

# Aggies

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the Aggies. He was ESPN's Player of the Game in LSU's 17-3 victory in 1987.

Last week Williams hinted the game would be an easy victory for LSU, and predicted the final score would be an LSU cakewalk: 35-6.

Williams blamed rustiness for his less-than-stellar performance — only 32 yards on 13 rushes — and said he still considers LSU a better team than A&M.

"By far they're the fastest team we'll play this year," Williams said. "They didn't look that fast on film. It's frustrating after working all summer and opening the season in the loss column."

"Frustrating" was a recurring word Saturday night for the Tigers. The Aggie defense, depleted by injuries in the front line and returning only one proven starter in the line-backing corps, shut down LSU's running game and maintained constant pressure on Hodson.

"It's hard to throw when people are sacking you," a disgruntled LSU Coach Mike Archer said. "It's hard to throw when they're knocking you down. They were confident offensively, defensively and made the big plays and sacks. If you look at the last three years, that's us."

Slocum said the Aggies had a basic plan as they went into the game: prevent the run. Offensively, they had to eliminate turnovers, run the ball, make first downs and keep Hodson off the field.

A&M did all that and more. Horton's kickoff return and placekicker Layne Talbot's extra point gave the Aggies a quick 7-0 lead with less than 15 seconds off the clock. LSU could not recover.

LSU's first offensive series was a shaky one, and indicative of the way the game would go on. LSU's first play from scrimmage was a Williams fumble, which he recovered for a two-yard loss. An Aggie blitz forced a Hodson overthrow on second down. Hodson missed a wide-open

Willie Williams on third down to force the LSU punt.

A&M's offense was equally stagnant. They took a 7-3 lead into halftime with only 126 total yards, with most of it coming from three Pavlas passes: 23- and 32-yard passes from Pavlas to tight end Mike Jones and a 23-yard pass to Cornelius Patterson as time expired in the first half.

The turning point of the game might have come in the second quarter. With A&M leading 7-0, LSU began a drive that started at their own 17-yard line. They marched up the field to have a second-down-and-goal situation at the Aggie one-yard line.

There, the A&M defense stiffened. Cornerback Kevin Smith stopped Jay Egloff at the line of scrimmage for no gain. An apparent touchdown pass from Hodson to Ronnie Haliburton was called back because of a holding penalty. On third-and-goal from the 11-yard line, Hodson completed a short pass to Tony Moss that only netted three yards.

Although LSU got a field goal, the A&M defense proved a point. They might be young and inexperienced, but they're just as fast and strong as A&M defenses from past years.

"We had a bunch of young guys that nobody knew, and we didn't know how we'd perform, but they (the new members of the A&M defense) made everybody real proud tonight," Wallace, the defensive captain, said. "They really turned it up tonight."

"We have a lot of growing up to do, but we really performed tonight and I think we're going to deserve some recognition."

The game remained close until the fourth quarter. With the Aggies ahead 14-10, Wilson broke two tackles and scored on a 20-yard run that sealed the game.

But the Aggies weren't through yet. Fifteen seconds later, Smith intercepted an underthrown Hodson pass and returned it 40 yards to put



Photo by Jay Janner

LSU's Clint James wraps up Lance Pavlas for a loss during Saturday's game.

the game definitely out of reach.

Washington did score a last-minute touchdown pass against A&M's prevent defense from Hodson to Haliburton that made the final score a little more respectable, but by then the outcome already was decided.

"The only good thing we did to-

night was get our punts into the corner," Archer said. "It's obvious we're not as good as everybody thinks we are. This is not a good start for us."

But it was, for the first time in five years and also the first time in the new R.C. Slocum era, a good start for the Aggies.

## Giamatti's family sets private ceremony

NEW YORK (AP) — A Bartlett Giamatti's body was taken to a Hamden, Conn., funeral home late Saturday and baseball announced Sunday that the funeral and burial will be closed to the public.

"At the request of the family, funeral services for Dr. Giamatti will be private and limited to the family," acting commissioner Fay Vincent said in a statement. "The family hopes that his many friends and admirers will respect its wishes for privacy during this difficult time. A memorial service for Dr. Giamatti will be held at some point in the future, but plans are not yet complete."

The memorial probably will be held at Yale University in New Ha-

ven, Conn., according to school and baseball officials. They said the date of the memorial was still being discussed. Giamatti, who died at the age of 51 from a heart attack last Friday, was president of Yale from 1978 to 1986.

It was quiet Sunday at Beecher & Bennett Inc. The funeral home, a one-story, red brick building, is set back by a grass lawn off a four-lane road that runs through Hamden, the town where Giamatti lived. At mid-afternoon there were no visitors. The parking lot was empty except for a lone, black hearse.

Frank Taylor, who identified himself as an administrator, was inside answering telephones. He refused to

give any details of the plans for Giamatti's funeral or burial.

Giamatti continued to be remembered at the nation's ballparks on Sunday. Moments of silence are being observed before all games through Monday and flags will be lowered to half staff until further notice.

Vincent, the deputy commissioner, on Saturday was named acting commissioner by baseball's executive council, which consists of the two league presidents and seven owners.

The executive council, which met by conference call Saturday, has a regularly scheduled meeting on Friday in New York. A baseball official,

who spoke on the condition that he not be identified, said he expected the executive council would recommend that Vincent be made commissioner pro tem.

Under the Major League Agreement, a commissioner pro tem may serve up to three years. There is no formal office of acting commissioner under the Major League Agreement.

A quarterly meeting of major league owners is scheduled for Milwaukee on Sept. 13-14 and they could ratify the selection at that time, the official said. The owners also could meet earlier by conference call to ratify the choice.

## Fans ready for JJ Boys new-look Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Many of the 63,582 fans who watched the unveiling of the 1989 edition of the Dallas Cowboys on Saturday say aggression and enthusiasm will mark this year's squad.

"Jimmy Johnson's a motivator," said Bret Avlakeotes of Mesquite. "I expect to see a pumped up, more aggressive team this year."

"I just want to see them play some

solid games and put some points on the board."

They did Saturday night. A 55-yard field goal by Roger Ruzek as time expired gave Dallas a 30-28 win over the Houston Oilers in a preseason finale at Texas Stadium. It also atoned for Ruzek's three missed field goals.

The state's two professional teams have met 23 times in preseason for

bragging rights of Texas. Dallas has won 16.

"We always like to be able to say we beat the team down south," said Wellon Walls of Dallas.

The Cowboys gave away about 2,000 unsold tickets to local youth groups earlier in the week to lift a television blackout.

But team officials kept the fans in the dark about who would start at

quarterback until just before the game.

Oilers fans Gilbert and Bea Morales came from Houston to see who would get the starting spot and "to see if the Cowboys were for real."

"It's got to be (Troy) Aikman," Mrs. Morales predicted before the contest. "They'd be crazy to start anyone else."

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