JIM MURRAY



Players' coach didn't teach

I think I know why he was a successful coach. I think he had a lot in common with all those pool-room guys, hustlers and bad-guy-on-the-block types he got to play to thim. They know fie was their kind of

All they had to do for this guy was play some football, kick some bult, lay some blocks O! Barry would take care of the rest. O! Barry wouldn't want you to be secretary of state! Just lake care of that line of scrimmage on Saturday Try not to kill anybod 3 Just win, baby.



ry always put me in mind of a guy who takes irl away from you at the school prom and her away in your convertible

It finally didn't work. The Oklahoma football team that ran roughshod over opponents for 16 years finally ran over the coach.

Oktahoma is a tough place, but gang rapes, dormitory, shootings, drug sellingand Brian Boss finally got to be too much for even the stomping grounds of the old Dafton Gang op Quantall's Raiders

Oklahoma is more permissive than Princeton, but it had two choices — clean up Oklahoma football or bring back the Seventh Cavairy

The old-time coaches never let the troops take over the fort. Knute Rockne was about as close to being a pal to the players as any of the old breed, but he never let them forget who was boss. If they forgot, he had plenty of sarcastic ways to remind them.

I remember Red Sanders, as good a coach as I wer knew, coached from a practice-field tower. His ords came down to the players like Jehovah's. They ever called him Red.

Even Best Byrant, the prototypical good of boy coach who herode his players together in living coach who herode his players together in living want in separate from the rest of the student body, reminded his team who was giving the orders. He kicked Joe Namah and Ken Sabber off his teams for off-field infractions. He kept Namath out of a bowl game Bean never liet the players forget who wore the stars on the shoulder.

You can try to be pals with them but you nev turn your back on them. A better idea is to make them fear you. Today, it's the other way round.

College is considered irrelevant by today's player. He's not there to learn to be a doctor, he's there to learn to be a Green Bay Packer.

A coach used to be a pedagogue. He reminded the players that their pay was priceless — knowledge Today's players prefer gold chains.

A lot of today's coaches are just on kind of complicated scholarships themselves. They are no part of the academic life.

You go to college to get in on the accumulated wisdom of the millennia. You do this best by coming in contact with older, wiser professors who have a profound influence on your life because you're impressed with them and what they teach you

If you're in college for football, the coach has to play this role. He can't do it if he's just like you.

I seem to remember a story of the coaching staff at Oklahoma trashing a hotel room, bar or both at a bowl game last winter. Imagine how Howard Jones or Gen. Bob. Neyland wouldhave reacted to that. Oklahoma just paid for the breakage.

They said Barry Switzer had one of the most successful football programs of his day. Depends on what you're counting. Bowl games, yeah.

In the important contests of life, he had one of the worst football programs I've ever seen.

On a wet day, Brits shine in 800



at Veterans' games By SHANNON FEARS The Register-Guard

Browne leads sweep

First things first. For those of you from out of town, Tuesday's weather was not typical of Eugene at this time of year.

However, it served its purpose, at least for three Britons who must have thought they were back home

In another mind-numbing, 15-hour day of World Veterans' Championships track and field action, the 12-3 finish of Great Britain's Peter Browne, Ron Bish of Great Burlay in the men's 40 division 800 meters at Hayward Field might have appeared as simply one more race.

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To the competitors, of course, the race they're in is the only thing that matters And after about a week away from home, some of the competitors spiced their winning performances Tuesday with a show of Olympic style national fervor.

"I'm just glad it's a British 1-2-3 sweep," said Bell, the defending champion and world record holder. "To me, this is the Olympic Games."

Bell might have seen what was coming. Browne beat him in the British champion-ships earlier this year and then beat him in the semifinals last Sunday.

And since they're both in the youngest men's age group and are in their first season of racing each other, they could be at it for many years to come.

"] beat him indoors and he beat me out-doors (in British championships)," said Bell, a six-time world veterans' record holder. "The man's a class runner, a European championships and Commonwealth Games competitor for 12 years."

Browne needed that competitive tough-ness to beat a pretty good field that was supposed to include ex-greats Mike Bolt and Lee Evans, who didn't show. But Browne had an extra incentive.

"This was special for me today because my father died earlier this year," Browne said. "This run was for him. He (Bell) was going to have to be good to be in front of me."

"My plan was to do 54 or 55 seconds on the last lap, but I couldn't get near enough to the front to do it," Bell said.

Browne finished in 1:55.20, Bell in 1:55.84 and Duffy in 1:56.02, capping a full afternoon of surprisingly close 800-meter

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Ferry flees to Italy: Atlanta adds Soviet

It was a bitter-sweet Tuesday for the National Basketball Association.

On one front, Alexander Volkov, the most valuable player in the Soviet Union last season, signed a three-year contract to play basketball with the NBA's Atlanta Hawks.

On another, Danny Ferry, the sec-ond player taken in the NBA draft by the L'os Angeles Clippers, signed a one-year contract with Messaggero Rome of the Italian baskeball league which will pay the 6-foot-11 All-America for-ward from Duke a reported \$1 million.

Said Ferry through ProServ, the Washington management group: "It's a unique opportunity — living in Rome, traveling throughout Europe, learning a new language, experiencing different cultures... all while playing the game I love.

game I love.
"I was honored to be selected as
the No. 2 player in the draft by the Los
Angeles Clippers. They are an up-andcoming team. Frankly. I was also a
little surprised the Clippers drafted me
because they have a talented pool of

young forwards. However, any con-cerns I had became academic once Messaggero made me this once-in-a-lifetime offer."

Ferry is still Clipper property, how-ever. According to NBA rules, teams retain the right to a player for a year after he refurns from Europe, mean-ing the Clippers can continue to play a large, albeit silent, role in his life for the next two years. And that's if Ferry only plays in Rome for one season.

"Naturally, we are disappointed that Danny Ferry chose to play his first pro season in Europe," Clippers General Manager Elgin Baylor said in a prepared statement. "However, we look forward to having Danny in a Clippers' uniform should he decide to pursue a career in the NBA."

Jose Ortiz is the only other first-round player to have snubbed the NBA in favor of Europe. The former Pacif-ic-10 Conference player of the year from Oregon State was drafted No. 1 by Utah in 1987, but signed with a team in Spain, only to return and even-

Orioles fall twice more, lead shrinks to one game

From news service reports

BOSTON — There were morning meetings, new lineup combinations and another new starting pitcher. There were encouraging words and encouraging performances, public votes of confidence and private moments of tentals.

thought.

About the only thing the Baltimore Orioles didn't get out of this long and tiring day Tuesday was a victory, and after 68 consecutive days as baseball's most surprising first-place team, their ride could be about over.

The Boston Red Sox on Tuesday moved to within a game of first place in the American League East by sweeping a doubleheader from the Orioles, 5-3 in a day game and 6-2 at night in Fenway Park.

Remember the morning of July 19?
The Orioles awoke 15 games above 500 and leading the AL East by 7½.
Their world was almost perfect, even when Seatile's Brian Holman shut world was about to turn uplosed down, and Tuesday, they lead the Red Sox by a game and Toronto and Milwaukee by 2½.

In a stunning reversal to what had been a stunning season, the Orioles were about to lose 13 of 14 and would find themselves 1-12 on this swing through four cities and three time zones.

"It hasn't happened overnight, but it's very hard to believe we're playing

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Pete Rose claims report of his gambling 'was a hatchet job, a pi

By BILL BRUBAKER The Washington Post

For most of this summer LaVerne Rose Noeth, 74, has rarely left her Cincinnati apartment. First she had a nasty cold. "And those antibiotics I took made me feel sick to my stomach," she said.

Then came allegations that Cincinnati Reds Manager Pete Rose — basebalt's all-time hals leader — had leopardized his ca-reer by betting illegally on major league-games. "I am a wrect, a tolal wreet." Noeth said on a recent evening. "I have a right to be, don't you think? After all. I'm Pete Roses's mother."

"My daughter says, 'Mother, you've got to get out of that apartment,' Noeth said "But I sit here because I'm afraid to run into people that know me. I'm afraid they'll

Even his friends, family

unsettled by Rose affair

say something about Pete and I'll get mad. I've got a fiery temper."

In Cincinnall, a city that so loves Rose it named a downlown thoroughtare after him, the reality of The Pete Rose Affair is setting in.

setting in.

Joe Kalser, Rose's friend for 90 years, said he is concerned that Pere has a gambing problem; and I have had words about it many tames." Kalser said. "He might have a compution of the problem. I think it should be addressed."

In should be addressed.

Dave Rose said a proposed partnership with his brother in a chill restaurant chain has fallen through because of concerns by the parent company that "Pete as a little dark cloud over him. They're worried about their imase."

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about their image.

Noeth frets about reports that a federal grand jury is probing whether her son paid taxes on his gambling winnings and base-

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MORNING BRIEFING

On anniversary of death, Munson remembered

and clutch filters of his era should be a file that of a day, the Yankees burly, 32-year-old captain had flown his Cessna jet from New York to Akron, Ohio, to visit his wife and children While practicing lakeoffs and landings later in the day, his pland crashed 1,000 feet short of the runway at Akron-Canton Air

It was expected he would eventually reach the Hall of me, but the people who vote have all but erased him from eight but the people who vote have all but erased him from eight but the people who vote have and eligibility, he reviewed just 62 votes, when 360 were needed for induction ice then, his vote total has not exceeded 35.

A lifetime 292 bitter, Munson hit 35 7 m 30 postseason mes and still holds four World Series records. Despite playon gimply knees most of his career, he averaged 410 games year for 10 seasons (1970-79). An All-Star seven times, he to set the only whatee player ever to win both the Rookie of Year (1970) and Most Valuable Player award (1976).

the vote-casting group "It's just my gut feeling, but he didn't last long enough

'If he had played his full career — maybe 15 or 16 years and kept up his numbers, perhaps."

My way or highway

The kicker complained of asthma Said Johnson as he need to the road out of camp "The asthma field is over

The next day the kicker was gone

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Said Philadelphia Eagle Coach Buddy Ryan when asked how Paul Butcher, a free-agent linebacker from the Detroit Lions, had looked in his first workout: "He threw up four or five times. I should've known better than to take anybody out of Detroit. They're not in shape. They think 8-8 is a good session."

This day in sports

On Aug. 2, 1948. Cleveland's Satchel Paige made his first major-league start and pitched seven innings to lead the Indians to a 5-3 victory over the Washington Senators.

People in Sports

Restrie guard Danny Young signed a three-year contract with the Portland Trail Bilgars. ... Catcher Paul Sanders of Lower Columbs. College and Redmond High School outfielder-pitch mounty College and Redmond High School outfielder-pitch mount of the proper second baseman for 11 years and the manager of the legace second baseman for 11 years and the manager of the special all Organs for the manager of the special properties of the form of the special properties of the special propert

Bird plays, claims he's 'all right'

WALTHAM, Mass. — The Bosto Celtics' summer camp that was su posed to highlight Larry Bird's retur from heel surgery has instead been showcase for the All-Star forward comeback from a back Injury

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After the injury Saturday that was expected to sideline him for weeks, Bird made a surprise return to the court Monday and also played in scrimmages Tuesday night, the end of the camp for rookies, free agents and five veterans.

"It felt as well as it could be ex-pected, but I felt I wanted to take some rest this afternoon," Bird said Tues day, "It feels all right."

"Just seeing Larry out there play-ing as well as he did was something of a major accomplishment," Boston Coach Jimmy Rodgers said

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s Someone asked Browne how y years consecutively he had run meters in less than two minutes, he had to think about it for awhile

The first time was '67, I guess," he lly answered "That's 23 years."

Men

RECORDS SET

Men

Reunion postponed

JUNCTION CITY — A reunion of ach Don Reucker's past baseball ims at Junction City High School m 1952 through 1983 has been post ned from its scheduled date, Aug 6

Women

Triple Jump

Obsidians to sponsor 10-mile hike Sunday

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e's veteran contingent includes (left to right) Vadim Marschev, Taisija Chenchik and Alexsandr Bratchnikov

New era for Soviet veterans

Three Russians, one Latvian mark USSR debut at world games

By SHANNON FEARS The Regi ster-Guard

The other Soviet in the games, javelin thrower Jani Zirnis, did not attend the pres conference at McArthur Court. Zirnis, from Latvia, is not part of the group from Moscow.

Italy's Cesare Becalli, the president of the World Association of Veteran Athletes, which governs these games called the Soviets' participation here "very important, because it signals a new era in veterans' activity

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Italian teams begin practice next Monday for their season which begins Sept. 24

Terms of the Hawks' contract with Volkov were not disclosed. "I'm a little nervous," Volkov said in English as he met with reporters at the Hawks' offices along with his wife Alla, his agent Mark Fleisher and in-terpreter Sally Evans.

"I will speak Russian because I am afraid it will not come out right if I answer in English," the 25-year-old added



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