

# SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### FOOTBALL

#### Montana Calls It Quits

It has been confirmed that future Hall of Famer Joe Montana will announce this week at a gala party that he is retiring from pro football. His agent is orchestrating a ceremony which will include friends and family of the quarterback.

#### Carter Rewarded

Chris Carter, who five years ago was picked-up off waivers by the Minnesota Vikings, became the highest paid player in team history, when he agreed to a contract extension valued at \$11.5 million through the 1998 season. Carter set a reception record last season with 122 catches.

#### Talley Moves To Falcons

Daryl Talley, called the heart and soul of the Buffalo Bills defense, has joined the Atlanta Falcons after becoming a free agent. He has agreed to a two-year contract reportedly worth \$1 million a year for two years.

### BASKETBALL

#### Gill Returns

After a week off, Seattle Superperson guard Kendall Gill returned to the team after being treated for clinical depression.

#### Dooley Moves Up

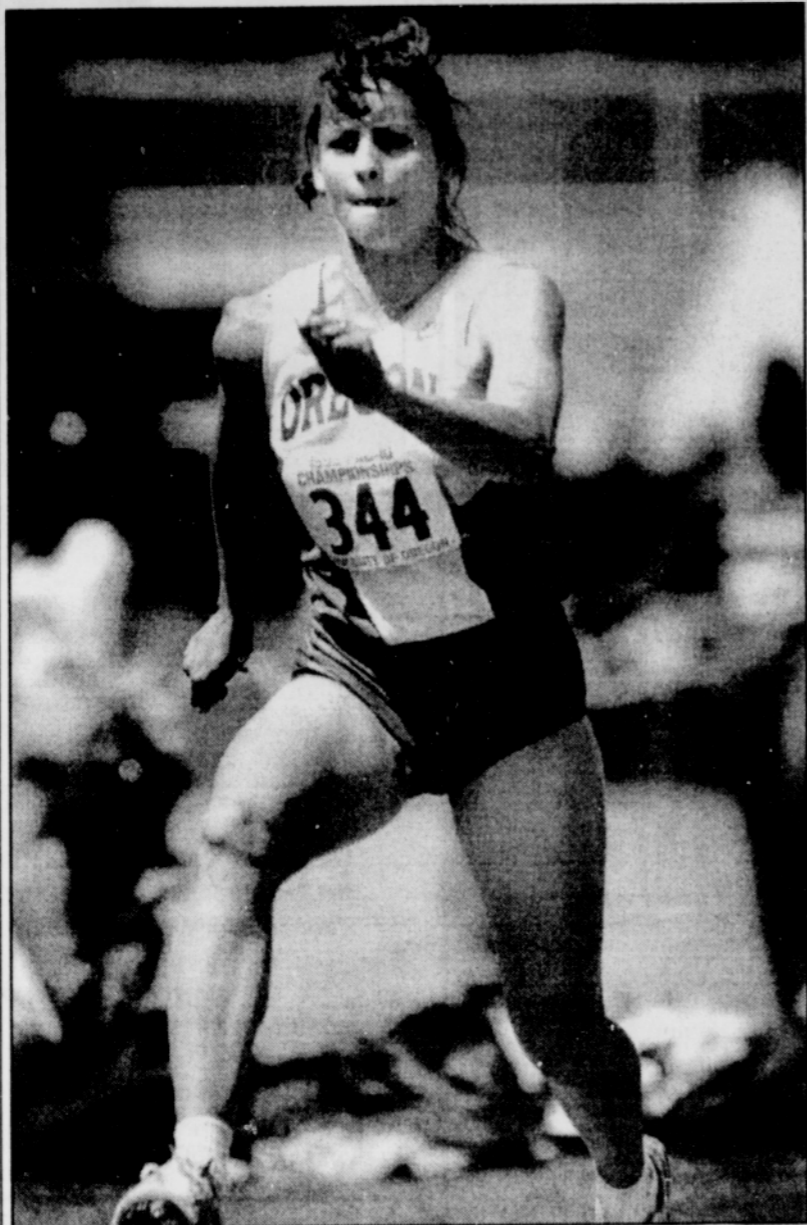
As expected, assistant coach Joe Dooley was named East Carolina's 19th head basketball coach. Dooley, who is 29, will become the youngest active NCAA Division I basketball coach, succeeding Eddie Payne, who left the school for Oregon State.

### HORSE RACING

#### Derby Contender Injured

The horse thought by most to be the favorite in the Kentucky Derby, will miss the race because of a chipped bone in his left leg. Craig Lewis, the colt's owner and trainer, said Larry The Legend was out of the derby, but was uncertain when the injury occurred. He added that it was not a career-ending injury. The horse had jumped to the top of the Kentucky hopefuls with an impressive win at Santa Anita on April 8, beating previously unbeaten Afternoon Delites, and 2-year-old champion Timber Country.

## U OF O DOMINATES TRACK



Sara Jessie from the University of Oregon, Women's Track (Photo by John Giustuna)

BY DANNY BELL

On a blustery day Saturday a freshman and a senior came to the fore front as stand outs at the Oregon invitational Track and field meet at Hayward Field in Eugene.

Patrick Johnson who is attending the U of O on a football scholarship smoke the field in the 100 meters and then returned 40 minutes later to turn in the second fastest 200 times in Oregon history.

Sara Jessie a senior came out of her competitive slump in her final year at Oregon, and set a school and meet record with a leap of 42 feet 4 inches in the triple jump.

The twilight meet which followed the day long developmental meet, gave the crowd of 2,305 a glimpse at a handful of athletes headed for the 1996 Olympics decathlete Dan O'Brien, hammer thrower Lance Deal, Steeple Chaser Danny Lopez. The meet was non-counting for college students, but it gave them a chance to set times or marks to quality for conference of NCAA championships.

Although the weather conditions were not conducive to record setting times some of the performances were impressive. Johnson in only his second 100 of the season Johnson tore - up the track for a personal best of 10.27. His time was just shy of the 10.22 needed to automatically qualify for the NCAA.

But even Johnson was surprised when he returned and turned in 20.46 automatically qualifying for the N.C.A.A. championship and turn-

ing the second best 200 meter time set by DON Coleman's run 20.39 in 1979.

Jessie also turned in impressive performance Saturday, having already posted 41-81/4 on her first jump she improved to 42-4 on her third and final jump of the day.

Earlier she won the long jump with a 19-4 3/4 leap.

Jessie attributed her huge improvement to a new philosophy on her sport.

"I'm competing again," she said Before I was concentrating on my marks. I've had three frustrating years. I questioned my ability. Now I've got my five back.

Jessie has not lost sight of her marks.

"I won't be happy unless I jump 43-plus and I know that's there" she said. "Same with the long jump. Twenty plus, I know its there. I just have to be patient.

Oregon sophomore Ben Anderews was just a step behind former Oregon runner Shannon Lemora to finish second in the 1500 meters. Andrews time was 3:44:5 a personal best and met the provisional qualifying time of the NCAA O'Brien the world record holer in the heptathlon, won the developmental pole vault with a jump of 17-3/4, then took the twilight discuss with a throw of 168-09 and the long jump with a jump 25-1/2.

Deal the American recorder in the hammer, easily won with a toss of 248-07. Lopez was out sprinted at the finish by Samuel Kibiri in the steeplechase.

## OWNERS SCALE BACK WAGES

BY DANNY BELL

In the language of some agents and general managers, the phrase is called "taking a shave." What is "taking a shave?" In baseball parlance it is greatly reducing one's salary.

Many baseball players who had previously commanded multi-million dollar contracts are finding that if their statistics are not in the atmosphere, their salaries are plummeting.

"It's a changing market out there," Houston Astros General Manager Bob Watson said. "It's been reflected in a lot of the signings. It's an indication that the market has changed."

Tom Browning went from \$3.5 million to \$300,000 when he signed with Kansas City. Bob Welch dropped from \$2.9 million to \$225,000 with Oakland. Bud Black who made \$2.65 million last year with San Francisco, signed with Cleveland for \$350,000.

Acting commissioner Bud Selig commented that the free agent activity is "incredible, just incredible."

Dave Stewart dropped from \$3.5 million to \$1 million when he signed with Oakland on Saturday. But he didn't seem to mind.

"What the owners are doing now, probably should have been done years ago, without asking us to fix their problems," he said. "What's going on right now isn't anymore than what it should have been."

In a deal that has generated the most controversy among agents, catcher Pat Borders signed with Kan-

sas City for \$310,000. He made \$3.5 million with Toronto last season.

"I remember making \$5 an hour," Borders said. "You have to keep things in perspective. The salary I just signed for, you could make \$5 an hour for about 15 years and not make that kind of money."

Players and agents use last week's wage negotiations as an indicator that current rules can accommodate the owners position that wages need to be lowered and revenues increased.

The owners maintain they have lost \$700 million in revenue because of the strike.

However, the argument appears to have gone full cycle. With respect to the owners of markets with high attendance and deep pockets, clubs such as the New York Yankees, Colorado Rockies and Florida Marlins, were able to seek out and secure the high price free agents.

The ironic footnote to this whole episode may be summarized by a comment from agent Randy Hendricks.

"The players say all along. We want a fair market value and the club should exercise restraint and operate on a budget: The owners say We can't do that unless the players give us artificial mechanisms.

"We have an eight-month labor war and the end result is we have market-driven salaries that are falling precipitously and the strike, as of necessity, forced owners to adhere strictly to budgets. The owners when committed enough, can adhere to prudent business practices, but the

players, because of loss of revenue, are paying economically," Hendricks said.

The high-revenue clubs have been the only ones to sign players to multi-million dollar contracts, somewhat validating the owners concerns. Because in sports, the viability of a franchise rests on its competitiveness. If the big money clubs are the only ones to afford high-priced talent, then theoretically, they could buy a championship... the big man eats up the little man.

Catcher Chris Hoiles re-signed with the Orioles for \$17.5 million over five years.

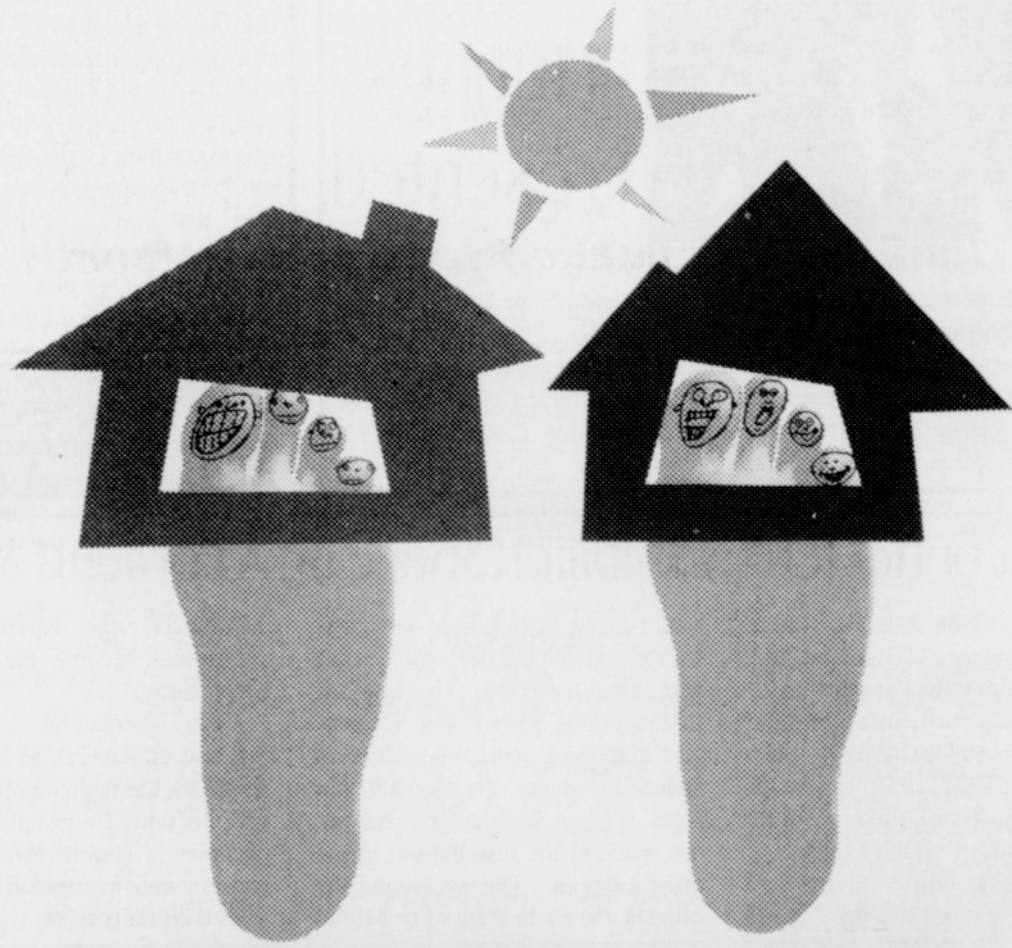
Pitcher Pet Harnish re-signed with the Mets for \$9 million over three years and reliever John Ranco signed for \$5 million over two years.

However, for every multi-million dollar contract, there were three players to take a big shave.


Terry Mulholland dropped from \$3.25 million to \$1.25 million when he signed with San Francisco. Bob Tewksbury dropped from \$3.5 million when he signed with Texas. Last Monday, Teddy Figuera made a deal with San Diego that would earn him \$275,000 if he made the team. He made \$2.96 million last year.

"Teams and players lost a lot of money in the last few months," Borders said. "Maybe this is the way things are going to be from now on."

What is the remedy? Owners contend that some sort of revenue sharing is in order. However, that can be done without imposing an artificial ceiling, i.e. salary cap, and should have been done years ago.



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## OREGON CITY FORWARD MAKES ALL-AMERICA

Tammy Arnold, a 6'3" forward from Oregon City High School in Oregon City, Oregon, has been named to this year's Parade All-America High School Girls Basketball Team.

The entire team, which is selected annually by college coaches, scouts and recruiters, will be announced Sunday in Parade. It includes 40 athletes from 20 states, with five each from Indiana and Texas, the states with the most players on the team. California, New Jersey and Illinois each have three.

Arnold averaged 24 points, 13 rebounds, 3 assists and 2 steals a game during her senior season. "Tammy has been the most dominating player we've had at Oregon City,

and she's a real team oriented player," said her coach, Brad Smith. She has a 3.5 grade-point average and will attend the University of Connecticut.

Members of the Parade All-America Girls Basketball Team, which was founded by Haskell Cohen in 1977, traditionally go on to star in college basketball.

Other Parade All-Americans in this year's final four were Rebecca Lobo and Nykesha Sales from the University of Connecticut; Olympia Scott, Jamila Wideman, Vanessa Nygaard, Kristin Folk, Kate Starbird, Chandra Benton, Naomi Mulitauopele, Heather Owen, Rachel hemmer and Anita Kaplan of Stanford

University, and Michelle Marciniak, Tiffani Johnson, Latina Davis, Tiffanny Woosley, Laurie Milligan, Nikki McCray, Vonda Ward, Abby Conklin and Dana Johnson of the University of Tennessee.

Three former Parade All-American women who rose to national prominence are Lynette Woodard, a graduate of the University of Kansas, who played a few years of professional basketball with the Harlem Globetrotters, Cheryl Miller of the University of Southern California, who is now a television commentator and was recently inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame, and Anne Donovan of Old Dominion, who played professionally in Japan.