

Sports

Aggies finally taste victory in Astrodome

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Sports Editor

Although the Texas A&M defense turned Houston into mince-meat Saturday, the Aggie offensive performance was about as palatable as raw liver.

A&M, 4-1 overall and 2-0 in conference, finally snapped its Astro-dome jinx with its 19-7 victory; its first in five tries. The Aggie defense,

Analysis

playing better football each week, and place-kicker Scott Slater's four field goals were all A&M needed to drop the Cougars to 1-4 overall, 0-2 in conference.

But it shouldn't have been that close.

The A&M offense couldn't move the ball into the end zone all day, despite several good drives and 210 yards in the first half. The Aggies had three first-half series in which they punted after just three plays and Slater's first three field goals came when A&M stalled within Houston's 20-yard-line.

"(Houston) had some stands that were very hard to run on," A&M Head Coach Jackie Sherrill said.

ABC to televise A&M vs. Baylor

Saturday's Southwest Conference game between Texas A&M, 4-1, and Baylor, 4-2, at Kyle Field will be televised by ABC on a regional basis.

The game was scheduled to begin at 2 p.m., but with ABC now televising the contest, the pre-game show will be at 2 p.m. and kickoff is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

"We had times where we just didn't do the things we needed to. But we were probably too conservative."

The one time A&M should have played conservatively, it didn't. On a fourth-and-goal play the Aggies decided to try for the touchdown, thanks in large part to the loud urging by Aggie supporters, who easily outnumbered Houston's fans in the stands.

So instead of giving Slater a shot at a fifth field goal, A&M used line-

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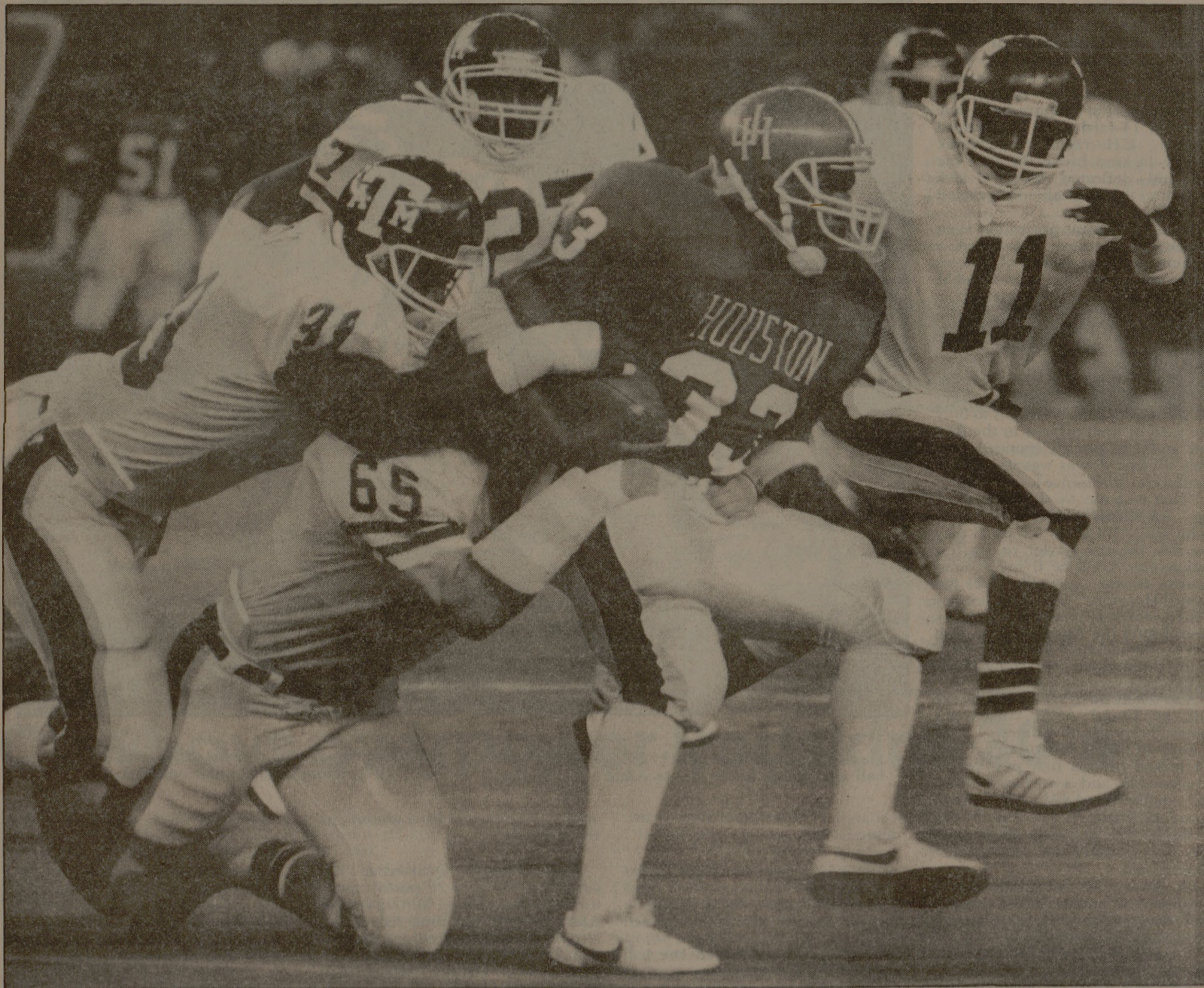


Photo by John Makely

Houston running back Raymond Tate found it difficult to move forward when carrying the football Saturday in the Astrodome as Ag-

gies Rod Saddler (99) and Larry Kelm (65) grapple him. A&M's Johnny Holland (11) and Terrance Brooks (27) move in to help.

Top 20 Action

How The AP Top 20 college football teams fared Saturday:

- No. 1 Miami, Fla. (6-0-0) beat West Virginia 58-14.
- No. 2 Alabama (6-0-0) beat Memphis State 37-0.
- No. 3 Nebraska (5-0-0) beat Oklahoma State 30-10.
- No. 4 Michigan (5-0-0) beat Michigan State 27-6.
- No. 5 Penn St. (5-0-0) beat Cincinnati 23-17.
- No. 6 Oklahoma (4-1-0) beat Texas 47-12.
- No. 7 Auburn (5-0-0) beat Vanderbilt 31-9.
- No. 8 Arkansas (4-1-0) lost to Texas Tech 17-7.
- No. 9 Southern Cal. (4-1-0) lost to Washington St. 34-14.
- No. 10 Iowa (5-0-0) beat Wisconsin 17-6.
- No. 11 Arizona (4-1-0) lost to UCLA 32-25.
- No. 12 Washington (4-1-0) beat No. 18 Stanford 24-14.
- No. 13 Baylor (4-2-0) lost to Southern Methodist 27-21.
- No. 14 Texas A&M (4-1-0) beat Houston 19-7.
- No. 15 Arizona State (4-0-1) beat Oregon 37-17.
- No. 16 LSU (3-1-0) beat Georgia 23-14.
- No. 17 North Carolina St. (3-1-1) lost to Georgia Tech 59-21.
- No. 18 Stanford (4-1-0) lost to No. 12 Washington 24-14.
- No. 19 Mississippi State (5-1-0) beat Arkansas State 24-9.
- No. 20 Clemson (4-1-0) beat Virginia 31-17.

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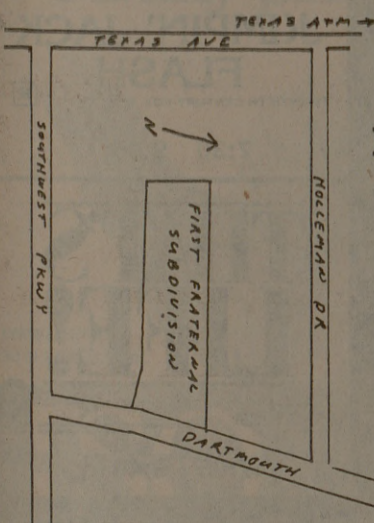
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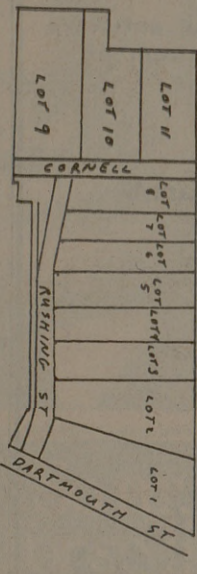
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