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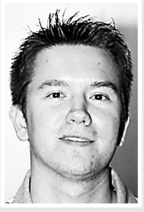

Loss To Wisconsin Means Little For USD's Ultimate Goals

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Be honest, did anyone really expect the University of South Dakota football team to get within four touchdowns of Wisconsin?

Because, quite frankly, the sixth-ranked Badgers are a whole different opponent than was Minnesota, which the Coyotes beat last season. So, it should come as no surprise that Wisconsin — the cream of the crop in the Big Ten Conference — whipped USD 59-10 on Saturday.

You can be rest assured that the Coyotes are already trying to forget what happened in Madison this weekend. They realize it was all about the money (in the neighborhood of $425,000, I was told). Nobody in the country expected a different outcome, let alone for USD to make it a game.

So ends probably the most difficult month in USD football history — two FBS games and a matchup with the top-ranked FCS team, included.

The remaining seven games, starting with next Saturday's home contest with Lindenwood, will tell the true story of the 2011 season. The Coyotes could have lost 159-10 to Wisconsin, it wouldn't have mattered in USD's pursuit of a Great West Conference title.

In what figures to be a wide open league race, the Coyotes can't afford to look back at the Badgers, but rather look ahead to the Thunderbirds, Aggies, Mustangs and Sioux.

USD head coach Ed Meierkort had a great quote after Saturday's game, a line that has been replayed and reprinted across the country: "As long as the check clears, it's a win."

In other words, let's not worry about what happened and now look to the future.

SCOREBOARD

VOLLEYBALL

SATURDAY'S S.D. SCORES

Aberdeen Central def. Brookings, 25-16, 25-22, 25-20
Clark-Willow Lake def. Castlewood, 19-25, 25-19, 25-20, 23-25, 15-9
Colome def. Cody-Kilgore, Neb., 25-14, 25-16, 25-15
Lyman def. New Underwood, 25-9, 25-9, 25-17
Northwestern Area def. Leola-Frederick, 25-8, 25-17, 25-6
Pine Ridge def. Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, 25-20, 25-11, 20-25, 25-22
Sioux Falls Washington def. Pierre, 24-26, 25-11, 25-14, 25-20
Watertown def. Sioux Falls O'Gorman, 25-20, 25-22, 23-25, 25-23
White River def. Rapid City Christian, 25-19, 25-22, 25-21

Belle Fourche Tourn. — Pool A: Belle Fourche def. Upton, Wyo., 25-22, 25-12; Belle Fourche def. Hill City, 25-16, 25-6; Belle Fourche def. Bennett County, 25-7, 25-16; Bennett County def. Hill City, 25-11, 25-27, 25-12; Upton, Wyo. def. Hill City, 25-16, 25-14; Upton, Wyo. def. Bennett County, 25-21, 25-20; Pool B: Broadus, Mont. def. Wall, 23-25, 25-11, 25-15; Broadus, Mont. def. Hot Springs, 25-21, 25-13; Hot Springs def. Wall, 25-22, 25-14; Hot Springs def. St. Thomas More, 20-25, 25-20, 25-8; St. Thomas More def. Wall, 25-21, 25-7; St. Thomas More def. Broadus, Mont., 25-20, 27-25; Pool C: Lead-Deadwood def. Newell, 25-18, 25-18; Lead-Deadwood def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 25-14, 25-20; Newell def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 26-24, 25-12; Philip def. Newell, 25-20, 25-22; Philip def. Lead-Deadwood, 25-27, 25-13, 25-19; Philip def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 25-22, 25-16; 1st Rd: Belle Fourche def. Bennett County, 25-15, 25-16; Bennett County def. Newell, 27-25, 25-12; Hot Springs def. Philip, 13-25, 25-19, 25-19; Lead-Deadwood def. Upton, Wyo., 20-25, 26-24, 25-21; St. Thomas More def. Broadus, Mont., 17-25, 25-19, 25-15; SEMIS: Belle Fourche def. Lead-Deadwood, 25-20, 25-21; St. Thomas More def. Hot Springs, 26-24, 25-18; 1ST: Belle Fourche def. St. Thomas More, 25-11, 25-23

Central Conference Tourn. — 1ST RD.: Chamberlain def. Gettysburg, 25-14, 19-25, 25-12; Miller def. Faulkton, 27-25, 25-18; Mobridge-Pollock def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-9, 25-10; Warner def. Sully Buttes, 25-12, 25-6; CONS.-SEMIS: Faulkton def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-22, 27-25; Sully Buttes def. Gettysburg, 25-8, 26-24; SEMIS: Mobridge-Pollock def. Miller, 23-25, 25-23, 25-17; Warner def. Chamberlain, 25-11, 25-14; 7TH: Gettysburg def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-19, 25-27, 28-26; 5TH: Sully Buttes def. Faulkton, 25-12, 25-19; 3RD: Miller def. Chamberlain, 25-16, 25-27, 25-13; 1ST: Warner def. Mobridge-Pollock, 25-23, 25-21

Cornbelt Conference Tourn. — Bridgewater-Emery def. Canistota, 25-17, 25-22, 20-25, 19-25, 15-10; Freeman def. Menno, 25-16, 25-18, 25-15; Hanson def. Canistota, 25-17, 25-14, 25-23; Hanson def. Bridgewater-Emery, 25-16, 23-25, 25-21, 25-18; Marion def. Menno, 25-20, 25-15, 25-10; Marion def. Freeman, 25-14, 25-23, 21-25, 25-16

Crawford Tourn. — Banner County, Neb. def. Oelrichs, 25-18, 25-19; Crawford, Neb. def. Oelrichs, 25-12, 23-25, 25-10; Hay Springs, Neb. def. Oelrichs, 25-14, 25-9

Eastern Coteau Conference Tourn. — Florence-Henry def. Waubay, 25-20, 25-21; Grant-Deuel def. Waubay, 28-26, 25-15; Great Plains Lutheran def. Tiospa Zina Tribal, 25-19, 25-19; Rosholt def. Wilmot, 25-21, 25-13; Rosholt def. Grant-Deuel, 25-23, 25-20; Summit def. Great Plains Lutheran, 25-11, 25-15; Summit def. Florence-Henry, 25-20, 25-14; Tiospa Zina Tribal def. Florence-Henry, 25-15, 25-23; Waverly-South Shore def. Grant-Deuel, 25-19, 12-25, 26-24; Wilmot def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-16, 22-25, 25-10; 7TH: Florence-Henry def. Grant-Deuel, 25-18, 25-15; 5TH: Tiospa Zina Tribal def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-20, 25-14; 3RD: Great Plains Lutheran def. Wilmot, 25-18, 25-22; 1ST: Summit def. Rosholt, 25-18, 19-25, 25-17

Elkton-Lake Benton Tourn. — Centerville def. Iroquois, 25-19, 25-15; Centerville def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-8, 25-20; Centerville def. Flandreau Indian, 25-13, 25-13; Elkton-Lake Benton def. Flandreau Indian, 25-15, 25-7; Elkton-Lake Benton def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-17, 23-25, 25-17; Elkton-Lake Benton def. Iroquois, 25-6, 25-9; 1ST: Elkton-Lake Benton def. Centerville, 25-21, 25-17

Harrisburg Tourn. — Elk Point-Jefferson def. Tea Area, 20-25, 25-20, 25-17; Milbank def. Dakota Valley, 25-19, 25-16; Pipestone, Minn. def. Harrisburg, 25-21, 25-15; Sisseton def. Harrisburg, 25-19, 25-17; Tri-Valley def. Sisseton, 25-20, 25-20 ; 2ND RD: Elk Point-Jefferson def. Tri-Valley, 25-16, 25-19; Harrisburg def. Dakota Valley, 25-17, 17-25, 25-23; Milbank def. Pipestone, Minn., 10-25, 25-20, 25-21; Sisseton def. Tea Area, 25-19, 25-20; 7TH: Tea Area def. Dakota Valley, 25-20, 23-25, 25-23; 5TH: Sisseton def. Harrisburg, 25-19, 25-17; 3RD: Tri-Valley def. Pipestone, Minn., 25-16, 24-26, 25-17; 1ST: Elk Point-Jefferson def. Milbank, 25-22, 25-18

Kimball Tourn. — 1st Rd: Kimball def. Dakota Christian, 25-16, 25-21; Sunshine Bible Academy def. Plankinton, 18-25, 25-22, 25-23; White Lake def. Jones County, 25-14, 25-9; Wolsey-Wessington def. Wessington Springs, 25-20, 25-19; CONS.-SEMIS: Dakota Christian def. Plankinton, 25-21, 22-25, 25-21; Jones County def. Wessington Springs, 25-15, 25-23; SEMIS: Kimball def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 15-25, 25-9, 25-4; White Lake def. Wolsey-Wessington, 25-12, 25-16; 7TH: Plankinton def. Wessington Springs, 25-21, 25-18; 5TH: Jones County def. Dakota Christian, 25-11, 27-25; 3RD: Wolsey-Wessington def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-23, 18-25, 28-26; 1ST: White Lake def. Kimball, 25-16, 25-15

SATURDAY'S NEB. SCORES

Colome, S.D. def. Cody-Kilgore, 25-14, 25-16, 25-15
West Holt def. Plainview, 27-25, 25-18, 25-27, 25-16

Adams Central Tourn. — Adams Central def. Fillmore Central, 16-25, 25-23, 25-20; Centura def. Centennial, 25-23, 25-16; Doniphan-Trumbull def. Superior, 22-25, 25-13, 25-20; Sandy Creek def. Harvard, 25-8, 25-14; CONS.-SEMIS: Centennial def. Harvard, 25-17, 25-16; Fillmore Central def. Superior, 25-17, 25-19; Fillmore Central def. Superior, 25-17, 25-19; SEMIS: Adams Central def. Doniphan-Trumbull, 25-21, 26-24; Sandy Creek def. Centura, 26-24, 25-17; 7TH: Superior def. Harvard, 25-21, 25-10; 5TH: Fillmore Central def. Centennial, 25-16, 25-17; 3RD: Centura def. Doniphan-Trumbull, 25-17, 25-20; 1ST: Sandy Creek def. Adams Central, 25-10, 25-21

Ansley Tourn. —1st Rd: Arcadia def. Sargent-Loup County, 25-21, 26-24; Ewing def. Loup City, 25-19, 25-14; Sandhills-Thedford def. North Central, 25-22, 25-13; CONS.-SEMIS: North Central def. Loup City, 23-25, 25-14, 25-15; SEMIS: Ansley def. Arcadia, 25-16, 25-17; Ewing def. Sandhills-Thedford, 25-18, 17-25, 25-23; 5TH: Sargent-Loup County def. North Central, 25-17, 25-12; 3RD: Sandhills-Thedford def. Arcadia, 21-25, 25-12, 25-21; 1ST: Ansley def. Ewing, 25-16, 20-25, 25-18

Aurora Tourn. — Aurora def. Central City, 25-9, 25-17; Aurora def. Columbus Lakeview, 20-25, 25-15, 25-10; Aurora def. Crete, 26-24, 25-7; Columbus Lakeview def. Crete, 25-17, 13-25, 25-20; Columbus Lakeview def. Central City, 25-10, 25-11; Crete def. Central City, 25-21, 23-25, 25-8

Axtell Tourn. — Frankfort, Kan. def. Pawnee City, 25-23, 19-25, 28-26; Pawnee City def. Axtell, Kan., 25-11, 25-20; Pawnee City def. Blue Valley, Kan., 25-9, 25-12; Pawnee City def. Bern, Kan., 25-18, 25-15

Bertrand Tourn. — Pool A: Bertrand def. Sumner-Eddyville-Miller, 25-9, 25-17; Bertrand def. Elba-North Loup Scotia, 25-11, 25-12; Elba-North Loup Scotia def. Sumner-Eddyville-Miller, 25-20, 25-7; Pool B: Litchfield def. Pleasanton, 25-21, 25-23; Palmer def. Pleasanton, 25-17, 25-22; Palmer def. Litchfield, 14-25, 25-17, 25-16; 5TH: Pleasanton def. Sumner-Eddyville-Miller, 20-25, 25-15, 25-15; 3RD: Litchfield def. Elba-North Loup Scotia, 21-25, 25-15, 25-21; 1ST: Bertrand def. Palmer, 25-15, 25-19

Brady Tourn. — 1st Rd: Anselmo-Merna def. Mullen, 25-20, 25-23; Brady def. SMC, 25-9, 25-22; Eustis-Farnam def. Maxwell, 25-21, 25-17; Wauneta-Palisade def. South Loup, 25-11, 20-25, 25-19; CONS.-SEMIS: Maxwell def. SMC, 25-20, 25-17; Mullen def. South Loup, 25-19, 17-25, 25-21; SEMIS: Anselmo-Merna def. Wauneta-Palisade, 25-17, 19-25, 25-23; Brady def. Eustis-Farnam, 29-31, 25-13, 25-16; 7TH: South Loup def. SMC, 19-25, 25-18, 25-14; 5TH: Maxwell def. Mullen, 26-24, 25-20; 3RD: Eustis-Farnam def. Wauneta-Palisade, 25-21, 25-13; 1ST: Brady def. Anselmo-Merna, 25-10, 25-18

Cedar Bluffs Tourn. — Cedar Bluffs def. Sterling, 15-25, 25-21, 25-21; Lindsay Holy Family def. Tekamah-Herman, 19-25, 25-21, 25-20; Lindsay Holy Family def. Cedar Bluffs, 25-23, 20-25, 28-26; Sterling def. Lindsay Holy Family, 25-20, 25-18; Sterling def. Tekamah-Herman, 25-27, 25-17, 25-17; Tekamah-Herman def. Cedar Bluffs, 25-22, 25-18

Crawford Tourn. — Banner County def. Oelrichs, S.D., 25-18, 25-19; Crawford def. Oelrichs, S.D., 25-12, 23-25, 25-10; Crawford def. Banner County, 25-22, 25-21; Hay Springs def. Crawford, 25-21, 25-19; Hay Springs def. Oelrichs, S.D., 25-14, 25-9; Hay Springs def. Banner County, 25-20, 25-16

David City Tourn. — Pool A: North Bend Central def. David City, 25-14, 25-17; Wahoo def. North Bend Central, 25-17, 25-22; Wahoo def. David City, 25-4, 25-16; Pool B: Twin River def. Aquinas, 25-17, 25-27, 25-6; Yutan def. Twin River, 25-21, 17-25, 25-20; Yutan def. Aquinas, 25-17, 25-15; 5TH: Aquinas def. David City, 25-12, 25-13; 3RD: Twin River def. North Bend Central, 25-16, 25-15; 1ST: Wahoo def. Yutan, 25-21, 22-25, 26-24

Grand Island Tourn. — Bennington def. Grand Island, 25-18, 25-20; Bennington def. Omaha Bryan, 25-15, 25-17; Grand Island def. Omaha Bryan, 25-16, 25-13; Gretna def. Grand Island, 25-23, 25-18; Gretna def. Bennington, 25-20, 26-24; Gretna def. Omaha Bryan, 25-18, 25-15

Hampton Tourn. — Giltner def. Nebraska Christian, 25-14, 25-11; Giltner def. Mead, 15-25, 25-17, 25-23; Hampton def. Heartland Lutheran, 25-22, 25-9; Hampton def. St. Edward, 25-11, 25-13; Mead def. Nebraska Christian, 25-19, 25-15; St. Edward def. Heartland Lutheran, 25-15, 25-11; 5TH: Nebraska Christian def. Heartland Lutheran, 25-10, 25-17; 3RD: Mead def. St. Edward, 25-21, 25-22; 1ST: Hampton def. Giltner, 23-25, 25-19, 26-24

Hershey Tourn. — Bridgeport def. Gothenburg, 25-10, 25-17; Bridgeport def. Ainsworth, 25-13, 25-14; Gothenburg def. Ainsworth, 25-17, 25-17; Hershey def. Bridgeport, 25-15, 27-25; Hershey def. Ainsworth, 25-7, 25-16; Hershey def. Gothenburg, 25-22, 25-16

Holdrege Tourn. — 1st Rd: Grand Island Central Catholic def. McCook, 25-7, 25-12; Hastings St. Cecilia def. Ravenna, 25-19, 25-11; Minden def. Holdrege, 25-17, 25-21; St. Paul def. Alliance, 25-15, 25-19; CONS.-SEMIS: Holdrege def. Ravenna, 25-19, 27-25; McCook def. Alliance, 13-25, 25-20, 25-23; SEMIS: Grand Island Central Catholic def. St. Paul, 28-18, 25-10; Minden def. Hastings St. Cecilia, 25-21, 25-11; 7TH: Alliance def. Ravenna, 21-25, 25-17, 25-16; 5TH: Holdrege def. McCook, 25-19, 25-14; 3RD: Hastings St. Cecilia def. St. Paul, 20-25, 25-22, 25-18; 1ST: Grand Island Central Catholic def. Minden, 25-14, 25-20

Lincoln Pius X Tourn. — 7TH: Blair def. Omaha Mercy, 25-21, 25-23; 5TH: Platteview def. Beatrice, 18-25, 25-23, 25-22; 3RD: Seward def. Norris, 25-17, 25-18; 1ST: Lincoln Pius X def. Elkhorn South, 25-22, 25-10

Louisville Tourn. — Pool A: Douglas County West def. Johnson County Central, 25-21, 25-14; Louisville def. Douglas County West, 25-20, 25-16; Louisville def. Johnson County Central, 25-6, 21-25, 25-11; Pool B: Concordia def. Weeping Water, 25-11, 25-19; Concordia def. Omaha Brownell-Talbot, 25-15, 25-9; Weeping Water def. Omaha Brownell-Talbot, 25-13, 25-15; 5TH: Omaha Brownell-Talbot def. Johnson County Central, 25-21, 12-25, 25-22; 3RD: Douglas County West def. Weeping Water, 23-25, 25-18, 25-14; 1ST: Concordia def. Louisville, 25-21, 25-14

Nebraska Lutheran Tourn. — Pool A: Lawrence-Nelson def. Shelby, 25-21, 25-16; McCool Junction def. Lawrence-Nelson, 25-11, 25-15; Shelby def. McCool Junction, 25-7, 25-19; Pool B: Cross County def. Nebraska Lutheran, 25-18, 25-12; Exeter-Milligan def. Cross County, 25-18, 25-22; Exeter-Milligan def. Nebraska Lutheran, 25-6, 25-9; 5TH: Nebraska Lutheran def. McCool Junction, 21-25, 25-15, 25-20; 3RD: Lawrence-Nelson def. Cross County, 25-17, 25-22; 1ST: Exeter-Milligan def. Shelby, 25-22, 25-21

Norfolk Catholic Tri — Lutheran High Northeast def. Norfolk Catholic, 25-20, 25-18; Lutheran High Northeast def. Crofton, 25-8, 25-11; Norfolk Catholic def. Crofton, 25-22, 25-14

Northwest Viking Tourn. — Columbus Scotus def. Omaha Northwest, 25-21, 18-25, 25-20; Columbus Scotus def. York, 25-16, 25-15; Hastings def. Lexington, 25-17, 23-25, 25-15; Omaha Northwest def. York, 25-17, 25-6; Omaha Skutt Catholic def. Lexington, 25-17, 25-10; Omaha Skutt Catholic def. Hastings, 25-10, 25-12; 5TH: York def. Lexington, 22-25, 25-17, 25-20; York def. Lexington, 25-22, 25-17; 3RD: Grand Island Northwest def. Hastings, 25-12, 25-5; 1ST: Columbus Scotus def. Omaha Skutt Catholic, 25-21, 27-25

Omaha Christian Academy Tri — Newcastle def. Omaha Christian Academy, 25-23, 19-25, 25-23; Newcastle def. Walthill, 25-21, 25-14; Omaha Christian Academy def. Walthill, 25-7, 25-19

Papillion-La Vista Tourn. — Millard North def. Omaha Central, 25-11, 25-15; Omaha Burke def. Millard West, 25-23, 25-13; Omaha Burke def. Omaha Central, 27-25, 25-14; Papillion-LaVista def. Millard North, 25-19, 25-22; Papillion-LaVista South def. Millard West, 25-13, 25-15

Pius X Tourn. — Green Pool: Beatrice def. Omaha Mercy, 25-18, 25-12; Lincoln Pius X def. Omaha Mercy, 25-11, 25-11; Lincoln Pius X def. Beatrice, 25-13, 25-11; Lincoln Pius X def. Norris, 25-13, 25-10; Norris def. Beatrice, 22-25, 25-16, 25-11; Norris def. Omaha Mercy, 27-25, 25-5 ; Gold Pool: Elkhorn South def. Platteview, 25-20, 25-11; Elkhorn South def. Blair, 25-8, 25-5; Elkhorn South def. Seward, 25-18, 26-24; Platteview def. Blair, 25-20, 22-25, 25-15; Seward def. Blair, 25-16, 25-12; Seward def. Platteview, 25-14, 25-12

Schuyler Tourn. — 1st Rd: Bishop Neumann def. Schuyler, 25-23, 28-26; Omaha Duchesne Academy def. Nebraska City, 25-15, 25-22; 3RD: Schuyler def. Nebraska City, 13-25, 25-21, 25-20; 1ST: Omaha Duchesne Academy def. Bishop Neumann, 19-25, 25-17, 25-20

Scribner-Snyder Tourn. — Pool A: Howells def. Scribner-Snyder, 25-14, 25-20; Howells def. Allen, 25-20, 25-19; Scribner-Snyder def. Allen, 25-13, 25-18; Pool B: Arlington def. Dodge, 25-17, 23-25; Arlington def. Oakland-Craig, 25-10, 25-15; Dodge def. Oakland-Craig, 25-7, 25-11; 5TH: Allen def. Oakland-Craig, 25-14, 24-26, 25-22; 3RD: Dodge def. Scribner-Snyder, 25-20, 25-20; 1ST: Howells def. Arlington, 25-22, 25-21

Southern Tourn. — Heartland def. Malcolm, 25-21, 25-19; Heartland def. Southern, 25-11, 25-11; Malcolm def. Southern, 25-11, 25-22; Thayer Central def. Southern, 25-19, 25-12; Thayer Central def. Malcolm, 25-17, 25-15; Thayer Central def. Heartland, 25-21, 25-18

Wisner-Pilger Tourn. — Humphrey St. Francis def. Homer, 25-23, 25-19; Laurel-Concord-Coleridge def. Wayne, 27-25, 17-25, 25-21; Pierce def. CWC, 25-22, 25-15; Wisner-Pilger def. Madison, 25-11, 25-17; CONS.-SEMIS: Humphrey St. Francis def. CWC, 25-23, 25-12; Wayne def. Madison, 25-11, 25-14; SEMIS: Laurel-Concord-Coleridge def. Wisner-Pilger, 25-18, 25-22; Pierce def. Homer, 25-19, 25-19; 7TH: CWC def. Madison, 25-13, 25-16; 5TH: Wayne def. Humphrey St. Francis, 25-14, 25-19; 3RD: Wisner-Pilger def. Homer, 25-19, 25-10; 1ST: Laurel-Concord-Coleridge def. Pierce, 25-16, 25-22

FOOTBALL

SATURDAY'S S.D. SCORES

Harding County 38, Philip 6
Lead-Deadwood 40, Hill City 20

SATURDAY'S AREA COLLEGE

Augustana 34, SW Minnesota St. 24
Concordia, Neb. 21, Dordt 7
Doane 27, Neb. Wesleyan 3
Eureka 55, Presentation 27
Hastings 38, Briar Cliff 0
Morningside 28, Midland 27
Northwestern 63, Dakota State 27
Wayne, Neb. 37, Northern St. 10

THE AP TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 24, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. LSU (42)	4-0	1,471	2
2. Oklahoma (12)	3-0	1,422	1
3. Alabama (5)	4-0	1,413	3
4. Boise St. (1)	3-0	1,280	4
5. Oklahoma St.	4-0	1,209	7
6. Stanford	3-0	1,205	5
7. Wisconsin	4-0	1,177	6
8. Nebraska	4-0	991	9
9. Oregon	3-1	985	10
10. South Carolina	4-0	950	12
11. Virginia Tech	4-0	883	13
12. Florida	4-0	820	15
13. Clemson	4-0	744	21
14. Texas A&M	2-1	734	8
15. Baylor	3-0	659	17
16. South Florida	4-0	585	18
17. Texas	3-0	466	19
18. Arkansas	3-1	434	14
19. Michigan	4-0	417	22
20. TCU	3-1	338	20
21. Georgia Tech	4-0	298	25
22. West Virginia	3-1	280	16
23. Florida St.	2-2	239	11
24. Illinois	4-0	179	24
25. Arizona St.	3-1	112	NR

Others receiving votes: Michigan St. 51, Houston 38, Auburn 25, Iowa St. 21, Ohio St. 15, Kansas St. 14, Utah 12, Penn St. 9, Georgia 8, Washington 4, Notre Dame 3, Tennessee 3, Navy 2, Southern Cal 2, Mississippi St. 1, Missouri 1.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Sunday, Sep. 25
New Orleans 40, Houston 33
Tennessee 17, Denver 14
Detroit 26, Minnesota 23, OT
San Francisco 13, Cincinnati 8
Buffalo 34, New England 31
N.Y. Giants 29, Philadelphia 16
Cleveland 17, Miami 16
Carolina 16, Jacksonville 10
San Diego 20, Kansas City 17
Oakland 34, N.Y. Jets 24
Baltimore 37, St. Louis 7
Seattle 13, Arizona 10
Green Bay 27, Chicago 17
Tampa Bay 16, Atlanta 13
Pittsburgh at Indianapolis, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Sep. 26
Washington at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-New York	97	61	.614	—
Boston	88	70	.557	9
Tampa Bay	88	71	.553	9 1/2
Toronto	80	79	.503	17 1/2
Baltimore	67	92	.421	30 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Detroit	92	67	.579	—
Cleveland	80	79	.503	12
Chicago	77	82	.484	15
Kansas City	70	89	.440	22
Minnesota	61	98	.384	31
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Texas	93	66	.585	—
Los Angeles	86	73	.541	7
Oakland	72	87	.453	21
Seattle	66	93	.415	27

x-clinched division

Saturday's Games
Cleveland 8, Minnesota 2, 1st game
N.Y. Yankees 9, Boston 1
Texas 7, Seattle 3
Baltimore 6, Detroit 5
Cleveland 7, Minnesota 6, 2nd game
Chicago White Sox 6, Kansas City 3
Tampa Bay 6, Toronto 2
L.A. Angels 4, Oakland 2
Sunday's Games
Detroit 10, Baltimore 6
N.Y. Yankees 6, Boston 2, 1st game
Minnesota 6, Cleveland 4, 10 innings
Tampa Bay 5, Toronto 2
Kansas City 2, Chicago White Sox 1
Texas 12, Seattle 5
Oakland 6, L.A. Angels 5
Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 6:30 p.m., 2nd game
Monday's Games
Boston (Beckett 13-6) at Baltimore (Tom.Hunter 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (U.Jimenez 4-3) at Detroit (Fister 10-13), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Undecided) at Tampa Bay (Shields 15-12), 6:10 p.m.
Kansas City (F.Paulino 3-6) at Minnesota (Slowey 0-7), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (McGowan 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Axelrod 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Texas (C.Wilson 16-7) at L.A. Angels (Haren 16-9), 9:05 p.m.
Oakland (McCarthy 9-8) at Seattle (Vargas 9-13), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Philadelphia	99	60	.623	—
Atlanta	89	70	.560	10
Washington	78	80	.494	20 1/2
New York	76	83	.478	23
Florida	71	88	.447	28
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Milwaukee	94	65	.591	—
St. Louis	88	71	.553	6
Cincinnati	77	82	.484	17
Pittsburgh	71	88	.447	23
Chicago	70	89	.440	24
Houston	55	104	.346	39
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Arizona	93	66	.585	—
San Francisco	84	75	.528	9
Los Angeles	80	78	.506	12 1/2
Colorado	72	87	.453	21
San Diego	69	90	.434	24

x-clinched division

Saturday's Games
Washington 4, Atlanta 1
St. Louis 2, Chicago Cubs 1
N.Y. Mets 2, Philadelphia 1, 1st game
Pittsburgh 4, Cincinnati 3
Colorado 4, Houston 2, 13 innings
Milwaukee 6, Florida 4
N.Y. Mets 6, Philadelphia 3, 2nd game
Arizona 15, San Francisco 2
San Diego 3, L.A. Dodgers 0
Sunday's Games
Washington 3, Atlanta 0
Cincinnati 5, Pittsburgh 4
Colorado 19, Houston 3
Milwaukee 9, Florida 5
Philadelphia 9, N.Y. Mets 4
St. Louis 3, Chicago Cubs 2
L.A. Dodgers 6, San Diego 2
Arizona 5, San Francisco 2
Monday's Games
Cincinnati (H.Bailey 9-7) at N.Y. Mets (Schwinden 0-2), 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 16-8) at Atlanta (Delgado 1-1), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (Milone 1-0) at Florida (Ani.Sanchez 8-9), 6:10 p.m.
St. Louis (J.Garcia 13-7) at Houston (W.Rodriguez 11-11), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Morton 10-10) at Milwaukee (Marcum 13-7), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Eveland 2-2) at Arizona (D.Hudson 16-11), 8:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (C.Coleman 3-8) at San Diego (Latos 8-14), 9:05 p.m.
Colorado (Chacin 11-13) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 12-7), 9:15 p.m.

AREA CALENDAR

Monday, September 26

CROSS COUNTRY, PREP Sioux City West Inv. (Crofton, Dakota Valley, 4:30 p.m.); West Central Inv. (Parker, 4 p.m.)
FOOTBALL, JV YHS at S.F. O'Gorman (4:15 p.m.)
FOOTBALL, SOPH YHS at Brandon Valley (4:15 p.m.)
GOLF, BOYS' S.D. Regions — 2A at The Bluffs GC, Vermillion (Beresford, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Vermillion, 9 a.m.); 3A at Lakeview GC, Mitchell (Bon Homme, Parkston, Wagner)
SOCCER, BOYS' Brookings at Yankton (6 p.m.)
SOCCER, BOYS' JV Brookings at Yankton (4 p.m.)
SOCCER, GIRLS' JV Brookings at Yankton (4 p.m.)
TENNIS, GIRLS' Mitchell at Vermillion
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' Newcastle Inv. (Allen, Newcastle, Ponca, Wynot); Ethan at Menno (SN); Santee vs. Niobrara-Verdigre at Niobrara; Sergeant Bluff-Luton at Dakota Valley; Wagner vs. Bridgewater-Emery at Emery

Tuesday, September 27

CHEER & DANCE, PREP S.F. O'Gorman Inv. (YHS, 5:30 p.m.)
GOLF, WOMEN'S Midland Inv. at Fremont CC (MMC)
GOLF, GIRLS' Mid-State Conf. at Albion (Crofton, 1 p.m.)
SOCCER, GIRLS' West Central at Vermillion
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S USD at Neb.-Omaha (7 p.m.); Dakota Wesleyan at MMC (7:30 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S JV Dakota Wesleyan at MMC (6 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' YHS at Brandon Valley (7 p.m.); Cornbelt Conf. Tourn. at Marion (Freeman, Marion, Menno, 5 p.m.); Newcastle Inv. (Allen, Newcastle, Ponca, Wynot); Andes Central at Colome; Chester Area at Beresford; Clearwater-Orchard/Niobrara-Verdigre/West Boyd at Lynch; Creighton at Randolph; Dakota Valley at Bon Homme; Elk Point-Jefferson at Tri-Valley; Laurel-Concord-Coleridge at Pierce; Lutheran High Northeast at Crofton; Scotland at Avon; Tripp-Delmont-Armour at Parkston; Vermillion at Wagner; Wakefield/Wausa at Hartington
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' JV YHS at Brandon Valley (4:30 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' SOPH YHS at Brandon Valley (5:45 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, GIRLS' 9TH YHS at Brandon Valley (4:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, September 28

CROSS COUNTRY, PREP Parker Inv. at Par Mar GC (Alcester-Hudson, Avon, Bon Homme, Ethan-Parkston, Freeman, Gayville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Marion, Marty, Menno, Parker, Platte-Geddes, Scotland, Viborg-Hurley, Wagner, 2 p.m.)
SOCCER, MEN'S MMC at Dakota Wesleyan (8 p.m.)
SOCCER, WOMEN'S MMC at Dakota Wesleyan (5:30 p.m.)

Tennis: Gazelles Go 2-1, Finish At 15-8

BROOKINGS — The Yankton Gazelles girls' tennis team finished the regular season 15-8 by going 2-1 in a quadrangular at Brookings Saturday.

Yankton beat Brookings 7-2 and Milbank 6-3. Sioux Falls Roosevelt topped the Gazelles 7-2.

Vanessa Rockne (3-0), Leslie Henderson (2-0) and Sarah Rockne (3-0) each went unbeaten in singles play for Yankton. Also in singles play, Lexie Klimisch went 2-1, Dani Gill went 1-2, and Erin Rasmussen (0-2) and Bre Schmidt (0-1) were winless.

In doubles play, Vanessa Rockne and Klimisch teamed up to go 2-1. Henderson and Gill, and Sarah Rockne and Schmidt each scored one victory.

Yankton heads to Brandon Thursday for the Eastern South Dakota Conference Championships.

Bucks Finish Fourth In ESD Golf

WATERTOWN — Yankton finished fourth as a team in the Eastern South Dakota Conference boys' golf Tournament, held Saturday at Cattail Crossing Golf Course.

Brandon Valley won the team event with a 305, five strokes better than the host Arrows. Watertown's Nick Gottsleben shot a 73 and beat Brandon Valley's Trevor Tobin in a playoff to earn the individual title.

Yankton's Jace Guthmiller and Lane Sawatzke tied for sixth at 77, leading the Bucks to a 319 team score. Also for the Bucks, Brandon Frick shot 82, Mitch Schlingman shot 83, Logan Megard carded a 89 and Mason Sundleaf shot 91.

The Bucks are off until the South Dakota State Class AA Golf Tournament, Oct. 3-4 at Spearfish.

Wisconsin

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"I think that was huge for our offense, and huge for our team in general," Wilson said. "The defense did a great job of stopping them, getting us the ball back. When we can go down there and score and execute when we really need to, that's a tough thing for an opposing team."

Running back Montee Ball had a pair of touchdowns and wide receiver Jared Abbrederis added 101 yards and a touchdown for Wisconsin.

Quarterback Dante Warren struggled for South Dakota (2-2), a Football Championship Subdivision school. He eventually was replaced by Josh Vander Maten, who led the Coyotes to a late score.

"We're in a different world than this group is," South Dakota coach Ed Meierkort said. "We understood that coming in. We have to move on. They have their agenda and we have ours."

The Coyotes came into Saturday's game with some experience on the road in the Big Ten, having won at Minnesota last season. What they didn't have was an answer for Toon, the son of former Wisconsin and New York Jets standout Al Toon.

He had 151 yards and both of his touchdowns in the first half alone. And while his scoring plays might get more attention, his most impressive play might have been a leaping one-handed catch early on.

Bielema said he was happy with his team's focus, with a big game looming next week.

"I didn't hear our guys talking about Nebraska, as much as it was brought up to them," Bielema said.

But Wisconsin didn't appear headed toward a rout early on, squandering a handful of scoring chances and allowing the Coyotes to stick around into the second quarter.

Trailing 7-0 after a touchdown by Ball, South Dakota drove into Wisconsin territory on back-to-back possessions in the first quarter — only to have them both end with interceptions by Wisconsin's defense, the first by safety Shelton Johnson and the second by linebacker Chris Borland. Johnson would leave with a leg injury later in the half.

But the Badgers managed only three points off of the two turnovers, a 25-yard field goal by Kyle French. French also missed a 50-yard attempt.

Wisconsin then allowed an even deeper drive by the Coyotes, holding on third-and-goal and forcing South Dakota to settle for a 24-yard field goal by Kevin Robb to cut the Wisconsin lead to 10-3 with 6:34 left in the second quarter.

Then Wisconsin took over, scoring three touchdowns in the final six minutes of the half.

White gave the Badgers some breathing room with his long touchdown run. After a South Dakota punt, Toon took a short pass 59 yards for a touchdown.

The Badgers got the ball back in the final two minutes of the half, and a 45-yard pass from Wilson to Toon set the Badgers up for another scoring chance. Facing third-and-goal on the 2, Wilson found Toon in the back of the end zone for a touchdown. After a replay review confirmed the score, Wisconsin went into halftime leading 31-3.

Meierkort said it would take a while for his team to get over Saturday's game.

"But again, put it in perspective," Meierkort said. "I knew this was going to happen. We're not going to be the only team these guys put a whipping on."

Notes: Already somewhat thin in the secondary, Wisconsin lost Johnson to a leg injury in the first half. Bielema said Johnson had a "severe" bruise and might have to be hospitalized overnight, but may be able to play against Nebraska... Abbrederis had a long punt return for a touchdown nullified by a penalty in the third quarter. ... Meierkort began his head coaching career at Wisconsin-Stout.

Softball

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Cassandra Kranz homered for Watertown.

Jaclyn Arens struck out six for the win. Elli Stevenson took the loss, also striking out six.

YANKTON 16, BROOKINGS 1: Yankton used a 12-run first inning to coast to victory.

Tayler Hutchison doubled and singled, and Andi Sprakel went 2-3 with three RBI and two runs scored to lead Yankton. Arens tripled, drove in three and scored twice. Kozak tripled, drove in a run and scored three. Hinseth, Janessa Ekeren and Katie Koletzky all drove in two runs.

Abby Weisbeck tripled for Brookings.

Koletzky struck out five in the three-inning contest for the win.

MITCHELL 4, YANKTON 2: Mitchell jumped out to a 4-1 lead and held on for the title-clinching victory.

Emily Sudbeck doubled and singled, driving in a run and scoring another, to lead Mitchell. Abby Sudbeck had a hit, a RBI and a run scored.

Hinseth went 2-3 with a double and a run scored. Kozak homered. Hutchison had a hit and a RBI.

Hallie Misiaszek struck out eight for the win. Koletzky took the loss.

State JV Tourn.

SIOUX FALLS — Yankton went 0-3 in the state JV softball tournament Friday.

WATERTOWN I 13, YANKTON 6: Madison Dangler had two hits and a RBI, and Sophie Drotzmann had two hits to lead Yankton. Heather Hauer and Alisa Ruzicka also had hits. Kalyn Peterka, Jenny Feilmeier and Julie DeWitt added hits.

Becky Frick took the loss, striking out two. Dangler struck out four in three innings of relief.

ROOSEVELT I 11, YANKTON 3: Peterka had three hits and a RBI for Yankton. Feilmeier had two hits. Frick had a hit and Kourtney Erickson drove in a run for the Gazelles.

Peterka struck out one in the loss.

MITCHELL GOLD 8, YANKTON 5: Feilmeier had a double and three singles, and Erickson doubled and singled, driving in a run, for Yankton. Peterka also had two hits. Dangler doubled, and Frick and Hauer added hits for Yankton.

Frick took the loss, striking out three.

Coyotes

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The Coyotes recorded just four attack errors and hit .400 in the set.

"It was nice to have our crowd see who we actually are, and to see what we're capable of," Kritenbrink said.

USD faced adversity for the first time in the third set, as UMKC jumped ahead 9-3 in the third set, and later held a 16-11 cushion.

Yet, the Coyotes slowly battled back and pulled in front 19-18 on a kill by sophomore setter Tori Kroll — who had 41 set assists in the win.

Up 21-20, USD closed the match with four straight points.

The Coyotes step out of Summit League action for a match Tuesday night against former North Central Conference and future Summit League rival Nebraska-Omaha in Omaha, Neb.

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