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Winning in playoffs

Lessons to learn from today that these kids will take with them, an extremely proud of their fort.

Mount Union won the coin toss in overtime, but elected to play offense.

Jason Frabasile's 7-yard run gave the Profs the lead, and their offense didn't allow Mount Union to get a first down.

The Purple Raiders managed to get five yards on their first three plays, giving them a fourth-and-5 on the 20.

Instead of going for a short completion, quarterback Gary Smeek took down the field for Jason Richards, who appeared to have broken loose from Rowan defenders near the goal line.

Richards leaped into the air and caught the ball but couldn't pull it in. Three Rowan defenders hit Richards before he came down with the catch, knocking the ball loose and ending the game.

"Mount Union has a great football program. I am humbled to be part of what happened today," said Rowan coach K.C. Keeler, whose team advanced to next Saturday's Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl against Pacific Lutheran of Washington (12-1) in Salem, Va.

"Larry Kehres and his players do what they expect to do better than anyone on any level. They have a great system and their kids execute it almost perfectly to win 54 straight games is amazing. I can't even imagine it," he said.

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Ainge stuns Suns

Coach Danny Ainge leaves Phoenix only 20 games into the NBA season. See story, Page 1B



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'A sane man in an insane society'

Joseph Heller, author of the classic 'Catch-22', dies at 76. See story, Page 8A

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READ, THEN RECYCLE

Coleman addresses Stepping Up, guns

The UI president also talks about the Students Against Sweatshops and the fate of Seashore Hall.

By Deidre Bello
The Daily Iowan

In her last interview with *The Daily Iowan* this semester, UI President Mary Sue Coleman discussed a range of topics, including her plans for improvement after a recent survey that showed students believe the quality of education at the university is slipping and her plans for New Year's Eve.

DI: How is money for Stepping Up regulated by the university?

Coleman: The Stepping Up Project that we have is funded by a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The project is a collaboration with the city. We have a steering committee made up of people from the city and the UI. Every year, a budget is submitted to the foundation for various activities of Stepping Up,

and then we follow that budget. There are some areas where groups can request funding from Stepping Up for various projects. Then the steering committee has to look at it and see if the project is consistent with what we're trying to accomplish in Stepping Up. There's a whole process to go through.

DI: The student government at the University of Northern Iowa said UNI students are supportive of allowing Public Safety officers to carry guns. Do students here have any sway in decisions about UI Public Safety officers, and do their opinions change your stance on the issue?

Coleman: This is a regents' policy. The regents make the decision ultimately whether to arm the Public Safety officers. The current policy is that officers will not be armed. To be quite frank, I support the regents' decision, and I don't see them wih-

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Bush, McCain go head-to-head

The GOP presidential candidates' debate Monday night featured some tense moments.

By Steve Schmadeke
The Daily Iowan

DES MOINES — A Republican debate Monday night brought five GOP presidential candidates to Iowa's capital with a mission — to close the gap between themselves and Texas Gov. George W. Bush before the Jan. 24, 2000, Iowa caucuses.

For Bush, the goal was to stay with his message — even if it may again be interpreted as being overly scripted — said Eric Woolson, Bush's press secretary for Iowa.

The debate had several clashes between GOP front-runner Bush and Arizona Sen. John McCain. They disagreed on farm subsidies, taxes and campaign finances.

Listening to boos from the audience in the Des Moines Civic Center, McCain stuck to his anti-ethanol subsidies position, something his opponents quickly capitalized on.

"Ethanol is not worth it," said McCain, whose trademark campaign issue is battling special interests. "It does not help the consumer ... everybody here on the stage — if it weren't the fact that Iowa is the first caucus state — would share my view."

The other candidates jumped on the opportunity to voice support for the ethanol program, a key issue in Iowa.

"I support ethanol, and I support ethanol strongly. And I support ethanol whether I'm here in Iowa or not," Bush said.

Forbes stuck with a middle position, saying he supports a "fair test" and, after that, "if it can't stand on its two feet, it ought to go."

Sen. Orrin Hatch, publisher Steve Forbes, former Ambassador Alan Keyes and former Reagan administration official Gary Bauer also participated in the debate.

Bush is the front-runner by far in the national polls and is rated a solid favorite in the Iowa caucuses. McCain has no organized effort in the state, but he has pulled even — or slightly ahead — in New Hampshire, the first primary state, according to the most recent reports.

His increased popularity is a challenge to Bush's effort to march untouched to the nomination.

Bush challenged McCain's call to reduce the influence of big money in political campaigns. "Here's my worry with your plan. It's going to hurt the Republican Party, John," he said.

McCain, who is planning a joint appearance with Democratic candidate Bill Bradley to support a ban on soft-money donations, asked Bush to make a similar commitment.

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Eric Draper/Associated Press

Republican presidential hopefuls, from left, Steve Forbes, Alan Keyes, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch, Arizona Sen. John McCain and Gary Bauer line up before their debate Monday in Des Moines.

Bush campaign rolls into Coralville

George W. Bush will make his first Iowa City-area appearance at a Coralville hotel this morning.

By Ryan Foley
The Daily Iowan

Thirteen hours after taking part in Monday night's GOP debate in Des Moines, Republican front-runner George W. Bush will make his first appearance in the Iowa City area.

Bush is scheduled to appear at 11:15 a.m. at the Clarion Hotel and

Conference Center, 1220 First Ave., Coralville, in what is being called a community reception, said Eric Woolson, Bush's press secretary for Iowa.

Woolson estimated that 150-200 people will attend the campaign stop, at which Bush is expected to give a speech and interact with the audience.

Today will be the second straight day that some members of UI Students for George W. Bush will be able to hear Bush speak. Several members of the group traveled to Des Moines for the debate Monday, said Peter

Matthes, the co-chairman of communications for Students for Bush.

Other members, like Matthes, are excited about the possibility of hearing Bush speak for the first time.

"I'm very excited. It will be my first time seeing him," Matthes said. "Many of our group members have seen him before. From what I hear, he's a dynamic speaker and connects well with an audience."

A campaign stop in the Iowa City

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3 area residents killed in two traffic accidents

Police are investigating accidents at Highway 1 and I-80, and at Melrose Avenue and Highway 218.

By Ryan Foley
The Daily Iowan

Two separate accidents resulted in the deaths of three area residents Monday.

Two people were pronounced dead at the UI Hospitals and Clinics from injuries sustained in a car-pickup truck accident at approximately 1:45 p.m. Monday.

The accident occurred at Highway 1 and the Interstate 80 eastbound exit ramp, said Iowa City police Sgt. Sid Jackson.

The car, a Buick Regal, had exited eastbound I-80 and proceeded onto Highway 1, where it was struck on the left side by a Ford pickup truck traveling south on the highway, according to police reports.

Iowa City Police Chief R.J. Winkelhake said the police could not release the names of the people involved because their families had not yet been notified as of late Monday evening.

"One family has asked that we

don't make anything public until all the families are notified," he said. "The department has a policy to obey the wishes of the families."

Those killed were "from the community," Winkelhake said, though he could not say what town they were from. The driver of the pickup truck sustained minor injuries, police said.

Winkelhake said no citations have been issued because the accident remains under investigation.

In a separate accident, a 20-year-old Tipton woman was killed shortly after 3 p.m. Monday at the intersection of Melrose Avenue and Highway 218. The accident, which is being investigated by the Iowa State Patrol, occurred when the woman failed to yield at a stop sign at the exit, according to police reports. The woman's car was hit by a westbound vehicle.

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Israelis split on trading Golan Heights for peace

A deeply divided Knesset votes to back Ehud Barak in opening talks with the Syrians.

By Mark Lavie
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — In his first major test on the road to peace with Syria, Prime Minister Ehud Barak won parliamentary backing Monday for opening negotiations with Damascus.

The 47-31 vote with 24 abstentions signaled just how deeply divided Israelis are over what Barak called the "painful" price of peace with Syria — understood to mean all of the Golan Heights.

Seven members of Barak's own 68-member coalition voted against the symbolic measure, and 19 abstained — a barometer of the tough battle he faces ahead of a national referendum on giving up the Golan.

Thousands of Golan Heights settlers and their supporters demonstrated outside the Knesset (the Israeli Parliament) as Barak delivered his policy speech on peace with Syria, warning him they would not leave their homes

without a bitter fight.

Barak is to meet with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa in Washington Wednesday and Thursday to begin a series of talks made possible by U.S. mediation.

Hoarse with the flu, Barak told the Knesset that renewing the negotiations was a milestone in the "painful historic process toward a comprehensive peace" between Israel and its neighbors.

"Our supreme responsibility is to act today so that we will not dig new rows of graves tomorrow in a conflict that could have been ended," he said.

Though Barak insisted he made no promises to Syria in advance of the talks, opponents accused him of setting a precedent for trading land for promises of security.

"So you've already reached Jerusalem," heckled hawkish Likud member Uzi Landau, reflecting concern that Barak will next compromise over West Bank settlements and Jerusalem for peace with the Palestinians.

Approximately 17,000 Israelis live

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'Dark' Jesus wins Catholic art contest

The winning painter used a female model to create "Jesus of the People."

By David Cray
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A painting of a dark-skinned Jesus, by an artist who used a woman as a model, has been selected by a Catholic magazine as the winner of its contest to update the image of Christ.

The painting, "Jesus of the People," was selected from nearly 1,700 entries for the cover of a special issue being published this week by the *National Catholic Reporter*, an independent newsweekly and one of the best-known Catholic publications in the country.

"My goal was to be as inclusive as possible," said the artist, Janet McKenzie, from her studio in Island Pond, Vt. "At first glance, he is a

black or African-American Jesus, but looking more deeply, you see many people in it."

The painting shows a robed and haloed Jesus. Against a pale pink background are a yin-yang symbol, intended to represent perfect balance, and a feather, symbolizing the American Indian spirituality that McKenzie learned about during a stay in New Mexico.

The painting "is a haunting image of a peasant Jesus — dark, thick-lipped, looking out on us with ineffable dignity, with sadness but with confidence," wrote Sister Wendy Beckett, a 69-year-old British nun and host of a public television series about art. She selected the winner



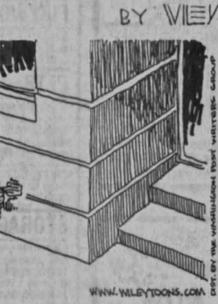
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A 1940 image of Christ by Warner Sallman.



National Catholic Reporter/Associated Press
The 1999 painting of a dark-skinned Jesus by Janet McKenzie.

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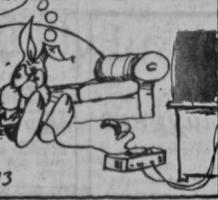


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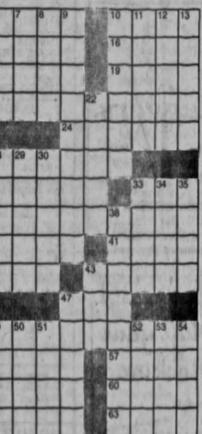
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Diamond, a Great Dane puppy, seems to dwarf Santa, played by Arne Hausknecht of Burlington, on Dec. 11 during the Des Moines County Humane Society Holiday Pet Wash at the Allgood Animal Hospital.

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newsmakers

Flynt hustles his store into Ohio

MONROE, Ohio (AP) — *Hustler* magazine publisher Larry Flynt is moving ahead with plans to build a *Hustler* mega-store in Monroe, Ohio, despite opposition from some residents.

A vacant restaurant on the one-acre site on which Flynt and his brother Jimmy Flynt plan to build their adult entertainment store was demolished on Dec. 10.



Flynt

Free lunch landed Anderson his big break

NEW YORK (AP) — Comedian and game-show host Louie Anderson says a grand gesture got him his big break.

Anderson said it all began one day more than 10 years ago at a Los Angeles restaurant, when Eddie Murphy walked in.

In the January issue of *TV Guide Celebrity Dish*, Anderson said he called the waiter over and told him, "Take Eddie Murphy's check and put it on my credit card, but don't tell him until after I leave."

The gesture paid off. Murphy phoned Anderson the next day and said, "Louie, no one ever did that for me." He then wrote a part for Anderson in the movie *Coming to America*.

Etheridge dedicates song to Shepard

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Melissa Etheridge compares last year's beating death of gay college student Matthew Shepard to a modern-day crucifixion in her latest song.

"Scarecrow" is dedicated to Shepard, whose body was mistaken for a scarecrow by the bicyclist who found him.

"Scarecrow" is on the singer's latest album, *Breakdown*.



Etheridge

calendar

The Faculty Senate/Council will meet in the IMU Iowa Room today at 3:30 p.m.

UI brief

UI student stock portfolios post excellent returns

Stock portfolios managed by UI finance students have posted excellent year-to-date returns, outperforming the benchmark S&P 500 stock index.

The Krause Fund, managed by undergraduate students, returned 42.6 percent for the period ending Nov. 30, compared with the 11.2 percent return of the market index. The Henry Fund, an M.B.A. student portfolio, returned 23.8 percent over the same period.

The students presented their buy-and-sell recommendations on Dec. 6 to an advisory committee of investment professionals. Within the health-care sector, the students replaced Pfizer with Bristol-Myers Squibb. They also added Harrah's Entertainment, Merrill Lynch, Williams Cos. and United Airlines to the portfolio, while selling Household International, Sprint FON Group and Du Pont.

horoscopes

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Social events will be a must. Your charismatic quick wit and charm will attract a number of partners.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't be taken for granted. You have a heart of gold, and you must protect it. Only offer to do the things you have time for.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't tell someone you care about them if you are questioning the relationship already. Your biggest problems will stem from dishonesty and exaggeration on your part.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may have problems with co-workers. Be cautious if you are dealing with others. You will be misinterpreted if you aren't precise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It's time to cut loose and enjoy the festivities. Get together with friends or colleagues whom you may not see over the holidays.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll have problems with over-tired members of your family. Avoid any confrontations. Keep busy doing the things that will add to the comfort of your home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You'll be in a romantic mood. Get out with friends, and you'll be sure to meet someone unique and special.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Do some research or reading regarding a small business venture that you're interested in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't

go overboard if things don't go your way. Try to take care of the little extras you wanted to finish before the holiday season.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let confusion take over. To make decisions when you aren't aware of all the facts would only lead to disaster.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You will have to be careful with cash. Financial investments or risky ventures will close the year on a sour note.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You'll find it difficult to relate to your partner. Listen to her or his concerns, but don't voice your thoughts. You can't win, so keep a low profile for now.

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Anthrop

One of the university's first anthropology teachers is set to hang it up.

By Ryan Foley
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The School District's Board of Directors presented its initial proposal for changes to next year's teacher

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Anthropology trailblazer to retire

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years later, anthropology became its own department, and the staff increased.

"We did not struggle to break loose," Helm said. "The sociology department chairman was actually very supportive of anthropological growth. Since then, we have been able to expand and broaden our horizons."

Helm has focused her research on Native Americans called the Dene, who live in the Northwest territory of Canada. She wrote a book in 1994 titled *Prophecy and Power among the Dogrib Indians*.

During her career she served as president of two of the major organizations in her field — the American Ethnological Society and the American Anthropological Association. She called the titles "very honorary."

She was also inducted into the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences in the early 1990s. At the time, the only other UI profes-

or in the academy was physics and astronomy Professor Emeritus James Van Allen.

Ciochon said Helm is a major reason the anthropology department has grown and improved.

"She made excellent choices for the founding members of the department, and that, in turn, is showing in the solid department that we have today," he said.

Mac Marshall, a UI anthropology professor who has worked with Helm since 1972, called her "irreplaceable."

"It is a loss that we will not be able to replace," said Marshall, who described Helm as a very bright, honest anthropologist. "It is not like we can find another one of her on the shelf."

Marshall hosted a reception in Helm's honor at his home on Dec. 10. Approximately 60 people attended, he said, and five gave speeches praising Helm.

"She is such a highly respected



Brett Roseman/The Daily Iowan
UI Professor of Anthropology June Helm holds the F. Wendell Miller Distinguished Professor award in her office Monday.

person in the discipline that we've been really fortunate to have her at the UI and in the Department of Anthropology," he said.

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District, teachers laud amiable negotiations

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The School District's Board of Directors presented its initial proposal for changes to next year's teacher

contracts Monday, two weeks after the teacher association presented its proposal.

The two groups will try to come to an agreement over contract changes by February.

The primary changes from current teacher contracts in the Board of Director's proposal are: a salary increase of 3.5 percent, a reduction in the percent of teachers who can be gone for personal days on any given day from 10 percent to 5 percent, and a proposal that would allow teachers to leave in the middle of a school day for up to two hours for appointments due to illness if they do not have a class — a measure the teacher association proposed last year.

Two of the proposed changes have to do with addressing the substitute-teacher shortage in the district, which representatives from both sides identified as a problem.

Seventy-five substitute teachers are readily available to the district, said Ann Feldman, the chief negotiator for the School District. She said that if the allowed 10 percent of 726 full-time teachers take off for personal reasons on any one given day, the district has trouble covering the absences.

This year, the district has had to make alternate arrangements on at least 21 days for at least half of a day due to lack of substitutes, Feldman said.

Bob Brems, the chief negotiator for the teacher association, said the Board of Directors' proposal was one of the highest opening proposals in years.

"Everyone has positive attitudes," he said. "Solutions are not vindictive in nature, and that is just one additional sign that things are coming back to where they should be. Their proposal is very good in a lot of ways."

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CITY & NATION

Group vexed by Internet taxes

The Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce will meet today to hear e-commerce tax proposals.

By Curt Anderson
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Traditional retailers are joining forces with state and local government officials this week to try to prevent the Internet from evolving into a tax-free sales haven.

But they face an uphill battle in their effort to persuade a government board, the 19-member Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce, to adopt their posi-

tion. The commission is deeply divided on the issue, and so is the political world — though not along partisan lines.

It meets in San Francisco today and Wednesday to hear from retailers and begin considering 37 proposals on taxation of Internet commerce.

Disagreeing with traditional retailers, the commission's chairman, Gov. Jim Gilmore, R-Va., advocates a permanent ban on Internet taxation, including sales taxes.

Gilmore and his allies — top Republican congressional leaders, most of the GOP's 2000 presidential candidates, much of the e-commerce industry and numerous anti-tax groups — argue that taxation

would only slow economic growth by shackling the Internet.

On the other side is the National Governors Association — led by Republican Gov. Mike Leavitt of Utah, a commission member — as well as city, county and state legislatures that fear growing Internet commerce will erode the tax base needed to provide services.

Sales taxes are the single largest source of revenue for most states and local governments, amounting to \$147 billion in 1997. And although e-commerce is only a fraction of total sales in the United States today, it is expected to go nowhere but up.

"I think the anti-tax forces have all the momentum going into this

meeting," said Ron Nehring, director of national campaigns at Americans for Tax Reform. "If there is going to be a consensus position, it will be the electronic-freedom position."

Joining the fray is a new group, the E-Fairness Coalition, which includes major national chains such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc. — the nation's biggest retailer — and Radio Shack, as well as smaller mom-and-pop stores.

Speaking for the coalition, Wal-Mart executive David Bullington said government has a "duty" to collect sales tax from Internet shoppers. Failing to do so is "totally incorrect tax policy," he said.

NATION BRIEFS

Gov't: Millions fail to get help for mental health problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Americans are failing to get the treatment they need to combat mental illness, the surgeon general said Monday in an exhaustive report that blamed social stigma and lack of money.

Mental disorders, ranging from clinical depression to schizophrenia, affect nearly one in five Americans, but two-thirds of those people never seek treatment, according to the first surgeon general's report on mental health.

"Mental disorders are not character flaws but are legitimate illnesses that respond to specific treatments, just as other health conditions respond to medical interventions," the report said.

"They are treatable," Surgeon General David Satcher added Monday. "That's the great news."

Research for treating these disor-

ders has exploded in the past 25 years, and doctors say they now have powerful options — including both therapy and new medications.

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LEGAL MATTERS

POLICE

Jazmee L. Wear, 18, Rienow Residence Hall Room 837, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the intersection of Clinton and Prentiss streets on Dec. 12 at midnight.

Bradley R. Rosenberg, 19, Coralville, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the intersection of Clinton and Prentiss streets on Dec. 12 at midnight.

Luis A. Valladares, 26, 331 N. Gilbert St., was charged with public intoxication at 603 S. Dubuque St. on Dec. 12 at 9:30 p.m.

Michael Andrew, 27, 215 E. Prentiss St. Apt. 1, was charged with driving while intoxicated at the intersection of Prentiss and Dubuque streets on Dec. 11 at 9:43 p.m.

Deshaun M. Williams, 22, Cedar Rapids, was charged with operating while intoxicated at the intersection of Muscatine Avenue and Scott Boulevard on Dec. 13 at 2:28 a.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Douglas R. Kazcor, 19, 702 Iowa Ave., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Q Bar, 211 Iowa Ave., on Dec. 9 at 10:20 p.m.

Sarah D. Hartmann, 19, 912 Benton Drive Apt. 32, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at Quinton's Bar and Deli, 215 E. Washington St., on Dec. 9 at 10:45 p.m.

Corey V. Topf, 18, Currier Residence Hall Room E131, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Sports Column, 12 S. Dubuque St., on Dec. 9 at 10:55 p.m.

Thomas L. Whiston, 20, 317 Mahaska Drive, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Fieldhouse Restaurant & Bar, 111 E. College St., on Dec. 9 at 11:05 p.m.

Matthew J. Stank, 18, Rienow Residence Hall Room 535, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Union Bar, 121 E. College St., on Dec. 9 at 11:30 p.m.

Sarah J. Shebaro, 20, 648 S. Dodge St. Apt. 2, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Q Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:01 a.m.

Molly J. Buhrow, 20, 318 Ridgeland Ave., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Fieldhouse Restaurant & Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:05 a.m.

Rebecca A. Boetz, 19, 318 Ridgeland Ave., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age and unlawful use of a driver's license at the Fieldhouse Restaurant & Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:05 a.m.

Amy E. Boetz, 21, Cedar Rapids, was charged with unlawful use of a driver's license at the Fieldhouse Restaurant & Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:15 a.m.

Christopher J. Russo, 19, 303 Ellis Ave., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Union Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:30 a.m.

Kristin M. Burg, 19, 630 S. Capitol St. Apt. 412, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Sports Column on Dec. 10 at 12:40 a.m.

Ryan K. Vansursum, 18, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N165, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Sports Column on Dec. 10 at 12:40 a.m.

Beth A. Turner, 19, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1334, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Union Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:45 a.m.

Jason J. Anderson, 19, Cedar Rapids, was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at the Fieldhouse Restaurant & Bar on Dec. 10 at 12:50 a.m.

Devin D. Snyder, 19, 219 E. Church St., was charged with possession of alcohol under the legal age at Chauncey's Fine Food & Spirits, 210 S. Dubuque St., on Dec. 10 at 1 a.m.

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Public Intoxication — Wayne R. Larson, Cedar Rapids, was fined \$155; Samantha L. Marks, 640 S. Van Buren St. Apt. 6, was fined \$155; Vincent J. Vogelsang, address unknown, was fined \$155.

Theft, fifth degree — Russel Grout, Marion, was fined \$155.

Criminal trespass — Vincent J. Vogelsang, address unknown, was fined \$90.

District Violation of probation — Michael W. Daniels, 1956 Broadway Apt. A-3, no preliminary hearing has been set.

Alcohol violation, second offense — Luis A. Valladares, 331 N. Gilbert St., preliminary hearing has been set for Dec. 23 at 2 p.m.

Possession of a schedule 1 controlled substance — Kevin D. Wall, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N40, preliminary hearing has been set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

Falsifying license — Kevin D. Wall, Hillcrest Residence Hall Room N40, preliminary hearing has been set for Dec. 30 at 2 p.m.

Driving while license revoked — Michael Andrew, 215 E. Prentiss St. Apt. 1, preliminary hearing has been set for Jan. 3 at 2 p.m.

Theft, first degree — Gary L. Murphy, Davenport, Iowa, preliminary hearing has been set for Dec. 22 at 2 p.m.

Theft, fourth degree — Wendy A. Stevens, Coralville, preliminary hearing has been set Dec. 21 at 2 p.m.

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As artillery fire continues, Russia says its forces have captured the airport.

By Russian Musayev
Associated Press

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WORLD

Cuban boy may be headed home

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denas, 95 miles east of Havana.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James Foley said the purpose of the interview was to receive from Gonzalez the documentation "certifying that he is the boy's father, that he can legally exercise parental authority, and also to find out directly from him his wishes for the child. The contents of the interview are now part of an INS case file and are confidential."

Russ Bergeron, an INS spokesman, said Gonzalez has established that he is the father of the boy, Elian Gonzalez. But other officials said the issue of parental rights has yet to be decided. Such rights involve a determination as to whether the father had a genuine relationship with the boy and was not an absentee parent.

Elian was found Nov. 25, clinging to an inner tube off the coast of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after a boat accident that killed his mother and 10

other people. The boat was apparently attempting to illegally enter the United States from Cuba.

Elian has been staying with relatives in Florida since his rescue, and the State Department has said the boy's return is in the hands of the INS.

"I decided to meet with them to show I have no resentment toward them and to repeat my position that my son should be returned to me as soon as possible," Gonzalez said. The meeting was announced by Cuban National Assembly President Ricardo Alarcon.

Vice President Al Gore has suggested Gonzalez be allowed to travel to the United States to express his views there, but Gonzalez said, "there's no reason for me to go there, and I won't do it."

Cuban exiles in Miami — along with a range of U.S. politicians — have argued against returning the boy. In an appearance Sunday on

ABC's "This Week," National Security Adviser Sandy Berger remarked, "This boy should not be a political football."

Cuba has mounted mass rallies demanding Elian's return. Lawyers for relatives in Miami have petitioned for political asylum on behalf of the boy, who has become a cause célèbre among exiled opponents of Cuban President Fidel Castro.

An attorney representing the boy's Miami relatives said Monday she also planned to file for custody. Attorney Carmen Morales will argue that it is detrimental to return Elian to his father as long as his father remains in Cuba.

The dispute threatened to poison the atmosphere at Monday's U.S.-Cuba immigration talks, even as Cuban-Americans stream into Havana on daily flights set up under recent immigration accords.

WORLD BRIEF

N. Ireland, Irish Republic meet

ARMAGH, Northern Ireland (AP) — In a spirit of unprecedented partnership, Ireland's two governments opened an era of cross-border cooperation Monday, nailing down another key plank of last year's peace accord.

Eleven days after the British govern-

ment transferred powers to a Protestant-Catholic administration for Northern Ireland, the new Cabinet sat down with the Irish government to begin tilling common ground.

The new twice-yearly summits, formally called the North-South Ministerial Council, represent the first political institution to link the Irish Republic and Northern Ireland since the island's partition in 1920.

Russians claim control of Grozny suburb

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But Chechen forces said they were still fighting in the area; there was no independent confirmation of the Russian claim. Even if the Russians have control of the airport, fighting in surrounding areas makes it too dangerous to use. It would not be a major loss for the Chechens, who have no aircraft.

The Russian military said one of its Su-25 warplanes went down over the rebel republic Monday, and the pilot ejected but had not been found. Chechen military commandant Isa Munayev claimed the pilot had been taken prisoner, the Interfax news agency reported.

The military initially said the plane was believed to have crashed because of mechanical failure, but Chechen chief of staff

Mumadi Saidayev said it was shot down by Chechen forces. He also said two Russian military helicopters were shot down as they tried to rescue the Su-25's pilot; that claim could not be confirmed.

Russian forces pressed their offensive Monday in towns and villages to the south and east of the capital, shelling several settlements, but the attacks on Grozny appeared lighter than in recent weeks. The Russian military claimed that 80 rebels and one Russian soldier were killed in fighting Monday, ITAR-Tass said.

The military halted air attacks on the city over the weekend and backed away from threats to begin a massive bombardment after international protests. The Russians, who had told civilians to leave the city by Dec. 11 or risk death, opened two corridors for refugees to leave the city, but few

people appeared to be using them.

Emir Abdul Vakhid, an aide to Chechen warlord Shamil Basayev, said Russian troops were heavily shelling a road leading to a northern refugee checkpoint.

After the international outcry, Russian commanders said they would use special forces troops to take the city. The advance into Khankala could be the first step in the new strategy, but the military may again resort to massive bombardment if their troops take heavy losses.

In Moscow, Nikolai Koshman, Russia's chief official for Chechnya, claimed the rebel capital would be captured in a week to 10 days.

"Radical steps will be taken to stabilize the situation in the republic's social sphere," Koshman said following a meeting chaired by Prime Minister Vladimir Putin.

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Quoteworthy

Terrorists love to exploit opportunity. And an opportunity of confusion, which is what Y2K's definition may be, would be perfect for them.

—Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., on the potential for terrorist acts to occur across the globe as the new year dawns.

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EDITORIALS

Drunken donations shouldn't be solicited

Definition of *canning* according to Mroch's Dictionary: (Verb) To raise money by means of badgering people for donations outside of various establishments. Sentence using *canning*: She was canning outside of the bar, smiling as drunk people willingly gave all their money to her.

Dance Marathon works endlessly to raise money for sick children and their families, which is indeed a noble cause. The means by which it obtains some of the money, though, seems not quite as admirable. Dancers who participate in Dance Marathon must raise \$350 in order to partake in the 30-hour event, but canning doesn't seem like the best way to raise the money.

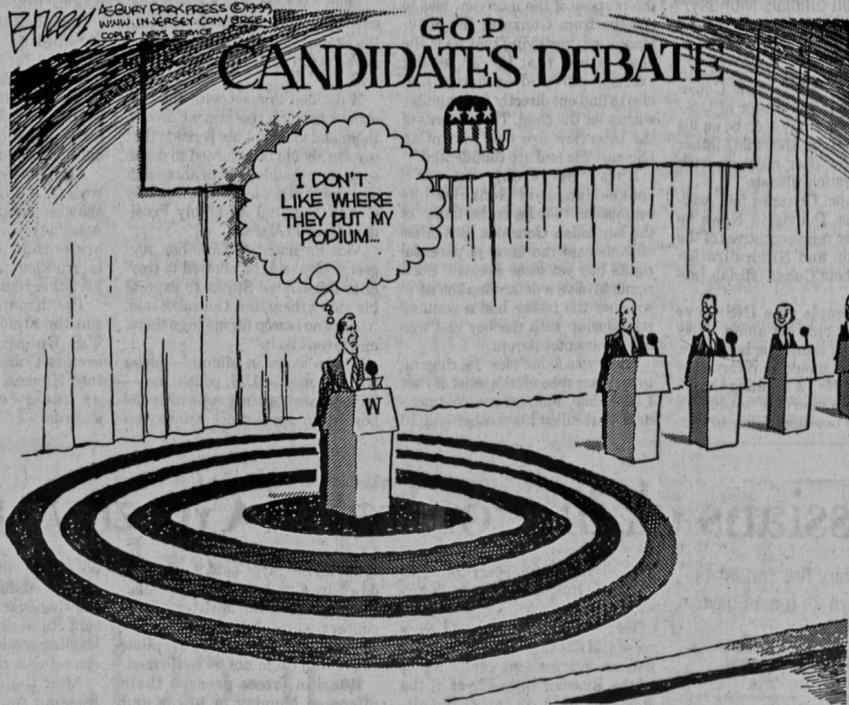
It seems almost contradictory to raise money for a good cause by taking advantage of intoxicated people — under-age drunks, nonetheless. Clever as it is to ask people under the influence to give money for a cause, it is underhanded and wrong.

If a person enters into a contract while under the influence of alcohol, the contract becomes void. It should be the same way for donations. The donations drunken people give to the sneaky dancers are, in a way, contracts. When the drunk gives \$5 to the Dance Marathon volunteer, it is an agreement to support the group and dance at the event in February.

Because this is a contract, the intoxicated people should be able to void their contract within 24 hours of the donation. This would be the only fair solution because some volunteers seem to think it is fine to take advantage of people who have been consuming alcohol.

This dubious practice aside, Dance Marathon is an upstanding and dedicated organization. Allowing drunks to get a receipt for their donations, so they could terminate their contract with the organization if they so chose, would make Dance Marathon even more exemplary.

Mary Mroch is a *DI* editorial writer.



WTO not the evil organization it has recently been made out to be

It is surprising that the World Trade Organization has been the subject of so much recent controversy. Before the protests in Seattle two weeks ago, few Americans could even tell you what the initials WTO stood for. Now, it has been vilified as a corporate lackey — a destroyer of jobs, environments and democracy. Perhaps it would help to learn exactly what it is that the WTO does.

First, the WTO is not inherently pro-corporation. Protesters have complained that the WTO only represents large, multinational companies. This is not true. The WTO was formed by nations, not corporations. Several nations wanted an impartial, international body to resolve trade disputes and enforce trade rules. The trade rules and the enforcement mechanisms of the WTO were agreed upon by these nations, not merely by majority, but by complete consensus.

Every nation that participates in the WTO agreed to all of the rules in advance. If the WTO is a corporate lackey, it is because the nations that participate in the WTO are influenced by corporations, in which case protesters would do better complaining to governments. The corporations themselves have no direct access to the policies of the WTO.

Another argument is that the American people did not give consent to be subject to the WTO. This is also untrue. American representatives were among those participat-

ing in the consensus that formed the WTO and set its policies. America was not bound to those policies, however, until they were ratified by Congress. It is true that a lame-duck Congress happened to do the ratifying, but it is not clear that the result would have been different with another Congress. It is also true that the policy was not ratified as a treaty, which requires a higher percentage of votes. Still, a majority of the American people's elected representatives in Congress did agree to abide by the rulings of the WTO regarding trade disputes.

The WTO does not go around striking laws at random to hurt the environment and destroy jobs in the name of free trade. The WTO has no power to act until a nation petitions it. Nations set up trade agreements with each other. If one trading partner has a complaint that the agreement has been violated, it turns to the WTO.

The WTO determines if the nations have actually followed the agreement they set up and if they give foreign and domestic products equal access to markets. Additionally, a WTO ruling cannot automatically force a nation to change its laws or policies. It merely exposes the unfair policy and gives the injured nation the right to retaliate if the unfair policy isn't changed. Before the WTO and its predecessors, small, powerless nations had no one to turn to — if a bigger trading partner was being a bully, the small nation had to just live with it.

If one thing characterizes the decisions of the WTO, it is equality. Protesters have pointed to a number of laws that have been declared bad for trade by the WTO. They say that the laws would have helped the environment, or punished cruel dictatorships, but they don't see that the laws would also have been unfair. For example, there was a Massachusetts law that imposed a penalty on corporations with financial interests in Burma because of that country's brutal military régime. A lot of countries could be characterized as having a brutal military regime, yet Massachusetts was only picking on Burma. It sounds like Massachusetts has a problem with Burma, not with cruel dictatorships.

The WTO is not the bad guy. It is a mediator between countries that have trade disputes, and has worked to level the playing field between trading partners and to be an advocate for equality in its decisions. The countries in the WTO made the rules.

If protesters want to tilt the playing field in favor of environmental policy or labor protection, they need to take it up with individual governments and get them to change the rules. This might not be a bad thing. Just don't blame the WTO.

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Shrub, Snore machines coasting on fumes into the new year

Just when you thought you had enough on your mind, what with the Holiday Shopping Season going rogue on you, along comes George W. Shrub sauntering into town. Talk about going rogue.

Going rogue, one should point out to his Shrubness, and all his Shrublets, is not the name of any leader of one of those pesky little countries from some other latitude.

Of course, should his Shrubness accidentally become President Shrubness, those pesky little countries are going to have to change their whole latitude attitude; for one thing, they're going to have to get some leaders whose names are easier to remember.

Probably, given its history, the CIA can help out here. There's a whole section of the agency devoted to selecting leaders with pronounceable names for pesky little countries with latitude attitude. The days have been rather slow for the guys since their halcyon years in the Nixon-Reagan-Shrub Sr.

administrations, but you know those cowboys — always ready to hop back in the saddle and rope a little doggie, given enough lariat. That's what made El Salvador free. Outside of the odd nun and bishop.

His Shrubness, of course, is not coming to our fairly reasonable facsimile of a fair town to talk about the CIA. His father might know something about the agency — not that he'd ever say anything; cowboys can't be cowboys unless they test well for laconicness, which is not the same thing as testing well for Yale. Luckily for the Shrub family.

No, the Shrub will probably want to talk about his tax plan, which would give poor people such as me roughly \$75 a year (wow — \$6.25 a month; how can I ever thank his Shrubness?

I'm going to put that windfall straight into an I.R.A. and watch the economy spurt like Old Faithful).

His tax plan would also mean millions for rich people, which is the part the Shrub doesn't emphasize quite so much when he's out speaking to the hoi polloi. Not that he can find hoi polloi on a map any quicker than he can find Islamabad.

It turns out that his Shrubness' tax plan is pretty much like any other conservative's tax plan, despite what Steve Forbes might try to tell you. (What about the compassionate part? you ask. Isn't the Shrub supposed to be the compassionate conservative? The compassionate part is the \$6.25 a month.) Cable TV's resident philosopher, George Carlin, summed it up best: A conservative's tax

plan gives money to the rich, because that gives them incentive; you don't give money to the poor, because that takes away their incentive.

With logic like that, we could build another Titanic. And,

BEAU ELLIOT



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In that way, their candidacies resemble nothing so much as the much-hyped millennium, which is not coming to a neighborhood anywhere near you for another year yet.

Party all you want, wherever you want. When you and your hangover wake up on Jan. 1, it'll still be the same decade, the same century, the same old millennium that so many are so eager to discard like a pair of old socks.

And, like the hangovers from hell, George W. Shrub and George W. Gore will still be running for president.

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On the SPOT

Are you familiar with the work that Dance Marathon does?



"I just know its purpose is to raise money."

Emily Zeidler
UI sophomore



"Yeah. I think it's pretty cool that it raises money for kids with cancer."

Richard Mcamish
UI sophomore



"I don't know too much about it. I just know the greek system is a big part of it."

Sarah Gross
UI sophomore



"They all dance for 30 hours straight, right? I think it's nuts."

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Eric Draper/Associated Press
Sen. John McCain, right, and George W. Bush talk following the GOP presidential debate.

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Democratic National Committee Chairman Joe Andrew said Bush's tax plan would "flatten our economy like a pancake."

Hours before the televised debate, Democrats criticized Bush's tax plan as harmful to the economy, health care and other entitlement programs.

"George W. Bush's tax plan would be a steamroller that crushes the most important priorities that working families depend upon," Andrew said. "Once more, it would flatten our economy like a pancake."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.
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Bush to make first local appearance

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area could be beneficial to Bush, he said, because of his persuasive speaking ability.

"From talking to other people who were undecided, after they hear him speak, they go ahead and sign up," Matthes said. "They realize that he can bring some much needed change to the White House and represent the Republican Party well."

Matthes said the turnout from

Students for Bush will be high, although he did not estimate a number.

Overall, the attendance of students at the event may be low because it comes during finals week.

"I wish I could meet him and hear him speak, but because it is at such an inopportune time with finals, I won't be able to," said UI senior Megan Marquardt, who is thus far supporting Bush.

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Israel split on Golan talks

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in 33 Golan Heights settlements. Likud leader Ariel Sharon warned that after giving back the Golan, Barak would order settlers in the West Bank to leave to "serve as a sacrifice for the cynicism of power, pursuing momentary political gains and temporary comfort."

Appearing unconcerned, Barak smiled as Sharon spoke and chatted with Foreign Minister David Levy, who will accompany him to Washington.

Cabinet Minister Haim Ramon told the Knesset he has a document showing that Barak's predecessor, Likud Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, offered to withdraw from all of the Golan.

Netanyahu, who during his tenure took a hard-line stance toward Syria, was quoted by Israel TV as denying he offered the Syrians a full withdrawal.

Thousands of Golan settlers and supporters demonstrated in a park across from the Knesset, surrounded by hundreds of police. Their chant, "We are not leaving the Golan," echoed through the Knesset grounds.

In a counter demonstration, approximately 2,000 supporters of the dovish Peace Now movement rallied outside Barak's Jerusalem residence, wishing him success in the talks.

Polls in weekend newspapers indicated that Israelis are evenly divided over whether peace with Syria is worth giving up the Golan Heights.

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DI: Are there any plans for the condemned Seashore Hall? What will happen if the School of Journalism and Mass Communication is forced to move out?

Coleman: The areas that they're in are in good shape. We had one little section of Seashore Hall where we were concerned about the roof, so we had some engineers come in. They told us that if there was a really heavy snow, the engineers could not guarantee that the roof would be stable. We had to move people out. The rest of Seashore Hall is very structured and sound, so I don't see any likelihood of that happening.

At some point, we hope we can get money from the state to completely renovate Seashore Hall. First we need to finish (the) Biology (Building). Then our next priority is Art and Art History before building a new journalism and classroom building. The others would need to be done first.

DI: What is your reaction to the UI Students Against Sweatshops' holiday gift of coal, the

members' demonstrations and demands?

Coleman: I know that groups are very concerned about issues of labor. We are members of the coalition of universities to look at this whole issue, and we will continue to examine the issue. I was very pleased that Nike came out about six months ago with the opening up of its sites and publishing where they are, making available those sites for visits by interested groups. I think that's a step in the right direction. We'll continue working with those groups to make sure that what we do is justified and ethical.

DI: What are your plans for the holidays?

Coleman: I'm going to be here for New Year's Eve to make sure that everything goes well with Y2K, but we'll get away for just a couple of days to visit with our sons, so that will be fun. Away for a few days, but here most of the time.

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The judges who reviewed the entries said they were struck by the variety: abstract designs, computer graphics, Jesus as a homeless person, Jesus in outer space cradling the Earth, a Jesus with superhero biceps.

"I think Jesus would have liked this contest," said one of the judges, Pattie Wigand Sporrang of Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. "It didn't have a lot of boundaries and barriers."

The 50,000-circulation National Catholic Reporter, based in Kansas City, Mo., and founded in 1964, has taken pride in its independence, its support for ecumenical reforms and its willingness to provoke debate.

Farrell, in a column in the new issue, predicted the choice of "Jesus of the People" would carry on that tradition.

"We got a strong impression that the era of the blond, blue-eyed Jesus is over," he wrote. "When the church was overwhelmingly a Western institution, we made Jesus in our likeness... This work of art may be prophetic of where and how Christianity will flourish in the next millennium or two."

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Sports



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Quarterbacks coach leaves Iowa for Sooners

Chuck Long is leaving the Hawkeyes to become the passing coordinator for Bob Stoops' Sooners.

By Greg Wallace The Daily Iowan

The Iowa coaching staff took a hit Monday night, as it was announced that quarterback coach and Iowa legend Chuck Long will be leaving to take a position as a passing coordinator at the University of Oklahoma. Television and radio stations broadcast the reports, but Long refused to confirm them when reached for comment Monday. However, his players said that the speculation is not unfounded. "He's definitely going," freshman

quarterback Jon Beutjer said. "(Long) told us he was going to address the media (Monday)." Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said that Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops had called him last week seeking permission to talk to Long. "I can say there is a mutual interest between the two parties," Ferentz said. An opening on the Sooners coaching staff occurred when Oklahoma offensive coordinator Mike Leach left to take the head coaching job at Texas Tech Thursday. Leach was in charge of a high-powered passing attack, led



Long



Stoops

by quarterback Josh Heupel, which carried the Sooners to a 7-4 record and a date in the Independence Bowl

with Mississippi State Dec. 31. Long had been a member of the Iowa coaching staff for six years, moving to his current position in 1997 after spending three years as a defensive backs coach. He was one of two coaches retained from former coach Hayden Fry's staff when Ferentz was hired as the Iowa head man in 1998. Beutjer said that Iowa offensive coordinator Ken O'Keefe may take over Long's position as quarterbacks coach, a decision that Beutjer likes. "That's big," he said. "The quarter-

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INSIDE

All-Americans: Peter Warrick and Sebastian Janikowski led a four-some of Seminoles selected for The Associated Press' All-America team, a squad which also features Heisman winner Ron Dayne. See agate, Page 2B.



ON THE AIR

Main Event

The Event: Pro Basketball, New York Knicks at Houston Rockets, 7 p.m., TNT. The Skinny: New York leads the league in defense. Sunday they held Boston to 38-percent shooting from the field. The Rockets are averaging 99 points per game.



NHL

7 p.m. Flyers at Sabres, ESPN. 9:30 p.m. Blackhawks at Sharks, Fox/Chi.

SPORTS QUIZ

Who is the only female gymnast in Iowa history to score a perfect 10? See answer, Page 2B.

SCOREBOARD

Table with NFL scores: Jacksonville 27, Denver 24.

NBA

Vancouver at L.A. Clippers late

NHL

Table with NHL scores: Montreal 1, Ottawa 3; Washington 0, Toronto 1; Boston 2, Phoenix 0.

MEN'S HOOPS • TOP 25

Table with men's hoops scores: Arizona 70, Indiana-Purdue 41, Auburn 63, Coppin State 35, Ohio State 83, Coastal Carolina 75, Gonzaga, Washington late.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Vaughn agrees to four-year contract with Devil Rays

The Devil Rays were searching to raise the level of their team, and they may have found it through a \$34 million contract with Greg Vaughn.

By Ronald Blum Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Tropicana Field might be home-run heaven next season. Hours after trading for Vinny Castilla, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays gave out the biggest contract to any free agent this offseason, agreeing Monday to a \$34 million, four-year deal with Greg Vaughn.

"They want to win. They want to win now. They don't want to wait," Vaughn said. "You couldn't ask for a better situation."

A year after hitting 50 homers for the San Diego Padres, Vaughn hit 45 more for the Cincinnati Reds last season, batting .245 with 118 RBIs. He tied for third in the NL in home runs and was ninth in RBIs.

"He's a winner on the field; he's a winner off the field," Devil Rays general manager Chuck LaMar said. "If we hadn't made the Castilla deal, I guarantee you, Greg Vaughn would have asked us, 'What are your next moves?' Greg knew of our commitment."

While Arizona made the playoffs in its second season, Tampa Bay has lagged — both on the field and at the gate. The Devil Rays' attendance dropped from 2.3 million in 1998 to 1.6 million.

"We said we were going to get better every year," LaMar said. "The first year, we won 63 games. Last year, we won 69 and would have won 70-to-75 if not for the injuries. We need to take the next step up. We're not too many pieces away from having a very good baseball team."

READ, THEN RECYCLE



Matt York/Associated Press

Phoenix coach Danny Ainge pauses while announcing he is stepping down as head coach Monday in Phoenix. Ainge cited family reasons for stepping down saying he needed to spend more time with his wife and six children.

Ainge quits as Suns' coach

Phoenix coach Danny Ainge's announcement shocked the Suns' organization Monday.

By Bob Baum Associated Press

PHOENIX — For Danny Ainge, the choice was as simple as it was difficult. Being a father and husband, he decided, was more important than being an NBA coach.

Just six weeks into the season, Ainge abruptly resigned as coach of the Phoenix Suns on Monday because he said he needed to devote more attention to his wife and six children.

"I love coaching, but anybody can coach," Ainge said. "My wife has just one husband and my children have just one father. Some of you may think I'm jumping ship. I don't believe I'm jumping ship. I'm diving overboard to save my family."

His top assistant, Scott Skiles, will replace him. At 35, Skiles is the



This is a dream I've had for a long time, to be the youngest coach in the league. But the circumstances of it, it's not like I'm jumping for joy. It's like I've lost a close friend.

— Scott Skiles, new Phoenix head coach

youngest among current NBA coaches.

The announcement took the entire Suns organization by surprise. Skiles said Ainge told him of his plans on the plane ride home from Dallas, where the Suns lost Saturday night.

"I was shocked to say the least," Skiles said.

Ainge had a 136-90 record in just

more than three seasons with the Suns. His current team was 13-7.

"I didn't see it coming," the Suns' Tom Gugliotta said. "I knew our playing to our potential on the court was not perfect, but Danny had us working hard. It was a surprise."

Ainge said the team's performance had nothing to do with his

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MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

Jaguars kick winning field goal with no time left

Denver fell further in the league after losing to Jacksonville in the fourth quarter Monday night.

By Eddie Pells Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — After muddling through a rain-soaked second half, the Jacksonville Jaguars suddenly turned explosive Monday night.

The result, a 27-24 victory over the Denver Broncos that kept the Jaguars (12-1) in control of the race for home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

Mike Hollis made the game-winning 23-yard field goal as time expired.

Fred Taylor, who entered when James Stewart sprained his foot in the third quarter, had runs of 14 and

7 yards to set up the field goal after Dale Carter was hit with a 25-yard pass-interference penalty in single coverage on Jimmy Smith.

Just minutes earlier, Taylor burst through for a 38-yard touchdown run to give the Jaguars a 24-17 lead and the apparent victory.

But Denver (4-9), which had struggled just as mightily as Jacksonville in the driving rain, tied it when Brian Griese hit Byron Chamberlain for a 57-yard touchdown pass against the Jaguars' prevent defense. The tight end caught the ball in front of safety Blaine McElmurry, then bounced off a Fernando Bryant and rambled for the tying score.

Before that, the steady rain was the main story.

Jacksonville's first six drives of the second half resulted in three-and-outs, as Brunell had trouble handling the slippery ball.

Denver and Brian Griese had little more luck, producing just a 40-yard field goal by Jason Elam for a 17-17 tie in the third quarter.

From there, the game turned into a defensive struggle, one in which Jacksonville held the field-position advantage and both teams seemed happy to wait for the other to make a crucial mistake.

Instead, both teams came up with big plays for the exciting finish.



Hawkeye, Cyclone fans have few similarities

Depending on who you talk to, last weekend in Ames was one of the all-time lows for Iowa in its long rivalry with Iowa State.

But it does depend on who you talk to.

Does it really matter that Iowa was swept on the hardwood at Hilton? Or that the Clones beat the Hawks in football again? If you're an Cyclone fan, yes. If you're a Hawkeye fan, no.

To fully understand the rivalry, you have to understand the schools. Iowa has always been the progressive one. Iowa has the medical school. Iowa has the law school. Iowa has the business school. White Collar U, if you will.

Travel 150 miles, and you'll get a different story.

There's no law school in Ames. The only medical specialists with a Cyclone cowskin work on animals. The student body is dominated by ag majors and engineers. There's "Agger" and "Farmhouse" fraternities. It's a whole different world.

For ISU fans, it's like the Super Bowl and Mardi Gras rolled into one when the Hawkeyes come to town.

Don't wear your black and gold there, either. I have my friends in Ames, and upon my four years here, have made numerous visits there. I've had the chance to meet many Cyclones. The most common response upon learning I'm an Iowa student?

"Oh, I'm sorry." "Sorry? Why are you sorry? I made my choice to go to Iowa, and I have lived it and loved it. Wouldn't trade it for anything."

ISU students don't see it that way. They despise Iowa students. Sure, some of that anger is seated in failing to secure the upper hand in the rivalry for 65 years. But some of that anger is just plain misguided.

I don't hate Iowa State. I love to watch Iowa beat them, but I don't have anger in my heart for the red and gold. The calls and e-mails only come my way after an ISU win; I don't brag. I expect Iowa to beat Iowa State.

For ISU fans, it's like the Super Bowl and Mardi Gras rolled into one when the Hawkeyes come to town. Around here, the game is important not because it's Iowa State, but because it's a win.

The way Iowa fans celebrate a victory over the Cyclones is to go to a bar, not a rare occurrence on any game weekend, win or lose.

But Iowa State fans rush the field and burn coaches. Why? It matters to them. They have to rub it in hated

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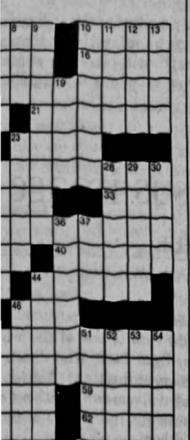
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FIRST TEAM

Quarterback — Joe Hamilton, Georgia Tech, 5-10, 189, senior, Alvin, S.C.
Running backs — Ron Dayne, Wisconsin, 5-10, 254, senior, Berlin, N.J.; Thomas Jones, Virginia, 5-10, 205, senior, Big Stone Gap, Va.
Wide receivers — Troy Walters, Stanford, 5-8, 170, senior, College Station, Texas; Peter Warrick, Florida State, 6-0, 190, senior, Bradenton, Fla.
Tight end — James Whalen, Kentucky, 6-4, 231, senior, Portland, Ore.
Center — Ben Hamilton, Minnesota, 6-5, 271, junior, Plymouth, Minn.
Guards-Tackles — Casey Coleman, Tennessee, 6-5, 315, junior, Clarkston, Ga.; Chris McIntosh, Wisconsin, 6-7, 307, senior, Pewaukee, Wis.; Chris Samuels, Alabama, 6-6, 291, senior, Mobile, Ala.; Jason Whitaker, Florida State, 6-5, 300, senior, Panama City, Fla.
Placekicker — Sebastian Janikowski, Florida State, 6-2, 255, junior, Daytona Beach, Fla.
All-Purpose — Dennis Northcutt, Arizona, 5-11, 172, senior, Los Angeles.

DEFENSE

Linebacker — Courtney Brown, Penn State, 6-5, 265, senior, Alvin, S.C.; Casey Hampton, Texas, 6-1, 305, junior, Galveston, Texas; Corey Moore, Virginia Tech, 6-0, 212, senior, Brownsville, Tenn.; Corey Simon, Florida State, 6-4, 275, senior, Pompano Beach, Fla.
Linebackers — Lavarr Arrington, Penn State, 6-3, 233, junior, Pittsburgh; Brandon Short, Penn State, 6-3, 252, senior, McKeesport, Pa.; Mark Simonson, Kansas State, 6-0, 240, senior, Smith Center, Kan.; Raynoch Thompson, Tennessee, 6-3, 217, senior, New Orleans.
Backs — Mike Brown, Nebraska, 5-10, 205, senior, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Tyrone Carter, Minnesota, 5-9, 184, senior, Pompano Beach, Fla.; Delta O'Neal, California, 5-11, 185, senior, Milpitas, Calif.; Brian Urlacher, New Mexico, 6-4, 240, senior, Lovington, N.M.
Punter — Shane Lechler, Texas A&M, 6-2, 220, senior, East Bernard, Texas.

SECOND TEAM

Quarterback — Michael Vick, Virginia Tech.
Running backs — Shaun Alexander, Alabama; LaDainian Tomlinson, TCU.
Wide receivers — Kwame Cavil, Texas; Trevor Insley, Nevada.
Tight end — Daniel Franks, Miami.
Center — Mike Malena, San Diego State.
Guards-Tackles — Brad Bedell, Colorado; Slave Hutchinson, Michigan; Richard Mercer, Miami; Manuel Smith, Arizona State.
Place-kicker — Jeff Chandler, Florida.
All-purpose — David Allen, Kansas State.
DEFENSE
Linebacker — Alex Brown, Florida; John Engelberger, Virginia Tech; Chris Hovan, Boston College; Adaluis Thomas, Southern Mississippi.
Linebackers — Keith Adams, Clemson; Rob Morris, BYU; Jamel Smith, Virginia Tech; Nate Webster, Miami.
Backs — Rodrigo Brooks, Alabama-Birmingham; Ralph Brown, Nebraska; Jamar Fletcher, Wisconsin; Deon Grant, Tennessee.

WOMEN'S HOOPS • TOP 25 POLL

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 12, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking.

| Rank | Team | Record | Pts | Pv |
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| 2 | Tennessee (2) | 5-1 | 1,010 | 3 |
| 3 | Louisiana Tech (1) | 5-1 | 938 | 4 |
| 4 | N.C. State | 8-0 | 928 | 4 |
| 5 | Georgia | 11-1 | 926 | 5 |
| 6 | UCLA | 4-2 | 813 | 8 |
| 7 | Texas Tech | 6-0 | 701 | 12 |
| 8 | Auburn | 5-1 | 685 | 9 |
| 9 | Penn St. | 6-2 | 646 | 16 |
| 10 | North Carolina | 7-2 | 630 | 11 |
| 11 | Notre Dame | 5-2 | 624 | 7 |
| 12 | Purdue | 7-1 | 567 | 18 |
| 13 | LSU | 6-1 | 530 | 15 |
| 14 | Iowa State | 5-2 | 499 | 9 |
| 15 | Oregon | 6-1 | 472 | 10 |
| 16 | Rutgers | 4-2 | 470 | 13 |
| 17 | Arizona | 8-0 | 453 | 19 |
| 18 | Duke | 9-1 | 387 | 20 |
| 19 | Illinois | 7-3 | 374 | 17 |
| 20 | Kansas | 6-1 | 304 | 14 |
| 21 | Old Dominion | 6-1 | 297 | 21 |
| 22 | Mississippi St. | 7-0 | 185 | 25 |
| 23 | UC Santa Barbara | 4-3 | 124 | 23 |
| 24 | Tulane | 6-0 | 77 | — |
| 25 | Texas | 6-2 | 75 | — |

MEN'S HOOPS • TOP 25 POLL

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 12, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking.

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| 18 | Duke | 9-1 | 387 | 20 |
| 19 | Illinois | 7-3 | 374 | 17 |
| 20 | Kansas | 6-1 | 304 | 14 |
| 21 | Old Dominion | 6-1 | 297 | 21 |
| 22 | Mississippi St. | 7-0 | 185 | 25 |
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| 24 | Tulane | 6-0 | 77 | — |
| 25 | Texas | 6-2 | 75 | — |

TRANSACTIONS

AUTO RACING
INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY—Named Bob Raf senior vice president of sales and marketing and chief marketing officer.

NASCAR—Promoted Liz Schlosser, managing director of licensing, to senior marketing director. Named Dee Scott, managing director of licensing, Don Rothoff managing director new business and retail development, and Steve Boguski managing director of automotive aftermarket and premiums.

BASEBALL
American League
MINNESOTA TWINS—Acquired LHP Johan Santana from the Florida Marlins for RHP Jared Camp and cash. Named Jose Marzan manager and Ricardo Ingram coach of Fort Myers of the Florida State League. Named Stan Cizum manager, Floyd Rayford coach, and Gary Lucas pitching coach of Quad City of the Midwest League. Named Jeff Carter manager and Corey Andrews trainer of Elizabeth of the Appalachian League.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Traded OF Chad Curtis to the Texas Rangers for RHP Brandon Knight and RHP Sam Marson.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Acquired RHP Justin Miller and cash from the Colorado Rockies.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Acquired 3B Vinny Castilla from the Colorado Rockies for RHP Rolando Arroyo and INF Aaron Ledesma. Agreed to terms with OF Greg Vaughn on a four-year contract.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Designated OF Deion Sanders for assignment. Agreed to terms with RHP Einar Darnell on a one-year contract.

CHICAGO CUBS—Traded RHP Richard Negrete to the Baltimore Orioles for SS Augie Ojeda.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Acquired OF Abraham Nunez from the Arizona Diamondbacks to complete an earlier trade. Promoted Scott Radt to assistant to the general manager for scouting. Named Jack Robertson, Dick Egan and Manny Estrada scouts. Murray Cook national crosschecker. Mike Russell eastern region crosschecker. Larry Keller area scout for Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, and

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Calgary 2, Chicago 1
 Anaheim 4, Atlanta 1
 Colorado 3, Vancouver 2, OT

Monday's Games
 Montreal 1, Washington 0
 Boston 2, Phoenix 0
 Ottawa 3, Toronto 1

Tuesday's Games
 Los Angeles at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
 Edmonton at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
 Boston at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
 Nashville at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
 Calgary at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
 Chicago at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
 Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
 Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
 Nashville at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
 Edmonton at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
 Calgary at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
 Anaheim at Colorado, 9 p.m.

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 Anaheim at Colorado, 9 p.m.

Friday's Games
 Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
 Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
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 Edmonton at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
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Saturday's Games
 Los Angeles at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
 N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
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DOUGLAS ROGALSKI AREA SCOUT FOR CENTRAL AND NORTH FLORIDA AND PARTS OF GEORGIA.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Acquired RHP Jimmy Haynes from the Oakland Athletics and C Henry Blanco and RHP James Wright from the Colorado Rockies and sent 3B Jeff Cirillo, LHP Scott Karf and cash to Colorado. Agreed to terms with OF James Mouton on a minor league contract.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Released INF Jose Fernandez.

NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with 1B Ryan McGuire, RHP Johan Lopez and OF Juan Moreno on minor-league contracts.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed Ed Wade, general manager, to a two-year contract extension through 2002. Assigned INF Dave Doster to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of the International League.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Traded RHP Brad Clontz to the Arizona Diamondbacks for a player to be named. Traded OF Brent Brown to the Florida Marlins for OF Bruce Avon.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Agreed to terms with RHP Mark Thompson on a one-year contract.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Released INF Jed Henschen from the 40-man roster.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Traded RHP Jerry Spradlin to the Kansas City Royals for a player to be named.

TEXAS RANGERS—Released RHP Jeff D'Amico from the 40-man roster.

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SPORTS

Surgery sidelines Gordon

■ The AL's top closer of 1998 will be sidelined for the 2000 season after undergoing elbow surgery.

By Howard Ulman
Associated Press

BOSTON — Tom Gordon, the American League's top closer in 1998, apparently has pitched his last game for the Boston Red Sox after undergoing elbow surgery Monday that is expected to sideline him for the 2000 season.

Gordon had a tendon transplanted from his left wrist to replace a ligament in his right elbow in Inglewood, Calif. The usual recovery period is 12 to 16 months, said Red Sox spokesman Kevin Shea.

Gordon, 32, is under contract through the 2000 season, and the Red Sox have the option of extending it after that. But that option must be exercised by Nov. 1, probably too early to tell if Gordon's elbow will allow him to pitch effectively again.

Boston general manager Dan Duquette "said it's unlikely that we'll be able to exercise that option," Shea said in a telephone interview from baseball's winter meetings in Anaheim, Calif.

Gordon made a successful switch from starter to closer late in the 1997 season and began last

season as Boston's closer. But he went on the disabled list twice — from April 17 through May 10 because of an inflamed right elbow, and from June 14 through Sept. 27 because of an elbow strain.

He was 0-2 with a 5.60 ERA and 11 saves in 21 regular-season games for Boston. That was a sharp contrast to his 1998 season when he was 7-4 with a 2.72 ERA and an AL-best 46 saves.

He finished that year with 43 consecutive regular-season saves and extended that streak to a major league-record 54 last year then blew his last two opportunities before going on the disabled list.

In four games during the playoffs, he allowed four earned runs in 4 1-3 innings, an ERA of 8.31, and had no record and no saves. The Red Sox beat Cleveland in the division series and lost to the New York Yankees in the championship series.

The Red Sox preferred a conservative approach to treating Gordon, hoping he wouldn't need surgery and then hoping an operation to clean out bone chips and transpose a nerve would be sufficient.

That was done Monday and doctors found the more serious operation, known as "Tommy John surgery" after the former major league pitcher, also was necessary, Shea said.

Long leaves legacy behind

LONG

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back coach will be on the same page as the offensive coordinator.

Ferentz said that he would support Long's decision and that he knew it was just a matter of time before he moved on.

"He is an excellent coach," Ferentz said. "We feel very fortunate to have kept him on the staff. At the same time, when you have good people, they're going to have some opportunities to advance professionally. It's up to that person, that coach to take a look at things, weigh his options."

"I fully support him. It's part of his growth." Beutjer was surprised with Long's departure, but he said it's part of the business of college football. He was just happy to have a year under Long's tutelage.

"He's doing what's best for him," Beutjer said. "His goal is to be a head coach, and it won't be here, so he's moving on."

Beutjer redshirted the 1999 season, and is expected to challenge for the starting quarterback position next fall.

Beutjer is originally from the Chicago suburb of Wheaton, Ill.,

which is Long's hometown as well. He said that Long was a big reason he signed with Iowa, and continued to be a large part of his development this fall.

"He's taught me so much," Beutjer said. "He helped with footwork and reading defenses. He had so much success in college and the pros, but now he can't teach me the rest of what he learned."

Long was one of the best players in Iowa history. He was a four-year starter, and finished second to Bo Jackson in the 1985 Heisman Trophy voting in the closest race in history. He is believed to be the only college player ever to play in five bowl games, including two Rose Bowls. Iowa won the 1985 Big Ten championship under his leadership, and was ranked No. 1 in the nation for five weeks.

He threw for 10,461 career-passing yards and is Iowa's career-passing leader. He holds the Big Ten and Iowa record for touchdowns, with 74. He won the Davey O'Brien Award, given to the nation's best quarterback, and the Maxwell Trophy, given to the nation's best player, after that magical 1985 campaign.

He was the first-round draft pick of the Detroit Lions in 1986, and spent eight years with the Lions and one with the Los Angeles Rams before retiring and taking the Iowa position.

He was recently inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in New York City as part of a 14-member class that also included Herschel Walker.



Beutjer

New coaches will stop losses

WALLACE

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big brother's face. Iowa fans care only if their team strings six football wins together and goes to a bowl, or if the hoopsters crank out 20 and go to the Big Dance.

Iowa State fans, softened by years of Jim Walden, have lower expectations. Beat Iowa. They'll let the rest slide. Dan McCarney has built a career this way; if not for his two Iowa wins, he'd probably be a defensive coordinator at North Texas by now.

As Jay Bickford so memorably said, "Sure, they beat us, but the only time they fill up their crappy stadium is when Iowa comes to town."

And he couldn't be more right. Why get worked up? Sixty-five years of dominance was fun; I'll trade one down year for 65 more to come.

And 65 more could happen. Steve Alford has one of the nation's best recruiting classes

incoming next year, and I have every confidence that Kirk Ferentz is the right man for Iowa football.

Of course, Larry Eustachy could have an excellent class of his own if Ernest Brown decides to head to Ames. However, the Iowa team that will take the hardwood next year will trump the Cyclones' talent.

The women are a different story; Bill Fennelly is building a national power, while Angie Lee's Hawkeyes are slipping behind in the race. Losing players like Stacy Frese (yes, she was a Hawk) and Nina Smith hurt, badly.

Two out of three ain't bad, though.

My advice? Ignore the negative vibes coming from Ames this week. Iowa fans will have their chance to watch their Hawkeyes beat an ISU team and act like they don't care soon enough.

And Iowa State fans will have to pretend like it doesn't matter. But we know better than that.

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NHL ROUNDUP



Susan Walsh/Associated Press

Montreal defenseman Barry Richter, left, checks Washington Capitals defenseman Dmitri Mironov into the boards Monday.

Senators upset Toronto

TORONTO (AP) — Radek Bonk, Shawn McEachern and Marian Hossa scored to lead the Ottawa Senators, who were missing four defensemen, to a 3-1 victory Monday night over the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Ottawa, which won for only the third time in 12 games, moved within five points of the Northeast Division-leading Maple Leafs. Toronto, which outshot the Senators 28-18, lost at home for only the fourth time in 20 games.

The Senators were without Sami Salo (broken wrist), Jason York (groin strain), Chris Phillips (ankle) and Igor Kravchuk (sprained knee).

Bruins 2, Coyotes 0

BOSTON — Byron Dafeo, the NHL shutout leader last season with 10, stopped 32 shots for his first this season as Boston beat Phoenix to stop a six-game winless streak.

Dafeo, who missed nearly a month at the start of this campaign during a contract hold-out, was hardly tested.

The Bruins were 0-3-3 in their last six games, while Phoenix lost just its second away from home in its last six.

Phoenix dropped its third straight game, the Coyotes' longest losing streak of the season. It was also the first time they have been shut out since April 11 at Anaheim.

Canadiens 1, Capitals 0

WASHINGTON — Jose Theodore made 19 saves and Martin Rucinsky's second-period goal held up as Montreal defeated Washington.

The Capitals, who have been shut out in two straight games, have been held scoreless for 120 minutes, 15 seconds. Richard Zednik got the last Washington goal when he scored into an empty net in a 4-2 victory over the New York Islanders last week.

Rucinsky scored a power-play goal with 2:55 left in the second period.

The Capitals have scored two goals or less in seven of their nine games and generated few threats against the Canadiens.

Ainge looking for a new job

AINGE

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resignation. "If we were 17-3, I'd be making the same decision," he said.

However, Jason Kidd thought Ainge was becoming increasingly frustrated by the team's play.

"As a coach you kind of get fed up," Kidd said. "I think he was worn out and tired."

The 40-year-old Ainge has children ranging in age from 4 to 19. He cited a recent time when one of his teen-age sons said he was becoming too distant "and I couldn't disagree with him."

"It really comes down to just wanting to make a statement to my family that they are more important than my career," Ainge said.

He said there are far more demands on a coach than on a player.

"I felt like I had a lot of little kid in me when I played," Ainge said. "I feel like that little kid is dead because I haven't been able to enjoy it. The reason that I haven't been able to enjoy it is the people I want to share it with aren't sharing it with me, and it's not as much fun. I just want to share their lives with them. It's that simple."

Suns owner Jerry Colangelo said he initially was going to try to talk Ainge out of it.

"But then he explained the reasons why, and that's pretty powerful," Colangelo said.

Skiles was a candidate for the head coaching job in Orlando during the offseason. He inherits a team that has one of the game's top backcourts in Kidd and Penny Hardaway. Skiles played with Hardaway in Orlando.

"This is a dream I've had for a long time, to be the youngest

coach in the league and I believe I am," Skiles said. "But the circumstances of it, it's not like I'm jumping for joy. It's like I've lost a close friend. I definitely have mixed feelings about it."

Hardaway was acquired in the offseason from Orlando but has not played the last four games because of a sore left foot.

Ainge is a member of the Mormon church, which emphasizes the family unit above all else.

"Danny is a unique person and a good friend," the Suns' Rex Chapman said. "For him to walk away from one of the best jobs in pro sports for the sake of his family makes a heck of a statement."

Ainge grew up in an athletic family in Eugene, Ore., then starred at BYU. He played baseball for the Toronto Blue Jays (1979-81) before beginning a 14-year NBA career that included championship seasons with Boston in 1984 and 1986.

Known for his intense competitiveness, Ainge played his final three seasons with the Suns, then was hired as an assistant to Phoenix coach Cotton Fitzsimmons. He stayed in the job just six months.

When the Suns began the season 0-8, Ainge replaced Fitzsimmons as head coach.

Ainge's teams were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs each of the last three seasons.

Ainge said he wants some time away from the game. Colangelo said there would be a front office spot for him when he decides to come back. Ainge also said he might consider a return to television work.

"I need a job," Ainge said. "I'm not looking to retire at age 40 and get away and not doing anything the rest of my life and play golf. I have no intention of doing that."

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BASEBALL

Devil Rays get Castilla in four-team trade, sign Vaughn

A rare four-team trade highlighted baseball's winter meetings Monday night.

By Ben Walker
Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — In a major power shift, Greg Vaughn and Vinny Castilla landed in Tampa Bay on Monday, leaving the Devil Rays ready to trot out a modern-day Murderers' Row.

Castilla was part of a rare four-team trade that also involved Jeff Cirillo and Rolando Arrojo, while Vaughn signed as a free agent.

World Series star Chad Curtis was traded from the New York Yankees to Texas, and former October hero Chad Ogea also wound up with Tampa Bay. A few other deals, one with Brant Brown, spiced up the busiest day of the winter meetings.

Boston did not make a deal, but made news: Tom Gordon, the AL's top closer in 1998, is expected to miss the entire 2000 season after undergoing elbow surgery.

The last-place Devil Rays made the biggest noise. Next-to-last in the AL with 145 home runs this season, the middle of their lineup now features Vaughn, Castilla, Jose Canseco and Fred McGriff.

The quartet combined for 144 homers and 409 RBIs this year.

"We're heading toward being an American League club," Devil Rays general manager Chuck

LaMar joked. While a lot of rumors floated, Tampa Bay, Colorado, Milwaukee and Oakland turned nearly a month of talking into a nine-player swap. Baseball officials said it was the first four-team trade since 1985.

"There almost was another team involved, if I could have gotten another type of player," Rockies general manager Dan O'Dowd said.

When it was sorted out, here's where everyone was headed: —Third baseman Cirillo (.326, 15 HRs, 88 RBIs), pitchers Arrojo (7-12, 5.18 ERA) and Scott Karl (11-11, 4.78) and infielder Aaron Ledesma (.265, 0, 30) to Colorado.

—Third baseman Castilla (.275, 33, 102) to Tampa Bay. —Pitchers Jamey Wright (4-3, 4.87) and Jimmy Haynes (7-12, 6.34) and catcher Henry Blanco (.232, 6, 28) to Milwaukee.

—Pitcher Justin Miller (1-2, 4.14 in Class A) to Oakland. Colorado has added 15 draws through trades or free agency since the end of the World Series. The Rockies, realizing their biggest need, have concentrated on pitching.

The Devil Rays later took Ogea in the major league draft of players left off 40-man roster. The pitcher was 2-0 with a 1.54 ERA for Cleveland in the 1997 World Series, but has never been able to duplicate that success.

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By Dave Goldberg
Associated Press

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers, trailing the Lions 16-9, faced third-and-17 at their 28 early in the fourth quarter. Shaun King dropped back, stepped up and dropped a pass among three defenders into the hands of Reidel Anthony for a 30-yard gain.

That led to the tying touchdown and Tampa Bay went on to win 23-16, taking over first place in the NFC Central.

Yes, there is life after rejection for NFL quarterbacks — just look at Kerry Collins, Gus Frerotte and Tony Banks. In King's case, he was left until the 50th pick in the April draft because he is 5-foot-11.

"He's very inspiring, very composed, very talented," Bucs safety John Lynch said after King finished with 297 yards and two TD passes. "Pretty impressive. Pretty poised. That's what we needed at quarterback," receiver Bert Emanuel added.

King's two starts hardly make him an instant success. But a big play on one of the season's biggest downs for his team demonstrates poise that seemed lacking in Trent Dilfer, who could be elsewhere next season.

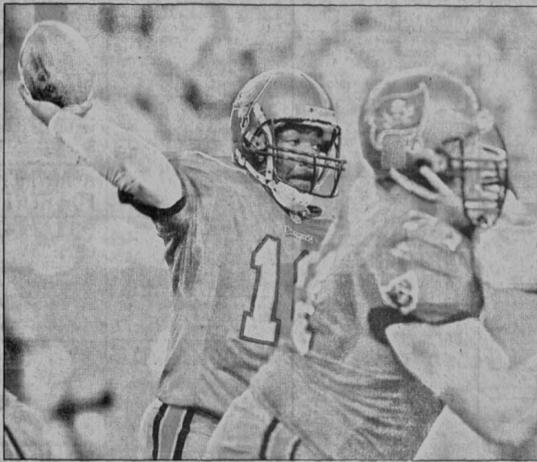
Given the success of other relocated quarterbacks that might be a good thing.

Collins, for example, seems to have put his personal problems behind him and in two starts has turned around the moribund Giants offense.

In Sunday's 19-17 win in Buffalo, he threw for 240 yards and moved the Giants into field goal range for Cary Blanchard's winning kick.

Frerotte, cast off by Washington, has resurrected his career in Detroit in place of the injured Charlie Batch. Batch will be back but Frerotte becomes more coveted property for teams desperately seeking quarterback help.

Banks, meanwhile, has shown signs in Baltimore of the promise



Chris O'Meara/Associated Press

Tampa Bay quarterback Shaun King fires a pass while being defended by tackle Jerry Wunsch during their 23-16 win over the Detroit Lions Sunday afternoon at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Fla. King threw for 297 yards in the victory.

that led the Rams to start him (too early) as a rookie. And there's even Ray Lucas, who seemed to have no shot at becoming an NFL quarterback when he left Rutgers but is 3-2 as a starter for the Jets.

The lesson: The quarterback a team needs might be on someone else's bench.

PLAYOFF PICTURE: "These four- and five-week prognostications are ludicrous," Bill Parcells harrumphed Monday.

"I guess the people who do it figure nobody will remember what they say. ... They say something, make predictions, and then three weeks later they are saying the exact opposite things, as if they had a revelation or changed their minds or something."

"You know, they say 'This team is in, this is a cinch.' It's cute. I get a kick out of it. It's funny."

OK, Tuna, three weeks to go. Here's how it looks:

AFC

Jacksonville (11-1 going into Monday night's game with Denver) — Weak schedule, should have home field throughout

unless the Jaguars slip. In that case, it could come down to net conference points vs. the Colts.

Indianapolis (11-2) — Needs a win or Buffalo loss to win East. Schedule is harder than Jags — games with Washington (at home) and at Bills final week. Colts might have to settle for a bye, a home game and a trip to Florida for the AFC title.

Tennessee (10-3) — In good shape for wild-card and still could win Central with win over Jacksonville if the Jags lose another.

Seattle (8-5) — "It's very painful right now," Mike Holmgren said after his Seahawks lost 19-16 to San Diego at home, their third straight loss. That put them in a tie for the NFC West lead with Kansas City with the Chiefs at the Seahawks on Dec. 26 in the probable decider.

Kansas City (8-5). See above. The loser is probably in good shape for a wild card.

Buffalo (8-5). OK for wild card because of two wins over Miami. At Arizona and New England, home to the Colts.

Miami (8-5). Sinking fast. Schedule is Jets and Chargers at

home and at Washington. New England (7-6) Have to win out and hope — at Philadelphia; Buffalo and Baltimore at home.

NFC

St. Louis (11-2) — One more win gets the Rams home field in NFC. No problem.

Tampa Bay (9-4) — Have a one-game lead in the Central. The Bucs are at Oakland and Chicago and get Green Bay at home. If they win the division games, should win the division.

Washington (8-5) — Leads the East but will be underdog in Indy and lose the tiebreaker to Dallas.

Detroit (8-5) — Leads the wild-card race and one win could make it. At Chicago, home to Denver and at Minnesota.

Dallas (7-6) — If Cowboys sweep (home to Jets and Giants, at New Orleans), they can win East. They're 6-0 at home, but Jets are pesky and Giants improved.

New York Giants (7-6) — Jim Fassel is 9-0 in December and got by first step in killer schedule at Buffalo with no cornerbacks. Go to St. Louis, then home to Minnesota and at Dallas. If they win last two, they probably make it.

Minnesota (7-6) — The offense can't carry the defense.

Green Bay (7-6) — The home loss to the Panthers hurt. At Minnesota and Tampa is no bargain.

Carolina (6-7) — Look at the schedule (San Francisco and New Orleans at home and at Pittsburgh) and the Panthers look like a 9-7 team. But they have a problem in tiebreakers because the best they can be in the NFC is 6-6.

Arizona (6-7) — Will have to win out — Buffalo at home and at Atlanta and Green Bay. Not impossible.



Jon Adams/Associated Press
NL umpire Eric Gregg enters the building to begin arbitration talks. The umpires amassed a show of support during negotiations in Philadelphia.

Arbitration hearing begins over umpires' lost jobs

Testimony will continue today for the 22 umpires who are fighting to regain their jobs.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Jerry Crawford, president of the union whose failed strategy led to the termination of 22 umpires last summer, testified Monday on the first day of a grievance attempt to regain those jobs.

"We expect to initiate the process of proving all the aspects of our complaint," Richie Phillips, head of the Major League Umpires Association, said before the start of Monday's session.

Crawford did not complete his testimony before arbitrator Alan Symonette and will continue on the witness stand today. Symonette has said that for the umpires to prevail, they must show the terminations were not based on merit and skill.

Baseball owners claim the umpires were let go because their

resignations were accepted. Umpires said they withdrew those resignations and should have been allowed to stay on.

"My only expectations are we think the truth will come out," Crawford said.

Eric Gregg, one of the NL umpires let go, said he hopes a decision is made soon.

"I hope that everything goes well. And I hope that we all get our jobs back eventually," he said.

Phillips' group, in charge of the umpires since 1978, remains in charge of the grievance, even though it was ousted last month by an insurgent union, the Major League Umpires Independent Organizing Committee.

Phillips' group was outvoted 57-35 but has objected to the election, which has prevented the National Labor Relations Board from certifying the results.

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Farmers file suit over biotech crops

The class-action suit opens a new front in the fight against "Frankenfoods."

By Philip Brasher
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Six farmers opposed to genetically engineered crops filed a suit Tuesday, saying that Monsanto Co. and other companies conspired to take over the seed and pushed biotech crops to market without adequate environmental health testing.

The class-action suit, filed in District Court in Washington, opens a new front in efforts by farmers to force genetic engineering to use of biotechnology in agriculture — known as "Frankenfoods" — to be more transparent.

Corn and soybeans genetically designed to kill pests or with herbicides have become widely popular in the United States but have met with great consumer resistance in Europe and Asia. Genetic engineering involves splicing a single gene from one organism to another.

Jeremy Rifkin, a prominent biotech activist who recruited a line of law firms to handle the suit, said he wants to "refocus the debate" over genetic engineering "corporate abuse of power" by companies that developed the crops. "Until now, biotech opponents focused their efforts on persuading food manufacturers not to buy genetically modified crops and getting them to require the label on altered foods."

The suit alleges that Monsanto is using its biotechnology patented with other biotech companies such as DuPont to fix prices for farmers into using genetically engineered seed. The lawsuit alleges there is "substantial taint" about whether the crops are safe.

Five farmers in Indiana and one in France are listed as plaintiffs but the lawsuit was filed on behalf of all farmers who have bought Monsanto seed. The National Farm Coalition, a left-leaning group opposed to biotechnology, helped develop the suit.

Monsanto officials denounced the lawsuit as a political stunt and said it would be thrown out of court.

"This technology has been used for decades and is safe."

See BIOTECH

JIM LITKE COLUMN

He should have been a role model

Maybe the story would be better had Charles Barkley been a role model, after all.

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

They have these slick goodbyes nowadays where a team sells out an arena for an evening, even though there's no game, and shows videotaped highlights of the retiree instead. Hah! Just let some team try that with Charles Barkley.

It's not that he doesn't deserve his own night. Or that people in any of the three towns Barkley called home — Philadelphia, Phoenix and finally, Houston — wouldn't turn out. On the contrary. It's just there probably aren't three minutes of the Chuckster on film that would get past the NBA censor, let alone enough to fill up three hours. Barkley's retirement speech reminded us of that much.

"You have seen me go from a boy to a man," he said. "You saw me do some good things, some great things, some stupid things." Barkley went down with a ruptured tendon in a game against the 76ers last Wednesday night, in the early stages of a farewell tour that was supposed to last the entire season. He went on to Boston two nights later because a ceremony there had already been planned, but more likely because Barkley wanted to pay tribute to the fierce rivalry with the Celtics that had stoked him so back in his early pro days in Philly. Then he returned to Houston to go under

the knife.

Barkley is scheduled to be released from the hospital today. Ahead of him are six months of rehabilitation, minimum. As he limped out of Boston with a green piece of the Celtics' parquet floor under his arm, someone asked Barkley what he would focus on to make it through the grueling workouts to repair the knee.

"Skiing," he said. "You never knew if Barkley was telling the truth, or just saying the first funny thing that came into his head. Once it came out of his mouth, though, he swore by it, especially if it made for a good punch line."

In 1992, Barkley finished a war of words with 76ers management by insulting both general manager Gene Shue and owner Harold Katz sharply enough to get himself traded. At the Barcelona Olympics, he nearly started a war by flattening a skinny Angolan opponent with an elbow to the chest in the middle of a 46-1 run by the "Dream Team" and explaining it away as "a ghetto thing."

He came out of NBA commissioner David Stern's office so frequently with his wallet lightened that it became a game. Barkley either slammed a ref, slapped an opponent or said something he shouldn't have.

Cheerfully, he'd divulge the amount he'd just donated to charity and said it was worth every penny. But during one particularly expensive stretch, Barkley refused to say how much he'd been fined or to whom the money was going.

His candor will be missed, but it's hard to imagine it will be missed for very long.

"I wanted it to go to the homeless," he said, "but at the rate things are going, they're going to have a better house than I will by the end of the season."

His candor will be missed, but it's hard to imagine it will be missed for very long. Two months shy of his 37th birthday, Barkley was still producing 16 points and 11 rebounds, but he couldn't carry a team so early in a season without injured Hakeem Olajuwon for much longer. He will, on the other hand, be able to carry a television broadcast the day he decides to sit down in front of a microphone full time.

The search for his replacement is already under way. Barkley was the shortest player in history to lead the league in rebounding, and finding another 6-foot-5 power forward who could rebound the way he could — someone once described watching Barkley like watching Porky Pig on a trampoline — will be tough enough. But finding someone half as entertaining will be impossible.

"I am not a role model," he said in a television commercial a few years ago.

And in some ways, that's too bad.

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Samaranch's next stop: Capitol Hill
LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — Juan Antonio Samaranch succeeded in pushing reforms through his own assembly. Now he has to sell them to a tougher audience: Congress. A day after winning approval of an extensive package of reforms designed to repair his organization's scandal-tainted image, the IOC president flew to Washington on Monday

for the biggest political test of his career.

Samaranch is to testify Wednesday before a House panel considering punitive legislation against the IOC. His task is to convince lawmakers the IOC has fixed itself by enacting substantial — not cosmetic — reforms.

"We must make sure that these reforms do indeed have the teeth behind them to bring about real and lasting change ... (and) to ensure they're worth more than just the paper

they're written on," said Rep. Fred Upton, R-Mich., who will chair the hearing.

The reforms were prompted by the Salt Lake City bid scandal and other corruption allegations that have battered the IOC's reputation and credibility.

In the past year, the IOC has ousted 10 members implicated in the Salt Lake affair, set up an ethics commission, published its financial accounts and opened its sessions to the media.