

DOBSON

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to deal with life's pressure points and opportunities.

QUESTION: If age is such a poor factor to use in determining the start of the first grade, why is it applied so universally in our country?

DR. DOBSON: Because it is so convenient. Parents can plan for the definite beginning of school when their child turns 6. School officials survey their districts and know how many first-graders they will have the following year. If an 8-year-old moves into the district in October, the administrator knows the child belongs in second grade, and so on.

The use of chronological age as a criterion for school entrance is great for everybody — except the late bloomer who is developmentally unprepared for formal education.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444; Colorado Springs, Colo.; 80903.

RAWLS

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tors in the military traveling together.

I recently found out that my great-great grandfather, Pleasant C. Cox, had come to Texas with his uncle Thomas Cox as a young boy gathering horses for the Army back east. This Thomas Cox had gathered horses for General George Washington for the Revolutionary War. Several of the family members all worked together in that effort.

I found that the Cox and Johnson families left Kentucky and moved to Wright County, Mo., and then from there to Texas, finally settling in Lampasas, County. I have several tales about one relative that became an outlaw, and killed many men before escaping justice. His family tried to help him and he left them holding the bag. There is someone like this in all families.

In the coming weeks I will talk about politicians, petitions, outlaws, in-laws, orphans courts, land divisions, school records, letters to the governor, divorce cases, and other subjects that we can think of.

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Opera house slap triggers real melodrama

CHICAGO (AP) — The Lyric Opera of Chicago might want to consider a bleacher section.

The crackling noise of a candy wrapper so irritated the book-tuned ears of one opera lover that he turned to ask for quiet — and got slapped on the back of the head.

Now, John Gaggini, a tax attorney from suburban Oak Lawn, is facing a misdemeanor battery charge and possibly a year in jail. The 49-year-old says the contretemps is a complete misunderstanding.

"I'm flabbergasted," he told the Chicago Sun Times. "I didn't strike the man. I bumped him. I'm a professional man. I'm not into fistbuffs."

The alleged battery took place March 12 during a performance of Giuseppe Verdi's "La Traviata." According to a police report, Alexander Weaver, 44, also an attorney, said he was disturbed in the middle of an aria by the annoying sound.

"He shushed the people behind him and was struck on the back of the head," the report says.

Gaggini said he had merely dozed off in his seat when he was startled awake by a "hushing sound" and his hand involuntarily jerked forward and landed on the man in front of him.

The case is set for trial Oct. 19.

"The only thing I can tell you is that this is very unusual," said Susan Mathieson, director of marketing for the Lyric Opera.

ODDS-N-ENDS

SAUK CITY, Wis. (AP) — What many view as a mushy, smelly nuisance is treasure to some people around this time of year.

They hitch up a wagon and head out to a cow pasture, ready to gather in the yearly crop of the local specialty — cow manure.

The "cow chips" will be stacked and sun-dried in time for the annual Labor Day weekend event, the Wisconsin State Cow Chip Throw. It's held Sept. 3-4 at Marion Park in nearby Prairie du Sac.

Harvesting chips is a serious business — kind of.

"Too mooshy," said one searcher, using a sophisticated probing tool, also known as a stick, to break through the

deceptively dry crust to a liquid layer beneath.

Size matters, too. Regulation chips must be at least 6 inches in diameter. Thickness is also important.

"Too thick and they don't dry right," explained Wendy Breunig, glancing up from her chip probing.

Experts agree that 1999 appears to be a very good year for chips.

"There have been years when they've been too juicy," said Pam Wipperfurth. This year, the concern was the hot weather in July.

"It's looking plentiful, but we were worried," said Breunig. "Cows are temperamental, and when it's too hot, they won't eat, and then they don't pro-

duce enough byproducts."

DAYTON, Pa. (AP) — They say love has its ups and downs.

James Bacon and Tammy Holly, just married on a merry-go-round, would have to agree.

The couple met while Bacon, a carry, was setting up a merry-go-round in Oswego, N.Y., four months ago and got married Thursday during the Dayton Fair about 50 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

"This carousel is what brought us together," Bacon said. "Some people said we should do it on the Ferris wheel or another ride, but that's not the same."

Everyone at the fair was

invited to the ceremony. About 100 people looked on between the Duck Pond Shooting Gallery and Amy's Elephant Ears, a snack bar.

Bacon, a native of Fort Worth, Texas, works for Great American Midway, which sets up carnival rides around the country. The couple is planning a church wedding later.

SEATTLE (AP) — A suspected bank robber's "beer belly" drew the attention of a King County sheriff's detective, leading to an arrest even before the description was broadcast on police radios.

The bulging beer belly was really a bag of cash, authorities said.

Detective Lee Adams made

the arrest shortly after the robbery of the Burien branch of KeyBank just before noon Friday.

Adams, in plainclothes and driving an unmarked car, heard the robbery report on the police radio frequency and went to look for the robber. He said he became suspicious when he saw a man with a noticeable bulge under his shirt walking quickly through a parking lot.

When the man pulled a paper bag from beneath his shirt, Adams drove up alongside him and made the arrest.

The 43-year-old suspect was booked Friday into the Regional Justice Center in Kent for investigation of robbery.

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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League ANAHEIM ANGELS—Placed LHP Mike Holtz on the 15-day disabled list...

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns for American League East, Central, West, National League East, Central, West, and MLB Totals.

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Sampras could find trouble in first match of U.S. Open

NEW YORK (AP) — Almost every move Pete Sampras makes these days goes into the record book.



Pete Sampras, shown here during the U.S. Men's Hardcourt Championships in 1995, has been seeded No. 1 in the U.S. Open men's singles draw...

He is seeking his fifth title at the National Tennis Center, which would tie him with Jimmy Connors, two behind a trio of players, including Bill Tilden.

Also in Sampras' bracket is two-time finalist Jim Courier, Frenchman Fabrice Santoro and 16th-seeded Nicolas Pietrangeli of Ecuador...

Agassi, winner of the French Open in June and runnerup to Sampras at Wimbledon. He begins the chase for his second U.S. Open crown against Sweden's Nicklas Pietrangeli.

Sampras skipped the early part of the year after a late push saw him end 1998 as No. 1 for a record sixth straight year.

AL LEADERS

BATTING—Garciaparra, B., .313. Der Williams, N.Y., .340. Jeter, N.Y., .345. Palmeiro, Texas, .339.

WNBA PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND Eastern Conference Tuesday, Aug. 24. Western Conference Wednesday, Aug. 25.

TEXAS LEAGUE

Wednesday's Games Arkansas 6, Jackson 5. El Paso 4, San Antonio 1. Today's Games Jackson at Arkansas. San Antonio at El Paso.

NFL PRESEASON

Today's Games Kansas City at Jacksonville, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Minnesota, 7 p.m.

LA LEAGUE

Wednesday's Games Amarillo 10, Rio Grande Valley 5. Abilene 4, Lufkin 11.

RODEO LEADERS

Through Aug. 22 All-Around Cowboy 1. Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, \$132,503.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—Walker, Colorado, .357. Abreu, Philadelphia, .350. Gonzalez, Arizona, .342.

SOCCER

Today's Games New England at New York New Jersey, 6 p.m.

Americans aiming for gold medals in World Boxing Championships

HOUSTON (AP) — A sparring partner known only as "Spoon" has done his part in getting American Michael Bennett ready for six-time world amateur champion heavyweight Felix Savon of Cuba.

Bennett trained and earned a spot on the U.S. team competing in the 10th World Championships. The United States didn't get a fighter past the second round in 1997 and managed only four victories in the tournament.

Leading 3-1, Bennett plans to rely on his coaching instructions against Savon. "I won't allow it to become a brawl," Bennett said.

Light-heavyweight Michael Simms Jr. became the final American to reach the finals, outpointing Ali Ismailov of Azerbaijan 7-5.

The 1997 tournament wasn't really a disappointment. It was a learning experience. In 1996, a lot of our guys off the Olympics team turned pro so 1997 was a new beginning for us.

Probably the biggest disappointment for Dallas was not getting word from the NFL on how many games Lett will miss during his third suspension.

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Aug. 25. (Report also available on Web as www.tfwfishing.com.)

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 87 to 95 degrees; Black bass good on Chug Bugs and Fat Free Shad fished early and late along the banks. Mid morning change to spinnerbaits or Carolina-rigged junebug 7 inch Power Worms fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows fished around the dock lights at night. White bass are good on topwaters fished early and small spoons during the day. Hybrid striper are slow.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 85 degrees; Black bass are fair on clear Spiffire topwaters, 1/4oz. silver Terminator buzzbaits and Salt Pepper Magic Shads fished very early over the flats near creek channels around islands in the upper lake. Middy switch to Carolina-rigged chartreuse pepper ring Fry's fished on steep main lake points. Crappie are fair on minnows fished around lighted docks at night. White bass are fair on Horizon Perch Minnows or live minnows fished vertically in the mouths of major creeks in 12 to 20 feet. Striped bass are slow to far on live bait fished early and late over sunken islands, or trolling bucktail jigs near the dam in 35 to 60 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and cheesebait. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 85 degrees; 37' low; Black bass are good on topwaters fished early and watermelon seed or pumpkinseed Texas-rigged worms fished in areas around the hydra. Crappie are slow to far on minnows. White bass are fair on slabs and minnows (some schooling occurring). Striped bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on prepared baits fished in 35 to 50 feet.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water slightly stained; 83 degrees; Black bass are fair on large dark colored worms and Carolina-rigged crankbaits fished on flats near river channels in 20 to 30 feet. No reports of Alabama Spotters, small mouth bass or crappie. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows and shrimp. Yellow catfish are good on perch and large minnows.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 87 degrees; 6' low; Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and Texas-rigged worms fished in areas around the hydra. Crappie are good on small minnows fished in 12 to 14 feet over the docks. White bass are fair on minnows and white jigs with light schooling action present. Channel and blue catfish are excellent on punch bait, shrimp and night crawlers fished in 8 to 10 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with perch and goldfish in 15 to 20 feet on the south end of the lake.

BRADY: Water slightly stained; 83 degrees; 14' low; Black bass to 7 pounds are fair on worms and crankbaits fished early. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in brush in 6 to 10 feet. White bass are good on spoons and jigs fished in 2 to 4 feet. Blue and channel catfish are fair on stink bait fished in 4 to 10 feet early and late. No reports on yellow catfish.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained; 82 degrees; 12' low; No fishing report available.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 81 degrees; 15' low; Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and plastic worms fished in 2 to 5 feet. Crappie are fair on small minnows and jigs fished in 20 to 22 feet near the dam. Sand bass are fair on small minnows fished shallow near Johnson Park. Hybrid striper are poor on liver and minnows fished in 8 to 14 feet. Blue catfish are good on carp, goldfish and perch fished in 5 feet. Yellow catfish are good on carp, goldfish and perch fished in 3 to 5 feet.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear; 85 degrees; 6:25' low; Black bass are good on 10 inch red shad Power worms Carolina-rigged in 5 to 8 feet around grass beds. Crappie are fair on small minnows fished in 13 to 15 feet and around boat houses. White bass are fair on small spinners and slabs where they are schooling. No reports on hybrid striper. Channel catfish are good on dip bait, night-crawlers, perch and shad fished in 15 to 20 feet near boat houses. No reports of blue or yellow catfish.

KEMP: Water slightly stained; 79 degrees; 1:5' low; Black bass are poor fished in 2 to 5 feet. Sand bass are poor on minnows. Crappie are poor on minnows fished in 4 to 5 feet. Striped bass are good on jigs and sassy shad fished in 30 to 32 feet. Blue and channel catfish are fair on perch and cut bait. No reports on yellow catfish.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 87 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are fair on red crankbaits, junebug worms and black and chartreuse worms fished in the gator weed and around docks. Crappie are poor in minnows and small crankbaits fished at night under lights. White bass are poor on minnows and jigs fished under lights at night. No reports on redfish. Hybrid striper are fair on shad patterned crankbaits fished under lights at night. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cut bait. Yellow catfish are poor on trotlines baited with goldfish, shad and perch.

NOCONA: Water stained; 87 degrees; 3' low; No fishing report available.

OAK CREEK: Water clear; 86 degrees; 11:5' low; Black bass to 5 pounds are fair on spinnerbaits, crankbaits, top waters and minnows fished in 10 to 19 feet. White bass are good on minnows and jigs fished in 4 to 18 feet at night. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 15 feet. Blue and channel catfish are fair on stink bait, minnows, shrimp and liver fished in 4 to 10 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on shad, goldfish, minnows, perch and cut bait fished in 6 to 12 feet.

OH. RIVE: Water clear on main lake, stained up the rivers and creeks; 88 degrees; 8:5' low; Black bass are fair on top waters fished in less than 5 feet early and late on grass beds and up the rivers on small plastic baits fished early in brush. Crappie are poor at night fished under lights in 30 to 40 feet. White bass are good on minnows at night fished under lights on the main lake. Catfish to be poor on trotlines fished in 35 to 45 feet next to river channels.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 85 degrees; 4' low; Black bass are poor on flukes and spoons early and on ring worms fished in 5 to 20 feet later in the day. White bass are poor on minnows fished in 10 to 20 feet and on small top waters fished early with schooling striper. Striped bass are poor on live shad fished in 30 to 40 feet. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 20 feet. Blue catfish to 20 pounds are poor on cut shad and perch fished in 20 to 40 feet. Yellow catfish are poor on perch fished in 20 to 30 feet.

SPENCE: Water slightly stained; 84 degrees; Black bass are poor on plastic baits fished near structure. White bass are excellent on small crankbaits and spinnerbaits fished early near shallow sand bars in the main lake (schooling). Crappie are poor on minnows fished on rocky bottoms in 12 to 15 feet. Striped bass are good on cut bait and live shad fished in 10 to 15 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and nightcrawlers fished near the bank. No reports on yellow catfish.

STAMFORD: Water clear; 81 degrees; 9' low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and plastics fished deep (try fishing with shad in the boils near the power plant). Crappie are good on minnows fished in 4 feet near rocks. White bass are fair on jigs and roadrunners fished in the boils near the power plant. Yellow catfish to 28 pounds are good on trotlines baited with perch. Channel catfish are good on trotlines and rod and reels baited with shad, punch bait, worms and perch. Blue catfish are good on shad while drifting or off docks.

SWEETWATER: Water slightly stained; 86 degrees; 14' low; Black bass are poor on red shad worms fished in 8 to 10 feet. No report on crappie or white bass. Blue and channel catfish to 15 pounds are excellent on shrimp and minnows fished in 5 to 6 feet. No reports of yellow catfish.

TWIN BUTTES: Water stained; 85 degrees; 3:5' low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits fished along the dam and on spinnerbaits fished shallow along the bank. White bass are poor on minnows and very small crankbaits with some schooling action. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Channel, blue and yellow catfish are fair on cut shad and worms.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; 83 degrees; Black bass are poor on spinnerbaits and minnows fished shallow. Crappie are fair to fair on small minnows fished early and late. White bass are fair on minnows. No reports on walleye. Channel catfish are good on shrimp fished in the mouths of the rivers and creeks.

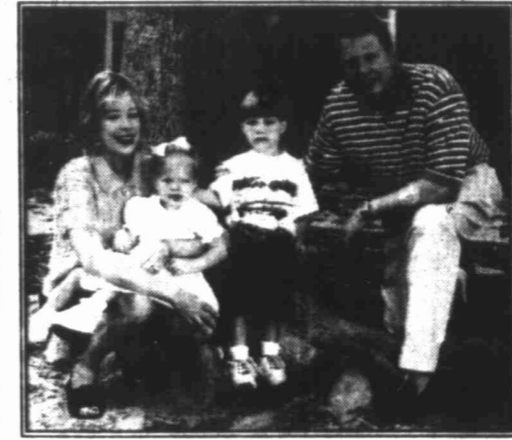
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A Newspaper for Kids
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Dear Boys and Girls,
On Aug. 31, The Mini Page will celebrate its 30th birthday. It was on that day in 1969 that a newspaper, The News and Observer in Raleigh, N.C., published our very first issue. Today, my staff and I create The Mini Page from our office in Washington, D.C. What we write is printed in newspapers across the country. The newspaper that you are reading is one of nearly 500 newspapers that carry The Mini Page. We started The Mini Page because we felt that there should be something in newspapers for young readers, their families and teachers. We are proud of being the leading feature for kids in the country. We thank our readers of all ages for their support. Reading and learning is what The Mini Page is all about! Sincerely, Betty Debnam, editor (for 30 years!)



Thirty years ago, Hart Huffines (circled) of Raleigh, N.C., was in our very first Mini Page. He is shown with a friend, talking with his principal. The first issue had school lunches, starting times, back-to-school safety rules and a "Meet The Mini Page" section.

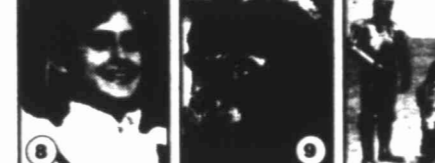
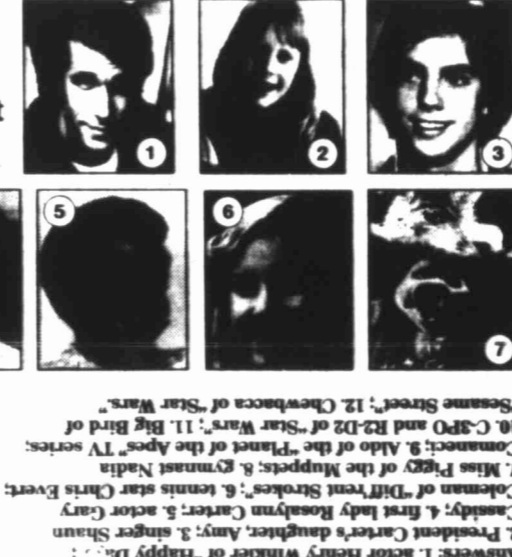


Today, Hart is a 36-year-old insurance sales executive. He is pictured here with his wife and two children.

Sept. 8 is International Literacy Day.

Ask Mom and Dad about these faces of the '70s

Here are some of the people who made the news back in the 1970s. Do you know who they are? Ask your parents or teachers if they do.



MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes
WHICH VEGETABLE ALWAYS WINS A RACE?
THE LETTUCE, BECAUSE IT'S ALWAYS AHEAD!
THAT'S MIGHTY FUNNY!
Q: What goes over your head and under your feet but doesn't cover your body?
A: A jump rope!
Q: What has a head and a tail but no body?
A: A penny!
(all jokes sent in by Steven Kelly)

THE MINI PAGE BIRTHDAY TRY 'N FIND
Words that remind us of The Mini Page birthday are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: MINI, PAGE, KIDS, READING, BIRTHDAY, ISSUE, STAFF, CREATE, OFFICE, FAMILIES, READERS, TEACHERS, FEATURE, LEARNING, STORY, GUIDE, BOYS, GIRLS.
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Mini Spy ...
Mini Spy and her friends are celebrating The Mini Page's 30th birthday. See if you can find:
• ice cream cone
• safety pin
• question mark
• two pig's faces
• word MINI
• number 2
• umbrella
• two letter A's
• key
• number 3
• bell

The Mini Page Marches On
Here is a sample of headlines, the years, and something about the stories we've written over the past 30 years.

1970s
Kids Are Glued to Model Building (1974)
Model building was a popular hobby in the 1970s. Kids were making lots of things from plastic kits.
***Mission: Friendship Spaceship** (1975)
In July of 1975 for the first time ever, spaceships launched from two different countries met in space. Russia and the United States were not on friendly terms, so this was big news.
Happy Birthday, U.S.A. (1976)
In 1976, our country celebrated its 200th birthday in a very big way.
1980s
The Big Blast of 1980
On Sunday morning, May 19, 1980, Mount St. Helens volcano in Washington state erupted in a big blast. A large cloud of super hot ash rose 12 miles into the air.
***Doing Miss Liberty Over** (1984)
The Statue of Liberty needed many repairs to get ready for her 100th birthday. Kids across the country were asked to help pay for them, and they did!
Babyland General Hospital (1986)
The Mini Page visited Cleveland, Ga., the home of BabyLand General Hospital, and the birthplace of the famous Cabbage Patch Kids.
Dinosaur Fact and Fiction (1989)
Fact: Thanks to the "Flintstone" cartoons, many kids think that humans and dinosaurs lived at the same time. But in real life, this could not have been. Humans and dinosaurs missed each other by 63 million years.
Next week: You can be great! Read about how to select role models and how to be one yourself.
1990s
Children's Rights (1991)
Before laws were passed protecting them, children often worked long hours. "Children's Rights" was one of a 21-issue series about the Bill of Rights.
A World of Change (1992)
Christopher Columbus knew the world was round. So did most educated people. This issue was a part of a series celebrating the 500th anniversary of Columbus' voyage.
***Cats Are In!** (1993)
Socks, the president's cat, was the subject of a front-page story about how popular cats are today. They outnumber dogs as our favorite pet.
Happy Birthday, Computers (1999)
On Feb. 14, 1946, scientists working at the University of Pennsylvania gave the world a special valentine. They turned on a computer and changed the world forever.

Help us celebrate
As part of The Mini Page's 30th birthday celebration, we are thinking about a new look. But we don't want to do anything without hearing from you first.
Tell us how you think we could improve The Mini Page. Fill in the face by each feature to show if you think it is:
Great OK Not so great
Mini Spy Try 'N Find Dot-to-Dot Rookie Cookie Recipes
Entertainer Main Feature Supersport Jokes
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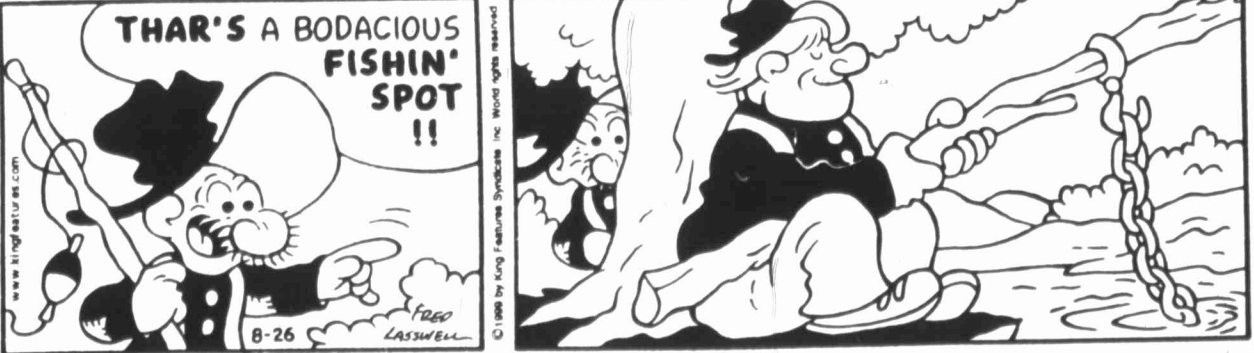
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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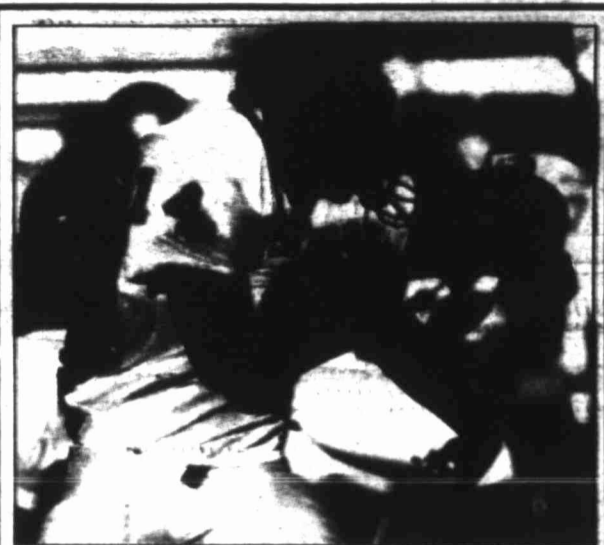
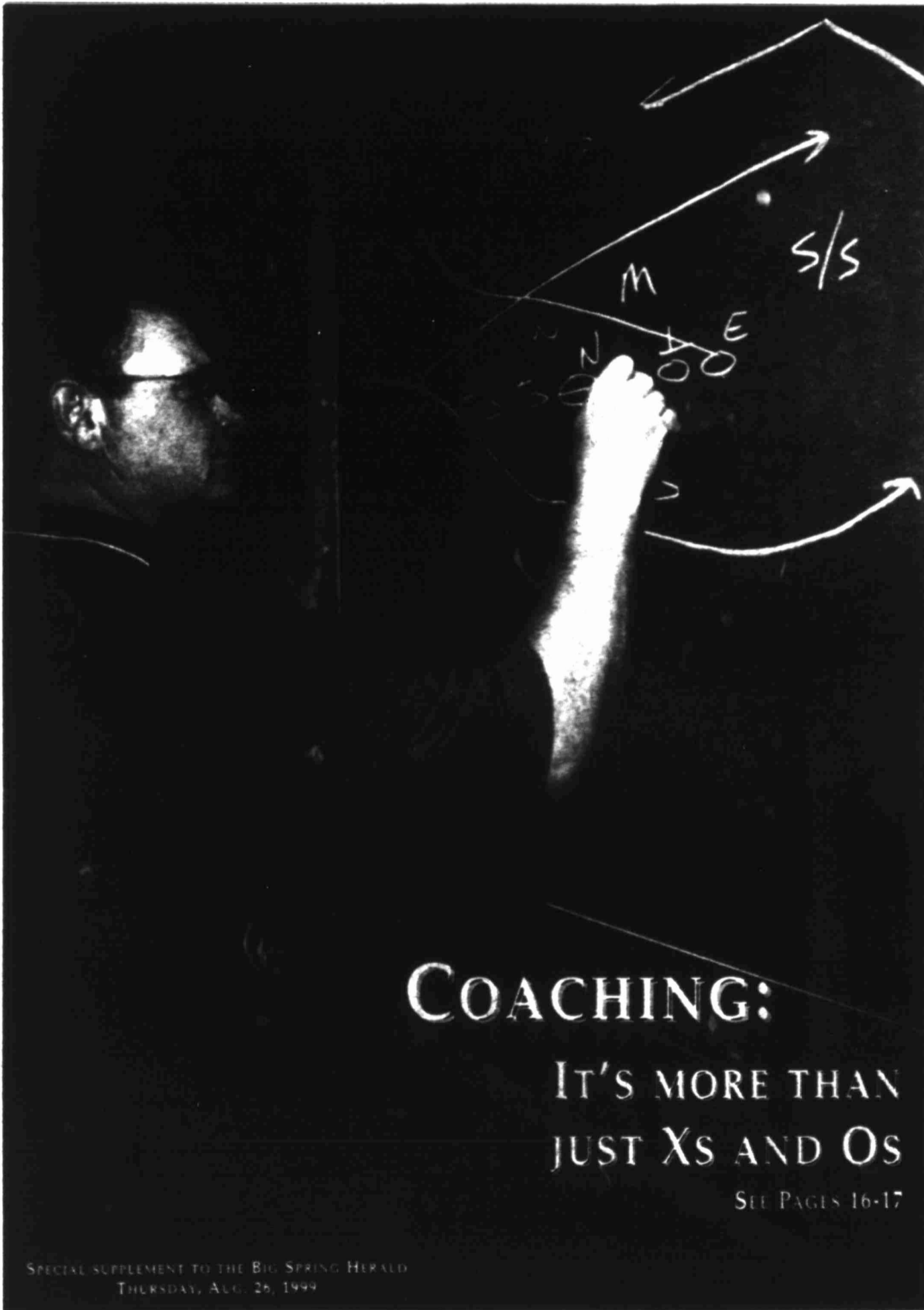
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Preseason picks say Big Spring will take control behind running back Colby Ford.
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Coahoma quarterback Mario Garcia and center Steven Henry are playing for new head coach Robert Wood
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Forsan quarterback Dustin Morgan and center Billy Kinsey are preparing under the leadership of new head coach Roger Hudgins.
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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT TO THE BIG SPRING HERALD
THURSDAY, AUG. 26, 1999

It's football season again

Another football season is almost upon us here in the Crossroads Area, as Big Spring's Steers open their 1999 campaign tomorrow night by taking on No. 7-ranked Plainview at Lowery Stadium in Lubbock.

The rest of the area's eight school-boy football teams will be taking part in scrimmages this weekend, waiting until Sept. 3 to tee it up for real.

As is always the case, changes have been made at every school ... some more than others.

For example, Coahoma's Bulldogs will open their season under the direction of new head coach Robert Wood.

That's meant the Bulldogs have had their work cut out for them since the start of two-day practices earlier this month, doing their best to learn the schemes Wood brought with him from Snyder.

A new head coach is also working in Forsan, but Roger Hudgins no stranger to his players, nor is his playbook. An assistant coach at Forsan for 20 years, Hudgins assumed the head coach's post when Steve Park decided he wanted to step down.

The Buffaloes, however, will spend this season remembering the loss of a teammate who was killed in an automobile accident late last year.

It would have been Adam Andrews' senior year at Forsan, and his teammates are doing their best to make sure he's everywhere they go, carrying his memory in a number of special ways.

Five of those Crossroads teams — Big Spring, Forsan,

Stanton, Borden County and Sands — will be trying their best to return to the playoffs in 1999.

Preseason prognosticators say there's a pretty good chance all five will do just that.

Big Spring's Steers are rated the favorite in District 5-4A, Forsan is a solid contender in District 2-2A, Stanton is ranked in some publications' preseason Top 25 in Class 2A and Borden County and Sands are both ranked in the preseason Top 10 in six-man football.

Farther afield, changes have also been instituted at the University Interscholastic League offices in Austin.

Some rule changes seem unlikely to ever impact the normal fan, but for coaches and administrators at the various schools, all of them are important.

Other changes, however, will be quickly recognizable.

A quick sampling of the UIL's revisions in its rules include:

- Allowing football equipment to be issued on the day prior to fall practices.

- Allowing Class 4A schools the option to hold spring football training.

- Raising the cut-off for six-man football to 94.5, effective for the 2000-01 school year.

Other changes, however, are those that have been made by the NCAA and adopted by the UIL.

Included among them are:

- Officials will no longer penalize teams five yards for intentional grounding, but teams will still suffer a loss of down at spot of the foul.

- Jerseys must come to top of waist and, if longer, must be tucked into pants.

- Visible bandannas are illegal.

To be honest, I'll just let the officials figure all that out.

I'll just see you all on Fridays at the stadium.



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- Crossroads Area coaches say there's a whole lot more to coaching than just drawing Xs and Os. It's a challenge they believe helps them make young people better adults.

- Forsan's Buffaloes lost a teammate when Adam Andrews died in a December automobile accident. That doesn't mean, however, that Andrews isn't on their minds and in their hearts as they head into what would have been his senior season.

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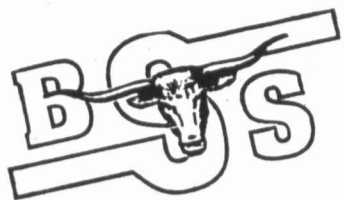
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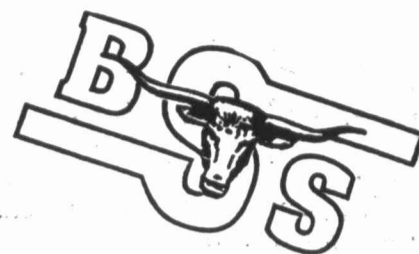
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TUNE IN TO CATCH ALL THE PLAYS...

Steers open season as favorite in district chase

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Big Spring's Steers find themselves in somewhat unfamiliar territory as they begin the 1999 football season.

After several years of entering campaigns expected to be one of several teams chasing district favorites Andrews and Sweetwater, the Steers now have the mantle as the team to beat in District 5-4A.

According to *Texas Football Magazine*, there will be a changing of the guard in 5-4A, as the Steers claim their first outright district championship in several years.

And while he'll admit such predictions are a heady compliment, Steers head coach Dwight Butler is one of those who'll quickly remind anyone who'll listen that his team is still and extremely young one.

"We want to be the kind of football team everyone expects us to be," Butler explained. "It's always nice when people think that much of you, but you've got to be able to go out there on the football field and perform."

"People look at the fact that we have eight offensive starters back and six returning on defense, and that we made the playoffs last year and pick us to take over," he added. "Sweetwater not making the playoffs last year and Andrews graduating all those good seniors from last year has a lot to do with it too."

Many of those projections are based in the fact that the Steers averaged more than 300 yards per game in total offense last season and return on of the state's top Class 4A running backs in tailback Colby Ford.

A 6-foot-1, 200 pound junior, Ford piled up almost 1,600 yards on 279 carries last season as a sophomore — the fifth best total of any Class 4A running back returning in 1999. That yardage translated into 20 touchdowns.



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In addition, the Steers also return two seasoned fullbacks in Jose Carnero and Jason Woodruff, as well as quarterback Lance Brock, who moved into the starting lineup early in the season and never relinquished the spot.

Carnero, a 5-foot-7, 180 pound senior, and Woodruff, a 6-foot, 200-pound junior, not only provide excellent blocking from the fullback's spot, but provide strong running inside.

And Brock, who passed for 590 yards and three touchdowns last season, has benefited from having played with several of his receivers during seven-on-seven competition this summer.

That quartet will operate behind an offensive front that also garnered a lot of experience during the Steers' 4-7 season in 1998, one that saw them earn a berth in the playoffs by dominating a larger Sweetwater squad on its own field.

Chief among those returning starters up front will be center Jon Bagwell, a 5-foot-9, 220-pound senior; strong guard Ryan Guinn, a 6-foot-1, 237-pound junior; and strong tackle Stephen Stokes, a 6-foot-2, 290-

pound senior.

And with Joe Loya, a 5-foot-8, 215-pounder, filling the quick guard's position he was a part-time starter a year ago, the Steers only lineman who didn't see some action last season is quick tackle Jade Hughes, a 6-foot-3, 184-pound junior who moves up from the junior varsity.

Big Spring's receiving corps also has some seasoning with James Clements, a 5-foot-11, 160-pound senior, returning to his starting spot, while Mike Morrison, a 5-foot-10, 165-pound senior who saw some action as a starter last year, and Chris Trevino, a 5-foot-7, 140-pound senior, fill the other spot.

Butler's biggest concerns center around his defense where just three seniors fill starting positions.

"We're still awfully young on defense," Butler explained. "We've got quite a few kids coming back, but a lot of them were sophomores last year, and there are still a lot of spots where we're just pretty green."

That concern did nothing but grow just prior to the Steers' scrimmage with Lamesa last

Big Spring Steers

District: 5-4A
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1998 RECORD: 4-7

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1998

HEAD COACH: Dwight Butler (Eastern New Mexico);

overall record: 45-39-1; at Big Spring: 45-39-1.

ASSISTANTS: Jay Kennedy (West Texas A&M), Ricky Long (Angelo State), Greg Winder (Texas Tech), Tim Tannehill (Texas Tech), Mike Tipton (Angelo State), Tony Truelove (Angelo State), Bill Black (Texas Tech), Pat Loter (Texas Tech), Dan Arista (Texas Tech), Charlie Crisp (ENMU), Jim Avery (West Texas A&M).

RETURNING STARTERS: 8 Offensive, 6 Defensive

Offense:

Lance Brock, QB, 6-4, 178, Sr.
Jose Carnero, FB, 5-8, 185, Sr.
Colby Ford, TB, 6-1, 200, Jr.
Jon Bagwell, C, 5-9, 190, Sr.
Stephen Stokes, T, 6-1, 280, Sr.
James Clements, SE, 5-10, 170, Sr.
Ryan Guinn, SG, 6-0, 225, Jr.
Mike Morrison, WR, 5-10, 170, Sr.
Joe Loya, G, 5-9, 198, Sr.

Defense:

Daniel Beauchamp, DT, 6-1, 235, Sr.
Jordan Partee, DT, 5-10, 230, Sr.
Arthur Gonzales, LB, 5-10, 170, Sr.
Bowe Butler, LB, 6-0, 185, Jr.
Ricky Solis, CB, 5-9, 170, Sr.
Jason Choate, S, 6-1, 170, Jr.

Top Newcomers: Jason Woodruff, DE, 6-0, 185, Jr.; Blair Nutting, TE, 6-5, 200, Sr.; Jade Hughes, T, 6-1, 182, Jr.; Willis Morrison, SS, 5-10, 168, Soph.; Justin Nichols, OL-DT, 5-11, 250, Jr.

week when senior tackle Jordan Partee ended his schoolboy career after suffering with chronic back pain.

Partee had been taking cortisone injections to relieve pain created by three ruptured discs in his spine.

Doctors had told the 5-foot-10, 225-pounder he should consider bringing his career to an end, and he followed their advice.

"We're really down about that," Butler said, noting that Partee's loss leaves the Steers' ranks at the tackle position extremely thin.

"Jordan gutted it out," he added. "He wanted to play so bad, but it just got to the point where it wasn't going to work anymore. He made a mature decision and I think we all believe it was the right one."

Junior Nick Valencia filled Partee's position admirably during the scrimmage.

"Nick did a good job for us," Butler said of the 5-foot-9, 215-pound junior's efforts. "He's only been playing the defensive tackle's position for three days,

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District 5-4A outlook:

Traditional powers Andrews, Sweetwater expected to step down

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Sorting out how the teams in District 5-4A will finish seems something akin to stepping up to a dice table in Las Vegas.

Simply put, the possibilities seem endless.

Always a highly-competitive league, 5-4A looks like it could again come down to the final week of the season before three playoff qualifiers are determined, just like it did in 1998.

And determining a favorite depends on who you ask.

Texas Football Magazine, the so-called "bible" of high school football in the state gives the nod to Big Spring's Steers — a team that returns eight offensive and six defensive starters from a squad that saw its 1998 campaign come to an end with a 28-6 bi-district playoff loss to Cleburne.

There are lots of reasons to pick the Steers, not the least of which is returning tailback Colby Ford. The 6-foot-1, 205-

pounder possesses 4.6-second speed in the 40 and is coming off a sophomore season in which he gained 1,566 yards on 279 carries and scored 20 touchdowns.

In fact, the Steers have all the skill positions filled by experienced personnel, as quarterback Lance Brock returns for his final season after having completed 49 of 100 passes for 590 yards and three touchdowns in 1998 and fullbacks Jose Carnero and Jason Woodruff also return for the junior seasons.

But don't expect Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler to pick his team for the 5-4A throne room.

Instead, he says Andrews has to be the favorite.

"Andrews has to be picked No. 1 until somebody knocks them off," Butler said of the Mustangs. "They're the defending district champions and that gives them a leg up on the rest of us."

"They won't be as strong as they were a year ago, but

they're still going to be awfully good," he added. "You don't just replace somebody like Shaud Williams, or a bunch of the other seniors they graduated last year, but Andrews still has lots of talent."

Indeed, Williams, who finished the 1998 season as the No. 2 career rusher in Class 4A history, is now at Texas Tech. However, the Mustangs do return four offensive starters and six defensive starters who were simply unchallenged by any other 5-4A team a year ago.

In fact, the Mustangs were among the state's top ranked teams in 1998 and had the unfortunate luck to draw eventual Class 4A, Division II state champion Stephenville in the first round of the playoffs.

Andrews' 41-35 loss to the Yellowjackets is still a bad taste in coach Mike Leppy's mouth, as it is for the returning Mustangs. Look for them to use that anger as a powerful motivational tool this season.

The big weapon in the Mustangs' backfield this time around figures to be fullback Chris Nunez, the only player in the offensive backfield who brings much experience to the fray.

But Andrews will still have plenty of size on the field with the likes of returning line-backer Jeremy Woods (6-3, 225), defensive ends Jamie Jackson (6-3, 220) and Sergio Martinez (6-0, 210) and offensive guard Stephen Edwards (6-0, 210).

Leppy expects Jackson to lead the Andrews defense and says the talented senior is a Division I prospect.

"While Butler won't pick against Andrews as the favorite, he will admit his Steers have the ability to contend."

"We expect to be a pretty good football team," he noted, "and it's a tremendous compliment that people think enough of us to pick Big Spring as the favorite. We're still inexperienced in a lot of spots and don't have a lot of depth in others,

but we hope to be as good as everyone thinks we'll be."

The Steers boss agrees with Texas Football's assessment that Snyder's Tigers should again be a playoff team.

While Texas Football picks the Tigers as the No. 2 team in 5-4A, Butler rates them third.

Coach David Baugh's tigers return six offensive and three defensive starters from a team that finished the 1998 season with a 7-4 record, closing the season with a 42-28 loss to Brownwood's Lions.

The problem for Baugh and his staff will be trying to replace virtually the entire Tiger defense.

But offensively, Snyder returns a couple of gems in quarterback Sonny Cumbie — a 6-foot-4, 195 pounder with a strong arm and quick release, who figures to turn in much more impressive numbers than the 41-of-90 for 845 yards and 10 touchdowns he managed a year

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ago — and fullback Paul Camp, whose hard-nosed, tough style of running makes him seem much bigger than his 5-foot-10, 180-pound size.

As a junior, Camp rushed for 641 yards on 108 carries and caught 12 passes for another 205 yards and five touchdowns. Not only will he figure to be a double-edged threat running and receiving offensively, but is one of the three returning starters on the Snyder defensive unit and figures to lead from his linebacker's post.

No discussion of District 5-4A favorites can ever leave out Sweetwater's Mustangs.

After spending most of the 1998 season ranked among the state's Top 10 in The Associated Press' Class 4A poll, Sweetwater failed to make the playoffs for the first time in more than a 15 years under new head coach Hank Dowell.

Like Andrews, last year's frustration could be a huge motivating factor for Sweetwater, which returns four offensive starters and three defensive regulars from a 6-4 team.

Not the least of those returning starters will be tailback Willie Amos, a 6-foot-1, 175-pound speedster, who gained 1,107 yards and scored 11 touchdowns for the Mustangs as a junior.

Amos' return is cause for concern for Butler.

"I don't know if everybody saw what I saw at the district track meet, but that guy's become an animal," Butler said of Amos. "He looked like a man among boys on that track and that's always a concern for us. He runs the 40 in something like 4.3 seconds, and with that size, that's scary."

Although Sweetwater isn't expected to be as strong as it has been in the past, Butler also notes that the Mustangs will again be one of the district's

biggest teams.

The Mustangs will have the likes of 6-foot-3, 315-pound tackle Jay Vargas blocking for Amos and the defense will be led by end Bryson Campbell (6-3, 205) and linebacker Grant Cherry (5-10, 180).

San Angelo Lake View also has speed to burn in its backfield with the presence of Rashad Chance, a 5-foot-9, 150-pounder who possesses 4.4 speed in the 40. He'll team with 5-foot-10, 165-pound Adrian Greenwood, who runs a 4.4 in the 40, in the offensive backfield. Both also figure to see plenty of action in the Chiefs' defensive secondary.

The Chiefs' defense will also have the likes of linemen Joseph Clay (6-2, 220) and Michael Gonzales (6-1, 220) and linebacker Alfred Walton (5-10, 185) among eight returning starters.

Lake View's biggest problem will be replacing eight seniors who graduated from the Chiefs offense in 1998.

Fort Stockton's Panthers will be trying to rebound from a 1-9 campaign in a season that had held much more promise.

Coach Phil Lopez has five offensive starters returning and four defensive holdovers.

The best of the defensive returnees figures to be linebacker Chase Wiest, a 6-foot-2, 225-pounder who led the Panthers in tackles a year ago with 73.

He'll anchor a crew that hopes to cut down on the 375 yards per game the Panthers allowed last season. Wiest will get some help from lineman Jay Salazar and linebacker Justin St. Clair, both of whom missed most of the season a year ago with injuries.

Offensively, Fort Stockton will be led by returning quarterback Nathan Sawyer (6-1, 190) who passed for 565 yards a year ago. His favorite target figures to be tight end Luke Groth, a 6-foot-5, 240-pounder with good mobility.



HERALD photo/Jim Ferro

Big Spring fullback Jose Camero (32) pulls through the arm tackle of a Lamesa defender during the Steers' scrimmage on Aug. 20.

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so he's got a long way to get."

Partee's loss to injury does reveal the Steers' greatest weakness.

"Injuries are going to be a problem for us," Butler admitted. "There are some spots where we just don't have a lot of depth — the tackle positions, especially. We can't afford a lot of injuries anywhere, but we're really thin at tackle. As of right now, we don't really have any backups at that position."

The remainder of the defensive front still isn't settled, either.

Although Daniel Beauchamp, a 6-foot, 225-pound senior, fills the other tackle's position and Woodruff starts at one end's position, but the other defensive end's slot is still up for grabs between junior Cody Renfro (5-10, 185) and senior Kyle Britton (5-10, 165).

Bowe Butler, a 6-foot, 180-pound junior, returns to the middle linebacker's spot, while

senior Arthur Gonzales, a 5-foot-10, 170-pound senior, returns to the weak side and Benito Hilario, a 5-foot-11, 190-pound junior, moves into the strong side linebacker's spot.

Cornerback Ricky Solis, a 5-foot-9, 155-pound senior, returns to the secondary, as does 6-foot-1, 160-pound junior Jason Choate at one of the safety spots.

The other cornerback's position is up for grabs between Larry Thompson, a 5-foot-10, 150-pound sophomore; senior Jason Walker (5-9, 150) and Trevino.

The Steers boss was admittedly a little happier with what he saw from his team following the Lamesa scrimmage — the only one Big Spring will get, since the season opens tomorrow night when the Steers take on Plainview's No. 7-ranked Bulldogs in Lubbock.

"It got a little sloppy at times, but for the most part we were pretty solid out there," Butler said after seeing the Steers

score three touchdowns on their first possession and add a couple of field goals against Lamesa.

"We didn't bust any checks, didn't bobble any snaps and didn't fumble the football ... those are all big positives at this stage," Butler added.

"We didn't run the ball as well as I'd expected, but I think that's probably the result of our intention to concentrate on the passing game," he continued. "We wanted to throw the ball and we stayed with that plan. We know we're going to be able to run the football."

Butler also noted that the Steers' defense had fared better in the practice game than he'd expected.

"Defensively we were a lot better than we were at this point last year," Butler noted. "We went to the ball a lot better ... weren't as hesitant. We're still awfully young, but I feel like we're at a really good starting point there."

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New head coach means changes are coming to Bulldog Country

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

COAHOMA — Change. That will be the key word for Coahoma's Bulldogs and their fans going into the 1999 football season.

Perhaps the biggest change in Bulldog Country is the arrival of Robert Wood as the new head football coach and athletic director at Coahoma.

Wood, in assuming his first head coaching position, moves in to replace the departed Jim Edwards after having spent seven years as an assistant on David Baugh's staff at Snyder.

Nobody is more aware of the challenge that he faces than Wood.

"There's no question that this is going to be a real challenge," Wood said as two-a-day practices began. "You're going to be challenged any time you step into a new job and bring a new offense and defense with you."

"But on top of that, we're going to be competing in a tremendously tough district,"



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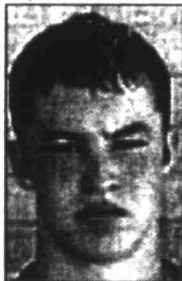
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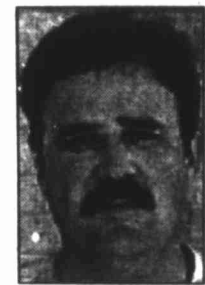
he added. "It's going to be every bit as competitive as District 5-4A was last year with people like Andrews, Big Spring and Sweetwater to deal with."

"In fact," he continued, "this district could be a little bit

tougher. After all, there are three teams in this district ranked in the preseason Top 25 — Stanton, Post and Seagraves are going to be awfully tough

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Coahoma Bulldogs



WOOD

District: 3-2A

Colors: Red and White

1998 RECORD: 3-7

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1972

HEAD COACH: Robert Wood (UT-Arlington); overall record: 0-0; at Coahoma: 0-0.

ASSISTANTS: Thance Springer (Angelo State), Kim Nichols (West Texas A&M), Danny Williams (Angelo State), Dean Richters (Sul Ross), Scott Lewis (Sul Ross), Ray McKinnon (Angelo State), Jim Williams (Central State), Coley Dobbs (Texas), Robert Royer (North Texas).

RETURNING STARTERS: 8 Offensive, 9 Defensive

Offense:

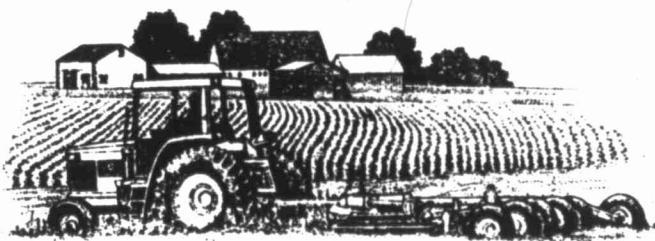
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Lorin Wolf, RB, 5-10, 180, Sr.
Kris Harding, WR, 5-10, 160, Sr.
Robert Rister, T, 6-0, 175, Sr.
Joe Wright, G, 5-10, 170, Sr.
Gary Hale, G, 5-9, 200, Sr.
Jerod Higgins, T, 6-3, 180, Sr.

Defense:

Walt Bordelon, LB, 5-9, 160, Sr.
Mario Garcia, CB, 5-8, 140, Sr.
Lorin Wolf, LB, 5-10, 180, Sr.
Robert Rister, DE, 6-0, 175, Sr.
Travis McMillan, CB, 5-9, 60, Jr.
Lance Monteleone, CB, 5-8, 155, Jr.
Steven Henry, T, 5-10, 175, Sr.
Tommy Cruz, CB, 5-9, 140, Sr.
Logan Long, LB, 5-7, 150, Sr.

Top Newcomers: Chase Ward, 6-2, 180, Soph.; Travis Hipp, 6-0, 160, Soph.

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New coach takes over, but little else changes at Forsan

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

FORSAN — The last thing you'd expect from a team that's seen a change in the head coaching position would be the status quo, but that's exactly what's happened for Forsan's Buffaloes.

The Buffs, fresh off having made their first playoff appearance in a dozen years in 1998, are now toiling under the direction of new head coach Roger Hudgins.

Hudgins is a known commodity for both Forsan players and fans, though.

He moves into the head coach's post after having spent 20 years as an assistant coach under first Jan East and then Steve Park.

In fact, Hudgins' appointment as the new Buffs head coach was so controversial that virtually nobody outside the district's boundaries knew that Park had decided to step down from the Forsan reigns and accept an assistant's post, until two-a-days began.

"We're pretty low key around here," Hudgins said. "We just didn't see it as a really big deal."

As a result, don't expect the Buffs to be a lot different than they were a year ago when they opened the season with seven straight wins before suffering a 9-7 loss to eventual District 2-2A champion Sonora.

"We're not going to be doing anything different than we have been all along," Hudgins admitted. "We're running the same offense and defense ... everything. We've been running the same thing around here for 20 years. A few of the plays have been renamed, but the kids are familiar with it ... the same offense and defense they've been running since they were in the seventh grade."

And with seven offensive and an identical number of defensive starters returning from the



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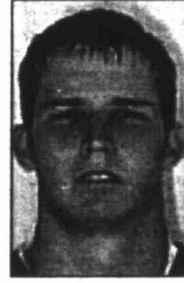
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Buff's 8-3 campaign in 1998, there's reason to believe they'll again be heading to the playoffs in November.

At least Hudgins thinks so.

"Barring injuries, I think we'll be a contender again," he explained, admitting that the Buffs' last-minute loss to Sonora still leaves a bad taste in his mouth.

"I think we opened some eyes with that game against Sonora," Hudgins noted. "We weren't supposed to be able to play with them, but they didn't beat us until the last minute. That was pretty hard to take and it still doesn't sit very well with us. We feel like that's one we should have won and let get away from us."

The Buffs did lose some important starters from their 1998 playoff team — perhaps most recognizable among them being tailback Justin White and quarterback Cade Park.

But every bid as important was the loss of two tackles, a center and one offensive guard.

The most shattering of those losses was the death of offensive and defensive tackle Andy Andrews, who would have

returned for his senior season this year.

Andrews was killed in an automobile accident in December, and his coaches and teammates have dedicated the 1999 season to his memory.

Still, the Buffs have plenty of offensive talent returning, except in the interior line positions.

Offensively, Chris Rios, a 5-foot-7, 140-pound senior, and Derek Wash, a 5-foot-9, 155-pound senior, return after seeing considerable time as running backs in 1998 and fullback Brian Mims, a 5-10, 190-pound bulldozer returns to his spot in the lineup.

The Buffs also have veterans in senior bookend guards Jarred Drummond and Kyle Newton, both of them measuring at 6-foot and 165 pounds.

The offensive end positions are also manned with experienced personnel — Furillo Subia, a 5-foot-8, 160-pound junior, and Blake White, a 6-foot, 165-pound senior.

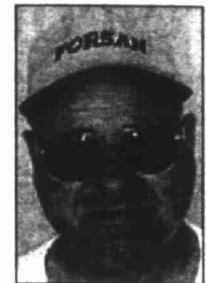
White also saw time at defensive end and figures to move into the starting post his older brother filled a year ago.

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District 2-2A

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HUDGINS

1998 RECORD: 8-3

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1998

HEAD COACH: Roger Hudgins (McMurry University); 20th season at Forsan, first as head coach.

ASSISTANTS: Steve Park (Texas Tech), Terry McDonald (Angelo State), Keith Stone (Angelo State), Tommy Thompson (Tarleton State), Sam Justiss (Tarleton State).

RETURNING STARTERS: 7 Offensive, 7 Defensive

Offense:

Furillo Subia, E, 5-9, 160, Jr.
Chris Rios, RB, 5-7, 180, Sr.
Derek Wash, RB, 5-7, 155, Sr.
Brian Mims, FB, 5-10, 190, Sr.
Jarred Drummond, G, 6-0, 165, Sr.
Kyle Newton, G, 6-0, 165, Sr.
Blake White, E, 6-0, 165, Sr.

Defense:

Furillo Subia, DB, 5-9, 160, Jr.
Chris Rios, DB, 5-7, 180, Sr.
Derek Wash, LB, 5-7, 155, Sr.
Brian Mims, DE, 5-10, 190, Sr.
Jarred Drummond, LB, 6-0, 165, Sr.
Kyle Newton, LB, 6-0, 165, Sr.
Blake White, DE, 6-0, 165, Sr.

Top Newcomers: Dustin Morgan, QB, 6-0, 205, Jr.; Dustin Baker, QB, 5-11, 156, Jr.; Andy Neel, E, 6-0, 165, Jr.; Matt Mims, C, 6-0, 165, Sr.; Chris Spencer, T, 6-0, 220, Sr.

Elsewhere in the Buff defense, the linebacking corps is intact with Wash, Drummond and Newton again manning those spots. Mims will return to the other defensive end's spot, while Subia and Rios return as starters in the secondary.

Five newcomers figure to jump into starting offensive spots with juniors Dustin Morgan (6-0, 205) and Dustin Baker (5-11, 155) vying for the starting quarterback's nod; Matt Mims, a 6-foot, 165-pound senior, stepping in at center; Chris Spence, a 6-foot, 220-pound senior transfer from Big Spring filling a tackle's post; and Andy Neel, a 6-foot, 165-pound junior, moves into an end's spot where Newton played

a year ago.

Hudgins says juniors Jonathan Pena (5-10, 210) and Tanner Sanders (6-2, 220), as well as sophomore Brad Gillihan (6-1, 200) will be called on to play offensive and defensive tackle positions.

"We're going to be asking those three to step in and start a little earlier than we'd really have liked to," Hudgins noted, "but we've got to have them come on and do the job. I think they can."

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By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

STANTON — time since Stanton haven't heard from Herm, Aus Smith, Jody Smith men Buffaloes' up discussed.

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November, however In fact, Stanton upcoming ca Texas Football 18 team in its son poll.

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Stanton seniors finally getting chance to show talents

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

STANTON — It's been a long time since Stanton football fans haven't heard names like Kyle Herm, Austin Kelly, Chad Smith, Jody Louder and Jeremy Smith mentioned when the Buffaloes' upcoming season is discussed.

That, however, is the case as Buffs head coach Mark Cotton prepares his team for the 1999 season.

Stanton won a state Class 2A championship in 1997 and reached the Class 2A, Division II state semifinals last season with a corps of starters who'd held sway at their positions for three years.

This time around, though, the Buffs return just one offensive and one defensive starter from last year's 13-2 squad.

That does not mean the Buffs won't be making another post-season appearance in November, however.

In fact, Stanton enters the upcoming campaign ranked as *Texas Football Magazine's* No. 18 team in its Class 2A preseason poll.

Just because the Buffs are



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entering a new era doesn't mean that Cotton believes his team will have to take a back seat to anyone.

"You don't really replace all-staters like the kids we graduated last year," Cotton noted, "but I believe we're going to be awfully competitive. We're in pretty good hands, because even though we lost a lot of starters,

we're going to be filling those spots with kids that got a lot of playing time."

What's more, the Buffs varsity roster will include a bevy of newcomers from a junior varsity squad that extended its string of unbeaten seasons to three last year.

"The kids we've got coming up from the JV bring a winning

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District: 3-2A

Colors: Red and Gray

COTTON

1998 RECORD: 13-2 State semifinalists

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1998

HEAD COACH: Mark Cotton (Angelo State);

overall record: 46-8; at Stanton: 46-8.

ASSISTANTS: Rob Bird (Tarleton), Albert Chavez (Texas A&M), Doug Gordon (McMurry), Thomas Castro (Texas Tech), Larry Tate (SWTSU), Lester Titsworth (Angelo State).

RETURNING STARTERS: 1 Offensive, 1 Defensive

Offense:

Dustin Kargl, G, 6-2, 250, Sr.

Defense:

Brady Cook, DE, 6-2, 190, Sr.

Top Newcomers: Will Harris, QB, 5-11, 180, Sr.; Jeremy Hull, RB, 6-0, 170, Jr.; Adrian Hernandez, RB, 5-7, 150, Sr.; Jacob Klein, OL, 6-0, 165, Sr.; Josh Haslip, WR, 6-1, 165, Sr.; Blaine Smith, WR, 5-9, 145, Sr.

tradition," Cotton explained. "We're just in a position where they're going to have to get ready to play bigger, stronger and faster players than they're

used to playing."

Don't expect to see a lot of sophomores on the varsity ros-

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District 2-2A outlook:

Defending champion Sonora, Eldorado, Forsan favorites

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Don't look for big changes at the top of District 2-2A in 1999, the powers that held sway a year ago seem destined to dominate again.

Defending champion Sonora's Broncos moved down from Class 3A in 1998 and promptly went through 2-2A play undefeated and reached the Class 2A, Division I quarterfinals before seeing their season come to an end with a 42-7 loss to Canadian.

And with seven offensive starters returning from that 10-3 run, coach Dale Heath's Broncos are again the district's

favorite, carrying a No. 22 ranking from *Texas Football Magazine*.

The Broncos attack figures to be led by fullback Tom Jacoby, a 5-foot-10, 175 pounder who turned 4.8-second speed in the 40 into a 1,000-yard season in 1998.

Additionally, Sonora returns quarterback Bryce Williams, who passed for 1,000 yards a year ago.

What's more, both Jacoby and Williams were sophomores a year ago and figure to really come into their own this season.

They'll operate behind a line led by 5-foot-11, 235-pound Andy Sanchez.

Joining Sanchez up front for

the Broncos will be veterans Caleb Taylor, Dustin Patino, Brady Lock and Javier Gayton.

Defensively, Sonora will rebuild around star defensive back Graham Bloodworth (5-10, 160), who'll also figure to see action in the offensive backfield at times.

And not only will Sonora have plenty of talent returning from a year ago, but new Forsan head coach Roger Hudgins notes that the Broncos possessed an impressive junior varsity in 1998.

"They're going to be awfully good again," said Hudgins, who served as an assistant to former Buffs head coach Steve Park last season. "They won it last year, so somebody's going to

have to beat them before I'll pick somebody ahead of them."

The runners-up to Sonora in 1998 were Eldorado's Eagles and that doesn't figure to change this time around.

The Eagles will be generated on the field by quarterback Joey Bullard (5-11, 170) and will be joined in the offensive backfield by experienced veteran running backs Lance Mitchel (5-10, 170) and Louis Santellano (5-8, 160), seasoned wingback Casey Poyner (5-9, 175) and wide receiver Will Robledo (5-9, 150).

They'll operate behind a line that has to be almost entirely rebuilt.

However, the Eagles will have a couple of solid blocks on which to build that line in mas-

sive tackles Gary Gibson (6-3, 270) and Kary Gibson (6-3, 290).

Five defensive starters return for the Eagles, including the Gibsons at the interior line positions. Linebackers Cory Lloyd and Cahad Williams and defensive back Mitchel round out the veterans.

Lloyd figures to be the defensive leader, since he returns for his senior season after having earned all-district honors for three straight years.

The district's third playoff qualifier again figures to be Forsan.

The Buffs made their first playoff appearance in more than a decade in 1998, surpris-

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District 3-2A outlook:

Seagraves, Stanton, Post have inside track on strong field

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

As he prepares Coahoma's Bulldogs for the 1999 season, new head coach Robert Wood realizes he has a formidable task ahead of him.

The 'Dogs, he says, could be much better than they've been in quite a few years and still way short of qualifying for one of the three playoff berths in District 3-2A.

Simply put, there may not be a stronger Class 2A district in the state.

"There are a lot of awfully good football teams in this district ... top to bottom it's probably going to be one of the best I've ever seen, with the possible exception of that Class 4A district with Stephenville, Brov nwood and Cleburne,"

Wood said just one day after being named to replace Jim Edwards at the Bulldog helm.

And Wood knows something of strong, highly-competitive districts after having spent several years at the offensive coordinator on David Baugh's staff at Snyder.

As a matter of fact, Wood says this year's residents of 3-2A remind him of District 5-4A in 1998 when Andrews, Big Spring and Snyder earned playoff berths and Sweetwater's Mustangs saw a more than 10-year string of consecutive playoff appearances come to an end on the final night of the season.

"I really believe we're looking at that kind of quality," Wood said. "You've got to figure Seagraves and Stanton will be at the top of the heap, but I think anyone else in the district

is capable of pulling off an upset or two and make the playoffs."

At Stanton, however, Mark Cotton has just one starter returning after a state championship in 1997 and a state semi-finals berth in 1998.

Ask him who to pick as the favorite in 3-2A and he'll quickly serve up Seagraves' Eagles.

"They (Eagles) are the defending district champions ... had to beat us to win it," Cotton explained. "But Post is going to be awfully good, too. They've got more lettermen coming back than anyone in the district. They (Antelopes) were a good, strong team last year and they'll be even better this time around."

And what about his Buffs?

"You don't just replace a Kyle Herm, a Chad Smith, a Jody Louder or a Jeremy Smith,"

Cotton noted, "but I think we'll be competitive. We're going to have to do a lot of growing up early, and like anybody else, we can't afford a lot of injuries. But we've got some talented athletes, and if we improve from week to week, we'll be a factor when district rolls around."

While Wood agrees that the Eagles have to be favorites, he's certain Stanton has an opportunity to reclaim the title.

"Stanton only has one starter returning on offense and defense, but there's no substitute for the playoff experience those kids have gotten over the past two years."

Not surprisingly, three of 3-2A's teams are ranked among *Texas Football Magazine's* Top 25 in the classification.

The magazine's preseason Top 25 rates Stanton at No. 18, while


Seagraves is two spots back at No. 20 and Post is ranked 21st.

The key for Stanton to live up to Texas Football's prognostication, not only hinges on returning starters Dustin Kargl and Brady Cook, but on how well quarterback Will Harris and running back Jeremy Hull fare as they move to the forefront of the Buff attack.

Seagraves, which piled up an 11-2 record in reaching the Division II regional finals figures to have a leg up on the competition with 1,000-yard rusher Jimmy Lovington returning at fullback behind a big, experienced line led by 6-foot-1, 320-pound tackle Josh Ruiz.

The Eagles return five starters on both sides of the

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opponents to play, and that's going to be especially true with us trying to install a new system."

That new system will see the Bulldogs operating out of the wing-T offensive formation and adopting a multiple defense that more than likely will feature eight-man defensive fronts.

"So far, the key for us has been to make sure that everyone is on the same page ... both the coaches and the players, because we all have something to learn," Wood noted. "The players and coaches that were already here have got to get used to our new schemes, and those of us who are new to the Coahoma district are having to learn about the kids we've got and what they're capable of doing."

While Wood admits the Bulldogs are far from executing like they've been running the wing-T for their entire careers, he believes they're beginning to get the hang of things.

"The kids are beginning to grasp the offense and that's important," he explained. "We're not where we'd like to be

... running it flawlessly ... but it's beginning to look better. It's just going to take some time. We're going to get better and better as time passes, because repetition is the key."

With eight offensive starters and nine defensive starters back for last season, Wood is at least possessed of players that are familiar with the quality of opposition they'll face in District 3-2A action.

With a new coach and changes in the offense and defense, however, the Bulldogs' 3-7 record in 1998 means little.

"The nice thing is that we've got some talented kids," Wood explained. "I could tell we had a few kids that were players when I saw films of last year's game. As a matter of fact, they were a young team and had to take a few lumps getting some experience. That's a plus for us now."

The list of offensive veterans is extensive, beginning with running backs Walt Bordelon (5-9, 150) and Lorin Wolf (5-8, 180), both seniors.

Of course, Wolf really make his mark defensively at linebacker and figures to do so again this season. Offensively, however, he'll move to the

strong guard's spot in the new Bulldog scheme.

Bordelon will move into the fullback's spot and Lance Monteleone, a junior who started defensively at cornerback last season, will be the Bulldogs' tailback.

Senior Mario Garcia, who saw some action at quarterback as a sophomore before being moved to running back last year, will move back to the signal caller's spot and will probably split time at the reign with sophomore Chase Ward, who at 6-foot-2, 180 pounds, brings different tools to the position than the 5-foot-8, 140-pound Garcia.

The wingback's post is still somewhat unsettled as the season begins with 5-foot-11, 155-pound junior Travis McMillan; 5-foot-9, 140-pound senior Tommy Cruz; and 5-foot-5, 160-pound senior Logan Long all seeing action.

Up front, the Bulldog offense will be seasoned.

While 5-foot-10, 175-pound senior Steven Henry moves into the spot where the graduated D.D. Wright held sway last season, and Brett Bennett, a 5-foot-11, 180-pound senior who was a part-time starter last season,

moves in at the quick guard's post, most of the line spots are filled by starters from a year ago.

Lane Belew, a 6-foot-3, 230-pound junior figures to start at the strong tackle's position and Gary Hale, a 5-foot-9, 200-pound senior will be the quick tackle. Tony Tucker, a 6-foot-1, 160-pound senior will be the starter at tight end.

In addition to Tucker, McMillan, Cruz and Long, the Bulldogs' receiving corps will include split ends Cody Teeler, perhaps the fastest player on the team, and Kris Harding, a 5-10, 160-pound senior who started a year ago.

Defensively, Teeler and Harding will also split time at one cornerback's post and the other corner's post will be split by Cruz and Monteleone.

Henry and Belew, both return-

ing starters a year ago, will fill the defensive tackle positions, while Ward and Robert Rister, a 6-foot, 175-pound starter on offense last season, will fill the ends' spots.

McMillan, Bordelon, Wolf and Long will fill the four starting linebackers' posts, while Garcia figures to start at free safety.

In addition, Wood says the Bulldogs will have several players with less experience that will be able to come in and provide significant playing time, resting several of the starters that are asked to go both ways.

"That's going to be important for us," Wood noted. "We're going to need these guys to be able to come in and play some minutes as substitutes. Not only will it give some of our starters a chance to get a breather, but it's going to give them experience for the future."

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ter, however. In fact, as of right now, there's not a sophomore on the Buffs varsity.

"That's kind of been a luxury for us, but for the past few years we've been able to keep 95 percent of our sophomores on the junior varsity and give them an opportunity to play rather than sit on the bench behind seniors and juniors," Cotton explained. "That way they arrive on the varsity and, for the most part, are playing the same people they faced as junior varsity players."

It doesn't take long to list the returning starters, since guard Dustin Kargl, a 6-foot-2, 250-pound senior, is the only offensive regular back. Classmate Brady Cook, a 6-foot-2, 190-pound end, has the same distinction on defense.

Still, the Buffs are going to be anything but short of experience.

Will Harris, a 5-foot-11, 190-pound senior moves into the quarterback's spot and has Cotton's complete confidence.

"Right now, I feel like he's the man," the Buff boss noted. "He backed up Kyle Herm for two years and he was a tremendous part of our defense last year. I feel like he could have started at quarterback for 80 percent of the 2A teams in the state last year, so that's not a real concern for us."

The same can be said of the running back positions in the Buffs' I-formation and pro set offensive scheme where Jeremy Hull and Adrian Hernandez figure to get the lion's share of the work.

Hull, a 6-foot, 165-pound junior, returns after having piled up more than 1,000 yards while sharing time a year ago and Hernandez, a 5-foot-7, 150-pound senior speedster, moves into the fullback's spot after having gained 601 yards a year ago.

"Andrian's going to see some time at tailback, but we felt like

we had to come up with a way to put both Adrian and Jeremy on the field at the same time," Cotton explained. "But with those two, we're going to look a lot like we always have. You adapt with changes in personnel, so we'll probably run a little more misdirection stuff than we have in the past, but we probably won't change the percentage of running and passing we've done in the past."

"The thing you have to remember is that these kids grew up running this offense," he continued. "They're going to do just fine."

In keeping with Stanton's philosophy of keeping fresh legs in its backfield, Cotton said four other running backs — senior Kenneth Hull (5-8, 150) and three juniors Clay White (6-0, 175), Stoney Brown (6-0, 155) and Chris Flores (5-7, 155) — will also see considerable playing time.

Up front, Cotton says Kargl provides the 1999 Buffs with one of the state's best linemen to build around, they key then, will be finding the people to put around him.

The Buffaloes' receiving corps also figures to be multi-faceted, as well.

Cook, in addition to his defensive duties, figures to be the Buffs' tight end, one that Cotton says has "soft, soft hands and provides a tremendous target for our quarterbacks."

"It means so much to have a tight end who can catch the ball," Cotton explained. "It just makes for a much more diverse offense."

Elsewhere at receiver, the Buffs figure to depend heavily on senior Blaine Smith (5-9, 145); junior Courtney Scurlark (5-10, 150), who was the junior varsity's leading pass catcher last season; senior Josh Haslip (6-1, 165); and senior Rory Payne (6-0, 165) who will have to overcome a shoulder injury he sustained in the second week or workouts.

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ing virtually everyone but themselves by opening the season with seven straight wins.

Although Park is no longer the Buffs' head coach, don't look for Forsan to miss a beat. Hudgins, while in his first stint as a head coach, has served on the Forsan staff for 20 years and will have his players running the same offensive and defensive schemes they've runs since the seventh grade.

Forsan's 8-3 season came to an end with a 14-0 loss to Iraan, but the Buffs' most heart-breaking loss was at the hands of Sonora, when they saw a lead overcome in the final minute.

One of the big question marks for the Buffs will be how well juniors Dustin Morgan and Dustin Baker can fill the void left by the graduated Cade Park.

With fullback Brian Mims returning along with seasoned running backs Chris Rios and Derek Wash, however, the Buffs

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ball. Defensively, coach Jim Hamilton will build around a nucleus of 6-foot-1, 275 pound tackle Jonathan Bueno, linebacker Chris Cavazos (5-11, 180) and 5-foot-10, 170-pound speedster Moises Gallegos in the secondary.

Either Cavazos or Gallegos is likely to see less time playing defense, depending which of the two wins the starting quarterback's post.

At Post, the Antelopes have seven offensive and nine defensive starters returning in hopes of improving on the 8-4 record they posted in reaching the Division I regional semifinals.

Like Stanton and Seagraves, the Antelopes have to replace a graduated quarterback.

Although Jay Gorman is gone, Post does have proven offensive weapons with to attack — Raymond Jefferson, a 5-foot-8,

aren't without veteran offensive punch.

What's more guards Jarred Drummond and Kyle Newton provide the nucleus for a line that should be helped by new-coming seniors Matt Mims at center and Chris Spencer at tackle.

After posting a 6-4 finish in 1999, Wall's Hawks have their sights set on making the playoffs — a dream that was dashed late in the season a year ago.

But the Hawks have just four offensive and two defensive starters returning.

Still, Hudgins believes those few starters and the momentum the Hawks built early last season will make the Hawks a threat once district play starts.

Quarterback Marshall Moorman and wide receiver Josh Alexander give the Hawks a solid pass-catch combination, while running back Dustin Dierschke figures to contribute on defense as well.

The cornerstone for Wall may

be guard Jason Vaquera, a 6-foot-1, 265-pounder, who also figures to see action on both sides of the football.

Ozona's Lions suffered through a 1-9 season in 1998, taking quite a few lumps while rebuilding. As a result, the Lions return nine offensive starters and eight defensive starters in what should be a much better year.

In fact, the Lions return 22 seniors for this season including skill position veterans Ross Crawford, Remy Vagas and Dustin Faught.

Junction's Eagles also went through a difficult 1998 campaign, finishing 2-8.

Just four offensive and five defensive starters return from a year ago. Much of that seasoning resides in the running back corps where Josh Horrocks, Dwayne Geller and Derek Mura all saw action in 1998.

Quarterback David Valverde saw limited action a year ago, however.

150-pound tailback and wide receiver Braden Conner (6-2, 180).

With only two starting positions to fill on the defensive side of the ball, the Antelopes figure to be tough to score on.

Linebacker Billy Crawford, at an imposing 6-foot-3 and 225 pounds, leads that crew.

Coahoma figures to get better each week, as they get more experience running the wing-T offense and multiple defense Wood brought with him from Snyder.

Luckily, the Bulldogs have several talented athletes in the likes of quarterback Mario Garcia, linebacker Lorin Wolf, and running backs Walt Bordelon and Lance Monteleone among the eight offensive and nine defensive starters coming back from last year's 3-7 campaign.

Another pack of Bulldogs resides in Tahoka where coach

Troy Hinds has six offensive and five defensive starters coming back from a team that went 2-8 in 1998.

Tahoka figures to be better, thanks to the presence of solid lines that earned battle scars last season. Jeffrey Antu plays bigger than his 5-foot-9, 170 pounds and Michael Garcia (5-11, 215) lead the way up front along with Armando Luna, Jeremy Morphis and Chris Gacheidle.

The Bulldogs also return starting quarterback Brady Reindl and running backs Blandon Hancock and Jeff Elmore, promising a little more punch than Tahoka could muster.

Unfortunately, in this district, a little more punch figures to leave Tahoka with also-ran status.

Plains' Cowboys figure to round out the 3-2A field.

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Bearkats entering 1999 season younger, less experienced

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

GARDEN CITY — The task that Garden City head football coach Mike Meek and his staff have before them is not one many of their peers would envy.

After having seen the Bearkats post a 3-7 record in 1998, a season that saw Garden City suffer mightily with a young football team, Meek has four offensive and six defensive starters returning.

Unfortunately, with just one senior on the Garden City roster, the Bearkats will be even younger than they were a year ago.

An 11-year coaching veteran, Meek says he's never seen a roster with as many young players, as he prepares for his second season as the Bearkats head coach.

"You just don't ever expect to be in a position where there's just one senior on your roster," Meek admitted. "But that's nothing we're going to start complaining about."

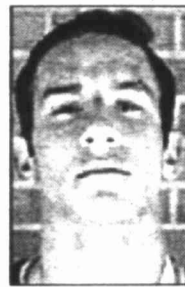
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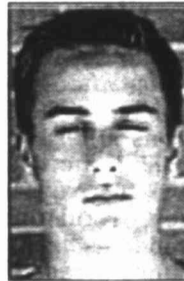
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he added. "Sure, we're going to be awfully young, but there's no way we can complain about the effort these kids have shown. We've just got to see whether or not we're going to put it all together."

The enthusiasm his charges have shown has made it somewhat easier for Meek and his staff to have an idea as to what his starting lineups will look

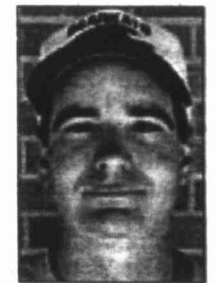
like, however.

"We still have a lot of spots that aren't really solid as to who will start," he added, "but we're getting a better idea. Once we've gotten both of our scrimmages under our belts we're ready to really firm things up."

Of course, the Bearkats do have a number of returning

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Garden City Bearkats



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LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1996

HEAD COACH: Mike Meek (Angelo State);

overall record: 3-7; at Garden City: 3-7.

ASSISTANTS: R.L. Coates (Angelo State), Rob Robinson (Texas Tech), Jimmy Fine (Texas-Arlington), Mike Wallace (Evangel).

RETURNING STARTERS: 4 Offensive, 6 Defensive

Offense:

Tony Talamantes, OT, 5-9, 225, Soph.

Kyle Kight, OG, 5-10, 180, Jr.

Erik Halfmann, C, 6-0, 170, Jr.

Zane Cummings, OT, 6-0, 210, Sr.

Defense:

Erik Halfmann, DE, 6-0, 170, Jr.

Kyle Kight, DT, 5-10, 180, Jr.

Tony Talamantes, DT, 5-9, 225, Soph.

Abel Maldonado, DE, 5-9, 220, Soph.

Justin Hillger, LB, 5-10, 155, Jr.

Anthony Wheat, LB, 5-11, 160, Jr.

Top Newcomers: Roger Alvarado WR/DB, 5-9, 145, Soph.; Justin Hillger, QB, 5-10, 155, Jr.; Kendall Goodwin, RB, 5-11, 145, Soph.; Anthony Hoelscher, LB, 5-9, 140, Soph.; Ryan Batla, DB, 5-9, 145, Jr.; Curtis Essemeyer, DB, 5-11, 140, Soph.

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starters and they figure to remain in those spots for the most part.

The rebuilding process will be most difficult offensively, since just four starters return, none of them at the skill positions.

Leading the way up front will be tackles Tony Talamantes, a 5-foot-9, 225-pound sophomore and the team's lone senior, 6-foot, 210-pound Zane Cummings. They're joined in the offensive line by center Erik Halfmann, a 6-foot, 170-pound junior, and guard Kyle Kight, a 5-foot-10, 180-pound junior.

"We feel like those four give us a pretty good nucleus for the line," Meek noted, "but we've got a lot of questions to answer in the backfield."

Junior Justin Hillger, at 5-foot-10 and 155 pounds, figures to get the starting nod at quarterback and he should get some help from sophomore running back Kendall Goodwin (5-11, 145).

Another newcomer who figures to see plenty of playing time offensively is sophomore wideout Roger Alvarado (5-9, 145).

The Bearkats also have of good athletes that could also find spots in the offense. Among them are 5-foot-9, 145-pound junior Ryan Batla, who figures to be Hillger's backup, but could also be worked into another spot in addition to a defensive back's berth.

Linebacker Anthony Hoelscher (5-9, 140) and Curtis Eggemeyer (5-11, 140) are a couple of sophomores that could also see two-way action.

Defensively the Bearkats would appear to be a little more set, since six starters return, including the entire line and a couple of linebackers.

Halfmann and Abel Maldonado, a 5-foot-9, 220-pound, sophomore return at the end's spots, while the tackle

positions are manned by Kyle Kight, a 5-foot-10, 180-pound junior, and Talamantes.

In addition, Hillger figures to go both ways, returning to his linebacker's spot, and 5-foot-11, 160-pound junior Anthony Wheat also returns at linebacker.

"We're in a position where we're going to have to have some junior stand up and take leadership roles," Meek added. "It's definitely a job you'd rather put on seniors, but we've only got one."

"That means we are going to be asking these kids to grow up a little quicker than you'd normally expect them to," he continued. "As a result, we're trying to stay very basic with what we're doing. We're stressing a lot of drills ... a lot of repetition."

That doesn't mean that Meek believes the Bearkats will be leaving out many of the plays they'd normally run with a more experienced team.

"Sure, this is going to be one of those years when you spend a lot of time in practice making sure that the kids are going to be able to run the play you've called," he explained.

"We realize that it's possible to throw too much at them," Meek added. "But for the most part, they're picking up things pretty well. As a matter of fact, I don't think we'll really have to leave much of anything out."

With his team as young as it is, however, Meek says one of his biggest concerns will be injuries.

"Injuries really hurt us last year, and we really can't afford that this time around, because we're probably going to have less depth than we did last year," he added.

"That's kind of scary when you consider that in the Rankin game we wound up having to play one of our tackles at an inside linebacker's spot," Meek continued. "We don't want to be in that shape again."

District 7-1A outlook:

Wink, Rankin, Fort Davis set to battle

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

When discussing the best Class A football teams in West Texas in recent years, either Wink's Wildcats or Rankin's Red Devils have been mentioned.

Sometimes both.

That's why it's almost automatic to put them at the top of the heap when looking for a favorite in the District 7-1A baseball chase.

And that's exactly what most "so-called" experts have done. In fact, *Texas Football Magazine* rates the Wildcats as the team to beat in 7-1A and lists the Red Devils as the likely runner-up.

Garden City head coach Mike Meek, however, begs to differ.

Instead, Meek picks Fort Davis' Indians to claim the title.

"Fort Davis has a lot of quality people returning from last year when they lost just two games," Meek explained. "They're literally loaded, and it's going to take an awfully good football team to beat them."

Of course, Meek will be the first to admit that there are some good football teams residing in 7-1A, teams like ... well, like Wink, Rankin and, oh yes, Marfa.

"It's just going to come down to who gets on a roll," Meek admitted. "Rankin's got a lot of returning starters back, too. Wink lost a lot of good seniors last year, but they've got a lot of tradition working for them."

"And Marfa lost some good kids, too," he added. "But they didn't lose everybody. They've got plenty of good athletes back, so they're going to be tough again."

With nine starters returning on offense and defense, Fort Davis has its sights set on

improving on the 8-2 mark it established a year ago.

The Indians' only losses in 1998 came at the hands of Wink and Marfa. Unfortunately, that was enough to leave them sitting at home while the Wildcats and Shorthorns advanced to the playoffs.

Running back J.P. Cotton figures to spearhead the Indians offense after having rushed for 1,401 yards and scored 18 touchdowns in 1998.

What's more, the Indians also have an experienced quarterback returning in Phillip Drade. A healthy 6-foot-2, 210 pounds, Drade passed for more than 1,100 yards as a junior and ran for more than 500 more.

Drade's favorite target could well be tight end Justin Evans, but don't be surprised if he scatters the ball around, incorporating Cotton and backfield mates Ernie Martinez and Seth Falkner in the passing game.

Those skills players will operate behind a line that is anchored by 6-foot, 210-pound Johnny Nejora. He will join Orly Sanchez and David Pearson in providing a potent blocking threat.

Defensively the Indians will be led by linebacker Gus Hernandez, a 6-foot-3, 170-pounder.

Wink, on the other hand, has to replace a graduated quarterback and Sam McGehee figures to slide into the driver's seat.

McGehee will benefit from having perhaps the district's best wide receiver in Jared Green. At 6-foot-1 and 170 pounds, Green enters his senior season as a two-time all-district selection.

The Wildcats also have another experienced wideout in Casey McCallister and 6-foot-4, 220-pound tight end Sam Haring who provides an excellent target.

Wink will have to retool at the other skill positions, however, as Weldon Thompson steps in at fullback and should lead the way.

Defensively, the Wildcats will be led by linebacker John Henderson, a 5-foot-11, 190-pounder, and end Pay Voyles (5-10, 175). Thompson and W.E. Tinkler round out Wink's line-backing corps.

Perhaps the biggest motivator for the Wildcats, however, will be the uncharacteristic 7-4 record they posted in 1998. Wink's stay in the playoffs last season was much too short to the Wildcats' way of thinking and they'd like to atone from their 34-14 loss to O'Donnell in the area round.

If living up to tradition means anything, however, look for Mickey Owens' crew at Rankin to make the most of it.

In their first year under Owens' direction, the Red Devils were an uncharacteristic 4-6, well out of the playoff mix.

Much of the reason for that losing record can be attributed to Owens' decision to accept a few lumps while gaining experience for several young players.

The Red Devils started five sophomores and a freshman last season, so don't be surprised if fullback Ruben Dela Paz and tailback Jeremy Armendariz put up much more impressive numbers than the 647 Dela Paz chalked up in leading the attack in 1998.

Rankin also figures to be much stronger defensively this time around, since the Red Devils have had a year of playing the defense Owens brought with him after leaving his linebackers coach's position at Odessa High School in 1997.

Armendariz, at 5-foot-8, 155 pounds, is a mobile linebacker,

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as is Carlos Cura, who Owens has at times moved into the defensive line.

The real key to the Red Devils' defense, however, could be the play of ends Bobbie Delapena, a 6-foot-2, 185-pounder, and 5-foot-10, 185-pound Bryan Hill.

Although Marfa lost several talented seniors to graduation, the Shorthorns have seven offensive and nine defensive starters returning from a team that posted a 9-2 record in 1998.

And after having absorbed a 42-6 loss to Sudan in their first playoff game, the Shorthorns can be placed in the same category with Wink and Rankin as having extra motivation from last season's experiences.

While the Shorthorns have to replace personnel at the running back positions, they are blessed with an impressive talent at quarterback.

Randy White, a 5-foot-11, 170 pounder, calls the signals for Marfa and possesses 4.5-second speed in the 40. Look for him to give the ball to tailback Ronnie Garcia when the Shorthorns stress the ground game.

And when they go to the air, look for White to call on wide receiver Eddie Pallanez (6-foot-1, 175) with regularity.

The Shorthorns also have a good-sized nucleus up front with 6-foot-2, 270-pound Mike Spencer and 5-foot-10, 200-pound Gabriel Vasquez leading the line charge.

Linebacker Damian Carrillo, who chalked up 154 solo stops a year ago, will anchor the Shorthorn defense.

In Garden City, Meek will again find himself with a young team. There is only one senior on the entire Bearkats roster.

The Bearkats will be led by quarterback Justin Hillger, who steps to the controls behind a line that returns four starters — tackles Tony Talamantes and Zane Cummings, center Erik Halfmann and guard Kyle Kight.

On defense, the Bearkats started four sophomores and two freshmen last season and they return to fill crucial line and linebacking spots.

Fort Hancock's Mustangs return eight offensive and eight defensive regulars from their 3-8 campaign in 1998, but don't figure to challenge the district's top teams.

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Friday, Aug. 27

Big Spring vs. Plainview at Lowrey Stadium in Lubbock, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 3

Frenship at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.
Lorenzo at Coahoma, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Forsan, 8 p.m.
Greenwood at Stanton, 8 p.m.
Borden County at Wilson, 7:30 p.m.
Grady at Midland Trinity, 5:30 p.m.
Sands at Grandfalls, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 10

Big Spring at Monahans, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Grape Creek, 8 p.m.
Forsan at Roscoe, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Midland Christian, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Water Valley, 8 p.m.
New Home at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Wellman at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
Highland at Sands, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 16

Big Spring at Lubbock Estacado, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 17

Midland Christian at Coahoma, 8 p.m.
Sterling City at Forsan, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Colorado City, 8 p.m.
Jal (N.M.) at Garden City (homecoming), 8 p.m.
Borden County at Highland, 7:30 p.m.
Buena Vista at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
Sanderson at Sands, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 24

Abilene Wylie at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Hamlin, 8 p.m.
Rankin at Forsan (homecoming), 8 p.m.
Reagan County at Stanton, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Miles, 8 p.m.
Borden County at Balmorhea, 7:30 p.m.
Grady at Whitharal, 7:30 p.m.
Sands at Lazbuddie, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 1

Big Spring - OPEN
Wink at Coahoma, 8 p.m.
Forsan at Eden, 8 p.m.
Jim Ned at Stanton, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at Robert Lee, 7:30 p.m.
Whitharal at Borden County (homecoming), 7:30 p.m.
Paint Creek at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
Sands at Jayton, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 8

Big Spring at Fort Stockton, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Seagraves, 7:30 p.m.
Forsan at Ozona, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Plains, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City - OPEN
Borden County at Westbrook, 7:30 p.m.
Hermleigh at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
Ira at Sands, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 15

Snyder at Big Spring (homecoming), 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Post, 7:30 p.m.
Forsan at Wall, 8 p.m.
Seagraves at Stanton, 7:30 p.m.
Rankin at Garden City, 8 p.m.
Borden County at Sands, 7:30 p.m.
Ira at Grady, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 22

Big Spring at Andrews, 7:30 p.m.
Stanton at Coahoma, 7:30 p.m.
Sonora at Forsan, 8 p.m.
Garden City at Marfa, 8 p.m.
Grady at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Sands at Westbrook, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 29

Big Spring at Lake View, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Tahoka, 7:30 p.m.
Forsan at Eldorado, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Post, 7:30 p.m.
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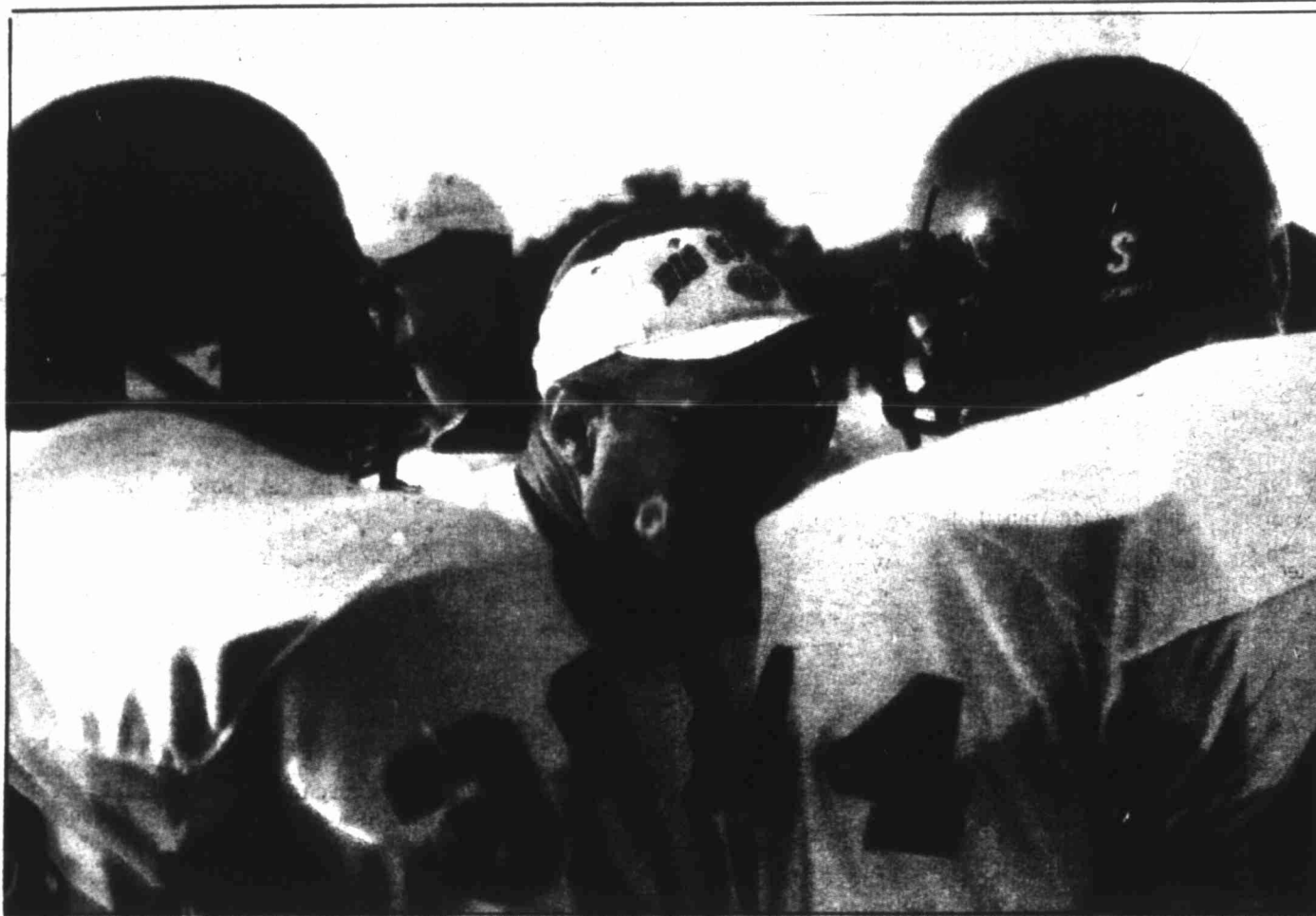
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More than Xs & Os

Crossroads coaches see

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Just what makes a coach? It's a good question, one that has perhaps as many answers as there are coaches.

But after even a brief discussion of the subject with Crossroads Area's head football coaches makes one thing clear — coaching is much, much more than just drawing Xs and Os.

"I'd hate to think that coaching is nothing more than diagraming plays and making sure your kids execute them," Big Spring Steers coach Dwight Butler said prior to a two-days practice session earlier this month.

Butler, like his counterparts at the area's seven other schools, makes it clear that he considers job as much, much more.

"I think all of us consider ourselves educators first," Butler noted. "We all make our living in a profession that can sometimes seem like all that matters to people is whether or not

we're winning. "But as coaches, what we're really here for is to have a positive impact on young people's lives," he added. "And as coaches, we believe that's the primary reason for kids to be involved in athletics.

"If we're not here trying to prepare young people to be good adults, teach them skills that are going to serve them all their lives, then we're in the wrong place," Butler added.

Butler's sentiments were echoed in every coach's office in the area.

"Sure, you want to win every game, but at the same time you have to realize that's not possible," explains Garden City's Mike Meek, no in his second year at the Bearkats helm.

"But to me, the important question is whether you're having a positive impact on the kids' lives," he continued. "When you ask yourself that question, and you can answer that you are, then you've really done your job as a coach."

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Forsan's Buffs dedicating season to teammate killed

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FORSAN — When Forsan's Buffaloes open their 1999 football schedule hosting Garden City's Bearkats on Sept. 3, there are some who believe they'll be playing a man short.

Others, however, are convinced the Buffs will have a "12th man" — not on the field, but in their hearts.

And some will tell you that Adam Andrews has made a difference in the lives of Forsan players and coaches on a continual basis



ANDREWS

since Dec. 8, 1998.

It was that day that the Buffs offensive and defensive tackle lost his life in an automobile accident, leaving a void that an entire community is still trying to fill.

For their part, the Buffs enter the season resolute that Andrews will always be a member of the team.

His No. 79 jersey hangs in his field house locker, left just like everything else in that locker — the way Andrews left it.

In fact, nothing in Andrews' locker has been touched since his death and apparently won't be for some time.

"He's still a part of us ... always will be," explains new Buffs head coach Roger Hudgins who had been Andrews' line coach and history teacher. "We've dedicated our season to him."

As a result, even when the Buffs are on the road this season, visitors lockerrooms will have a station set aside for their missing teammate.

Just how much Andrews was loved by those who came into contact with him is evident whenever his name is mentioned in the hard-nosed coach's presence.

"He was an extremely popular kid ... a good kid, too," Hudgins says, making it clear Andrews' loss is a painful memory for him.

Andrews, you see, was special to Hudgins.

In 20 years as an assistant coach at Forsan, Hudgins says he's loved all the players he's coached, but admits there are some that do, indeed, hold a special place in his heart.

Andrews is one of them.

"Your fondest wish is not to outlive your kids and grandkids, and it's the same way for a coach ... you never want to outlive the players you've coached," Hudgins explained. "Unfortunately, I've had to outlive too many of them.

"Adam and I were pretty close and it's still pretty tough to talk about it," he added. "We had a lot in common ... both of us loved history and both of us had an eating disorder."

What's more, his former teammates who nicknamed him "Slim" say, Andrews admired his coach, constantly engaging Hudgins in friendly banter.

Buffs guard and linebacker Kyle Newton, writing in a book of memories compiled by his teammates last spring,

said Andrews always

"You never know what you're going to do next." Newton added during our walk asking Coach Hudgins for supper the night Coach would make other and make up

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Coaches say job is really about building players' lives

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Meek, who finds himself with a very young and inexperienced team this season, makes it clear that a

coach can sometimes gauge that impact by the way his players perform.

That performance isn't always measured on the scoreboard, however.

"If you can see that kids are trying, that they're improving week to week, you begin to realize that their lives are changing in the process," Meek noted. "The thing you have to remember is that we all live our lives in pretty much the same manner."

"As an adult you're constantly faced with challenges in life, just like these kids face challenges on the football field," he added. "In the process of teaching your players how to work together to meet goals, you teach them that you have to learn from your mistakes and that hard work has its rewards."

Sometimes those rewards aren't really recognized until much later in life, however.

"I think we all of us, as we get older, realize that we learned a lot of things playing sports that continue to make us better people," Sands coach Billy Barnett agreed. "Life isn't easy

and we're constantly faced with challenges that are a lot more difficult to deal with than stepping onto a football field against the best of teams.

"But we all have to face life's challenges the same way our coaches taught us to play sports," he added. "You have to take your successes in stride, accept disappointments as they come and go on from there."

Barnett says he tries to instill in his players the same things he's learned from the game.

"You make your own breaks, both on the football field and in life," he explained. "The key to that is trying to make sure that you're a better person today than you were yesterday, and do things that are going to make you a better person tomorrow than you were today."

"That's exactly what we tell our kids in practice," he added. "That we want them to improve every day ... regardless of how well they've been playing. We all have to remember that we can always get better at whatever we're doing."

And it is a coach's job, Barnett

says, to motivate young people to stay with their programs and learn those lessons athletic programs provide.

Barnett says he believes one of the best coaches he's ever met is his Grady rival Roger Smith.

"Believe me, Roger gets more out of kids than any coach I've ever seen," Barnett explained. "He's able to motivate his players like all of us wish we could."

While Smith downplays Barnett's compliments, but makes it clear motivating his players is the core of his program.

"Football is a lot more than Xs and Os ... heck, anybody can draw Xs and Os on a chalkboard and have kids run them," Smith said. "The important thing is being able to make your individual coaching philosophy work for you."

"Most of the time we're not going to match up with other people's physical talent," he added. "That means we have to teach our kids to out-think the opposition. On top of that, we've got to convince our kids that

they can succeed against people that everyone says is better than they are."

That's where motivation becomes an important factor, Smith explained.

"I'm a strong believer in trying to convince a mouse that it's a lion," he noted. "If you can do that ... get a kid to believe he can succeed and do what you've taught him to do even though he's playing against somebody more talented than he is, you've taught him that he can do anything he puts his mind to."

"In the process," he continued, "you build character. And believe me, character has won a lot of football games over the years, especially here."

More importantly, however, Smith says the key to winning his players' hearts is making sure they have a healthy self respect.

"If you can teach a kid to have self respect, you've given him something that's going to make him a success in anything he tries to accomplish in the future."

Teammate killed in December automobile accident

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said Andrews always made practices fun.

"You never knew what he was going to do next," Newton wrote. "He usually started during our warm-ups and stretches by asking Coach Hudgins what he had eaten for supper the night before. Then he and Coach would make wise cracks at each other and make us all laugh."

But he never stopped there," Newton added. "You could always count on Adam to be the one squirting a JV player or someone else with the water. Or sometimes, Coach would look for Adam to put in someone's place. He (Adam) would be off flirting with one of the football managers and Coach would give him a hard time and he'd get embarrassed. No matter what No. 79 was doing, he always made practice a little more fun than it would

have been."

It was Andrews's jovial nature that was also on the mind of teammate Matt Mims, as he remembered an experience that had nothing to do with football.

"Last year, the TSA group made it to the state competition," Mims wrote. "Adam and I were competing in the bridge building contest. At our table, there were three groups. Being a friendly guy, Adam distracted the other groups from finishing on time, while I built the bridge with plenty of time left over."

But perhaps the best sentiment expressed in the compilation was that offered by Buffs guard and linebacker Jarred Drummond.

"Having lived in Forsan for a short while, I didn't know Adam too well."

Drummond shared. "Still, I played football with him, cut up with him and cried with him. I guess what I'm saying is that I only knew Adam long enough for him to make a lasting impression in my memory and in my heart."

"No matter how long people knew Adam, they had no choice but to love him. His personality, style and sense of humor were a treasure to all his acquaintances."

"The first question I asked myself was, 'Why, God? Why him?' How could a person with so much to give to the world be taken at such a young age?"

"I loved Adam. There is no question about that. I can only imagine the pain of the people who grew up with him. My only regret is that Adam passed away without knowing how much he meant to

each and every person he knew. His power to evoke a chuckle or grin from someone having a bad day still amazes me to this day."

Later in his writing, Drummond answered his earlier question.

"I guess God just needed a defensive tackle in Heaven," he mused before ending on a much more serious note.

"Our lives were put at a crossroad with Adam's passing," Drummond wrote. "We can either go down a road of remorse, or discontent, or we can use what Adam taught us and live life to its fullest and help teach others. I think that is what Adam would have wanted."

While No. 79 won't be on the field with the Buffs this season, he clearly will be in their hearts.

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Borden County's seniors ready to make their mark

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

GAIL — A year ago, virtually everyone interested in six-man football had Borden County's Coyotes picked as the state's No. 1 team.

The Coyotes, after all, were defending state champions and were loaded with returning all-state players as they moved into then newly-formed District 6.

While Borden County suffered an upset at the hands of Sands' Mustangs and entered the 1998 playoffs as the District 6 runner-up, they went through the postseason like a dose of salts until making their second straight state championship game.

It was not until the Coyotes ran into Trinidad and Damien Jackson, the state's six-man player of the year, that their bid for a second straight title was derailed.

And with graduation stripping the Coyotes of two-time all-state quarterback Colt McCook; two-time all-state running back and linebacker Fernando Baeza; all-state center and defensive end Ryan Grant; and end Colt Miller, conventional wisdom says Borden County won't be the power it was last season.

Indeed, the Coyotes are not the No. 1-ranked team in the state and are even listed as a likely runner-up to Sands in the District 6 chase.

They are, however, ranked as the state's No. 8 team in *Texas Football Magazine's* preseason six-man Top 10, and coach Bobby Avery isn't about to argue with that assessment.

"You don't even pretend to replace a Colt McCook and a Fernando Baeza ... or Ryan Grant and Colt Miller, either," Avery explained. "Those were all-state players."

"But in the last two years, we've played the equivalent of three seasons by getting to play 15 games each season," he added. "You couple that with



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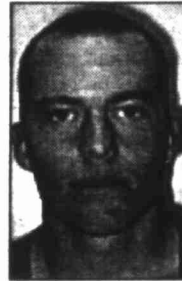
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the fact that one of the strengths we have the last couple of years was our depth, and we're going to be all right."

What's more, the Coyotes aren't out of returning all-staters. Running back and kick return artist Ed Rodriguez brings two-time all-state credentials to his senior season.

The 5-foot-7, 135-pound speedster gained 854 yards and scored 18 touchdowns last season, even though Fernando Baeza and McCook were featured in the Coyote offense.

Rodriguez also led the Coyotes in tackles with 127.

Pinkerton, a talented all-around athlete, figures to move his 6-foot-2, 175 pound frame from end into the Borden County offensive backfield, but will remain a cornerback in the defensive backfield.

In addition, the Coyotes have two other players with experience as starters.

Senior Joseph Hardman would have been a defensive starter at linebacker in 1998, but broke his leg early and was lost for the season.

Another player who went down with an injury last season

was center Ramon Griffin. The 5-foot-10, 160-pounder will return to the starting center's post and figures to double as a defensive end.

"Those injuries hurt us last year," Avery said, adding that he's extremely pleased to have the services of Hardman and Griffin back. "Injuries robbed us of some of our depth last year, and that really crippled us as far as spelling people. It wouldn't have made any difference in the state championship game, but it's important that we have Ramon and Joseph back."

"Let me tell you, when you can build a club around those four kids, there's a good nucleus for a six-man football team."

Rounding out the Coyotes' offensive unit will be Robert Stamper, a 6-0, 140-pound senior who figures to split time at quarterback with Pinkerton, and seniors Nick Flanigan and John Harding, both of whom will spend time at end.

In fact, Pinkerton will not only see action at quarterback and running back, but will also sometimes be moved to his old end's position.

"Kevin is that kind of athlete

Borden County Coyotes

District : 6 Six-man
Colors: Blue and Red

1998 RECORD: 13-2 state finalist

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1998

HEAD COACH: Bobby Avery (Texas Tech);

overall record: 99-55-4; at Borden County: 69-23-3.

ASSISTANTS: Trey Richey (McMurry).

RETURNING STARTERS: 2 Offensive, 2 Defensive

Offense:

Kevin Pinkerton, E, 6-2, 165, Sr.
Ed Rodriguez, RB, 5-7, 135, Sr.

Defense:

Kevin Pinkerton, CB, 6-2, 165, Sr.
Ed Rodriguez, DE, 5-7, 135, Sr.

Top Newcomers: Joseph Hardman, LB, 6-0, 155, Sr.; Ramon Griffin, C, 5-10, 160, Sr.; Robert Stamper, QB, 6-0, 140, Sr.



AVERY

... can do so many different things for you, that what we'll have him doing will depend a great deal on what our opponent is doing," Avery explained.

The important this is going to be making sure we get the absolute most out of our personnel.

Defensively, look for Rodriguez and Griffin to hold down the ends' spots, Hardman to play linebacker, Pinkerton to join sophomore Dale Grant at cornerback and Stamper to play safety.

The Coyotes will also have depth available from juniors Tom Griffin and Lee Pepper.

"One of the things that's going to make this a good team is that a lot of these kids didn't start last year or the year before, but we were so dominant in a lot of the games that they got plenty of playing time," Avery noted.

"As a matter of fact, these kids have kind of been waiting their turn," he added. "They've been forced to sit in the shadows of the past two senior class-

es battling for playing time. But now, they know that it's their time. They're going to make the most of it."

It should be noted that despite ranking the Coyotes at No. 8 and District 6 rival Sands at No. 3, *Texas Football's* editors admit it's too early to say Borden County won't find its way back into the state championship game for a third consecutive year.

All that said, however, Avery says he'd have to agree with most of the experts.

"Sands was strong last year and they got better every game they played," Avery explained. "They went undefeated in our district and didn't lose anybody to graduation."

"Sure, we'll be competitive ... probably a lot better than a lot of people would like us to be," he added, "but you have to make Sands the favorite. Injuries and a break here or two could change that, but the same thing could happen to every other team in the district."

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Wildcats head into season short of experienced help

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

LENORAH — It's called "the numbers game" and it's something all too familiar for Roger Smith and his Grady Wildcats as they head into the 1999 football season.

"It's the same old numbers game," explained Smith as he looked forward to the Wildcats' season opener Sept. 3 at Midland Trinity, "we just don't have the same kind of numbers everyone else has."

Although the Wildcats come off a 6-4 season in 1998, on in which they fell just one win short of qualifying for the playoffs, Smith says too many of the teams Grady will face in District 6 have too many players on their rosters, and too many of them superior athletes for his squad to face.

At least that's the way it seems on paper.

Football games are not played on paper, however. They're played on the field where strange things can happen.

And one of the "strange" things that seem to happen with regularity in the northern part of Martin County is Grady somehow finding a way to be a contender in District 6 six-man play.



GARZA



HINOJOSA



SCHUELKE



J. TUNNELL



TATE



B. PETTY



L. PETTY



HARRIS

"Most of the time we're not going to match up with other people's talent and that's probably going to be the case this year," Smith explained. "Sands, Borden County and Ira are all loaded with good, strong senior classes."

"That means we have to be able to out-think or at least out-trick them," the Wildcat boss added. "Of course, one of the things we've had some success doing here has been motivating these kids to do things they're

not supposed to be able to do.

"I'm a strong believer that if you can convince a mouse that he's a lion, he's capable of winning," he added. "In fact, when you can do that, anything's possible. We're going to need some of that this season."

It should be noted, of course, that Smith is well known in coaching circles for down playing his team's talent, while making his opponent look for all the world to be invincible.

To some extent that appears to

Grady Wildcats



SMITH

District: 6 Six-Man
Colors: Black and White

1998 RECORD: 6-4
LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1997
HEAD COACH: Roger Smith (Abilene Christian);
overall record: 78-351; at Grady: 48-24.
ASSISTANTS: Carl Krug

RETURNING STARTERS: 3 Offensive, 3 Defensive

Offense:
Jed Hinojosa, C, 6-1, 185, Sr.
Frankie Garza, FB, 5-9, 165, Sr.
Clint Schuelke, QB, 5-8, 140, Jr.

Defense:
Frankie Garza, CB, 5-9, 165, Sr.
Chris Harris, LB, 6-2, 150, Jr.
Cooper Tate, CB, 5-9, 135, Jr.

be the case this time around, as well.

With three offensive and three defensive starters returning from 1998, the Wildcat cupboard is anything but bare.

Grady may, in fact, be short of solid depth, but with the likes of tailback Frankie Garza, fullback Jed Hinojosa and quarterback Clint Schuelke returning,

the Wildcats are not without weapons.

The deceptively quick Garza, a 5-foot-10, 175-pound senior, gained 668 yards last season, despite missing two games with a knee injury and nursing soreness in the leg for the remainder of the season.

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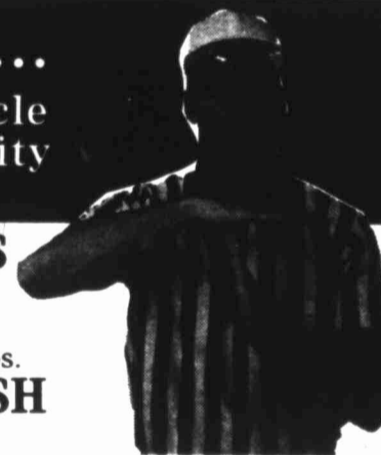
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Sands opens season No. 3 in preseason six-man poll

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

ACKERLY — At this time a year ago, Sands head football coach Billy Barnett looked at his roster, and seeing not a single senior, knew the Mustangs' would be a work in progress in 1998.

With that eye on the future, the Mustangs promptly lost their first five games of the season, but rebounded to go undefeated in District 5 six-man action, including a monumental upset of then No. 1-ranked and defending state champion Borden County.

With the District 6 championship to their credit, the Mustangs opened the playoffs with a 38-22 win over Meadow before seeing their season come to an end with a wild 74-46 loss to Balmorhea.

Clearly, the success the Mustangs enjoyed was simply gravy, because Barnett knew the real prize lay in having every player from that team available this season.

"We said when the season started last year that we knew we were going to take some lumps because we were so young and inexperienced," Barnett notes.

"At the same time, we knew there was a possibility that we could be a pretty good football team," he added. "Upsetting Borden County turned it around for us. We never were as good a team as I thought we were capable of being, but we did keep getting better."

Now the 1999 season is at hand and there's little question in anyone's mind the Mustangs are primed to be one of the state's six-man powers.

Sands returns an astounding 15 lettermen in addition to its 1998 starting lineup intact. And with at least a pair of talented newcomers to add to the mix, the Mustangs are nothing short of loaded.

The seasoned offensive unit



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D. FLOYD

will be generated by senior quarterback Coby Floyd, a 6-foot-2, 175-pounder who's prepared to start his third season at that position, after having passed for 1,200 yards a year ago.

Joining Floyd in the starting backfield will be running backs Marcus DeLeon, Cesar Martinez and J.R. Martinez.

DeLeon, a 5-foot-8, 145-pound senior, leads the way after having gained 1,020 yards in a backfield that featured four running backs that gained 750 yards or more each.

Barnett says that backfield will be even more diverse this season with the addition of sophomore Dusty Floyd and freshman Keith Webb available to spell DeLeon and the Martinezes, both juniors.

"If we have a real concern offensively, it's a lack of depth in the line," Barnett explained. "We don't have a lot of backups for our center and our ends."

As a result, the Mustangs need to avoid injuries to center Lee Casas, a 6-foot, 230-pound junior, and to ends Cal Zant, Diego Porras and Bryan Castro.

Zant, a 6-foot, 175-pound

senior, and Porras, a 5-8, 145-pound senior, are returning starters, while Castro, a 5-foot-9, 180-pound junior, will be a newcomer to the Mustang varsity.

Defensively, Coby Floyd, Casas, Zant, Castro and Porras will all spend time playing end, while DeLeon will play linebacker and the Martinezes will share cornerback duties with junior Hale Looney.

In addition, senior Eric Wington and Dusty Floyd will both see action at safety.

The ability to have so many players available for defensive duty will seem like a luxury for Barnett.

"That's going to be the biggest difference in this team and last year's," the Mustangs' coach noted. "We've got depth we could only dream about last year. We've got some flexibility."

"Last year we played eight kids offensively, but just six on defense in all 12 games," Barnett added. "And when Cesar went down with that knee sprain last year, we didn't have any options ... didn't have anybody we could really call on."

With excellent depth, Barnett

Sands Mustangs



BARNETT

District: 6 Six-Man
Colors: Brown and White

1998 RECORD: 6-6

LAST PLAYOFF APPEARANCE: 1998

HEAD COACH: Billy Barnett (Angelo State);

overall record: 116-25; at Sands: 42-18.

ASSISTANTS: Felipe Castro (Angelo State), Harold Scott (Abilene Christian).

RETURNING STARTERS: 6 Offensive, 6 Defensive

Offense:

Coby Floyd, QB, 6-2, 175, Sr.
Lee Casas, C, 6-0, 230, Jr.
Cal Zant, E, 6-0, 175, Sr.
Diego Porras, E, 5-8, 145, Sr.
Marcus DeLeon, RB, 5-8, 145, Sr.
Cesar Martinez, RB, 5-8, 155, Jr.
Junior Martinez, RB, 5-8, 170, Jr.

Defense:

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Lee Casas, DE, 6-0, 230, Jr.
Cal Zant, DE, 6-0, 175, Sr.
Diego Porras, DE, 5-8, 145, Sr.
Marcus DeLeon, LB, 5-8, 145, Sr.
Cesar Martinez, LB, 5-8, 155, Jr.
Junior Martinez, LB, 5-8, 170, Jr.

Top Newcomers: Dusty Floyd, RB/S, 6-1, 190, Soph.; Dryan Castro, E, 5-9, 180, Jr.

said the Mustangs will play a much different defense than they did a year ago.

"It's nothing the kids don't already know," he explained. "It's just doing some things we couldn't do last year with limited personnel."

And when one considers the only year in this decade that the Mustangs failed to make the playoffs was 1996 — a season in which several of this year's senior had to be pressed into duty as replacements for injured starters — there's not reason to think Sands will not only make a return to postseason play, but go deep into the playoffs.

That's the way *Texas Football Magazine* sees it, listing the Mustangs as the No. 3-ranked six-man team in its preseason Top 10 rankings.

While Barnett acknowledges the magazine's ranking as a honor, he's quick to remind this team that being so highly ranked makes you a target for every team you play.

And in District 6, Barnett adds, nobody needs to give the opposition additional motivation.

"This is an extremely strong district ... tougher than nails," he noted. "That's why we're stressing to our kids that we've got to be ready to play our absolute best football from the very start of every game this year."

"We feel like that was one of our biggest weaknesses last year," Barnett added. "We allowed just six points or less in the second half of every district

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game last year, but this year, we've got to be ready to play that kind of defense for an entire game. You can afford a bad quarter and expect to win in six-man football ... that's just the nature of the game.

"If we recognize that people are going to be gunning for us and use that knowledge to make sure we're prepared to play our very best football all the time, we'll be all right," he continued. "If not, it's going to be a nightmare."

The real key, Barnett added, will be recognizing that the Mustangs can't afford to rest on their laurels.

"My main goal is for us to improve every day," Barnett said, refusing to say his goal would be for the Mustangs to take a state title.

"I can't say something like that without it sounding egotistical," he added. "But I will say that I believe the sky is the limit for this bunch."

"It takes a lot of luck to win a championship, but I'm also a firm believer that you make your luck to some extent. You create breaks and it's up to you to capitalize on them."

District 6 outlook:

Mustangs get the nod in powerful six-man league

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

If there's a tougher six-man football league in Texas than District 6, there's a pretty good bet that none of its teams want to be there.

That could almost be said for District 6's head coaches ... almost.

To a man, the coaches at Borden County, Grady and

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With the knee rehabilitated, look for Garza to return to the form he showed as a sophomore when he piled up more than 2,000 yards and led the Wildcats to an 8-3 record.

Garza has already begun to display his talents, running for two touchdowns and throwing for two more during the Wildcats 4-2 scrimmage win over Meadow last week.

Hinojosa, another senior, was moved from the fullback's position he filled as a sophomore to

Sands saw they're virtually certain that at least one, and probably two good teams from District 6 will be sitting home when the state playoffs arrive in mid-November.

But you won't get Borden County's Bobby Avery, Grady's Roger Smith or Sands' Billy Barnett to spend much time lamenting the challenge that faces this this season.

"I don't think there's much

question that there are four teams in this district that would make the playoffs if we weren't all in the same district," Barnett said when asked to pick a District 6 favorite. "Unfortunately, only two of us are going to get there and that means you can't afford to have a bad night. If you do, you'd better not have another one or you're going to stay home."

Avery would agree, especially

after having seen his Coyotes — the defending state champions in 1998 — suffer an upset at the hands of Barnett's Mustangs last season and enter the playoffs as the District 6 runners-up. That didn't really derail the Coyotes, though.

Instead, Borden County regrouped and made it to the six-man championship game for

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center a year ago. This season, however, Smith has moved the 6-foot-1, 200-pounder back to fullback and that promises to give the Wildcats an even more powerful running game.

Additionally, the Wildcats third returning offensive starter is quarterback Clint Schuelke, who threw for 525 yards as a sophomore last year, and now figures to be an even more productive threat as an experienced veteran.

Rounding out Grady's starting offensive unit will be junior center Josh Tunnell and ends

Cooper Tate, another junior, and sophomore Brian Petty. Tate saw action as a defensive starter last season and will see double duty this season.

He figures to be a favorite target for both Schuelke and Garza when they throw the ball.

With all of the returning talent centered in the Wildcat backfield, not be surprised to see Grady emphasize its running game this season.

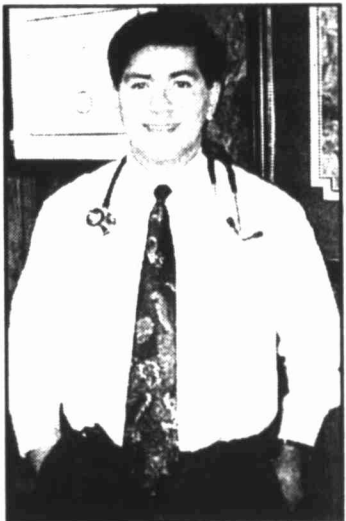
"You'll see us run the ball a little more than we have been in the past," Smith admits. "As a matter of fact, we're going to try

to run the football a lot. If we have a strength, it's our running game. We'd be crazy not to make the most of it."

The Wildcats' returning defensive starters include Garza and Tate at cornerback and 6-foot-2, 160-pound Chris Harris at linebacker.

Garza and Tate will return to their cornerback spots, and Harris, will move to safety.

Hinojosa and Tunnell will hold down the defensive ends' posts, while senior Lee Petty will move into the linebacker's spot Harris held last season.



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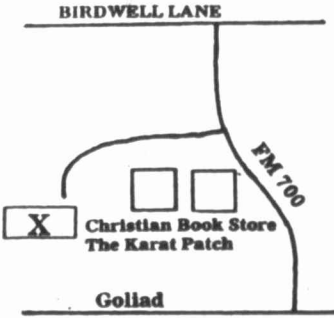
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Midland Lee, Stephenville, Sealy, Pewitt, Wheeler start on top

DALLAS (AP) — A state championship can do wonders for a team's rankings.

Midland Lee, Stephenville and Omaha Paul Pewitt, all afterthoughts in last year's final regular-season Associated Press high school football poll, followed their 1998 championships with preseason No. 1 rankings in the poll released Sunday.

Sealy, which is vying for its fifth state title of the decade in Class 3A, and 1A Wheeler were also given No. 1 status in the statewide poll of writers and broadcasters.

Midland Lee, which beat SA MacArthur 54-0 in last year's Class 5A Division II title game, topped the state's largest class after ending last year's regular season ranked eighth.

Duncanville, which won the Division I crown, is second, followed by three perennial powers: Converse Judson, Lewisville and Austin Westlake.

Lee is expected to have one of the best offensive backfields in the state as it returns quarterback Jon Rogers and running backs Cedric Benson and fullback Clint McNutt. That trio combined for more than 5,000 yards last year, with Benson rushing for 29 touchdowns, including five in the title game.

"The excitement that the championship brought to this program has been evident all the way down to the seventh grade," Lee coach John Edd Parchman said of his team's 15-1 season. "It's been a shot in the

arm, but thinking about being No. 1 again is too far away for us to even compute right now."

In 4A, Stephenville was given the nod over La Marque, which will be trying to reach its sixth consecutive state championship game. La Marque lost to the Stephenville in the Division II final last season.

One of the tightest balloting races in any class was for the No. 3 spot. Jacksonville took it by one vote over Texas City, which was one vote ahead of defending Division I champ Grapevine.

Stephenville returns four offensive and six defensive starters from last year's 15-1 squad. Leading the way will be running back Zac Hunter, who rushed for 1,734 yards on 167

carries, an average of 9.6 yards per carry.

Coach Art Briles said his team embraces the recognition surrounding its 1998 championship, including this year's top ranking.

"I think it's an indication of the stability our program's had throughout the 90s," said Briles, who also guided Stephenville to titles in 1993-94. "This team's motivation is to make sure that tradition continues."

A similar tradition of recent dominance is alive and well at Sealy, despite its run of four straight state championships ending last season. T.J. Mills' team held off Cuero in the poll's closest first-place race.

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The 1999 preseason Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and last season's final record. Voting done by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

Team	Rec.
Class 5A	
1. Midland Lee (12)	15-1
2. Duncanville (1)	12-3
3. Converse Judson (2)	14-1
4. Lewisville (1)	8-3
5. Austin Westlake	10-3
6. Copperas Cove (3)	14-1
7. South Grand Prairie	8-3
8. Aldine Eisenhower	10-4
9. Katy	12-3
10. SA MacArthur (1)	11-5
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Class 4A	
1. Stephenville (15)	15-1
2. LaMarque (3)	13-1
3. Jacksonville (1)	8-4
4. Texas City (1)	5-5
5. Grapevine	11-4
6. Greenville	11-2
7. New Braunfels Canyon	10-4
8. Brownwood	10-2
9. Bay City	13-2
10. Plainview	11-3
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Class 3A	
1. Sealy (11)	7-3
2. Cuero (2)	11-4
3. Aledo (3)	13-1
4. Royse City (4)	12-2
5. Monahans	7-7
6. Brecknridge	12-1
7. Atlanta	9-3
8. Manor	9-5
9. Cleveland	9-2
10. Iowa Park	9-4
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Class 2A	
1. Omaha Paul Pewitt (13)	12-3
2. Mart (2)	13-1
3. Elysian Fields (2)	12-4
4. Celina (3)	14-2
5. Iraan	11-1
6. Brookshire-Royal	12-2
7. Grand Saline	11-2
8. Refugio	10-2
9. Boyd	11-2
10. Alto	9-2
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Class 1A	
1. Wheeler (12)	12-3
2. Bartlett (4)	12-2
3. Aspermont	14-1
4. Detroit (2)	11-2
5. Dawson	9-3
6. Tenaha (2)	16-0
7. Baird	8-4
8. Iola	5-9
9. Paducah	9-4
10. Sudan	9-3

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a second straight year.

That's where the wheels fell off, as the Coyotes ran into Trinidad's Trojans and Damien Jackson, the state's six-man player of the year.

But that was last year and the Coyotes are no longer considered the district's team to beat.

That bulls eye rests clearly on the shoulders on Barnett and his Mustangs.

Ranked No. 3 in the *Texas Football Magazine* preseason Top 10, the Mustangs return all six starters on offense and defense from a team that went 6-6 in 1998 and reached the regional finals before suffering a 74-46 defeat at the hands of Balmorhea.

But rankings don't mean a thing to Barnett.

"You don't win championships on paper," he explains. "People see us with everybody coming back and immediately have us ranked highly. All that does is pump up every team we have to play.

"Believe me, we don't need that," he added. "This district is

tough as nails. Everybody looks at Borden County and sees the kids they lost to graduation last year, but they forget that they've got a lot of talented kids coming back. What's more, they've played 15 games each of the last two seasons. That's like giving their seniors and extra year of experience."

In addition, Barnett says nobody in the district can overlook Ira and Grady.

"Ira has come a million miles ... their seniors have been starting since they were freshmen," he explained. "They started having some success last year at the tail end of the football season and they really put it all together during basketball. They had a great baseball season, too. Believe me, success breeds success. They're going to be a factor this year."

And while Grady lost heavily to graduation in 1998, the Wildcats return quality starters in senior running backs Frankie Garza and Jed Hinojosa and junior quarterback Clint Schuelke.

But the Wildcats have an edge, according to Barnett, in

their coach.

"I think Roger Smith is the best six-man football coach in the state," Barnett explained. "He may not have as many talented athletes as some of the people he plays, but he gets more out of the kids he has than anybody I know."

While Barnett refuses to rank his Mustangs, listing Borden County as the District 6 favorite with Ira and Grady following in succession, both Smith and Avery give the nod to Sands.

"It took a while for those kids at Sands to really believe in themselves last year, but when they knocked off Borden County, they became an entirely different team," Smith noted. "They (Mustangs) are loaded for bear," he added. "And if they get better every week like they did last year, there's no telling what they'll accomplish."

"The thing about this district, though, is that if somebody stumbles, there's somebody right there to take advantage of it," Smith continued. "Borden County is loaded with athletes, Colt McCook, Fernando Baeza and Ryan Grant are gone, but

they've got plenty of talent with kids like Kevin Pinkerton and Ed Rodriguez to put on the field.

"And as far as Ira is concerned ... they've spent the last two or three years getting kicked around, Toby Goodwin came in last year and began turning things around. They're going to be good."

The Bulldogs haven't had a winning season since 1991, but with five starters returning on both offense and defense, it looks like last year's 4-6 mark will soon be a distant memory.

Ira will have two of the loop's top athletes in running back and linebacker Jerek Brown (6-0, 190) and towering end Logan Davies (6-8, 215).

In addition, the Bulldogs expect to get strong play from running back Joe Juarez, center Jensen Gainer, quarterback Nathan Smith, end Terry Jamison and back Bryce Wilkins.

Westbrook's Wildcats and Hermligh's Cardinals round out the pack and figure to decide who'll occupy the district's cellar once the season has come to an end.



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Aggies ready to lead South's rise in Big 12 ranks

DALLAS (AP) — Texas A&M may finally give the old Southwest Conference braggin' rights in the Big 12.

Although the Aggies and Texas Longhorns have won two of their new league's three championships, they've done it by upsetting Nebraska and Kansas State in one December game. From August to November and again in January, the former Big Eight schools have led the pack.

That could be changed this year by an A&M squad with a solid offense, a powerful defense and the confidence to take on any program in the country.

"If we come up with a solid passing game," quarterback Randy McCown said, "the sky is the limit."

The No. 7 Aggies return eight players on each side of the ball from a team that went 11-3 and lost to only Florida State, Texas (on the day Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Williams broke Tony Dorsett's NCAA rushing record) and Ohio State in the Sugar Bowl.

Now, folks around College Station believe they can return to the Sugar Bowl — only this time it would be to play for the national championship.

"That should be everyone's ultimate goal," linebacker Cornelius Anthony said. "But we must take care of the little things first."

Coach R.C. Slocum's biggest challenge is replacing Lombardi Award-winning

linebacker Dat Nguyen, the school's all-time leading tackler.

While several guys will share his duties on the field, McCown already has taken over as the team's leader by organizing summer practices and running them as Slocum would.

"He seems to have an air of confidence knowing he's the guy," Slocum said. "His spring practice was a notch above. He's making plays and looking poised."

If A&M passes major tests on Nov. 6 in Nebraska and the day after Thanksgiving at home against Texas, the Aggies could finish the season as the highest-ranked Big 12 team. The last South division school to do that was A&M in 1992.

The challenge for No. 17 Texas is getting quarterback Major Applewhite to play as well as a sophomore as he did as a freshman, only this time without Williams softening defenses.

Should Applewhite slip, second-year coach Mack Brown could turn to freshman Chris Simms, the son of former New York Giants star Phil Simms.

"Ricky took so much pressure off everyone else," said Applewhite, who passed for 2,453 yards and 18 touchdowns with 11 interceptions and was named Big 12 freshman of the year.

Speaking of Ricky Williams, don't be surprised if he is once again the conference's best offensive player. Only this

time, the award will have to be mailed to Lubbock instead of Austin.

The Red Raiders running back with the same name as the former Longhorn had 1,582 yards as a sophomore last season. Although he's smaller than the other Williams, he's just as durable and nearly as difficult to tackle.

"I admire him for a lot of the things he did," the Tech star said of the Texas-ex. "He helped me make a name for myself."

In the North, the winner will be the team that best bounces from turmoil — No. 6 Nebraska, No. 20 Kansas State or No. 15 Colorado.

The Cornhuskers went 9-4 last year, horrible by their standards. Nebraska hadn't had four losses since 1968, giving coach Frank Solich one more defeat in his first season than predecessor Tom Osborne had in his final five.

Solich believes his rookie record was a fluke, not the beginning of a trend. The health and success of quarterback Bobby Newcombe could determine that, as will a Nov. 13 home game against Kansas State.

"We're going to show everyone in the country that we're still the same Nebraska team," said senior defensive back Mike Brown.

The Wildcats ended a 29-year losing streak to the Cornhuskers last season and broke Nebraska's two-year grip on the North title.

Kansas State was within minutes of playing for the national title, but lost to A&M in double overtime of the Big 12 championship, got frozen out of the major bowls and lost to unranked Purdue in the Alamo Bowl.

The Wildcats will be strong again, but things won't be the same without Michael Bishop at quarterback. He's one of eight offensive starters coach Bill Snyder must replace.

"I have faith in the youngsters we have," Snyder said.

Injuries and a running game that was 88th in the country sunk Colorado to 4-4 in league play last year. Then, late in the recruiting season, coach Rick Neuheisel bolted for Washington.

The Buffaloes answered by luring former assistant Gary Barnett back from Northwestern. Hopes are high that Barnett, a master motivator, will fulfill the high expectations Neuheisel set but seldom met.

"We must be as good and as physical as any team in the conference," Barnett said. "I want us to have that confidence. I don't think we quite see ourselves that way yet."

Barnett is among three new coaches in the league, but the only one with head coaching experience. However, like Barnett, Oklahoma's Bob Stoops and Baylor's Kevin Steele also have strong Big 12 ties.

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Sealy returns 15 starters from a team that went 7-3 last year. As per custom, the Tigers likely will be carried by their defense, which will be anchored by a trio of all-district performers — linebackers Derek Curry and Neal Diemer and defensive end Wesley Martinez.

Aledo, which won the 3A Division I crown last year, took the third spot in the preseason rankings. Royse City and Monahans, which reached the Division I semifinals, round out the top five.

Defending Division II champion Newton fell just short of 10th place, making the Eagles the only unranked defending state champion.

Omaha Paul Pewitt's move from 3A to 2A was a successful one last year as the Brahmas went 12-3 en route to a Division

I title. Pewitt, which beat Mart for the No. 1 position, returns eight starters on both sides of the ball.

All-state performers Kenny Boyd and Jimmy Wilkerson should lead Pewitt on offense and defense. Boyd plays both tailback and defensive back, while Wilkerson starts at quarterback.

The voters picked Elysian Fields, defending Division II champion Celina and Iraan as the closest competitors to Pewitt and Mart.

In 1A, Wheeler is the favorite to win the state title after falling in the championship game the last two years.

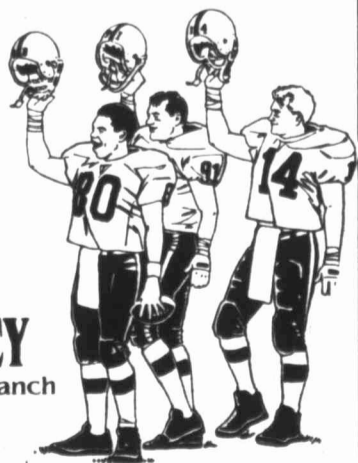
All-state offensive lineman Ben Dollar looks to clear holes for the Mustangs' outstanding running back tandem of Casey Childress and Caleb Finsterwald. The two workhorses combined for over 2,600 rushing yards in 1998.

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Minus Reagor, Raiders need more consistent offense

LUBBOCK (AP) — When Ricky Williams couldn't find a hole and Rob Peters couldn't find a receiver in the fourth quarter last season, it was often defensive lineman Montae Reagor who bailed out Texas Tech.

Reagor, the Red Raiders' all-time sack leader, led a fumble-forcing, swarming defense that ranked eighth nationally in total defense. Minus Reagor, now with the Denver Broncos, and four other defensive starters, the Tech offense will have to carry its own weight in 1999.

"There were at least a few games the defense won for us and they put us in position to win every game," coach Spike Dykes said. "This year we'll have to give ourselves more room in the fourth quarter."

There are reasons for cautious optimism, chief among them an experienced quarterback and one of the nation's best running backs.

Peters returns at quarterback after sitting out half of 1998 with a sprained shoulder and missing spring workouts because of thumb surgery.

Peters, who threw for 1,269 yards and nine touchdowns last year, said the Raiders have picked up their offense.

"We're looking to speed things up a little and have better transition between our running game and our passing game," he said. "We're running at some different angles and looking at more short-yardage plays. I feel great and can't wait to get out there for our first game."

Peters' first — and best — option will be handing off to Williams, who carried 306 times for 1,582 yards and 13 touchdowns as a sophomore. The 5-foot-9 back bulked up from 175 to 190 pounds during the off-season.

"I know that I'm going to have to run a lot more this season," Williams said. "I'm ready to

Tech's Ricky Williams still runs in huge Heisman-sized shadow

LUBBOCK (AP) — It could be argued that Texas Tech's star back runs in one of the biggest shadows in college football history.

He was the nation's fourth-best rusher last year with an average of 143 yards a game, usually plenty to distinguish a running back — unless he happens to play in the same conference with a Heisman Trophy winner who is the most prolific Division I running back ever.

And, worse yet, who happens to have the same name.

"I was probably asked about Texas' Ricky Williams at least once per interview," Tech's Ricky Williams said. "And I know that some people still think I'm the guy with the dreadlocks."

He acknowledges the questions and comparisons have rankled him.

"I want to make the other Ricky have to share his name with me," he said. "It would be nice for him to be mistaken for me someday."

Now that his nemesis is in the NFL, there should be no more confusion. The Other Ricky Williams is poised to become the top back in Texas, and possibly the nation. He's even on track to challenge the rushing record Williams set last year.

Entering his junior season, Tech's Williams has 2,476 yards, 214 yards ahead of the Longhorns star at the same point in his career but a long, long way from the record 6,279 career yards. The Red Raider must average 173 yards per

handle the extra load."

Williams again will have a beefy line opening holes for him. Tech's offensive line



Courtesy photo
Texas Tech's Ricky Williams, shown here during the 1998 season, is looking to step out of the shadow cast by last year's Heisman Trophy winner.

game over his final two regular seasons to get there.

Talk of records doesn't seem to interest the Tech star.

"I'll let other people have high expectations about my career, but my expectation is to play my very best game every game," he said. "The rest should fall into place."

Tech coach Spike Dykes said this is a key year for his back.

"The jury is still out on our Ricky Williams," Dykes said. "If you look at the legendary

remains the nation's biggest, with eight players over 300 pounds. All-Big 12 guard Curtis Lowery (6-5, 327 pounds)

backs that have come out of Texas, his start is comparable to many of theirs and even more impressive than some. But it is just a start.

"He is a junior and these are the years when his legacy will be made or broken."

More than fame and Williams' Heisman hopes are on the line.

To a great extent, Texas Tech's success this season depends on his ability to emerge in his own right.

anchors the left side next to 357-pound tackle Jonathan Gray.

As for the passing game, Tech hopes receiver Derek Dorris

can replace the departed Donnie Hart, who caught 48 passes for 871 yards. Dorris, a junior, was second on the team with 28 catches for 395 yards.

On defense, Tech will look to junior tackle Kris Kocurek to lead an experienced squad that had eight seniors listed as starters after spring drills. Kocurek was third on the team in total tackles last year with 87.

Dykes has made it clear he hopes the team won't rely on the defense as much as last season.

"We don't want as many close games if we can avoid it," Dykes said.

Nail-biters were the norm in 1998. Four games were won by key defensive stands and forced fumbles.

Against Oklahoma State, Tech led 17-10 but was sputtering as the Cowboys drove toward a game-tying touchdown with 2:53 left. Reagor forced a fumble, and linebacker Dorian Pitts ran it back for a 53-yard score. Tech held on for a 24-17 victory.

Texas Tech, 7-5 overall and 4-4 in the Big 12 last year, will start 1999 on Sept. 6 at Arizona State. The two biggest games of the season are likely to be against Texas A&M Oct. 2 in Lubbock and against Texas Nov. 13 in Austin. Tech closes the regular season Nov. 20 at home against Oklahoma.

If the Red Raiders secure another bowl bid, Dykes hopes to avoid what has become an annual postseason collapse.

In the Independence Bowl last season, 10-point underdog Mississippi managed 355 yards of offense in a 35-18 victory.

The loss dropped Tech's record in bowl games to an unsavory 5-17-1.

"If we get there we have to win," Dykes said. "Bowl games are opportunities ... the victory is not in just getting there. Sometimes you can play like you're just happy to be there and our goal this year is to walk away in victory."



THE STARTING LINEUP

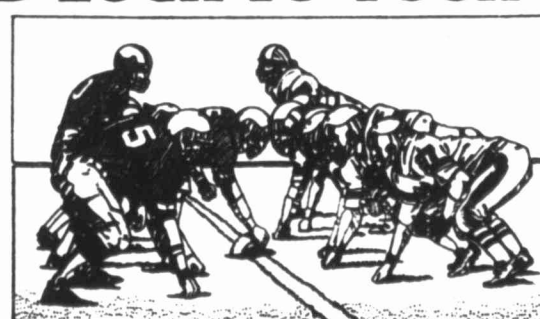
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Now Brown must impress without a Heisman winner

AUSTIN (AP) — What a first impression coach Mack Brown made at Texas. Now comes the encore.

In Brown's debut season, the Longhorns rebounded from 4-7 the year before to go 9-3 and win the Cotton Bowl for the first time since 1982. Along the way, Brown was smart enough to keep his freshman quarterback under control and, most importantly, "get the ball to Ricky Williams.

Texas officials were so impressed they decided to pay Brown \$1 million a year. The message was clear: It's great to win again. Keep it up.

After years of underachieving Texas teams, fans smell a powerhouse brewing. Texas officials report selling more than 43,500 season tickets, almost 4,000 more than the previous high.

"It's exciting to be a part of what is going on right now," said Brown, whose "come early, stay late, be loud, wear orange" mantra hasn't worn off.

"We're trying to build on that." But matching their 1998 effort will be a challenge for the Longhorns, who have a seasoned quarterback and improved defense but face life

after Williams. No more dreadlocks. No more Heisman Trophy campaign. No more 193.1 yards rushing per game.

"Last year is just a memory," said Brown. "A lot of things happened to the team, but that is history.

"There are a lot of similarities between the two starts. We still have a lot of unknowns. But we have a philosophy in place. The players know us and we know them."

To replace Williams, the leading rusher in Division I-A history, Brown has tabbed junior Hodges Mitchell as the starter and redshirt freshman Victor Ike as backup. There are no college starts between them.

Mitchell had 203 yards rushing in the last two seasons combined and only four carries for 9 yards in the spring game.

"The concern is that we don't have a guy who's ever started in a ball game," Brown said. "Mitchell has been here two years ... but we can't expect him to carry it as much as Ricky."

With Williams gone, the leadership role falls squarely upon quarterback Major Applewhite, last season's Big 12 freshman of the year. With defenses stacked to stop Williams, Applewhite passed for 2,453 yards and 18

touchdowns with 11 interceptions.

"Ricky took so much pressure off everyone else," Applewhite said.

Texas lost 67 percent of its offense with the departure of Williams and Wane McGarity, the first 1,000-yard receiver in school history. Kwane Cavil, the top returning receiver, had 51 catches for 775 yards in 1998.

"We feel like Kwame can be one of the best receivers in the country," Brown said.

The offensive line replaces four starters but should be solid when the season starts Aug. 28 against North Carolina State, Applewhite said. Guard Roger Roesler is the only returning starter.

"They were unsure of themselves, but by the end of spring you could see they were gaining their confidence," Applewhite said.

The defense will have to carry the Longhorns early, Brown said.

Texas returns eight starters from a unit that ranked ninth in the Big 12 and gave up 364.4 yards per game. The Longhorns also have help on the way in freshman linebacker Corey Redding, USA Today's high school defensive player of the



AP file photo

Bevo, the University of Texas mascot, pictured here during a football game in 1995, could see another very good Longhorns football season. But Texas will have to do it without the awesome talents of Heisman Trophy-winner Ricky Williams.

year. "We'll be much better on defense because we're more experienced and faster. We were slowly making progress last year, we were just trying to

survive," Brown said.

"The thing we do not have is the same supporting cast with an offense that kept the defense off the field."

Florida State, Tennessee top poll

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Florida State finds itself in a familiar position — No. 1 in The Associated Press preseason college football poll.

For the fifth time since 1988, coach Bobby Bowden's Seminoles enter the season as favorites to win the national championship. This year's title game is at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans on Jan. 4.

"It's tough enough to win a national championship, but to be preseason No. 1 makes it doubly tough," Bowden said. "We did it in '93, but never before or after."

Tennessee, the defending champs who knocked off Florida State in the Fiesta

Bowl to complete a 13-0 season, is right behind at No. 2 in the poll.

Florida State, which won its only national title in 1993, also was a preseason No. 1 in 1988, '91, '93 and '95. The Seminoles have not started a season ranked lower than fifth in the AP preseason poll since '88.

"I don't think I'm letting the cat out of the bag by saying winning a national title is our goal this year and every year," Bowden said. "Let's get it on!"

Penn State is third, and Arizona fourth, but that should change in a hurry after the teams meet in the Pigskin Classic on Aug. 28 in State

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After busy summer, Seminoles' Bowden ready to play

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Lou shows up in Columbia, John Robinson in Vegas and it's June Jones in Hawaii.

Ricky Williams leaves, Ricky Williams stays.

Peter Warrick and Ron Dayne thought about leaving, wound up staying and now they're Heisman Trophy hotshots.

Keith Jackson retires from ABC, Keith Jackson returns to ABC, but only in a regional sort of way.

And despite Auburn's best efforts to mess up a historic occasion, there will be a Bowden vs. Bowden matchup after all, giving college football its first father-son coaching showdown.

The final season of the century looks to be a mosaic of fascinating vignettes rather than one overriding theme. In the end, the same two teams that faced off in the Fiesta Bowl for the '98 national title could very well meet again for the '99 championship in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 4, 2000.

Florida State's Bobby Bowden could care less about the preliminaries. The 69-year-old coach is ready to go.

"Let's get it on," he says.

The Seminoles open the season with the No. 1 ranking,

while defending national champion Tennessee starts at No. 2. The Vols defeated the Seminoles 23-16 for their first national title since 1951.

Both teams are loaded again, with the Seminoles boasting Warrick, who would have been a top NFL draft pick but wanted another chance to go out a champion. Also returning is a healthy Chris Weinke, back from a late-season neck injury, as well as seven starters from the nation's top-rated defense.

Vols coach Phillip Fulmer, who now makes \$1 million a year after receiving a hefty raise, has 13 starters returning, including quarterback Tee Martin and a healthy Jamal Lewis, the talented tailback who missed much of last season with a knee injury.

"The last thing we said after the championship game was a prayer," Fulmer said. "It went 'Lord, let us stay hungry and humble.'"

On the day Lou Holtz arrived at South Carolina, more than 4,000 fans greeted the former Notre Dame coach at Williams-Brice Stadium. Lou-mania was under way for a team coming off a 1-10 season — its worst in 105 years of playing football.

"I know we'll win here," the 62-year-old Holtz said of a pro-

gram with just one bowl victory. "I just can't tell you when."

John Robinson resurfaces at UNLV two years after he was fired by Southern California. His mission, as well as June Jones' at Hawaii, is familiar — win.

It won't be easy for either former NFL coach. Hawaii has the nation's longest losing streak at 18 games; UNLV is right behind with 16 losses in a row.

Another former NFL coach, Dennis Erickson, takes over at Oregon State, which is looking for its first winning season since 1970. Erickson, fired by the Seattle Seahawks, succeeded in college before, leading Miami to national titles in 1989 and 1991.

In all, 20 Division I-A teams open the season with new coaches.

In Texas, the Longhorns are without Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Williams, but they do have an ace of a quarterback in Major Applewhite (psst ... he better be good because freshman whiz Chris Simms — Phil's son — is waiting in the wings). At Texas Tech, though, the other Ricky Williams is back for his senior season after running for 1,582 yards and 13 TDs.

"I was probably asked about

Texas' Ricky Williams at least once per interview," Tech's Williams said. "It would be nice for him to be mistaken for me someday."

Like Warrick, Wisconsin's Great Dayne passed on the pros and takes another crack at the Heisman. The 253-pound tailback needs 1,717 yards to become the major-college career rushing leader, breaking the record set last season by the Longhorns' Williams.

"He'd like to break that rushing record and if he wins the Heisman Trophy, that's great," Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez said. "But his first goal will be to win the football game."

When the Fiesta Bowl ended, Jackson said farewell to his TV audience, and the longtime voice of college football was set to ride off into retirement. He's back, calling Pac-10 games exclusively.

The battle of the Bowdens came about by chance. With Terry Bowden still at Auburn, the Tigers and Seminoles agreed to open the '99 season with father vs. son. Terry Bowden resigned under strange circumstances early last season, and Auburn bought its way out of the game for \$500,000.

Bobby Bowden's other coaching son, Tommy, led Tulane to

an 11-0 season and was hired by Clemson, immediately setting up Bobby vs. Tommy on Oct. 23. If Florida State comes into Death Valley undefeated, Bobby Bowden will be going for career win No. 300.

"I think the players will be hyped up more than my father and I," Tommy Bowden says. "I'll just have to deal with the old man."

Penn State coach Joe Paterno has another topnotch team as he begins his 34th season as coach. The defense features no less than four potential All-Americans — linebackers LaVar Arrington and Brandon Short, cornerback David Macklin and end Courtney Brown.

Notre Dame's Bob Davie returns knowing full well that four of his predecessors — Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine and Holtz — won national titles in their third season as coach.

The top three picks in the '99 NFL draft were quarterbacks — Tim Couch, Donovan McNabb and Akili Smith. Daunte Culpepper and Cade McNown also went in the first round.

Not to worry, there are plenty of stars ready to step in, starting with Drew Brees of Purdue's Boilermakers.

POLL

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College, Pa. The Seminoles open the season the same day against Louisiana Tech.

Florida State received 48 first-place votes and 1,720 points from the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel.

Tennessee had 15 first-place votes and 1,643 points, with No. 3 Penn State collecting four first-place votes and 1,582 points and No. 4 Arizona one first-place vote and 1,537 points.

Florida is No. 5 with one first-place vote and 1,361 points.

Rounding out the Top 10 is No. 6 Nebraska, No. 7 Texas A&M, No. 8 Michigan, No. 9 Ohio State and No. 10 Wisconsin.

Georgia Tech is No. 11, followed by No. 12 Miami, No. 13 Virginia Tech (one first-place vote), No. 14 Georgia, No. 15 Colorado, No. 16 UCLA, No. 17 Texas, No. 18 Notre Dame, No. 19 Southern California and Alabama and Kansas State are tied at No. 20.

Arkansas is No. 22, followed by No. 23 Purdue, No. 24 Virginia and No. 25 Arizona

State. The top five teams in the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll are identical to those in the AP poll.

Florida schools have been ranked No. 1 in the AP preseason poll seven times in the 1990s. Miami was No. 1 in 1990 and '92, and Florida was No. 1 in '94.

Four of the Top 10 teams are from the Big Ten Conference — Penn State, Michigan, Ohio State and Wisconsin. The Southeastern, Big Ten and Big 12 conferences each have five teams in the Top 25.

Teams that finished in last year's final Top 25 but did not make the '99 preseason poll are: Tulane (No. 7 in '98); Air Force (No. 13); Missouri (No. 21); and Syracuse (No. 25).


Since 1950, eight teams were ranked No. 1 in the preseason and went on to win the national title: Tennessee (1951); Michigan State (1952); Oklahoma (1956, 1974, 1975, 1985); Alabama (1978); and Florida State (1993).

No team has gone wire-to-wire ranked No. 1, but two teams — Nebraska in 1983 and Florida

State in 1993 — came close.

The '83 Cornhuskers went 12-0 before losing to Miami 31-30 in the Orange Bowl. The '93 Seminoles were No. 1 for most of the season, lost to Notre Dame but beat Nebraska in the Orange Bowl to claim the title.

The Bowl Championship Series, in its second season, will match the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the Sugar Bowl based on standings compiled from the AP media poll and USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, eight computer rankings, strength-of-schedule and won-loss record.



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NCAA FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

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Sep. 18 at Washngtn, 6:30 p.m.

AKRON
Sep. 4 at Penn St., Noon
Sep. 11 at Buffalo, 7 p.m.

ALABAMA
Sep. 4 at Vanderbilt, 12:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 Houston, 12:30 p.m.

ALABAMA ST.
Sep. 4 at Vanderbilt, 12:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 Houston, 12:30 p.m.

UAB
Sep. 4 at Missouri, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Va. Tech, 2 p.m.

ARIZONA
Aug. 28 at Penn St., 1 p.m.
Sep. 5 at TCU, 7:30 p.m.

ARIZONA ST.
Sep. 4 at UCLA, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 6 Washngtn, 9 p.m.

ARIZONA ST.
Sep. 6 Texas Tech, 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 New Mex. St., 10 p.m.

ARKANSAS
Sep. 4 at SMU, 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 NE La., 7 p.m.

ARKANSAS ST.
Sep. 4 at Illinois, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Mississippi, 7 p.m.

ARMY
Sep. 11 WkForest, Noon
Sep. 18 at Tulane, 6 p.m.

AUBURN
Sep. 4 Applchian, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 Idaho, 7 p.m.

BALL ST.
Sep. 4 at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Wisconsin, 2 p.m.

BAYLOR
Sep. 4 at Boston Col., Noon
Sep. 11 UNLV, 7 p.m.

BOISE ST.
Sep. 4 at UCLA, 9 p.m.
Sep. 11 S. Utah, 9 p.m.

BOSTON COLLEGE
Sep. 4 Baylor, Noon
Sep. 18 at Navy, Noon

BOWLING GREEN
Sep. 4 at Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 Tenn.Tech, 1 p.m.

BYU
Sep. 9 Washngtn, 8 p.m.
Sep. 16 Colo. St., 8 p.m.

BUFFALO
Sep. 11 Akron, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Conn., 1:30 p.m.

CALIFORNIA
Sep. 4 Rutgers, 5:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Nebraska, 3:30 p.m.

CENT. FLORIDA
Sep. 4 Purdue, 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Florida, 6 p.m.

CENT. MICHIGAN
Sep. 2 E.Illinois, 7:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Syracuse, TBA

CINCINNATI
Sep. 4 Kent, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 Troy, 7 p.m.

CLEMSON
Sep. 4 Marshall, 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 Virginia, 3:30 p.m.

COLORADO
Sep. 4 Colo. St., 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 San Jose St., 3:30 p.m.

COLORADO ST.
Sep. 4 at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 Nevada, 3 p.m.

DUKE
Sep. 11 at E. Carolina, 3:15 p.m.
Sep. 18 Nthwestn, Noon

EAST CAROLINA
Sep. 4 W.Virginia, 3 p.m.
Sep. 11 Duke, 3:15 p.m.

E. MICHIGAN
Sep. 11 at Mich. St., 1 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Miami, O., 2 p.m.

FLORIDA
Sep. 4 W.Michigan, 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 Cent. Fla., 6 p.m.

FLORIDA ST.
Aug. 28 La. Tech, 5 p.m.
Sep. 11 Ga. Tech, 8 p.m.

FRESNO ST.
Sep. 4 Portland St., 10 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Oregon St., 6:30 p.m.

GEORGIA
Sep. 4 Utah St., 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 S. Carolina, 5 p.m.

GEORGIA TECH
Sep. 4 at Navy, Noon
Sep. 11 at Florida St., 8 p.m.

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Sep. 4 at Navy, Noon
Sep. 11 at Florida St., 8 p.m.

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Oct. 9 Rice, Mid
Oct. 23 at TCU, 3 p.m.
Oct. 30 TCU, Mid
Nov. 6 at San Jose St., 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 13 Fresno St., 11 p.m.
Nov. 20 Navy, 11 p.m.
Nov. 27 Wash. St., 11 p.m.

HOUSTON
Sep. 4 Rice, 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Alabama, 12:30 p.m.
Sep. 18 SW La., 8 p.m.
Sep. 25 at UAB, 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 Cincinnati, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 16 at N. Carolina, TBA
Oct. 23 at Louisville, 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 E. Carolina, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 6 Tulane, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 13 at LSU, 8 p.m.
Nov. 20 at Army, 1 p.m.

IDAHO
Sep. 2 at E. Wash., 10:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Auburn, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Wash. St., 4 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Wyoming, 3 p.m.
Oct. 9 N. Texas, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 16 at Ark. St., 5 p.m.
Oct. 23 Utah St., 9 p.m.
Oct. 30 at New Mex. St., 8 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Nevada, 3 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Montana, 2 p.m.
Nov. 20 Boise St., TBA

ILLINOIS
Sep. 4 Ark. St., 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 San Diego St., 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Louisville, 7 p.m.
Sep. 25 Mich. St., 2 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Indiana, 2 p.m.
Oct. 16 Minnesota, Noon
Oct. 23 at Michigan, TBA
Oct. 30 Penn St., TBA
Nov. 6 at Iowa, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Ohio St., TBA
Nov. 20 Nrtwstrn, TBA

INDIANA
Sep. 4 Ball St., 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 N. Carolina, 2 p.m.
Sep. 18 Kentucky, Noon
Sep. 25 at Penn St., TBA
Oct. 2 Illinois, 2 p.m.
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Oct. 23 at Iowa, 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 Michigan, 1 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Minnesota, TBA
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Sep. 4 Nebras Noon
Sep. 11 at Iowa, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 N. Illinois, 2 p.m.
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IOWA ST.
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Sep. 25 Kansas St., 2 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Nebraska, TBA
Oct. 16 at Missouri, TBA
Oct. 23 Colorado, 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 Texas, 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Texas Tech, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 Oklahoma, 2 p.m.
Nov. 20 at Kansas, 2 p.m.

KANSAS
Aug. 28 at Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 CS Northridge, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Colorado, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 San Diego St., 7 p.m.
Oct. 2 SMU, 2 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Kansas St., 2 p.m.
Oct. 16 at Texas A&M, 2 p.m.
Oct. 23 Missouri, TBA
Oct. 30 Nebraska, TBA
Nov. 6 Baylor, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Okla. St., 2 p.m.
Nov. 20 Iowa St., 2 p.m.

KANSAS ST.
Sep. 11 Temple, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 UTEP, 7 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Iowa St., 2 p.m.
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Oct. 9 Kansas, 2 p.m.
Oct. 16 Utah St., 2 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Okla. St., 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 Baylor, 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 Colorado, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Nebraska, TBA
Nov. 20 Missouri, 2 p.m.

KENT
Sep. 4 at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 Navy, 6 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 Bowl. Grn, 6 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Ohio, TBA
Oct. 9 at Toledo, 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 Miami, O., 2 p.m.
Oct. 23 at N. Illinois, 1 p.m.
Oct. 30 Buffalo, 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 Marshall, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Akron, 1:30 p.m.

KENTUCKY
Sep. 4 Louisville, 1:30 p.m.
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Sep. 18 at Indiana, Noon
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Oct. 2 Arkansas, 1:30 p.m.
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Oct. 16 LSU, 7 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Georgia, 1 p.m.
Nov. 4 at Miss. St., 8 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Vanderbilt, TBA
Nov. 20 Tennessee, 1:30 p.m.

LSU
Sep. 4 San Jose St., 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 N. Texas, 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 Auburn, 5 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Georgia, TBA
Oct. 9 Florida, 8 p.m.
Oct. 16 at Kentucky, 7 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Miss. St., 2:30 p.m.
Oct. 30 Mississippi, 8 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Alabama, TBA
Nov. 13 Houston, 8 p.m.
Nov. 20 Arkansas, 8 p.m.

LOUISIANA TECH
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Sep. 11 Sam Hou, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Alabama, TBA
Oct. 2 at SW La., 8 p.m.
Oct. 16 Mid. Tenn., 4 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Cent. Fla., 6 p.m.
Oct. 30 Toledo, 1 p.m.
Nov. 6 NE La., 7 p.m.
Nov. 13 at UAB, 2 p.m.
Nov. 26 at So. Cal., 6:30 p.m.

LOUISVILLE
Sep. 4 at Kentucky, 1:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 Chatt., 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 Illinois, 7 p.m.
Sep. 25 Oklahoma, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 2 E. Mich., 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Army, 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 Houston, 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 UAB, 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Cincinnati, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 13 at S. Miss., 4 p.m.

MARSHALL
Sep. 4 at Clemson, 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 Liberty, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 Bowl. Grn, 7 p.m.
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Oct. 2 at Miami, O., 2 p.m.
Oct. 16 Toledo, 7 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Oct. 30 N. Illinois, 4 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Kent, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 at W. Michigan, 1 p.m.
Nov. 20 Ohio, 7 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI
Sep. 2 at Temple, 6 p.m.
Sep. 11 W. Carolina, 6 p.m.
Sep. 18 W. Virginia, Noon
Sep. 30 at Ga. Tech, 8 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Wk. Forest, TBA
Oct. 16 Clemson, 1 p.m.
Oct. 23 N. Carolina, 1 p.m.
Oct. 30 Duke, 1 p.m.
Nov. 6 at N.C. State, TBA
Nov. 13 at Florida St., Noon
Nov. 20 Virginia, 1 p.m.

MEMPHIS
Sep. 4 Mississippi, 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Miss. St., 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 Ark. St., 8 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Tennessee, 4 p.m.
Oct. 2 Missouri, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 9 at UAB, 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 Louisville, 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Tulane, 6 p.m.
Nov. 6 S. Miss., 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 Cent. Fla., 7 p.m.
Nov. 20 at Cincinnati, 3:30 p.m.

MINNESOTA
Aug. 29 Ohio St., 2:30 p.m.
Sep. 4 Fla. A&M, 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 Penn St., 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 at E. Carolina, 6 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Florida St., Noon
Oct. 16 Temple, 4 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Boston Col., Noon
Oct. 30 W. Virginia, Noon
Nov. 6 at Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 13 at La. Tech, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 20 Rutgers, Noon
Nov. 27 Syracuse, 3:30 p.m.

MIAMI, OHIO
Sep. 4 at Nrtwstrn, 12:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 at W. Virginia, Noon
Sep. 18 E. Mich., 2 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Cent. Mich., 1 p.m.
Oct. 2 Marshall, 2 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Bowl. Grn, 1 p.m.
Oct. 16 at Kent, 2 p.m.
Oct. 23 Cincinnati, 2 p.m.
Oct. 30 Akron, 1 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Ohio, Noon
Nov. 20 Buffalo, 1 p.m.

MICHIGAN
Sep. 4 Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 11 Rice, Noon
Sep. 18 at Syracuse, 8 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Wisconsin, TBA
Oct. 2 Purdue, Noon
Oct. 9 at Mich. St., Noon
Oct. 23 Illinois, TBA
Oct. 30 at Indiana, 1 p.m.
Nov. 6 Nrtwstrn, TBA
Nov. 13 at Penn St., Noon
Nov. 20 Ohio St., Noon

MICHIGAN ST.
Sep. 2 Oregon, 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 E. Mich., 1 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Notre Dame, 2:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Illinois, 2 p.m.
Oct. 2 Iowa, Noon
Oct. 9 Michigan, Noon
Oct. 16 at Purdue, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Wisconsin, TBA
Nov. 6 Ohio St., TBA
Nov. 13 at Nrtwstrn, TBA
Nov. 20 Penn St., TBA

MIDDLE TENNESSEE
Sep. 4 at Miss. St., 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Arizona, 10 p.m.
Sep. 18 Wofford, 5 p.m.
Sep. 25 at SW La., 8 p.m.
Oct. 2 Troy St., 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Arkansas, 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 at La. Tech, 4 p.m.
Oct. 30 at NE La., 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 Tenn. Martin, 7 p.m.
Nov. 13 Cent. Fla., 7 p.m.
Nov. 20 ETSU, 7 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI
Sep. 4 Ohio, Noon
Sep. 11 NE La., 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 Ill. St., 2:30 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Nrtwstrn, TBA
Oct. 9 Wisconsin, TBA
Oct. 16 at Illinois, Noon
Oct. 23 Ohio St., TBA
Oct. 30 Purdue, Noon
Nov. 6 at Penn St., Noon
Nov. 13 Indiana, TBA
Nov. 20 at Iowa, 2 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI ST.
Sep. 4 at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 Ark. St., 7 p.m.
Sep. 18 Vanderbilt, 7 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Auburn, 2 p.m.
Oct. 2 at S. Carolina, 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 Tulane, 2 p.m.
Oct. 16 Alabama, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 23 at LSU, 8 p.m.
Nov. 6 Arkansas, 2 p.m.
Nov. 13 Georgia, 2 p.m.
Nov. 25 at Miss. St., 8 p.m.

MISSOURI
Sep. 4 UAB, 3:30 p.m.

MISSOURI ST.
Sep. 18 W. Michigan, 7:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 Nebraska, TBA
Oct. 2 at Memphis, 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Colorado, TBA
Oct. 16 Iowa St., TBA
Oct. 23 at Kansas, TBA
Oct. 30 Texas Tech, 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Oklahoma, 3 p.m.
Nov. 13 Texas A&M, TBA
Nov. 20 at Kansas St., 2 p.m.

NAVY
Sep. 4 Ga. Tech, Noon
Sep. 11 at Kent, 6 p.m.
Sep. 18 Boston Col., Noon
Sep. 25 at Rice, 8 p.m.
Oct. 2 at W. Virginia, Noon
Oct. 9 Air Force, Noon
Oct. 16 at Akron, Noon
Oct. 23 at Notre Dame, 2:30 p.m.
Nov. 6 at Rutgers, TBA
Nov. 13 Tulane, Noon
Nov. 20 at Hawaii, 11 p.m.
Dec. 4 Army, Noon

NEBRASKA
Sep. 4 at Iowa, Noon
Sep. 11 California, 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 18 S. Miss., TBA
Sep. 25 at Missouri, TBA
Oct. 2 Okla. St., TBA
Oct. 9 Iowa St., TBA
Oct. 16 at Texas, TBA
Oct. 23 at Kansas, TBA
Nov. 6 Texas A&M, TBA
Nov. 13 Kansas St., TBA
Nov. 26 at Colorado, 2:30 p.m.

NEBRASKA ST.
Sep. 4 Oregon St., 4 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Colo. St., 3 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Oregon, 5 p.m.
Sep. 25 Fresno St., 4 p.m.
Oct. 2 UNLV, 4 p.m.
Oct. 9 at New Mex. St., 8 p.m.
Oct. 16 BYU, 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 at Boise St., 5 p.m.
Oct. 30 N. Texas, 4 p.m.
Nov. 6 Idaho, 3 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Ark. St., 5 p.m.
Nov. 20 Utah St., 3 p.m.

NEW MEXICO
Sep. 4 at UTEP, 9 p.m.
Sep. 11 New Mex. St., 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 N. Arizona, 8 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Boise St., 9 p.m.
Oct. 9 at San Diego St., 9 p.m.
Oct. 16 BYU, 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 UNLV, 8 p.m.
Nov. 6 Colo. St., TBA
Nov. 13 at Utah, 3 p.m.
Nov. 20 at Wyoming, 2 p.m.
Nov. 27 Air Force, TBA

NORTH CAROLINA
Sep. 4 Ga. Tech, Noon
Sep. 11 at Florida, 2 p.m.
Sep. 18 Boston Col., Noon
Oct. 2 at Clemson, TBA
Oct. 9 at Ga. Tech, TBA
Oct. 16 Houston, TBA
Oct. 23 at Maryland, 1 p.m.
Oct. 30 Furman, TBA
Nov. 6 Wk. Forest, TBA
Nov. 13 N.C. State, 8 p.m.
Nov. 20 Duke, TBA

N.C. STATE
Aug. 28 at Texas, 8:30 p.m.
Sep. 4 S. Carolina, 7 p.m.
Sep. 11 Wm & Mary, 1 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Florida St., 3:30 p.m.
Sep. 25 at Wk. Forest, TBA
Oct. 9 Clemson, TBA
Oct. 16 Virginia, TBA
Oct. 23 at Duke, TBA
Oct. 30 at Ga. Tech, TBA
Nov. 6 Maryland, TBA
Nov. 13 N. Carolina, 8 p.m.
Nov. 20 at E. Carolina, TBA

NORTH TEXAS
Sep. 4 Oregon St., 4 p.m.
Sep. 11 at LSU, 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Texas Tech, 7 p.m.
Oct. 2 at Baylor, 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Idaho, 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 16 Boise St., 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 23 Ark. St., 3:30 p.m.
Oct. 30 at Nevada, 4 p.m.
Nov. 13 at TCU, 3 p.m.
Nov. 20 at New Mex. St., 4 p.m.
Nov. 27 Utah St., 3:30 p.m.

NE LOUISIANA
Sep. 4 Nicholls St., 8 p.m.
Sep. 11 at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Sep. 18 at Arkansas, 8 p.m.
Sep. 25 NW La., 8 p.m.
Oct. 2 at UAB, 7 p.m.
Oct. 9 at Utah, 8 p.m.
Oct. 16 Wyoming, 8 p.m.
Oct. 23 at SW La., 5 p.m.
Oct. 30 Mid. Tenn., 2 p.m.
Nov. 6 at La. Tech, 7 p.m.
Nov. 13 at Tulsa, 3 p.m.

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<p>*** Baltimore Ravens Sept. 12 at St. Louis, Noon Sept. 19 Pittsburgh, Noon Sept. 26 Cleveland, Noon Oct. 3 at Atlanta, Noon Oct. 10 at Tennessee, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 17 Open Date Oct. 21 Kansas City (Thu.), 7:20 p.m. Oct. 31 Buffalo, Noon Nov. 7 at Cleveland, Noon Nov. 14 at Jacksonville, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 21 at Cincinnati, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 28 Jacksonville, Noon Dec. 5 Tennessee, Noon Dec. 12 at Pittsburgh, Noon Dec. 19 New Orleans, Noon Dec. 26 Cincinnati, Noon Jan. 2 at New England, Noon</p> <p>*** Buffalo Bills Sept. 12 at Indianapolis, Noon Sept. 19 New York Jets, 7:20 p.m. Sept. 26 Philadelphia, Noon Oct. 4 at Miami (Mon.), 8 p.m. Oct. 10 Pittsburgh, Noon Oct. 17 Oakland, Noon Oct. 24 at Seattle, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 31 at Baltimore, Noon Nov. 7 at Washington, Noon Nov. 14 Miami, Noon Nov. 21 at New York Jets, Noon Nov. 28 New England, Noon Dec. 5 Open Date Dec. 12 New York Giants, Noon Dec. 19 at Arizona, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 26 at New England, Noon Jan. 2 Indianapolis, Noon</p> <p>*** Carolina Panthers Sept. 12 at New Orleans, Noon Sept. 19 Jacksonville, Noon Sept. 26 Cincinnati, Noon Oct. 3 at Washington, 3:05 p.m. Oct. 10 Open Date Oct. 17 at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 24 Detroit, Noon Oct. 31 at Atlanta, Noon Nov. 7 Philadelphia, Noon Nov. 14 at St. Louis, Noon Nov. 21 at Cleveland, Noon Nov. 28 Atlanta, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 5 St. Louis, Noon Dec. 12 at Green Bay, Noon Dec. 18 San Francisco, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 26 at Pittsburgh, Noon Jan. 2 New Orleans, Noon</p> <p>*** Chicago Bears Sept. 12 Kansas City, Noon Sept. 19 Seattle, Noon Sept. 26 at Oakland, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 3 New Orleans, Noon Oct. 10 at Minnesota, Noon Oct. 17 Philadelphia, Noon Oct. 24 at Tampa Bay, Noon Oct. 31 at Washington, Noon Nov. 7 at Green Bay, Noon Nov. 14 Minnesota, Noon Nov. 21 at San Diego, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 25 at Detroit (Thu.),</p>	<p>11:40 a.m. Dec. 5 Green Bay, Noon Dec. 12 Open Date Dec. 19 Detroit, Noon Dec. 26 at St. Louis, Noon Jan. 2 Tampa Bay, Noon</p> <p>*** Cincinnati Bengals Sept. 12 at Tennessee, Noon Sept. 19 San Diego, Noon Sept. 26 at Carolina, Noon Oct. 3 St. Louis, Noon Oct. 10 at Cleveland, Noon Oct. 17 Pittsburgh, Noon Oct. 24 at Indianapolis, Noon Oct. 31 Jacksonville, Noon Nov. 7 at Seattle, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 14 Tennessee, Noon Nov. 21 Baltimore, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 28 at Pittsburgh, Noon Dec. 5 San Francisco, Noon Dec. 12 Cleveland, Noon Dec. 19 Open Date Dec. 26 at Baltimore, Noon Jan. 2 at Jacksonville, Noon</p> <p>*** Cleveland Browns Sept. 12 Pittsburgh, 7:20 p.m. Sept. 19 at Tennessee, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 26 at Baltimore, Noon Oct. 3 New England, Noon Oct. 10 Cincinnati, Noon Oct. 17 at Jacksonville, Noon Oct. 24 at St. Louis, Noon Oct. 31 at New Orleans, Noon Nov. 7 Baltimore, Noon Nov. 14 at Pittsburgh, Noon Nov. 21 Carolina, Noon Nov. 28 Tennessee, Noon Dec. 5 at San Diego, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 12 at Cincinnati, Noon Dec. 19 Jacksonville, Noon Dec. 26 Indianapolis, Noon Jan. 2 Open Date</p> <p>*** Dallas Cowboys Sept. 12 at Washington, Noon Sept. 20 Atlanta (Mon.), 8 p.m. Sept. 26 Open Date Oct. 3 Arizona, Noon Oct. 10 at Philadelphia, Noon Oct. 18 at New York Giants, 8 p.m. Oct. 24 Washington, Noon Oct. 31 at Indianapolis, Noon Nov. 8 at Minnesota (Mon.), 8 p.m. Nov. 14 Green Bay, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 21 at Arizona, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 25 Miami (Thu.), 3:15 p.m. Dec. 5 at New England, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 12 Philadelphia, Noon Dec. 19 New York Jets, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 24 at New Orleans, 3:05 p.m. Jan. 2 New York Giants, 3:05 p.m.</p> <p>*** Denver Broncos Sept. 13 Miami (Mon.), 8 p.m. Sept. 19 at Kansas City, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 26 at Tampa Bay, Noon Oct. 3 New York Jets, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 10 at Oakland, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 17 Green Bay, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 24 at New England, Noon Oct. 31 Minnesota, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 7 at San Diego, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 14 at Seattle, 7:20 p.m. Nov. 22 Oakland (Mon.), 8 p.m. Nov. 28 Open Date Dec. 5 Kansas City, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 13 at Jacksonville, 8 p.m. Dec. 19 Seattle, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 25 at Detroit (Sat.), 3:15 p.m. Jan. 2 San Diego, 3:15 p.m.</p> <p>*** Detroit Lions Sept. 12 at Seattle, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 19 Green Bay, Noon Sept. 26 at Kansas City, Noon Oct. 3 Open Date Oct. 10 San Diego, Noon Oct. 17 Minnesota, Noon Oct. 24 at Carolina, Noon Oct. 31 Tampa Bay, 7:20 p.m. Nov. 7 St. Louis, Noon Nov. 14 at Arizona, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 21 at Green Bay, Noon Nov. 25 Chicago (Thu.), 12:40 p.m. Dec. 5 Washington, Noon Dec. 12 at Tampa Bay, Noon Dec. 19 at Chicago, Noon Dec. 25 Denver (Sat.), 3:15 p.m. Jan. 2 at Minnesota, Noon</p> <p>*** Green Bay Packers Sept. 12 Oakland, Noon Sept. 19 at Detroit, Noon Sept. 26 Minnesota, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 3 Open Date Oct. 10 Tampa Bay, 7:20 p.m. Oct. 17 at Denver, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 24 at San Diego, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 1 Seattle (Mon.), 8 p.m.</p>	<p>Nov. 7 Chicago, Noon Nov. 14 at Dallas, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 21 Detroit, Noon Nov. 29 at San Francisco, 8 p.m. Dec. 5 at Chicago, Noon Dec. 12 Carolina, Noon Dec. 20 at Minnesota (Mon.), 8 p.m. Dec. 26 at Tampa Bay, 3:15 p.m. Jan. 2 Arizona, Noon</p> <p>*** Indianapolis Colts Sept. 12 Buffalo, Noon Sept. 19 at New England, Noon Sept. 26 at San Diego, 3:05 p.m. Oct. 3 Open Date Oct. 10 Miami, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 17 at New York Jets, Noon Oct. 24 Cincinnati, Noon Oct. 31 Dallas, Noon Nov. 7 Kansas City, Noon Nov. 14 at New York Giants, Noon Nov. 21 at Philadelphia, Noon Nov. 28 New York Jets, 3:15 p.m. Dec. 5 at Miami, Noon Dec. 12 New England, Noon Dec. 19 Washington, Noon Dec. 26 at Cleveland, Noon Jan. 2 at Buffalo, Noon</p> <p>*** Jacksonville Jaguars Sept. 12 San Francisco, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 19 at Carolina, Noon Sept. 26 Tennessee, 3:05 p.m. Oct. 3 at Pittsburgh, Noon Oct. 11 at New York Jets, 8 p.m. Oct. 17 Cleveland, Noon Oct. 24 Open Date Oct. 31 at Cincinnati, Noon Nov. 7 at Atlanta, Noon Nov. 14 Baltimore, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 21 New Orleans, 7:20 p.m. Nov. 28 at Baltimore, Noon Dec. 2 Pittsburgh (Thu.), 7:20 p.m. Dec. 13 Denver (Mon.), 8 p.m. Dec. 19 at Cleveland, Noon Dec. 26 at Tennessee, Noon Jan. 2 Cincinnati, Noon</p> <p>*** Kansas City Chiefs Sept. 12 at 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Vikings Sept. 12 at Atlanta, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 19 Oakland, Noon Sept. 26 at Green Bay, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 3 Tampa Bay, Noon Oct. 10 Chicago, Noon Oct. 17 at Detroit, Noon Oct. 24 San Francisco, Noon Oct. 31 at Denver, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 8 Dallas (Mon.), 8 p.m. Nov. 14 at Chicago, Noon Nov. 21 Open Date Nov. 28 San Diego, Noon Dec. 6 at Tampa Bay (Mon.), 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at Kansas City, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 20 Green Bay (Mon.), 8 p.m. Dec. 26 at New York Giants, Noon Jan. 2 Detroit, Noon</p>	<p>*** New England Patriots Sept. 12 at New York Jets, Noon Sept. 19 Indianapolis, Noon Sept. 26 New York Giants, 7:20 p.m. Oct. 3 at Cleveland, Noon Oct. 10 at Kansas City, Noon Oct. 17 Miami, Noon Oct. 24 Denver, Noon Oct. 31 at Arizona, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 7 Open Date Nov. 15 New York Jets (Mon.), 8 p.m. Nov. 21 at Miami, Noon Nov. 28 at Buffalo, Noon Dec. 5 Dallas, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 12 at Indianapolis, Noon Dec. 19 at Philadelphia, Noon Dec. 26 Buffalo, Noon Jan. 2 Baltimore, Noon</p> <p>*** New Orleans Saints Sept. 12 Carolina, Noon Sept. 19 at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m. Sept. 26 Open Date Oct. 3 at Chicago, Noon Oct. 10 Atlanta, Noon Oct. 17 Tennessee, Noon Oct. 24 at New York Giants, Noon Oct. 31 Cleveland, Noon Nov. 7 Tampa Bay, 3:05 p.m. Nov. 14 San Francisco, Noon Nov. 21 at Jacksonville, 7:20 p.m. Nov. 28 at St. Louis, Noon Dec. 5 at Atlanta, Noon Dec. 12 St. Louis, Noon Dec. 19 at Baltimore, Noon Dec. 24 Dallas (Fri.), 3:05 p.m. Jan. 2 at Carolina, Noon</p> <p>*** New York Giants Sept. 12 at Tampa Bay, 3:15 p.m. Sept. 19 Washington, Noon Sept. 26 at New England, 7:20 p.m. Oct. 3 Philadelphia, Noon Oct. 10 at Arizona, 3:05 p.m. Oct. 18 Dallas (Mon.), 8 p.m. Oct. 24 New Orleans, Noon Oct. 31 at Philadelphia, Noon Nov. 7 Open Date Nov. 14 Indianapolis, Noon Nov. 21 at Washington, 3:15 p.m. Nov. 28 Arizona, Noon Dec. 5 New York Jets, Noon Dec. 12 at Buffalo, Noon Dec. 19 at St. Louis, Noon Dec. 26 Minnesota, Noon Jan. 2 at Dallas, 3:05 p.m.</p> <p>*** New York Jets Sept. 12 New England, Noon Sept. 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 D. 2 at Jacksonville, 7:20 p.m.
 D. 12 Baltimore, Noon
 D. 18 at KC, 11:40 a.m.
 D. 26 Carolina, Noon
 J. 2 Tennessee, 3:15 p.m.

San Diego Chargers
 S. 12 Open Date
 S. 19 at Cincy, Noon
 S. 26 Indianapolis, 3:05 p.m.
 O. 3 KC, 3:15 p.m.
 O. 10 at Detroit, Noon
 O. 17 Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
 O. 24 Green Bay, 3:05 p.m.
 O. 31 at KC, Noon
 N. 7 Denver, 3:15 p.m.
 N. 14 at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
 N. 21 Chicago, 3:15 p.m.
 N. 28 at Minn, Noon
 D. 5 Cleveland, 3:15 p.m.
 D. 12 at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
 D. 19 at Miami, Noon
 D. 26 Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
 J. 2 at Denver, 3:15 p.m.

S.F. 49ers
 S. 12 at Jacksonville, 3:15 p.m.
 S. 19 New Orleans, 3:05 p.m.
 S. 27 at Arizona (Mon.), 8 p.m.
 O. 3 Tennessee, 3:15 p.m.
 O. 10 at St. Louis, Noon
 O. 17 Carolina, 3:15 p.m.
 O. 24 at Minn, Noon
 O. 31 Open Date
 N. 7 Pitt, 3:15 p.m.
 N. 14 at New Orleans, Noon
 N. 21 St. Louis, 3:15 p.m.
 N. 29 Green Bay (Mon.), 8 p.m.
 D. 5 at Cincy, Noon
 D. 12 Atlanta, 3:15 p.m.
 D. 18 at Carolina (Sat.), 3:15 p.m.
 D. 26 Washington, 7:20 p.m.
 J. 3 at Atlanta (Mon.), 8 p.m.

Seattle Seahawks
 S. 12 Detroit, 3:15 p.m.
 S. 19 at Chicago, Noon
 S. 26 at Pitt, Noon
 O. 3 Oakland, 7:20 p.m.

Tampa Bay Buccaneers
 S. 12 New York Giants, 3:15 p.m.
 S. 19 at Philly, Noon
 S. 26 Denver, Noon
 O. 3 at Minn, Noon
 O. 10 at Green Bay, 7:20 p.m.
 O. 17 Open Date
 O. 24 Chicago, Noon
 O. 31 at Detroit, 7:20 p.m.

Tennessee Titans
 N. 7 at New Orleans, 3:05 p.m.
 N. 14 KC, Noon
 N. 21 Atlanta, Noon
 N. 28 at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
 D. 6 Minn (Mon.), 8 p.m.
 D. 12 Detroit, Noon
 D. 19 at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
 D. 26 Green Bay, 3:15 p.m.
 J. 2 at Chicago, Noon

S. 12 Cincy, Noon
 S. 19 Cleveland, 3:15 p.m.
 S. 26 at Jacksonville, 3:05 p.m.
 O. 3 at S.F., 3:15 p.m.
 O. 10 Baltimore, 3:15 p.m.
 O. 17 at New Orleans, Noon
 O. 24 Open Date
 O. 31 St. Louis, Noon
 N. 7 at Miami, 7:20 p.m.
 N. 14 at Cincy, Noon
 N. 21 Pitt, Noon

Washington Redskins
 S. 12 Dallas, Noon
 S. 19 at Giants, Noon
 S. 26 at New York Jets, Noon
 O. 3 Carolina, 3:05 p.m.

Washington Redskins
 O. 10 Open Date
 O. 17 at Arizona, 7:20 p.m.
 O. 24 at Dallas, Noon
 O. 31 Chicago, Noon
 N. 7 Buffalo, Noon
 N. 14 at Philly, Noon
 N. 21 Giants, 3:15 p.m.
 N. 28 Philly, Noon
 D. 5 at Detroit, Noon
 D. 12 Arizona, Noon
 D. 19 at Indy, Noon
 D. 26 at S.F., 7:20 p.m.
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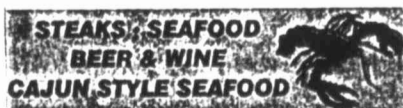
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