

# It's holes and turnovers when Aggies tackle UH

It all comes down to the Swiss Cheese defense versus the Betty Crocker offense.

You can talk all you want about offensive miscues and defensive errors. Prosets and I-formations won't make any difference — nor will nickel backs or safety blitzes.

Yards per game and points per game and returning starters and interceptions and fumbles and touchdowns mean nothing at this point.

Because the key to Saturday's game between the Texas Aggies and the Houston Cougars can be summed up in those nine words.

The Swiss Cheese defense versus the Betty Crocker offense.

Get it? The Aggies' defense is full of holes — very Swiss-like. And the Cougars' offense is turnover after turnover — and not the cherry variety, either.

Texas A&M and UH had preseason experts drooling and opponents worrying. Both had the tools — the speed, the experience and the personnel to unseat the SMU Mustangs as Southwest Conference champions.

But the only thing the Aggies and Cougars have unseated so far this season is themselves — hence the nicknames.

And you can be sure Aggie coach Jackie Sherrill and Cougar coach Bill Ye-



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man cringe when they think about it. Instead of Gary Kubiak versus Lionel Wilson, or Johnny Hector versus Weedy Harris, the most important factor when the two teams meet will be the play of Texas A&M's sagging defense and UH's lagging offense.

That's why a victory Saturday is so necessary. Both teams need one and both teams need to put an end to their growing reputations for ineptness. Nicknames, especially unflattering ones, can become very tiring if they last all year.

The Cougars have spent this season climbing out of holes their offense has dug for them. Fumbles and interceptions have given UH's opponents too many easy touchdowns, as in Saturday's game against the Baylor Bears.

UH spotted the Bears two interceptions and a 21-0 lead before getting started themselves. Behind 21-7 at half-time, the Cougars fought back to tie the game at 21-21, but needed a controversial fumble recovery in the end zone to stave off Baylor.

The Aggies have had problems also. Sherrill and his staff have spent much of this season in search of an effective defense. And then, after getting bombed through the air by assorted opposing quarterbacks, Texas Tech destroyed Texas A&M on the ground.

That was the most frustrating part of the loss to the Red Raiders. What seemed to be the only strong point of the Aggies' defense was exposed as a weakness.

And that weakness is likely to be probed extensively by the Cougars, just as Kubiak and the Aggies' offense will likely take advantage of any UH turnovers.

Which brings us back to Swiss Cheese and Betty Crocker. Those are unusual names for some unexpected disappointments, but neither team can seem to shake them. Both teams are hoping Saturday will bring some much-needed relief.

Winning is important, but so is pride. And pride isn't built on names like S.C. and B.C. You can be sure a whole lot of pride will be on the line Saturday.

May the best nickname win.

## TANK McNAMARA

by Jeff Millar & Bill



# Rangers' GM looking for future in youth

ARLINGTON — Newly appointed vice president and general manager Joe Klein vowed the future of the Texas Rangers is in its youth and announced his first priority is finding a manager who can teach and motivate.

Klein, 40, director of the Rangers farm system for the past three years was elevated to the general manager position Monday by team owner Eddie Chiles.

Chiles, succinct in his comments at a news conference, said Klein was the only man offered the job from "four or five we considered."

Chiles said: "Joe is interested in a continuing development program for our players. Our players must continue to learn."

The Rangers learned little in 1982, suffering through one of their worst seasons with 98 losses. During the season Chiles fired both general manager Eddie Robinson and manager Don Zimmer and on the day Zimmer was dismissed, Chiles said he felt the team had "become the laughing stock of baseball."

Klein chose not to dwell on the past season. "I'm looking at next season and the future," he said. Klein said the emphasis would be on developing the club's farm talent, a philosophy Chiles seemed to like.

"Joe will have the responsibility of our minor league system and of trading and acquiring major league players," Chiles said.

Asked what kind of freedom Klein could exercise in obtaining players, Chiles said: "He will have complete freedom within our budget restrictions. We have limitations, and sometimes they are stringent restrictions. But within the budget, he will have the authority to sign players."

Klein spent seven years as a minor league player and 10 as a minor league manager before com-

ing to the Rangers as director of the team system.

Klein said he hoped to have the Rangers' general manager named shortly after completion of the Series but said the winter baseball market in Hawaii this December was his deadline.

"I have no names yet. I just have a mind," Klein said. "I'm not precluded to someone who previously managed in the leagues. I want a teacher. Someone with the minor league level. Especially, I want a veteran."

Darrell Johnson, who became interim manager when Zimmer was fired July 28, has also been considered for the job and Klein said he had talked to Johnson.

Concerning his team, Klein said he saw on the 1982 roster whom he would like to see. He said veterans would be consulted in a couple of weeks and given a chance to state preferences for next year.

"There may be some who don't like to be traded and think, 'Here we go again,'" Klein said. "I want out, we'll certainly try to comply, but it's too short for you to spend them unhappily. Additions will obviously be necessary."

"The re-entry (free agent) draft now is a life and to ignore it is like sticking one's head in the sand. Certainly we will explore the draft means of improving the Rangers, but we're eager to expend large sums of money to get up from sixth place to fifth."

"Overall, the improvement will come from development within," he said.

Klein indicated the youth movement would begin immediately.

# Andujar, Niekro chosen tops

NEW YORK — St. Louis' Joaquin Andujar and Atlanta's Phil Niekro, who will oppose each other in the first game of the National League Championship Series Wednesday, were named Pitcher of the Month and Player of the Week, respectively, it was announced Monday.

Niekro's teammate, right-fielder Claudell Washington,

was named Player of the Month in the National League.

Andujar helped the Cardinals capture the NL East with a 3-0 record, 0.81 ERA and two shutouts in 44 2/3 innings in September. He had three complete games in six starts and allowed only four earned runs and 28 hits.

Niekro, the league's won-lost percentage leader with a 17-4

record, pitched two complete games to help the Braves win the NL West. Washington hit .303 with four homers and 25 RBI while scoring 20 runs in September.

In other baseball news, the Cincinnati Reds announced Monday coaches Bill Fischer, Ron Plaza and George Scherger will stay on Manager Russ Nixon's staff next season.

Coach Harry Dunlop, as previously disclosed, will not return, but "will be offered another position in the organization," Reds' officials said. A replacement for Dunlop is to be named soon. The Reds also said

that Ted Kluszewski will continue as a special hitting instructor for both the Reds and minor-league teams.

# Archie's TACO BELL

## OCTOBER'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <b>GOOD LUCK VIKINGS</b> OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.	2 <b>TEXAS TECH</b> At Home OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.
3 <b>EVERY SUNDAY IN OCTOBER!</b> Buy one Burrito Supreme and get one FREE.	4	5 Every Tuesday features our famous Taco Bell T-Shirt Day. Wear yours into either location &	6	7 Thursday is High School Day. Archie salutes the high schoolers with certificates for a FREE Taco Bell T-Shirt to the	8 <b>GOOD LUCK TIGERS</b> OPEN 'TILL 3:30 A.M.	9 <b>HOUSTON</b> Away OPEN 'TILL 3:30 A.M.
10 Offer good with this coupon only. Not good with any other offer. Limit one coupon per person per visit.	11 <b>NFL BOXED LUNCH</b> Offer every Monday in October good between 6 p.m. & 10 p.m. You get a Combo Burrito pinto 'n cheese, large Pepsi, & an NFL team cap. for only \$3.99. Ask for your complimentary apartment size football.	12 get \$1.00 off your purchase or in FREE food between 11:00 a.m. & 11:00 p.m. Not good with any other offer.	13 <b>EVERY WEDNESDAY</b> late night from 11 p.m.-closing; the Bryan store offers \$1.00 off your	14 first 15 high school students to claim them. Offer good at both locations but limited to one T-Shirt per customer.	15 <b>DON'T FORGET YELL PRACTICE GIG 'EM</b> OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.	16 <b>BAYLOR</b> AT HOME OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.
17	18 Offer every Monday in October good between 6 p.m. & 10 p.m. You get a Combo Burrito pinto 'n cheese, large Pepsi, & an NFL team cap. for only \$3.99. Ask for your complimentary apartment size football.	19 Archie's College Station store features a live interview every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. with the A&M Consolidated coach.	20 purchase or \$1.00 in FREE food if you are wearing your TACO BELL T-Shirt.	21 <b>HEY KIDS</b> watch for upcoming Halloween Promotion. OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.	22 OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.	23 <b>RICE</b> At Home OPEN 'TILL 5:00 A.M.
24	25 Offer every Monday in October good between 6 p.m. & 10 p.m. You get a Combo Burrito pinto 'n cheese, large Pepsi, & an NFL team cap. for only \$3.99. Ask for your complimentary apartment size football.	26 <b>HOWELL FERGUSON</b>	27	28	29 OPEN 'TILL 3:30 A.M.	30 <b>SMU</b> AWAY OPEN 'TILL 3:30 A.M.
31 <b>HALLOWEEN</b>						