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FOOTBALL

DALLAS — The Dallas Cowboys filed a \$750 million antitrust lawsuit against the NFL, accusing the league of blocking teams from conducting their own marketing business.

The suit, filed in federal court in New York, cites the Sherman Antitrust Act and names the league, NFL Properties and the NFL Trust. The Cowboys seek \$200 million in actual damages, which would be tripled under federal antitrust laws, and \$150 million in punitive damages.

Team owner Jerry Jones has said he wanted to mediate the rift with the NFL out of court, but the league's \$300 million lawsuit against the team left him no recourse. That suit challenges Jones' sponsorship agreements between Texas Stadium and Nike, Dr Pepper and others.

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Marv Levy returned to the Buffalo Bills the same way he left three weeks ago surprising everyone.

Levy, 70, has been away from the team since Oct. 17, when he had surgery for prostate cancer at Roswell Park Cancer Institute.

The Bills lost two straight under acting head coach Elijah Pitts before beating Indianapolis 16-10 on Sunday.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK - Fred McGriff, a key part of Atlanta's World Series victory, and Eddie Murray, instrumental in Cleveland's first pennant since 1954, filed for free agency.

Thirteen players filed, raising the total to 119. Approximately 27 more are eligible to file before Sunday's deadline.

Baltimore designated hitter Harold Baines also filed along with Cleveland outfielder Dave Winfield, Milwaukee outfielder B.J. Surhoff and Los Angeles outfielder Roberto Kelly and third baseman Tim Wallach.

NEW YORK — More than 10 years after the case was filed, Dave Winfield finally proved a Houston woman was not his common law wife.

Sandra Renfro Kuydendall gave up her case and admitted no marriage relationship existed. The case was scheduled to go to trial for the second time Wednesday in Houston.

HOCKEY

■ EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.-A new lease to keep the Stanley Cup champion Devils in New Jersey for the next 12 years was expected to be signed Tuesday. The signing will comes three months after the team and the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority reached a tentative agreement, ending speculation about a move to Nashville, Tenn.

■ NEW YORK — Pittsburgh's Mario Lemieux, who had three goals and eight assists in two games, was se-

Lemieux had a goal and six assists in a 10-0 victory over Tampa Bay on last Wednesday and two goals and two assists in a 7-4 victory over Philadelphia on Saturday night.

■ PARIS - Pete Sampras officially returned to the top spot in the ATP Tour, a day after beating Boris Becker in the Paris Open final.

With Andre Agassi sidelined by a chest injury, Sampras took the No. 1 spot with 5,438. Agassi has 4,867.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden - Eighthseeded Stefan Edberg of Sweden beat Jonathan Stark 6-3, 6-1 in the first round of the Stockholm Open. Edberg will face MaliVai Wash-

ington in the second round. Washington beat Filip Dewulf of Belgium 6-2, 7-5.

PHILADELPHIA - Seventh-seeded Anke Huber of Germany began her title defense in the Advanta Championships, beating Anne Miller 6-1, 6-

Huber advanced to a second-round

MOSCOW - Top-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia beat Frederik Fetterlein of Denmark 6-3, 7-5 in the first round of the Kremlin Cup.

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TENNIS

match against 15-year-old Martina Hingis of Switzerland, who beat Meilen Tu 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 6-3.

PORTS

The Gamecock



FILE PHOTO The Gamecock

Mike Solano and the rest of the USC soccer team will play their last regular season home game tonight at The Graveyard. The Gamecocks are coming off a 5-0 victories over Campbell and College of Charleston. Gametime is 7 p.m.

Annual Carolina-Clemson brawl won't be televised

Associated Press

For the first time in almost a decade, the Clemson-South Carolina football game Nov. 18 will not be televised.

Jefferson-Pilot, which puts together the Southeastern Conference and the Atlantic Coast Conference's television package, said Monday it does not plan to broadcast the game nationally this

"In every other state, I don't think they give a hoot," said Jimmy Rayburn, Jefferson Pilot program director. "This is of interest in South

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Carolina. Period."

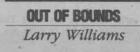
Clemson is ranked No. 24 nationally. If the Tigers win Saturday's game against Duke, they will have a fourgame winning streak heading into the

South Carolina game. Jefferson Pilot will have a split broadcast featuring two SEC games Vanderbilt at Florida and Tennessee at Kentucky

ESPN and ABC also passed on the

This year's game will be the first between the in-state rivals not to be televised since 1986.

Primetime for college football



Just a few thoughts from the sports desk while wondering if South Carolina's home football opening win next season against Central Florida will be their first since this year's over the Vanderbilt Commodores.

Cinderella story. Does anyone out there agree that the Northwestern story is easily the most remarkable in years? It's not like this team was average in seasons past, they were horrible. Now, after wins over Notre Dame, Michigan, and Penn State, the Wildcats have earned the respect of the voters and captured the imagination of the nation. Ranked number five nationally, they'd be ranked higher if they didn't have an early-season loss to Miami under their belts. That's Miami of Ohio. Hmm.

Playoff, anyone? Looking forward to this year's bowls, it appears that it could be feast or famine for playoff proponents who want the bowls done away with in favor of a playoff that decides a clear cut national champion. Picture this: Florida State beats the Florida Gators Nov. 25 at The Swamp. In the Fiesta Bowl, the Seminoles defeat the Nebraska Cornhuskers to give the defending national champs a loss. In the Rose Bowl, Ohio State knocks off Southern Cal, becoming the only undefeated team in the nation. The Buckeyes bring the Big Ten its fourth national title since the Archie Griffin days. Finally! A justified national champion!

A much less appealing scenario would be the following: Florida beats Florida State, beats Arkansas in the SEC Championship. Nebraska beats the Gators in the Fiesta Bowl, and Ohio State beats Southern Cal in the Rose. The Cornhuskers are voted number one for the second straight year. And, for the second straight season, a team from the Big Ten has gone undefeated only to come home with a measly Rose Bowl ring (Penn

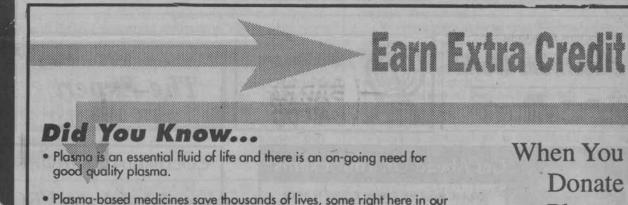
State pulled it off last year only to be shunned by the voters in favor of the Huskers). A fiasco ensues, and everyone from here to Timbuck-Two screams for a playoff. University presidents, who get beaucoup d'argent from the bowls, refuse to listen. Ho hum.

Tiger Rag. As much as it pains you all USC fans, I must inform you that our friendly neighbors from the upstate have fielded a football team, and — GASP! they're actually pretty good, too! While the Gamecocks were attracting interest for reeling off some very impressive offensive numbers earlier this season, head coach Tommy West and the Clemson Tigers were, and are, pulling off one of the most remarkable turnarounds in quite some time.

With a 6-3 record and a three-game winning streak, the roar is back in Tigertown and the Tigers are headed for a bowl. The thing that impresses me most is that they're winning at Clemson the old-fashioned way - with a bruising running game, a few passes sprinkled here and there, and a solid defense. Runningback Raymond Priester is the real deal, evoking memories of Terry Allen and Stacey Driver. Fullback Emory Smith revives memories of Tracy Johnson and Chris Lancaster. One point to consider is that these guys are all sophomores. Scary. Despite their success, I won't be completely sold on West until he wins a big one. You can be rest assured that, after Nov. 18, we'll all know whether the Tigers are for real or not.

Gator growl. Saturday, when the ESPN cameras turn to Williams-Brice Stadium for a nationally televised matchup of USC and third ranked Florida, history won't be on the Gamecocks side. The Gamecocks have lost six of their last seven contests on the all-sports network by a combined score of 217-79.

Considering the fact that the Gators are AVERAGING 538 total yards per game and 45 points per game, it could be another long night in the spotlight for the Gamecocks. We'll see.





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