# Ags are 11-pt favs

By FRED ROTHENBERG

NEW YORK — The only thing hat seems to change about the Rose Bowl is the roses.

Although the college football season is only into its third full week, it seems as though Pasadena will be getting Part Four of that continuing series, "New Year's Day with Ohio State and Southern Cal.

It's happened the last three seasons, with the Rose Bowl — the showcase game between the best from the Big 10 and the Pacific 8 rerunning that old favorite, the Buckeyes against the Trojans.

Ohio State, the Big Ten titan, is once again playing its bully boy act n the Midwest, while Southern Cal, the Pacific 8 elitist, is still kicking sand over its foes on the West

In the tradition of freshman Archie Griffin, sophomore Archie Griffin and junior Archie Griffin, Archie Griffin is still running Ohio State's opposition ragged. Last week the 1974 Heisman Trophy

son game — in the Buckeyes' 17-9 victory over stubborn Penn State.

Meanwhile, in the tradition of Mike Garrett, O. J. Simpson and Anthony Davis, there is Ricky Bell, the tailback sensation who has rushed for 471 yards in the Trojan's two games this season. Last week, Bell rushed for 215 yards and two touchdowns in leading Southern Cal over Oregon State 24-7.

More of the same is expected Saturday when No. 2 Ohio State gives North Carolina a dose of northern inhospitality 42-12 and No. 3 Southern Cal burns Purdue

No. 1 Oklahoma at Miami, Fla.: The Sooners hope Florida's fun and sun will bolster a sagging offense that only piled up 46 points last week after 62 the week before. The sky's the limit here . . . Oklahoma 72, Miami 6.

Texas Christian at No. 4 Nebraska: In picking Indiana over Nebraska last week, I missed by a mere 46 points. Maybe the pick made Indiana over-confident. In any case, the gracious Cornhuskers awarded winner flashed for 128 yards — his 23rd straight 100-plus regular seawinner flashed for 128 yards — his me the game ball. If they fill it with football ta 23rd straight 100-plus regular sea-

Wisconsin at No. 5 Missouri: The Tigers remember last year's 59-20 pasting by Wisconsin. The Badgers remember it better . . Wisconsin 30, Missouri 17.

Texas Tech at No. 6 Texas: New Tech Coach Steve Sloan has a winning smile but his best recruits are at his old school, Vanderbilt. Darrell Royal has a winning smile and his best recruits are here . . . Texas 24, Texas Tech 14.

Northwestern at No. 7 Notre Dame: There's a lot of tradition in this series, including the fact the Fighting Irish 32-7-2 against the Wildcats always win . . . . Dame 28, Northwestern 7.

Illinois at No. 8 Texas A&M: The first game ever between these two teams. Illinois wonders why now Texas A&M 23, Illinois 12.

Baylor at No. 9 Michigan: The first game ever between these two teams. Baylor wonders why now

Michigan 24, Baylor 7. No. 10 UCLA at Air Force: The Bruins may lack patriotism but not football talent . . . . UCLA 42, Air

### Javelinas nab NAIA top spot

KANSAS CITY — Texas A&I, the defending national champion among NAIA football powers, heads the first Division I poll for 1975. Taking second spot in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athle-

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tics poll was Grambling.
Among Division II schools, Missouri Valley was on top followed by William Penn of Iowa.

Others in the top 10 of Division I, in order: Jackson State, Miss.: Henderson State, Ark.: Livingston Uni-

versity, Ala.; Eastern New Mexico; Abilene Christian, Tex.; Fairmont State, W. Va.; Kentucky State, and University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse.

Others in the Division II top 10, in order: Northwestern, Iowa; Texas Lutheran; California Lutheran; Westminister, Pa.; Pacific Lutheran; Hanover, Ind.; Illinois

Wesleyan, and Minot State, N.D. Division I second 10: Minnesota-Duluth; Langston, Okla.; Wisconsin-River Falls; Winona, Minn.; Hillsdale, Mich.; Missouri Southern; tie between Southwestern Oklahoma and Texas Southern; Northeastern Oklahoma, and Norfolk State, Va.

Division II second 10: Hastings, Neb.; Saginaw Valley, Mich.; Milton, Wis.; Dickinson, N.D.; Linfield, Ore.; Valley City, N.D. Carthage, Wis.; Redlands, Calif. Midland Lutheran, Neb., and Missouri Western.

#### Tankers win two in Austin

The Aggie water polo team traveled to Austin on Tuesday and came home toting a pair of victories.

The varsity kept their record clean with a 16-7 victory with Bill Yates and Don Reeser each scoring three goals. Jim Yates, Doug Adamson and Blake Hinman each added two points for the Aggie cause. The game was the second win for the Ags this season in just as

Goalie Steve Englie was praised for his work in replacing All-America Paul McKenzie

The freshmen also remained undefeated after nipping the 'Horn frosh 4-3. Scoring for the Ags were huck Burr, Swendig and Scott Harris, who scored the winner late in the game by coming out of goal.

#### **Nets, Nuggets** attempt jump

NEW YORK — The New York Nets and Denver Nuggets of the American Basketball Association will announce Thursday morning that they have made application for admission to the rival National Basketball Association, The Associated Press learned.

Further, the AP learned that the NBA is interested in having the two clubs join the league, an action that. if it happens, will set off a series of bitter court suits from other ABA

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### I'm not the Quarterback -

**Battalion Sports Writer** 

When I was leaving Tiger Stadium last Saturday night I noticed some enterprising Tiger fans were selling bumper stickers asking for volunteers to assist their head coach prepare his belongings for removal from Baton Rouge.

The message of the sticker isn't important, what is important is

that someone was cashing in on an idea that gave me an idea. My idea, like that guy's, was to turn a particular area of our football team into a money maker.

I have decided to market Ed Simonini and Garth Ten Napel dolls. They work real simple, you just wind them up and they knock the hell out of you.

While production of the dolls may be slow there is one thing for sure, Simonini and Ten Napel are not wasting any time in becoming known as the two greatest linebackers in the history of Texas A&M. There is a silly little unwritten rule that says no two linebackers from the same school shall make All-American. That is the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard of and, more importantly, very

unfair to two deserving individuals. Ten Napel has never been able to shake the "other linebacker" tag put on him after he became a star. Coach John Young feels that neither linebacker would be as good if it wasn't for the other one, but still insists that they are the best two he's had.

Ten Napel was National lineman of the Week last year after the LSU game and was co-player of the week in the Southwest Conference, along with Simonini, this year after the LSU game.

Simonini's stats are as well known, twice two-time second team All-American. But the topic of this column isn't to tell you what they've done

but what they won't do. They won't both make All-American, and that's enough to

cause one to incite riots, start petitions and go on strike. There are several things that won't help their chances either. Number one is that individual statistics won't be outstanding be-

cause the rest of the A&M defense is so good that the stats are Another reason is that the powers that be in All-American selection committees will not put two members of the same team,

much less same position, on their ballot. One thing in Ten Napel and Simonini's favor is that they will get quite a bit of TV coverage this year, and that helps.

While on the subject of linebackers there will be another great one at the Aggie-Illinois contest doing color on one of the Illinois radio stations. His name is Dick Butkus, sound familiar?

Ole Dick is the ex-Chicago Bear who was known for hurting people, making all-pro every year and also making anti-freeze

Illinois will have four or five radio stations broadcasting from the east stands because the A&M press box is set up for one radio

I've been wondering all week how they were going to get people to sit down in front of them so they could see to broadcast,

If Dick Butkus told me to sit down and shut up I think I would do it. I had rather have my teeth rearranged by a dentist under some Novacaine rather than in the east stands of Kyle Field under





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