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### On Iraq, ninja turtles & expansion ...

I'm sick and tired of hearing about Iraq in the news. If I see one more green, mutant, Japanese turtle walking around the boob tube saying "Kowabunga, dude!", I'm likely to lose my lunch.

And if Bo Jackson or that damned Duracell bunny marches through one more commercial, I'm going to take that copper-topped battery and ... well I think you can deduce where I'm going with that.

However, none of these seemingly mundane distractions causes me more grief and aggravation than the new and improved conference merging rumors that seem to run amuck since the University of Arkansas' defection to the Southeastern Conference.

### Anonymous sources

Every day, the Associated Press and sportswriters around Texas inundate the sports page with "sources that wish to remain anonymous" and their "inside scoop" about conference realignment.

The only thing more irritating than anonymous sources is athletic directors who can't seem to make up their minds.

Arkansas Athletic Director Frank Broyles should be commended. Or better yet, let's give him a rousing hog call. Broyles, unlike some of his colleagues in Texas, saw an opportunity with the SEC and acted on it. His bold move to the east will give the Razorbacks oodles of athletic revenues. "Athletic revenues!!" I can already hear the whiney, scholastic liberals calling for my head.

### Pigs reap bucks

Contrary to their belief, the television exposure Arkansas will receive as a result of a better contract will not only generate funds for the athletic mangers, but also serve as a valuable public relations promotion, attracting students and scholars. This means more funding from the state and tuition revenues (in addition to all those neat hidden fees as well).

Some schools around Texas could be eating Crow if they don't make the bold move to secure the futures of their athletic programs.

And if arguing with the scholarly folk wasn't enough, meet Joe Bob Ag. He'll tell you that leaving the SWC is breaking tradition. And here in the bastion

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# Pac-10 votes no to conference expansion

## Texas A&M, Texas must now look elsewhere

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. (AP) — The Pac-10 Conference has decided that 10 members is enough. For now.

After discussing the possibility of expanding the conference at two meetings last month, the top officers of the Pac-10 schools decided Tuesday that the conference is not prepared to expand its current membership.

"After studying the data developed by the conference's directors, senior women administrators and faculty representatives, the chief executive officers determined it was not in the Pac-10's best interests to actively pursue expansion at this

time," commissioner Tom Hansen said in a news release issued Tuesday.

"There is opposition generically to expansion, not to any institution which may have been mentioned, and addition of a member requires a unanimous vote of all 10 members of the conference," Hansen said.

The presidents and chancellors of the Pac-10 met Tuesday by conference call to review information submitted by athletic administrators in meetings earlier this month. During those meetings, which

were prompted by announced and rumored changes in the memberships of other athletic conferences, Hansen met with Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds to discuss the possibility of Texas and Texas A&M joining the conference.

"We are pleased that there has been interest expressed by a number of distinguished institutions in membership in the Pac-10, but find it impossible to even consider expansion without extensive additional study, which will require some time," Hansen said.

The Pac-10 is currently made up

of 10 universities: Arizona, Arizona State, Southern Cal, UCLA, Oregon, Oregon State, Washington, Washington State, Stanford and Cal-Berkeley.

The conference expanded from eight to 10 schools in 1978 when Arizona and Arizona State were admitted.

One conclusion drawn by Pac-10 administrators was that predicting the status of college football television and how it would be affected by conference realignment was impossible to determine.

"While it has been interesting to observe various conference configurations which have been suggested, primarily because of the Pac-10's geographic location and existing travel demands — timewise and financially — it was determined that there was concern about the unknowns of football television in the future, a balance of factors seemed to weigh against expansion at this time," Hansen said.

Since last season, Penn State has been admitted as the 11th member of the Big 10 Conference, and Arkansas has left the Southwest Conference and joined the Southeastern Conference.

# Bears gearing up for 1990 football season

## All-SWC tackle Dotson moved to defensive end

WACO (AP) — Coach Grant Teaff of Baylor said Tuesday he has shifted all-Southwest Conference defensive tackle Santana Dotson to defensive end.

Teaff also told the SWC media tour that he has moved reserve cornerback Frankie Smith to fullback, where he is ahead of freshman redshirt Robert Strait, rated by some as the top running back in high school two years ago.

Dotson (6-5, 264), is replacing John Godfrey, (249), who has hepatitis, Teaff said. Dotson, a junior, played defensive end as a freshman.

Smith, only 5-9 and 177, was a backup to cornerbacks Charles Bell and Malcolm Frank who, according to Teaff, are as good as any cornerbacks in college football. At fullback Smith, a senior, is listed No. 1 with sophomore David Loeb, 215.

As a high school senior, Smith rushed for 1,246 yards and 14 touchdowns and averaged 39.2 yards on kickoff returns.

"Yesterday, for the first time, I saw a smile on his face," Teaff said of Smith.

Strait and another freshman redshirt, Brent Underwood, are running with the second team.

Teaff said, however, he is not disappointed in the highly recruited Strait, but at 235 he is about 15 pounds overweight.

"Robert is in a position where he has got to rise to the occasion and do what it takes," he said.

"I'm not going to rush him into something when he's not ready — Robert Strait will be an outstanding player down the road."

Baylor, 17-16 under Teaff



Battalion file photo

Junior safety Trooper Taylor (2) and the rest of the Baylor Bears are ready to start the 1990 season against Nebraska on Sept. 1.

over the past three years, is going back to a veer offense after using a dropback passing offense from

1987-89. "I wanted to return to that which I believed in," Teaff said.

## Baylor stands to lose a lot if A&M, UT go

From Staff and Wire Reports

Baylor University could lose both students and money if Texas A&M and the University of Texas flee the Southwest Conference, a Baylor economist says.

Tom Kelly, director of the Center for Economic Analysis, said BU could lose 10 percent of its students and cost the surrounding McLennan County up to \$37 million in revenues if other SWC schools leave.

Kelly said his analysis doesn't include losses in television revenue and contributions.

For weeks, conference realignment has been a major topic. Rumors that UT and A&M are considering a move to either the Southeastern Conference or the Pacific 10 since the University of Arkansas announced its move to the SEC.

State Sen. Chet Edwards, an A&M graduate, asked for an inquiry into whether the Legislature should become involved in tax-supported universities if they leave the SWC.

Sen. Bob Glasgow, chairman of the Senate State Affairs Committee, said he would convene his group Sept. 8 to hold hearings on the conference movements.

At Baylor, Kelly said, many students first identify with the school through its football program, and contributions increase when the team beats a major college.

"Baylor gets a lot of advertising every year from participating in athletic events," Kelly said.

# Ex-UF head coach finds happy home at Penn State

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — Galen Hall was never a high-profile coach like Barry Switzer or Jackie Sherrill. But like those big-name coaches, Hall was ousted from his job for violating NCAA rules.

Unlike his peers, though, Hall had nothing to fall back on: No real estate business, no car dealership, no book deal, no nothing.

Only football. So now Hall is starting over, working as an unpaid graduate assistant at Penn State, where he played quarterback three decades ago.

"If we could help Galen, we wanted to help him," said Penn State coach Joe Paterno, who recruited Hall when he was a prep player in Williamsburg, Pa. "All he needed was a place to regroup."

The 53-year-old Hall was forced to resign as Florida coach during the 1989 season after admitting he gave money to a player and two assistant coaches.

He tried to find another job, but the only person who would give him a chance was Paterno.

"He belongs in coaching," said

Sherrill, former coach at Pitt and Texas A&M. "I'm not saying he can't do a lot of other things, but he's got a natural coaching ability."

In his resignation letter, Hall said he helped a player who was having trouble meeting child support payments and gave a total of \$22,000 to two assistant coaches.

Hall, who was an assistant at Oklahoma for 17 years, claims he didn't know it was an NCAA violation to give his assistants supplemental pay.

"I think you can violate a rule without intentionally doing so," said

Penn State assistant Dick Anderson, former coach at Rutgers who was one of Hall's college teammates.

"Galen gave some money to an assistant. Frankly, I didn't know that was a violation. I could have done that at Rutgers. I didn't, but I could have."

Charles McClendon, executive director of the American Football Coaches Association, said Hall deserves another chance.

"I appreciate Joe giving him an opportunity. He has been punished enough," McClendon said.

# SWC ADs postpone talks on expansion

DALLAS (AP) — A meeting between Southwest Conference athletic directors scheduled for today has been postponed, SWC commissioner Fred Jacoby said.



John David Crow

"It was decided to postpone the meeting until after the presidents meet in Dallas on Sept. 7," Jacoby said. "The athletic directors decided they would have more information to work with after then."

A consulting firm will present a study of the future of the SWC to the school presidents.

The University of Arkansas has left the SWC for the Southeastern Conference and Texas A&M and Texas are studying options which include the SEC and the Pacific-10 Conference.

UT athletic director DeLoss Dodds and A&M AD John David Crow met with Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen last week in Kansas City to discuss the possibility of A&M and Texas moving into the league.

Meanwhile, Joe Dean, athletic director at SEC-member Louisiana State University, said Monday that conference has made no move toward luring either UT or A&M although the conference was interested.

"There has been no contact by our commissioner," Dean told Houston television station KRIV. "They have been talked about as institutions that have shown some interest."

Dean said Dodds cancelled a meeting that also was to include Crow so the issue of a conference switch involving UT and A&M could cool.

"DeLoss was nervous because some members of the state Legislature were calling and there was some conversation that the governor had called," Dean said.

Instead, Dean said he and Dodds and Crow spoke via a conference telephone call for about an hour on Friday.

"I told them if you can make things work there and be happy, then stay where you are," Dean said.

Dean also said he has spoken with University of Houston Athletic Director Rudy Davalos about the Cougars joining the SEC if the Southwest Conference crumbles.

"I have had a lot of conversations with Rudy," he said.

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