companied to the stadium for the announcement

by his agent, Judge Ed Sapir of New Orleans, and

by Yankee boss George Steinbrenner. Both Martin and Steinbrenner vowed this round would be different than the first two, when Martin, once fired and once resigned under pressure, left in turmoil and, literally, a flurry of

Sources close to both the Yankees and Martin said the new manager would receive about \$500,-000 per year for five years, making him the highest-paid manager in baseball.

"We're entering a new era, for the third time," Steinbrenner said at a news conference. "To be No. 1 in pinstripes kind of sticks with you," said Martin, a Yankee jersey emblazoned with the numeral one hanging on the dais in front of him "I could have sat out and waited for managers to tumble and a job to open up. But when George called me and I saw he was excited,

and I was excited, that was it. "Now, it's up to me to do the job." Martin was fired by the Oakland A's last Oct. 20, making him available to the Yankees. He left a club that finished fifth in the American League West and inherits from Clyde King a club that finished fifth in the AL East last season. King, who managed the Yankees for the last two months of the 1982 season, moves into the front office, sharing chief advisory duties with another

former manager, Gene Michael. In becoming the first man to get three chances to manage the Yankees, Martin takes his seventh managerial job since 1969. The switch of managers was the 10th for Steinbrenner since he took over the club in January 1973, almost 10 years

Lemon began the 1982 season, was replaced in April by Michael who, in turn, was replaced by

King on Aug. 3. "Ī've said all along that if Mr. Steinbrenner wants Billy back, it's fine with me," King said from his home in Goldsboro, N.C. "I enjoyed managing and would have liked a full year, but he's the boss and whatever he wants is fine." Martin, 54, is only the fourth man to manage a team more than twice. Bucky Harris with the Washington Senators and Charlie Grimm with the Chicago Cubs each had three tries, and Danny Murtaugh managed the Pittsburgh Pi-

Martin first managed in Minnesota, then came jobs with the Detroit Tigers and Texas Rangers before he took over the Yankees for the first time on Aug. 1, 1975, replacing Bill Virdon. He lasted until July 1978 when he was forced to resign. Only days after Martin's departure and the hiring of replacement Bob Lemon, Steinbrenner stunned the baseball world by announcing on Old Timers' Day at Yankee Stadium on July 29 that Martin would return as manager in 1980. His second stint as manager began prematurely, however. With Lemon's team struggling, Martin took over again on June 18, 1979, and finished out

rates four different times.

the season before he was fired. Through it all, Martin and Steinbrenner fussed and feuded. They called each other names. Martin was involved in two off-field fights -the second with a marshmallow salesman precipitating his firing in '79 — and he nearly came to blows once in the Yankee dugout with Reggie Jackson. On Tuesday, however, both men promised to

"I've been mad at my mother, too, but I still love her," Martin said. The two former antagonists blamed much of their past difficulties on poor communications. "It was always somebody else calling me," Martin said. "Now, it'll be different. He (Steinbrenner) is going to be calling me, and I'll be

Steinbrenner said the two men have opened a "new line of communication. We're going to deal more directly - no more baseball by commit-

Martin left the A's with three years remaining on a contract reportedly worth \$250,000 per year. Martin indicated that he would hold the A's to the remainder of his contract. "They still have to participate," Martin said.

There remained the possibility, however, that a buyout could be negotiated between Martin and A's President Roy Eisenhardt. Eisenhardt was not at his office when The Associated tried to Martin, born in West Berkley, Calif., began his

baseball career in the Yankees farm system, joining the New York club in 1950. He was the Yankees sparkplug at second base until 1957 when he was traded to the Kansas City Athletics. He finished his playing career in 1961 with the Minnesota Twins, where he began his major league managing career in 1969. Although his managerial stints have been

short, he always has been a winner. He led the

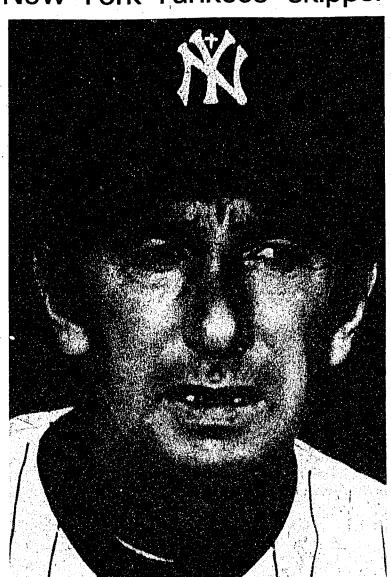
Twins to the AL West title in '69 before being

fired. He took over the Detroit Tigers in 1971, led the club to an AL East title in '72 and was fired in Six days later, he became manager of the Texas Rangers, whom he turned into a secondplace club before being fired on July 21, 1975, setting him up for his first tour of duty with the Yankees. Martin guided the Yankees to a World

Series championship in 1977 — their first in 15

His next chance to turn around a club came with the A's. They had finished the 1979 season with the worst record in baseball, but, by 1981, Martin had another division title, and the phrase "Billy Ball" was coined to describe his spirited, free-wheeling style of play.

In 1982, "Billy Ball" had turned to "Boring Ball" as the A's faltered. Plagued by injuries, the A's never got going, and Billy was gone.



Billy Martin is back, for the third time, as manager of the New York Yankees

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Lady gymnasts come close

Collegian Sports Writer

It may not have been a win, but the women's gymnastics team gave the University of New Hampshire something to worry about come re-

In front of a small Rec Hall crowd of 1,203, the

Lady Lions scored 170.1 points to the Wildcats' 170.8 points in a neck-and-neck cat fight. "To go from 159 to 170 points in one meet is nothing short of miraculous," Penn State Coach Judi Avener said. "I don't feel bad about the loss. in fact, I feel good about the performances. We have a lot more going for us than last month's 159 points indicated. I knew we were capable of

scoring well tonight, it was a matter of the team believing it." New Hampshire Coach Gail Goodspeed had a few surprises last night from her own team as

well as from Penn State. "We had a lot of breaks I have never seen before." Goodspeed said. "We haven't ever met a team like Penn State in our regular season before. I think the pressure of meeting a power like them caused a lot of the problems.' On a good night with both teams hitting their

routines, the fight will be a tougher one, one that

may be fought at the regional championship. "It is going to be a tough fight for the regional title," Goodspeed said. "Penn State has a lot of talent and will go a long way before the season is out. It sure feels good to win this one, though." The Wildcats had the lead after the vault and Penn State retaliated with a slight edge on the uneven bars. Penn State freshman Pam Loree posted the highest scores in both events and paved the way for her third consecutive allaround win. Loree held the highest score of the night at 9.3 in the vault and came back with a 9.2

on the uneven bars. "Pam's uneven bar routine was one of the best performances of the night," Avener said. "She deserves a lot of credit.'

Loree tied for first in the all-around with New Hampshire's Laura Cavanaugh at 35.35. After two events, Penn State trailed by two tenths of a point. Goodspeed said the teams handed each other every other event. "They handed us the vault," Goodspeed said. "But came back in the bar routine. It was a comedy of errors for both teams at certain points

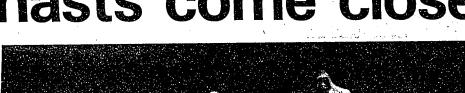
throughout the whole night." It was a comedy of errors — like Penn State falling off the beam on four out of the six routines. The beam belonged to New Hampshire. After three events the Lady Lions were behind by 2.15 points and all that remained was the floor exer-

The floor exercise was dotted with mishap after mishap, but freshman stand-out Diane Drum's successful double-back somersault rekindled Penn State's hopes for a turn around. "I worked all last night with (Assistant Coach) Marshall (Avener)until I got it," Drum said. "I

wanted it so bad, it sure feels good to leave knowing you've given it all." In fact, Monday night was the first time Drum had ever completed the double.

"Diane's floor routine was terrific," Judi said. "We were hoping she could do it, but there was nothing assured. Yesterday (Monday) was the first time she ever did it. She looked good out there tonight, she is really light on her feet." Drum was awarded the first-ever Ann Carr Award for her floor routine. The award is given

after the first meet. An unpointed toe or bent a point of the Wildcats and now look forward to at each home meet to the gymnast who presents knee is worth one tenth of a point. It is important the next meeting when they can recoup the loss.





Freshman Diane Drum won the Ann Carr Award for her 9.15 performance on floor exercise last night as the women's gymnastics team's Rec Hall 25 meet winning streak was snapped by New Hampshire.

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Penn State changed many of their routines to include more difficult tricks to increase their scoring opportunities. A tougher trick is given a higher maximum score. But trick difficulty was not the only change Penn State made that en-

abled them to score 170 points. "We added more difficulty to our routines," Captain Joanne Beltz said. "We had a lot more fight than before. We worked on fluidity and form

to be fluid. Consistency is a key. We looked more

Judi agreed with Beltz's assessment and praised the team's fighting spirit. "There was a real difference in attitude," Judi said. "The team had a lot of guts to think they could win and they performed like they thought

they had a chance. Whatever the difference was, the Lady Lions scratched their way back to within eight tenths of

Swann calls it quits and joins ABC crew

Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH - Pittsburgh Steeler Lynn Swann announced vesterday that he's retiring from rofessional football to join ABC-TV as a commentator for the United States Football League. "If I chose to, I could have played football for some time,' Swann said. "But I'm making a conscientious decision to leave ootball to move into other areas.' Swann, 30, a wide receiver with the National Football League team for nine seasons, said he decided to retire nine months ago. "I never wanted to be one of those people who linger on. It was my time. This (broadcasting) is something I can do for a lifetime."

introduced by ABC Sports offi-Swann said he waited until after Sunday's NFL playoff game between the Steelers and the San Diego Chargers to announce his retirement. Last week, he denied reports he planned to leave the

"I felt it would have been a distraction to myself and the team." he said. Both Steelers President Dan Rooney and Steelers Coach Chuck Noll said Swann contributed great-

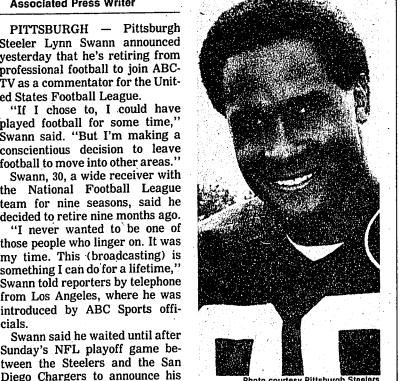
thing we really needed," Rooney "I think he has some football left in him." added Noll. "But the desire to play is a big part of it. He's found something else he

The Steelers plan to move wide al football career, Swann knew he

eventually wanted to become a full-time sports broadcaster. He worked for ABC Sports for the past six years during the off-season. "I promised myself I wouldn't play for more than five years. Then six came, then seven, then eight, then nine," Swann said. "I never thought of myself as really being a football player. Playing football was a fluke from the

Swann, a Southern California All-American, was a No. 1 choice in the Steelers' 1974 draft, along with linebacker Jack Lambert, wide receiver John Stallworth, defensive back Jimmy Allen and center Mike Webster his first season as a back-up re-

ceiver behind Ron Shanklin and a American sports."



Lynn Swann

think about what I did," Swann

Swann, who plans to also help

ABC cover college football and the

1984 Olympics, said he has no

regrets, only good memories, in

"I take with me most of all the

character of the people I played

with," he said. "It was a great

opportunity to grow and mature in

"I just want to be remembered

as one of several people who

played on one of the greatest foot-ball teams ever assembled in

leaving the Steelers.

SALUTES pecame a full-time starter and led the team in receptions for the first of four straight seasons. PENN STATE Swann was named Super Bowl X's Most Valuable Player in 1976 after he made four receptions for a game-record 161 yards as Pittsurgh defeated Dallas 21-17. Swann entered the 1982 season as the Steeler career leader in touchdowns. He finished the year with 5,462 vards receiving. Was it a good career? "I never had time to sit back and

said. "I always felt I could have done much better. But as I look back years from now, I'll probably be more excited about what I Swann's departure leaves 10 Sugar Bowl victory celebration by giving you a supreme players on the Steeler roster of the discount. We'll give you one free Personal Pan Pizza of your 21 who played on all four Super choice, when you buy any Personal Pan Pizza at the regular

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Networks, owners look to recoup losses

Pro football playoffs continue, with LA Raiders the favorite

self-appointed football experts, are continually questioning the reasoning behind the playoff format to determine the participants in Super Bowl XVII. The answer is simple. It's that substance that makes the world go round. No, not cocaine. Money. Bucks. Smackeroos.

Ninety-eight regular season games were cancelled due to the players' strike which meant the loss of a mind-boggling amount of revenue. In an attempt for the owners and the networks (it's hard to tell the two apart) to recoup a small percentage of the losses, the extravagances viewed over the weekend were scheduled. Eight nearly sold-out stadiums filled with fans

buying anything from hot dogs to Pittsburgh Steeler shaving kits put a few dollars in the owner's kitty, but what of NBC and CBS? With the additional games, the networks could charge their ludicrous advertising rates for an inferior product, which in the end will help pay someone's salary. In case you didn't notice during the past weekend, each network had a monopoly on football during their alloted time periods. The eye in the sky (CBS) controlled the early debacles on Saturday while the peacock network (NBC) had exclusive rights to the late afternoon masterpieces. The networks switched positions on Sunday.

If it weren't for the Pittsburgh-San Diego and Minnesota-Atlanta games, both of which went down to the wire, the weekend would have been a total loss. The networks should go head-to-head, which would force better coverage and might force the NFC and AFC to showcase the best product possi-In most cases of expansion in the sports world,

the product quality deteriorates and the first round of the playoffs was no exception. Clearly, Cleveland, New England, Detroit, Tampa Bay and, although they defeated Atlanta, Minnesota did not deserve to make the playoffs. If the season had lasted two or three more games

the Falcons probably would have played themselves out of contention citing their last two regular season losses to Green Bay and New Orleans by a combined score of 73-13. Although the suggestion for an alternative plan is a little outdated, the NFL could have weeded out the undesirables and could have went with their

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Many observers, including some of the networks' usual six-team playoff format by lengthening the advancing in the waning seconds of a first-round The season was going to be considered different and unique from seasons past, so scheduling the Super Bowl in February would not have created an give their usual gallant effort before falling to the Super Bowl-bound Skins. earth-shattering precedent. Weather predictions are for a mild winter and besides the league

already blew its "too cold" excuse last year when San Diego and Cincinnati played in the "Die-Hard Bowl." The Pasedena Chamber of Commerce might object, but now is not the time for the NFL to tion-filled Lambeau Field. Unless the Packers can start caring about anyone besides themselves and the networks. Not since a creature called the Philadelphia-Pittsburgh Steagles played football in the war depleted ranks of the NFL in the early 1940s, did a following week at RFK Stadium. regular season fall short of 10 games. The 1982-83

follow. Maybe attendance for the last two games

would have been higher if the "playoff" teams

hopefully we would be able to see the best the NFL

has to offer and not two teams who are finally

But back to reality we have eight teams still in

the chase for the Lombardi trophy and we have

The playoffs wouldn't be complete without a

were playing for a division title.

reaching so-called playoff form.

finally stumbled upon playoff football.

season should have been increased to 12 games which would have given the good teams a chance to get better and the mediocre playoff entrants like Cleveland and Tampa Bay to at least get good. The to the Super Bowl champions. The Chargers and Dolphins will fight it out to see division alignment should have been retained to give the fans more than two divisional races to

who gets to lose to Los Angeles. Since last year's 41-38 thriller, the Chargers offense has improved more than the Dolphin defense and so Fouts and company should be able to get their now-commonplace 30 points easily. On the other hand the Dolphins won't be able to score on the Chargers like they did a year ago. Although San Diego does not have the strong defense needed to win a championship, their play is good enough to stop the on-again, off-again attack of Miami. The Raiders are 2-0 against the Chargers this

The 12th game would fall on Jan. 23 with the wild card, semifinal and conference finals ending on two teams. If this game materializes, NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle will be thankful because as Feb. 13. Super Sunday would be the 23rd when

The fans will be appeciative because the game will showcase two excellent offenses and two bigplay defenses. But the Redskins fans will just have to be happy with being the rooters of the surprise team of the season. The Raiders have too much Vikings team that made it into the semifinals by playoff experience and with Marcus Allen adding a

game. The Redskins, however, with league MVP Mark Moseley and the real MVP Joe Theisman, are the best team at the moment. Look for the Vikes to

The Cowboys can play terrible at Texas Stadium, as witnessed on Sunday, and still win. The Packers are a young, inexperienced playoff team that romped over the unimpressive Cardinals in tradipack that tradition along with 30,000 Green Bay fans and sub-freezing temperatures and bring it all to Dallas, the Pack will get sacked. But don't worry you Cowboy haters, Dallas will get theirs the

In the AFC, the Raiders are just too powerful and well balanced for any of the three other teams vying for the championship. The Jets will give the nomadic Raiders a hard fought game before falling

year outscoring their down the freeway rivals 69-54. Los Angeles can match San Diego point for point on offense, but a superior defense will give the Raid-As for the big game, a Raiders-Redskins matchup would be a contest between the league's top

against Detroit.

early as last week it could have been New England

San Diego Chargers' Kellen Winslow (left) is congratulated by teammate Charlie Joiner after he scored the winning touchdown against the Pittsburgh Steelers in NFL playoff action on Sunday. In one of the few exciting first-round games, the Chargers came from behind to win 31·28 in the final minute of play.

without for a few years — speed, Los Angeles will have its first Super Bowl champion. Won't Oakland be

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