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Bowl situation settled, but foggier than ever

(AP) — Notre Dame and Wyoming aren't going to bowls, even though they wanted to. Brigham Young and Nebraska are going to bowls, but not the ones they wanted to. And Florida and Florida State are going to THE bowl, but they're not the teams the fans wanted.

Except those from Florida, of course. It seems like it wasn't until the bowl picture got settled that it got confusing.

"I'm terribly disappointed for Wyoming, especially the student-athletes, coaches and fans," WAC commissioner Karl Benson said. "They were certainly deserving of a bowl game."

At least Notre Dame, 8-3 and ranked 18th in the final AP poll, reluctantly chose not to go after losing to Southern Cal, failing to qualify for one of the biggies. They'll stay home for the first time since 1986.

"At Notre Dame, we expect the best and we deserve the best," offensive guard Mike Rosenthal said, speaking for the majority of his teammates. "The team agreed that if there wasn't a top bowl, there shouldn't be any bowl."

Wyoming finished 10-2 and ranked 22nd, but it lost the WAC title to BYU 28-25 in overtime on Saturday and didn't get a bid. The Cowboys would have gone just about anywhere if asked.

"It's no longer for the kids," Wyoming Athletic Director Lee Moon said, admitting that Wyoming's problem was it only had 3,500 fans it could send to a bowl game. And it's a travesty that a team gets excluded simply "because

you can't generate a large fan base," he said.

At the same time, BYU had to settle for a lesser bowl, a matchup with Kansas State in the non-alliance Cotton Bowl, despite a 13-1 season and No. 5 national ranking.

Four of the alliance teams — Texas, Nebraska, Virginia Tech and Penn State — are ranked lower than BYU. BYU and the WAC were so upset they are still considering legal action.

"At this juncture, a decision has not been made whether to file any type of claim," the WAC commissioner said. "We believe it's more important over the course of the next month to focus on the success of BYU and Utah in their bowl games and let our bowl partners conduct games without a cloud of controversy. As a result, we will delay the possibility of any legal action."

Another WAC team, Utah, is in the low-profile Copper Bowl.

At least No. 6 Nebraska remained in a bowl alliance game, matched against No. 10 Virginia Tech in the Orange Bowl, although a loss to Texas in the Big 12 championship game cost the Cornhuskers a shot at a third straight national championship.

For many, Florida-Florida State is just a re-run, and with No. 2 Arizona State going against No. 4 Ohio State in the Rose Bowl, it might not even be for the national title.

In the game of the century two weeks ago, Florida State beat then-No. 1 Florida 24-21 in a nail-biter.

College Bowl matchups

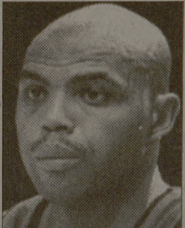
Division I-A games	6:30pm EST
LAS VEGAS	Nebraska (9-3) vs. Ball State (8-2) Las Vegas, Dec. 19, 9 p.m. (ESPN)
ALBUQUERQUE	California (8-4) vs. Navy (8-3) Albuquerque, Dec. 25, 3:30 p.m. (ABC)
LIBERTY	Houston (7-4) vs. Syracuse (8-2) Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 27, 9 p.m. (ESPN)
CAROLINA	Mississippi State (8-3) vs. Virginia Tech (7-4) Murfreesboro, Dec. 27, 7:30 p.m. (TBS)
COPPER	Utah (9-3) vs. Wisconsin (7-4) Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 27, 9 p.m. (ESPN)
PEACH	Washington (9-2) vs. Colorado (8-2) San Diego, Dec. 30, 8 p.m. (ESPN)
ALABAMA	Iowa (9-3) vs. Texas Tech (7-4) San Antonio, Dec. 31, 8 p.m. (ESPN)
HOLIDAY	Washington (9-2) vs. Colorado (8-2) San Diego, Dec. 30, 8 p.m. (ESPN)
SHR	Stanford (8-4) vs. Michigan State (8-4) El Paso, Texas, Dec. 31, 1 p.m. (CBS)
INDEPENDENCE	Kansas (7-4) vs. Army (10-1) Shreveport, La., Dec. 31, 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)
ORANGE	Nebraska (9-3) vs. Virginia Tech (7-4) Miami, Fla., Dec. 31
OUTBACK	Arizona State (9-2) vs. Washington (9-2) Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 1, 1998
CITRUS	North Carolina (9-2) vs. Wake Forest (8-2) Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 1, 1998
ROSE	Arizona State (9-2) vs. Ohio State (9-2) Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 1, 1998
FEIST	Penn State (9-2) vs. Texas (8-4) Tempe, Ariz., Jan. 1, 1998
FLORIDA	Florida State (9-2) vs. Florida (10-1) New Orleans, La., Jan. 1, 1998

"You would think that if you beat No. 1 in the regular season, you wouldn't beat them twice," Florida State coach Bowden said.

Of course, Bowden's team is No. 1, for

Barkley expected to play tonight despite foot injury

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Rockets forward Charles Barkley missed Monday's workout with a foot injury, but expects to play on Tuesday against the Minnesota Timberwolves.



Barkley

"Thank God it's not a stress fracture, but obviously right now I am in a lot of pain," Barkley told Houston television

station KRIV. "I had a little problem jumping the past couple of games."

Barkley said doctors told him he had a neuroma, a benign tumor of nerve tissue that develops as a result of damage to a nerve.

"The foot thing does concern me and hopefully it will get better," Barkley said before leaving with the team for Tuesday night's game. "The last game I played I didn't feel I played with confidence. I feel like every time I get ready to jump, the next step I take it's going to break."

Dubose to succeed Stallings

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — Some 20 years after fulfilling his dream of playing for Bear Bryant at Alabama, Mike Dubose got Bryant's old job and with it the pressure of preserving the tradition the coaching great started years ago.

Athletic director Bob Bockrath announced the hiring Monday at a news conference packed with former players and other alumni, many of whom pushed for Gene Stallings' replacement to come from the Alabama "family."

Bockrath said details of Dubose's contract have not been worked out. He said he expected the deal to be

at least three years, maybe longer.

Stallings will coach Alabama through its Jan. 1 appearance in the Outback Bowl against Michigan.

"This is proof that dreams do come true," said Dubose, 43, the team's defensive coordinator and a member of Bryant's Crimson Tide teams during 1972-74, who compiled a 32-4 record.

"I hope every citizen in the state of Alabama ... that this will send this message to them: Don't be afraid to dream. And don't be afraid to dream big. Because if you work hard and be patient, dreams do come true."

Oilers becoming frustrated

HOUSTON (AP) — Frustration, a condition common to the Houston Oilers during their recent slide, is beginning to show.

The harder they try, the more mistakes they seem to make, and that was clear on Sunday as the Oilers committed four turnovers and two critical penalties in a 23-17 loss to the Jacksonville Jaguars.

It was the Oilers' fifth loss in seven games, and led emotional cornerback Cris Dishman, an Oiler for nine seasons, to say he's had enough.

"For the next two weeks I'll be proud to wear the Houston Oilers uniform, but after that ... I need a change," said Dishman, the Oilers' franchise player.

"I don't intend to be back. I'm frustrated with everything, it's the big picture, the coaches, players myself, everything. In order to do what's right for myself I need a change."

Dishman, whose contract expires in the off-season, said he couldn't imagine playing for the Oilers next season.

"If God tapped me on the shoulder and said 'You've got to stay with the Houston Oilers,' I'd ask him if I could retire," Dishman said.

The Oilers started the year 5-2, but they've gone 2-5 since then continuing a problem that's been around since last

season. They can't win the ones and their mistakes cost at critical times.

Coach Jeff Fisher admitted he was angered by Dishman's comments after Sunday's game by Monday, he was putting the best spin on the incident.

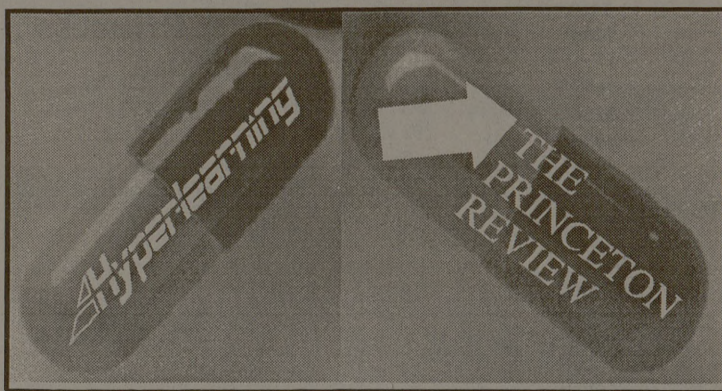
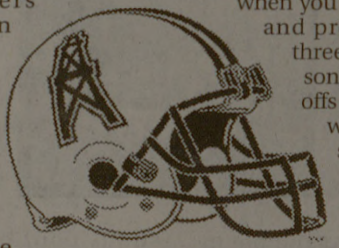
"Cris' comments were a product of the frustration you when you work so hard and press to win the three games (of the son) to get into the offs and then to lose the way we did," Fisher said. "We're all frustrated."

Quarterback Steve McNair had three of the Oilers' turnovers. All three the Oilers points. A rough the-passer penalty against Walker in the fourth quarter and a defensive holding against Dishman in the quarter kept Jaguar scoring vies alive.

"Cris always speaks with a emotion and it's difficult to go when there is not a lot of emotion around him," Fisher said. "But will come back and play hard."

The Oilers certainly aren't get much emotion from their shrinking fan base. Only 20,196 fans, the smallest crowd to see the Oilers play in the Astrodome, showed for Sunday's game.

The Oilers are 2-5 in the stadium this season, including losses in a row.



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