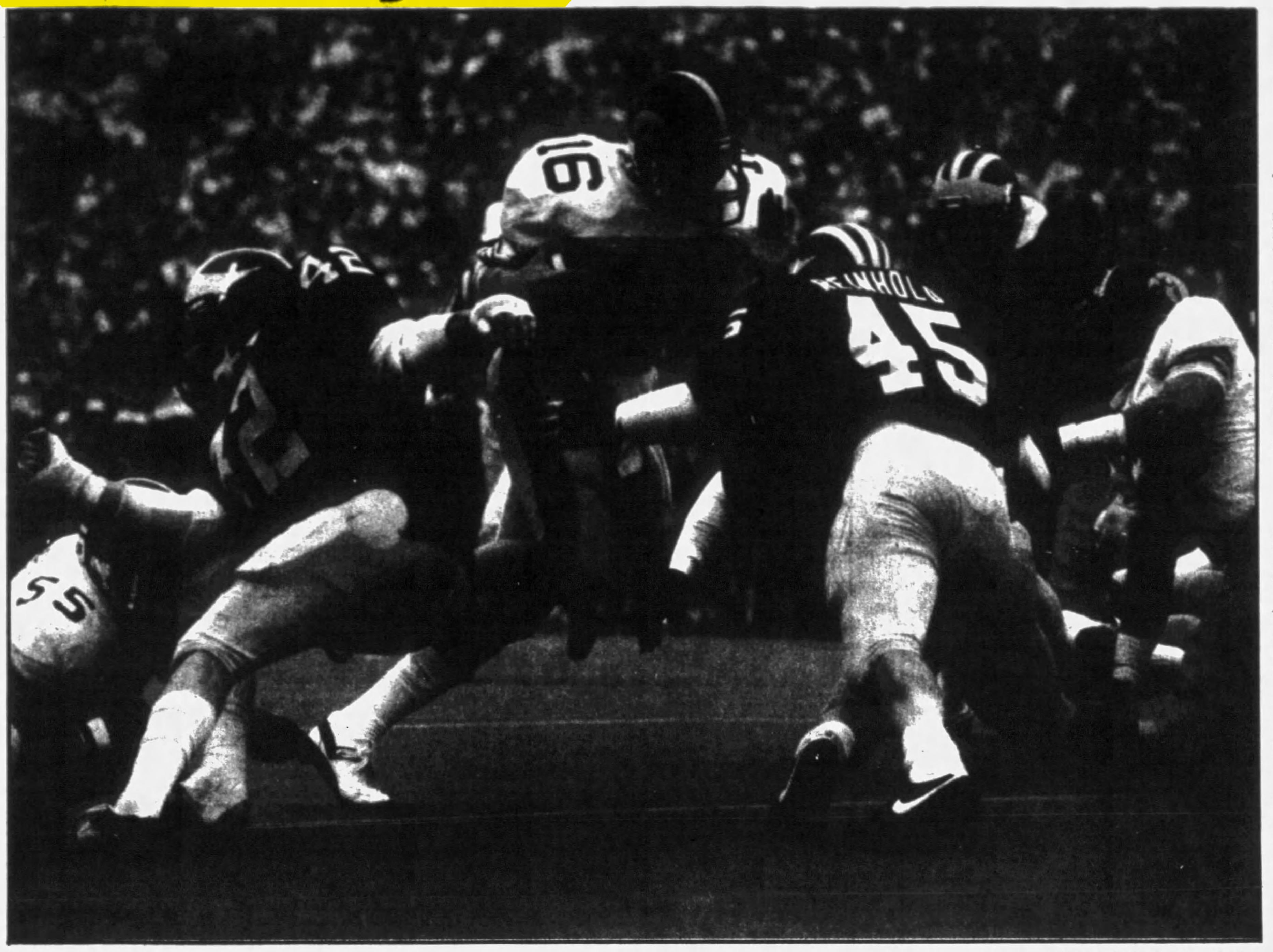
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Gazette photo by Greg Mellis Iowa quarterback Chuck Long fights for tough yardage on a drab afternoon in Ann Arbor, Mich., Saturday

Michigan wins in last minute

By Mark Dukes

Gazette assistant sports editor

ANN ARBOR, Mich. - It's back to the Big Two in the Big Ten.

Just when it looked as if lowa was going to make the league picture a three-horse race, the Hawkeyes' chances were fumbled away and virtually kicked out the window.

Owen Gill's fumble at the Michigan 29-yard line with 1:30 remaining and Bob Bergeron's linedrive, 45-yard field goal with eight seconds left rescued 10th-rated Michigan, 16-13, in a nationally-televised football clash Saturday.

"We've been winning those close ones at Iowa - six last year (by a touchdown or less)," a crestfallen Coach Hayden Fry said. "Now, I guess they finally caught up with us."

Replace Ohio State with Illinois and you have the new Big Two. Michigan's victory set up a

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showdown Saturday with the Illini at Champaign. The two teams are tied for the Big Ten lead with 5-0 records, while Iowa, Ohio State and Wisconsin share third place at 3-2.

The crowd of 104,559 soggy fans in Michigan Stadium looked as gloomy as the weather in the final two minutes, as 12th-rated Iowa drove to what looked to be at least a winning field goal

Keith Hunter's interception at the Iowa 49 with 4:33 remaining put the Hawks in prime field position to pull out a victory. Four plays later, Chuck Long's underthrown pass was caught by Dave Moritz for 13 yards to the Michigan 31.

Tom Nichol, whose three field goals beat Michigan 9-7 here two years ago, had kicked a school-record 56-yard field goal in the first half and a 27-yarder in the fourth quarter. With ball possession and time on its side, Iowa appeared to have at least a tie salted away.

But on second-and-12 from the 33, Gill ran off right guard, was jarred by linebacker Carlton Rose and fumbled the ball away to Michigan's Rodney Lyles.

"We're going in for the winning field goal .

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Gazette photo by John McIvor FLYING HIGH — Li Shaowen of the Peoples Republic of China flies through the air as partner Hu Fufen prepares to catch him.

U.S. tumbles way to golden moment

By Kris Owara Gazette sports reporter

The Sixth Annual World Cup of Sports Acrobatics came to a close Saturday night at the Five Seasons Center, but not before the United States had its own golden moment.

The crowd of nearly 4,000 people was treated to many innovative and breath-taking tricks, but America's first gold medal in a World Cup had

to stand out as a very special

moment. Steve Elliott provided the hometown folks with a little something extra to cheer about by winning the men's individual straight tumbling.

Elliott, a former Nebraska gymnast, had his problems in the allaround competition, but Saturday he hit his straight tumbling routine • Please turn to page 9B: Gold

Bo sure likes bowl questions now By Gus Schrader Gazette sports columnist

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — What a the way Michigan Coach Bo Schembechler looks at bowl games.

Oct. 17, 1981 — Iowa's Tommy Nichol kicks three field goals for a of the Rose Bowl picture. A news reporter dares to ask Bo about the other bowl possibilities. "To hell with the bowls!" Bo

the floor. He terminates his press conference abruptly, slams the door behind him and can be heard repeating, "To hell with the bowls!" as he stomps to his dressing room. Oct. 22, 1983 — This time the Michigan coach, who has survived a

snaps, hurling a half-eaten apple at

heart attack and subsequent by-pass surgery, is all smiles as he fields happy, breathless questions from Michigan reporters. Inevitably, someone with a long

memory breaks up the blissful Qand-A session to ask if Bo still feels that way about bowls.

"I said that?" Bo demands, his voice incredulous but his face breaking into a knowing grin. difference two years can make in "Couldn't have been. Must have been someone else. Sure, I like

bowls. We've been in a lot of 'em. "Next week will be a big one, just as this was. We'll have to be ready 9-7 upset that knocks Michigan out for Illinois, just as we were this

> "We were tested today. I'm happy to win this game. This thing (the Big Ten race) is going to be snug. We couldn't put Iowa away. They were a tough team. We were our own worst enemies.

> "We were fortunate to win. I'd have been very disappointed with a Bo was asked if Iowa changed its

running game at the half in order to get more rushing yards the second "No, Iowa has two great, big

running backs (Owen Gill and Norm Granger), and a big offensive line to block for them," he replied.

"Sure, these guys can run, but we • Please turn to page 7B: Bo



AP Photo

BAD NEWS — Hayden Fry, lowa head coach, and freshman Robert Smith watch in dismay as Michigan kicks a 45-yard field goal with just seconds left to defeat lowa Saturday afternoon.

Sooners forget Marcus, rip ISU

By Bob Denney Gazette sportswriter

NORMAN, Okla. — A gentleman caller to radio station KTOK here Saturday morning could have passed as soothsayer by mid-afternoon for the discriminating Oklahoma football fan.

"Marcus who?" the caller asked. "We don't have to go all the way to Mississippi to find a player good enough to play here. We've got plenty of them already in our own backyard."

No kidding.

Actually, the Dupree-less Sooners showed no side effects from the much-publicized defection of their

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star tailback to Southern Mississippi. The 16th-ranked club, fans were saying this week, was bound to explode sooner or later.

The eruption took place at Owen Field, right in the faces of Iowa State's Cyclones, with 75,008 fans cheering a 49-11 victory on Dad's

It was a vintage Oklahoma land rush, featuring big scoring plays that have become almost part of the game plan since Barry Switzer

became head coach here 11 years ago. The victory moved Oklahoma to 5-2 and 3-0 in the Big Eight Conference, while Iowa State fell to 3-4 and 2-1. The Sooners are now matched with Nebraska at the top of the league in a stretch drive for the title and an Orange Bowl bid.

The work, however, goes on for owa State and first-year coach Jim Criner.

Though his Cyclones were in a footrace most of the afternoon with a superior speed-gifted team, there was some consolation in the continued standout performance by quarterback David Archer.

The "Throwin' Idahoan" from Soda Springs continued his assault on the ISU record book. He completed 20 of 36 passes for 196 yards and one touchdown (his 12th of the season). His day's work left him with 261 career completions, one more than the previous all-time mark set by Tim Van Galder (1964-66). The Sooners did snap one Archer streak, not allowing him to pass the 200-yard plateau for the

first time in the past six outings. "I thought our offensive line did a great job today, I had alot of time to throw," Archer said. "But, we made

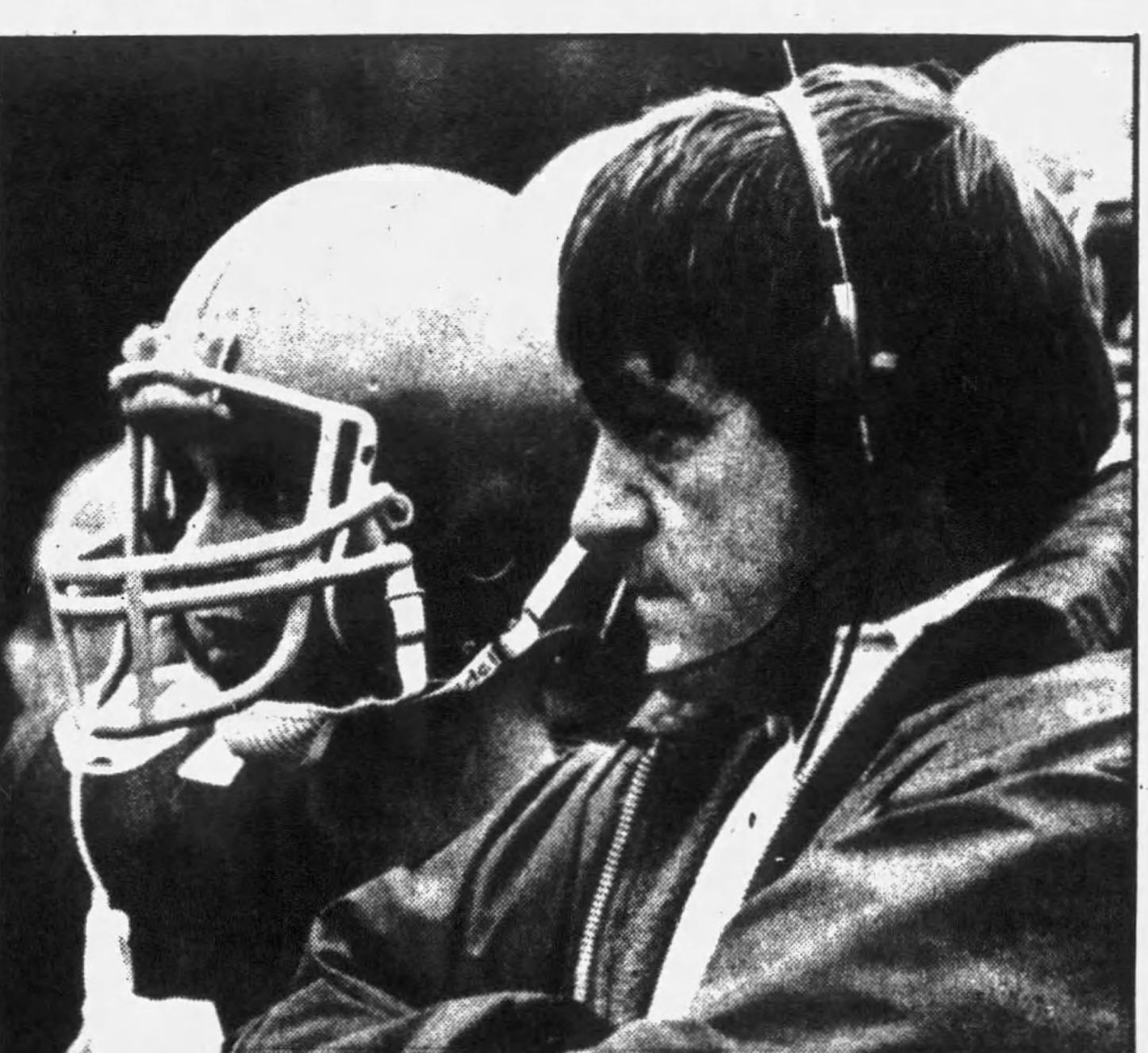
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How The AP Top Twenty Fared

. Nebraska (8-0) drubbed Colorado, 69-19 2. Texas (6-0) edged SMU, 15-12 3. North Carolina (7-0) was idle 4. West Virginia (6-1) lost to Penn State, 41-23 5. Auburn (6-1-0) topped Mississippi St., 28-13 6. Florida (6-0-1) nipped East Carolina, 24-17 7. Georgia (6-0-1) walloped Kentucky, 47-21 8. Miami, Fla. (7-1) beat Cincinnati, 17-7 9. SMU (5-1) lost to Texas, 15-12

10. Michigan (6-1-0) beat lowa, 16-13

11. Illinois (6-1) beat Purdue, 35-21 12. IOWA (5-2) lost to Michigan, 16-13 13. Arizona State (4-1-1) lost to Washington St., 31-21 14. Washington (6-1) ripped Oregon, 32-3 15. Maryland (6-1) crushed Duke, 38-3 16. Oklahoma (5-2) smashed lowa State, 49-11 17. Ohio State (5-2) got by Michigan St., 21-11 18. Brigham Young (6-1) whipped San Diego St., 47-21 19. Arizona (5-2-1) was upset by Stanford, 31-22 20. Alabama (4-2) was idle.



Gazette photo by L.W. Ward

CHEER UP, BOB — Coe football coach Bob Thurness wears an expression of concern as his Kohawks play Illinois College Saturday at Coe's homecoming. Thurness need not have worried, however, as his team won, 49-0. At Thurness's side is wide receiver Joel Holst. Another photo, story on page 5C.