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Fiesta Bowl Utes 35-Panthers 7

Unbelievable!



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Members of the University of Utah football team join with the band and Ute fans in singing the school fight song "Utah Man" after beating the Pittsburgh Panthers in the Fiesta Bowl on Saturday in Tempe, Ariz.

An unforgettable end to a perfect season

TEMPE, Ariz. — Utah's football team elevated a brilliant season in Saturday night's Fiesta Bowl to lofty levels of the legendary. The Utes punctuated it in the best possible manner. With perfection.

A 35-7 win over Pittsburgh in front of a sellout crowd at Sun Devil Stadium and a national television audience left Utah with a 12-0 record and little else to prove. Over the past two seasons, the Utes are 22-2.

Utah scored 14 points in the first half, then scored 21 more in the third quarter en route to the final margin.

The Utes also dominated in the seats, where the crowd of 73,519 was bolstered by an estimated 50,000 Utah fans.

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The Utes talked a good game and then played one

TEMPE, Ariz. — The Lame Duck Bowl, as it turned out, was more than just lame. It was wounded, too.

Only in the best sense for Utah's Utes.

And for Florida's Gators. They — the Utes, I mean — won, 35-7. For Pittsburgh? Quack. Quack. Quack. Splat.

"This team prepared to win," said a dour-and-departing Walt Harris, Pitt's coach-once-removed to Stanford. "We got behind, and then, it was real tough."

Everybody knew the guys with their bags packed would take powerful parts,



GORDON MONSON

for better or worse, in the way this whole Fiesta Bowl thing played out — probably even before it played out. Pitt, from the jump, seemed less talented and less driven.

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Rain, flash floods, earthquakes add to misery in Southeast Asia

By CHRIS BRUMMITT
The Associated Press

BANDA ACEH, Indonesia — After the devastation wreaked by the seas, a deluge from the skies deepened the misery for tsunami-stricken areas Saturday, triggering flash floods in Sri Lanka that sent evacuees fleeing and increasing the threat of deadly disease. The confirmed death toll from the quake and tsunamis that hit a week ago Sunday passed 123,000, and the United Nations has said the estimated number was approaching 150,000.

A 5.9 quake rocked Sumatra

More on tsunami

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today, the second strong aftershock on the hard-hit island in two days. But there were no reports of further damage or injury.

Global assistance reached \$2 billion, thanks to a major donation from Tokyo. A day after President Bush upped the U.S. pledge to \$350 million, Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro

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A chance of snow north, rain south; highs in 40s and 50s.



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The Huntsman inauguration

'Agent of change' to set new course

When Jon Huntsman Jr. takes the podium Monday at his inauguration ceremony, the self-described risk-taking "agent of change" will set the tone of Utah politics for the next four years. His agenda for this new era could ruffle some feathers, but Huntsman says he is dedicated to shaking things up. And if folks don't like it, he says, there is another election in four years.



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