

# Practice

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an hour extra a day and am I going to get banned by the NCAA," Evans said.

Despite the Evans incident, some legislators say the limits were directed at the more time-consuming revenue sports — football and basketball — whose athletes have performed worse academically than their non-revenue counterparts.

Jim Marchiony, director of communications for the NCAA, said the organization was looking out for student-athletes overwhelmed by time commitments and demands of revenue sports.

"The premise (of Proposition 38) comes from a survey the NCAA Presidents Commission had done a couple of years ago, in which 4,000 student-athletes were interviewed," Marchiony said. "The number one feeling that came out of that survey was that student-athletes felt they didn't have

enough time during the season to do what they needed to be doing."

Ohio State U. tailback Robert Smith fits that mold of the frustrated student-athlete.

Smith set the football world on its ear this August when he announced he was quitting the OSU football team because the intense practice schedule didn't allow him time for his pre-med studies.

Smith, who rushed for 1,126 yards last year as a freshman, complained that the coaching staff disregarded the importance

of his studies, and that they said he was taking his classes too seriously.

But critics of the measure say legislating less practice time is not the same as legislating more study time.

"I don't think that anyone is under the illusion that GPAs are going to skyrocket under this rule," Marchiony said. "That's up to the student himself or herself."

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### ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT: TY DETMER



Some people would think Ty Detmer has it made.

The Brigham Young U. quarterback seized last year's Heisman Trophy Award with an awesome display of passing accuracy, cool gamesmanship, and an uncanny, seemingly innate sense for the game. He shattered 42 NCAA records, threw for an unprecedented 5,188 yards and connected for 41 touchdowns.

And last year's winner of the Maxwell Trophy, Football News Player of the Year, UPI Player of the Year, and the U.S. Amateur Athlete of the Year Award still had one more year to go.

But that might be a mixed blessing.

This season, Detmer faces an enormous challenge and great expectations. His BYU offense lost nine starters from last year's powerhouse squad, including his four favorite receivers. His Cougars faced a grueling schedule, with games against Florida State, UCLA and Penn State the first three weeks of the season. And Detmer is coming off an injury to his right shoulder, requiring surgery and months of intense rehabilitation.

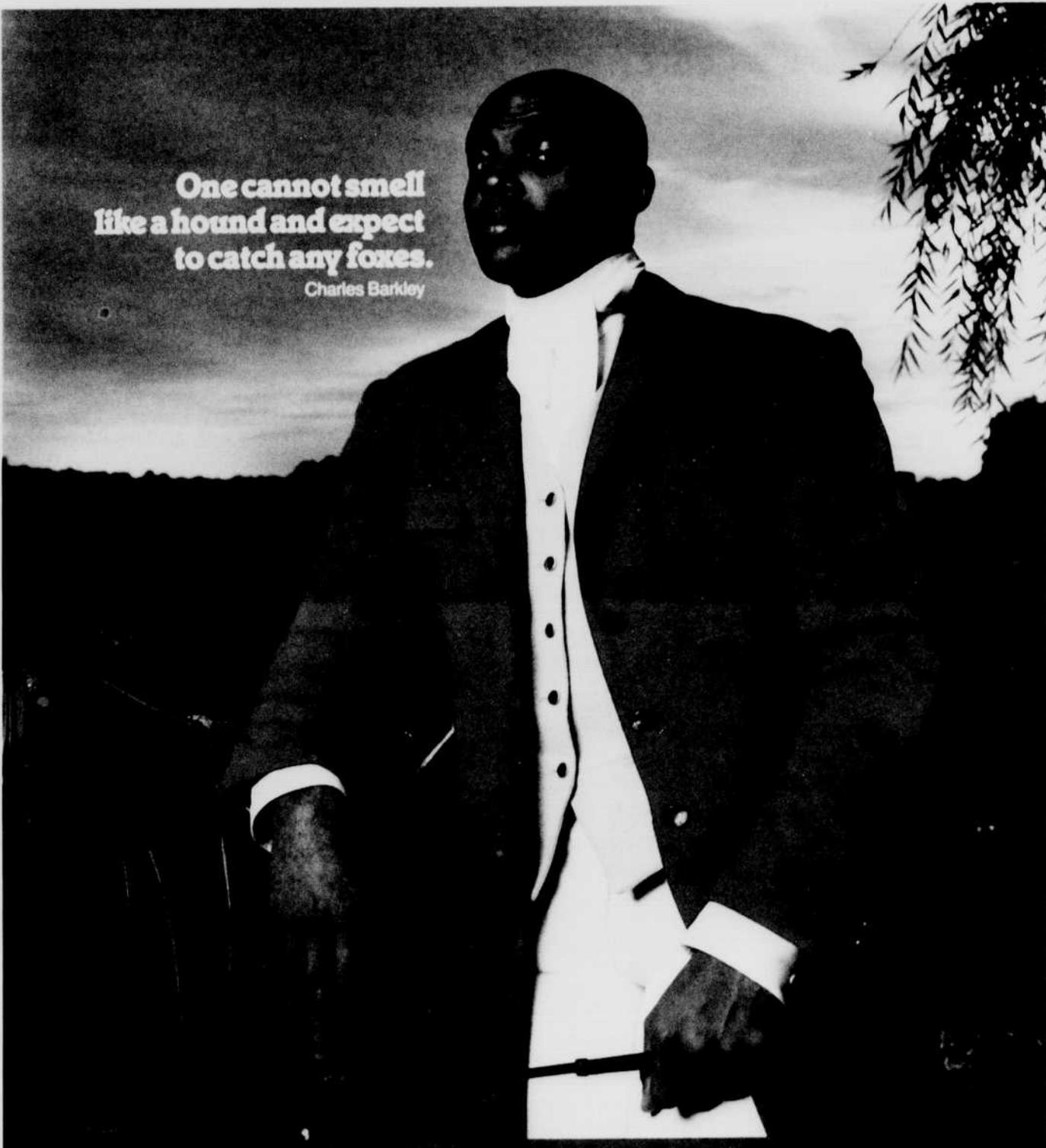
Worse yet, as a returning Heisman winner, Detmer knows opponents will be gunning for him. After winning the Heisman last year, Detmer and the Cougars suffered embarrassing defeats to Hawaii and Texas A&M by a combined score of 124-42.

"I learned a lot toward the end of last season," Detmer said after last year's losses. "I realized that I will be a target this year."



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