	45	541	Houston	56	45	554
Texas	51	50	505	San Francisco	52	47	525
Kansas City	46	55	455	San Diego	48	51	485
Chicago	43	56	434	Cincinnati	47	50	485
Seattle	44	58	431	Los Angeles	47	52	475
Minnesota	43	57	430	Atlanta	46	53	465
Oakland	43	58	426				
Tuesday's Games				Tuesday's Games			
Texas 6, Baltimore 5, 12 innings				Atlanta 1, Houston 0			
Detroit 6, Cleveland 3, 11 innings				New York 3, Chicago 0, 1st game			
Chicago 4, Boston 1				Chicago 2, New York 1, 2nd game			
Toronto 5, Kansas City 2				Philadelphia 12, St. Louis 7			
Minnesota 4, Seattle 2				Pittsburgh at Montreal, p.p.d., rain			
Milwaukee 5, New York 4				Cincinnati at San Diego, [n]			
California at Oakland, [n]				San Francisco at Los Angeles, [n]			

Majors discount 'cheaters never prosper' belief

Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series on the tricks used to gain an advantage in major league baseball.

ARLINGTON (AP) — Just above the centerfield fence, just below the bleachers, almost invisible without close inspection, there used to be a television camera at Arlington Stadium.

When the Texas Rangers were home, the camera would focus on whomever happened to be catching for whatever team Texas was playing. There was only one viewer for this private, closed-circuit showing, a player sitting in manager Billy Martin's office.

When he had deciphered the catcher's signs, he would communicate to the dugout via walkie talkie. That allowed time for the batter to be alerted as to what pitch was coming.

If someone hollered from the dugout, for example, "Look for your pitch," it might mean fastball. "Take a good swing" could mean a breaking pitch was coming.

That sort of gamemanship ended at Arlington Stadium after Martin was fired, more than a decade ago.

"But," says current Rangers Manager Bobby Valentine, "not a game goes by where teams don't try to get a competitive edge."

Call it tricks of the trade. Call it cheating. Where do you draw the line? The general attitude toward stretching the rules, or at least bending them to your advantage, seems to be that anything goes if you are cunning enough not to get caught.

The vast majority of the time, trying to get an edge is more mundane than electronic surveillance.

It is a first baseman coming off the bag just a little early on a close play.

It is a shortstop dancing over second base before he gets the ball on a double play.

It is a second baseman pretending to be waiting for a throw, hoping to trick an unwary runner into sliding, or at least slowing down.

It is a runner tagging up and leaving just a little early on a fly ball.

Grantland Rice once wrote that it's not winning and losing that counts, it's how you play the game.

In the big leagues, it's winning and losing that counts.

That's why there are pitchers around who will look for an edge when they need just a little something extra on a pitch. They will push off maybe six inches in front of the pitching rubber.

"Watch Phil Niekro," one American League official said of the Cleveland Indians knuckleballer. "Sometimes, with two strikes, he'll move up a few inches and throw the ball. And he's never been caught."

Pitchers, of course, have other ways of trying to get ahead of hitters. A scuffed baseball can be made to sink or sail. Some pitchers, such as Don Sutton, are suspected of carrying small pieces of sandpaper in their glove to make their mark.

Former Rangers lefthander Rick Honeycutt, then with Seattle, was suspended after a thumbtack was found bandaged to his thumb.

One time, the umpires came to the mound to search for sandpaper while Sutton was pitching. They didn't find any. They did find a note that Sutton had tucked into his glove. "Nice try. You're getting warmer," it read.

Sometimes pitchers don't even have to do their dirty work. Infielders can scuff a ball while throwing it around after an out. A catcher can sharpen a buckle on his shin guards to nick the cover.

A favorite trick of the late Elston Howard when catching for the New York Yankees was to pretend to lose his balance while squatting. He would put out his right hand, with the ball in it, to steady himself while grinding it into the dirt.

Gaylord Perry was best known for throwing a spitball. In Cleveland one night, though, he smuggled a special resin bag to the mound. It had flour in it, and on several occasions Perry got a handful of it, then released his pitch into a distracting puff of white powder.

"First they say my pitches are too wet. Then they complain they're too dry," he shrugged, innocently.

And how did Perry load up his wet one? A former catcher of his once confided that after Perry released a pitch, he would draw his hand back across whatever part of his anatomy was hiding his Vaseline that night. While everybody was watching the ball, Perry was loading up.