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No contest

Lions thrash Minnesota 56-3 behind the running of tailback Ki-Jana Carter

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Today, more clouds than sun, with a slight chance of a sprinkle, high 66. Tonight, mostly cloudy, low 49. Tomorrow, some of the clouds give way to a partly sunny day, high 67.

— by Paul Markowski

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Women's rights key at population meeting

By EDITH M. LEDERER Associated Press Writer

CAIRO, Egypt — One of the world's few women leaders struck back at Vatican and Muslim fundamentalists yesterday by defending abortion and sex education and made a plea to curb the population boom "for Earth's sake."

In her opening day speech, the outspoken prime minister of Norway, Gro Harlem Brundtland, framed a key issue of the U.N. population conference: give power to women in order to slow birth rates. Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Paki-

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stan, the only other woman head of state who was present, supported women's equality but took a far more conservative view on abortion and sexual issues. Bhutto's decision to attend the nine-day

conference and buck conservative Islamic opponents was in itself a victory for the organizers. Two other Muslim women leaders, Tansu Ciller of Turkey and Khaida Zia of Bangladesh, backed out.

But Bhutto's rejection of sections of the proposed 20-year blueprint to curb population growth, coupled with another Vatican attack on abortion, reflected the polarized debate at the conference.

At the heart of her address was the need not only to talk about women's equality, but to finance women's needs until equality is reached.

"Women's education is the single most important path to higher productivity, lower infant mortality and lower fertility," Brundtland said.

"The economic returns on investment in women's education are generally compa-

table to those of men, but the social returns in terms of health and fertility by far exceed what we gain from men's education," she said.

Weeks before it opened, the U.N. conference exploded in controversy over the issues of abortion, birth control and sex education.

The Vatican opposes artificial birth control and abortion in all cases, while Muslim fundamentalists say the draft plan of action promotes promiscuity.

In three preliminary meetings, delegates to the conference agreed to more than 90 percent of the plan of action.



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Left, Gregg Goodfriend (junior-industrial engineering), Jeff Bugno (junior-civil engineering), Pete Moore (junior-exercise science) and Craig Swinderman (junior-mechanical engineering) celebrate the Lions' 56-3 victory over Minnesota. Above, Heisman-hopeful Ki-Jana Carter tries to break through the Gopher's defense.

Versatile offense key to win

By CRAIG OSTROFF Collegian Sports Writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Fall Semester classes have not yet begun at the University of Minnesota, but the Golden Gophers' football squad has already learned a lesson in humility.

By the time the smoke cleared in the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome Saturday night, the 51,134 in attendance had seen the No. 8 Nittany Lions (1-0) roar to a 56-3 drubbing of the supposedly upstart Gophers (0-1).

Down 7-0 midway through the first quarter, Minnesota starting quarterback Scott Eckers fumbled the snap on an intended quarterback sneak. The Lions recovered the ball, and two plays later tailback Ki-Jana Carter burned down the field en route to an 80-yard touchdown run. The score was 14-0. The defense was

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demoralized. The offense was backed against a wall.

"If (Eckers) hadn't fumbled the ball, it could have been 7-7," said Coach Joe Paterno. "It could have been a totally different football game."

Meanwhile, the Lions' offense feasted on the hapless Minnesota defense. Quarterback Kerry Collins went 19-for-23 — including a school-record 14 consecutive completions — for 260 yards and three touchdowns before leaving the game in the third quarter to give backups Wally Richardson and Mike McQueary some playing time.

The Lions' offense, expected to house

multiple weapons, utilized each of them to the fullest.

On the ground, Carter racked up a career-high 210 yards — including touchdown runs of two, 80 and 62 yards — on 20 carries. The talented Lion backfield continually broke through the Minnesota line.

Mike Archie, Stephen Pitts and even redshirt freshman Ambrose Fletcher carried the ball. The fullback trio did the same. Redshirt freshman Jason Sload recorded his first career touchdown on a one-yard run in the fourth quarter.

"We do have a lot of offensive weapons," Carter said. "If they try to stop our run, like they did today, then we get them with the pass."

And indeed they did. Collins found a slew of targets evading the Minnesota secondary, which played a man-to-man defense that the Lion receivers found easy to exploit.

Freddie Scott racked up 133 yards and a touchdown on seven receptions. Bobby Engram caught five passes for 73 yards and a score, but the duo did not make up all of the Lions' passing game.

Names and numbers unfamiliar even to Penn State faithfuls appeared on the receiving ends of passes.

Names such as Keith Olsommer, who caught the first ball of his career — a four-yard touchdown pass from Collins. Redshirt freshman Joe Jurevicius, who also booted the Lions' lone punt of the night, and redshirt sophomore Chris Campbell both pulled in their first career catches as well.

"We wanted to establish the fact that we could spread the ball around," said Collins, adding that last season the team relied heavily on Engram. "It kind of frees things up and keeps (the defense) off balance."

University finds funds for students

By JULIA GEIS Collegian Staff Writer

Many people have heard that each year, scholarships go unspent because no one knows they are out there. To help students find out what types of financial aid are available, searches can be done through computer software.

Although the searches cannot guarantee aid, they are an easier way for students to find out what aid they could qualify for. Some searches require a fee, but if Penn State students go through the University, finding financial aid sources only costs the 29 cent stamp needed to mail the application.

In 1992-93, 62 percent of University students received financial aid, said Joan Lisle, a University information analyst.

About two years ago, the University purchased a software package that matches students with scholarships, grants, federal aid, fellowships and loans they could qualify for, said Bronwen Wagner, director for student aid operations and University scholarships.

Although searches can be done now, the application process for scholarships for this year is over. Applications for scholarships for 1995-96 cannot be filed until next year, Wagner said.

Any University student can access the service, which Wagner called a "one-stop-shopping kind of place." A student can apply for a search at the Office of Student Aid, 314 Shields, she said.

Once the student's information has been entered, the output tells the student who the contacts are, the addresses and any additional information necessary, Wagner said.

Results are available at the office within a week, she said, and the University pays for the software, printing and staff.

"Some schools will charge a student a minimal fee. Penn State Please see AID, Page 10.

Universal health care reform left hanging

By JON FEINBERG Collegian Staff Writer

As many politicians leave Washington, D.C., to start their re-election campaigns or lower their golf handicaps, the nation is left to wonder what will become of health care legislation when Congress reconvenes Sept. 12.

U.S. Senate leaders originally promised to pass a bill before the end-of-summer recess, but a series of distractions, including lengthy crime bill debates, partisan bickering sessions and a potpourri of different health care packages, have left many citizens both baffled and disenchanted.

"It's been pretty confusing the way everyone's got their different plans," said Andrew Kreider, president of the College Democrats.

Although Kreider said he will always be committed to universal health care coverage, he is not so sure Congress has the same type of commitment. "I'm afraid that our representa-



tives and senators will, in effect, chicken out," he said. "Too many people are satisfied with the status quo."

After Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, abandoned his health care plan, focus turned to a bipartisan group led by U.S. Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., which does not call for universal health care coverage.

Andrea Petersen, spokesperson for U.S. Sen. Harris Wofford, D-Pa., said Wofford would like to see Democrats and Republicans work together on the bill, but he does not plan to compromise his reform quest. He is trying to get rid of limits on pre-existing conditions for coverage and coverage for all children.

Crime bill win could hurt Clinton

By JON FEINBERG Collegian Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — A crime bill victory in the U.S. House of Representatives could hurt Clinton's chances in the 1996 presidential election, a political analyst said.

"Senator Wofford's bottom line has always been extending the kind of guaranteed health care that members of Congress enjoy," she said.

After reconvening in September, representatives and senators will have about one month before the

Congressional term ends, and many people are unsure if that is enough time to pass a sufficient bill.

"I don't think we need to rush anything ... especially with an issue that takes up so much of the (gross national product) as health

care," said Steve Brame, president of the College Republicans. "If it takes waiting until the next Congress, then we should wait until the next Congress."

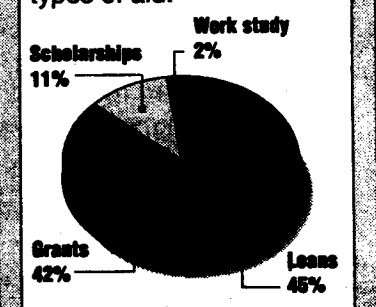
In the nation's capital, other legislators are tending to take a

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How many students receive financial aid?

In the 1992-93 academic year 62 percent of University students received financial aid.

The chart below depicts how that 62 percent was divided in terms of the types of aid.



Includes graduate and undergraduate at University Park and Commonwealth Campuses.

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