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Texas A&M vs. LSU	Tigers by 7	Aggies by 3	Tigers by 4	Aggies by 3	Aggies by 3	Aggies by 10
Texas at Auburn	Tigers by 13	Tigers by 6	Tigers by 10	Tigers by 10	Tigers by 10	Tigers by 14
Rice vs. Lamar	Owls by 17	Rice by 11	Owls by 4	Owls by 7	Owls by 14	Owls by 2
TCU at Boston College	Eagles by 6	Eagles by 3	Frogs by 3	Frogs by 3	Frogs by 1	Frogs by 7
Texas Tech at FL State	Seminoles by 10	Seminoles by 10	Seminoles by 13	Seminoles by 21	Seminoles by 12	Seminoles by 7
Baylor vs. La. Tech	Bears by 3	Bulldogs by 1	Bears by 10	Bears by 7	Bears by 6	Bears by 10
Florida at Miami, Fla.	Hurricanes by 7	Gators by 3	Hurricanes by 4	Hurricanes by 1	Hurricanes by 6	Hurricanes by 7
Maryland at Syracuse	Terrapins by 4	Orangemen by 6	Terrapins by 4	Orangemen by 1	Terrapins by 3	Terrapins by 7
Stanford and Washington	Huskies by 10	Huskies by 7	Huskies by 10	Huskies by 10	Huskies by 7	Huskies by 7
Alabama at So. Miss.	Tide by 3	Tide by 10	Tide by 4	Tide by 17	Tide by 6	Tide by 10
USC at Michigan State	Trojans by 1	Spartans by 6	Spartans by 6	Spartans by 4	Spartans by 3	Trojans by 7
Houston Oilers at Dallas	Cowboys by 1	Oilers by 7	Cowboys by 3	Cowboys by 9	Oilers by 5	Oilers by 1
Last Week's Record	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Overall Record	0-0-0 (.000)	0-0-0 (.000)	0-0-0 (.000)	0-0-0 (.000)	0-0-0 (.000)	0-0-0 (.000)

NFL strike talks stall after 4-hour session

NEW YORK (AP) — The National Football League labor talks stalled Thursday because of an impasse over protection for player representatives, although both sides agreed they would continue to work on avoiding the second player strike in the last five years.

After meeting for 4½ hours on Wednesday in Washington, the two chief negotiators — Gene Upshaw for the NFL Players Association, Jack Donlan for the league's Management Council — spoke by telephone for an hour and a half on Thursday.

John Jones, a spokesman for the Management Council, said Donlan flew back to New York after Upshaw told him didn't want to continue negotiations "absent pay protection for player reps."

"From this time on," Jones said, "the Management Council will put its time and effort to prepare a proposal for settlement."

Upshaw, meanwhile, characterized the talks as "on hold."

The contract between the union and the league expired on Monday, although the union cannot strike until Sept. 15 because it didn't give its 60-day strike notice to the league and the National Labor Relations Board until July 15.

On the day the contract expired, the union's executive committee set a strike date, reported to be either the second or fourth week of the regular season. It will be voted on next Tuesday by the player representatives for the 28 teams.

The NFL season begins Sept. 13. Five years ago, the last time the contract was negotiated, the players struck after the second week of the season and stayed out for 57 days, eliminating seven games of the 16-game regular-season schedule.

Although the union's demand for unrestricted free agency is expected to be the stickiest issue in the talks, the player-rep protection issue moved to the forefront Tuesday. That's when Brian Holloway of the New England Patriots, a three-time Pro Bowl offensive tackle who had represented the union on national television Monday night, was told by Coach Raymond Berry to either retire or be traded.

Holloway, a union vice president, was traded to the Los Angeles Raiders a few hours later for a fifth-round draft choice. Upshaw disclosed on Thursday that he met privately Wednesday night at Washington's National Airport with Berry, who had flown in from Boston. Upshaw wouldn't disclose what was said.

Upshaw said he believed the Holloway situation was part of a continuing assault on player reps.

"I thought I had a duty to protect the leadership because we're losing so many guys," said Upshaw, who is seeking what amounts to guaranteed contracts for player reps. "On the heels of the Holloway fiasco, we had to meet it head on."

U.S. team continues comeback

ROME (AP) — Sprinter Calvin Smith and hurdler Greg Foster defended their titles Thursday as the United States continued its comeback at the World Track and Field Championships.

Silke Gladisch of East Germany became the first double gold medalist of the meet as she won the women's 200-meter dash with a spectacular time of 21.74 seconds, the second-fastest ever.

East Germany also got an upset victory from Thomas Schoenlebe, who beat Nigeria's Innocent Egbunike and American Butch Reynolds in the men's 400-meter dash, and an easy win from women's intermediate hurdler Sabine Busch.

Meanwhile, Britain's Daley Thompson, the two-time Olympic decathlon champion and world record-holder who has been plagued by a groin injury, got off to a poor start in defense of his title.

Smith needed all his resourcefulness over the final 100 meters to score his 10th consecutive victory in the men's 200-meter dash.

Apparently out of contention in fifth place after the first 100 meters, Smith edged France's Gilles Queneherve.

Both were timed in 20.16, with early leader John Regis of Britain, who thought he had won, placing third in 20.18.

"I knew it was close," Smith said. "I hoped I had enough strength."

Smith, without competing, lost his world record in the 100 to Canada's Ben Johnson last Sunday. So winning the 200 gold for the second straight time had to save some of the bitter wounds.

Foster's victory was just as redeeming.

Ranked No. 1 or No. 2 in the world in the 110-meter high hurdles for each of the past nine years, Foster had been the victim of two unfortunate mishaps this year.

He fell during the World Indoor Championships in March and he went sprawling in the Pan American Games last month when clipped by teammate Cletus Clark.

This time, Foster had no trouble staying on his feet, although he did clobber the ninth hurdle, and won in 13.21, one-hundredth of a second off the championship record he set in Tuesday's semifinals.

Britain's Jon Ridgeon finished second in 13.29 and his teammate, Colin Jackson, edged American Jack Pierce for third, 13.38 to 13.41.

"I had a bad start," Foster said. "I concentrated on catching them, and I got them. I prepared a long time for this day. Now I've got it."

Becker and Lendl advance in U.S. Open tournament

NEW YORK (AP) — Boris Becker and Ivan Lendl advanced to the third round of the U.S. Open on Thursday though one had trouble with the wind and the other with his serve.

Lendl, the two-time defending champion and top seed, defeated Frenchman Jean Fleuriat 6-4, 6-2, 6-2 at the National Tennis Center. Becker, seeded fourth, downed unseeded Jonathan Canter 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).

"When I got on the court, it was hard to play for many different reasons," said Lendl, who scored the first three-set shutout in Open history Tuesday. "For the first set or so, it was a little windy. Then the shadows started moving through the court."

Becker, a two-time Wimbledon champion beat Canter in 2 hours, 16 minutes, about half the time he needed to eliminate American Tim Wilkison in his come-from-behind opening-round victory.

"I wouldn't say it was very tough today," Becker said. "The third set was close because I made mistakes and I had a little letdown."

Also advancing to the third round were No. 6 Jimmy Connors, No. 13 Brad Gilbert and No. 16 Anders Jarryd.

In women's play, No. 2 Martina Navratilova, No. 3 Hana Mandlikova, No. 6 Helena Sukova, No. 8 Gabriela Sabatini, No. 12 Betinna Bunge and No. 14 Catarina Lindqvist won second-round matches.

Becker said he thought his first-round struggle would help him later in the two-week tournament.

"I know what it's like to be in a tight five-set match here," he said. "It gave me a lot of mental confidence."

However, Becker wasn't satisfied with his game against Canter, the 102nd-ranked player in the world.

"My serve is still kind of a problem" he said. "I have periods when I really serve well . . . and then I have periods when I can't put one in."

"I'm beating guys with things I don't usually do well. I've learned how to win when something like my serve isn't working."

Lendl said he expected a difficult match from Fleuriat, No. 78 in the men's rankings.

"I knew he was going to be hard to play because he takes the ball extremely early and he goes for his shots."

Connors, who turned 35 Wednesday, beat qualifier Wayne Hearn of Charlotte, N.C., 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.

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