

# Sports

## A&M-Tech should be 'game of contrasts'

### Ags', Raiders' last games different as night, day

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A&M Coach Jackie Sherrill

A game of contrasts will be dealt on the staid plains of Lubbock this Saturday night, according to Texas Tech Coach Jerry Moore and Texas A&M's Jackie Sherrill.

"We're pretty low right now," Moore said Tuesday during a telephone hook-up at Sherrill's weekly news conference in Cain Hall. "We've got to bounce back from getting our ears beat back against Baylor last week (Tech lost 31-0).

"We didn't practice very well last night (Monday) and I guess that's part of my job — to help keep our guys up after losing like we did."

Sherrill, meanwhile, was cautiously optimistic. "Our players are making a lot of strides toward having a good football team," Sherrill said. "We're a long ways away, don't get me wrong, but, by the middle of the season, we could have a very good offensive football team."

The Aggies showed a little of that mid-season form last Saturday against Tulsa.

A&M accumulated a school-record 702 yards and a season-high 45 points on offense. The Aggies rushed for 346 yards and added a career-high passing performance by quarterback Kevin Murray (309 yards, four TDs).

What does Tech plan defensively to stop "Murray and the Mashers"?

"Try to hide, I guess," Moore said. "I don't know if we have any way to stop A&M."

Both (Murray and Craig Stump) are excellent quarterbacks and we don't have the luxury of preparing any differently for each of them. We do know we're going to try and contain them as much as we can.

"They're (A&M's offense) going to hurt us, we know that. We just have to be prepared for it."

Sherrill wasn't taking A&M's offensive production for granted, however.

"Tech led the nation last year in pass defense," he said. "They're ranked fourth in the nation this year. They play a very sound defense and the kids in their secondary can really run."

"Their defensive line takes a very sound approach and their defensive ends and linebackers are very good athletes, very quick athletes. Their defensive scheme makes it to where you have to line up and be better than them to beat them."

Moore said the Aggie defense shouldn't even be playing football. "They should be a track team," he said. "They could go to the Olympics. They have just great speed and they fly to the football."

Sherrill agreed, saying, "I thought that we chased the ball rather well against Tulsa. The (four) fumbles that we recovered (against Tulsa), we caused by our own guys flying to the ball and splattering people."

A&M's splatters, flyers, tracksters and Olympians will face Tech's revamped, wishbone offense, which failed to score a single point against Baylor.

"We weren't very comfortable last Saturday afternoon," Moore said. "It was the old thing you've heard about the wishbone — when you get behind, it's very hard to try and play catch-up."

So, will Tech revamp once again and try to pass the ball more against A&M, than it did against Baylor?

"It's hard to open up our offense any more," Moore said. "You just can't do that much more from the wishbone than we're doing already. You're very limited in what you can do with your passing game."

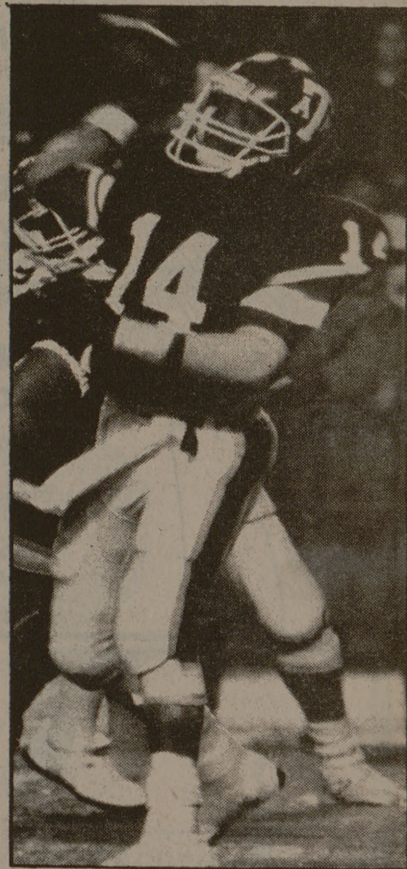
"What we're guarding against is adding a lot of new stuff and doing a lot of things differently. We're at the point where we just have to get better and improve upon what we already do."

Sherrill said one of the things the Red Raiders do quite well is run the ball up the middle.

"The great wishbone teams of the past have always had a great fullback and have been able to run the ball up the middle effectively," Sherrill said. "Now, what's happening with wishbone teams is that they're bringing a lot of people in motion and passing the ball better than they have done in the past."

"It becomes a guessing game. And that clears the outside running lanes and they can break some big plays on you."

"But, it all starts with that play up the middle. If you can't shut down the



A&M QB Kevin Murray

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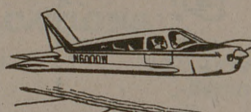
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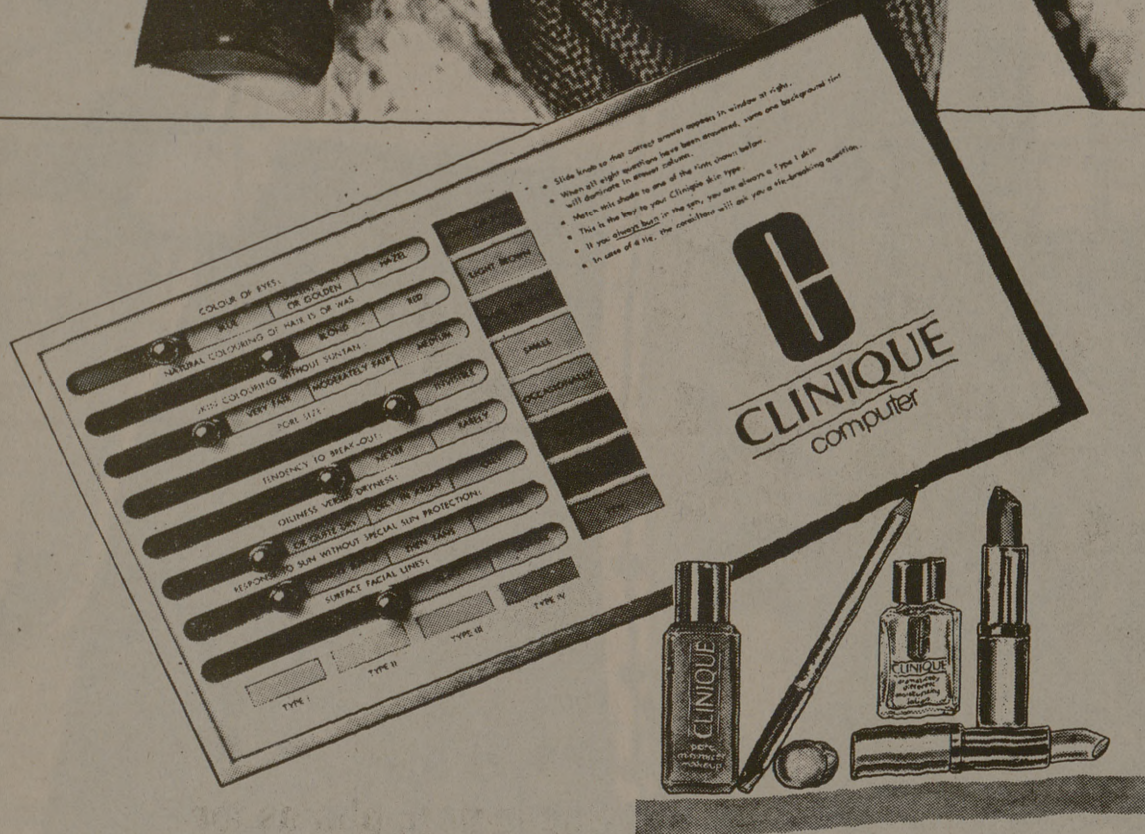


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