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Dallas-San Francisco Matchup Highlights N-F-L

The National Football League's "Game of the Year" in recent seasons, the battle between the Dallas Cowboys and the San Francisco 49ers, appears to have lost some of its importance this season, but is still the most intriguing matchup.

San Francisco has been devastated by injuries of late, with quarterback Steve Young and fullback William Floyd missing time. Young's sore shoulder may prevent him from playing against Dallas, and backup Elvis Grbac sprained his ankle last week. Floyd is lost for the season, and maybe his career, with a severely damaged knee.

Dallas, on the other hand, has won four consecutive games. Emmitt Smith, the league's leading rusher, went over the 1,000-yard barrier for the year against the Eagles and Deion Sanders recorded his first interception as a Cowboy.

Silva, Lorupe Successfully Defend NY Marathon Titles

German Silva of Mexico and Kenya's Tegla Lorupe each won their second consecutive New York City Marathon titles today.

Silva broke away from a lead pack on the 25th mile to win in a time of two hours, 11:00 minutes, five seconds better than Great Britain's Paul Evans. William Koeh of Kenya was third in 2:11:19, followed by fellow Kenyan Simon Lopyet who was an additional eight seconds back.

US Captures Fourth Straight World Golf Cup Title

The United States team of Fred Couples and Davis Love III claimed its record fourth straight World Cup of Golf title today by matching its own victory margin of 14 strokes in Shenzhen, China.

Love fired a 5-under-par 67 today while Couples shot 69 as the duo finished with a four-round total of 33-under 543.

The Australian tandem of Brett Ogle and Robert Allenby was second with a 19-under 557.

The event has been played every year since 1953 except for 1981 and 1986. The United States has won 21 times, exceeding the total number of victories by 11 other countries in the same span.

Steeb captures Kremlin Cup

German Carl-Uwe Steeb outlasted Daniel Vacek of the Czech Republic in a grueling 2 1/2-hour match today to win the \$1.2 million Kremlin Cup in Moscow, Russia.

Steeb edged Vacek, 7-6 (7-5), 3-6, 7-6 (8-6), to capture his third career title and first since 1991. He was ranked 107th in the world coming into the week and was playing in his first final of the season.

Vacek might have been a little tired, as he also had to play three long sets in upsetting hometown favorite and top seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia, 7-6 (10-8), 3-6, 7-6 (7-5), in Saturday's semifinal.

Hill Wins Australian Grand Prix

Damon Hill of Britain closed the Formula One season today by dominating the Australian Grand Prix in Adelaide.

Hill drove his Williams to the victory, beating Frenchman Olivier Panis by two laps. Hill outlasted all of his major rivals to claim his 13th career victory in Formula One.

PAUL ALLEN - TRAILBLAZER OWNER AND MILLIONAIRE ENTREPRENEUR

Growing up in middle-class comfort in Seattle, Paul G. Allen fell in love with books, basketball and the electric guitar. Now, as one of the world's richest men, he is responsible for a stunning new university library, owns a professional basketball team and arena that are redefining spectator sports, and is donating nearly \$60 million for a museum that will be a homage to the guitar licks of Jimi Hendrix.

One can only imagine what natural history museums might be like if young Paul had played with bugs.

Since coming into one of the greatest fortunes in American capitalism at Microsoft, which he co-founded just 20 years ago, Allen has attracted wide interest for the way he is spending - and giving away - much of his original bankroll.

Among his generation of computer tycoons, Allen is one of the few who seem to be trying to get a life, as they say here in the Silicon Forest around Seattle.

Allen may well be, as Wired Magazine said last year, the accidental zillionaire. Dressed in comfortable casuals, pudgy and bearded, he looks like a community college professor on an off-plaid day. And if there's a pattern to his seemingly scattershot dispensing of cash, it may be hard to discern.

He wants to have fun with his money, he said - to invest in research and technology that could change day-to-day life, and to make a lasting impact. Already, he has given away more than \$100 million, for libraries, AIDS research, theater, museums, parks, and the study of extraterrestrial life.

He has also invested more than \$1.2 billion, buying 80 percent of Ticketmaster, the ticket vendor, and backing more than two dozen new companies, most of them in new technology - many of them risky investments that are enough to curl the cuffs of some financial advisers.

By some estimates, Allen has lost nearly \$100 million in Asymetrix, the first software company he started

after leaving Microsoft. But consider that in the last year alone, the value of his stake in Microsoft has nearly doubled, going up by more than \$2.5 billion.

As the second largest shareholder in Microsoft, which he co-founded with his grade-school friend Bill Gates, Allen is worth \$6.5 billion - about \$5.5 billion in Microsoft stock - according to his financial manager, William D. Savoy. He owns 55.7 million shares of the world's largest software company (Gates has nearly twice that), and he remains a director.

"There's just so much money," said Allen, smiling and shrugging during an interview in Bellevue, the Seattle suburb from which he runs an empire of new technology firms, investments, and philanthropy. "Whatever kind of material thing you're interested in you could buy - crazy cars, boats, whatever. Sometimes that can be exciting. On the other hand, if the battery in your expensive car dies, it still won't go anywhere."

Maybe it was the cancer scare in 1982, a year before he left Microsoft, that made Allen's approach to money so different from that of Gates. Richer than any business partners in history, either man could become an Andrew Carnegie for the digital age, endowing schools, libraries, or foundations with a century or more of funds.

Carnegie, who made his fortune in late 19th century industry, financed, among other things, the building of more than 2,800 public libraries in the English-speaking world. In "The Gospel of Wealth," written in 1900, Carnegie said the rich should distribute their wealth in their lifetimes.

Gates, though, says he will wait until he is relatively old to assume a "philanthropic mode," and then he plans to give away more than 90 percent of his fortune, now put at more than \$12 billion. He has bought the electronic rights to major works of art and most recently, acquired the photographic treasure of the Bettmann Archive.

Allen, at 42, is not waiting for gray hairs and honorary degrees. Ask him about the Internet, over which his companies are providing myriad types of fodder for computers, and he goes on in a civil monotone.

But bring up one of his four charitable foundations, and he is a bit more animated, saying that giving away money is one of the "most rewarding" things in his life. Or mention the possibility of his Portland Trail Blazers winning an NBA championship, and he almost starts his own wave.

"This is a guy who has more

for some of the new multimedia areas."

Allen lives alone on a six-acre waterfront compound on Mercer Island, an enclave of old Seattle wealth and nouveau cyber-millionaires. His mother, Faye, lives on the site, in a house stocked floor-to-ceiling with that oldest of technologies: books.

The compound has become something of a big-boy sandbox for Allen - 20-seat theater, video screens in different rooms, indoor tennis court, pool, waterfall, and a skylit, regulation-size basketball gym. His Trail Blazers have practiced at his

Seattle private school known as a breeding ground for some of this city's leading creative lights in art and finance. Paul is two years older than Bill; they hooked up at middle school when a clunky teletype-like computer was brought into Lakeside.

Paul dropped out of Washington State University to work for Honeywell, in Boston. There he again linked up with Gates, who was attending Harvard. The rest is computer history, with new layers of legend piled on with each passing year.

According to the 1993 book "Gates," by Stephen Manes and Paul Andrews, Allen saw a Popular Mechanics cover featuring a prototype personal computer, then set about with Gates finding a soul for the new machine.

The pair started Microsoft 20 years ago this month, combining shrewd business practices and dogged programming genius with strokes of great luck. Allen had the programming brains, Gates the financial savvy.

It was Paul, in 1977, who said he expected the personal computer to become as much a part of everyday life as a telephone, and who envisioned things like E-mail and suggested the name Microsoft. He talked early on about a "wired world" - a term he says he coined.

In 1982, Allen discovered lumps in his neck, soon diagnosed as Hodgkins Disease. He beat it with months of radiation therapy, emerging a changed man.

"You realize life is short," he said. "Facing your own mortality forces you to reevaluate your priorities."

In 1983, Allen - against his partner's wishes - left Microsoft three years before it went public. The two remain close, though; they plan to vacation together this year, and still meet for pizza or a movie at one of their wired palaces.

While Gates is often portrayed as predatory and ruthless, Allen is typically called a nice guy, though somewhat personality-deficient.

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money than God," said David Coursey, editor of P.C. Letter, an industry newsletter published in San Mateo, Calif. "At some point in his life he said, 'Now that I'm not dying, I'm going to notice the earth, trees and basketball.'"

He has also noticed films. In the spring, Allen became by far the biggest backer of Dreamworks SKG, the new studio headed by Steven Spielberg, Jeffrey Katzenberg and David Geffen. For a \$500 million investment, Allen was given 18 percent of the company and a seat on the board.

Allen may never get a decent return on his money, some analysts say. But, again, it does not seem to matter to him. He says he is in for the long term - and has no craving for the perks of movie moguldom, like taking meetings at a poolside shadowed by starlets.

"I'm not in there telling them who they should cast," said Allen. "I'm interested in learning from them. They may use me as a sounding board

home; once, he even staged a private game there between his team and the Seattle Supersonics.

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He seems somewhat embarrassed by the sheer magnitude of it all. "The numbers are crazy," he said. "And I also do some crazy things." He has a private jet, which he uses to dash off on diving excursions in tropical waters, and a 150-foot yacht. But he does not seem to revel in his toys the way, say, the late Malcolm Forbes did.

Allen seems more like the Tom Hanks boy-in-a-man's-body character in the movie "Big," Coursey said. "I don't think a venture capitalist would be happy with his portfolio," he added. "But so what? He seems to be having fun. You can almost see him dancing on the big piano like Hanks does in F.A.O. Schwartz."

To Allen's critics, the vast fortune is a fluke, a result of hitching his star to Gates. The son of two librarians, Allen met Gates at Lakeside, a

GLICKMAN RESIGNS FROM PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS

The Portland Trail Blazers announced that Marshall Glickman, president of Trail Blazers Incorporated (TBI) and Oregon Arena Corporation (OAC), has resigned his position effective immediately. Glickman will continue as a consultant to TBI and OAC.

"I have enjoyed my association with the Blazers, Paul Allen and Bert Kolde for the last 7 years" said Glickman. "With the opening of the Rose Garden, it seemed like a good time to explore new opportunities and take some time to see what the future may bring. My association with the Blazers goes all the way back to being a ballboy. It's been a great run. I leave behind some very close friends and professionals that I will always respect and admire. The organization is left in very good hands, and I look forward to serving as a consultant to TBI and OAC during this transition period. Oregon Arena Corporation has a great future ahead with all of the possibilities of the Rose Quarter campus. It will be exciting to watch. Our community is blessed with top quality ownership and a great staff. I also want to thank all of the people in the community that have supported our efforts to make the Rose Quarter a reality, and

all of my associates with whom I have developed a close personal and professional relationship."

"We wish to thank Marshall for his numerous and significant contributions to the Trail Blazers organization during his many years here, especially his role in the development and opening of the Rose Garden," said Paul Allen, chairman of the Trail Blazers. "We wish him the best of success in all of his future endeavors."

Glickman joined the Blazers front office in 1983 as manager of the team's cable operations. In 1986 he left the club to accept the position of broadcast coordinator for the National Basketball Association. He returned to the Blazers organization in August of 1988 as director of business development and was promoted to vice president of marketing in June of 1990. Later in 1990, Allen authorized a fact-finding mission and feasibility study for a new arena in Portland for which Glickman served as the key point person. In June of 1991, OAC was formed as a sister corporation to the Trail Blazers, and Glickman was appointed senior vice president. He was named TBI/OAC president last year.

HAYNES WINS MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Portland Boxer Andre Haynes defeated Shane Schwartz of Fort Collins, Colo. to win the middleweight division of the National Police Activities League Boxing Championships.

Haynes and two other local boxers competed in the Oct. 30 - Nov. 4 tournament held in Dallas, Texas. They represented the Knott Street Gym, the Portland Parks Bureau and the Police Activities League of Greater Portland.

The other boxers George Calder, a junior middle weight and Chad Davidson, a banter weight, lost in the quarter finals. The athletes qualified

for the event at Portland's Clyde Quisenberry Memorial Amateur Tournament on Oct. 7 at the Matt Dishman Community Center.

By winning the middleweight division (maximum weight limit of 165 pounds), Haynes, 25, earns the chance to compete at the U.S. Olympic Team Trials in Oakland, Calif., April 2-7.

"I was very excited and surprised to compete with the best let alone win," said Haynes. "It was a thrill to be involved with the national PAL tournament."

Haynes said knowing he will get to compete in the Olympic trials gives

him "confidence, inspiration and something to drive toward."

Haynes graduated from Jefferson High School and recently from cosmetology school. He is employed as a stylist.

He began boxing as a teenager, but started taking it seriously at Knott Street Gym in 1993. He is coached by Ray Monge and Joe Caldera.

Haynes will be needing help for his trip to the Olympic trials. Costs for the first round are expected to be \$2,000. For sponsorship information, contact the Police Activities League at 823-0250.

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