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... and while we're on the topic of desire, I'm reminded of something that my pappy used to say to me on the farm back home in Radway. He'd say "Son, you don't want to spend the rest of your life pickin' rocks and pullin' calves out here on the farm. I hear they can give you some schoolin' down there in the Big City that'll do ya good. You just keep studyin' them ingredients on that there bottle of Treflan and you'll pass that writin' convenience test sure as shootin'."

But after I failed it three times was I happy? Heck no. When you fail at something, well I'll tell you you'd better be ...



Dean Floggett

... and aren't you just fascinated with the role of the interior lineman on special teams? I am! but nothing comes close to watching the Indianapolis Colts tangle with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Like, those uni's are great. I'd sure like to see Marilyn Monroe in a Detroit Red Wings jersey. And a New Orleans helmet too! Wow, those are some major problems that journalists are forced to deal with ...

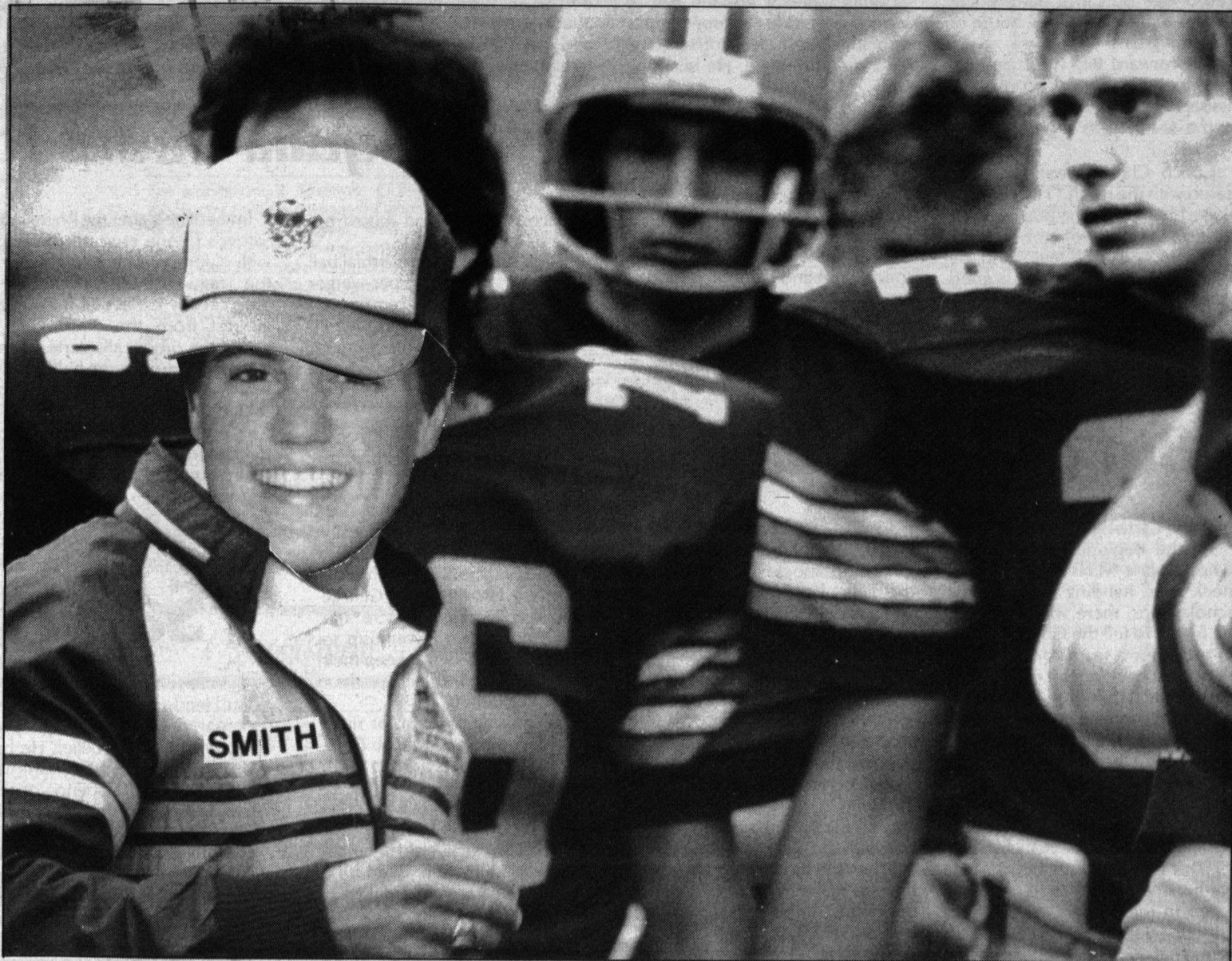


Axe Wielder

... should either get the job done or hit the road. Which reminds me. When was the last time that the swim team won anything? It's time to get rid of someone there. And it seems that every time I get a press release from the Athletics department there's a bunch of typo's. If I had my way every secretary in the Butterdome would be in the bread line come Monday morning. Then there's that Panda V-Ball team...

Suzi Smith

... labor, work, toil, moil, sweat, plug, plod, trudge, strain, buckle down, dig in, bear down, wade into, come to grips, set your shoulder to the wheel, work like a horse, nose to the grindstone, sweat blood ...



Suzi Smith on the sidelines. Lineman Joe Rockhead (behind) has been in a state of shock since the announcement was made.

HAIL SUZI SMITH!

by Sven Pedro Akabutu Brown

First year volleyball coach Suzi Smith had better enjoy this year behind the Pandas bench, because it will be her last.

Beginning in the 1987-88 school year, the personable native of Calgary will take over as Head Coach of both the football Bears and the hockey Bears.

"This should be no problem," said Smith. "I'll have those guys on the football team doing full-contact drills for at least six hours a day. That'll get 'em ready for game day."

In regards to the hockey team, Smith has definite plans for improvement there as well. "Any team that has had as many injuries as those hockey Bears have had over the last couple of years must just be a bunch of pussies.

"There'll be no more preseason exhibition games for that bunch of whiners," Smith commented. "It'll be straight off to boot camp for them." She went on to reveal her plans for an outdoor training camp somewhere near Portage La Prairie, Manitoba where a river will provide the ice surface for the Golden Bears.

"As expected, both veteran coaches who were replaced are more than pleased with the idea.

"The minute that I saw the way that she runs her team I realized that I had been wrong for 26 years," said Clare Drake. "That Panda volleyball team is like a well-oiled machine, really. I mean, their record speaks for itself doesn't it?"

Jim Donlevy was equally as ecstatic: "What a woman! That hard-nosed approach; that steely-eyed smile. In this league it takes fine coaching to win, and with Suzi I don't see any reason why this team can't do it."

It wasn't clear, however, just how

many wins Donlevy was referring to. With Smith at the helm though, nobody is talking anything less than national championships in both hockey and football for the Golden Bears.

Chairman of Athletics Dr. Bob Steadward can see the writing on

the wall. "Why did I ever hire this veritable Hope Diamond amongst people," he lamented. "If she doesn't have my job by March 1988, I for one will be surprised."

"I'm going to Suzi for some advice on how to get people back

into the stands," said P.R. Director Dale Schulha. "She's my hero."

As for the womens volleyball team they will not fall under the guidance of Suzi's little sister Sally who, at age eight, plans to "Work 'em 'til they puke."

Gretzky pursues pimple popping profession

by Dave Hodgepodge

In a blockbuster press conference on Tuesday, the NHL's premier player, Wayne Gretzky shocked the hockey world by announcing that he is retiring from the pro ranks to return to school and get an education.

"I've always done what my father wanted, that is play hockey and make millions," said The Great One. "But now I think it's time I did what my mother wants, that is return to school and become a dermatologist."

It was revealed that for the past two years Gretzky had been taking correspondence courses to complete his high school, and now that he has his diploma will enter the University of Alberta in January. Whether he can ever hope to make as much money squeezing zits as he could leading the NHL in scoring is doubtful, but his income is not the only one that will be affected.

His father, who stands to lose mucho denero in endorsements and book royalties now that his son is out of hockey, said this: "I didn't

drive my son all over the face of the earth at all times in the morning just so he could drain blisters. I'll be damned if I'll go back to working for a living."

Also affected by the shocking announcement is Oilers GM and coach Glen Sather who, faced with his team in a slump and increasing fan disenchantment, can ill-afford to lose his major drawing card. Surprisingly though, he is rather philosophical about the situation. "We don't need him anyways," Sather said in his patented off-the-cuff manner.

Rumor has it that should he lose Gretzky, team owner Peter Pocklington will personally escort Sather out the door quicker than you can say "Change the labor laws." It's a well known fact that Sather without Gretzky is like General Patton without tanks — all talk, no action.

The last person who stands to lose in this situation is Gretzky's long time girlfriend Vicky Moss, who not five minutes after the press conference dumped Wayne in favor of Edmonton Eskimo defensive end John Mandarich. "How

am I expected to further my career going out with a university student? I'll take steroids over studies any day," the singing star was heard to say.

As is the case in most situations, someone's loss is someone's gain, and the department of athletics at the U of A now has a chance to have the greatest hockey player on this planet filling the seats for them. But whether Gretzky wants to play for the Bears is still unclear.

"Of course we'll offer him a few incentives to play," said Athletic Director Dr. Bob Steadward. "A case of Coke, free use of the official department vehicle (a Volkswagon Bug with bearpaws all over it) on Tuesdays, and maybe even a free pass to the football games, excluding the Shrine Bowl of course."

Whether Gretzky will take up Steadward on his more than generous offer, or whether he'll stick to learning how to lance hemmeroids is yet to be seen. The last word here belongs to Golden Bear coach Clare Drake, who when asked what it would feel like to coach the Great Gretzky, said "Who?"