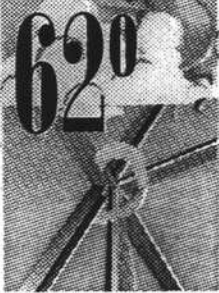


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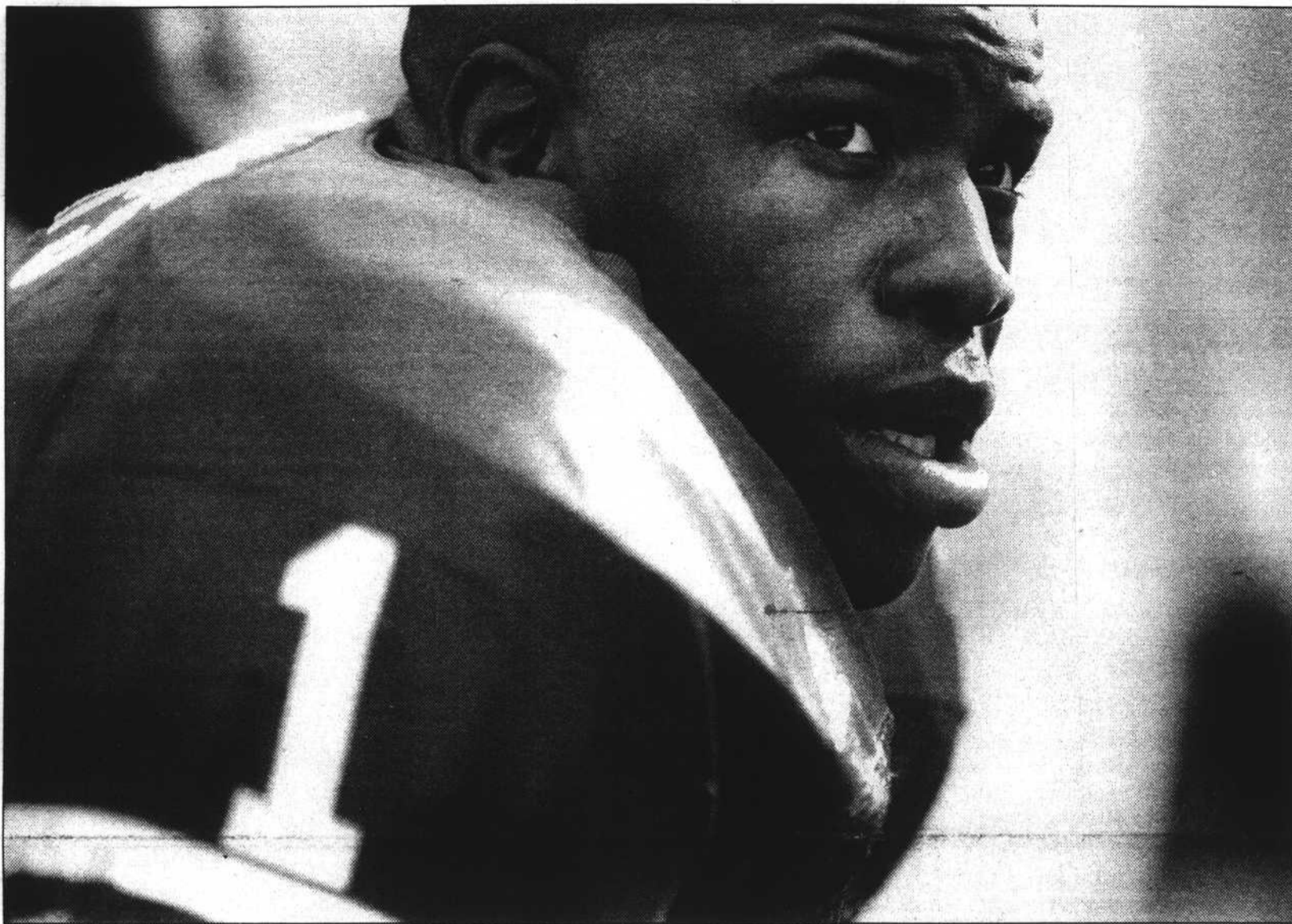


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Today - Partly sunny.
Southwest wind 10 to 15
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Tonight - Partly cloudy.
Low in the lower 30s.

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Jay Calderon/DN

I-back Lawrence Phillips returned to the Cornhusker football team Saturday amid much fan support.

NU fans react to Phillips' return

By Jeff Zeleny
Senior Reporter

It had been one day short of a year since Nebraska I-back Lawrence Phillips ran into a chaotic Memorial Stadium filled with red screaming Husker fans.

But on Saturday, the controversy that has surrounded the one-time Heisman Trophy candidate disappeared. As Phillips dashed onto the field side-by-side with quarterback Tommie Frazier, he held up his hand and showed Nebraska fans that he was back — like it or not.

"We're glad he's back. In this stadium, he's part of the team," said Husker fan Pam Persing of Omaha.

Phillips had not worn a Husker uniform in a Memorial Stadium game since Nov. 5, 1994. After the second game of this season, NU football coach Tom Osborne suspended Phillips for assaulting former girlfriend Kate McEwen, a sophomore NU basket-

ball player. Phillips will be sentenced Dec. 1 on misdemeanor assault and trespassing charges.

"I appreciate Coach Osborne giving me another chance to come out here and play, all my teammates supporting me and staying with me and the people in the community that supported me and thought I should get a second chance," Phillips said after Nebraska's 73-14 rout over Iowa State.

In his first meeting with the press since the Michigan State game, Phillips said he was attending counseling to get his anger problems under control.

"I'm sorry that that incident had to take place, and hopefully something like that will never happen again."

In the last two months, Nebraska's squeaky-clean football image has become nationally scrutinized and tarnished. But on Saturday, most Husker fans interviewed supported Phillips and his return to the defending national championship team.

"Because this is such a clean pro-

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PAM PERSING

Husker fan

gram, they find a speck of dust and turn it into a big dust bowl," Persing said from the top row of the South Stadium. "Quite frankly, I don't care what others think about the Nebraska football program."

Other fans weren't as quick to accept Osborne's decision to reinstate Phillips to the team.

"I think it's ridiculous," said Tammy McChesney of Omaha. "It's sending a bad message across the country that beating women is OK."

McChesney stood among many fans who lined a tunnel for the players to run through. She raised her camera

into the air and snapped pictures of "any player she could."

As Phillips ran past in his No. 1 uniform, she shook her head, but insisted that she had lost no respect for Osborne.

"It's a national phenomenon. He's going with what the public wants," McChesney said. "That's what keeps the money rolling in. It was a business decision."

Opinions about Phillips were overheard throughout the stadium before and during the game. The only visible

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Israelis grieve for Rabin

JERUSALEM (AP) — Tens of thousands of Israelis, many weeping, many bearing flowers, silently filed past the simple wooden coffin of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Sunday, in a final salute to the assassinated soldier, statesman and man of peace.

The parade of mourners came from all over the country to a courtyard in front of the Israeli parliament. The procession was expected to continue all night until the start of a state funeral today attended by dozens of world leaders, including President Clinton.

Even as Israelis mourned the 73-year-old slain leader, they tried to grasp the enormity of the upheaval thrust upon their country when a Jewish opponent of Rabin's peacemaking gunned him down.

Rabin's assassination at a pro-peace rally in Tel Aviv on Saturday night stunned a nation that, despite increasingly bitter divisions over peacemaking with the Arabs, had somehow denied such violence could happen.

The suspect, Yigal Amir, a 27-year-old law student with links to the Jewish extremist fringe, told interrogators he wanted to stop Rabin's peace policies. He reportedly said his actions were based on rabbinical rulings that permitted Jews to kill people who gave away parts of the biblical Land of Israel.

Rabin's death raised immediate questions about the future of Middle East peacemaking, especially the Israel-PLO autonomy agreement on the withdrawal of Israeli troops from most West Bank towns and villages by the end of the year.

Some delays were possible as Rabin's successor, Shimon Peres, puts together a caretaker government.

Dubbed "Mr. Security," Rabin was the one politician Israelis trusted enough to take the risks involved along the rocky path toward peace.

But the political climate had turned unprecedentedly venomous in recent months, and Rabin had become the target of increasing vitriol by Israel's right wing, which called him a traitor and compared him to a Nazi.

Tens of thousands stood silently Sunday at the site of the assassination. A sign in Hebrew read, "Why?"

"Rabin was looking to the future. He was looking out for us, the younger generation," said Amir Shavir, an 18-year-old from Tel Aviv. "They killed him. They killed my hope."

In Lebanon and in Iran, militants

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Rape suspect in court today

By Jeff Zeleny
Senior Reporter

A 25-year-old Lincoln man will be arraigned today in Lancaster County Court in connection with the Friday morning rape of a UNL student.

Dwayne A. Greer, 920 F St., was arrested Saturday on suspicion of first-degree sexual assault and burglary, said Lincoln police Lt. Steve Imes. Police allege that Greer came into the 19-year-old female student's apartment at 17th and B streets about 4:40 a.m. Friday, while another female roommate was sleeping in another room.

Police believe Greer entered the

two-story apartment through an unlocked door and attacked the woman while she was sleeping. Police said he later dragged her up a flight of stairs, bound her with a telephone cord and stabbed her twice in the leg.

The stab wounds were minor, police said, and she was treated and released Friday from Lincoln General Hospital.

Imes said a police officer noticed a man matching the rape suspect's description running near Ninth and F streets around 5 a.m. Friday. Police canvassed the area, Imes said, and received additional information that led them to suspect Greer in the rape.

Police obtained enough information throughout the days Friday and Saturday to get a search warrant, Imes said. After police searched his apartment, Greer also was arrested on suspicion of an Aug. 10 burglary at the victim's apartment, Imes said.

Police retrieved items in Greer's home Saturday that were reported stolen from her apartment.

Police said Greer was convicted in an unrelated misdemeanor domestic assault this summer.

First-degree sexual assault is a Class II felony. If convicted, the charge carries a minimum of one year in jail and a maximum of 50 years.

Agreement ensures transfer of credits

By Ted Taylor
Staff Reporter

Twenty-five public and private state colleges in Nebraska signed an agreement Thursday to smooth transfers from two-year to four-year colleges.

The Nebraska Transfer Initiative will give students who have earned associate of arts degrees from any of the 13 community colleges more flexibility in earning

credit at the state's four-year institutions.

Creighton University is the only four-year university in the state that did not sign the agreement.

In the past, credits were transferred on an individual basis, depending on each student's major, said John Gruber, Southeast Community College dean of student services.

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