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 AFC West could be worse than the
American League East. American League East.

- Now that Tony Mandarich will
be fighting Richard Dent instead be fighting Richard Dent instead of
Mike Tyson, I nominate Jose Canse-

 $\bullet$ Green Bay cold be the most
improved team inter NLL Wasting

 high muckety-muck for the Cubs in
the Dallas Green years. If Finks
doesn't doesn appointment that appears
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increpointmen increasingly unlikely, he ought to
send his resume to baseball. - The three surest bets for 1989-90 NFL season. 1) A big game
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Parents miss Bryant's big debut
By MARC HANSEN

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| AMES, IA. - Blaise Bryant didn't | TOP ISU RUSHING GAMES | Golden West College in Los Angeles, <br> he gained 330 yards and scored two touchdowns in a whopping 46 carries. |
| while running for 213 yards in his |  |  |
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| In one respect, though, he was like |  | High in Huntington Beach. |
| bt of college kids everywhere. His |  | Still, he wasn't satisfied. |
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| ped them out. Apparently |  |  |
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| ney" distress signal one time too any. | 187 -mike Stra | been looking. I stopped a few |
| They would have been here," he |  |  |
| mile after the Cyclones' |  |  |
| 8 victory over Ohio, "but | er, Calif., |  |
| orrowed too much from them. They |  | If Bryant was hard on himself, B |
| gave me a lot of money for my apart- |  | BRYANT |
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## Cuhs still looking down on N.L.L East after winning in 10

By CARRIE MUSKAT
O 1 1geq Gameen News service

 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { National League standings were just } & \text { lazar's 10th-inning hit as the Cubs ex- } & \text { extra-inning games at home. } \\ \text { It also } \\ \text { glance away, and his Chicago Cubs } \\ \text { tended their }\end{array}$ Were stil in inrst place in the Nation"I check them every 10 minutes," game," said Dwight Smith who said Frey, Chicago general manager. scored the tying run in the eighth,
His cubs gave him a reason to aided by a St.. Louis error. "That's
relay relax a little on Saturday
Luis Salazar drove in the tying run $\quad$ The game was a test of resiliency Luis Salazar drove in the tying run
with a single in the eighth inning and game was a test of resiliency
frove in the winning run with a one.
fand lost, 11-8, to to St. Louis Friday in

Wins Open final in 3 sets for 7th Grand Slam title by robin finn

- 1 New Mew York Times
NEW YORK, N.Y. - Steffi Grat, in more fragile form than she has displayed in recent years, regained her
champion's standards after a puzchampion standards atter a puz-
zling start against Martina Navratilova Saturday and successfully defended her U.S. Open title with a ${ }^{3-6,}$,
$7-5,6-1$ victory
It was Grafs third Grand Slam triumph this year and her seventh
Grand Slam championship in two years. When Graf finished off the match
with an ace on her second serve, both women tossed their racquets into the with her performance anxieties
behind her for the moment, in tribehind her for the moment, in tri-
umph. "I knew it was going to be hard to
come back," said Graf of her inauspicious start. "Yesterday, I thought I was going to lose it, she said of he seminnal
match against Gabriel Sabatini that sent her from stadium court con-
vulsed by tears and cramps. vulsed by tears and cramps.
"But not today. Today, I just kept
maning in I felt very comfortable hanging in. I felt very, comfortable
that I would win the second set: I told that I would win the second set: T old
myself. 'Just give everything.'",
For Navatiove making her 17 th appearance at the Open, the match result marked the end of another dis-
appointing year in which she was appointing year in
frozen out of the Grand Slam winner's
icrele - largely due to Graf's prescircle - largely due to Graf's pres.
ence there - for only the second time ence there- this decade. Navratilova, who claimed the first set and was up $4-3$ in the second when
Graf reignited her blistering crossU.S. OPEN
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Sociologist blasts colleges, sports agents
by debora wiley
 tem in which football and basketball
players have become non-paid slaves
has encouraged professional sports has encouraged professional sports
agents to engage in fraud, a University of Calif
Saturday.
"This is
"This is the dirtiest, slimiest part of the business,"" Harry Edwards said
during a panel discussion on the role ouring a panel discussion on the role
of athletics in the Big Ten Conference. "The stuff that's going on would blow your mind." Edwards is a national leader in seeking equality for
blacks in athletics and has been an adviser to past baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth.
Addressing an au
Adressing an audience of 300 at
the first Student Big Ten Conference, he derided the National Collegiate,
he der
Athletic Association blaming if or Athletic Association, blaming it for
allowing professional agents to use allowing professional agents to use
the intercollegiate athletic system
for profit. for profit.
Agents capitalize on a system in Agents capitalize on a system in
which everyone but the athlete gets
paid, Edwards said.' He called the paid, Edwards said. He called the est aspect of the business" that the
NCAA "has allowed to evolve." "I agree there's no way an organi-
zation like [the NCAA] can control 900 member institutions, but what it as allowed to evolv
Edwards said a gents simply cater
to a non-paid athlete who is perform. in a non-paid athlete who is perform-
ing so coaches can get big salaries

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## Hunting foe urgest 'Stand up to hunters'

This fall, millions of Americans dressed in
bright orange outfits will take to the woods bright orange outfits will take to the woods
with their expensive high-powered weaponry to kill, maim, or cripple hundreds of millions
of defenseless wild animals of defenseless wild animals. These people call
themselves "sportsmen." Some even have the audacity to call themselves "conservation sts." They are hunters, and their pastime is
centered around their desire to kill something. Anything less is a mere walk in the
woods.
These individuals claim that hunting is nec.
essary to keep animal populations in check something that has been utterly disproved by
biologists such as Ron Baker in his book, "The

## LETTERS

American Hunting Myth". Hunting is, as this
pook shows. an ecological and biological
nightmare Henter nightmare. Hunters virtually never take the
weaker. sicker animals that nature weaker, sicker animals that nature elimirefer to sport hunting as "evolution in re-
verse"" Some of these "macho" fools prefer "land
and shoot" hunting as is popular in The "sport" consists of pursuing a creature hausted, then landing the vehicle and wiping ut the animal.
Another barbaric and grotesque method,
eerhaps the cruelest of all, is bow and arrow unting. This results, as fish and game officials readily admit, in the atimal bieeding to
death. Often the deet or other animal winds up getting its throat cut
In the past hundred years, hunters have
viped out so many animals that innumerable aws are now necessary to protect endansered species. Stim, caxpayers unknowingly mal populations (such as those of deer) so hat a small minority wilr have a guaranteed supply of live targets.
Stand up to hunters.
sick and tired of them maiming, hurting and exterminating the precious wildifife that belongs to all of us. Tell them that non-hunt-
ers and wildifife have rights too, and you will be going a long way toward ending the suffer-
ing and exploitation that Americans have been unnecessarily inflicting for decades. As
Cleveland Amory said. "Man has an infinite capacity to rationalize his own cruelty."

- Mark Constantine, 21 Therien Rd., Ports. mouth, R.I.
Ive become quite upset and disappointed
about Pete Roses defrauding baseball. There-
fore fore. Tve vowed not to buy the revealing book
helll eventually write until it comes out in paperback. -Mark Gries, 520 Ontario St.,
Storm Lake.

My psychic told me that there would be a be made after two players would die while playing baseball. One would be a second
baseman who would die after aspirating his chewing gum when he was upended during a louble play: and the other would be a batter obacco while trying to duck out of the way of
The new rule will state: Any player on the field of play, a catcher in his box, or a batter gum or tobaccol in his mouth, shall be disqualified. -C.W. Maplethorpe Jr., M.D., 115 E. High St., Toledo.

So Ron Berler (Sept. 3 ) seems to have such
vast knowledge about all the negative aspects about the Chicago Cubs, let me point
out a few of the positive points. Win or lose, the Chicago Cubs have had an outstanding year. How many people coming out of spring training gave the Cubs much of a
chance to challenge for the division title in September? They have a fine team, and with the development of Jerome Walton, Mark Grace and Mitch Williams, along with proven
veterans, this team seems to have a bright fu-
ture Let me point out to Mr. Berler the egotisti-
cal Whitey Herzog gnever played on very many
winning teams but look as manager of the Royals and Cardinals. Does he fail to realize that Joe Altobelli won a World Series as the manager of the Baltimore
Orioles? Is he going to put down the late Charlie Lau who produced some . 300 hitters, be-
cause as a player he only hit 250 . It's not fair that a coaching staff should be judged on ho many games they won as players.
cother side of much in Chicago, go to the -Rick Sumpter, Rt. 1, Searsboro.
Stop the hypocrisy! If this country's institu-
tions of higher learning must be in the enter tainment business and be best known for the
quality of their athletic teams instead of the quality of their educational programs, then why not adopt the following proposal:
Hire the athletes as fult the schools, and pay them a competitve salalasses , would be no compulsion to attend classes, but, if the employee so desired, he
would be encouraged to do so I would propose, however, that no special
privileges be given to these employees. It should only be necesssary to adjust their sala-
ries according to their abilities to draw ing customers into the stadiums and colise ums to see them perform. -Larry Marske, 715 Jefferson St., Boone.
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## The birth of football in Iowà

## An odd game with strange rules and weird costumes - and Grinnell beat lowa

By MAURY WHITE
Dr. George A. Gates, the president of lowa Dr. George A. Gates, the president of lowa
College of Grinnell, now Grinnell Collige,
ont chipped in a mere 25 cents in the campaign to
help buy the football, although two other faculty members kicked in a buck apiece. coach and captain by vote of his teammates. was a "freshman" at that institute of highe learning in Iowa City, but as a rookie teache
rather than a student. He was a full-time pro fessor of English literature
Each side was requirred to furnish one of the
two officials. The ball could be thrown direction but forward. It had to be snapped back, by hand or by foot, to the quarterback, who wasn't allowed to run with it and had to
dish it If it off. as we know it, and it surely wasn't because you could keep possession ot the ball by gain-
ing 5 yards in three downs or by losing 20 il was the start of something grand.
On Nov On Nov. 16, 1889, for the first time west of the Mississippi River, a pair of teams repre
senting their entire student bodies wer matched in football.
The home team won, $24-0,0$ and the victory
was no fluke. Grinnell won the 1890 meeting was no quke. Grinnell won the 1890 meeting, But now, let us set the stage a bit more. On Nov., 6, 1889 , Princeton and Rutger
using 25 players per side, played the $\frac{\text { using } 25 \text { players per side, played the first }}{\text { Beginning Tuesday, The Des Moines }}$ Repister will take a decade-by-decad football in a weekly series. primitive-style American football. By the
time Grinnell and Iowa met in our state's firs intercollegiate game, many refinements had
been been made.
The rules
The rules now called for 11 per side. A man
could run with the ball. And Rule 27 sternly warned that "a player shall be disqualified for unnecessary rougnness, hacking, throttling,
butting, tripping up, intentional tecking butting, tripping up, intentional lacklin,
below the knees and striking with closed fist."
Note te Note the phrasing: "intercollegiate game.
Iowans were playing intramural and sandl Iowans were playing intramural and sandloo
versions of tug-and -tussle, sometimes as town Versions of tug-and-tussle, sometimes as tow
teams, as early as 1872. But such competi-
tions gained little mose tions gained little more newspaper coverage
than mumblety-peg, since sports pages were than mumblety-peg,
years in the future.
In late October 1889, though, the Iowa City
lads broke into print with " "TTe St tawe lads broke into print with " "The State Univer-
sity football team hereby challent sity footbail team hereby chalilenges any co
lege or other team in the state to a game of
football fogeorbll. American Association Rules.
Thanks to Fred Van Thanks to Fred Van Gieson and Frank Ever
est, who had played at a prep school in New est, who had played at a prep school in New
Jersey, Grinnell students quickly responded. Consequently, 20 years and 10 days after this bend of rugby, soccer and American fre
spirit was first brewed, up at Grinnell's old Ward Field. a still-ope
plot now surrounde by plot now surrounded by campus buildings.
Once the battle was scheduled Grinnils Olayee the batte das scheduled, Grinnell then practiced for two weeks. Iowa warmed up with a contest against some Iowa City
men. What was called Town vs. Gown sport competition in college locales was common back then.
Iowa player had a white canvas football outfit made up by a millinery firm that usually
dealt in dresses. The Hawkeyes (although that nickname was yet to be adopted for school
teams) fairly dazzled the spectators when striding out to play against a rag-tag group. Only two Grinnell players had regulation
football suits, bicycle pants or bibbed overalls, of
sot many styles and colors. There were no pads, but some sewed strips of bamboo in their
pants to protect thighs. No helmets then pants to protect tighs. No heimets hen
either, mind you. A tight-fitting tasseled
toboggan cap was the popular head protec tion, mainly to preserve the ears from being wrenched of
massed action.
The game,
The game, scheduled for $2: 30$ p.m., started 30 minutes late because each team wanted to
play with its own ball. The compromise was play with its own ball. The compromise was
to use one for the first 45 -minute half, the other for the second half. Both sidelines were
crowded with spectators and the hat crowded with spectators and the hat was passed defore and ater,
staging the game. There was a $\$ 10$ profit, some of which went to lowa players to help defray travel expenses. The school was not
yet involved in such financing. No question about it Iowa ba Grinnell that day, but the school later to adopt the nickname of Pioneers had more impor-
tant assets in Van Gieson and Everest having

played under knowledgeable coaching in the
East. Up until now,
, owans had mostly stum. reading the rules, and were woefully lacking Smpson, a graduate of Cincinnati. previously played football but had seen two
ames. It wever to represent the entire university instead of, as in the past, say, the law school or the medi-
cal school. Several Iowa players weren't connected with the eschool at alayers and a cenent con- of
Grinnell's were taking only a course not working toward a degree.
Iowa was the bigger team, but speed and
savyy carried the day. Game accounts likened Grinnell's " "" formation, with the ball carribattering ram." The home team's rush line now known as the defensive line, "stood with
locked arms like a stone wall." And "the University were weaker than our eleven in dodg.
ing, sprinting, hugging the ball, and team Van Gieson's "serpentine suit," along with his "birdlike hops," reportedly" awed Iowa's
rush line in the first half, according to one frinst touchdil sce, but the honor of scoring the west of the Mississippi went to Otto Savage,
Grinnell's left guard name by furiously fighting his way across the goal line. Touchdowns were worth four points.
Following a safety, halfback Harry


Vacomber scored for a 10.0 halftime lead. ouchdown run by Theron Lyman, who scored gain soon after. Van Gieson, hopping along in
the shelter of that deadyy "V," closed out the Iowa's big moment of glory was a 25 -yard un by Sampson, who was still playing for the wo decawes would pass before eligibilility cules, or university control of sports teams,
came close to modern times. The Iowa players not only went home with
loss but it took them 36 years to get their "I" loss but it took them 36 years to get their "r r sweaters. It was that iong before the universi-
ty got around to honoring 87 athletes who had
played pefore the school officially recognized played before the school officially recognized
were honored at a home game in 1925. Profes-
sor Martin Sampson earned varsity letters in soth 1889 and 1890 . Many twists and turns in football fortunes came to each school in the next 100 years.
Iowa, a longtime member of the Big Ten Iowa, a longtime member of the Big Ten
Conference and currently one of the nation's recognized football powers, is charging $\$ 96$ for six home games this year. For the 11 th
straight time, Kinnick Stadium, which seats traight ume, Kinnick stadium, which seats
67,700, has been sold on a season-ticker basis. After keeping up with the big boys, for sev-
eral decades, small Grinnell becamie eral decades, small Grinnell became consis-
tently overmatched and, in 1939, winthdrew rom the Missouri Valley Conference, and
players returned to playing on a for-fun basis.
Now, as on that memorable dayti Grinnell doesn't charge admissiont at home
football games, or even pass the hat. Matter of fact, before Saturday's season-opening
$19-18$ victory a against Concordia of $S t$ Ping the school neatly turned the tables by. giving
ouvenir tickets to spectators attending the chool's commemoration of the birth of inter The plaque instanlled on old Ward Field by
the Class of 1940 to commemorate the 1889 meeting with Iowa was moved to Rossenbloom or by the Class of '40. Too bad it doesn't fea-
lure a painting of Van Gieson in his sserpen$\frac{\text { ine suit," whatever that might havebpen. }}{\text { Maury White is a retired Register sports }}$ Maury
columnist.

## Sociologist blasts colleges' use of black athletes


has a woman in the athletic department in
some capacity, but less than 5 percent of athletic departments in the country have minorThe statistics are even worse in conference offices, she said, with 2 percent or less having When a student from Michigan State in the udience Saturday suggested a student action 10 protest the lack of good education for athletes, Witte said: "What has stoppedyithigan
State from instituting such a program? You State from instituting such a program? You
need someone from a national orgapization to do something constructive? What ststopping you?"
Edwards responded, saying the NCAA was
bypassing its own responsibility.
"Students have a responsibility, but don't
let anybody tell you that a national or ganiza-
tion... doesn't have a responsiblilig-ry terms
of that kind of thing," he added.
About 170 representatives from Big Ten
chools and four schools outside the confer-


