

Lady Ags

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Defense is an area that has more experience but also feels some youthful influence. Freshman defender Diana Rowe, a local product from Bryan who played her high school ball with the Bryan boys team, and sophomore defender Allison Buckley joins senior Kristi Dillinger and junior Stephanie White.

Hammers, who accounted for the other three goals, says the team is coming along very quickly.

"We definitely came together very well as a team," Hammers said. "We were very organized, much more organized than I thought we'd be."

Montana

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himself last week.

"It will be a fun and interesting experience playing against them," Montana said.

"I just never imagined that I would play against them. But the league is changing and I'm just a part of that change.

"I'm sure there is going to be excitement and nervousness, just like any other game. Maybe a little bit more on both sides."

Sure, Joe.

There was a litany of questions trying to get Montana to say he was bitter about his treatment by the 49ers.

People tried to get him to say he didn't like Steve Young, who took his starting job, or Carmen Policy, the 49ers president.

"The biggest thing is that it's over with and I have to look forward to my future,"

Strike sparks 'secret conference'

Baseball commissioner meets Labor secretary in Milwaukee

NEW YORK (AP) — With four days left until the deadline for canceling the season, acting commissioner Bud Selig met secretly Monday with Labor Secretary Robert Reich.

Neither Selig nor Reich announced the meeting, which took place in Milwaukee and was disclosed by another owner.

Reich, according to a source speaking on the condition he not be identified, offered suggestions that didn't appear viable.

Selig confirmed the meeting took place but wouldn't comment on what was said.

He wouldn't predict whether negotiations would resume before Friday's tentative deadline.

"Let's take each day as it comes," Selig said in a telephone interview.

As the strike completed its 25th day, President Clinton urged both sides to settle their differences.

It was the first time no baseball was played on Labor Day, which was established in 1894.

"On this Labor Day, there's still time for them to go back to work and finish the best baseball season in 50 years — and I hope they will," Clinton said during an address to iron workers in Bath, Maine.

Behind the scenes, union officials and player agents were said to be talking directly with owners and club officials in an effort to establish a framework which possibly could lead to a settlement.

The most-discussed framework appeared to involve a "taxation" concept that was mentioned two weeks ago by Boston Red Sox chief executive officer John Harrington, in which large-revenue clubs would have to share a greater amount of money than others.

It was too early to tell if the discussions and ideas being ex-

changed would lead to anything significant.

The principals — Selig, Ravitch and union head Donald Fehr — planned to take Tuesday off to observe the first day of Rosh Hashonah, the Jewish New Year.

Selig said he hadn't decided if he would take a more active role in the talks, a stark contrast to commissioners Peter Ueberroth and Fay Vincent, who pushed for settlements in 1985 and 1990.

Fehr, who was in his office on Labor Day, said he wasn't concerned about Selig's Friday deadline. Selig has said he would seek the union's input.

"It's out of my control, as it always has been," Fehr said. "I don't expect to hear from Bud."

Bud will do whatever Bud will do. My ability to influence his thinking and decision-making seems to be at absolute zero."

Thirteen more games were canceled Monday, raising the total to 324.

Tuesday will mark the midpoint between the start of the strike on Aug. 12 and the season's scheduled end on Oct. 2.

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myself. Without Rotisserie ball, pennant chases, the playoffs and the World Series, there is a void that must be filled.

Many newspapers are running a computer simulated season to relieve the diehard victims, uh, I mean fans. As of Sunday, the Houston Astros and Texas Rangers were each only a game back in their respective divisions. We might even have an all-Texas World Series.

Sadly, however,

this simulation provides little strike relief, because all it does is show what could have been. Imagine Jeff Bagwell and Doug Drabek going head-to-head against Jose Canseco and Kenny Rogers in October's showcase. With no post-season play for the first time since 1905, this will have to remain an image.

As if the baseball strike wasn't enough, Aggie students, alumni and fans that cannot make the trip to games will not be able to watch their football team on television either. The only alternative is radio, and if

you listened to the game on Saturday, it's not nearly the same. Hopefully the announcers won't be making too many painful calls this season like, "You'd have to see it to believe it!!!" When it comes to the Wrecking Crew defense and the new-look offense, actions definitely speak louder than words.

So with no baseball or Aggie football on television this fall, A&M fans suffer two blows to the chin. It's a shame when the greed or wrongful actions of others can adversely affect such a wide number of people. Labor Secretary Robert Reich chastised owners and players, saying baseball is slowly becoming "a symbol of national greed."

Closer to home, we find that the irresponsibility of a booster and the mistakes of a few college age kids can penalize more than a few people. It's not right, but that's the way the system works.

Sports in this country serve as entertainment and a diversion, but as Aggie fans everywhere can attest to, there can also be many painful realities as well.

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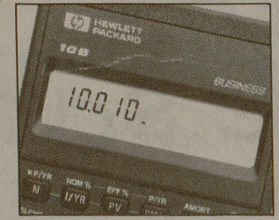
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