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Penn State maintains No. 8 spot in poll

Huskers jump, Pitt falls

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The Washington Huskies held onto first place in the Associated Press college football poll, while the unbeaten Pitt Panthers dropped yet another notch, but both appeared to be more concerned with Saturday's opponents than yesterday's rank-

Washington defeated Arizona 23-13 Saturday night and received 25 of 55 first-place votes and 1,045 of a possible 1,100 points from a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

"That's not a big deal to me right now," Coach Don James said. "It's far more important where you're rated at the end of the season than where you're rated right now. Our concern is thinking in terms of guys getting ready to play a Northwest rivalry (Pacific-10 opponent Oregon). They all seem to mean more han a normal game.''

Nebraska's 68-0 rout of New Mexico State lifted the Cornhuskers over Pitt from third place to second with 12 first-place votes and 1,011 points. Pitt, the preseason No. 1 team, dropped from second to third with 10 firsts and 989 points despite a 37-17

victory over Florida State. A week earlier, they beat North Carolina 7-6 and slipped from first to second.

"I definitely think Pittsburgh should be No. 1, coming down here and beating us like that," Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden said.

Meanwhile, defending national champion Clemson (0-1-1) dropped out of the Top Twenty following a 17-17 tie with Boston College, Notre Dame leaped from 20th to 10th after defeating Michigan 23-17, and Illinois made the rankings for the first time in six years.

The object of Pitt's concern is Illinois quarterback Tony Eason. "So far this year, he'll be the best quarterback we've faced," said corerback Tim Lewis, noting that Eason passed for 3,360 yards in 1981 and has thrown for more than 800 vards in three games this year.

"We've seen film on him, and he's strong and has a quick release,' Lewis said. "As far as passing, this guy is on the same level as (Pitt's Dan) Marino and (Stanford's John) Elway.'

The remaining eight first-place ballots went to Alabama, which trounced Mississippi 42-14 and held fourth place with 945 points.

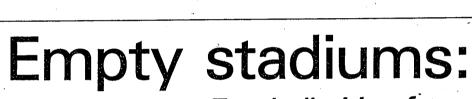
Mike McCloskey (right) congratulates Jon Williams (left) after a Lion touchdown ranking in the Associated Press poll for the second week.

Florida, idle last weekend, remained No. 5 with 832 points. folby Southern Methodist. lowed Georgia, Penn State and Arkansas, all of which stayed in the same positions as last week

SMU, a 31-10 winner over Texas-El Paso, received 802 points; idle Georgia totaled 783; Penn State had 732 after a 49-14 rout of Rutgers, and Arkansas, a 29-17 winner over Navy,

received 595

Notre Dame made the biggest jump after opening its season impressively against Michigan. The Wolverines fell from 10th to 20th. The Second Ten consists of North Carolina, UCLA, Ohio State, Arizona



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By MIKE EMBRY **AP Sports Writer**

The NFL cities are bracing for the hard times that are sure to come from the stadiums that will stand empty on game days because of the players' strike. Pittsburgh's city planning de-

partment estimates that every home game the Steelers miss will drain the economy of \$1.18 million. And Mayor Richard Caliguiri's office said the city will lose more than \$150,000 per game from amusement, parking and gate receipt taxes and concession revenues. Barbara Fawcett, the manager of a Homestead, Pa., bar, said the strike was a double blow to fans in Pittsburgh, an area which has been hit hard by high unemployment.

"It's too bad, really," she said. "Some of these guys who are out of work come in for the game and a couple of drinks to forget about their problems for awhile. Now, they have their football taken away

A strike would cost Seattle taxpayers more than \$1 million be-

from them."

Pitt keeps on poll-dropping

— Two things remain consistent about the University of Pittsburgh's football team. The Panthers keep winning, and they keep dropping in the Associated Press's national rankings. Despite a season-opening 7-6 vic-tory over fifth-ranked North Carolina, the top-rated Panthers fell to second place in the AP's weekly

college football poll. Then the Panthers rallied for a convincing 37-17 victory at Florida State, but found themselves in third place Tuesday in the latest AP

Nebraska But Pitt's first-year coach, Foge Fazio, says he's more concerned that the Panthers are going up against undefeated Illinois (3-0) and star quarterback Tony Eason on Saturday Panthers' cornerback Tim Lewis

> "So far this year, he'll be the best quarterback we've faced," Lewis said of Eason, who passed for 3,360 vards in 1981 and has thrown for

networks scrambled, the barmen moaned and the fans strike. One suburban bar owner said he will lose up to mother of two, is not put out by the walkout. "I think it's great," she said.

"But I always end up taking a nap," Mrs. Arends said, "and it makes him mad that I can sleep through a football game."

on the first day of pro football's first regular-season

sota Vikings offensive guard Wes Hamilton said. "I don't think you'll see any of our players cross the picket

Players in Philadelphia and Dallas could not have reported for workouts even if they wanted to: owners in those cities locked their stadium gates At issue is how to carve up the NFL's billion-dollar profits over the next five years. The union originally wanted more than half of all revenues, and then half of

the television revenues The owners rejected both demands, and yesterday issued a terse statement that said no players --including those who are injured -will be paid during the

The first game to be canceled because of the strike will be Thursday night's Atlanta-Kansas City matchup. Every regular-season weekend without football will the Milwaukee Brewers are in contention for baseball's cost the NFL teams an estimated \$42 million, and the playoffs.

players will lose about a half-million dollars in salary each week In Cleveland alone, the economy will lose about \$6 million for every home Browns game that is lost to the \$3,000 just on Monday nights, when ABC normally televises a game.

In Dallas, various charities were wondering what they would do without the tens of thousands of dollars they earn on weekends running food and drink concessions at the city-owned Texas Stadium. On the other hand, the strike could mean that a lot of

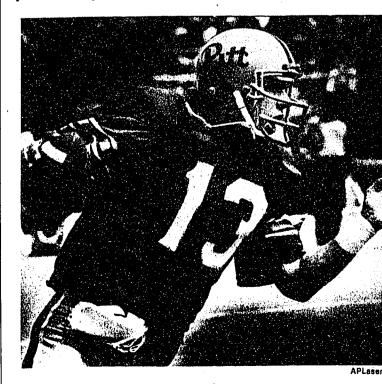
money stays in fans' pockets. That includes tens of millions of dollars — \$15 million in Las Vegas alone bet on pro football each weekend. In three skyscrapers in midtown Manhattan, there was another type of gambling going on. Network sports

officials were scurrying to plug the scheduling holes. After toying with and then apparently dropping the idea of moving top college football games from Saturday to Sunday, CBS said it will have a program on the strike this Sunday and then show highlights of the last Super Bowl.

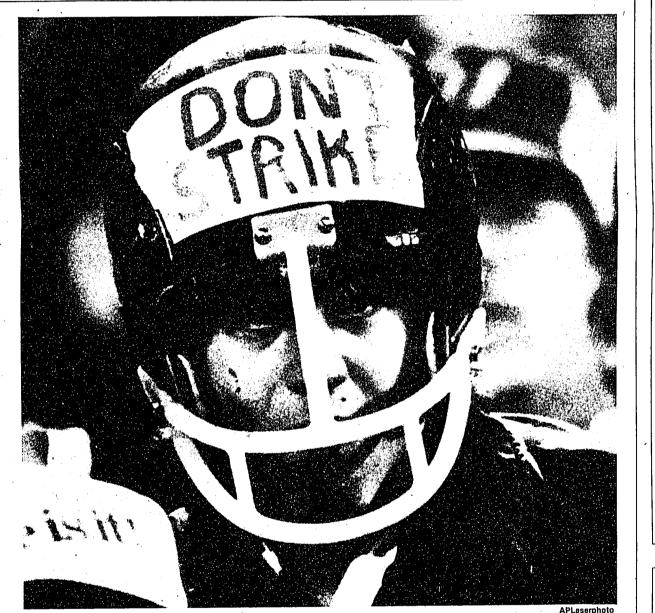
NBC said it will broadcast two Canadian Football League games instead of its scheduled NFL games on Sunday, and ABC said it will substitute movies -- "The Cheap Detective" on Thursday night and "The Outlaw Josie Wales" on Monday night.

Around the league, various players were saying they hoped that people understood why they were striking for a fair share of the profits instead of blaming them for being greedy while they earn an average of nearly \$90,000 a year.

Jim Grau, a Madison, Wis., lawyer and a rabid Packer backer, said he will not miss football as long as



Dan Marino



A young fan at the Monday night NFL game between the Green Bay Packers and the New York Giants at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., sends his message to the striking NFL players. The players went on strike after

the Packers downed the Giants Strike stirs unrest in NFL

By TIMOTHY HARPER Associated Press Write

The players walked out, the owners sat tight, the – most of them, anyway – groaned yesterday as the NFL players went on strike. But Toni Arends, a 23-year-old Denver housewife and

Her husband Steve, a Broncos fan and construction worker, in that order, insists that she watch games on TV with him, she explained.

Elsewhere around the NFL things were not so restful

"My impression is that we are very unified," Minne-

