

THE ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACK

By JOHN GEARY

Another week of NFL action has gone by, and once again, I wound up below .500 -- but only because the Jets couldn't prevail in overtime! I had them picked to beat Miami, and they tied, giving me a record of 6-7-1 in last week's action. Anyway, without further ado (or excuses) here go this week's picks. (home team in caps):

SURE BETS: Dallas over SAN FRANCISCO by 10 - the Cowboys will have to keep pace with the Eagles, who face a weak Saint's team this week, and should do so against the 49ers' weak defense.

Philadelphia over NEW ORLEANS by 13 - it won't be any problem for the vastly superior Eagles to remain undefeated against the hapless Saints. Poor Bum Phillips must wish he was back in Houston!

HOUSTON over Seattle by 8 - "Snake" Stabler should be able to pick apart the Seattle secondary, while the "Luv-y-blue" defensive crew will shut down Jim Zorn and co.

SAN DIEGO over Minnesota by 7 - just too much firepower for Bud Grant's Purple Gang to contend with.

UPSETS

PITTSBURGH over Cleveland by 2 - I'm calling this an upset, even though the Steelers have a better record, because they lost both games to the Browns last year, and Brian Sipe usually doesn't lose two weeks in a row; this time he will.

JETS over New England by 2 - I'll stick with them one more week, but if they let me down again, they'll be in my doghouse.

BALTIMORE over Cincinnati by 1 - a very close game between two teams that are still question marks.

Detroit over DENVER by 3 - the Lions are better than their current record, and I'm still not convinced that the Broncos are as good as theirs.

OTHER PICKS

ATLANTA over Los Angeles by 5
Chicago over WASHINGTON by 1
Tampa Bay over GREEN BAY by 1
Oakland over KANSAS CITY by 7
St. Louis over GIANTS by 3
BUFFALO over Miami by 6.

Record to date: Correct 29.
Incorrect 40, PCTGE .435

Ironmen tackle Trojans

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The UNB "A" team Ironmen travelled to Saint John this past weekend looking for their first league victory, of the 1981 season. Still high from their 26-4 drabbing of the Calgary Rams, UNB emerged with a 6-0 victory. It was a game dominated by strong, aggressive forward play, with a number of ferocious tackles being dealt by the Ironmen.

Ian Smith scored UNB's lone try taking advantage of a Trojan break down midway through the opening half. Chuck Proudfoot's convert attempt was true and UNB took a 6-0 lead.

The larger Trojan pack was

dominated through most of the game by UNB's intelligent forward play. Ernest O'Hara making a return to the "A" team played an excellent game of hooker. O'Hara consistently won the ball on UNB's put-in and also was excellent in taking the ball away from the Trojan hooker on Saint John put-ins. Mike Arthur played a strong defensive game making a number of key tackles and forced a few Trojan errors.

The Trojans began to apply pressure late in the game and the Ironmen were called upon to come up with a number of key defensive plays. Ken Goggin, UNB's full back, helped preserve the win with a couple of well placed kicks from his end zone in the final minutes.

Red Harriers run again

The UNB Red Warriors filed another notch in their rifles as they set their aim on the AUAA title as defending champions. The latest victims to fall were the University of Maine, Presque-Isle runners. Once again continuous rain added a delightful touch to the freshly turned potato fields which were a major part of the 4.8 mile course.

More than one runner fell victim to the wrath of nature and found him or herself in the rather embarrassing position of bottoms up, with nose and teeth plowing up more potatoes.

One wonders if the host team spelled out their own doom as they had our girls team running in the same race as many of the U.M.P.I. males seemed content to run behind our girls. In fact Margaret McDonald, our top female (runner) placed tenth overall displacing one of UMPI's counters.

The race winner was U.M.P.I.'s top man Henry Chipman who finished in 24.44, followed by a swarm of UNB runners, who ran the race as a team to get an excellent placing. Once again Henry Flood and Ricky Hull battled to the finish, with Henry eventually passing Rick to stay with Greg Grondin and Kevin Hooper in fourth and fifth followed by Tony Noble in seventh. This

proved to be excellent grouping, essential for cross-country running, with just over a minute separating all UNB runners.

The girls race was no contest as five UNB girls finished ahead of the first of U.M.P.I.'s girls who were unable to staff a full team. Heather Brien followed Margaret across the line in thirteenth with our rapidly improving rookie, Debbie Wiley only seconds behind.

Then come the girls from

Garden Crick, Jill Jeffrey and Jennifer Noble in sixteenth and seventeenth respectively. Linda Drisdale another rookie finished in twentieth followed by Joanne McNeil, the latest recruit to the team, running in her first race, and Loretta Doblestyn in 21st and 22nd.

The final score was UNB 21 and UMPI 35.

Tomorrow the Warriors host their home meet in the UNB woodlot.

UNB tackles FHS

Every year Fredericton High School rugby team plays a match against UNBRFC. It may sound one-sided in favour of UNB, however, it does serve as an important learning experience for both teams.

This year's match displayed new talent of UNB and helped prepare the high school team for the upcoming season.

There were new faces and players trying new positions for UNB on Sunday. George Novak, a newcomer to the sport, played a hard running game at inside centre, scoring 4 trys and kicking 5 converts.

Stan Kelly exhibited tremendous strength and running from his prop position. Dave O'Neill, regularly a hooker, played a superb game from the 8-man position. James "perpetual motion" Morton and Rick "Hutch" Hutchinson continually pressured FHS forwards which resulted in a try for both players. Terry Wright had an impressive game from the wing position, scoring the game's first try. Other players that should receive commendation for their play were John Baxter, Toka Akpata and Wade Lord. The game ended at 38-0 in favour of UNB.

Raider roster Set

UNB men's basketball coach Don Nelson went through the most difficult aspect of the coaching profession last week as he reduced his roster to 12 players.

"No matter how clear cut the distinction between players is, it's always hard on me to tell a young man that he will no longer be a part of our program," the veteran coach said. "The athletes we separated have all worked hard in the first stages of our practices, but we must get down to workable numbers in preparation for our first game on the 31st."

The Red Raiders will have a working roster of 12, with 10 players travelling to road games. The search for depth in the backcourt continues, with the hope that someone emerges from the first year players. Junior wingman Don McCormack missed the first week with bronchitis, but is expected to start practice today.

UNB RED RAIDERS BASKETBALL ROSTER 1981-82

PLAYER	HOMETOWN	HEIGHT	POSITION	CLASS/FACULTY
Scott Devine	Hyde Park, N.Y.	6'0"	GD	Sr/BBA
Ken Amos	Fredericton, N.B.	6'2"	GD	Sr/Civ. Eng.
Chris McCabe	Yonkers, N.Y.	6'5"	POST	Jr/BBA
Bill Young	Bramalea, Ont.	6'3"	FWD	Soph/ChemChem. Eng.
Don McCormack	Fredericton, N.B.	6'5"	FWD	Jr/Bed(P.E.)
Paul Holder	Fredericton, N.B.	6'8"	POST	Sr/CS
Dwight McInnis	Labrador City, Nfld	6'5"	POST	Jr/Eng.
Ted deWinter	Sussex, N.B.	6'4"	POST	Sr/BBA
John Farrell	Minto, N.B.	6'0"	GD	Fr/BPE
Gerard Whelan	St. Johns, Nfld.	6'0"	GD	Soph/BEEd(P.E.)
Dale Kozak	Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	6'2"	FWD	Jr/BPE
Michael Mooney	Yarmouth, N.S.	5'11"	GD	Fr/CS
Don Nelson				Joe Dunn
Head Coach				Assistant Coach

Phil Wright
Associate Coach