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Bob In the wake of the news

Golf's dictator has ideal realm

PONTE VEDRA, Fla.—Woe to the super sleuth who arrives at PGA Tour headquarters in ill humor, searching for scandal or a sordid side of professional golf. It is a thankless task, to be sure, like playing 18 holes into the teeth of a gale.

Probe the closet to any other game and out tumble the skeletons. But here at dimple control, you open the door and find Deane Beman, smiling the smile of a man who has eaten the world's last canary. It is enough to make his stressed-out lodge brothers weep.

Peter Ueberroth of baseball leaves to successor A. Bartlett Giamatti the very real prospect of a strike to end all strikes next season. Pete Rozelle, football, closes his eyes in the tanning parlor and hears the judge's gavel. John Ziegler cannot, or will not, decide whether to have hockey fight or switch. David Stern's NBA desk is relatively clear of pressing issues, if only he could implement a workable cocaine cap, too.

And then there is Deane Beman, a contemporary of all the above, the commissioner of the PGA Tour. Come Thursday, the best golfers on the planet will tee it up in The Players Championship at the Tournament Players Club. They're all here, from Azinger to Zoeller, with Nicklaus and Norman in between. This is Beman's baby, his idea in his back yard, and you figure it's got to be his best week of the year until you realize that he's got 52 of them. What, Beman worry? About square grooves? Such is the extent of the man's job-related tensions.

"Yes, I have talked with the people who run other sports," Beman says somewhat sheepishly. "I talk with them quite often, in fact. And what they are is envious of what we've got. I consider ourselves fortunate and

myself blessed." If you're average folk, you probably wouldn't know Deane Beman if he fell out of a cart, visor first. He's short on charisma, he's short on handshakes, he's short on repartee, he's short, period. Which might be why some of the beltless bankers he rules with a firm interlocking grip refer to him as Napoleon, a dictator, a tyrant. But Beman is also short on the controversies and slop operas that pollute other forms of athletics. Most administrators wrestle with mundane and ponderous concerns, from antitrust suits to antiestablishment unions. Meanwhile, Beman swims in casual water. When he gets yelled at, it's about Sun-

day pin placements. Not that Deane Beman presides over a bunch of wimps or choir boys. On the contrary, the PGA Tour is a bastion of capitalism, of individuality, of independent contractors. You'll hear about the occasional tiff with Mac O'Grady when he goes public, or when Seve Ballesteros says his piece. But it's private stuff when Arnold Palmer dashes off a letter of constructive criticism, or when Tom Watson telephones headquarters and asks for the boss, or when Nicklaus himself mouths a gentle jab about policy. You think dealing with agents and lawyers is exhausting? How about dealing with corporations? Uh, Commissioner Beman, Golden Bear Inc., is on your private line.

Thing is, when all's said and done, even those who have bowed to an uneasy coexistence with Beman comprehend that he's the absolute best Attila who ever happened to the game. When he took over as commissioner in 1974, the Tour's assets were something like \$730,000. Now, make it something more like \$70 million. In other words, even those who speak with forked tongue about Deane Beman admit that he is very good at filling their pockets with money. Professional golf never has been healthier. It is so healthy, in fact, that the stock splits before our very eyes. Beman oversees the extraordinarily popular Senior Tour and, starting next year, a Ben Hogan Tour-30 more events for young and aspiring millionaires.

"We are not geniuses," Beman says. "We See Verdi, pg. 13

Frieder 'regrets the timing'



AP Laserphoto It appears that Arizona State's full-court press was just too much for long-time Michigan coach Bill Frieder to withstand.

Says Arizona St. pressed him for answer

By Robert Markus

He may be the right man in the right place, but even Bill Frieder admitted he picked the wrong time to leave Michigan to become head basketball coach at Arizona State.

Frieder, 47, was named coach of the Sun Devils at a press conference in Tempe, Ariz., Wednesday morning, just hours before his Wolverines flew to Atlanta to begin preparing for their NCAA Tournament first-round game against Xavier.

Arizona State Athletic Director Charles Harris said Frieder will be signed to a four-year contract, subject to approval by the state Board of Regents. The deal reportedly is worth between \$250,000 and \$300,000 per year.

Frieder flew to Atlanta to meet the Wolverines immediately after the press conference, but he will not coach the team in the Southeast Regional beginning Friday.

"I don't want someone from Arizona State coaching Michigan," said Michigan Athletic Director Bo Schembechler. "I want a Michigan man coaching Michigan." Schembechler selected assistant coach Steve Fisher to direct the Wolverines throughout the tournament.

Schembechler himself met with the team at noon Wednesday to deliver a pep talk and, though he is coaching the football team in spring practice, plans to fly to Atlanta Thursday to lend support.

"I resent having to do this when I should be coaching spring football," he said, "but I'll do

There was obvious resentment in Ann Arbor over the way Frieder left, taking a plane to Phoenix Tuesday night without informing anyone he was going.

"I do regret the timing," Frieder said. "I won't argue the timing is bad. There will be some negatives said about me at that end. But if I was going to come here, I had to make a

Frieder said Harris had called him Tuesday and given him 20 minutes to make up his mind whether he wanted the job.

"He said, 'I can't wait any longer. I'm going to go to the board of trustees and say we've got Bo Schembechler claims he See Frieder, pg. 8 was taken by surprise.



AP Laserphoto

Wisconsin, Ohio St. advance

From Chicago Tribune wires

Wisconsin needed every ounce of its home-court advantage in the school's first postseason tournament appearance in 42 years.

The Badgers also needed 22 points from Trent Jackson, an 18second-half run and four free throws in the final 38 seconds to turn back New Orleans 63-61 Wednesday in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament in Madison, Wis.

The situation wasn't quite as desperate in Columbus, Ohio, where Ohio State broke an eightgame losing streak with an 81-70 victory over Akron.

After the game, as Buckeyes coach Gary Williams was speaking in the press room, the phone rang. "Who's that, the President?" Williams said.

It wasn't a congratulatory call from the White House, but even so, Williams said he had more than enough good news for the

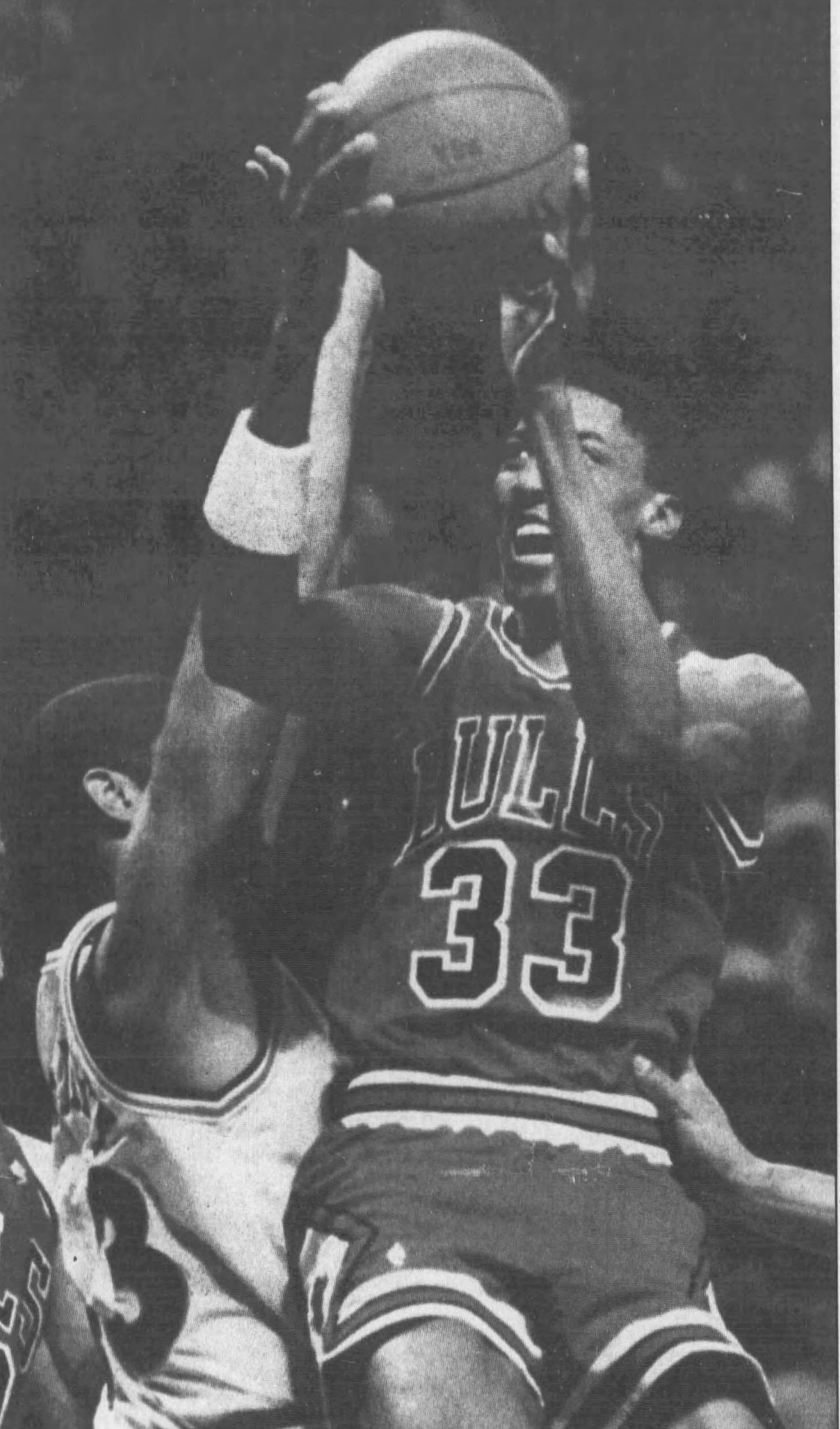
It was almost bad news for the Badgers. Tim Locum hit two free throws with :38 left and Jackson added two more with :21 to play, giving the Badgers a 63-58 lead in front of a roaring crowd of 10,118. New Orleans' Leonard Bennett

hit a three-pointer with :13 to go, slicing the margin to two before Wisconsin (18-11) inbounded the ball and ran out the clock.

"We were fortunate to be able to hold the lead," said Badger coach Steve Yoder. "We're just happy to have another chance to play. We're getting a lot of people excited. My high school coach even came to the game."

New Orleans' Tony Harris scored 27 points. His basket with 3 minutes left brought the Privateers to within 59-54. But after a Wisconsin turnover, Harris hurt a leg chasing a loose ball and didn't

"I wish I could have been in there to help at the end," Harris said. "It was frustrating just to sit



Nate Curvey hit a basket with Scottie Pippen gives a little hip to Cleveland center Brad Daugherty on his drive to See Wisconsin, pg. 3 the basket during the second quarter of Wednesday night's 115-91 Bulls defeat.

Fast start lifts Cavs past Bulls

By Peter Kendall Chicago Tribune

RICHFIELD, Ohio—The Bulls' strategy Wednesday night was to make the Cleveland Cavaliers run on their travel-weary legs and hope they would run out of steam.

Run the Cavaliers did. But too bad all that scoring didn't tire them out.

With Mark Price leading the pack, the Cavaliers ran off with a 115-91 victory before 20,118 in the Coliseum. The win puts them a half-game ahead of Detroit in the National Basketball Association's rugged Central Divi-

The Bulls fought back from what had been a 26-point deficit to threaten from just eight points behind late in the fourth quarter. But the last gasp came with 5 minutes 3 seconds left when Cleveland's Craig Ehlo snatched the ball from Michael Jordan and snuffed out the Bulls' final surge.

"When you work and claw to get back in a game like that, you have to play smart. You can't turn the ball over," Bulls coach Doug Collins said.

Two early fouls had put Jordan on the bench, giving the Cavaliers the opportunity they needed to break away.

"What I would like to take back was Michael's second [personal] foul," Collins said. "It was 16-12 at the time, and it went to 35-14. I mean, we just totally fell apart."

"The fouls put me in a tough position in the first half," Jordan said. "I'm not going to question the referees. A couple of them I didn't think were fouls, but they called them and I have to play with them."

The 6-foot Price, bouncing back from a two-point game Monday, led Cleveland with 21 points, 5 assists and 5 rebounds.

"We just tried to stop Price," Collins said. "He killed us." "We did have two days to rest our legs,"

said Price with a smile, ready to forget the team's 2-3 West Coast trip. "The thing is that we hit our slump at this

point in time, whereas maybe other teams hit theirs earlier," Cavaliers coach Lenny Wilkens said. "Hopefully, the slump is behind us, because we were sharp tonight." Jordan, again positioned at the perimeter as

point guard, led the Bulls with 28 points, 12 assists and 6 rebounds. But all he could remember was a few of his bad passes, and that

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Tribune photo by Ed Wagner Scott Treiber leaves Stevenson's J.T. Kellock behind during St. Viator's 9-2 state tournament semifinal victory in Franklin Park. More coverage, Page 10.

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Either Northwestern product Joe Girardi or Gary native Lloyd McClendon probably will wind up as the backup to firststringer Damon Berryhill. Page 5.

Gallagher for the defense

Finally, the White Sox, in Dave Gallagher, may have someone in center field to approach the Ken Berrys and Jim Landises of the past. Jerome Holtzman, Page 6.

Bears' Douglass: Agent said he'd break my legs

By John Gorman

Bears free safety Maurice Douglass testified Wednesday that sports agent Lloyd Bloom threatened to break his legs when he reneged on his contract with Bloom and his partner, Norby Walters.

Douglass, testifying in U.S. District Court, also said that after the telephone threat, he asked his mother to notify the police if anything happened to him. But nothing ever did, he said.

Under questioning by Assistant U.S. Atty. Howard Pearl, Douglass related how he had first met Bloom on the sidelines of the Blue-Gray all-star game on Christmas Day, 1985. Two days later, he flew to New York and signed with the agents after they spread out \$2,500 before him.

"I didn't go there to sign, but when they put that money in front of me, I took it," Douglass said. "When you put \$2,500 out in front of any college kid, he'll take it." Walters, 58, and Bloom, 29, are accused

of threatening to maim Douglass and sever-

al other athletes who wanted to switch agents. The two allegedly made veiled references to their friends "in Las Vegas." The pair are also charged with defrauding

universities by convincing the athletes to sign representation agreements in violation of eligibility rules and concealing the existence of the agreements.

Douglass testified that unlike other athletes who have testified against Walters and Bloom, he had used up his college eligibility when he signed with the agents to represent him in his negotiations with a National Football League team after he was drafted.

But Douglass had already signed a representation with St. Louis agent Jim Steiner, he testified.

"What did Walters and Bloom say when you told them you had already signed an

agreement?" Pearl asked. "It would be taken care of," Douglass told the jury in front of U.S. District Court

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By Linda Kay & Mike Conklin

For his appearance on the witness stand Wednesday in Federal Court, the Bears' Maurice Douglass, never a shrinking violet, chose a cream-colored suede jacket and pants, white silk shirt and silver-tipped skin cowboy boots. The safety told the court that, while he was being wooed in the New York offices of Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom, the agents were on the phone with future Bear teammate Ron Morris. They were arranging delivery of a car to Morris, then of Southern Methodist. Douglass got a leased Fiero. Former Michigan defensive back Garland Rivers, who also played briefly with the Bears, provided another look at the agents' generosity. The former Michigan defensive back testified that Bloom cleared out of his hotel room at the Hula Bowl in Hawaii so that he and, ahem, a friend could use it. Rivers lost his scholarship at Michigan when coach Bo Schembechler learned he had signed with the agents.

Hawkeye fever

Iowa officials deny it, but the declaration that freshman star Ray Thompson is suddenly ineligible for the NCAAs is direct fallout over the beating that Hawkeye academics—or lack thereof—took in the At the very least, the timing is curious. Iowa is in the middle of its second semester. University President Hunter Rawlings had ordered a full-scale investigation into revelations that Hayden Fry's gridders padded their GPAs with basket-weaving courses. Rawlings, new on the job, may want to check similar problems that date back to Lute Olson's days as Iowa basketball

Grape-vining

Evansville's Jim Crews will be the next Michigan basketball coach. That's the word we get from a Wolverine insider. "The first call [AD] Bo Schembechler will make will be to Bobby Knight, and he'll tell him Crews is ready," said our source.

We hear Knight has discouraged Indiana assistant Ron Felling from applying for the vacancy at Indiana State, Felling's alma mater. Indiana State President Richard Landini and Knight supposedly are as unfriendly as Schembechler and ex-Michigan coach Bill Frieder, who jumped to Arizona State just before the Wolverines began NCAA Tournament play. This could also mean rumors about the Indiana State job going to Norm Ellenberger, who is tight with Bobby, won't materialize.

Captains courageous

Princeton's trip to the NCAAs should be short-lived with Georgetown as the opener. One oddsmaker made the Tigers a billion-to-one shot, but that hasn't dampened local interest. Three former Princeton captains— John Rogers of Ariel Capital Management, Craig Robinson of Exchange National Bank and John Lewis of NutraSweet—live here. Also, sophomore Kit Mueller of Downers Grove is this year's leading scorer. Mueller's on target to become the No. 2 all-time scorer behind Bill Bradley. Said Rogers: "I just sent some clips to coach [Pete Carril] about some more prospects in the area."

P.S.: Will last year's Tiger captain cheer for old PU against Georgetown? He's John Thompson Jr.—yes,

son of that John Thompson.

Numbers game

If a jersey could talk, what a tale No. 23 for the Blue Demons could tell. In the last 10 seasons, No. 23 has scored 3,368 points, grabbed 1,955 rebounds and handed out 660 assists. Senior Stanley Brundy has worn No. 23 throughout his four years. Before him, No. 23 belonged to Tyrone Corbin, now with Phoenix. And for two years before Corbin, star guard Clyde Bradshaw wore the magic digits.

More tourney talk ...

State of mind: Five schools from the Volunteer State made the NCAA's big show—Vanderbilt, Tennessee, Memphis State, Middle Tennessee State and East Tennessee State. Indiana, California and Pennsylvania each have four teams. Land of Enchantment? Despite combining for 41 victories, neither New Mexico (20-10) nor New Mexico State (21-10) are in the NCAAs. The Lobos missed for the sixth striaght year despite averaging 21 wins during that span.

The music man

Chicagoan Robert Stahnke watched Phoebe Mills perform her floor exercise at the American Cup, then turned off the television in dismay. A graduate of Northwestern's school of music, Stahnke didn't like the music the gymnast had chosen. He sat down and wrote something he believed more befitting of her personality. Then he called Phoebe's parents in Northfield. They put him in touch with Phoebe and her coach, Bela Karoyli, who listened from Texas as Stahnke played the piece over the phone. They liked it, and Phoebe will use it for the first time at the National Championships in July.

News, notes, and nonsense

Hinsdale boxing manager Fred Cairns turns chaueffer Friday when he meets Carl Williams at Union Station and drives the top-ranked heavyweight to Kentucky. Williams, coming here from New York, is headed to Louisville to participate in a Muhammad Ali testimonial, and he doesn't like to fly. ... The retirement of William Clay Ford from the Ford Motor Co. has Detroit Lions followers wondering if he'll become more involved with his football team. ... Finalists for Thursday's Golden Gloves finals at the Horizon will spar earlier in the day at the Daley Center Plaza.

And finally, how confident are the Yankees that Dallas Green will make it through the season? Well, he's the cover picture on their media guide.

California here he comes: Wilson signs with Raiders

By Don Pierson

Otis Wilson signed a contract with the Los Angeles Raiders Tuesday night that will pay him "a little bit more" than the \$550,000 and \$600,000 contracts he had with the Bears for the next two years, according to his agent, Steve Zucker.

Exact terms were not announced, and Zucker refused to comment on Wilson's insurance policy against injury that is presumably void with the

new contract. Most National Football League contracts are not guaranteed against injury, but players usually buy individual protection. Wilson suffered a serious knee injury during the 1988 preseason before playing a down of a new three-year contract with the Bears.

"We're not waiving any claims," Zucker said.

The Bears made the 31-year-old Wilson an unconditional free agent Feb. 1 and told him his Chicago career was

through. The Raiders announced Wednesday: "The Raider medical team expects him to be completely healthy for the start of preseason training."

Zucker said the Raiders were a perfect fit for Wilson, who hit it off with Raiders managing general partner Al

"Both from Brooklyn, both street people," Zucker said. "They talked about the Raiders bringing in players like Lyle Alzado, John Matuszak, Jim

Plunkett and Ted Hendricks, and not only signing them, but winning Super Bowls with them. [Davis] looks for that to happen with Otis."

The Bears also lost free-agent tight end Brent Novoselsky to the Green Bay Packers, and free-agent linebacker Greg Clark reportedly was headed for the Miami Dolphins. Unlike Wilson, Novoselsky and Clark were free agents the Bears were interested in



Joe Runyan crosses the finish line at Nome, Alaska, Wednesday to end Susan Butcher's three-year reign as champion of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race.

Runyan ends Butcher's streak at 3 in Iditarod

Joe Runyan won the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race on Wednesday to end the threeyear reign of Susan Butcher.

Cheering crowds and a blaring siren greeted Runyan when he and 11 dogs pulled into the historic gold-mining town of Nome, Alaska, to claim the title.

It took the Nenana musher slightly more than 11 days to cover the 1,168 miles from Anchorage. His wife and baby watched as he won \$50,000 of the \$250,000 purse.

The victory gave Runyan, 40, the "triple crown" in long-distance dog mushing. Last year, he won the Alpirod, the more sedate European version of the Iditarod, and in 1985, he won the 1,000-mile Yukon Quest

from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, to Fair-

Runyan snapped Butcher's streak, but failed by about three hours to break her 1987 record time. When he crossed the finish line, Butcher was about five miles behind. The only other musher to win more than one Iditarod is four-time champion Rick Swenson, who was running fourth when Runyan finished.

Runyan said his dogs were in good shape. "We've gone over 200 miles in 24 hours," he said. "The Alaska husky is unlike any animal on Earth. They can go 100 miles a day on rough terrain and they can take it."

Big 10 football, basketball TV deals to ESPN, Raycom

The Big 10, in an effort to stabilize its football and basketball television packages, reached separate six-year agreements Wednesday with ESPN and Raycom Sports and Entertainment.

The contracts go into effect next season. And Indiana basketball coach Bob Knight may even like some of the changes.

Raycom will produce 23 conference basketball games a year, some of which will be offered as Saturday regional double-headers.

ESPN will televise six football games in each of the first two years of the contract and 10 in each succeeding season, continue its "Big Monday" basketball contests (with certain alterations), add a Thursday night Big 10 game and include six women's events a year.

"We are extremely pleased to enter these arrangements with ESPN and Raycom," said Big 10 Commissioner Wayne Duke. "Their association with the conference will assure the conference substantial long-term stability in the syndication area."

Raycom carried the league's football and basketball syndicated package the past year.

Raycom also will serve as the sole packager and marketing agent for all local Big 10 basketball TV networks.

As recently as three years ago, the conference was producing its own syndicated football and basketball packages when other dis-

tributors when bankrupt.

The football tie-in with ESPN sidiary of Cap Cities.

Football games on ESPN will start at 11:30 a.m., Chicago time. The new ESPN contract re-

places the four-year basketball deal that was to expire after the 1990-91 season and had caused Knight so much consternation with its late starting times.

in an Eastern time zone will appear more than once at home, no team will be required to appear more than twice on Monday night (Indiana was on three times in 1989) and each conference team will make at least one appearance (only seven teams appeared this

The starting times for the Thursday night games will vary, according to the contract. In the Central time zone, ESPN will be able to show up to two games with 8:30 p.m. starts and another two with 8 p.m. tipoffs. For games in the Eastern time zone, the school's normal starting time will be used.

Steve Nidets

Wrestling league gets a foothold

The National Wrestling League debuts Tuesday at the Horizon but don't look for bizarre nicknames, snakes or even turnbuckles.

The NWL is a legitimate professional wrestling league. Former collegiate wrestlers will be competing using a team format. Instead of the Hulkster and Macho Man performing Tuesday, former NCAA champions Billy Kelly of Iowa State and Jeff Jordan of Wisconsin will represent the Chicago Blaze against the Minnesota Grizzlies and former lowa stars Len and Jim Zalesky.

"We feel this is overdue," said NWL President Wayne Gerenstein at a Wednesday press conference. "I was a high school coach for 10 years and always wondered why an opportunity like this did not exist."

The NWL consists of seven eight-man teams: the Blaze, the Grizzlies, the Iowa Stalkers, the Cleveland Cougars, the Pennsylvania Stallions, the Oklahoma Bisons and the California Quake. The 18match dual-meet season ends in June with individual and team tournaments. Modified freestyle rules will be used. Competition will be in eight weight classes, ranging from 130 pounds to heavyweight. Bouts will consist of three twominute periods.

Reid Hanley

Baseball players are talkin' basketball

The most popular spot at spring training is

Not the swimming pool. Or the pool hall. The hottest action is the NCAA Basketball Tournament pool.

"Now you're talking about serious stuff," Pittsburgh's Brian Fisher said. "These are the big games down

Mike Schmidt and Chris James paid \$150 for the second pick in Philadelphia's pool. Danny Jackson admits he doesn't know too much about college basketball but says that won't stop him from spending \$20 in Cincinnati's lottery.

"To me, the NCAA pool is synonymous with spring training," Texas manager Bobby Valentine said. "Even 20 years ago, it was a

The NCAA Tournament starts Thursday and in every clubhouse, right next to a depth chart and a list of which players must make the upcoming 2-hour bus trip, the brackets are posted. Usually more than one.

Some teams, such as Minnesota and Kansas City, are buzzing with pool players. Other clubs, such as Boston, aren't as active.

"I'm not in," Wade Boggs said. "I don't really follow it like some other guys." But Mike Greenwell bought into

the Red Sox action. He drew out of a hat and got the sixth pick. "I took Missouri," he said. "I

think they might be a sleeper." Georgetown, No. 2 in the na-



tion, is the most popular choice among major-leaguers.

"G-town all the way," Cincinnati's Eric Davis

Pittsburgh manager Jim Leyland, considered an NCAA aficianado, wanted the Hoyas but instead wound up with the 38th pick in the Pirates' pool.

"I don't have a chance," he said. "I'll probably wind up with Fairleigh-

Dickinson." If he does, he won't have a chance. Fairleigh-Dickinson isn't

even in the 64-team tournament. Nick Leyva, the new Philadelphia manager, swept St. Louis' pool last March with a stunning selection. He filled out a blank sheet before the tournament started and picked unheralded Kansas to beat Oklahoma for the title,

which is exactly what happened. This spring, Leyva got the 17th choice in the Phillies' pool and took Louisiana State. Bob Scanlan drew the top pick and took Georgetown. Later that day, he found out he had been sent to the

The Pirates' Fisher decided to team with road roommate Doug Drabek in the pool. They got the 62d pick. "Siena," Fisher said. "That's

who we'll end up with. It happens every year." Still, being in the pool is a big

"That's all they talk about," Fisher's wife, Kelli, said. "It's the game they really want to win."

Barcelona joins no-smoke movement

Organizers of the 1992 Summer Olympics will try to make the games as smoke-free as possible through a ban on the sale of tobacco products and the use of designated smoking areas, according to a spokesman for the Barcelona Olympics Organizing Committee.

Pedro Palacios said the committee had approved a resolution similar to one adopted by the organizing committee of the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary.

"The idea is to use the occasion of the games to publicize the dangers of tobacco," Palacios said. "The committee will try to guarantee that the games are smokefree by doing away with the sale of tobacco products in competition venues and by designating smoking and nonsmoking areas."

brings the conference in line with ABC, which is in the second year of a four-year agreement to televise football and basketball games. ESPN, like ABC, is a sub-

Beginning next season, no team

Also, local packages will be permitted to televise opposite the Thursday night ESPN Big 10

Bob Donewald may not give up his job as Illinois State basketball coach without a fight. Although Donewald has worked under a series of one-year contracts, his attorney claims a letter written by former ISU President Lloyd Watkins in 1985 and attached to Donewald's contract assures the coach's job through 1991. The attorney, Marty O'Connor, says he and Donewald haven't decided if they will try to hold the school to the commitment. Donewald, who compiled a 208-121 record at ISU over 11 years, is maintaining his silence after Athletic Director Ron Wellman gave

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him notice Monday. Joe Sexson, 53, who has coached Butler for 12 years, will not return next season, university President Geoffrey Bannister said. This season's team was 11-17, including a last-place 3-9 finish in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference. Sexson's overall record was 143-188. . . . Vernon Payne, who coached Western Michigan to a 12-15 record this season, resigned after seven years as coach. Payne's overall record was 69-126. ... Penn coach Tom Schneider has announced he is leaving the Ivy League school to take the job at Loyola (Md.). He had a 51-54 record in his four years at Penn.

A proposal to open world and Olympic figure skating to professionals is being planned by the United States, a move that could revive the competitive careers of champions like Katarina Witt and Brian Boitano. "We would like see the sport turn open by the 1992 Albertville Winter Olympics," said Dr. Franklin Nelson, a member of the board of directors of the United States Figure Skating Association. "Tennis came into the Olympics last year, with all its professionals. Why not figure skating? If the rules allow it, and they are getting much more flexible, why should we oppose it?" He said the USFSA was planning to make an official proposal at next year's International Skating Union Congress in Auckland, New Zealand. Laurence Demmy, the Union's technical delegate, confirmed the item would be on the agenda of the body's executive committee meeting in Varna, Bulgaria, in

Boxer Hector "Macho" Camacho ran his 1987 Lotus off a fog-bound road and slammed into a palm tree but suffered only small cuts on his head, according to the Florida Highway Patrol. The former World Boxing Council lightweight champ was driving at 10 a.m. Tuesday on State Road 833 when the car strayed off the right shoulder, then leaped across the highway and slammed head-on into a palm tree about 35 miles southwest of Clewiston, troopers said. Camacho was charged with careless driving.

Sen. Bill Bradley (D., N.J.) is introducing legislation that would require colleges and universities to disclose the graduation rates of athletes, according to the New York Times. The Student-Athlete Right-to-Know Act would require schools receiving federal funds to make annual filings of graduation rates with the Department of Education.

Tight end Ozzie Newsome, who celebrates his 33d birthday Thursday, says he will return for one more season with the Cleveland Browns.

Andre Agassi beat Christo Van Rensburg 2-6, 6-1, 6-2 in the second round of the Champions Cup in Indiana Wells, Calif. Jimmy Connors topped Jimmy Arias 6-1, 6-2. Jay Burger surprised Andres Gomez 6-2, 6-4.

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GIL THORP





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Judge George Marovich. Over the next several months before the April, 1986, draft, Douglass said he received periodic money

leased a car for him. Several weeks before the draft, Douglass told Steiner of the agreement he had signed with Walters and Bloom and their World Sports & Entertainment Inc.

orders from the agents and they

Just before the draft, Douglass

testified, he received a series of telephone calls at his mother's home in Cincinnati from Bloom after the agent had learned from Steiner that Douglass decided to stay with Steiner and drop Bloom and Wal-

"He told me if I didn't return the money and the cars, he'd have somebody break my legs," said Douglass, who works during the offseason as a stripper.

"I wasn't really worried too much personally about Bloom-I can handle my own," Douglass continued. "I was worried because he had so many clients and so much

money, he could probably have somebody do something to me."

After he signed with the Bears in 1986, Douglass said, he repaid the agents the nearly \$9,000 he owed Under cross-examination by

Bloom's attorney, Dan Webb,

Douglass said he was never harmed

by anyone. He also admitted that even after he had told Steiner that he had decided to stay with him, he took another \$100 advance from Bloom and Walters shortly after getting a

\$150 loan from Steiner. Webb noted that Douglass testi-

fied before the grand jury that he had never taken any money from

"Was that an untrue statement?" Webb asked.

"It must have been," Douglass re-

Douglass also said that he never reported the threats to the police, and the first time he mentioned it to the authorities was when he was interviewed by the FBI in May,

In later testimony, former University of Michigan defensive back Garland Rivers related how he took \$2,500 when he signed on with

Walters and Bloom at his home in Canton, Ohio, on Feb. 28, 1986.

Rivers, who now works for Canton Power Co., testified he asked the agents if he could get in trouble by signing the postdated contract for the agents to represent him.

"They said the only way I could get in trouble was if I told on myself," Rivers testified.

In all, Rivers said, he took about \$7,000 to \$8,000 from the agents. He also got \$1,000 from the agents for setting up a meeting with his teammate, Robert Perryman, a running back who signed with the

Frieder

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a coach, and we're going to call a press conference tomorrow. Now, do you want the job or do you want me to give it to someone else?"

"I said, 'How long do I have?' " And he said, 'You've got 20 minutes to call me back."

Harris received permission two weeks ago to talk with Frieder, but Michigan officials still appeared stunned at the move.

"I was surprised," said Schembechler, "because I had no forewarning at all. I think we just assumed that if anything of that nature occurred it would be after the NCAA Tournament, and everything indicated that the Purdue coach was their choice."

Purdue coach Gene Keady turned down the job Tuesday, but Frieder denies he was the second choice.

"Charles has offered me the job a couple of times in the last couple of weeks," he said. "I was offered this job three years ago." He did not leave at that time, he explained, out of loyalty to then-Athletic Director Don Canham.

"Three years ago, it was hard for me to leave Don Canham. Now Canham's gone."

Schembechler denied there has been friction between himself and the basketball coach since he replaced Canham as AD.

"I pretty much stayed out of his way," said Schembechler. "I don't have any problems with him, other than the fact I have to replace him now. It was his decision to do what he did, and we wish him well. We're disappointed he chose this time to

Frieder, who compiled a 191-97 record and won Big 10 titles at Michigan in 1985 and '86, said he thought he had taken the team as far as he could.

"Except for winning the national championship, which you may or may not do at any institution," he said, "I think we've accomplished everything we can at Michigan. I just feel we probably won't do anymore in the next six years at Michigan than we did in the last six years. And at the same time, in the next six years at Arizona State, there will be a lot more done than in the last six."

Frieder insisted that he had tried to call Schembechler Tuesday night after flying to Phoenix and meeting with Harris. He did talk with his

Frieder insisted he harbored no hard feelings toward Michigan and was not impelled to leave by critics who thought he should have gotten more out of his team's talent.

"I do not feel unappreciated," he said. "I'm smart enough to know that the boos and the people complaining are a small minority. We had 13,000 fans at every game, and the 50 or 60 students who complained were not the majority. Make no mistake, I love Michigan. I lived there all my life. I love the players, and it was a tough decision. "I tried to drag it out because of

Michigan being in the tournament, but Charles was ready to move, and it was one of those situations where I had to make a decision."

The next decision is Schembechler's. "I haven't even thought about a

new coach yet," he said. "I just found out this morning I don't have a coach."

Frieder, who took over from Johnny Orr in 1980 after seven years as Orr's assistant, led the school to 20 or more victories and an NCAA Tournament berth in each of the last six seasons.

Dukiet out at Marquette?

From Chicago Tribune wires MILWAUKEE-Marquette Athletic Director Bill Cords declined to confirm or deny reports that Bob Dukiet had been fired as basketball coach.

"I don't discuss personnel matters in public," Cords said, adding that the athletic board had met Wednesday night in closed

session. But television and newspaper reports said Dukiet, 41, apparently was dismissed. Dukiet was quoted in one report as declining to comment until he consults his attorney. He has three years left on his contract.

"It's tough. I don't know what I'm going to do," Dukiet was quoted as saying.

Cords declined comment when asked if Marquette was buying out

the rest of the contract. The Warriors were 13-15 this

season, giving Dukiet a 39-46 record at Marquette.

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