

Emmitt watch continues as Cowboy opener draws near

The Associated Press

IRVING — The Emmitt Smith countdown reached day SDBW (Seven Days Before Washington) Monday but quarterback Troy Aikman still thinks he'll be handing the ball to No. 22 against the Washington Redskins on the Monday Night Football opener.

"I'm still confident Emmitt will be here," Aikman said on Monday. "I believe if you have two parties who want something real bad then the differences can be worked out. I feel Emmitt wants to get something done and I think the organization wants to. I don't see any reason why it can't be done."

Aikman said he has been impressed with the focus of the team considering they may start the season without the NFL's two-time leading rusher.

"There's been no panic," Aikman said. "There's no split on this team. The players are sticking together. Any reports they are divided is not true."

However, Aikman hinted there could be trouble if the negotiations between Smith and owner Jerry Jones keep dragging along.

Smith is asking \$4 million per year and Jones has offered \$2.5 million in various proposals.

"The longer it goes, some of the players are going to get frustrated," Aikman said.

Smith was keeping a low profile. Calls to his private telephone number in Pensacola, Fla., are greeted with an operator's voice saying "there's trouble on the line."

Richard Howell of Atlanta, Smith's agent, won't comment on the contract negotiations which have been ongoing since the middle of last week.

Jones keeps trying every gam-

bit he can think of to get Smith back to Valley Ranch.

He said Smith should consider that he will be paying no Texas income tax on his money.

Smith has said he wants a Thurman Thomas-type contract. The Bills running back signed a four-year deal for \$13.6 million. Jones was willing to pay about \$11.1 million for four years.

"Thomas has to pay 11 per-

cent income tax in New York and Emmitt should consider that," said Jones.

Smith sat out of camp his rookie season in a contract hassle with Jones and didn't report until the week of the first game.

"We've been in contact with Emmitt's agent and we hope to get something done," Jones said. "I'd say the chances of him signing before Washington are 50-50."

Cuts: Pokes axe Millen, Bates; Oilers release Seale, Mills

The Associated Press

IRVING — Hugh Millen, who signed a one-year \$1 million contract with the Dallas Cowboys as quarterback insurance, was cut Monday along with special teams star Bill Bates, fullback Tommie Agee and deep snapper Dale Hellestrae.

A total of 14 players were cut, but many will be back on Tuesday when the Cowboys announce their 53-man roster.

"We'll bring back at least a half dozen," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson. "I'm confident some of our veterans will be back with us."

The Cowboys cut to 45 to look over the NFL cut list and perhaps find help for at tight end.

Others who were cut on Monday included: free agent linebacker Bobby Abrams, a four-year veteran out of Michigan; running back Michael Beasley, a one-year vet from West Virginia; rookie tight end Jason Bureson from Texas; rookie fullback Lincoln Coleman of Baylor; linebacker Reggie Givens, a rookie from Penn State; offensive tackle Todd Jones, a second-year player out of Henderson State; offensive tackle Everett McIver, a rookie from Elizabeth State; linebacker Mickey Pruitt, a

six-year veteran from Colorado; and safety Markus Paul, whom the Cowboys acquired last week in a trade from Chicago.

HOUSTON — The Houston Oilers on Monday waived veteran linebacker Eugene Seale and fifth-round pick John Henry Mills, the only tight end on the roster.

The roster moves left the Oilers with 47 players but they may not be finished yet. They are negotiating with offensive lineman Stan Thomas, who worked out for the team last week.

The Oilers also waived linebacker Robert Lyles and kick return specialist Willie Drewrey, seventh-round pick Patrick Robinson, another kick return specialist, wide receiver Leonard Harris, safety Melvin Aldridge, defensive lineman James Atkins, tackle Chuck Bradley, running back Le'Shai Maston, offensive lineman Jeff Neal, linebacker Jessie Small, defensive tackle Eddie Smith and cornerback James Williams.

Four draft choices made the final roster including the first three picks, tackle Brad Hopkins, linebacker Micheal Barrow, wide receiver Travis Hannah and defensive back Blaine Bishop.

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have been positive. Even with all the talk concerning gender discrimination in sports reporting (although I do believe the problem is there and real), I can honestly say that I have been treated with the utmost professionalism when dealing with athletes and coaches.

For example, when I was interviewing some members of the football team during an exclusive day for the media, the players and coaches were never condescending or impolite.

Nevertheless, I could not help but feel slightly out of place as I walked through the Hall cafeteria to look for my interviews. I realized I was receiving some awkward

stares — maybe because I was the only female reporter, or perhaps they just thought I was a lost cook.

So, what is the biggest challenge I have working on the sports section besides trying to adapt to a new style of journalism?

Probably, trying to understand the mentality of my fellow workers on the sports staff.

Since there have not been any women who have worked on the sports section in the past few years, "the guys" (affectionately called sports geeks) have totally dominated their designated sports corner of the Battalion office.

Not surprisingly, it is often obvious.

Not as obvious to the reader, with the exception of the low coverage of women's sports in the past, but more apparent behind the scenes.

From the "huh-huh-huh, huh-huh-huh" of the Beavis and Butthead jokes (which I am

now starting to imitate) to the belches that echo throughout the newsroom (which I am not imitating), their presence is well-established and it's a hard act to follow.

When it comes to sports, one of the biggest differences between them and me is our backgrounds. Most of my co-workers were brought up on statistics such as, "61 homers in '61 by Roger Maris" or "a 56-game hitting streak in 1941 by Joe DiMaggio," as one of our sports zealots informed me.

As I was growing up, I learned about sports — how to play, how to watch — but somewhere down the line I missed out on that barrel of statistics.

No, I may not know the number of teeth Gordie Howe is missing, but for some reason I don't think that will stop me from writing a story about ice hockey.

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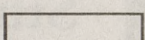
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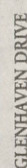
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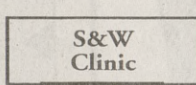
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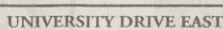
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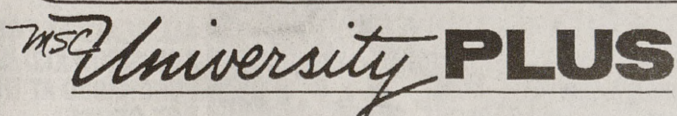
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