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Veterans, rookies alike get placed on waivers

Associated Press

Tackle Dean Miraldi won't have to pay the \$1,000-a-day fines being as-sessed against him by the Philadel-phia Eagles. That's because he won't

phia Lagies. That's because he won't be playing for the Eagles any longer. Miraldi, the Eagles' No. 2 pick in the 1981 National Football League draft, was one of 14 players cut by Philadelphia Tuesday — one day af-ter he had reported to the team's training camp

Miraldi, who was in the option year of his contract, wanted the Ea-gles to renegotiate his agreement, which called for \$110,000 per year. He had rejected the team's offer of a \$20,000 raise.

In addition to Miraldi, the Eagles waived four veterans and nine rook-ies. The veterans were nose tackle Harvey Armstrong, quarterback Dean May, tackle Rusty Russell and running back Michael Williams.

The Eagles also placed on injured reserve wide receivers Rodney Goosby and Kevin Guthrie, and linebacker Jody Schulz. And they put four holdouts on the reserved-didnot-report list, including running back Wilbert Montgomery, defensive end Dennis Harrison, line-

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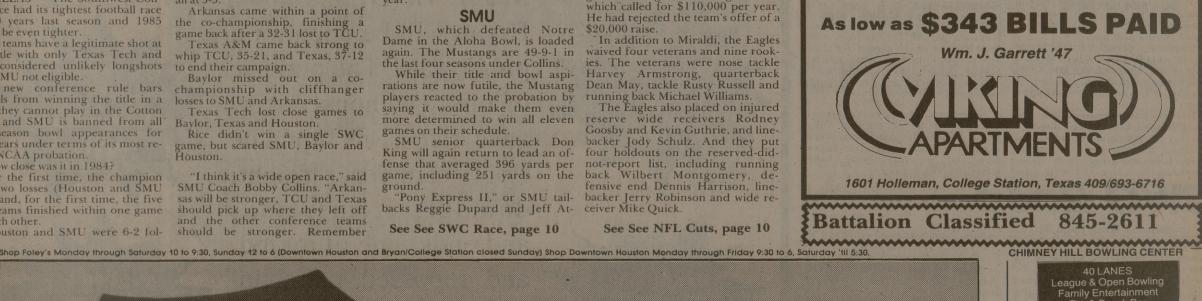


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It's a 6-horse SWC race without those Mustangs

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From staff and wire reports

DALLAS — The Southwest Conference had its tightest football race in 70 years last season and 1985

could be even tighter. Six teams have a legitimate shot at the title with only Texas Tech and Rice considered unlikely longshots to end their campaign. and SMU not eligible. Baylor missed out on a co-

A new conference rule bars schools from winning the title in a year they cannot play in the Cotton Bowl and SMU is banned from all post-season bowl appearances for two years under terms of its most re-two years under terms of its most retwo years under terms of its most re-cent NCAA probation. How close was it in 1984?

For the first time, the champion had two losses (Houston and SMU tied) and, for the first time, the five top teams finished within one game of each other Houston and SMU were 6-2 fol-

lowed by TCU, Texas and Arkansas all at 5-3.

Arkansas came within a point of the co-championship, finishing a game back after a 32-31 lost to TCU. Texas A&M came back strong to whip TCU, 35-21, and Texas, 37-12

"I think it's a wide open race," said SMU Coach Bobby Collins. "Arkan-sas will be stronger, TCU and Texas should pick up where they left off and the other conference teams should be stronger. Remember

the last four seasons under Collins. While their title and bowl aspirations are now futile, the Mustang players reacted to the probation by saying it would make them even more determined to win all eleven

Houston came out of nowhere last

SMU

Dame in the Aloha Bowl, is loaded again. The Mustangs are 49-9-1 in

SMU, which defeated Notre

games on their schedule. SMU senior quarterback Don King will again return to lead an of-fense that averaged 396 yards per game, including 251 yards on the

ground.

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"Pony Express II," or SMU tail-backs Reggie Dupard and Jeff At-ceiver Mike Quick.

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