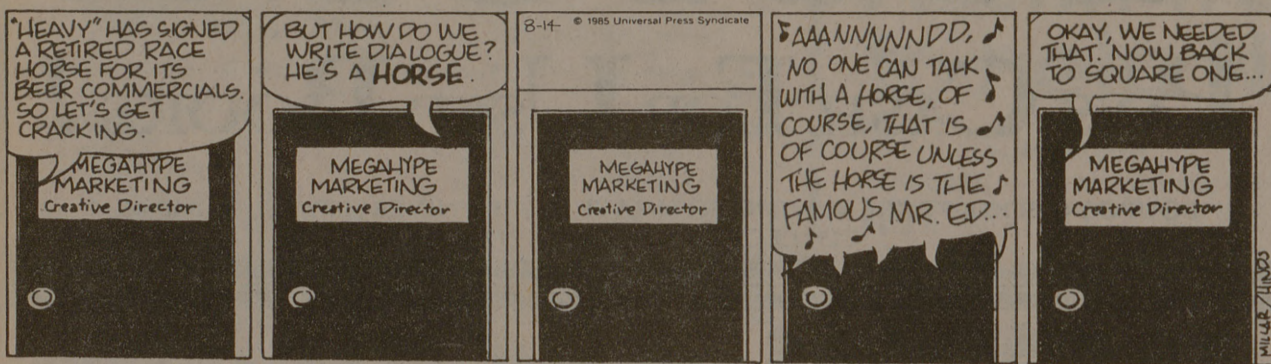


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'85 Coogs won't need any divine intervention

Associated Press

HOUSTON — While others are still trying to figure out how Houston got into the Cotton Bowl last season, Bill Yeoman rocked back comfortably behind his desk recently and solved the mystery.

"I believe in providence, but a lot of people have a serious problem explaining the season last year," Yeoman said. "The Lord put us there, there's no question about it. He runs things anyway and I'm just real glad He decided to let us go."

Divine Providence may be the only way to explain the series of events leading to the Cougars' fourth trip to the Cotton Bowl in nine seasons in the Southwest Conference.

Going into the next to last game of the season, the Cougars were anticipating being in front of their television sets on New Year's Day instead of playing Boston College in the Cotton Bowl.

This season, with nine returning starters on offense and six on defense from that Cinderella team, no one is discounting the possibility of five trips in 10 seasons.

Much of the Cougars' chances will center around the continued progress of junior quarterback Gerald Landry, who set four school offensive records and ran and passed for almost 2,000 yards last season.

He led the Cougars to the Cotton Bowl as a sophomore, which could make it hard to come up with an en-



core. But Yeoman believes he can.

"I think we're going to get more out of our receivers, mainly because I thought Gerald made some significant improvement this spring," Yeoman said. "He got a chance to see it (veer offense) more."

Yeoman can't understand the criticism leveled at Landry last season. "When a sophomore without much experience in an option offense takes you to the Cotton Bowl, you've got to be a little careful about being hyper-critical," he said.

Landry will have an offensive cast that also includes an experienced corps of running backs in Raymond Tate, Mat Pierson and Sloan Hood; solid tight end Carl Hilton and wide receivers Larry Shepherd and Anthony Ketcham.

"Hilton, now, I don't want to go around saying he's better than anybody, but nobody has got a better tight end in the country than we do," Yeoman said.

Defensive tackle T.J. Turner will anchor the Cougar defensive line and Randy Thornton will direct traffic in the secondary.

"It appears that we may have

more speed and experience in the secondary than we've had in quite a while, which is encouraging," Yeoman said.

Sophomores Robert Harper and Gary McGuire will start in the Cougars' two-linebacker defense.

"Harper and McGuire are two outstanding physical specimens," Yeoman said. "You've got to stay upright (healthy), but it looks like we'll be in pretty good shape there."

Harper, a freshman standout last season, needs to learn more discipline, Yeoman said.

"Robert has to discipline himself to make sure he makes the tackle as opposed to unraveling the guy with a big hit," Yeoman said. "The big hit is fine, just make sure you make the tackle."

Turner, a senior three-year letterman, had 23 tackles for 98 yards in losses last season, including 11 quarterback sacks.

"We're not as deep there as we'd like to be but if Turner stays upright, we'll have, I think, as good a tackle as anyone in the country will."

Noseguard Eddie Gilmore, who regularly balloons over 300 pounds in the off season, has a weight problem once again.

The Cougars, 7-5 last season including the Cotton Bowl loss to Boston College, will have a non-conference schedule of Tulsa, Washington and Louisville before jumping into league play against Baylor.

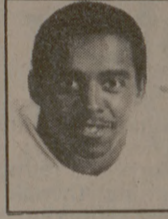
Dorsett asks for a trade

Cowboys' star still without contract

Associated Press

DALLAS — Dallas Cowboys holdout running back Tony Dorsett, who says he has made no headway in contract renegotiations, has suggested that the team trade him before the National Football League regular season begins.

Cowboys' president Tex Schramm and Dorsett met briefly during the past week-end, but Dorsett said he is no closer to reaching a contract agreement now than he was two weeks ago.



DORSETT

Schramm confirmed that Dorsett has asked for the trade.

"He keeps saying he's been embarrassed and that he might be better off somewhere else," Schramm said. "But I told him you don't just pull down the curtains on a bad experience because you're traded to another team."

Dorsett said if he is traded, he would prefer to play for the Miami Dolphins or the Pittsburgh Steelers, who play only 20 miles from his hometown of Aliquippa, Pa.

Dorsett is seeking to renegotiate his contract with the Cowboys. He has been involved in a dispute with the Internal Revenue Service over more than \$400,000 in back taxes the IRS says he owes.

"Right now I think I will be traded," Dorsett said Monday. "I think I've made it pretty obvious that I wouldn't mind going to another team."

Dorsett has missed 18 days of training camp and has been fined \$13,000 so far.

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CLOTHING SERVICE
Rental of clothing has moved from the Intramural-Recreational Sports Department to the Physical Education Activity Program Office in Room 158 Read Building. Beginning August 19, 1985, workout clothing will be available for rental. The clothing for rental includes shorts, shirt, socks and towel. There is no limit to the number of times the clothing can be exchanged for clean clothing. The service is available from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm five days per week. The cost for clothing service is \$25.00 for nine months and \$30.00 for twelve months.
Individuals interested in the clothing service may sign up in Room 158 Read Building from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm beginning August 19.

No it's not the latest police lineup but the Men's Class B Basketball Triples winners, The Sweets.

RECREATION ID RENEWAL
Faculty and staff and their spouses may begin renewing their recreation ID's on Monday, August 19. Recreation ID's are \$5.00 for faculty and staff and \$10.00 for spouses and dependents. These ID's may be renewed in the Intramural-Recreational Sports Office, Room 159 Read Building, 8-6 Monday -Thursday and 8-5 on Fridays.

LOCKER RENTALS
Locker renters may renew their lockers for the fall semester between now and September 3. Any lockers not renewed by September 3 will be cleared. Locker prices will be \$10.00 per semester or \$30.00 for the year. Lockers may be rented or renewed in 159 Read Building during office hours.

FALL INTRAMURALS
All you sports fans gear up for an exciting fall lineup in Intramurals. Entries open September 2 for Flag Football, 16-inch Softball, Table Tennis and the Preseason Flag Football tournament. The first week of classes is always hectic so don't forget to get your team organized early. The earlier you enter, the better choice of times are available. Entries will be taken until September 10 for the first four sports.
Anyone interested in officiating flag football and 16-inch softball should plan to attend the organizational meeting on September 2, 1985 at 6:00 pm in Room 164 Read Building.

SUMMER INTRAMURAL PROGRAM ENDS
The Intramural Program for Second summer session has come to a close. Another successful season has ended with the following outcome.

SOFTBALL
Men's A-Zephyr
Men's B-Zips
Women's A-Co-Beers
CoRec A-Up Front
CoRec B-Food Pro Team
CoRec C-Former Studs

BASKETBALL
Men's A-Showtime
Men's B-The Sweets
Women's A-Fun Bunch

VOLLEYBALL
Men's A-Paper Towels
Men's B-The Killers
Women's A-Spikers
CoRec A-The Sprall
CoRec B-The Misfits

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