

# UNT forced to suspend nine players for violations

From Staff and Wire Reports

DENTON — Nine University of North Texas football players won't play in Saturday's season opener against Alcorn State University because they violated school attendance policies, head coach Corky Nelson says.

The players, some of them starters, violated school rules that allow student-athletes to miss only three classes or study halls per semester, Nelson said.

Student-athletes who miss more are booted from the next game or the first game of the next season.

"We warned them not to go over three," Nelson said. "This is the first semester we've had this policy in effect and we're catching the brunt of it now."

"Maybe with these nine examples, we won't have to worry about it any more."

All of the suspended players are redshirt freshmen. First and second string defensive backs

Wayne Walker and Charles Reece and running back David Blanchard are atop the list of players lost.

Offensive lineman Kent Englehardt, running back Travis Gibson, wide receiver Darius Jones, defensive lineman Rony Long, wide receiver J.R. Selexman and defensive lineman Lionel Ford are suspended as well.

Nelson said several of the players, including Jones and Blanchard, were penciled in as starters.

Walker and Gibson were second-team players who were expected to play a great deal Saturday.

"It's going to hurt our depth for the first ball game," Nelson said. "But if we survive that, I'm hoping we won't run into the same situation."

The Eagles finished last season with a 5-6 record and are members of the Southland Conference.

"I hope this makes an impression," Nelson said.



# Garrison forced to withdraw from Open with injured ankle

NEW YORK (AP) — Zina Garrison withdrew from the women's doubles competition Wednesday because of an injured ankle.

Dr. Irving Glick, the tournament physician, advised Garrison not to play in the women's doubles after he examined her ankle following her 6-2, 6-2 loss to Arantxa Sanchez Vicario in the singles quarterfinals.

Garrison hurt her right ankle Sept. 1 and, as a preventive measure because of soreness, had it taped earlier this week. During her mixed doubles on Monday, the tape irritated her Achilles tendon.

She had the ankle treated with ice and electrical stimulation prior to her loss to Sanchez Vicario.

Although the injury, diagnosed as "right Achilles tenosynovitis," has been subsiding with the treatment, Dr. Glick said he felt Garrison should not play until the pain subsides.

Both Dr. Glick and Kathleen Stroia, the Women's Tennis Association trainer, said Garrison would be at considerable risk for further injury if she continued to play.

With the default of the team of Garrison and Patty Fendick, Natalia Medvedeva and Leila Meskhi move into the quarterfinals where they will play fellow Soviet players Larisa Savchenko and Natalia Zvereva.

Garrison will be sidelined for one week.

# Astros fall to fourth-place Padres 5-2; Scott gives up five runs, nine hits

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Roberto Alomar was 3-for-3 with a triple, double and two RBIs as the San Diego Padres beat the Houston Astros 5-2 Wednesday night.

The victory moved the Padres back ahead of the Astros into fourth place in the National League West by one-half game.

Dennis Rasmussen (9-13), who won for only the second time in his last 11 decisions, gave up eight hits in eight innings. Craig Lefferts pitched the ninth for his 23rd save.

Loser Mike Scott (9-13) yielded five runs and nine hits in seven innings and has an 18-9 career record against the Padres.

The Astros took a 1-0 lead on Glenn Davis' leadoff homer in the second inning.

For Davis, who recently came off the disabled list, it was his first home run since June 13.

The Padres came back with three in the bottom of the second.

Joe Carter led off the inning with his 22nd homer, Benito Santiago

tripled and scored on a single by Mike Pagliarulo, who came home on Alomar's double.

Houston made it 3-2 in the third inning when Eric Yelding doubled and came around on groundouts by Rafael Ramirez and Franklin Stubbs.

The Padres concluded the scoring in the seventh when Rasmussen, a .286 hitter coming into the game, doubled and scored on Alomar's triple and later Alomar scored on Garry Templeton's suicide squeeze.

# Rangers rally past Indians

ARLINGTON (AP) — Pinch hitter Jack Daugherty singled home the tying run and pinch hitter Kevin Reimer followed with an RBI double as the Texas Rangers scored twice in the ninth inning Wednesday night and rallied past the Cleveland Indians 3-2.

The Indians, who lost for the ninth time in 10 games, took a 2-1 lead in the top of the ninth on Sandy Alomar's two-out, two-run double.

Rookie Juan Gonzalez led off the Texas ninth with a double against Doug Jones (4-5) and Geno Petralli drew a one-out walk.

Gary Pettis ran for Petralli, and Daugherty singled. Reimer worked the count full before doubling down the right-field line, scoring Pettis.

Kenny Rogers (6-5) got the victory despite giving up Cleveland's two runs. Jones was denied his 35th save.

Chris James singled with one out against Rogers and Brook Jacoby followed with a single that sent pinch runner Stan Jefferson to third. Cory Snyder struck out, but Alomar hit an opposite-field drive and pinch runner Mark McLemore scored from first, barely beating Julio Franco's relay to the plate.

Scott Chiamparino, making his major-league debut, shut out Cleveland for five innings on three singles. He acquired last week in the trade that sent Harold Baines to Oakland, and struck out three and walked one.

# Golf tourney features duo of Byrums

COAL VALLEY, Ill. (AP) — Tom Byrum wants one thing from his brother Curt — his Hardee's Classic title.

But so do several others teeing off today in the upgraded field, including Curtis Strange, Wayne Levi, Mark Calcavecchia and Payne Stewart.

It was at this tournament last year, that the Byrums completed a double play which hadn't been seen since Mike and Dave Hill each won PGA events in 1972.

"I won a tournament and I felt bad because I knew it was going to put more pressure on him," said Tom Byrum, who won the 1989 Kemper Open. "I was really happy for him when he won here. Then I kind of enjoyed my win that much more."

"We're both playing for our livelihood," said Tom, who often practices with Curt.

"We're just trying to get better individually so we can beat other people, not each other," Curt Byrum said.

At this tournament, they'll be facing many elite golfers in the field of 156, only the third time in 20 years the event has reached capacity.

"This is our top field — the first year we've had such good players," tournament spokeswoman Julie Johnson said. "The golf course is in good shape."

The hefty increase in the purse made the Hardee's Classic more attractive to the headliners, as well as a commitment from ESPN to televise the final two rounds Saturday and Sunday.

The winner's share of \$180,000 is five times greater than in 1984, the year before Hardee's assumed sponsorship.

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