

Myerscough awaits board ruling on steroid testing

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Myerscough's position on the pending investigation and hearing.

"Carl feels that he has put his life on hold long enough about this," Colligan said. "Plus, if he is exonerated, then everything is fine. If he is suspended for even one month, he is banned for life by Britain. It would be pointless for him to continue to have a wait-and-see attitude about this."

Myerscough faces no suspensions from the NCAA or the University of Nebraska. The IAAF and the NCAA do not share testing information. The NCAA may, however, order more testing, according to Colligan.

Pepin believes Myerscough deserves the right to compete at UNL because of his clean record with the NCAA. He said if the shot-putter is guilty, then Nebraska would probably treat it like any other first offense for drug use.

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UNL throwing coach

"The athletic department has standard procedures that we follow in situations where an athlete tests positive for any drug," Pepin said. "For first-time offenders, we mainly try to help them, to educate them. That's what we will do here, if he, in fact, needs it."

"Our main concern is helping Carl, not punishing him."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Went has hot hand for NU going into CU game

By David Diehl
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After narrowly escaping Saturday night's game with Texas A&M with a 74-71 victory, Nebraska women's basketball Coach Paul Sanderford said he was happy to get out of the Devaney Center alive.

"We have a tendency to bring out the best in some teams," he said.

Sanderford said he hoped that trend didn't continue when Colorado, at 6-10 overall and 1-4 in the Big 12 conference, visits NU for tonight's 7:05 contest at the Devaney Sports Center.

"I'm very apprehensive about the game," Sanderford said, "because they're not a 1-4 team. They're better than that."

Sanderford said coaching is a strong point of the Buffaloes' game, noting that Coach Ceal Barry's Buffaloes contended for the Big 12 title in the conference's first two years of existence.

NU (9-7 and 3-2) counters with the improved performance of guard Amanda Went. After shooting poorly early in the season, Went has cranked up her offensive with a career-high 17 points vs. Missouri on Jan. 18, and 11 off the bench in the Cornhuskers' win Saturday vs. A&M.

Confidence, Sanderford said, has

been the key to Went's scoring spurts in the past two games — confidence Went lacked earlier in the year, Sanderford said.

"Shooting is kind of like putting in golf," Sanderford said. "You miss a couple three-footers, and then you start thinking about it."

"I guess you can kind of say I've been in a little slump. I didn't shoot as well at the start of the season as I have the last couple of games, but I have never doubted the ball was ever going to go in," Went said. "Every shot I've taken, I think it's going in."

Averaging eight points in five conference games, Went sees time off the bench in NU's three-guard lineup, which requires her to grab more rebounds.

Sanderford is quick to point out that Went has done poorly in that category. In her 27 minutes against Mizzou, Went didn't have any rebounds to compliment her 17 points, and Went said the coaches have gotten tough with her about it.

"I need to start rebounding if we're going to play three guards," she said. "If we have three guards, we can't just have forwards Casey (Leonhart) and Charlie (Rogers) and Cisco (Gilmore) in there rebounding. We need at least two of the guards going in there and rebounding."

BIG 12

With Texas' 81-77 upset win over No. 6 North Carolina State and Iowa State's 79-67 victory over North Carolina, Big 12 women's basketball swept the Big 12/Atlantic Coast Conference challenge.

Think men's and women's teams are getting equal respect?

Oklahoma coach Sherri Coale doesn't think so.

Even though her team is tops in the Big 12 with a 5-0 record, her games are getting put aside by local radio stations who want to broadcast men's games.

The Lady Sooners game vs. the Longhorns was given radio play in the first half, but the second half was not broadcast because the radio station wanted to put on the OU men's game.

Losing by four going into halftime, the ladies turned it around in the second half, but nobody got to hear about it.

A delay because of direct conflict with men's games also came when Coale's team played Connecticut.

Coale cites the school's new deal with a broadcasting group that also puts on Oklahoma State's men's games. The group controls two radio stations, and thus only allows for two games to be played, which has left the Lady Sooners out.

Big 12 coaches are doubting the rumor that the NCAA will move home games to neutral sites during the first two rounds of the conference tournament will happen any time soon.

Nebraska's Paul Sanderford and Maryann Washington both said the NCAA "is not ready" for a move like this.

Currently the Big 12 Tournament is held in Kansas City, Mo., at Municipal Auditorium. The finals are held at Kemper Arena, the site of the entire men's tournament.

Phylesha Whaley of Oklahoma is the Big 12 conference player of the week after averaging 18 points and 8.5 boards.

Alisha Sare of Texas is the newcomer of the week after averaging 22.5 points and shooting 51.7 percent from the floor.

Big 12 Notebook is compiled by staff writer Trevor Johnson.

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FSU kicker could be deported for charge

■ Janikowski is accused of trying to bribe a police officer.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Sebastian Janikowski, who left Florida State after winning a national championship to seek a career in the NFL, could face deportation if he is convicted of trying to bribe a police officer last weekend.

Janikowski's lawyer entered an innocent plea Monday for the Polish-born kicker, who came to Florida at 15 to live with his father.

Janikowski, 21, was taken into custody early Sunday after allegedly offering an officer \$300 to release his roommate, who had been arrested.

The arrest stems from a dispute at The Grove nightclub, where Ofc. Chris Knight was working as an off-duty bouncer. The club managers told Knight that Janikowski was welcome, but his friends were not, police said. Knight told Janikowski's roommate, Aaron Silverman, to leave.

Silverman refused and after several warnings was taken into custody, police said. Janikowski approached

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Lynn Durko
INS spokeswoman

Knight as he was doing paperwork in his patrol car and asked a few questions.

When Knight looked up again, "Janikowski was smiling at him and counting out money," police said. "Janikowski stepped back to the car and asked 'How much?'"

Immigration and Naturalization Service spokeswoman Lynn Durko said a resident alien who committed a felony would be looked at closely by the INS.

Whether or not an alien convicted of a felony is deported is decided on a case-by-case basis.

"Talking hypotheticals, if he's convicted and it's a felony, he would be placed into removal proceedings, and it would be up to the immigration judge as to whether someone is

removable," Durko said.

Bribery is a third-degree felony, but it is up to the state attorney's office to officially charge Janikowski, and he can be charged with greater or lesser offenses.

The two-time All-American has kicked 50 field goals the past two seasons, and many of his kickoffs flew through the end zone. He is the only current player on a recently selected college team of the century.

Janikowski's lawyer, Stephen Dobson, was out of the country and couldn't be reached for comment Tuesday.

Janikowski, who plans to workout for NFL scouts next month, has been projected as high as a late first-round draft pick, unusually high for a kicker.

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