Napper cited for performance against Aggies

| By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> Before the season began, Texas Tech head coach Jim Carlen said his quarterback Charles Napper was good with a chance to improve. Carlen wishes to correct that to "outstanding." <br> Napper converted 14 of 17 third down plays, hit 12 of 14 passes for 116 yards and two touchdowns, and completed 11 passes in a row at one stretch in | the Red Raiders' 21-7 victory over Texas A\&M last Saturday night. <br> The performance earned the junior from Dallas The Associated Press' Southwest Conference offensive player of the week award. Randy Braband, University of Texas linebacker, was in on 24 tackles in Texas' 41-9 romp over Oklahoma for the defensive player of the week | award. <br> Carlen said, "Napper played the best game since we've been here. On our option he read it accurately (got it to the right back) the higher percentage of time than any quarterback I've ever had." <br> Napper took Tech on three long touchdown drives in what Carlen describes as his "patent offense." | "It's a percentage offense and I really like it," said Napper. "We go to the Wishbone when we need to. I couldn't stand it (the triple option) last year when I first saw Texas run it. I thought it limited you to the inside game. But now that I've studied it I know it better. We still use our wide receivers. That makes 'em adjust too." <br> Napper said the biggest thing | he had to work on was his patience. <br> "Before I was a passing quarterback," he said, "I really had to work on my patience. It took discipline because now we only pass an average of 14 or 15 times a game where before we threw 25 or 30 passes." <br> Napper said he had a chance to blow his cool when A\&M's tremendous safety, Dave Elmen- | dorf, intercepted a pass to stop a promising Tech drive in the early going. <br> "I should have kept the ball on the ground," Napper said. "Our game was to throw some on first down, but I shouldn't have thrown in that situation. But I kept my head up and tried to keep the other guy's head up. That's experience paying off right there." | Napper said he realized the Elmendorf made a great play the interception. <br> "He's unbelievable," Nape said. "He was 10 or 15 yat away when I threw the ball 2 still got there. I think Elme dorf was reading my eyes." <br> Napper makes no bones ath wanting to play profesios football. He's 6 -foot, 185 pownd |
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