

# Oklahoma State wrestler evens the score

By CHARLIE SMITH  
Associated Press Writer

STILLWATER, Okla. — Oklahoma State's Clar Anderson and Oklahoma's Clint Burke know each other's moves so well that their latest wrestling showdown hinged on what wasn't done instead of what was.

Burke, top-ranked nationally at 134 pounds, lost to second-ranked Anderson at the national championships last year. This year, Burke defeated Anderson twice in the regular season.

At the Big Eight Conference wrestling championships Sunday, Anderson evened the score — but just barely. With the score tied through regulation and overtime, the judges awarded the match to Anderson because of a stalling warning given to Burke early in the match.

"I think it should have been the other way around," Burke said after the decision. "I think I'm the better wrestler and out-wrestled him the whole match."

Despite the loss, both wrestlers qualified for

the national championships. The top three finishers earned a trip to the Byrne Arena in East Rutherford, N.J., where the nationals will be held in two weeks.

"I think our match today was more intense than in other meetings," Anderson said. "I don't doubt I'll meet (Burke) again."

In team standings, Oklahoma State won the championship handily, scoring 93 points to 59¾ for Iowa State, 51¾ for Oklahoma, 43 for Nebraska and 32 for Missouri.

Individually, six of the top seeds lost Sun-

day, and there were no pins recorded. The Burke-Anderson showdown was one of three consecutive matches decided by criteria decision.

At 150 against Oklahoma State's top-ranked Kenny Monday, Missouri's John Sonderegger used a takedown and near fall during the final minute of regulation to push the match into overtime, and then parlayed a takedown with 20 seconds left in overtime to win.

The judges awarded the win to Sonderegger because of the takedown.