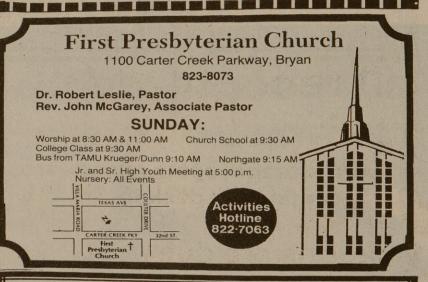
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# Landry: Dallas successful if over .500

IRVING (AP) — Dallas Coach Tom Landry says the deflated Cowboys will have a big 1987 NFL season if they can climb over the .500 mark.

'If we're better than a .500 team this year, then we've been successful," Landry says in the club's preseason prospectus which will be re-leased later this week. "And once you get over the .500 mark, anything

The Cowboys were 7-9 last year and missed the playoffs for only the third time in 20 years after a 6-2 start in the first half of the season.

"Our goal this year is to get back into the race," Landry says. "We can't even think about the playoffs, or the Eastern Division championship because we were completely out of the running. The way we played the last eight games, we're no different than any other losing

White says no

to additional

wrist surgery

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys quarterback Danny White, who suf-

fered a broken right wrist playing

against the New York Giants, ruled

out further surgery on the injury

unless he can't throw at the season's

White was smiling Monday when the Cowboys' three-day minicamp

opened because doctors said he

would not need surgery to play two

"I'm very confident now in my decision not to have surgery," White

said. "I don't think there's any ques-

tion I'll be ready when the season be-

gins. Doctors say it might not ever be the same and that I might eventually

need surgery. But it will get better

White's slow-healing wrist was broken on Nov. 2 by the Giants' Carl

One athletic physician, Dr. Frank McCue of the University of Virginia,

said two weeks ago that White would

be able to regain full range of mo-

operation. Team doctor Marvin

Knight concurred with the opinions, along with trainer Don Cochren.

3-point shot

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before the season begins.

more seasons.

Landry says the Cowboys need to We've been knocked down before take things more seriously.

"We've just got to develop a mad temperament," Landry says. "Do you want to be a losing team or not? I don't know of any team that has come off a long winning streak and then not stayed down for awhile. That's the challenge we have."

The Cowboys split with the World Champion New York Giants last year but a wrist injury suffered by quarterback Danny White in the second game against the Giants started Dallas' slide.

"That was a terrible stretch we had the second half of last year," Landry says. "We've never had a stretch like that before in 27 years. I'm talking about being mentally on the downslide for that long a time.

"Even in the early years, we might not win for three or four games, but we were always on a positive note.

and come back, but we've never been on the skids like last year. And that is

He adds, "The toughest thing we are going to have to do is regain con-

Landry continues, "The other



we must do is find young, impact players, preferably on defense. Drafting late in the first round all those winning years just caught up with us. It's hard to get those real im-

pact players unless you drafte the first round."

Landry says his offensi under re-evaluation but "our biggest improveme come on defense. Defense

we need athletes."

Landry says he will be s more time with the defense "The players have to work the coaches have to work m cause there is no easy way o thing," Landry says. "I'll be d that 1 ing more time with the defens "We've aged in the defense We didn't have the pass rayear, the power that we had a 1970s and 1980s."

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# Bass, Astros hoping to repeat '86 results

question about Kevin Bass and his Houston Astros teammates seems to be the same - can they do an encore?

Bass had a career best performance last season, finishing fourth in the National League in hitting at .311, fifth with 184 hits. .486 slugging percentage and 287

The Astros came from also-ran status to win the National League Western Division title, but their consistency still is being ques-

'Until the fact is done, nobody can talk about it, there's no wizard who can pick the winner," Bass said. "I just don't believe what I read.'

"They picked us fifth last year and see what happened?

"If we all do our jobs, there's no reason we can't contend

Bass also reports himself ready for the start of the season, despite off-season arthroscopic shoulder

surgery.

"The shoulder is going to be fine and I'm going to try to hit .300 just like I did last year," Bass If every man takes it upon himself to give his best then we'll Bass reported to camp a year ago, thinking he'd fit into new Manager Hal Lanier's plans. He just didn't know where. Lanier put Bass in right field and Bass took over from there.

"This year is a lot easier," he said. "I know I'm going to be in there so I'm just gearing myself for the start of the regular sea-

Bass was one of three Astros to place in the top 10 voting for the league's Most Valuable Player trophy. First baseman Glenn Davis was second, Bass was seventh and Mike Scott was 10th.

Bass hit .378 in June and put together a 20-game hitting streak from July 22 to Aug. 13. The streak matched the fourth longest in club history.

I've got confidence in my ability. I don't worry about whether I can have another year like last year. I just know that I'm going to try as hard as I can to do it," Bass

Bass didn't play in the early spring games, giving his shoulder more time to recover. But he's warmed up quickly, hitting .375 in 15 games going into the final week of spring training.

## Astros own sees rise in attendance

HOUSTON (AP) - Ho tros owner John McMullen optimistic about home Briti this season.
"I think the communishould be much better the

cause of the season we and the exciting playoff the Mets," McMullen said McMullen said 9,000 son tickets have been sold

percent increase over the the year before. of Con "That's one of the creases in the league, pe wise," he told The Hou from the Astros' training margin

Tuesday in Kissimmee, E McMullen told the that professional baseball address the growing me games being televised on superstations.

McMullen said steps taken to stem revenue k the broadcasting of game superstations. About 40 home games were brown Houston last year, lowering dance at the Astrodome, No

The Astros are to ope home season Monday aga Los Angeles Dodgers.

# NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The 3-

point shot will stay at its present distance of 19 feet, 9 inches for at least another season of college basketball, and intentional fouls will be more expensive, the secretary of the NCAA Rules Committee announced on Wednesday. The 3-point rule did exactly what

it was intended to do," said Ed Steitz, the committee secretary. It increased scoring, opened up the game and reduced rough play under the boards,

Despite howls of outrage prior to the rule's implementation for this past season, a late-season poll showed overwhelming support for retaining the 3-point shot in some form, Steitz said.

Overall, he said, 1,448 coaches returned their questionnaires, and 80 percent favored keeping the 3-point shot. Of those in favor, 35 percent wanted it kept at its present distance, and 36 percent favored moving it back nine inches to the Olympic distance, he said.

Three changes were voted in for next season, Steitz said.

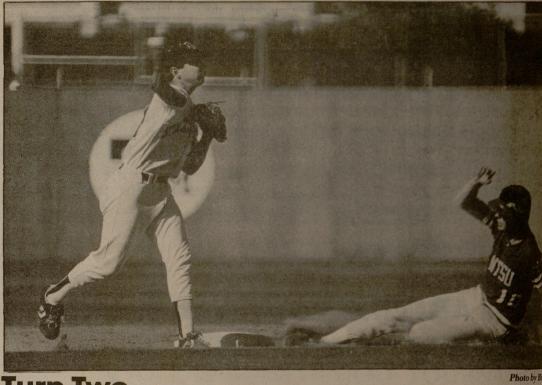
'All intentional fouls will carry a two-shot penalty plus possession of the ball," he said. Currently, an intentional foul carries a two-shot penalty, but the offending team gains possession of the ball.

The new rule would not have changed the outcome of Monday night's Indiana-Syracuse championship game, he said. Derrick Coleman of Syracuse was fouled by Indiana's Keith Smart with 28 seconds left in the game. Coleman missed the front end of a one-andone, and Smart wound up scoring the winning basket in a 74-73 Indiana victory.

Steitz agreed that few of the 64,959 people in the stands would believe the foul an accident, but that's not the way intentional fouls are determined. "He played the ball directly When the played the directly. When you go through a player or wrap your arms around him, that's when the intentional foul is called," he said.

Another change permits calling a technical foul on the coach if any of his players leave the bench to take part in a fight on the court.

The third change reduces the penalty for erroneously questioning a scoring or timing decision. Currently, a coach can be called for a technical foul, if he questions a decision that is deemed correct. The change calls for charging his team with a timeout.



**Turn Two** 

Texas A&M second baseman Terry Taylor gets North Texas State's Bruce Rodgers out at second

and goes for the double play in Wednesdays at Olsen Field. Taylor had two doubles for Aki

# Angels' DeCinces dislikes dealings of new contract

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — Doug DeCinces has learned to play in pain. Now the California Angels' third baseman is learning to deal with disillusionment.

"I don't feel good about the way I was handled," DeCinces said of his contract dealings with the club earlier this year. "I wanted to feel like I was impor-

tant to them, that they would think it was important to talk with me. They didn't call me until four

days before the deadline in January. They had all winter long, but they didn't even have the courtesy to call me.
"I'd like to have seen what they

would have done without me last . I can't pretend now that it's all peaches-and-cream."

The 36-year-old DeCinces signed

his new contract with the Angels on Jan. 8, the free-agent deadline.

"I signed with less than an hour to go," he said. "Why did it have to come to that? I did everything I could, played my heart out for this club last season.'

Some of his veteran teammates who felt the same way are no longer with the club — Reggie Jackson, Bobby Grich, Rick Burleson, Terry decision and I didn't want to have to take my kids out of school and move," he said.

Forster and Bob Boone are all ex-

DeCinces, who has been troubled by a back problem for the past few years, still had 26 homers, 96 runs batted in and was the key hitting cog late in the season as the Angels captured the American League West ti-

He reportedly will earn \$1.1 million this year if all incentives are met. The contract is assured only for 1987, with the second year of the agreement not guaranteed.

Although he wanted 1988 to also guaranteed, he said the club's dealings with him - not the terms of the contract — were the source of his

He said he talked with a number of other teams over the winter, but none expressed any substantial interest in signing him. That, he said, illustrates the new, arid climate for free agents in major league baseball.

Only two of the eight premier free agents have signed with other teams.

The Angels' offer was the best available in these "changing times,"

"I signed because it was a business

## Utah edge San Anton in Kansas

SAN ANTONIO (AP)rell Griffith scored 19 of points in the fourth quarter lead the Utah Jazz to a from-behind 107-104 NB tory over the San Antonio Wednesday night.

Behind Griffith, the erased a 10-point deficition nal seven minutes of the and improved their record 32. The Spurs dropped with 18 seconds to play With 18 seconds to play the second stopped to the second se

layup put Utah on top for 105-104. Stockton start play when he stole a Jo vold pass intended for Spu

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Malone led Utah Utah center Mark E

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