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Aggs snap Bears' 5-game losing streak

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When he stepped onto Kyle Field today, Grant Teaff must have felt his buds had taken a wrong turn at Calvert. Was this the same soaked stadium the Baylor had stood in during the 1975 1976 Baylor-Texas A&M con-

while the Aggies had 361. But try telling that to the scoreboard.

"We were averaging 42 points a game in our first four games," Texas A&M coach Emory Bellard said. Before Houston the Aggies had not allowed a touchdown in 14 quarters of football. "Now we haven't scored a touchdown in eight quarters. I think

2-yard line. Mike Mosley passed for 140 yards and the Aggies rushed for 221 yards.

"We moved the ball pretty well," Bellard said, "but when we got into scoring position we let the wheels fly off the machine instead of taking it on in. We've just lost our offensive punch."

Is the Aggies' offensive punch personified in Curtis Dickey, who played only sparingly because of a sprained left ankle and a strained right knee? Some people think so.

"That's got to be it," defensive end Jacob Green said of Dickey's absence, trying to find a reason for Texas A&M's poor performance. "Dickey is the backbone of that offense."

Fullback Raymond Belcher added, "Curtis got me sparked. He came into the game and got me on track. When he goes out of the game, they (the opposing defense) don't have to concentrate on the outside run and that makes it harder for me."

There was some question as to why the injured Dickey, who had to

be helped from the field three times, was allowed to play in the game and risk further injury.

"I think we had no choice but to play him," Bellard said, noting that the Aggies needed their best players on the field. "Curtis felt like he could play. He stepped on the field to play."

Belcher's performance was one of the high points of the afternoon for the Aggies. In his first start for Texas A&M, the 197-pound senior gained 119 yards on 24 carries. Belcher started at fullback because David Brothers was moved from fullback to halfback to replace the injured Adgar Armstrong. Belcher first discounted his performance, saying that he didn't do as well as he had expected to. Then he was told that he had rushed for over 100 yards.

"Did I really get over 100 yards?" he asked in amazement. "I knew I was tired. I felt like my legs were dead."

"It was slow going at first. I expected to be reading the defense better and I had trouble reading their linebackers. I was concerned

about fumbling the ball. I even took a ball with me to the room last night and just held it." Belcher did fumble once but offensive tackle Cody Risen recovered the ball for Texas A&M.

Another high point for the Aggies was the passing combination of Mosley to split end Doug Teague. Teague caught eight of Mosley's passes for 87 yards.

"We felt we could throw on them," Teague said. "They were

laying off of us quite a bit, giving us a good cushion. We moved the ball all day; we just didn't get into the end zone. And the name of the game is scoring."

Texas A&M is now tied with Texas Tech, Rice and Baylor in Southwest Conference standings with a 1-2 record. Texas and Houston are 3-0, SMU is 2-1, Arkansas is 1-1 and TCU is 0-3.

"The only thing we can do now is play for our pride and maybe one of the other bowl games," Green said. "I think the Cotton Bowl is out of our reach."

SCORING SUMMARY
Baylor 7 0 7 10-24
Texas A&M 3 3 0 0-6

BU—Holt 78 pass from Smith (Bledsoe kick)
AM—Franklin, 19 FG
AM—Franklin, 45 FG
BU—Howell 1 run (Bledsoe kick)
BU—Maness, 32 FG
BU—Mitchell 18 pass from Smith (Bledsoe kick)



Raymond Belcher

we're playing better football teams but I don't think they're that much better. It is a complete turnaround."

It is a turn for the worst for the Aggies, who once in the game had to settle for a field goal after moving the ball 84 yards to the Baylor

two hours and 35 minutes later, left Kyle Field with a 24-6 victory, he must have again wondered if he was really in Aggieland. In these the same Texas Aggies his Bears had had such limited success against since Teaff's arrival

it was Kyle Field and they the Texas Aggies. And after second straight loss, the Ag had some questions of their

could Texas A&M move the not get in the end zone? In first victory of the season, the had 363 yards total offense

Cowboys defeat Eagles; share division lead

United Press International

WINING—With Tony Dorsett in doghouse, Dallas quarterback Staubach went to old favorite Pearson for a key touchdown in the first half Sunday that gave the Cowboys a 14-7 win over Philadelphia and vaulted them into the lead for the NFC East.

Dallas's defense, which has helped the Cowboys during an offensive slump, shut down Philadelphia's Wilbert Montgomery — the

diving catch of an 11-yard pass from Staubach.

In that drive Dorsett carried four times for 23 yards.

The Eagles' only score came on a 34-yard pass from Ron Jaworski to tight end Keith Krepfle with 2:47 remaining in the third period.

That was one of only four times the Eagles moved into Cowboys' territory. They did so as time ran out in the first half and again late in the fourth quarter. But the Eagles chose to punt on a fourth-and-10 situation at the Dallas 37 with 5:30 left.

Philadelphia had one last chance at the tying touchdown and moved to the Cowboys' 38 with 41 seconds

to play. But Jaworski, under a heavy rush, threw the ball away and the officials ruled he did so intentionally.

That cost the Eagles 10 yards and when Coach Dick Vermeil rushed onto the field to protest the call, his team was penalized 15 more yards to eliminate a serious Philadelphia threat as the final seconds ticked off.

Dallas' win was its 15th straight over the Eagles in the Cowboys' home stadium. It was also the Cowboys' eighth consecutive victory over the Eagles and the 20th in the last 22 meetings.

Staubach, whose touchdown pass to Pearson was his 16th scoring throw of the season, went through

one of his poorer games of the season, completing 10 of 22 throws for 108 yards.

Staubach also was sacked four times, but Dallas' defense the pressure on Jaworski all afternoon.

With Dallas and Washington now sharing the division lead, the New York Giants have moved to within a game of first place with a 5-3 record and the Eagles are two games back at 4-4.

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leading rusher — to 18 yards, he completed the longest of which was 22 yards. And the Cowboys' defense was forced to stop two Philadelphia drives in the final quarter.

The decision pushed the Cowboys to 6-2 and moved them into a share of the division lead with the Washington Redskins. Philadelphia lost for the second straight game.

can touch Dorsett, who managed only 24 yards in a week ago against the St. Louis Cardinals, was benched by coach Tom Landry to start the game Saturday and when he returned he missed Saturday's game. All efforts to find Dorsett were abandoned Saturday and when he returned for the game Sunday, he told his manager he had overslept.

When Dorsett did enter the game, however, he ignited the offense and scored two touchdowns on his way to leading the Cowboys to their second victory in a row.

The Cowboys capitalized on a second quarter to start a 46-yard drive and ended in a 1-yard touchdown by Robert Newhouse. And Pearson scored Dallas' only other touchdown with 1:05 left in the second quarter, making a spectacular,

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