Tourn. at Mitchell (Menno Larchwood, 8 p.m., KVHT-FM)

Thursday, August 13 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State

Friday, August 14 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State

Tourn. at Mitchell (Yankton vs. Aberdeen, 1:30 p.m., Drake Field)

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Koji Uehara on the 15-day DL, retroac-tive to Saturday. Optioned INF Deven

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Recalled LHP Tommy Layne and RHP Ryan Cook from Pawtucket

Emilio Bonifacio to Charlotte (IL) for a

OF Ryan Raburn on the bereavement list. Recalled INF/OF Zach Walters from

Columbus (IL). LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Placed

OF Matt Joyce on the 15-day DL. OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent

LHP Sean Doolittle to Nashville (PCL)

for a rehab assignment. TEXAS RANGERS — Optioned

RHP Luke Jackson to Round Rock (PCL). Recalled RHP Keone Kela from

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned OF Matt Szczur to Iowa (PCL). Activated C David Ross from the bereavement list.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed RHP Carlos Frias on the 15-day

DL, retroactive to Aug. 2. MIAMI MARLINS — Placed RHP

Jose Fernandez on the 15-day DL, retro-active to Saturday. Recalled LHP Justin

Nicolino from New Orleans (PCL). MILWAUKEE BREWERS — An-

nounced the resignation of general man-ager Doug Melvin, who will remain as

NEW YORK METS - Sent RHP

PITTSBURGH PIRATES - RHP

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Desig-

Rafael Montero to St. Lucie (FSL) for a

Vance Worley accepted assignment to

nated RHP Dale Thayer and INF Taylor Lindsey for assignment. Assigned C Tim Federowicz outright to El Paso (PCL).

Agreed to terms with RHP Bud Norris

on a one-year contract. Selected the

contract of RHP Colin Rea from El Paso

Placed RHP Brandon Maurer on the 15-day DL, retroactive August 10.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Agreed to terms with RHP Juan Gutier-

AMARILLO THUNDERHEADS

Signed RHPs John Kovalik and A.J.
Quintero and OF Brennan Metzger. Released RHP Chris Bodishbaugh.
GRAND PRAIRE AIRHOGS —

SIOUX FALLS CANARIES

Signed LHP Dennis Neal III. WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed

EVANSVILLE OTTERS - Signed

FRONTIER GREYS — Signed LHP

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES - Released

ROCKFORD AVIATORS — Signed

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

JOPLIN BLASTERS — Released C

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS

rez on a minor league contract. American Association

Signed RHP Evan Reed.

Signed 1B/OF Brian Frazier.

RHP Brad Orosey. Frontier League

LHP Blaine Howell.

C Cameron Garfield

Chris Rice

Juan Med

president of baseball operations.

Indianapolis (IL)

CLEVELAND INDIANS - Placed

ehab assignment.

risco (TL).

ICAGO WHITE SOX - Sent 2B

OF Mookie Betts from the 7-day DL

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BASEBALL S.D. CLASS B AMATEUR TOURN. Aug. 5-16 at Mitchell SECOND ROUND Sunday, Aug. 9 Canova 8, Lennox Only One 1 Akron 3, Garretson 2 Monday, Aug. 10 Alexandria 2, Dell Rapids Mudcats 1, 11 innings Platte 4, Wessington Springs 3 Tuesday, Aug. 11 Plankinton 2, Harrisburg 1 Flandreau vs. Parkston Mudcats, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12 Winner-Colome vs. Madison, 6 p.m. Menno vs. Larchwood, 8 p.m. QUARTERFINALS	(Conley 1-0), 3:10 p.m. Oakland (Brooks 1-0) at Toronto (Buehrle 12-5), 6:07 p.m. Atlanta (Wisler 5-2) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 6-6), 6:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 4-8) at Cleveland (Salazar 9-6), 6:10 p.m. Detroit (Da.Norris 2-2) at Kansas City (Volquez 11-6), 7:10 p.m. L.A. Angels (Heaney 5-1) at Chicago White Sox (Joh.Danks 6-9), 7:10 p.m. Texas (M.Martinez 7-6) at Minnesota (Pelfrey 5-7), 7:10 p.m. Texas at Minnesota, 12:10 p.m. Texas at Minnesota, 12:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, 6:10 p.m. L.A. Angels at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.
Canova-Howard vs. Akron winner,	NATIONAL LEAGUE
6 p.m.	East Division
Alexandria vs. Platte, 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14 Plankinton vs. Flandreau-Parkston Mudcats winner, 6 p.m. Winner-Colome/Madison winner vs. Menno-Larchwood winner, 8 p.m. S.D. CLASS A AMATEURS	W L Pct GB New York 61 52 .540 — Washington 58 53 .523 2 Atlanta 51 62 .451 10 Philadelphia 45 68 .398 16 Miami 44 68 .393 161/2 Central Division W L Pct GB
Aug. 7-9 at Yankton; Aug. 14-16 at	St. Louis 71 40 .640 —
Mitchell Friday, Aug. 14 GAME 27: Aberdeen vs. Yankton, 1:30 p.m., Drake GAME 28: Renner vs. S.F. Brewers,	Pittsburgh 65 44 .596 5 Chicago 62 48 .564 8 1/2 Cincinnati 49 61 .445 21 1/2 Milwaukee 48 65 .425 24 West Division
1:30 p.m.	W L Pct GB
GAME 29: Castlewood vs. S.F. Squirrels, 3:30 p.m., Drake Saturday, Aug. 15 GAME 32: Game 27 winner vs. Game 29 winner, 11 a.m. GAME 34: Game 32 winner vs. Game 28 loser, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16 CHAMPIONSHIP: Game 28 winner vs. Game 34 winner, noon	Los Angeles 62 50 .554 — San Francisco 59 52 .532 2 1/2 Arizona 55 56 .495 6 1/2 San Diego 53 60 .469 9 1/2 Colorado 47 64 .423 14 1/2 Monday's Games N.Y. Mets 4, Colorado 2 . Arizona 13, Philadelphia 3 San Diego 2, Cincinnati 1 Washington 8, L.A. Dodgers 3
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AMERICAN LEAGUE	Tampa Bay 2, Atlanta 0 N.Y. Mets 4, Colorado 0
East Division W L Pct GB	Boston at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
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Baltimore 57 54 .514 4 1/2	Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m. Philadelphia at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
Tampa Bay 57 56 .504 5 1/2 Boston 50 62 .446 12	Cincinnati at San Diego, 10:10 p.m. Washington at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10
Central Division W L Pct GB	p.m.
Kansas City 67 44 .604 —	Houston at San Francisco, 10:15
Minnesota 55 56 .495 12	p.m. Wednesday's Games
Detroit 54 58 .482 13 1/2 Chicago 52 58 .473 14 1/2	Cincinnati (R.Iglesias 2-4) at San
Cleveland 51 59 .464 15 1/2	Diego (Shields 8-4), 2:40 p.m. Philadelphia (Nola 2-1) at Arizona
West Division W L Pct GB	(Ch.Anderson 5-4), 2:40 p.m.
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Seattle 52 61 .460 9	(Conley 1-0), 3:10 p.m. Atlanta (Wisler 5-2) at Tampa Bay
Oakland 51 63 .447 10 1/2	(Odorizzi 6-6), 6:10 p.m.
Monday's Games Kansas City 4, Detroit 0	Colorado (J.De La Rosa 7-4) at N.Y.
Chicago White Sox 8, L.A. Angels 2	Mets (deGrom 10-6), 6:10 p.m. Milwaukee (Garza 6-12) at Chicago
Baltimore 3, Seattle 2 Tuesday's Games	Cubs (Hammel 6-5), 7:05 p.m.
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Houston (Feldman 4-5) at San Fran- cisco (Heston 11-6), 2:45 p.m.	BASEBALL
Boston (E.Rodriguez 6-4) at Miami	
- ,	BOSTON RED SOX — Placed RHP

SPORTS DIGEST

Coyotes Sign Affiliation Deal With

ECHL's Rapid City Rush

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — The Arizona Coyotes signed a or ation agreement with the ECHL's Rapid City Rush on Tuesday. otes signed a one-year affili-The South Dakota team is entering its second season in the 28-team ECHL

The Coyotes had been affiliated with the Gwinnett Gladiators since 2011

In April, Arizona signed a multiyear affiliation agreement with the Springfield Falcons of the American Hockey League to serve as the team's top farm club

AREA CALENDAR Am Jam at CC of Sioux Falls Wednesday, August 12 BASEBALL, AMATEUR State SOCCER, WOMEN'S USD at

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Coyotes

at YHS (4 p.m. SOCCER, BOYS' JV Water is now part owner of the company. He n at YHS (6 p.m.) SOCCER, GIRLS' Watertow and his wife, Abbey, celebrated their first child, Knox, in August of 2014. at YHS (6 p.m.) SOCCER, GIRLS' JV Water town at YHS (4 p.m.)

oraska (exhibition, 7 p.m.) SOCCER, BOYS' Watertowr

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CB Jocquel Skinner.

National Football League ARIZONA CARDINALS — Re-

ed S D.J. Campbell. Re-signed S

ATLANTA FALCONS - Waived-

Injured S lerell Hoyd. BUFFALO BILLS — Signed CB Lavelle Westbrooks. Designated WR Caleb Holley as waived/injured. CHICAGO BEARS — Traded G Ryan Groy to New England for LB Mat-thew Walls

DETROIT LIONS — Placed TE Da-Ausberry on injured reserve. Signed

GREEN BAY PACKERS - Re-

sed WR Ricky Collins. NEW YORK JETS — Released LB

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES - Signed

Varc Anthony. PITTSBURGH STEELERS — ved-injured QB/WR Devin Gardner.

Signed PK Garrett Hartley. TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

Signed DT Tony McDaniel and P Karl Schmitz. Activated WR Louis Murphy from the non-football injury list. HOCKEY

Pavel Zacha to a three-year, entry-level

G Kevin Poulin to a one-year. America

NEW YORK ISLANDERS - Signed

vo-year contract. HAMILTON BULLDOGS — An

nounced the resignation of assistant

general manager and director of player

rsonnel Barclay Branch to becomeral manager of Sudbury (OHL). COLLEGE

ALBANY (NY) — Named Karen Gurnon women's assistant soccer

BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN — An-nounced the retirement of men's soccer

MIAMI — Announced men's basket-ball G Rashad Muhamad is transferring

FLAGLER - Named Chris Mathis

OKLAHOMA — Reinstated I.B.

innon to the football team

RIO GRANDE — Named Chris mmond softball coach.

SHENANDOAH - Named Justin

Potter men's and women's assistant

track and field coach. TUSCULUM — Announced the re-

tirement of tennis coach Tommy Arnett. WASHINGTON (MO.) — Named

Jenn Nulle assistant director of athletics

coach Preston Goldfarb.

ciate trainer

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emefuna Enemkpali. Signed CB Javier

Mike Martin (1981, 1983-85) Martin, who came to USD from Sac INDIANA PACERS - Signed G

City. Iowa, is a four-time North Central Conference champion and the 1983 national-runner-up in the 800-meter run. His program-record time of 1:50.10 in the event stood for 18 years and remains the third-fastest time in program history. It was the fastest ever in South Dakota intercollegiate circles.

Martin won NČC indoor 800 championships in 1983 and 1984. He won outdoor titles in 1983 and 1985. Martin was also a member of the Coyotes' sprint medlev relav team, which set the all-time state collegiate record at 3:20.16. He was named USD's Male Athlete of the Year in 1985. In 2005, he was inducted into USD's Track and Field Hall of Honor.

Martin currently resides in Overland Park, Kan., where he is the owner of a remodeling company, JAM Construction, LLC. He and his wife, Tricia, have two sons, Jonathon and Andrew.

HOCKEY National Hockey League ARIZONA COYOTES — Signed one-year affiliation agreement with apid City (ECHL). NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Signed F **Royals**

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Hockey League BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Kansas City limping toward Agreed to terms with D Matt Carkner on the finish line.

"You just keep playing the same way. You can't rest on your laurels at all and think you have it all figured out,' said utility man Ben Zobrist, who arrived from Oakland in a deadline trade and has filled in admirably for injured All-Star outfielder Alex Gordon.

'We have to keep that mindset going through the rest of the year," Zobrist said, "and hopefully that will put us in a good position to make the postseason." Well, the Royals are

SUNY OLD WESTBURY — Named Borawski women's volleyball already in good position for that TEXAS-RIO GRANDE VALLEY -Named Geren Woodbridge assistant

No team in the divisional area has had a 12-game lead this late in the season and failed to win the division, according to STATS LLC. The only time it's ever happened was 1951, when the Brooklyn Dodgers squandered a 13-game lead in the National League, then lost a threegame playoff to the New York Giants on Bobby Thomson's

infamous walk-off home run.

Newton

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distance from fights. Newton, however, took matters into his own hands on Monday after Norman stiff-armed him during an

surgery practice. Brianne (Vette) Edwards

(2001-04)

Edwards, who came to USD from

Spearfish, S.D., is an 11-time national

and the 2004 national champion in the

heptathlon. She led South Dakota to the

2004 outdoor North Central Conference

qualifier, a seven-time All-American,

championship and was named NCC

Indoor and Outdoor MVP that same

season. She went on to be named

postgraduate scholarship

career

Lachlan.

NCAA Woman of the Year for the state

of South Dakota and earned an NCAA

remains the Coyotes' all-time leader in

both the pentathlon (3,777 points) and

triple jump, long jump, 60-meter hurdles

triple and long jump during her four-year

Edwards and her husband. David.

children Westin, Emmett, Leo and Talia

They began the Lach's Legacy program

Edwards went on to USD's physi-

with the help of the CJ Foundation for

SIDS in loving memory of their son,

cian assistant program and worked

at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls for

four years before moving back out to

as a physician's assistant in a general

With a 12-game advan-

Royals achieved their largest

lead since finishing the 1980

season 14 games ahead of the

The Royals never get too

high or low, even though they

teams in baseball. When they

dropped three straight games

last week, they quickly ended

the skid with a win in Toron-

to. They followed the slide

with a three-game sweep of

You try to do too much in

this game, you can get a nega-

the White Sox in Chicago.

tive result," first baseman

Eric Hosmer said. "I think

over the course of our ca-

reers and going through the

that you let the game come to

you. You don't get so up for

Then again, there isn't

Angels and Orioles were the

only teams still on the sched-

entering Tuesday night's play

Not that playing in first

strange to Kansas City by this

den franchise has been atop

the AL Central for 109 days,

counting Tuesday, more than

"People are going to have

their concerns with me rid-

ing on the Segway — 'Hey,

what is he doing? He could

up," Newton said. "I can't

live my life like that. It goes

back to this: Am I going to let

people dictate what I'm sup-

stumble over a stick and trip

much to get up for. The

ule with winning records

place should be all that

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postseason, we've learned

remain one of the youngest

tage after Monday night's

victory over Detroit, the

A's in the AL West.

the Black Hills. She works part time

reside in Rapid City, S.D., with their

heptathlon (5.301 points). She also

ranks in the top five on USD lists for

and 100-meter hurdles. She earned

All-America honors in the heptathlon,

Edwards, a five-time NCC champion,

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Nancy McCahren (special contributor)

McCahren has served USD for more than 50 years. After graduating in 1957 and earning her master's degree in 1962 McCahren served in USD's Department of English from 1962-65 and then from 1966-87. In addition, McCahren worked in the Departmen of Modern Languages from 1982-90 and then Office of Student Life from 1968-84. In 1990, she took the iob as executive director of USD's Alumni Association. She retired from that post in 2004.

McCahren is the daughter of long-time USD basketball coach and athletic director Rube Hoy. She was an advocate for the North Central Conference, was the first woman to serve on the USD Athletic Board of Control, and was the first female to chair that board. She received the NCC Honor Award in recognition of her efforts to heighten the integrity of the NCC.

McCahren and her family established the Hoy Award many years ago, which recognizes an outstanding senior male and female student-athlete each year. The family also funds a scholarship for a student-athlete from a South Dakota high school.

it had spent in first place in the previous 11 seasons combined.

The division isn't all that's at stake, of course. The Royals also began Tuesday with a 5 1/2-game advantage on the New York Yankees for the best record in the American League. And since their league won the All-Star game, that would mean home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

Yost said he plans to take advantage of the cushion by resting some of his key players, such as catcher Salvador Perez — who leads all major league catchers with 380 games caught since 2013 — and center fielder Lorenzo Cain. He also could give his pitching staff a break from time to time, especially the back end of his loaded bullpen.

But while the Royals insist they will continue to play to win, they also acknowledge that such a big lead is a rare luxury

There's a lot of games to be played, and we have to focus on winning games,' Zobrist said. "What we've won to this point won't win us anything. We have to keep going.

Rivera didn't want to revisit the incident on Tuesday, but clearly downplayed the fight on Monday.

'The thing I try to take away from it, as you look for the positive in it, is hey, he stood up for himself and the other guy stood up for him-

MLS Continues To Consider

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Major League Soccer's consideration of an expansion team for the Twin Cities still includes both Minneapolis and St.

MLS President and Deputy Commissioner Mark Abbott said at a news conference Tuesday there's no timetable for St. Paul to act on a proposed

assed without commitment. But Abbott said that MLS has not ruled out , where a stadium has been proposed near Target Field. Abbott said there's no intent to "play one group off the other.

bargaining rights with the league.

Little League Claims Fraud, Cover-Up By Jackie Robinson West CHICAGO (AP) — Court five of the team's players draw the lawsu

Minneapolis And St. Paul

velopment

stadium site at Snelling and University avenues near Interstate 94. Abbott also said the league has had no further talk with Minneapolis officials since a previously stated July 1 deadline for securing a venue

St. Paul mayor Chris Coleman said the city has not requested exclusive

documents filed by Little League International contend Chicago's Jackie Robinson West baseball team was stripped of its national championship because of "fraud and cover-up."

Little League filed the documents last week in response to a lawsuit by Jackie Robinson West seeking documentation for why the league took the action.

At the time the lawsuit was filed in June, Jackie Robinson West attorney Victor Henderson said he believed some of what Little League International claimed — that some of the players did not live within local league boundaries. But he added that he thought the team was unfairly singled out for scrutiny, in part, because all of its players are black.

The Little League court filings say that the original league boundary map submitted in May when the team began tournament play accurately reflected the league boundaries but showed only

lived within them. Maps submitted in September and December by Jackie Robinson West then showed that all players lived within the boundaries, according to the court documents.

"To repeat, discipline was imposed because JRW officials falsified the JRW boundary maps, and therefore used ineligible players," Little League said, alleging "fraud and cover-up.'

In the court papers, Little League contends that as accusations of impropriety began to surface after the team's title run, a district administrator and a team director met with officials from surrounding leagues "to attempt to persuade them to retroactively agree to boundary changes" so players would not be found ineligible.

Little League filed its paperwork Thursday, with Little League spokesman Brian McClintock saying the group received notice afterward by mail that Jackie Robinson West filed a petition to with-

draw the lawsuit. McClintock said "the response speaks for itself, and we have no further comment."

In a statement Tuesday, Henderson blasted Little League International for how it has acted, saying legal disputes, like baseball games, don't take place in one inning. He added, "The game is far from over." Henderson didn't immediately return a message seeking comment about the withdrawal petition.

Jackie Robinson West's run to the championship started as an uplifting and inspirational story that ended with its win over Las Vegas to capture the national crown at the 2014 Little League World Series. The team fell to South Korea in the world championship game. When it was over, the players were treated to a massive parade downtown, a trip to the White House to meet President Barack Obama and another trip to San Francisco to watch the World Series.

interception return. An angry Newton turned and ran down Norman near the goal line after the play had been blown dead by coaches. The two players got into a scrap and wound up at the bottom of a pile of players — Newton

without his helmet. They eventually had to be

separated by teammates. Although linebacker Thomas Davis yelled at the fifth-year quarterback for being "stupid," a defiant Newton defended his actions during an 11-minute press conference Tuesday.

'Do what (again)? Practice hard? Yes. I practice hard each and every day," Newton

said. Newton has drawn criticism for putting himself at risk of injury after signing a \$103 million contract extension this offseason. General manager Dave Gettleman declared at that time Newton is the guy to lead the Panthers to the "Promised Land."

Newton contends people worry too much about him getting hurt.

posed to be? Or am I going to dictate to people and say, 'I am what I am?' If you like it then that's great; if you don't like it, even better.

Newton said he has spoken to Norman and the rest of the team and there are no hard feelings. Norman didn't address

the media. I'm bringing the best out

of Josh, and Josh is bringing the best out of me," Newton said.

Pro Bowl tight end Greg Olsen said the entire event has been overblown by the media, claiming critics are always looking for ways to judge Newton.

"He's (245) pounds and has rushed for more touchdowns than almost any quarterback in NFL history. He's a big boy. He's fine," Olsen said. "I think everyone needs to stop overreacting. ... He's one of the biggest guys on the team and carries the ball 15 times per game like a running back. A little hand-slapping fight with a DB in practice? I think he will be OK." Panthers coach Ron

self," Řivera said. ^{*}I know it's the quarterback, but we treat everybody the same. That's the way I'm going to look at it. That's my spin on it."

Practice on Tuesday was noticeably tame with no trash talking on either side of the ball — a dramatic change from the first 10 days of practice when Newton and Norman, among others, exchanged barbs at the other side of the ball.

Rivera acknowledged there was noticeably less chatter.

But the fifth-year head coach said that isn't because of something he said to the players.

"I didn't put the kibosh on it," Rivera said. "There were probably a group of players who probably had something to say to themselves and have realized that you don't necessarily need it to be successful. Some of it is just understanding how to practice.

Added Rivera: "It's not like you have to have (the trash talk) every day — or you have to have it all."

round out of Louisiana Tech.

cornerback Javier Arenas,

who has played five NFL

seasons with Kansas City,

Arizona and Atlanta.

To replace Enemkpali on the roster, the Jets signed

Smith

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room Tuesday morning.

"It had nothing to do with football," Bowles said. "It was something very childish, and he got cold-cocked, suckerpunched — whatever you want to call it — in the jaw."

Bowles wouldn't go into detail about the nature of the altercation, except to say: "It was something very childish, that sixth-graders could have talked about. It had no reason for happening."

Smith, who was having a good training camp, will be sidelined for the rest of the summer and likely for the first few games of the season. The season opener at home against Cleveland on Sept. 13 is five weeks away.

"Depending on how surgery goes, we'll see where we go from there," Bowles said.

Smith took to Instagram and posted a picture of himself sitting in a car — mouth closed and looking stern and a simple message: "ILL BE BACK.

In a statement issued to The Associated Press by his agent, Enemkpali apologized to the team and fans.

"Geno and I let our frustration get the best of us, but I should have just walked away from the situation," Enemkpali said. "I deeply regret and apologize for my actions. It was never my intention to harm anyone. I appreciate the opportunity I had with the Jets.

Bowles said the Jets could add another quarterback, but it appears veteran Ryan Fitzpatrick will assume the starting job. Bryce Petty, a fourth-round pick this year out of Baylor, and undrafted free agent Jake Heaps out of Miami are the Jets' other remaining quarterbacks.

It was a jaw-dropping an-

nouncement by Bowles, who earlier in camp had to deal with the news that star defensive lineman Sheldon Richardson was suspended four games by the NFL for violating the league's substance abuse policy and then was arrested after a high-speed road race in Missouri 12 days later. Richardson could face additional discipline by the league for violation of the personal conduct policy once the legal process plays out.

Bowles, in his first season as coach, spoke for about 2 minutes before heading to a meeting and then practice, but was clearly angered by the situation.

"The team knows this is something we don't tolerate, something we can't stand,' Bowles said. "You don't walk up to another man and punch him in the face."

While the players were not immediately available because they had practice, wide receiver Brandon Marshall

sent out a simple "cryface" emoji on his Twitter page. Marshall and Smith have been developing solid chemistry this offseason, with the two spending time together on and off the field. It was unclear as to wheth-

er there had been previous bad blood brewing between Smith and Enemkpali.

"If you have a team and you have a bunch of side issues, you can't tolerate that," Bowles said. "This is something that happened in the locker room and we're dealing with it internally and that's where we are right now.'

Smith has had a rough two-plus seasons in the NFL, starting with his slip to the second round of the 2013 draft. He got the starting job as a rookie after Mark Sanchez was sidelined for the year after hurting his shoulder in a preseason game, and mostly struggled.

Last year, he had a few

flashes of solid play, but again had issues with turnovers and consistency and was benched a few times in favor of Michael Vick. Smith has 34 interceptions and 41 total turnovers in his first two seasons, but new offensive coordinator Chan Gailey was impressed with his progress this summer.

Smith threw the first two interceptions of camp on Monday, an impressive stretch that had the quarterback and coaches thinking positively about his prospects for the upcoming season.

"He took time that month when we were away (before training camp)," Gailey said of Smith shortly before the news broke. "He looked at it and studied it and talked about it and thought about it. When he came back, he really had a grasp of it."

Enemkpali had three sacks in six games last season after being taken in the sixth

