Match wins today could give men's tennis needed spark

Senior Reporter

Nebraska men's tennis coach Kerry McDermott is hoping today's matches will provide the spark that the Cornhuskers have been lacking in the first half of the season.



Nebraska will Missouri State at 11 a.m. today at Woods Park and will face Creighton at 4 p.m. at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

McDermott said if Nebraska played well, it should come out of today with two wins, which is

just in time for the Big Eight season that opens April 7. "I hope to get two good wins this 5 mark.

weekend and, if we can get both wins, it should give us a little confidence said. "We're just anxious to get some wins."

The 2-10 Huskers should get the bigger challenge from 1-7 Southwest Missouri State, McDermott said.

"Southwest Missouri is about like meet Southwest us, as far as we both are struggling, he said. "I feel if we play well, we should beat them. I think we're both tired of losing. I guess it will come down to who's hungrier.

"With Creighton, I feel we are just the better team. They're struggling, and they don't have a lot of experience. I think we have a little more talent than they do, so I expect us to win that one.'

Nebraska is returning home for the first time since March 11, and finished its spring break trip in Texas with a 1-

"It's definitely nice getting back and having a break from the road,' going into our Big Eight schedule," he McDermott said. "We felt like on our spring break trip, that if we went 3-3, it would be successful. Even though we only went 1-5, we competed well, and the guys played hard. If we have that kind of effort (today), we should get two wins.'

McDermott said the spots the Husk-ers played in today would be perma-

The only changes will be Markus Bergerheim playing No. 6 singles, the No. 2 doubles team featuring Thomas Wheat and Bergerheim and the No. 3 team of Rick Stempson and Fredrik

"At this point, everyone has been given a chance to show what they can do nd given the chances to play, McDermott said. "We've tried different combinations up until now and seen a lot of different people. We're set with this lineup for the rest of the year.'

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Red Sox chief executive officer John

\$22 million in bonuses to the replacements if the season starts Sunday, issued a statement saying all games with replacements would count in the stand-

With the Orioles still refusing to field a replacement team, the Ameri-can League directed the Chicago White Sox and Texas not to travel to Baltimore next week for scheduled games at Camden Yards and told the replacement umpires — the regulars are locked out - not to show up.

that he will not field a team for the first two series of the season, AL president Gene Budig said.

On the 231st day of the strike, U.S. District Judge Sonia Sotomayor told the sides she was inclined to hear only oral arguments — not witnesses — during Friday's hearing at the U.S.

The National Labor Relations Board has asked Sotomayor to issue a preliminary injunction to restore freeagent bidding and salary arbitration, which were unilaterally eliminated by

Strike

"Right now, it's 50-50," Boston Harrington said.

Asked how long the uncertainty could go on, Harrington replied: "How 'bout 8:03 p.m. (Sunday)? First pitch." Owners, who would commit about

Orioles managing general partner Peter Angels has advised the league

Court House.

the owners Feb. 6.

Women's tennis ready for stellar home effort

By Vince D'Adamo Staff Reporter

Even though the Nebraska women's tennis team is 6-9, Coach Scott Jacobson couldn't ask any said. "We had a good time and are more out of his team.

But he would like to pick up two wins this weekend.



Jacobson

10 a.m. at the weather takes place, the matches a losing skid. will be moved to the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

that his team would rise to the occasion.

lenge for us," Jacobson said. "Iowa the region, Natalie Dickinson and State and Colorado have similar Karen Macintosh. abilities to us. If we play hard and "They're always challenging play well, we have a good chance to matches," Jacobson said. "We'll win both duals."

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on March 17-18 at Fullerton, Calif. Jacobson liked what he saw. "I think the trip went well," he continuing to improve." The Huskers hope for more stel-

The Huskers are coming off of a

third-place finish at the Titan Classic

lar efforts from their top three Nebraska will singles players: Annie Yang, Jenniplay host to its fer Thoste and Lisa Hart. Yang, a first home match sophomore, went unbeaten at 5-0, of the season to- while Thoste and Hart each comday against Iowa piled marks of 4-1 during spring State followed break.

by a Sunday "It will be great to play in a Big match against Eight match," he said. "We're anx-ious and ready to go. The past 12 Both matches weeks are all to prepare for the are scheduled for month of April."

Iowa State, today's opponent, Varsity Tennis Courts at 17th and enters the match with a record of 4-Vine streets. But if rain or cold 6. The Cyclones are on the heels of

Colorado, Sunday's opposition, enters Lincoln with a mark of 10-2. Jacobson said he was confident The Buffaloes notched their first win ever against tennis power Fresno State, 7-2. The Buffs boast "I think this will be a good chal- the fifth-ranked doubles tandem in

see what happens."

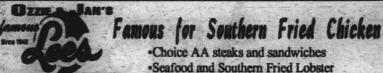


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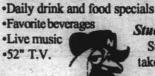


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