### Broncos' draft choices filled holes

DENVER (AP) — In a draft that have quality drafts, because if you our board that we had targeted in the satisfied the team's needs more closely than in recent memory, the Denver Broncos plugged all of their holes, including the selection of a punter in the fourth round on Sunday.

The Broncos entered the draft seeking help at cornerback, defensive end, wide receiver, in the offensive line and at punter. With their six choices, they filled each position.

Punter Nick Harris of California was the most intriguing pick on the second day. Considered the best punter in the country, Harris was one of only two kickers to be drafted.

Harris will challenge incumbent Tom Rouen, who struggled last season.

Denver's other choices on Sunday were center Ben Hamilton of Minnesota, also in the fourth round, and wide receiver Kevin Kasper of Iowa, in the

"You hope you made the right decisions, but you never really know what kind of draft you have until two or three years later," coach Mike Shanahan said. "Everybody is happy now. If these people step up and contribute, you know you had a great draft. I think we did well. We'll find out over time.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

**East Division** 

**Central Division** 

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**West Division** 

Saturday's Games

Boston 8, N.Y. Yankees 3

Tampa Bay 6, Baltimore 5

Seattle 5, Anaheim 2

Oakland 7. Texas 6

Cleveland 11, Detroit 3

Texas 11, Oakland 2

No games scheduled

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Kansas City 5, Toronto 1

Cleveland 5, Detroit 4, 11 innings

Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 3

Kansas City 5, Toronto 4, 13 innings

Baltimore 10, Tampa Bay 8, 11 innings

N.Y. Yankees 4, Boston 3, 10 innings

Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 2

Sunday's Games

Today's Games

Tuesday's Games

Texas (Davis 2-1) at Toronto (Hamilton 2-1), 5:05

Minnesota (Redman 1-1) at Boston (Crawford 1-

Baltimore (Hentgen 0-2) at Detroit (Weaver 1-3),

Anaheim (Schoeneweis 1-1) at Cleveland (Colon

Seattle (Garcia 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 2-Kansas City (Meadows 0-2) at Tampa Bay Oakland (Zito 2-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle

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make too many mistakes you have to seventh round," Shanahan said, "but go into the free-agent market and that's we felt we had a chance to get all three when the salary cap catches up with through free agency. More times than you very quickly.'

Harris has a strong leg, averaging 42.3 yards per punt over his career. He also has good hang time and is adept at dropping the ball inside the 20-yard line. In his senior season, 36 of his 73 kicks (49 percent) were downed inside the 20-yard line, and he had only four touchbacks.

"That's my specialty," Harris said. "Coach Shanahan told me (defensive coordinator) Ray Rhodes was the most on the defensive side of the football, excited about my selection because then we've got a chance to compete for I'm going to pin them on the 1-yard line a Super Bowl," Shanahan told ESPN. and he's going to bring the dogs after

Harris said he knew Rouen "has been in the league for a long time. I'm sure they're bringing me in to either give him some competition or to take over. It should be fun."

Initially holding 10 choices, the Broncos traded away four, including all three of their picks in the seventh round. They sent that trio of picks to but until they actually perform, you've Atlanta in exchange for the Falcons' No. 4 pick in 2002.

"There were three guys we had on

Saturday's Games

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh 4, Chicago Cubs 3, 10 innings

San Diego 7, Los Angeles 6, 11 innings

Today's Games

Atlanta (Glavine 2-1) at Houston (Dotel 1-1), 6:05

Florida (Dempster 2-1) at Arizona (Johnson 2-2),

Philadelphia (Chen 0-1) at San Diego (Eaton 2-

Atlanta (Perez 1-2) at Houston (Reynolds 0-1),

N.Y. Mets (Rusch 1-0) at Milwaukee (Wright 2-2),

Montreal (Vazguez 2-1) at St. Louis (Kile 2-2).

Chicago Cubs (Tapani 3-0) at Colorado (Hamp-

Florida (Clement 1-1) at Arizona (Ellis 1-0), 7:35

Philadelphia (Wolf 0-3) at San Diego (Williams 1-

Pittsburgh (Olivares 0-2) at Los Angeles (Park 2-

Cincinnati (Brower 1-0) at San Francisco

Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Mets 5, Cincinnati 2

St. Louis 9, Houston 2

Florida 5, Montreal 0

Montreal 6. Florida 2

N.Y. Mets 5, Cincinnati

Philadelphia 3, Atlanta 2

Colorado 2, Arizona 1

Houston 4, St. Louis 3

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San Francisco 6. Milwaukee 4

Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 1

Arizona 10, Colorado 5

Los Angeles 4, San Diego 2

Chicago Cubs 4, Pittsburgh 3

Milwaukee 6, San Francisco 3

### Cowgirls win at meet The Goodland Daily News

The Goodland Cowgirl track team is on a winning streak. For the second meet in a row, the girls walked off the field with first place on Friday, this time with a six-point win at Holcomb.

The Cowgirls had 86 points with Ulysses a close second at 80. Colby tied for third with Ness City at 51 and Southwestern Heights took fifth with

Cowgirl Rachael Hagerman took two firsts in both the high hurdles and the 300m hurdles to go with a second place leap in the long jump. Hagerman's victory in the high hurdles was the second consecutive meet that

Goodland's Jayci Stone took first in the pole vault, out vaulting her closest competitor by over two feet.

The Cowboys continued their improvement with a fourth-place finish. Their 49 points put them behind Ulysses, which finished first with 73 points, Colby with 63, and Lakin at 62.5.

Goodland was paced by two first-

place finishes, a second consecutive win by Luke Stone in the 400m dash and Bryan Mai's victory in the 300m

Goodland's next action will be at 2 p.m. Friday where the Cowboys will host the annual Tri-State Relays at their home track.

#### TEAM RESULTS Cowgirls

100m Dash: Cody Pettibone, second, 12.7; Rebecca Gattshall, 13.4; Cri Bertelli, 14.1. High Hurdles: Hagerman, first, 15.6; Adrial

lstrom, 18.1, Megan Leonard, 19.2. 200m Dash: Pettibone, second, 26.9; Julia Darnauer, 30.2: Cri Bertelli, 32.7. 300m Hurdles: Hagerman, first, 49.1; Alstrom

53.5: Leonard, 54.7. 400m Dash: Darnauer, 1:03.6; Ashley Hallagin

:04.8; Danielle Hellerud, 1:06.3. 800m Dash: Jill Sowers, 2:41.5; Erinn Hardy

1600m Run: Kendra Billinger, third, 5:50.8. 3200m Run: Billinger, second, 12:56.7; Tiffany

Schwasinger, 15:23.7 Shot Put: Andrea Fenner, 28'1; Hayley Jarmin 27'5; Janet VanDonge, 23'11.

Discus: Fenner, 76'8; Jarmin, 74'8; VanDonge Javelin: Jarmin, third, 98'10; Fenner, 78'6

VanDonge, 54'11 Pole Vault: Stone, first, 10'3.

**Long Jump:** Hagerman, second, 16'5.5; Janae McKee, 13'7.5; Schwasinger, 13'8.

Triple Jump: Alstrom, 31' 6; McKee, 30'11.5 Lacey Brenner, 30'7.

High Jump: Brenner, fourth (tie), 4'10; Stone, 4'8. 4x100m Relay: Gattshall, Hagerman, Pettibone Stone, third, 52.5

4x400m Relay: Sowers, Darnauer, Stone

#### 4x800m Relay: Hardy, Hallagin, Hellerud, Sow

100m Dash: Stone, 11.6; Kris Rubio, 12.0; Lance Tedford, 12.0.

High Hurdles: Mai, fifth, 16.2; Daniel Melia 200m Dash: Kris Rubio, 25.4; Tedford, 26.5.

300m Hurdles: Mai, first, 42.0; Daniel Melia

400m Dash: Stone, first, 50.6; Jared Doke

800m Dash: Aaron Gittinger, fourth, 2:09.3;

Shandan Wolak, 2:21.7. 1600m Run: Gittinger, fourth, 4:55.8.

3200m Run: Speedy Aguilar, third, 11:01.4. Shot Put: Sean Greenlee, 39'5.5; Andrew Melia, 38': Tom Cotter, 37'9

Discus: Landon West, 121'8; Greenlee, 112'7 Dan Bagnell, 100'9. Javelin: West, sixth, 150'3; Andrew Melia

17'3; Tayler Brack, 125'. Pole Vault: Daniel Melia, third, 11': Brack, 9'6

Long Jump: Tedford, 19'2; Rubio, 17'10; 4x400m Relay: Rubio, Jeremy Stefan, Mai,

Stone, third, 3:32.4. 4x800m Relay: Stefan, Wolak, Jared Doke

worked six strong innings.

limited him to 87 games.

Royals beat

Blue Jays, 5-1

chance to win."

"You have to give credit to Astacio,"

Walker homered with two outs in the

Reynoso said. "He pitched a pretty

good game. But I pitched to give us a

first. With nine home runs, he already

has matched the total he had in 2000,

when a stress fracture in his right elbow

"I don't have a broken arm this year,

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) —

Dan Reichert allowed two hits in

eight-plus innings and Mark Quinn

and Mike Sweeney hit two-run

homers as the Kansas City Royals

beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-1 Sun-

Reichert (2-1) allowed one un-

earned run, struck out six and

walked five, leaving after walking

the first two batters in the ninth.

so things are a little different," Walker

## Rockies leave with victory

PHOENIX (AP) — Larry Walker's end the game as Jimenez picked up his hits off Armando Reynoso (1-3), who power, Jeff Cirillo's defense and Pedro Astacio's pitching gave the Colorado Rockies what they desperately wanted to leave Phoenix with a victory.

The Rockies, who had dropped two straight in Arizona after winning five more times than not.' games in a row, beat the Diamondbacks 2-1 Sunday.

"It was a game we really needed," Rockies manager Buddy Bell said. "I mean, we had a sweep in San Diego, and then you come here and drop two. You'd obviously like to win them all, but when you go back home 4-2 it makes it a lot easier to end a trip." Astacio (3-1) came within three outs

of throwing the first one-hitter in Colorado history. He left in the ninth after he tied a major league record by hitting his fourth batter and gave up a single to Matt Williams. Mike Myers allowed a single to

Erubiel Durazo, loading the bases and bringing Jose Jimenez in from the bullpen. But Cirillo fielded a grounder by

Reggie Sanders, forced Williams at

Steve Finley then grounded out to The Rockies managed only three

fifth save in six chances. "We had a chance to do it in the

ninth," Williams said. "It didn't happen, but we gave ourselves a chance. We'll come through in that situation Walker hit a solo homer in the first

inning. He also singled in the eighth to set up Cirillo's sacrifice fly off Bret Prinz, who made his major league debut not long after arriving from Triple-A Tucson in the fifth inning. Astacio became the 23rd pitcher in

modern major league history to hit four batters in a game. Orel Hershiser was the last to do it, last season with Los Angeles. "Three guys, it was with a breaking

ball, breaking in," Astacio said. "I can't control that. The only thing I can do is get the next hitter and get out of the situation. But I don't say this is the best I've thrown. This was a good game, and it was real important to me to help my team win — especially after we lost the first two here.' Astacio only gave up Finley's sec-

third and threw out Sanders at first for ond-inning single until running into a double play. Luis Gonzalez scored on trouble. He struck out eight and walked

Reichert lowered his ERA to 2.73 and his only loss was 1-0 to the Yankees' Mike Mussina in the third game of the season. Quinn homered in the fourth in-

ning off Esteban Loaiza (3-1)

#### Chiefs' coach satisfied with results of draft

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Dick Vermeil wrapped up his first draft as coach of the Kansas City Chiefs with a satisfying feeling of accomplish-

not, you have a chance to get a player

you really like in the fourth round.

On the opening day of the draft Sat-

urday, the Broncos got defensive, tak-

ing Minnesota cornerback Willie

Middlebrooks in the first round and

defensive ends Paul Toviessi of

Marshall and Reggie Hayward of Iowa

"I think if we can make some strides

"Last season, there was only one team

that gave up more yards per play than

"We kind of backed out of a couple

of (trade) situations," Shanahan said,

"just because we feel good about Mike

and we've got two running backs com-

ing off surgery right now and we're not

really sure where they're at. We're

hoping they're going to be ready to go,

always got that question mark in the

Asked if he expected to begin the

2001 season with all three backs on the

roster, he said, "I'm sure hoping so. We

know that injuries happen, and hope-

fully we have some depth at that posi-

tion and we can play all of them."

back of your mind."

That's why we made the trade.'

State in the next two rounds.

"I've started out two rebuilding programs," said the man who took both Philadelphia and St. Louis to the Super Bowl. "And I've never been this far along as I am right now with the total

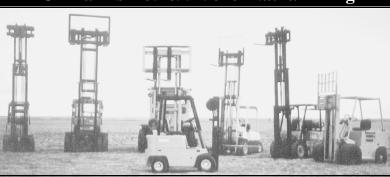
acceptance of things and approach." Even though they had no first- or second-round picks, the Chiefs had supplemental choices in every other round but the sixth, and came away with nine players altogether. Most familiar to Chiefs fans is Monty Beisel, an All-Big 12 defensive end from Kansas State taken in round No. 4 on Sun-

But the big news, of course, was the trade with the Rams for Trent Green, a 30-year-old quarterback coming off knee surgery whom the Chiefs say was

well worth giving up their first-round

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