SPORTS FOCUS

TOP ROOKIES. The Associated Press named Miami running back Troy Stradford of Boston College and Buffalo linebacker Shane Conlan of Penn State its Rookies of the Year. Stradford, the 11th running back taken in this year's draft, led the Dolphins in both receptions and rushing. His 1,076 total yards were second in the AFC behind Eric Dickerson and a team record for a rookie. Conlan led Buffalo in tackles with 114 in 12 games, including 14 in a 34-21 loss to the Los Angeles Raiders.

GOLIC HAS SURGERY. Cleveland nose tackle Bob Golic had surgery Tuesday on his broken right arm and will not likely recuperate in time for either the Super Bowl or the Pro Bowl. Golic broke the radius in his right arm in the first half of Saturday's 19-13 victory over Pittsburgh. Dave Puzzuoli will take Golic's placed during the playoffs.

PLAYOFF POINTS. The Chicago Bears defense finished the NFL season second-best for the first time since 1983. The NFL's defensive rating system puts the Bears second behind San Francisco at the end of this season. They're ranked first against the rush and seventh against the pass. . . . The New Orleans Saints' playoff telecast will pre-empt the popular telecast of Jackson (Miss.) First Baptist Church Service. The service ties as the most-watched show during its Sunday morning hour with "Star Trek: The Next Generation." ... After being cut twice, including once by Indianapolis, Colts kicker Dean Biasucci has the league's best field-goal percentage (88.9 percent on 24 of 27) and finished third among kickers in scoring with 96 points. He made all 24 of his extra-point attempts.... Minnesota will start Tommy Kramer at quarterback when it meets the Saints in Sunday's playoff game.



Dame's Andre Rogers and teammates visited a dude ranch as part of Cotton Bowl festivities.

COLLEGE BOWLS

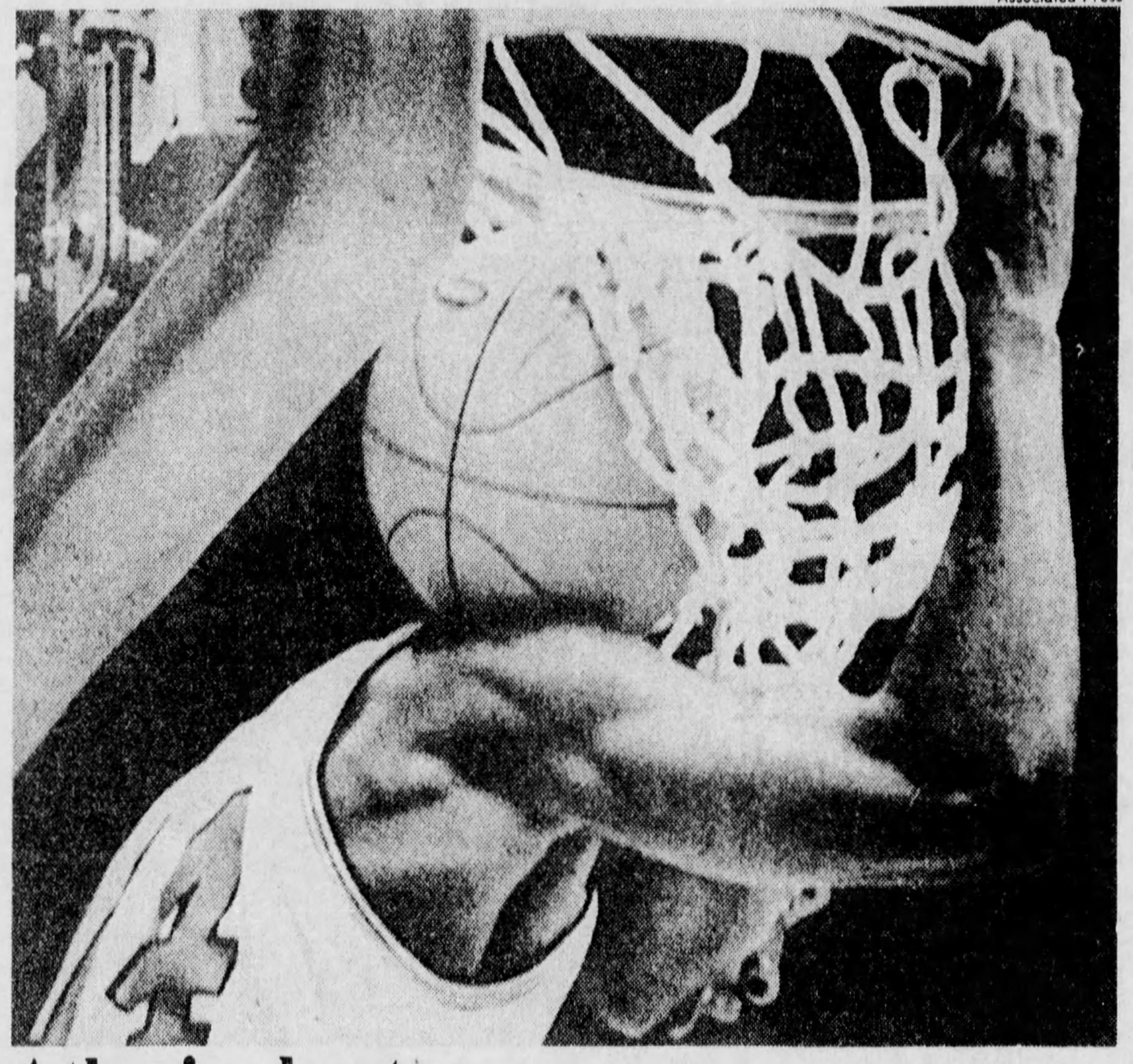
ORANGE (Miami). Oklahoma defensive tackle Darren Kilpatrick injured ligaments in his left knee Tuesday and won't play. Scott Evans will start. . . . Oklahoma's Barry Switzer was one of four inducted into the Orange Bowl's Hall of Honor. Others were Penn State Coach Joe Paterno, former Penn State defensive tackle Mike Reid and former Colorado lineman Joe Romig.

COTTON (Dallas). Quarterback Terry Andrysiak, who hasn't played since October because of a broken left collarbone, will start for Notre Dame if he's healthy. "We're just not as predictable with him [Andrysiak] at quarterback," Irish Coach Lou Holtz said.

... Texas A&M will start freshman Bucky Richardson at quarterback.

FREEDOM (Anaheim). Flanker Chris Garrett and defensive end Pat Taylor will play but won't start after being arrested Monday for investigation of obstructing an Anaheim police officer. They were released on their own recognizance.

HALL OF FAME (Tampa). Because the game is on natural turf, Michigan players are doing a lot of leg exercises. The Wolverines, whose home turf is artificial, have been criticized for not doing well on the real stuff.



Atlas in shorts

TUESDAY'S GAMES. Three

goals within 62 seconds of the

second period broke open Que-

bec's 5-1 victory over Buffalo. . . .

Chris Dahlquist's goal with 3:27

left in the third let Pittsburgh tie

Boston, 4-4. ... Pat LaFontaine's

goal with 2:13 left in the third

gave the Islanders a 3-3 tie with

the Rangers. ... Bobby Smith

scored twice and Montreal sty-

ALL-STAR VOTING LEADERS

(Through Monday)

111.813; 2. Kelly Hrudey, N.Y. Islanders.

196,229: 2. Paul Coffey, Pittsburgh, 170,653: 3.

233,545; 2. Peter Stastny, Quebec, 91,336; 3.

Marcel Dionne, N.Y. Rangers, 57,455.

3. Brian Propp, Philadelphia, 81,762.

3. Mike Gartner, Washington, 77.815.

102.224; 3. Patrick Roy, Montreal, 102,103.

Goaltender - 1. Ron Hextall. Philadelphia.

Defense -- 1. Raymond Bourque, Boston,

Center - 1. Mario Lemieux, Pittsburgh,

Left Wing - 1. Michel Goulet, Quebec.

Right Wing - 1. Kevin Dineen, Hartford,

156,351; 2. Mats Naslund, Montreal, 108,045;

125,565; 2. Claude Lemieux, Montreal, 95,358;

mied Vancouver, 4-1.

Summaries: 4S.

Chris Chelios, Montreal.

South Dakota's Tim Hatchett, formerly of Sioux City Heelan, appears to be carrying the rim and the ball on his shoulders; actually, he's grabbing the rim on the way down from a dunk. The Coyotes lost to Nebraska-Omaha, 88-85, in the North Central Conference holiday tournament Monday at Sioux Falls, S.D.

AROUND IOWA

TOP STORIES. Associated Press writers and homa State, Penn State, Iowa, Iowa State, Northern broadcasters voted Tom Davis' inaugural basketball season — a 30-5 record and a team-record 18 straight victories — the top Iowa sports story of 1987. The Hawkeyes were ranked No. 1 nationally at midseason and came within one game of reaching the NCAA Final Four. The rest of the top five stories: 2. Iowa State winning the NCAA wrestling champi-

onship, dashing Iowa's hopes to become the first school to win 10 straight titles in a sport;

3. Ventura's Lynne Lorenzen breaking the national high school scoring record and finishing with 6,736 career points in leading her team to the six-player state championship;

4. Iowa State and Iowa football players' involvement as undergraduates with sports agents Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom;

5. Iowa's 9-3 regular season in football and its seventh straight bowl appearance.

WRESTLING RANKINGS. Three of Iowa's Big Four schools continue to be nationally ranked by Amateur Wrestling News magazine. In fact, they're right on top of each other: Iowa is fourth, Iowa State is fifth and Northern Iowa is sixth. Arizona State got the top ranking for the first time ever. The rest of the top 20: Okla-

Iowa, Lock Haven (Conn.), Minnesota, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, North Carolina, Edinboro (Pa.), Michigan, North Carolina State, Bloomsburg (Pa.), Indiana, Ohio State, West Virginia, Nebraska and Navy.

137,312.

172,955.

phia, 150,812.

NBA

TUESDAY'S GAMES. Atlan-

ta handed Chicago its fifth

straight loss, 108-98. ... Mark

Aguirre's status was in doubt be-

cause of a twisted ankle, but he

scored 24 points in the first half to

pace Dallas over Sacramento,

126-117.... Coming off the bench,

Joe Barry Carroll scored 25

points in Houston's 101-91 victory

at Detroit that snapped the Pis-

Milwaukee had first-period runs

of 12-1 and 12-2 in routing New

Jersey, 106-88. . . . A 12-0 fourth-

period run helped New York

break a nine-game losing streak

against Portland with a 123-110

victory.... Utah won for only the

third time in 14 road games,

98-97, at Denver. Karl Malone led

the Jazz with 37 points. . . . The

Los Angeles Lakers won their

ninth straight game, 131-114,

over Philadelphia. Sixers star

forward Charles Barkley was

ejected in the third period for

ALL-STAR VOTING LEADERS

(through Monday)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ton, 191,751; 2. Tree Rollins, Atlanta,

145,237; 3. Robert Parish, Boston,

Forwards - 1. Larry Bird, Boston,

Guards - 1. Michael Jordan, Chica-

242,498; 2. Dominique Wilkins, Atlanta.

240,980; 3. Charles Barkley, Philadel-

go, 361,466; 2. Isiah Thomas, Detroit,

202,225; 3. Glenn "Doc" Rivers, Atlanta,

Centers - 1. Moses Malone, Washing-

elbowing L.A.'s A.C. Green.

Summaries: 4S.

tons' 10-game winning streak. . .

SKI IOWA. Five Iowa communities have joined to form the Iowa Challenge Cup cross-country ski race series. Each race will include a longer Cup race and a shorter novice course. Additional information is available from Mark Eubank, 1522 College Street, Cedar Falls, Ia., at 319-277-4239 or Mark Johnson, Route 2, Box 50A, Cresco, Ia., 319-547-2906.

Jan. 3-Slip-Slidin' Away Race at Mason City. 5K at 10 a.m. and 16K at 11 a.m. at Pilot Knob Park. Contact: Steve Kolbach, 525 1st N.E., Mason City, 50401 or 515-423-2200. Jan. 10-Langrenn at Decorah. 3K and 10K at 1 p.m. at Luther College Campus, Decorah. Contact: Decorah Parks and Recreation, 801 Park St., Decorah, 52101 or 319-382-4158.

Jan. 17-Turkey Trek at Cresco. 5K and 20K at noon at Cresco, la. Jan. 24-Der Flatlander at Waterloo. 5K and 15K at 1 p.m at Gates Park, Waterloo, la. Contact: Eubank Jan. 31-Winterfest at Dubuque. 5K and 10K at 1 p.m. and relay at 10 a.m. at Bunker Hill Golf Course, Dubuque, la. Contact: Rudy or Sue

Prusko, 800 Town Clock Plaza, Dubuque, or 319-556-1121.

TOPS IN TENNIS. The Byrnes Park Tennis Center in Waterloo was named facility of the year at the annual Missouri Valley Tennis Association meeting at Overland Park, Kan. The MVTA covers five states, including Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Mis-

Oklahoma State corrais Midwest wrestling meet title

By MIKE SCHOLER Register Staff Writer

Five of seven Oklahoma State finalists won championships Tuesday and the defending champion Cowboys easily captured the team title of the Drake Midwest Championships wrestling meet at the Drake Fieldhouse.

With just six starters entered due to weather-related transportation problems, the second-ranked Cowboys earned 1751/4 points. Runner-up Fullerton State totaled 92 points. Iowa State's split-squad entry was third with 833/4. Morgan State had 81.

Cowboys winning championships were Cory Baze at 118, Kendall Cross

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(126), Mike Farrell (177), Lawrence Jackson (142) and John Smith (134). Farrell defeated teammate Chris Barnes. Wade Zimmerman (158) also lost a final-round match.

Smith, ranked No. 1 in the nation in his class, lived up to his billing, defeating Jon Anderson of Drake by technical fall, 25-10, in a final. The defending national champ led, 7-2, after the first period, before Anderson rallied. Smith then rolled up 12 points in the third period to end the match with 16 seconds left.

Cross beat Steve Knight of Iow State, 8-7, after Knight had reached the finals on three straight falls. Cross trailed, 6-5, after the second period, but pulled in front with a takedown.

Jackson downed Cyclone Murray Anderson, 11-6.

"This is a good meet for us, coming right after Christmas, to get back on the mat and into action," Cowboy Coach Joe Seay said. "I'm happy with everyone, and Smith [named most valuable wrestler of the meet]

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showed what a quality athlete he is."

Other final-round winners were Chauncy Wynn of Morgan State at 158, Erik Osborne of Cal Poly at 167 and Dave Attaway of Illinois State at 190. Attaway edged Mike Himes of Upper Iowa, 7-6.

Paul Weltha of Iowa Central, a former state champion at Ames, posted a major upset by nipping top-seeded Dave Jones of Fullerton State, 3-2, in the heavyweight finale.

Iowa State took three third-place victories: Sean Watt (118), Gary McCall (126), and Bob Thompson | the uprights to make up for earlier (158). Mike Kelly finished fourth at 167 pounds.

Iowa trails Arizona club at Midlands tournament

EVANSTON, ILL. (AP) - The Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club from Tempe, Ariz., led fourth-ranked Iowa after two rounds Tuesday of the Midlands Wrestling Championships at Northwestern University.

The Arizona club had 26 points to 19.25 for the second-place Hawkeyes.

In an early-round upset, John Barrett of Lock Haven, Conn., defeated third-seeded Jeff Heffernan of Iowa 3-3, in a referee decision.

Heavyweight Bruce Baumgartner, the 1984 Olympic gold medal-winner and the 1986 world champion, collected two pins: Cary Starnal of the University of Chicago in 3 minutes 14 seconds and Brian Krasowski of Wisconsin in 52 seconds.

The two victories gave Baumgartner his 40th Midlands career wrestling victory.

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Georgia wins Liberty Bowl on field goal

MEMPHIS, TENN. (AP) - Freshman kicker John Kasay, who missed two earlier field goal attempts, connected from 39 yards as time expired Tuesday night to give No. 15 Georgia a 20-17 victory over Arkansas in the Liberty Bowl.

The kick was set up when Georgia cornerback Carver Russaw intercepted a pass by Arkansas' Greg Thomas at the Razorback 43-yard line with 56 seconds remaining.

The Bulldogs (9-3) used three plays in moving to the Arkansas 22 to put Kasay in position. After an Arkansas timeout, the left-footed Kasay split misses from 49 and 47 yards.

Kasay's winning kick came 1:37 after Arkansas missed an opportunity for its third straight bowl victory over the Bulldogs. Kendall Trainor missed a 35-yard field goal attempt after Arkansas (9-4) had driven from its 12-yard line to the Georgia 11.

Arkansas, which beat Georgia in the 1969 Sugar Bowl and 1976 Cotton Bowl, dominated for three quarters under Thomas, who scored two touchdowns and was named the game's outstanding player.

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Rushing—Arkansas: G. Thomas 13-79, Rouse 18-72; Georgia: Jackson 10-72, Tate 14-46.
Passing—Arkansas: G. Thomas 7-17-2-86; Georgia: Jackson 15-25-2-148. Receiving-Arkansas: Winston 2-36, Horton 2-28: Georgia: J. Thomas 7-76.

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Hey, wake up: The game can't possibly be this sleepy

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Iowa basketball team was playing up the road in Long Beach.

Fry said he'd have a statement after the game. And he did. He and his assistants would look into the USC

Now, there was a story. As was Denny Stolz, the San Diego State coach. He was bent out of shape by a reporter who wrote that, in the event of a San Diego State victory, there ought to be a congressional investigation, or some such.

A year ago there were themes and counterthemes, plots and subplots. Games within the game. This year the only conjecture revolves around the identity of Iowa's opponent in next year's Holiday Bowl.

Alas, the big news this year — other than the suspension of two low starters — is the weather.

This just in: On Tuesday it rained in San Diego. There were actually puddles on the streets and sidewalks.

That might not sound like a national disaster to the popsicle people stuck in the great white way of Iowa. News reports here say the state is one big ice rink.

If it's any consolation to you freezer-burn victims back home, a fiveday cold snap in these parts sent temperatures plummeting into the low 20s - and the California Avocado Commission scurrying to count casualties.

Other than that, Sea World hasn't changed much from a year ago. Shamu the Whale is a year older. And judging by his act, you can't teach an old whale new tricks.

The U.S.S. Constellation is still afloat. Same as last year, when the Hawkeyes shambled aboard for their first tour of duty.

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As for the head coaches, they're especially docile, as if a trainer has been slipping tranquilizers into their

daily porridge. Paul Roach, the 60-year-old rookie coach, has been a laid-back delight. He looks more like your favorite uncle than a candidate for national Coach of the Year.

Roach spent most of his stay at Sea World chatting informally with reporters, of all people. Every now and then he'd stop to burn a cigarette off a passerby in Cowboy colors.

"Hey," he said between drags, "did I tell you we had a couple of players injured in practice?"

If every coach were like Roach, investigative sports journalism would wither and die. The guy takes himself about as seriously as the nation takes his team.

The Wyoming players, overlooked by nine out of 10 opinion polls, don't even have the requisite chip on their shoulders. While the Hawkeyes, old hands that they are on the bowl circuit, are more subdued in their appreciation of the Holiday Bowl, the Cowboys are not.

They are a wide-eyed band of overgrown toddlers on Christmas morning. And loose. These guys are loose.

Asked whether Fennis Dembo, the Cowboy basketball star, could play for them, a group of players, giddy from a shopping spree in Tijuana, chortled. "Nah," one said, laughing. "He ain't stud enough."

No, it's been too easy out here. Too peaceful. What we need is a good coaching rumor. Fry to Arizona State, maybe.

If the game turns out to be a cure for insomnia, too, don't say you weren't warned.

Morningside gets to tournament final

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) -Morningside rolled into the title game of the North Central Conference Holiday Basketball Tournament with a 75-68 victory Tuesday night over Northern Colorado.

The Maroon Chiefs (5-3) will play Augustana (S.D.), a 77-72 winner over Nebraska-Omaha, in today's championship game. The Chiefs haven't been in the championship since 1982, when they won the title.

Mark Mohl scored nine straight points to put the Chiefs ahead to stay, 59-58. Morningside had trailed through the first half.

at halftime," Morningside Coach Tom McCracken said.

l'eams stress passing in Holiday Bowl

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for 166 yards before the injured Craig Burnett came in to throw for 70 more. Burnett passed for 2,799 yards and 20 touchdowns while guiding the offense of Paul Roach, a 60-year-old

rookie coach. "Jack Murphy Stadium is my favorite place to play," said Burnett. "I don't know why, but I just love the

New Starters

That's not good news to Iowa's defensive unit, which will be without starting end Joe Mott, No. 1 free safety Dwight Sistrunk and reserve lineman Paul Glonek. All have been suspended for this game by Coach Hayden Fry for breaking training rules. Sean Ridley will move into the starting lineup at end, and Jay Hess will get the call in the secondary.

"We'll go with Hess mainly because he's a senior," said Elliott. "Tork Hook will also play a lot." It's expected that all-Big Ten

strong safety Kerry Burt will move into the free safety slot for this game, with Hess and Hook alternating at strong safety.

Burnett called Mott and Sistrunk two of Iowa's best players, but added, "With the type of football machine Iowa has, I wouldn't be surprised if they pull out guys who are almost as good, if not better. They have so much

Iowa has an outstanding quarterback of its own, Chuck Hartlieb, who is closing a storybook junior season that saw him pass for 2,855 yards and 19 touchdowns after starting the year as a reserve.

Last Year's Hero

Rob Houghtlin's 41-yard field goal with 4 seconds remaining gave Iowa its 39-38 Holiday Bowl victory over San Diego State last year.

Houghtlin, who will be playing his final game as a Hawkeye, needs eight points to break the Big Ten career kick scoring record of 295 held by Ohio State's Vlade Janakievski.

Fry thinks it will be a high-scoring game, but Roach hopes it isn't. "I don't know if a shootout enhances our chances," said Roach. "Even though we've come back to win six games this season, I don't think it will be easy to do that against Iowa."

Iowa hasn't been beaten since a 37-10 defeat at Michigan on Oct. 17. The Hawkeyes are riding a five-game "I kind of got on them a little hard | winning streak, and no Iowa team has finished a season winning six in a row since 1922.

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