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Ags march to Memphis

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It's on to the South for Texas A&M's Curtis Dickey in his march for the Heisman Trophy.

Dickey swayed the eastern vote last Saturday with his 184-yard performance against Penn State in Be-

aver Stadium. Now he has to convince the people south of the Mason-Dixon line he's the best college football player in the country.

His performance against the Nittany Lions earned Dickey Sports Illustrated's Back of the Week award. He was also named the Associated

Press back of the week and the Southwest Conference's offensive player of the week.

With awards in hand, Dickey and his teammates trip off to Memphis to face the much-improved Memphis State Tigers Saturday night.

In the third game of last season, the Aggies destroyed the Tigers 58-0 in Kyle Field, the first meeting ever between the two schools.

Memphis State coach Richard Williamson hasn't forgotten his team's performance against the Aggies last year.

"I just tried to forget that game as soon as it was over," Williamson said. "I just blocked it out. But I still have dreams about Dickey and Mosley.

"Last year's game has to be in the back of the player's minds that went out there last year. We haven't talked too much about it this year because we don't want to remind them of it."

But what the Tigers have been reminded of all week is the Aggies' performance against Penn State. The films of last week's game has Williamson in awe of the A&M attack.

"After watching last week's game, you can't help but be impressed with them," Williamson said about A&M. "Everything they did was done well. They executed as well as they could have."

Dickey showed last week that he is a superb football player. He seemed to run where ever he wanted to and we're going to have to play the entire field if we hope to stop him."

No team has been able to yet. Dickey has accumulated 405 yards rushing on 75 carries through the first three games this season. His running has taken some of the offensive burden off quarterback Mike Mosley. Mosley has hit on 60 percent of his passes this season for 214

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WEEK 4

Texas A&M-Memphis St.	A&M by 17	A&M by 13	A&M by 7	A&M by 7
Texas-Missouri	Missouri by 4	Texas by 9	Missouri by 3	Texas by 3
Baylor-Texas Tech	Baylor by 3	Tech by 4	Tech by 7	Tech by 7
Arkansas-Tulsa	Arkansas by 21	Arkansas by 23	Arkansas by 14	Arkansas by 14
Houston-West Texas St.	Houston by 28	Houston by 33	Houston by 21	Houston by 21
Rice-Oklahoma	Oklahoma by 35	Oklahoma by 28	Oklahoma by 35	Oklahoma by 35
SMU-Tulane	SMU by 14	SMU by 6	SMU by 7	SMU by 7
TCU-UTA	TCU by 3	TCU by 4	TCU by 2	TCU by 2
USC-LSU	LSU by 1	USC by 11	USC by 7	USC by 7
Notre Dame-Michigan St.	Notre Dame by 2	Notre Dame by 4	Michigan St. by 1	Michigan St. by 1
Last week's record	7-3	6-4	8-2	8-2
Season percentage	.733	.700	.666	.666

yards while adding 179 yards on the ground.

"We're solid at the quarterback position," said Aggie head coach Tom Wilson. "We lost Gary Kubiak (hyperextended elbow in the Penn State game) but David Beal returned to the team (after being injured in fall workouts) this week. Beal looked very good this week in practice."

"We also have Mark McQueen available so we're pretty strong." The Aggies will be facing a Memphis State defense that has played sporadically this season. The Tigers held Emory Bellard's Mississippi State Bulldogs to 13 points in the season opener.

The next week against Ole Miss, the defense decided to take the day off, allowing 38 points in the Tigers' only loss of the year.

Last week, against Wichita State, MSU held the Shockers to 10 points.

"We've shown we can play good and bad at times this season," Williamson said. "The first game we showed a lot of enthusiasm and we came away with the win. But in the second game, we had no defense at all. I don't know what happened. "Last week, we were just lucky to

come away with the win. Our guys didn't show any fire and didn't play well at all. I hope things change this week."

Wilson doesn't. Wilson, coming off the biggest win of his coaching career, knows his team will be facing a different club than the one that visited Kyle Field last year.

"This team is much improved over the one we faced last year," Wilson said. "They're much more balanced on offense."

"You can't compare their defense with the physical-type we played against Penn State. Memphis State is a quicker team, more versatile. It's a different type of team."

The Aggies seem to be a different team since their victory last Saturday. The confidence may have been restored since the season's opening two losses. Last week may be the push the Aggies needed.

"We just have to make sure that our players aren't reliving the Penn State victory," Wilson said. "They need to realize that you can't live in the past."

Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Memphis' Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium. A crowd of 40,000 is expected for the game.

Rogez played game with a broken neck

United Press International
PURCELL, Okla. — Robert Rogez, a 145-pound high school junior, finished the football game with nine tackles, a 33-yard pass reception and a broken neck.

Rogez was injured on Purcell High School's first defensive play in a season-opening 13-7 victory over Noble Sept. 7. He sat out a few plays, returned to finish the game and later went to a hospital because his neck was sore.

He then learned his neck was broken and he could never play football again.

"I threw my head into the runner and I knew something was wrong as soon as I hit him," Rogez said. "My fingers and toes curled up and got

numb, but that was only temporary. I just figured my neck was broken."

Rogez said he did not want to go to the hospital after the game because his parents insisted.

Coach Rick Clark said he was "scared to death" when he saw Rogez had played almost the entire game with a broken neck.

"He said he was fine," Clark said. "He walked it off. He's so stubborn he didn't realize he was really hurt."

Doctors said Rogez, who was recuperating at home with his mother, must never play football again, but can play basketball.

He said he doesn't mind head-first slides.

Houston hoping Browns come Pruitt-led

United Press International
HOUSTON — The Cleveland Browns play the Houston Oilers Sunday and Browns' halfback Greg Pruitt is a questionable participant. So what else is new?

Pruitt, the team's leading rusher and a potential gamebreaker anytime he carries the ball, has played so infrequently in games against his hometown team that the Browns just naturally prepare to play without him. They wish they did not have to.

The last time the 5-foot-10, 190

pound Pruitt was 100 percent healthy in a Houston game, (1977) his running and halfback pass carried the Browns downfield for a last-second, game-winning field goal.

"Greg gives their offense an added dimension," said Oilers defensive coach Eddie Biles. "We're preparing as if he will play."

Pruitt strained a knee late in the first half of Cleveland's 26-7 win over the Dallas Cowboys Monday night. He had helped build a 21-point Browns' lead, but without him

in the second half, Cleveland's offense was slowed.

The Browns' loss of one practice this week may hurt, but head coach Sam Rutigliano had other concerns, like his players concentrating on Oilers instead of next week's opponent, the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Biles watched the Monday night game and said "Cleveland looked like a typical AFC Central Division football team."

Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Houston have more wins (11) than other division in pro football.

The Browns rank second in offense and first in passing yards. Sipe's 1,002 yards. Eight Cleveland touchdowns have been in the air, with tight end Ozzie Newsome catching three and Dave and Reggie Rucker two each.

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