

Sports

Cyclones blow by Nebraska

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AMES, Iowa — Iowa State fans who said, "Wait 'til next year" last November after the Nebraska football game, got their wish Tuesday night at the Hilton Coliseum.

Just 54 seconds into the game, Iowa State's Tom Schafer hit a three-point shot to open the night's scoring. It was downhill from there for the Cornhuskers as Iowa State defeated Nebraska 91-75.

The Cyclones, now 11-5 overall, were led by Jeff Grayer and Schafer who scored 27 points each. It was the first time that two Cyclones have combined for 54 points in a single game.

Grayer was also the game's leading rebounder with 12, while Schafer pulled down 10 for the Cyclones, eight of which came in the first half.

"I was real impressed with Grayer's game and Schafer's maturity," Nebraska coach Danny Nee said. "Their seniors and Grayer were the dominating factors."

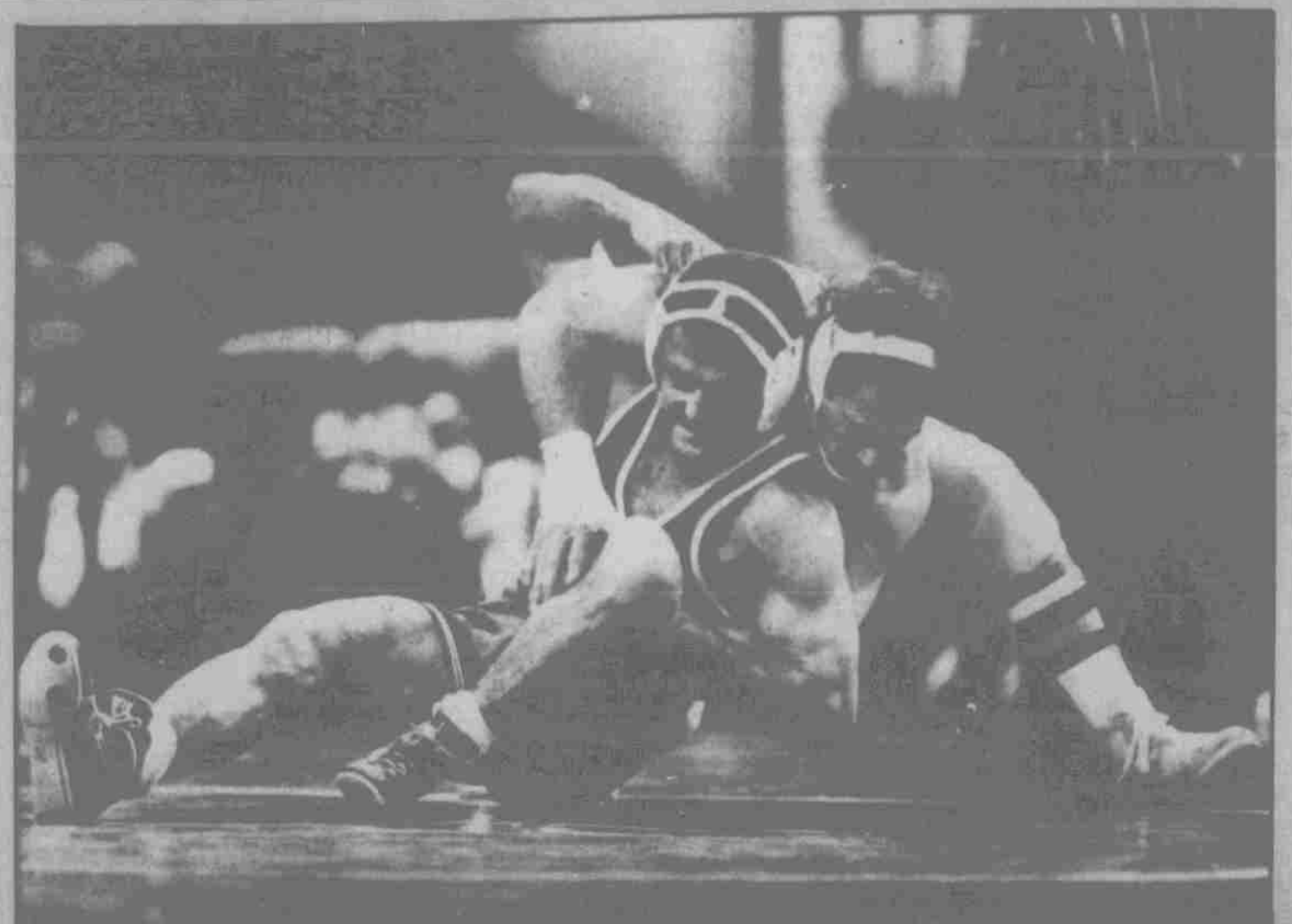
Grayer and Schafer shot 23 of 34 from the field.

Nebraska's only lead of the game came with 17:37 left in the first half when a Brian Carr jump shot made the score 4-3. Grayer hit a jumper with 17 minutes left and began an 8-0 scoring streak that made their lead 11-4 with 15:11 left in the first half. Nebraska pulled to within five, 11-6, on two Bill Jackman free throws with 14:19 left, but that was the closest the Huskers would come for the rest of the game.

Iowa State's biggest lead of the first half was 40-26 with 2:44 left before half-time on a basket by Schafer. Nebraska trailed 43-32 at halftime.

In the second half, Nebraska closed the gap to 10, 34-24, on a layup by Carr with 12:29 left. Nebraska trailed by at least 10 points from 5:28 in the first half on. Iowa State led by 19 on several occasions.

Carr led the Huskers with 21 points. Bernard Day added 15 for Nebraska, now 11-5 overall and 1-2 in conference play. Jackman scored 13.



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Nebraska's Bill Ferrie attempts to escape from a North Dakota State opponent during last Friday's dual with the Bison. The Cornhuskers defeated North Dakota State 25-15.

Captain guns for top eight

By Tim Hartmann
Senior Reporter

Two fifth-year seniors are on Nebraska's wrestling team. One, Gil Sanchez, has drawn a lot of attention because he has consistently been one of the top-ranked wrestlers in the 134-pound class.

Bill Ferrie, the other fifth-year senior, hasn't received as much publicity as Sanchez, but he has been almost as successful. Ferrie has posted a 26-4-1 record so far this season and is ranked No. 16 in the 150-pound class by Amateur Wrestling magazine.

Nebraska wrestling coach Tim Neumann said that Sanchez's phenomenal season, in which he has compiled a 34-1 record, may have caused some people to overlook Ferrie.

"Gil is having a dream season," Neumann said. "Those two being the only fifth-year seniors on the team has taken a little glitter off Bill."

But Ferrie and Sanchez's performance has only helped him.

"It has taken some pressure off me," Ferrie said.

Sanchez and Ferrie are co-captains of the squad.

"Gil and I have both worked out hard these past four years," Ferrie said. "We help each other out."

Neumann said that Ferrie has taken his co-captain role seriously and has set an example for the other wrestlers with the effort he gives in practice.

"He's a leader through demonstration, which is the best way to be," Neumann said.

Ferrie came to Nebraska five years ago from Albert Lea, Minn. He finished his high-school career with a 96-8-1 mark, including third- and fifth-place finishes at the Minnesota state high-school wrestling meet.

After high school Ferrie was recruited by Minnesota, Nebraska, Illinois, several schools in Indiana and some junior colleges. He said he

chose the Cornhuskers because Nebraska was away from home and the Big Eight is traditionally a strong wrestling conference.

"I figure if you're going to do something, you might as well go with the best," Ferrie said.

In his first season Ferrie was to back up Al Freeman, Nebraska's two-time All-American, but redshirted because of a knee injury.

The following season he posted a 10-14-1 record and followed it up with a 18-17 showing his sophomore year. Of his losses that season, 12 were to competitors ranked in the top 20. Ferrie placed fourth in the Big Eight meet in the 142-pound class that season and qualified for the NCAA championships.

For his junior year Ferrie moved up to the 150-pound weight class, where he backed up Keenan Turner, who is redshirting this year. A shoulder injury slowed Ferrie and he posted a 6-4 mark.

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Grand(e) tours planned for break

By Rob White
Senior Reporter

For the 11th consecutive year, the UNL Office of Campus Recreation sponsors a series of outdoor trips during spring break. This year, trips are scheduled for the Grand Canyon, the Rio Grande and Baja, Calif.

Bruce Rischar, leader of the Rio Grande excursion, said the trips are offered to students, faculty and staff members as well as alumni and their immediate family, who will be charged an extra 10 percent.

The Rio Grande and Grand Canyon trips are \$205, and the trip to Baja costs \$750.

The cost includes transportation, meals, equipment and gear, Rischar said.

"About the only thing they have to provide is their clothing and meals on the way down," Rischar said.

The trip to Baja has been popular in the past, Rischar said.

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