Press&Dakotan USD Among Early Surprises In Missouri Valley **BY JEREMY HOECK** one came soon after. Let's not start talking playoffs for USD quite yet, but its quick start to the league season is rather im-DAILY DOSE jeremy.hoeck@yankton.net pressive. The Coyotes still have a long way to go (they visit Northern Iowa on Saturday), and they still need to win a road game before I'll start believing they're a post-season contender. But for now, a 2-1 start is I realize it could be short-lived, but take a look at the standings in the Missouri Valley Football Confercertainly a step in the right direction. ence. Daily opinions And it's all been because of the Coyote defense. Notice anything? Sure, the offense rushed for 205 yards in Saturday's win over Indiana State, and the special teams are Not surprising: North Dakota State 3-0, Youngstown State 2-1 from the P&D still rather shaky, but it's been the defense that has carried USD. Surprising: Southern Illinois 2-1, South Dakota 2-1, South Dakota State 1-2. **Sports Staff on** Over their last two games, the Coyotes have surrendered one what I'll call "true drive" - that one a Pretty surprising: Northern Iowa, at 0-2, is tied for last place. local and 9-play, 80-drive by Indiana State. Other than that, Missouri State benefited from a fumble deep in USD So far it's been a very interesting first two weeks in the toughest-league in the FCS ranks. North Dakota territory and returned a block punt for a score. And then Saturday, Indiana State scored its second touchnational high State has survived two early scares, SDSU lost its first two league games and Southern Illinois beat two down on a 4-play drive after a fumble the USD offense. ranked teams on the road. school, college In short, teams aren't exactly marching up and down the field on the Coyote 'D.' And then we get to USD. and pro sports. And when you're talking Missouri Valley football, you need a defense like that. It took the Coyotes 10 games to nab their first-ever MVFC victory, and as these things happen, the next

Four Gazelles Earn All-State Softball Honors

Four members of the Yankton Gazelles softball team earned All-State honors in the Class AA divi-

sion, according to a release Sunday. Earning first team honors for Yankton were senior Jennifer Feilmeier and junior Andi Sprakel, while senior Abby Schulte and junior Heather Hauer were named to the second team.

Soccer: NDSU Tops USD 1-0

FARGO, N.D. — North Dakota State forward Lauren Miller broke a scoreless tie three minutes into overtime with her seventh goal of the season as the Bison got past South Dakota 1-0 Sunday at Ellig Sports Complex.

USD goalkeeper Mackenzie Viktor faced 20 shots on the day and had nine saves - one shy of her career high – but saw her team go scoreless for the third game in a row. The Covotes (5-6-3, 0-3-0 Summit) mustered three shots on goal in the contest.

Miller scored from the top of the box from 10

yards away. It was her second overtime game-winner in three days. Miller is the Bison's leading scorer with 18 points (7G, 4A) this season. North Dakota State (7-7-0, 3-1-0) has won three of its last four.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 1, OMAHA 0: BROOKINGS — The South Dakota State women's soccer team continued their perfect record in Summit League play as they beat Omaha 1-0 on Sunday afternoon.

Darci Miller scored the lone goal for SDSU South Dakota State controlled Omaha throughout the game as they outshot them 19-4. In the first half of the game the Jackrabbits outshot the Mavericks 13-6.

SDSU's Wright Receives MVFC Defensive Honor

ST. LOUIS - South Dakota State University cornerback Winston Wright has been named Missouri Valley Football Conference Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in the Jackrabbits' 38-14 win at Western Illinois on Oct. 12.

A senior from Lee's Summit, Mo., Wright intercepted two passes - both of which the Jackrabbit offense turned into touchdowns - and added a nair of tackles as SDSU snapped a three-game losing streak. His first-quarter interception helped give SDSU a 14-0 lead, while his interception on the first play of the fourth quarter led to the Jackrabbits' final score of the day.

The Jackrabbit defense held Western Illinois to only 118 yards through the air and picked off four passes on the afternoon.

SDSU returns to action Saturday at Missouri State

Volleyball: SDSU Snaps Skid

OMAHA, Neb. — South Dakota State got a career-high 11 kills from Tiara Gibson and Lexi Fowler posted her team-high third double-double as the Jackrabbits snapped an eight match losing streak with a 3-1 win at Omaha on Sunday, winning by the set scores of 22-25, 25-21, 25-14 and 25-14

The Jacks improve to 3-15 overall with the win and to 1-4 in The Summit League, while Omaha

falls to 6-14 overall, with the same 1-4 mark in league play.

Gibson's 11 kills led the Jacks, she also finished with six total blocks, one solo and a careerhigh five block assists in the win. Courtney Roberts and Mikala Hora both added nine kills, with Hora pitching in with 12 digs.

The Jackrabbits look to start a winning streak next weekend, when they welcome preseason Summit League co-favorites IUPUI and Fort Wayne. The Jacks and Jags meet on Friday, while SDSU welcomes the Mastodons on Saturday, both matches begin at 7 p.m.

Swimming: Three USD **Freshmen Win Events**

MANKATO, Minn. - Three South Dakota freshmen combined to win four events during the Covote women's season-opening dual against Minnesota State Saturday. The Coyotes won six events in all, but lost the dual 152.5-147.5. USD had the top divers of the dual in first-year

Greysen Hertting and sophomore Courtney Shep-

Football: Morrill Runs Into History

The visiting Huskies led 6-0 at half-

ler, a Reading, Pa., native and a transfer from Penn State. Hertting and Shepler placed first and second, respectively, in both the 1- and 3-meter dives. Hertting totaled 244.45 in the one meter and 238.45 in the three. Shepler scored 235.05 and 203.85, respectively.

Freshman Sam Schutt won the 200-yard freestyle in a time of 2:00.09. She also placed second in the 100-yard free and as a member of the Coyotes' 400-yard free relay team.

Fellow frosh Berkley Nowlan won the 100-yard breaststroke in a time of 1:09.18. She took second in the 50-yard breaststroke (31.79s) and second as member of the 200-yard medley relay team.

As for returners, the Coyotes got wins and the nine points that come with them from sophomore Hannah Veselik and junior Corey Wannamaker. Veselik won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:01.00. She placed second in the 50 fly (27.57s). Wannamaker won the 50-yard freestyle at 25.39s. She also competed in two relays and placed fourth in the 100-vard freestyle (55.49s).

South Dakota returns to Vermillion and will host North Dakota and Iowa State on consecutive nights Friday and Saturday in the DakotaDome.

SCOREBOARD

CROSS COUNTRY EASTERN SOUTH DAKOTA CONF. MEET

Oct. 12 at Bakker Crossing GC. Sioux

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15:33.64; 3, Savannah Woods, Yankton 15:41.40: 4. Rachel Propst. Pierre 15:41:40, 4, Rachel Propst, Pierre 15:53.72; 5: Neagan Schenk, Harrisburg 16:00.63; 6, Danica Kocer, Brandon Val-ley 16:05.91; 7, Haylee Waterfall, Bran-don Valley 16:08.14; 8, Lauren Van Holland, Harrisburg 16:09.52; 9, Kaitlyn

Volk, Aberdeen Central 16:10.15; 10, Mallory Lanier, Harrisburg 16:09.52 OTHER YHS: 15, Madison McClure 16:25.55; 19, Tessa Folkers 16:28.78; 23. Lauren Graves 16:32.60: 24. Whitlee Larson 16:40.58; 43, Abbey Van-Meeteren 17:25.75; 46, Kristen Rezac 17:28.49; 53, Rylie Andrus 17:38.92; 54, Holly Hicks 17:44.79

BOYS' DIVISION

TEAM SCORES: Brookings 45, Brandon Valley 67, Yankton 76, Harris-burg 102, Watertown 111, Aberdeen Central 124, Pierre 142, Mitchell 233, Huron 273

TOP 10: 1. Addison DeHaven Brookings 16:27.73; 3, Brice Cowman, Yankton 16:28.80; 4, Jacob Hegland, Brandon Valley 17:11.24; 5, Nick Reiffen-berger, Watertown 17:22.42; 6, Tanner Peltier, Aberdeen Central 17:22.56; 7, Greyson Zamora, Harrisburg 17:26.36; 8 Graham DeHaven, Brookings 17:29.51; 9, Justin Grode, Yankton 17:31.23; 10,

Jebben Keyes, Pierre 17:40.59 OTHER YHS: 17, Paul Fanta 18:05.46; 19, Sam Gusso 18:10.14; 28, Andrew Peitz 18:21.82; 33, Kyle Bergeson 18:37.59; 36, Brady Jaquith 18:40.07; 40, Brody McClure 18:47.04; 51, Morgan Hill 19:13.78; 59, Lincoln Megard 19:26.87

TENNIS

S.D. STATE TOURNAMENT Saturday at McKennan Park, Sioux

Falls FINAL TEAM SCORES: O'Gorman 764, Washington 478, Aberdeen Central 474, St. Thomas More 473, Rapid City Stevens 383, Lincoln 357, Brandon Vallev 336, Roosevelt 292, Watertown 269,

(SFL) def. Beth Hildebrant (Bro) 10-4. Flight 6 Finals — Mira Yousef (OG) def. An nika Hammerquist (RCS) 6-1, 6-3. 3rd — Jessie Rames (SFL) def. Cassie Hedblom (Hur) 10-7.

Consolation final - Emma Johnson

5th — Logan Hawkins (BV) def. Emily Magera (AC) 10-3. Consolation final — Sadie Good-hope (SFW) def. Paige Pesicka (STM) 10-3.

Doubles

Flight 1 Finals — Brower-Czarnecki (OG) def. Goble-Fenske (STM) 6-2, 6-2. 3rd - Darr-Johnson (SFW) def. Shoren-Roning (SFR) 10-5. Shoren-Roning (SFR) 10-5. 5th — Hammerquist-Griffith (RCS) def. Hanson-Hanson (AC) 10-5. Consolation final — Tucker-Duda (RCC) def. Rockne-Rothenberger (Yan)

Flight 2

Finals — Czarnecki-Brower (OG) def. Thone-Prissel (AC) 6-2, 6-0. 3rd — Mutschelknaus-Marso (BV) Gr – Mutscheinhaus-Mariso (BV) def. Fenske-Wittenberg (STM) 10-3. 5th – Benson-Whitney (SFL) def. VanDerWeide-Cerry (Wat) 10-5. Consolaton final – He-Langland (Bro) def. Bryan-Knoff (Yan) 10-5.

Flight 3 Finals — Billion-Kosiak (OG) def.

VanderWerff-Riddle (RCS) 6-0, 6-1. 3rd — Konz-Marais (BV) def. Schlauger-Durkin (STM) 11-9.

5th - Rames-Gunnarson (SFL) def. Torrence-Falk (AR) 10-4. Consolation final — Schmidt-Good-hope (SFW) def. Harvey-Hedblom (Hur)

11-10 (8-6) VOLLEYBALL

SATURDAY'S S.D. SCORES

Deubrook def. Sioux Valley, 23-25, 27-25, 25-22, 19-25, 15-9 Elk Point-Jefferson def, Akron-Westfield, Iowa, 25-14, 25-9, 25-21 Oldham-Ramona/Rutland def. Cen-terville, 25-23, 25-10, 19-25, 25-22

Spearfish def. Hot Springs, 25-15, 25-10, 25-17

Watertown def. Yankton, 25-13, 25-17, 24-26, 25-20 Chester Tournament Andes Central def. Irene-Wakonda.

25-15, 25-17, 23-25, 25-14 Arlington def. Winner, 17-25, 25-21, 25-14, 19-25, 15-11 Elkton-Lake Benton def. Chester, 25-19, 25-21, 25-16 Parker def. Milbank, 25-14, 26-24,

Monday, October 14 CHEER & DANCE, PREP Faulkton Inv. (Bon Homme, Platte-Geddesota Christian , 11 a.m.) GOLF MEN'S GPAC #2 at Firethorn GC, Lincoln, Neb. (MMC)

AREA CALENDAR

GOLF, MEN'S GFAC #2 at Freehom GC, Lincoin, Neb. (MMC) GOLF, GIRLS' Neb. State Class C Tourn. at Quail Run GC, Columbus VOLLEYBALL, PREP Mount Vernon-Plankinton at Wagner; Platte-Geo des vs. Corsica-Stickney at Corsica; Randolph at Hartington; South Sioux City at Elk Point-Jefferson

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CREIGHTON, Neb. -West Holt 25, Laurel-Jacob Morrill became just the **Concord-Coleridge 7** third player in Nebraska prep LAUREL, Neb. — West Holt rushed for 231 yards and limited Laurel-Concord-Coleridge to 90 total yards in a 25-7 win history to rush for 1,000 vards in four seasons, as he led Creighton past Plainview last Friday night.

74-12 last Friday night. Morrill, a senior, carried the ball times for 156 yards and three touchdowns. Seth Wilmes added 80 yards and two scores on the ground for

Oakdale on Friday.

WEST HOLT......0 6 12 7 - 25 LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE......0 0 7 0 - 7 **Elgin Public-Pope John 50. Bloomfield 6** ELGIN, Neb. — Kane Fiedler rushed for 134 yards and a touchdown, but the Bloomfield Bees suffered a 50-6 loss at Elgin Public-Pope John on Friday night. Trent Johnson added 39 yards on the

ground for Bloomfield (4-2), while Quinn O'Brien was limited to 2-of-26 passing. BLOOMFIELD (4-2).....0 6 0 0 - 6 ELGIN PUBLIC-POPE JOHN......14 22 8 6 - 50

Dakota Valley 21, Tea Area 6

TEA - Isaac Faldmo passed for 197 yards and three touchdowns to lead Dakota Valley over Tea Area 21-6 last Friday night.

Blake Perryman rushed 24 times for 102 yards, while Broday VanGinkel had a pair of touchdown receptions.

The Panthers play Beresford on Friday night.

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Abdullah, Nebraska Run Past Purdue 44-7

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defensive end Randy Gregory

said. "I think the coaches, and

I have, and some of the other

guys have been waiting for us

to come together and waiting

for us to play like the Black-

shirts that everyone knows.

These last two weeks are big

the rest of the season.

and defense.

for us for how we want to play

Nebraska quarterback Ron

"We've always been known

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) — Nebraska has a wellearned reputation for lighting up the scoreboard. The Cornhuskers might fi-

nally have a solid defense to go with its potent offense. Ne-braska held Purdue to 216 yards in a 44-7 win on Saturday afternoon.

The Huskers had shaky defensive performances earlier in the season, especially against Wyoming and UCLA, but Nebraska's defense now has posted solid back-to-back efforts in wins over Illinois

strong game on both offense The Boilermakers ran for

Kellogg III said the Huskers

were focused on producing a

just 32 yards on 25 carries and didn't score until the final minute of the game when Purdue's Danny Etling found DeAngelo Yancey for a 55-yard touchdown pass with 39 seconds remaining. Nebraska defensive end Greg McMullen said the Cornhuskers were disappointed that they lost the shutout so late.

Ameer Abdullah ran for 126 yards and a touchdown, Terrell Newby ran for 61 yards and Imani Cross added 56 yards and two touchdowns for the Cornhuskers (5-1, 2-0 Big Ten).

the Bulldogs (6-0). This season, Morrill has touchdowns.

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE 41, MIS-SOURI STATE 26: FARGO, N.D. (AP) -Brock Jensen tossed three touchdown passes and Zach Vraa tallied 179 yards receiving as North Dakota State topped Missouri State 41-26 on Saturday for its 15th straight win, the second-longest streak in Division I.

NDSU (6-0, 3-0 Missouri Valley) trailed late in the second quarter but a 2vard touchdown run by Sam Oiuri and a 36-yard score from Jensen to Vraa in the final minute put NDSU up 24-13 at half-

Missouri State (1-6, 1-2) cut the score to 24-20 early in the third with a 19-yard interception return for a touchdown by

Caleb Schaffitzel. Jensen responded with touchdown passes on NDSU's following two possessions — a 23-varder to Vraa and a 33-yarder to Kevin Vaadeland - to put the Bison up 38-20 in the third. Jensen threw for a career-high 313

yards YOUNGSTOWN STATE 59, ILLI-NOIS STATE 21: YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (AP) — Kurt Hess threw four touchdown passes and ran for a fifth, leading Youngstown State to a 59-21 rout of Illinois State in a Missouri Valley Conference matchup Saturday night. The Penguins (6-1, 3-0 MVC) ex-

ploded in the second quarter, outscoring inois State 31-7. Hess threw three of his four scores in the quarter, including a 40-yarder to Andrew Williams, a 67-yard strike to Marcel Caver and a 10-yard pass to Jelani Berassa. Martin Ruiz also had a 26-yard rushing touchdown.

CENTRAL ARKANSAS 31, NE-BRASKA-KEARNEY 0: CONWAY Ark. (AP) — Wynrick Smothers completed 22 passes for 177 yards and added a rushing touchdown as Central Arkansas routed Nebraska-Kearney 31-0 on Satur-

A balanced offensive attack paced the Bears (3-3), while the defense forced two turnovers and held Nebraska-Kearney (1-5) to just 169 yards of total offense. No player scored more than one

touchdown for Bears, who used three quarterbacks, seven different rushers and twelve players caught a pass

The Bears earned their first shutout since 1992 with the victory, while Nebraska-Kearney faced off against a Division I opponent for the third time in school history

MSU-MANKATO 20, AUGUSTANA 10: MANKATO, Minn. - Augustana held a 10-6 lead heading into the fourth quarter but could not hang on as No. 2 Minnesota State scored 14 fourth-quarter points to earn a 20-10 victory Saturday over the Vikings. The Vikings (2-4, 0-2 NSIC South) scored as time expired in the second quarter to take a 7-6 lead heading into the half on a windy afternoon in Mankato. Minn.

The Mavericks remain the only undefeated team in the NSIC at 6-0 overall, 2-0 in South Division play. Minnesota State has now won three straight games over the Viking

DAKOTA WESLEYAN 31, DOANE 20: CRETE, Neb. - For the second straight year, DWU upset Doane College, this time by a 31-20 margin Saturday in Crete, Neb

Francois Bernaud ran for 149 yards and one touchdown for the Tigers, while Jon Bane passed for 187 yards and three scores - two to Anthony Mullenburg.



