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January 1, 1995

The quest is over.

The pursuit of a national championship has come to an end for the Nebraska Cornhuskers, and for the first time in 23 years, the Huskers' season had a happy ending.

With a 24-17 victory over the Miami Hurricanes at the Orange Bowl in Miami on New Year's Night, the Huskers gave Tom Osborne his first national title as a head coach at Nebraska.

As fullback Cory Schlesinger tumbled into the end zone with his second touchdown against the Hurricanes, the monkey was lifted from Osborne's back, and more than a decade of near misses and year-end frustration was finally over.

Schlesinger's run capped Nebraska's first perfect season since 1971 and ended seven straight unhappy new years for Nebraska.

"We have been waiting 23 years for this, and now we're right back where we belong on top," Husker defensive tackle Terry Connealy said. "We won this for the whole state of Ne-braska."

January 2, 1994

Tommie Frazier didn't want totalk to anyone after Nebraska's 18-16 loss to Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

So for a while, he didn't.

With Turner Gill draped over him, Frazier twisted his way through a crowd of well-wishers, who had just watched the sophomore quarterback surprise the nation by weaving his way through Florida State's defense.

Head down, Frazier showed no expression as Seminole coaches and players approached him with congratulations for his performance and consolation for

"I noticed them," Frazier said later of the crowds. "But I didn't feel like talking."

Game Day '95

at Sun Devil Stadium Tempe, Arizona January 2, 7:30 p.m.

Florida

Reggie Baul

LG 67 Aaron Taylor

TE 87 Mark Gilman

RG 69 Steve Ott

5-8 170 WR 28 Chris Doering 191 6-4 LT 75 Chris Dishman 6-3 310 LT 74 Jason Odom 6-5 298 6-1 305 LG 78 Reggie Green 6-7 296 C 54 Aaron Graham 6-4 275 C 71 Jeff Mitchell 6-5 284 290 RG 75 Donnie Young 6.4 6-4 299 RT 70 Eric Anderson 6-4 300 RT 79 Mo Collins 6-5 297 TE 91 Tremayne Allen 225 6-2

WB 33 Clester Johnson	5-11	210	WR	19 I	ke Hilliard	6-0	182
QB 15 Tommie Frazier	6-2	210	QB	7 1	Danny Wuerffel	6-2	211
FB 22 Jeff Makovicka	5-11	225	FB	23 1	Dwayne Mobley	5-10	222
IB 30 Ahman Green	6-0	210	RB	25 1	Elijah Williams	5-10	185
PK 20 Kris Brown	5-11	190	PK	14 1	Bart Edmiston	·5-10	170
DEFENSE			4.5				
LOLB 93 Jared Tomich	6-2	250	LE	40	Johnie Church	6-3	264
DT 55 Christian Peter	6-3	300	LT	97	David Barnard	6-2	290
DT 95 Jason Peter	6-4	275	RT	94	Ed Chester	6-4	267
ROLB 98 Grant Wistrom	6-5	240	RE	67	Mark Campbell	6-2	281
SAM 56 Jay Foreman	6-1	220	ILB	48	Dexter Daniels	6-1	231
MIKE 41 Phil Ellis	6-2	225	ILB	44	James Bates	6-1	223
WILL 43 Terrell Farley	6-0	200	NB	11	Ben Hanks	6-2	221
LCB 20 Michael Booker	6-2	190	CB	. 17	Fred Weary	5-10	178
RCB 8 Tyrone Williams	6-0	185	FS	33	Teako Brown	5-11	189
ROV 10 Mike Minter	5-10	190	SS	4	Lawrence Wright	6-1	206
FS 9 Tony Veland	6-2	205	CB	9	Anthone Lott	5-9	183
	6-0	180	n	87	Robby Stevenson		181

Fiesta Bowl history launched by Huskers

By Mike Kluck Senior Reporter

Fiesta Bowl Executive Director John Junker is supposed to show no favoritism to either

> year's Fiesta Bowl. But Junker can't help but express fondness at having 11-0 Nebraska in this year's title

team playing in this

Junker

clash. Junker said his affection stemmed back 20 years when

a 10-1 Nebraska squad decided to play an undefeated Arizona State team in the fifth Fiesta Bowl.

'That game was extremely important because Nebraska came in as one of the highest ranked teams we ever had with the largest national expo-sure," Junker said. "It was one of the first corners the Fiesta Bowl turned. It gave the bowl quite a bit of credibility. It also became one of the great matchups of the year in all bowl games."

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said before the game, the Huskers were expecting to be invited to a different bowl.

"The Fiesta Bowl, at that time was a little bit of a secondary bowl," Osborne said. "I don't know if we had to talk them into it, but I think there was some disillusionment.

In the game, the Huskers, whose only other loss was to eventual national champion Oklahoma, held a 14-6 lead, but Arizona State scored 11 points in the final stanza to win 17-14 and finish No. 2 in the polls.

Osborne said he remembered the game because Nebraska quarterback Vince Ferragamo had thrown an interception in the first quarter. Osborne benched him in favor of Terry Luck.

"Luck had been practicing a little better," Osborne said. "We lost the game 17-14 and I never heard the end

In 1982, the Fiesta Bowl moved to New Year's Day and received its highest television rating at that time, pitting Penn State against Southern Cal and Heisman Trophy winner Marcus

Junker said the 1982 sellout crowd of 71,053 proved to Fiesta Bowl officials that their game had made the leap being one of the top bowls.

The Fiesta Bowl hosted its first national title game on Jan. 2, 1987, when Penn State defeated Miami 14-Junker said that game is still the most watched college game of all time. Junker said the 1986 Fiesta Bowl,

in which Michigan topped Nebraska 7-23 was also a big game for the Fiesta Bowl.

'That game matched two of the premier programs in the country and helped provide very strong television ratings," Junker said.

