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Opposing change

An NCAA football superconference. The idea has been bounced around for the past few years, but if University president William Boyd is correct on his hunch, it will become a reality at the NCAA convention Wednesday through Friday in Atlanta.

There are several parts to the superconference idea, which essentially boils down to a restructuring of the NCAA's Division I or big school division.

The realignment would place many of the 145 Division I schools in a I-AA class which would leave just the members of the major conferences (Pacific-8, Big 10, Big-Eight etc.) and the major independents (Notre Dame, Penn State, Pitt, etc.) to do battle in the remaining I-A or superconference division.

The proposal has been before the NCAA before, but this time all indications are that its time has come.

"Yes, I believe that the restructuring will be approved," admitted Boyd, who cited the power of the football titans as the primary factor involved.

If the proposal is passed, however, it will be over Oregon's protest. The University's voting delegate, Wendall Basye, will represent the official University position of opposition to the measure when it comes time to cast ballots.

Boyd explained the University's reasons for opposing the superconference idea.

"I believe that the reform that has already taken place, the 30-rule being the most visible, has already improved the quality of varsity intercollegiate football," said Boyd. "No small group dominates football. There have been so many surprises, games which could be called upsets, that it shows the reform being used is working."

Boyd's primary concern is trying to restore a competitive nature to collegiate football. The University president believes that passage of the superconference idea could actually reverse the progress that has taken place.

"The motives of some of the schools supporting the proposal are to turnaround the measures taken to equalize football," said Boyd. "They would do away with the limits and take steps in the wrong direction."

Although Oregon will remain in the major classification regardless of which way the measure goes, Boyd supports its rejection because he feels that Oregon's goals can be best served if football remains as it is.

"I think that it is the preference of Oregon followers that Oregon remain in the Pac-8 and compete successfully," said Boyd. "I believe we can do that more successfully if we oppose restructuring."

Of even more importance from the Oregon viewpoint is the possibility of inflation gripping football costs again if the restructuring takes place.

"In the long run restructuring would up costs and they are already nearly more than we can bear," said Boyd.

To get priced out of the football market would be a tragedy. As would seeing the good things that are happening stopped. That's why I have to hope Oregon's protest of the superconference is successful.

Notre Dame was the national champion this season, which is hardly a change, but Washington won the Rose Bowl and Kentucky was in the top 10. Neither team has exactly made football history in the past 10 years.

To create the superconference would be to give the super-powers a license to move college football even closer to its professional cousin. If anything, it should move the other way.

College football is already bordering on getting out of hand financially. A restructuring wouldn't guarantee that it would happen, but it would increase the chances of runaway spending and competition that could drive schools like Oregon out of the same league with the powerful schools.

Improvement has taken place and will continue. That progress shouldn't be put in jeopardy by an unnecessary restructuring which would be only to cater to the interests of the football factories.

Super Bowl frenzy mounts as Dallas, Denver ready for clash

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Let the games begin.

The week-long flood of interviews, parties and pre-game hoopla that are as much a Super Bowl tradition as the silver trophy that goes to the winner starts Monday when the Dallas Cowboys and the Denver Broncos are expected to arrive here.

Every detail — important and irrelevant — will be recorded by a massive media entourage that may be reduced to chronicling players' shoe sizes before the National Football League championship is decided for the 12th time

under the Super Bowl format next Sunday.

For the first time, it will be contested indoors — at the Superdome, where some 75,000 spectators and a national television audience expected to reach 69 million will watch the teams which feature explosive offenses and awesome defenses with equally imposing nicknames.

For the first time, the media will have some form of access to the player workouts and to the game officials. This latest move was instituted in an apparent effort to prevent either team from hiding injuries and to present the public

with clearer explanations of any controversial ruling made by the men in the striped shirts.

To Dallas' "Doomsday II" defense, led by Harvey Martin and Too Tall Jones, will go the task of stopping the Denver offense run by former Cowboy quarterback Craig Morton. To Denver's "Orange Crush" brigade will go the chore of dealing with the running of rushing star Tony Dorsett and quarterback Roger Staubach's drive to give his Cowboys their second NFL title here.

Dallas, which will be making its fourth Super Bowl appearance, has won it only once — at New Orleans in 1972, when they drowned the Miami Dolphins 24-3. They'll be shooting for another crown against a team which is making the first championship appearance of its 17-year history.

The Broncos reached the climactic game of the NFL season by beating Pittsburgh and Oakland in the American Football Conference playoffs while the Cowboys earned their travel expenses by scoring playoff victories over Chicago and Minnesota.

Dallas led the NFL in total defense while its offense produced 42 touchdowns and 345 points — both tops in the National Football Conference. The Broncos were third-best against the rush in the American Conference but did not have a player among the top rushers or receivers.

Morton and his offensive line will have to contend with the "Doomsday II" pass rush which produced 53 quarterback sacks and permitted just 26 touchdowns all season. Staubach and company will be facing an "Orange Crush" which contained Pittsburgh and Oakland, the winners of the last three NFL titles.

Travelling grapplers return to home base

After spending the major portion of its early season schedule travelling from one city to another, the Oregon wrestling team finally gets a chance to return home.

Only four of Oregon's 14 matches so far this season have been in Eugene, but the Ducks will be at McArthur Court tonight at 7:30 when they host the Clarion State Golden Eagles.

Continuing their home stand, Coach Ron Finley's squad will host Fresno State at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday night at McArthur Court.

After an extremely slow start, the Ducks have begun to put together their season. Led by Scott Bliss, who was named the tournament's outstanding wrestler, the Ducks finished second at the Colorado Invitational last weekend.

Tonight's meeting with the Golden Eagles will be the first meeting ever between the Ducks and Clarion State. Earlier in the year Clarion was rated as high as 11th in the nation.

Skiers bomb foes

The winter ski season has hardly begun, but the Oregon ski team has already established itself as one of the top teams in the Northwest.

Competing in a nonconference race Saturday and Sunday at Mt. Bachelor, Oregon individuals won the giant slalom and dual slalom races.

In the men's giant slalom, Charlie Gould captured first with a time of 1:16. Teammate Scott Kime was third. In the women's race Oregon's Evelyn Duffy and Barb Nash tied for first.

Dual Slalom competition was also spiced with an Oregon flavor. Duffy and Central Oregon Community College's Monica McClain tied for first and Oregon's Nash finished second. Kime claimed runner-up honors in the men's race.

The University contingent didn't fare as well in the cross-country

portion of the racing as Dick Murray was Oregon's top finisher. He was ninth. The women did better as Aven Switzer and Elaine Powers claimed second and third respectively.

Other teams competing in the races were Oregon State, California and COCC.

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Forward Moreck quits Ducks

Junior forward Joe Moreck left the Oregon basketball team, it was announced Monday evening. Moreck is the third Duck to quit the team this season. Coach Dick Harter, following team policy, had no comment on the issue, as did Moreck.

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