## Out of the blue

by Rick Stolle



## Bears' win embarrassing

I knew we were in trouble early in the game as torrents descended upon us from above. The scoreboard sign read, "When it rains at aggieland, it pours."

Unfortunately, I did not have any wood to knock on.

The sign proved prophetic as the Baylor Bears poured it on the appless Aggies by the worst score in their series since 1901 when the Bears beat the Ags 46-0. At least this year we scored seven points.

It would have been the first shut-out in Kyle Field since 1971 had the gs not scored with 24 seconds left in the game

As the Aggies slip-slided away in the rain, the Bears waltzed to their inth win without a loss. They manhandled the Ags without so much as

The beleaguered, bewildered and befuddled Aggies stumbled round the field. They had no leadership, little direction and lots of histakes. They fumbled, bumbled and slid their way to a devastating,

I seem to remember another game in the recent past that was similar this one. Ah yes, I remember, this was the same song the Ags sang in hens, Ga., second verse, a little bit louder and a whole lot worse. The entire team should be embarrassed. The Baylor game cannot be

### Analysis

ed on any one person; it was a team loss.

And the Ags had a number of problems Saturday. Little things like unning, tackling, kicking and holding on to the football.

The Aggie team was a totally different one that took the field against ch and Houston. There were a bunch of individuals going through

the motions of football against a team. I almost did not recognize them but the jerseys were a dead give-away.

There was no spirit on the team. They seemed to be ready to give up after Baylor kicked its first field goal. And after the safety, the sidelines seemed to melt of players as a number started to dig holes to bury their

Even a number of the Aggie players recognized it. Darrell Adams, Gary Kubiak and Mack Moore said they see the problem. They said the am needs to find itself and come together.

Yet, the only place the team can come together is in the coaching. It as to solidify the Aggies into a team that wins and loses as a team. es go the Tom Wilson has had only two years in which to begin and implement his program. Two years is a long time in anything except football. The fulls from any given football program are at least four years away from go to any

Ron Meyer at SMU has had five years to develop his program and it showing in the program SMU has now. Not many coaches can walk to a program already established like Barry Switzer and Fred Akers ho followed great coaches at the University of Oklahoma and the versity of Texas, respectively.

te Bowl har. Yet, I'm not making any excuses, Saturday's loss has to be blamed on the Confere Wilson. The Aggie coach did not have the team as well prepared as here will had aylor was for A&M. The only thing he can do is try harder and hope meone on the team will stand up and become the leader the team has een searching for all year.

The team has been searching for someone to take charge. A player ceivable that who will lead by example, without much talk, and become a field imbeaten, or eneral. Last year, Jacob Green was the leader of the defense and top two was the search with the work of this year, even though Mosley is still here, the Ags are hurting for a status, which the der Mosley is a good or black but he leader the leader had a him delicated.

ssibility of Aleader. Mosley is a good athlete but he lacks the leadership abilities a ag each other quarterback must have. He needs to be returned to the defensive sources close econdary and leave the offense in the hands of Gary Kubiak.

Muliak did a repsectable job against Baylor Saturday. Granted, it suld want to has mostly against second- and third-teamers but he still was able to

nove the offense which is more than Mosley has been able to do. A&M has the athletes and program to compete with many schools in

e nation. The team simply needs to find itself and a leader. Also a tle pride in itself would help.

A Baylor player laughed at the demise of the Aggies and how they mply could not come back after getting behind. Many were simply prized in the same of the Aggies and how they mply could not come back after getting behind. Many were simply rised at how easy the Aggies were beaten as were all the Aggie

Hopefully, the Ags will come together and find a little pride before the Rice game. They will have to because Rice is no longer an easy rey. After beating LSU and TCU and scoring 21 points on Texas in ed with nine The quarter, the Owls have become a team to be reckoned with. With luck and a team effort, the Ags can come back to have a spectable season. Without it, the Aggie fans can start to look forward

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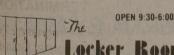
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# Phillips not worrying

United Press International HOUSTON — Coach Bum Phil-lips Monday said he is not losing sleep over his Houston Oilers' 16points-per-game average and their incanny knack of converting lopsided victories into cliff-hangers.

"Obviously I would have to say, Yeah, our yardage should have produced more points'. But it didn't. You can't fumble the ball, get penalties and do all that and make points,'

In the team's latest soft-hearted performance on Sunday, Earl Camp-bell ran for a pro career high 203 yards on 33 carries, Kenny Stabler passed for 242 yards on 19 passes and the Oilers needed an interception in the final minute to hold on and beat the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 20-14.

No changes are planned as the Oilers prepare this week to host the Cincinnati Bengals, Phillips said.

"Earl will continue to carry the ball, maybe not as many times as he's carried it in the last two games, but probably 25 to 30 times. He's more effective the more he carries the ball," the coach said

Despite Campbell's having mis-

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sed two of the first seven games, his two-game total of 381 yards against the Kansas City Chiefs Oct. 12 and Tampa Bay Sunday moved the twotime NFL rushing king into third place on the league rushing list with

"It seems like the more he carries the football, the better he does," Phillips said. "It seems to me that he gains momentum as the ballgame

The difference between the win over Tampa Bay and a 21-20 loss to the Chiefs was execution on big Also, the "inconsistency" existing

Also, the "inconsistency" existing between refereeing crews hurt the Oilers Sunday, Phillips said.

Nine penalties were called and accepted by the Bucs Sunday despite the Oilers playing "the same way this week as we played last week. Last week we only had two penalties called — and both of them were wrong "he said."

wrong," he said.
"That's probably the hardest thing to adjust to in the whole NFL, that one week you can play exactly the same way, use your hands the same

kicker Toni Fritsch a shot at a 49yard field goal, all of which occured in the fourth quarter Sunday, kept Houston from probably taking its biggest win of the season. Campbell's fumble with 4:31 left

to play was converted into a Tampa Bay touchdown, and Rob Carpenter's fumble moments later ended a deep Oilers drive.

Fritsch missed the field goal try, his only miss in 11 tries this season, giving the ball to the Bucs on their

"It was a bad call on my part. In the first place it would have given them field position in a bad spot for us, which is really bad."

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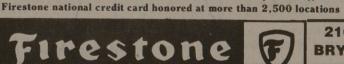
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