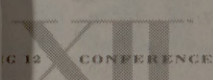
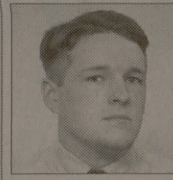


## Title games will have impact on bowls



### NOTEBOOK



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The complete bowl picture is still cloudy. The outcome for a number of teams hinges on the result of two conference championships — the Big 12 featuring No. 2 Nebraska vs. No. 14 Texas A&M and the SEC featuring No. 3 Tennessee vs. No. 11 Auburn — both to be played Saturday. After those winners are determined, the mighty Bowl Alliance will select its matchups. From the remaining bowl-qualified teams in the Big 12, the order of selection is as follows: Cotton (Dallas), Holiday (San Diego), Alamo (San Antonio), Aloha (Hawaii), Insight.Com (Tuscon).

Since the University of Colorado failed to win six games against Division I opponents, the Big 12 could not fulfill all six of its allotted bowls. So, the Aloha received permission from the conference to bypass the fifth-place selection and chose No. 21 Washington State, No. 25 Michigan State.

Clear as mud, right? Well hold your horses. In attempt to break it down for any college football faithful, the Swami may further confuse the masses because the full scenario gets a little harier.

**Bowl Scenario**  
**■ No. 2 Nebraska (11-0, 8-0)**  
 If the heavily favored Cornhuskers go on to beat the Aggies, all of this will be a lot easier to predict. Going along with the Las Vegas bookies, Huskers win by 16-points and move into the Orange Bowl (Miami) vs. No. 3 Tennessee. If they should happen to fall at the hands of A&M, the Huskers still are a lock for the Alliance, Sugar (New Orleans) or Fiesta (Tempe), knocking the Wildcats down to the Cotton.

**■ No. 10 Kansas State (10-1, 7-1)**  
 The Wildcats have to be ecstatic about Arizona's win over cross-state rival Arizona State last weekend. Combined with Michigan State's upset of Penn State, Arizona's victory has most likely vaulted Kansas State into an Alliance bid. Assuming Nebraska wins the Big 12 Championship game, the most likely spot for K-State would be the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz. vs. No. 15 Syracuse.

The Fiesta, played on New Year's Eve, is not considered a prime-time bowl for television purposes. Therefore, the Fiesta is looking for a school who can put butts in the seats. After selling out last year's Cotton Bowl, a 20,000 ticket allotment should not be a problem for travel-happy Wildcat fans.

**■ No. 14 Texas A&M (9-2, 6-2)**  
 The Aggies only shot at an Alliance Bowl is to upset a talent-laden Nebraska team Saturday. Laugh all you want, but stranger things have happened. An A&M win would put the Aggies in the Big Easy to play Ohio

State in the Sugar Bowl. If the Aggies lose the Big 12 title game, they'll have a shot at either the Cotton Bowl vs. No. 5 UCLA or the Holiday Bowl against the winner of the WAC Championship between No. 20 Colorado St. and New Mexico.

Sources close to A&M have told the Swami that regardless of how things unfold, the Aggies can drop no further than the Holiday Bowl.

**■ No. 19 Missouri (7-4, 4-4)**  
 After an early season loss to Kansas and "The Kick," a heartbreaking overtime defeat at the hands of Nebraska, the Tigers are gunning for a shot at either the Holiday Bowl or the Alamo. As the fourth-place team in the conference standings, Mizzou will fall one spot below the Aggies. A Holiday berth would give rise to a matchup between an exciting Corby Jones quarterbacked Tigers vs. the WAC champion. The Swami guarantees this would be a shoot-out ripped from the pages of the Wild-Wild West.

If Mizzou took up shop at the Alamo, the Tigers would most likely face Purdue or Wisconsin.

**■ No. 24 Oklahoma State (8-3, 5-3)**  
 The Cowboys must play the wait and see game. Whatever falls in Bob Simmons' lap is what the Cowpokes will take. Its not a pretty sight when the best OSU can hope for is the Alamo. However, if only one Big 12 team qualifies for the Alliance, then OSU will be left with the Bowl formerly known as the Copper.

Hey Bob, how smart does that two-point conversion attempt in overtime against Missouri seem now?

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## DeBartelo resigns post with San Fransisco 49ers

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Edward DeBartolo Jr. resigned as the head of the San Francisco 49ers today amid reports that he and former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards are to be indicted by a federal grand jury for gambling fraud.

In a statement from Youngstown, Ohio, DeBartolo's sister Denise DeBartolo York said she was assuming the position of chairman and chief executive officer of the 49ers.

She said Carmen Policy would continue to run the team's day-to-day operations, and would become a minority partner and replace her brother as the team's representative to the NFL for league business.

Edward DeBartolo Jr. and Edwards were among at least six people who were notified that they will soon be indicted on gambling fraud charges, *The Times of Shreveport* and *The News-Star of Monroe* reported today.

The others who were sent "target letters" included Edwards' son, Stephen Edwards, the newspapers said.

The letters are used to notify recipients of imminent indictment and invite them to testify before the grand jury if they wish to offer evidence that could absolve them.

DeBartolo's presence on the list could mean the indictment concerns events surrounding the awarding of a gaming license in March to a partnership that included DeBartolo and Hollywood Casino Corp.

DeBartolo withdrew from the project after the Louisiana State Gaming Control Board demanded that he turn over all documents he gave

to the grand jury. Those documents included an "unexecuted agreement" between DeBartolo and Stephen Edwards, according to a copy of the grand jury subpoena obtained by *The Times*.

The State Gaming Control Board canceled the project after DeBartolo's departure.

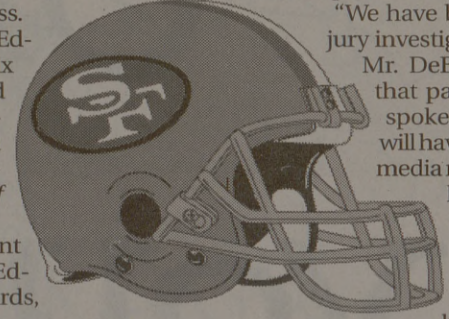
Hollywood spokesman Eric Terry of Dallas said Hollywood Casino Corp. was never aware of any arrangement between DeBartolo and Stephen Edwards. But Hollywood hired a relative and an associate of Stephen Edwards, both of whom had offices in the same suite as Edwin and Stephen Edwards.

"We have been aware of the grand jury investigation in Louisiana since Mr. DeBartolo appeared before that panel last June," said NFL spokesman Joe Browne. "We will have no comment on today's media reports until our office has had further discussions with Mr. DeBartolo and the 49ers."

York said this was "a very difficult time" for her brother.

"In this country, everyone is entitled to a presumption of innocence and to due process under the law. I hope everything will work out for him," York said.

"My brother's legal issue relates to the California-based DeBartolo Entertainment Corp. that he operates with a non-family partner," she added in the statement. "I am not involved in DeBartolo Entertainment in any way, and all of its operations are separate and distinct from all the operations of the Ohio-based Edward J. DeBartolo Corp., including the San Francisco 49ers."



## Golden State suspends guard Sprewell without pay for 10 games after altercation with coach

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Sacked from practice and team facilities Tuesday, Latrell Sprewell was in jeopardy of having his four-year, \$32 million NBA contract terminated following an attack on coach P.J. Carlesimo.

The three-time All-Star and leading scorer for the Golden State Warriors was suspended without pay for 10 games after two confrontations with Carlesimo at practice Monday. During

the first, Sprewell put his hands around the coach's throat and reportedly threatened to "kill" him; during the second, 20 minutes later, he landed a glancing punch to Carlesimo's neck.

In the aftermath, the team tried to sort its options, which include trading Sprewell, patching things up between player and coach, or terminating his contract, signed just two summers ago.

In a letter to Sprewell informing him of the suspension, the team said it reserved the right to terminate his contract under Section 16 of the Uniform Player Contract, which says players must "conform to standards of good citizenship and good moral character" and prohibits "engaging in acts of moral turpitude."

The suspension will cost Sprewell about \$940,000 in salary. He was in Oakland on Tuesday

and was unavailable for comment. His agent, Arn Tellem, did not return phone calls.

"He cannot go to practice, he cannot be at the facility," team spokesman Eric McDowell said. "It's like a restraining order in many ways."

Carlesimo said the team has not heard from Sprewell.

"We're going to wait and see," he said. "We're going to reach out if we don't hear from him."

## HORN

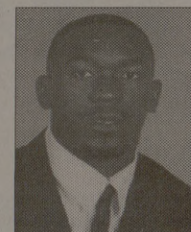
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"Shun tends to lead a little bit more by example and we talked to him about that and he's responded to that well," Slade said.

"For whatever reason he had lost some of his focus but then a light went off and he came to practice and was totally focused. I remember say-

ing to him 'goodness gracious man, what's taken you so long?'"

While Horn's season may not have started off as well as he and the Aggies would have liked, they both know his emergence was better late than never.



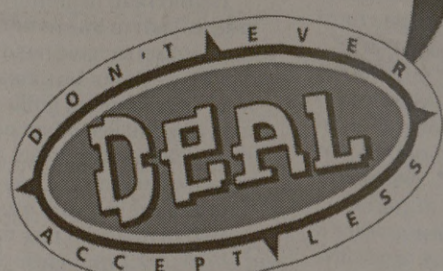
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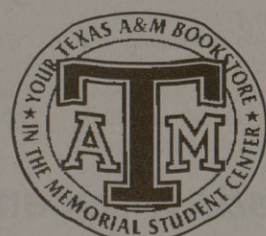
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