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Paulie Sandy Ford disguises himself by wearing a hunk of cheese and standing with a poor, defenseless little boy. Sandy Ford immediately ditched the kid and ran for his life screaming, "You'll never catch me. You will NEVER catch me." They did after he stopped to catch his breath.

By S MYSTERIO
Senior Teamster

In a shocking development, Nebraska women's basketball coach Paulie Sandy Ford has been identified as one of the biggest sports mafia lords in America by the Sports Bureau of Investigation.

An SBI official, who is in such deep cover he would only be identified as "Skeets," said the bureau has been tracking Sandy Ford for at least 15 years from his earliest days at Western Kentucky.

Sandy Ford is supposedly accused of winning too much, getting too many fans to go to games, and just being an "all-around intimidating guy."

"Paulie Sandy Ford a k a Fat Paulie a k a Slick Paul a k a Two Shoes Magoo is one of the most dangerous and powerful men we've come across," Skeets said. "We feel like he might be the ringleader of 'La Hoopsa Nostra.'"

"It's commonly known as 'our basketball thing.'"

Sandy Ford denies having any knowledge of La Hoopsa Nostra or being involved in organized victory.

"These men, who say these things,

they hurt me," Sandy Ford said in his dimly lit office standing next to his hired goon, Rizzo. "I have never done anything to them. How can they assault my character like this?"

"I am a coach, a businessman if you will. These things they say of me, they are personal, not business."

Skeets accuses Sandy Ford of devising new inventive ways to win games and bribing fans to come TO home contests. In one such incident, Skeets said Sandy Ford authorized the passing out of several thousand free tickets to Nebraska students and to the general public.

"He's buying those people off, can't anybody see that?" Skeets said. "My God, man, Fat Paulie has so many people on the arm, we'll never infiltrate his organization."

Sandy Ford also has tried to coach his team to intimidate other teams, especially with his pressure defense, Skeets said.

"What does he want his team to do?," Skeets said. "Get a lot of steals. See! It's right there. He wants them to steal the ball! Last time I checked, stealing was against the law."

Another SBI agent, who is in even deeper cover than Skeets and must be

referred to as "Mr. X," said he began the investigation of Sandy Ford at Western Kentucky.

Mr. X said Sandy Ford built a powerhouse program there, a "certainly shady deal."

"I mean, we're talking about Western Kentucky here," Mr. X said. "Fat Paulie must have promised these girls something to get them to Western Kentucky. He must have bought them off, period. He must have told them they'd win a lot or something. Very strange."

Sandy Ford merely smiled at that accusation and said: "I made them an offer they couldn't refuse."

Hearing that, Skeets said, proved Sandy Ford's shadiness.

"You see, I told you!," Skeets said. "Any man that can build a program like this at Nebraska cannot be trusted. Now Dan Knee, there's a basketball coach on the up and up. Totally mediocre teams. He's no crook."

But Fat Paulie, I'm telling you, the guy just wins too much. Before you know it, thousands will be showing up at women's games. They'll be in on it

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T-Ron Fruit Lues responds to a blue-blight special in Sporting Goods. Funnily enough, Kmart was having a sale on basketball hoops, giving the washed-up former Husker the chance to impress his new co-workers with flashy layups.

Lue light special Kmart, not the NBA, is Lues' dream

By S. MYSTERIO
Danny Knee's Son

NUL point guard T-Ron Fruit Lues shocked journalists and basketball fans alike when he reversed his decision to go to the NBA Tuesday and signed with another professional organization - Kmart.

Lues signed a one-year, \$5.75-an-hour contract that will see him assume many duties, including cashier and price-checker.

"I'm really excited to be a part of a winning team," Lues said. "I'll wear my red shirt with pride."

"I know I said I was going to the NBA, but as soon as the press conference ended, my heart just heard that blue light calling. This is what wanted all along."

Lues said he and NUL Coach Dan Knee sat down and discussed his options which included staying in college, going to the NBA or working at an establishment like Kmart or Target.

Knee said after looking everything over, he and Lues decided the discount store industry was the best way to go.

"They've got a hell of a dental plan," Knee said. "After six months, he'll be eligible for a Kmart employee investment plan. You're not going to get those top-notch benefits in the NBA."

"You'll get millions of dollars, sure, but you won't get that warm feeling that goes along with being part of the Kmart family."

People all over the world of basketball are praising Lues' decision to work at Kmart. Michael "Cash" Jordache was especially supportive of Lues, saying his action was groundbreaking.

"If I hadn't decided to be the world's greatest basketball player, I would have worked at Kmart for sure," Jordache said. "I've always dreamed of being a customer service representative."

Lues said he definitely felt "the Kmart mystique" the first time he

walked in the store. While he was courted by Shopko, Walmart and Best Buy, Lues said nothing could compare to the original cheap store.

"The first time I saw that blue light for the blue light special, I fell on my knees and cried," Lues said. "It was a religious experience."

Then there's the speaker phone, which Lues ranked among the greatest aspects of the store.

"When you use that phone, chills go up and down your spine," Lues said. "I mean everybody in the store can hear you when you say, 'Jodi, men's clothing, line one.' You can't get that type of action in the NBA."

Billy Bob Rhodes, 17-year-old manager at Kmart, said he enjoyed watching Lues play for the Humpers and expects him to be handy in numerous positions.

"T-Ron has great cart vision," Rhodes said. "He just seems to know where the abandoned carts are in the store."

"We're going to use him in sporting goods, for sure. But he's the kind of guy you can use anywhere. We'll probably use him for our Salvation Army guy who rings the bell outside at Christmas."

Along with signing Lues, Kmart is also actively recruiting former Golden State Warrior Killing Spreewell, whose services became available after he tried to choke his coach to death last fall.

Rhodes said putting together Lues and Spreewell would be a lethal combination - in more ways than one.

"We'd have a heck of a rec-league team. I'll tell you that, man," Rhodes said. "We'll kick everybody's ass every day of the week and twice on Sunday."

As for Lues, he said he hopes to eventually be headed for the big leagues someday: Super Kmart.

"Anybody who ever puts their hand on the blue light and take the Kmart oath wants to be there," Lues said. "Super Kmart is a kingdom in the skies I can only dream about."

Knee searches for holy parts

From Staff Infection

A crowd of angry fans mobbed Dan Knee after the NU Cornhumpers lost to Lincoln High in the LINT Tournament Tuesday.

Knee was dismembered by at least 10 disgruntled season-ticket holders and three members of the yell squad. About 50 fans fought for his tie.

Jimbo Maneater, who wrestled for Knee's right arm, said the game was a slap in the face to the Cornhumper legacy.

"There we were, trying to prove we were at least the 1,405th best team in the nation, and we lost it to a bunch of prepubescent teenie boppers," Maneater said. "The least we could have done was won the LINT."

NU ex-player Cookie Monster

said it was sad to see the team go down on its Knee.

"It wasn't all his fault," Monster said. "Sure, the Nietzsche pep talks and death metal warm-up songs were a little hard on us, but that's just a style."

Knee, lying in a puddle at mid-court as janitors searched for his limbs strewn across the bleachers, said he was not fazed by the attack.

"Merely a flesh wound."