

Atherton St. bus depot may get facelift

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The bus depot on North Atherton Street may get a facelift this spring if the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation approves a grant application to pay half the renovation cost.

The Centre Region Council of Governments has planned changes to make more room for passengers in response to requests from Trailways and Greyhound bus companies, said the assistant to COG's director of administration.

B.J. Liggett said COG will submit a grant to PennDOT in February asking them to pay half of the estimated \$168,000 required for the project. Borough design draftsman Mark

Whitfield said COG will be paying about \$25,000.

The University will contribute about \$90,000 to the construction changes.

If PennDOT approves the grant application, changes would be made during the next construction season, probably in March or April, Liggett said.

Liggett said changes in the drop-off and pick-up station and in the parking arrangements will provide more and better access for buses.

After more parking spaces are added, the University, which owns the plot where the depot is located, 152-154 N. Atherton St., will gain about 20 new parking spaces.

About 16 new parking spaces will also be made for people unloading and loading onto buses.

Renovations include demolishing a concrete loading dock on the Trailways side of the depot and constructing three more loading spaces for buses, Whitfield said.

Ramps for the handicapped will be placed at various locations around the depot, Whitfield said, adding that a new center aisle will provide an area for cars to unload, keeping them out of the main stream of traffic.

"The (current) space is inadequate for the number of people using it," he said. "If we have eight buses to load, we only have room for four buses."

Whitfield said other changes include landscaping, adding benches and lights, and repaving the whole area. "We don't feel that we have enough facilities to accommodate passengers."

Tickets for the 1986 Interfraternity Council Dance Marathon Kick-off Dinner will go on sale starting at 2:30 p.m. today in 310 HUB. The tickets are \$18 per person, said the dinner chairman.

Jim Vachon said the first two tickets to the dinner will be sold to University President Bryce Jordan and his wife, Jonelle, at 2 p.m. today in 210 Old Main.

The dinner will be held on Feb. 16 at Gatsby's, 118 E. College Ave., and will be followed by a reception at Mr. C's, 112 W. College Ave.

Vachon said a limited number of

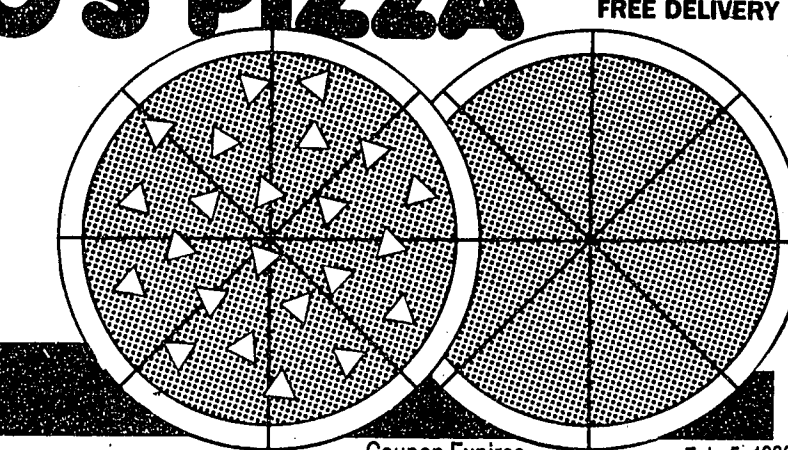
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Gymwomen face Nebraska

By THERESA PANCOAST
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Although the women's gymnastics team will meet Nebraska on the road at 9:30 tonight, the Lady Lions are viewing the matchup as a dress rehearsal for the Purina Cat Classic in Missouri this weekend, Head Coach Judi Avenier said.

"Of the two meets, the Cat Classic is the more significant one," she said. "So the Nebraska meet will be more a preparation for the Cat Classic."

In keeping with her outlook on the past two meets, Avenier said Penn State will not be aiming to defeat Coach Rich Walton's Cornhuskers, who have scored over 180 in their first two meets this season, but rather to improve over last weekend's performance.

"They're tough to beat at Nebraska, so we're not going to try to win at Nebraska," Avenier said. "We're going to use it as a learning experience. We're going to rest anybody who looks like she might need a rest, and we might put a few new routines in against Nebraska."

Nebraska gained the upper hand on the Lady Lions last season by beating them 178.35 to 176.70 in Rec Hall.

Penn State left State College at 6 a.m. yesterday and will travel to Nebraska and the two-day Cat Classic before returning Sunday night. The squad has been looking forward to the trip, Avenier said.

"They're really excited about the next two meets, and they feel like they're a little bit better prepared competitively speaking," she said. "I think they're more able to handle the stress of competition at this point, having gotten two pretty successful meets under their belts."

Senior Renee Bunker is especially looking forward to the meeting with the Lady Cornhuskers.

"We haven't heard a whole lot other than their first two scores," she said. "But they both broke 180, which is more than we've done so far, so it should be a good challenge. We're taking nothing for granted, that's for sure."

The Lady Lions don't intend to increase the difficulty in their routines for the Nebraska meet, but they are shooting for more consistency, Bunker said. She added that she will concentrate on her own hitting ratio.

"I'm going more for consistency, trying to hit more bar routines and beam routines in workout," she said. "As the season goes on, you hope that you can go in knowing you can hit instead of lucking out. The more you hit in practice then the more you can depend on confidence instead of just lucking out."

Avenier said the Lady Lions will wait awhile before instituting more difficult maneuvers.

"We don't think it's wise to add much now," she said. "We just think it's wise to go on fairly slowly, one step at a time. There might be a few more things in there, but nothing of any major significance."

The Lady Lions are hoping to see junior Kathy Pomper in more than one event for the Nebraska meet, Avenier said. Pomper has been battling a strained leg muscle, and competed only on the uneven bars during last week's quadrangular meet in Rec Hall.

"Kathy is one of our better all-arounders from last season," Avenier said. "Depending on how that leg



Penn State's Renee Bunker performs on the vault during a quadrangular meet last Saturday in Rec Hall. Bunker and her teammates will take on Nebraska tonight in Lincoln, Neb., before traveling to Missouri for the Cat Classic.

holds up at Nebraska, she may even be in a little bit more at the Cat Classic."

Avenier said, however, that Pomper is still not ready for the all-around competition.

Team captain Pam Loree will most likely compete in the all-around in Nebraska as well as in the Cat Classic, Avenier said.

"She's ready to go and she's healthy and she loves to compete," she said.

Freshman Kathy Parody, who has competed in the all-around in both meets this season, may be given a break from the all-around at Nebraska, she said.

"She has a sore back and a heel bruise, but neither one would be enough to keep her out of a real important meet," Avenier said.

Golden Boy elected to NFL Hall of Fame

CANTON, Ohio (AP) — Paul Hornung, whose Golden Boy image was tarnished in the 1960s when it was disclosed he had bet on NFL games, finally made it to the Pro Football Hall of Fame on his 15th try. Fourteen times previously, the former Green Bay Packers halfback failed to get enough support for the Hall.

But yesterday, when the results of this year's voting were announced, the votes were there, and Hornung was elected with four other former National Football League greats: quarterback Fran Tarkenton, halfback Doak Walker and defensive standouts Willie Lanier and Ken Houston.

They will be enshrined at ceremonies in the summer.

Hornung's one-year suspension in 1963 for betting on his own team had been blamed for keeping him from the Hall until now. Last year, he was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame for his exploits at Notre Dame.

"I've been very optimistic in the past, and I've learned not to be too optimistic," Hornung said. "This year, it seemed, everybody was telling me that I had an excellent opening, I was getting closer. It seems like there was more calls from the media this year, so where there's a little smoke there's a fire."

"In December, I was inducted into the college football hall of fame. Now in January, it tops it off with the professional hall of fame. I couldn't be happier."

Others contacted also were overjoyed by their election.

"I'm elated," said Houston, who played as a defensive back for the Houston Oilers and the Washington Redskins.

"It's fantastic," said Lanier, a linebacker for the Kansas City Chiefs, saying notification of his induction gave him a "very rewarding and refreshing feeling."

The selection committee is made up of one media representative from each NFL city plus a 26th member from the Pro Football Writers Association. To be elected, a player must receive support from about 82 percent of those voting. Rules call for the election of four to seven new members to the hall each year.

"I'm happy to be there," Houston said upon learning he had been picked in his first year of eligibility. "It's something you don't really think about, really, because you always think it will be something that will happen after you are dead, really."

Added Houston: "I always thought

immediately," instead of waiting for the union to become involved.

Wooten said he agreed with Berry that "individuals are more important than the union as a whole."

Berry said he confronted the players with the issue at a two-hour meeting following the team's 46-10 Super Bowl loss Sunday in New Orleans. Wooten said 96 percent of the team attended the meeting and 88 percent of them voted to be the first NFL team to accept voluntary drug testing.

Upshaw, in a statement released by the union in Washington, D.C., said Berry has "broken faith" by appealing to his players at a moment when they were "particularly vulnerable."

Upshaw, who is in Hawaii, said that the unfair labor practice charge would be filed with the National Labor Relations Board "to protect the rights of individual players under Federal labor laws."

It is the union's contention that the drug-testing violates the collective bargaining agreement.

"It is our position that any disciplinary imposed on players as a result of this Patriots' testing program is illegal and invalid," said Upshaw.

"The collective bargaining agreement must affect all players and clubs equally in order for this system to work. We can't let management pressure individual players into personal agreements which ignore the CBA, in the heat of the moment."

The NFLPA is the only sports union which permits urinalysis drug testing in training camp physicals, according to Upshaw. He also noted that the NFLPA is the only sports union which permits a team doctor to direct players to be tested, if the doctor has reasonable cause to suspect a player of drug dependency.

"Raymond Berry had everything he needed at his disposal to deal with specific players whom the club had reasonable cause to suspect of drug abuse," Upshaw said. "Instead, Berry ignored the procedures in the collective bargaining agreement."

"The players' union has opposed spot-testing or any type of urinalysis examination for drug use except in cases where the team physician perceives an individual problem or a player has previously tested positive.

"I'm caught in the middle. I'm certainly more behind this program here than the union in Washington," he added, but said, "We had to act



Paul Hornung

Hapless Saints hire Mora as head coach

By AUSTIN WILSON
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS — The New Orleans Saints yesterday plucked Jim Mora from the ranks of the USFL and gave him the task that six other men have failed to complete over a 19-year span: winning with the hapless NFL team.

"In Jim Mora, we have a man who has won and knows what it takes to have a winner," said Saints owner Tom Benson. "He's won everywhere he's been. He's also the kind person we need for our team, our fans and our city."

Mora, 49, replaces Wade Phillips, who coached the Saints to a 1-3 finish after his father, Bum, resigned in late November from the team languishing at 4-8.

The 5-11 finish was the Saints' second worst in the Phillips' five seasons at New Orleans, which has compiled some dreadful numbers since the franchise was formed in 1967.

The Saints prepared for this latest head coaching change by firing Wade Phillips and most of his staff on Jan. 22.

Excluding Wade Phillips and three other interim appointments, Mora becomes the seventh head coach hired to bring a winner to New Orleans.

Like Bum Phillips before him, Mora brings a winner's credentials to New Orleans. He coached the Stars to 52 victories over three years, including a back-to-back USFL championship the past two seasons, first at Philadelphia and then in Baltimore.

Mora's contract with the Stars expired Jan. 17 and the speculation was that he would become head coach for the NFL's Philadelphia Eagles. When that deal fell through, the rumor mills had Mora headed for New Orleans.

That report was further fueled by disclosures that Mora had been interviewed by Benson on Jan. 13 and by general manager Jim Finks on Jan. 21.

Mora said there never was any tentative agreement with the Eagles and that he withdrew his name from

Berry says Pats' drug problem a year old

By SUZANNE WETLAUFER
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FOXBORO, Mass. — The New England Patriots have been dealing with a drug problem since last January, including the testing and successful treatment of "a couple of" players, Coach Raymond Berry said yesterday.

Berry refused to give an exact number of players who had been treated for drug problems in the past year.

"We were not trading water," Berry said of the Patriots. He stressed that drug use was a serious concern that had to be addressed, but was not a major problem that ever affected the team's performance.

"Their performance on the field shows how little problem they have," Berry said of the American Football Conference champions. "We don't have that much of a problem. We don't have a very big problem."

His comments came at a news conference one day after the team announced it would submit to voluntary drug-testing. That followed published reports that four starters were among players on the American Football Conference championship team who frequently used cocaine and marijuana.

Berry said reports 12 players are involved are not accurate, but he would not say how many players might be using drugs. No names of any players who might have been involved in drugs have been disclosed.

Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association said that the union will vigorously oppose efforts to implement the drug testing and would file an unfair labor practice charge over the testing.

At the news conference, Berry, offensive guard Ron Wooten, the team's assistant player representative, and General Manager Patrick Sullivan repeatedly stressed that the voluntary drug tests were possible because of the mutual respect between management and the players.

"We realized we had to face the problem. We have a very unique relationship with Raymond and Pat, other teams don't have that. Not all teams have someone who wants to



New England Coach Raymond Berry keeps a watchful eye on a team practice in the week before the Super Bowl. Berry announced yesterday that the Patriots' squad has been combating a drug problem since last January.

help and not punish. That's what I said on the program," Wooten said.

Berry said, "The bottom line . . . is to save young people's lives. Eventually, hopefully, what you've got is prevention."

Sullivan added, "There has been some testing this season. There have been players. Raymond has spoken with 'spectacular, very positive results.'"

Wooten said the tests would be administered by Massachusetts General Hospital at regular times. He said a group of players and represent-

"The thing I noticed this morning, there was great elation at being called to be told that I was one of the five, but then after talking to a few people, I went through a little down period," Lanier said.

"The period was just then one of reflecting on all the people that have been involved with it, all of those that you want to be here when this occurred. My mother passed (away) a couple of years ago and it would be great if she were here to share in this."

Hornung became the 10th member of the 1961 Green Bay Packers to be inducted into the hall. A Heisman Trophy winner at Notre Dame, he was a two-time NFL MVP. From 1959 through 1961, while playing for Green Bay Coach Vince Lombardi, he led the NFL in scoring for three consecutive seasons.