

Sports

Joyner makes for Olympic double trouble

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Flo Jo and Jackie are medalists-in-law again. Florence Griffith Joyner fulfilled predictions of something unbelievable" Thursday, breaking the 200-meter world record twice in two hours at the Seoul Olympics.

Two world records, two gold medals and I'm not finished," Flo Jo said.

She and record-smashing sister-in-law Jackie Joyner-Kersey highlighted a day at the Games that belonged to women: The U.S. team won the basketball gold medal that the men couldn't, and yet another tennis title was left to be decided by Steffi Graf and Gabriela Sabatini.

The United States' can-do boxers, meanwhile, had Americans wondering if this could be another Montreal. This was called America's worst Olympic boxing match — no names, no flash, no chance. But U.S. boxers were assured of eight medals — one more than they won in '76 — and they'll be going for six golds this weekend, one more than Montreal.

Almost everybody said this team was not going to do it," Coach Ken Adams said. "We showed everyone especially Riddick Bowe, the New York super-heavyweight. He took two standing 8-counts and nearly didn't make it through the first round, but he stormed out for a unanimous decision over the Soviet Union's heavyweight champion.

After 13 days of Games, the medal count looked like Soviet Union 95 total, 39 gold; East Germany 79

total, 31 gold, and the United States 61 total, 23 gold — and closing fast.

America added one to its gold count in freestyle wrestling when John Smith of Del City, Okla., outpointed Stephan Sarkissian of the Soviet Union 4-0 in the 136.5-pound division.

At the track, it was a bad day for East German Heike Drechsler, beaten first in the long jump by Joyner-Kersey, whose brother Al is married to Griffith Joyner, then in the 200 by Flo Jo herself. In the process, Griffith Joyner also broke the 200 world record Drechsler shared with another East German, Marita Koch.

"It was a tough day," Drechsler said. "I gave my best, but these two are very strong athletes."

Griffith Joyner is the first American woman to hold a 200-meter record since Wilma Rudolph in 1960, and the old mark of 21.71 first was set by Koch nine years ago.

Griffith Joyner, her long hair flowing behind her like the contrails of a jet, first broke the record in the semifinals, running 21.56.

Then, in the final, she sped to a time of 21.34, lowering the mark for the second time in two hours, and adding the 200 to the 100 gold she won last Sunday.

And she could get more, with two relays still on the schedule.

"I know I can run much faster," she said. "I felt very relaxed. That's the key."

Before the race, Al Joyner had predicted his wife would do "something unbelievable," adding: "She's been training since Nov. 1 just to meet the East German, and this is her day."

Husband-wife pairs bring in gold

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Meet Bobby and Jackie and Flo and Al, two couples with a lot in common.

They're all in the same business: Husband and wife work together. Nearly all of them are named Joyner and together they have a enough medals to open a shop.

"It's almost like a family affair," says Jackie Joyner-Kersey, the wife of Bobby and sister of Al.

There are differences, too, between the couples and within the couples.

Al Joyner is easygoing and joking. He wears unobtrusive sweats and an Olympic gimme hat encrusted with Olympic pins. He's the quiet one at Florence Griffith Joyner's side, ushering her through the media mob.

He's also the proud husband who lent his wife his own gold medal as inspiration, then rushed onto the field to sweep her off

her feet when she won her second gold.

"I told her she was already the Olympic champion to me, so I gave her my gold medal," he says, then laughs. "I knew she had a chance at three or four so I knew I was going to get mine back."

Bob Kersee is an intense man in colorful running clothes who roams the stands shouting encouragements when Jackie's on the track. "Keep your rhythm now, Jackie, come on," he yells even if Jackie is well ahead of the pack. She's his wife, yes, but she's also his student.

"I just get excited," he says. "I try not to, but it's difficult for me because of my love for the athletes that I coach."

Florence is all business. She set her goal to win two gold medals and break world records. The flashy running clothes, red, white and blue nails, and the Cleopatra eyes belie a serious competitor who chose her husband as a

trainer because, she said, he could give her more time.

"All year I was training with Al and I was determined not to let Al beat me," she says. "And I knew if I wasn't going to let my husband beat me I didn't want any of the females that were here to beat me."

Jackie can be full of giggles at interviews and wear a huge grin when she knows she's a winner. But she also is reserved. She couldn't be talked into running in her sister-in-law's track lingerie and thinks her husband's antics are sometimes, well, loud.

"Right now I can't recall what he said," she said after winning the heptathlon, "but when I'm out there I can hear him calling."

Unless you've been living in a cellar the past week, you know that Griffith Joyner has won gold medals in the 100- and 200-meter dashes. And she now holds the world and Olympic records in both.

Reborn passing attack could work in Harris' favor



Jeff Miller
Sports viewpoint

A&M quarterbacks have not been exactly outstanding since the record-setting Kevin Murray left in 1986, Harris' sophomore year.

Craig Stump was no exception, so A&M recruited high school All-American Lance Pavlas, to fill Murray's shoes.

Pavlas, dubbed "Little Vinny" when he arrived on campus, was redshirted his freshman year and split time last year with Stump and the surprising Bucky Richardson.

Richardson opened eyes when he showed his tremendous speed, running for an 82-yard touchdown last year against Southern Mississippi.

He led the Aggies to their third consecutive Southwest Conference Championship with a running attack — and left Harris out of the picture, although he still remained one of the nation's top punt and kick-return specialists.

Harris made his first notable appearance in 1985. His 71-yard kickoff return set up a score, keyed the Aggies' 19-17 win against Southern Methodist, and started the Aggies on their way to their first SWC title in the 1980s.

Harris returned two punts for touchdowns in 1987, including a key score against Arkansas.

His receiving yardage declined from 326 yards in 1986 to 196 last year after Murray's departure.

With quarterback Chris Osgood reviving the A&M offense, Harris could make a notable comeback as receiver, as he had his first big game of the season last year against Oklahoma State with 109 yards on nine receptions.

The game was second only to his career-best — last year against Texas Christian, when he caught five passes for 119 yards and one touchdown.

Osgood could be the man not only to bring back the Aggie offense back to the position it was in Murray's days, but it would also bring the passing dimension back from the dead with receivers such as Harris, Gary Oliver, Shane Garrett and Percy Waddle.

Another factor in Harris' favor is this is the time National Football League scouts begin to look hard for speedy receivers, and with a strong finish this season he could go high in next year's draft.

Harris owns the school record for single-game punt-return yards (123 vs. Louisiana Tech), punt return yards in consecutive games (231), and the A&M record for career kickoff-return average.

His feats have earned him honorable-mention All-America honors last year and preseason All-America credits this year. He made the All-Southwest Conference first team as both a receiver and return specialist

last year also.

With running back Darren Lewis' outstanding performance last week, it is likely that Texas Tech will focus its defensive strategy on him instead of Harris.

Should Osgood have a good day passing as he did with OSU, watch for Harris.

He could burn the mediocre Texas Tech secondary for a long play with his quick moves and 4.4 speed.

Head Coach Jackie Sherrill has displayed he is not afraid to go with the big play, letting Osgood throw deep to Harris, Garrett, and Cornelius Patterson a number of times against OSU.

Also, look for trick plays involving Harris in possibly a reverse or a pitch back to Lewis and going for it all.

Lewis is two-of-three on the trick play, as Lewis' last attempt was accurate but went through the outstretched hands of Felton Ransby in the end zone.

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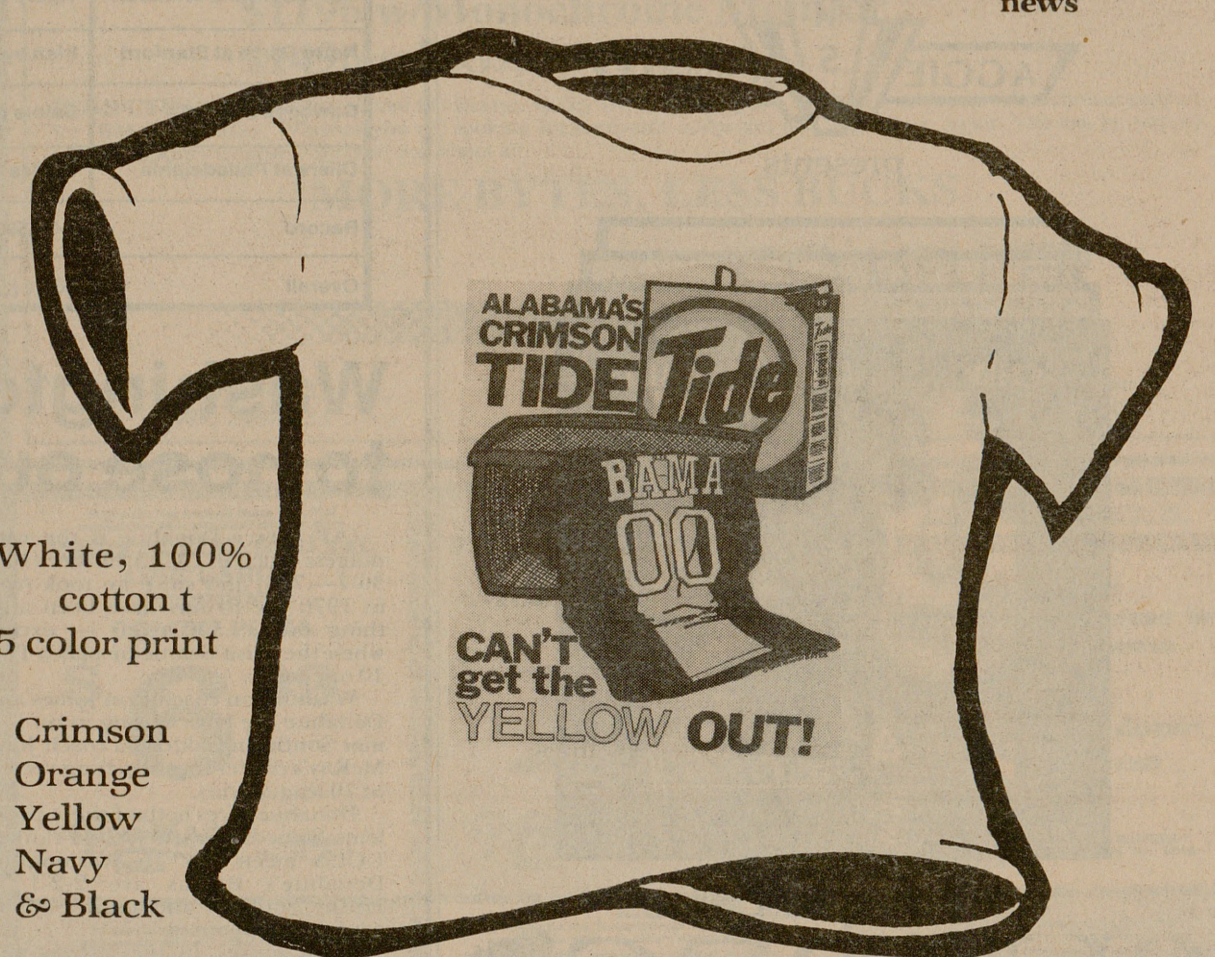
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