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Landry gives Pelluer vote of confidence

IRVING (AP) — Dallas Coach Tom Landry strongly endorsed quarterback Steve Pelluer on Tuesday despite the Cowboys' five-game losing streak, predicting "he'll blossom out and make the key plays to make a difference."

Landry said Pelluer is "tough mentally and will fight back. Of course, the supporting cast has to come along, too." Backup quarterback Kevin Sweeney will get a chance only if Pelluer is not operating "effectively," Landry said.

Landry said, "I can't predict when that would be. It would have to be from a feeling I have in the arena."

He said Sweeney, who has looked good in practice, can't handle as much offense as Pelluer.

"We would have to work from a restricted game plan for him although he (Sweeney) is well-trained," Landry said. "He has spent his life in football. I still won't do anything that I don't think is in the best interest of the team to win."

Landry said Pelluer should bounce back from his worst performance of the year. Pelluer suffered two interceptions in a 16-10 loss to Phoenix and completed only nine of 31 passes.

Dallas made only one of 13 third-down situations. Pelluer suffered a sore shoulder during the game but should be ready to start against the New York Giants on Sunday.

"Like most quarterbacks he has his good days and bad days, just like Joe Montana and some of the others," Landry said. "He can't use the sore shoulder as an excuse. I can remember Roger Staubach and Don Meredith all banged up hanging out there on a limb throwing the ball."

Landry said Pelluer was handicapped when starting center Tom Rafferty had to leave the game with an injury. Rafferty snaps in the shotgun formation so Pelluer had to go from the T-formation in obvious passing formations.

"The timing is different and using the spread formation gives the quarterback an extra second to read the defense," Landry said. "We'll have to work on that this week with the new center (Bob White)."

Although the Cowboys are in the Troy Aikman sweepstakes with a 2-7 ledger, Landry said he wants to win as many games as possible. Quarterback Aikman of UCLA is expected to be the top pick in next spring's NFL draft, a spot which goes to the team with the worst record.

From the Bleachers

Give OU and Boz credit

SPORTS EDITOR:

In response to Cray Pixley's No. 3 item on her list of gripes, peevs and sundry quibbles: You know, I get sick and tired of people making generalizations on the University of Oklahoma based on Brian Bosworth's actions during his stay there.

Cray, do you know anything at all about the university you were ragging on in your column? Have you ever even visited the campus? Or is your dislike for the university somehow tied to your dislike of Mr. Bosworth.

Since we are on the subject of sports, let's just say that the University of Oklahoma had a great football tradition before Mr. Bosworth's arrival and will have a great football tradition long after he's gone.

And speaking of football celebrities doing embarrassing things to a university's image, let me just say that the few mistakes Mr. Bosworth made during his stay at OU pale in comparison

to what Mr. Sherrill and company have done to tarnish A&M's image.

Allow me to sneak a cheap shot in by saying that the Aggies do not even belong in the same football field with any Oklahoma team — past, present or future, and with or without Brian Bosworth.

Finally, in defense of Brian Bosworth, let me just say that it is the idiot sportswriters who have been instrumental in creating The Boz, namely by focusing on his lapses in judgement and neglecting the many positive things he accomplished — not only for OU, but for the sport of football as a whole.

Finally, a little food for thought for Cray: Do you realize that by buying his book you made Mr. Bosworth a few dollars richer than he already was?

Sixto Ortiz
Graduate student

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Brown regrets leaving KU in wake of serious sanctions

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Former Kansas basketball coach Larry Brown, who gave a student-athlete \$364 for a plane ticket to see his dying grandmother, said Tuesday he was disappointed by the NCAA sanctions imposed on the university's basketball program and never would have left Kansas if he felt the penalties would be so strong.

Brown, who led the Jayhawks to the NCAA championship last spring, accepted in June a \$3.5 million, five-year contract to coach the NBA's San Antonio Spurs.

Kansas on Tuesday was put on a three-year probation for recruiting violations and will not be allowed to defend its title. It will be barred from postseason play in the first year of the probation.

It also will not be allowed to give paid campus recruiting visits in 1989 and will be stripped of one scholarship during that period.

Reports have linked former Memphis State guard Vincent Askew to the probe although the NCAA announcement did not identify anyone.

Askew was recruited by Brown and spent the summer of 1986 on campus. He then returned to Memphis without playing for the Jayhawks.

Brown defended his program and said he reported to the NCAA the payment of \$364 to Askew and felt sanctions would not be major after he discussed the basketball program with members of an NCAA committee.

"It says in the infraction (report) about a kid visiting his grandmother because she was ill," Brown said at a news conference. "I gave him exactly \$364, which was the price for the

round-trip ticket and we told the NCAA about it. The grandmother who raised him passed away a short time ago. I'd give it to anybody if they told me his grandmother was passing away. It was something I wasn't trying to hide."

"I am sorry that the present players and staff must see the consequences of these penalties, and had I known the extent of the penalties at the time, I would not have left the university of Kansas to bear these penalties alone."

Brown, who brought his three assistants with him to Antonio, said they repeatedly had been bashed by the NCAA administration that did not appreciate them delivering a winning program.

"I just know that we ran a clean program and I know the expense the NCAA went to try to investigate our program," he said.

Brown said although he did not feel the sanctions were major, he now realizes that the university would be penalized because of past problems.

The Kansas football program served a two-year probation from 1983-85 and newly NCAA rules state that when a school is convicted of two major violations within five years the second sport penalized is subject to being suspended.

Brown said he was relieved that the violations did not involve any player from his five-year Kansas coaching stint.

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Oilers looking for consistent play

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers' key word this week is "consistency," but they hope the word doesn't apply to their series with Cleveland, the opponent Monday night in the Astrodome.

Houston has won only two of its last 10 meetings with the Browns, who have a string of seven non-strike victories over the Oilers.

Oiler quarterback Warren Moon, however, says the Oilers do want to end their up and down pattern of losing big one week and winning big the next.

"What we have to do is put two games back to back," Moon said. "I think the key word this week is consistency."

If the form chart holds, the Oilers should be ready for a dive after Sunday's 41-17 victory over Washington.

"If we come out and play like we played (Sunday) with a lot of emotion and enthusiasm and error-free, we'll have a good game against Cleveland," Moon said.

The Oilers have been feast and famine en route to their 6-3 record.

They won back-to-back games to open the season, then lost to New York 45-3 and came back the next week with a 31-6 victory over New England.

The Oilers dipped again with a 33-23 loss in Philadelphia, followed up with victories over Kansas City and Pittsburgh and spiraled to a 44-21 loss at Cincinnati.

The Oilers careened back to the top Sunday night with their best game of the season against the Super Bowl champions.

Now it's another nationally televised game against the Browns, the only team to beat Houston in the Astrodome in the Oilers' last 14 non-strike home games.

"This was by far the best team win I've ever been involved with, probably in football," Oiler defensive end Ray Childress said of the Oilers' victory over Washington.

"Now it's just if we can do it every Sunday, I don't know. Cleveland is a bigger challenge than the Redskins."

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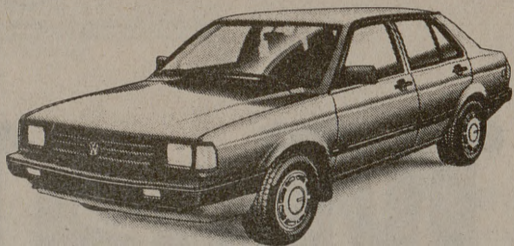
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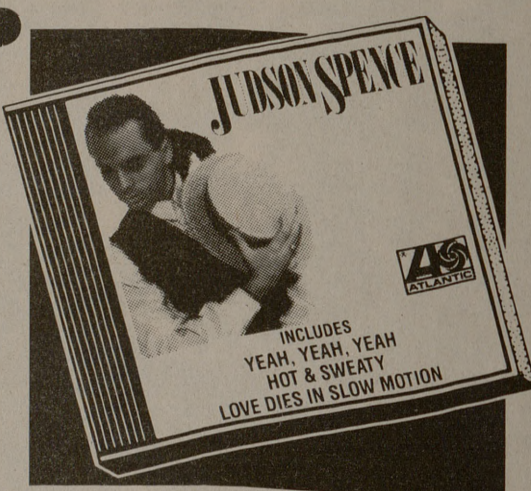
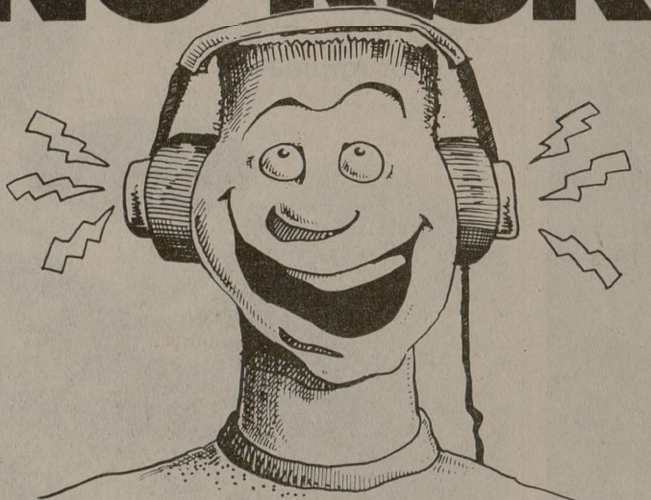
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