

NO. 1 FALLS

BEARS DEFEAT K-STATE 52-24

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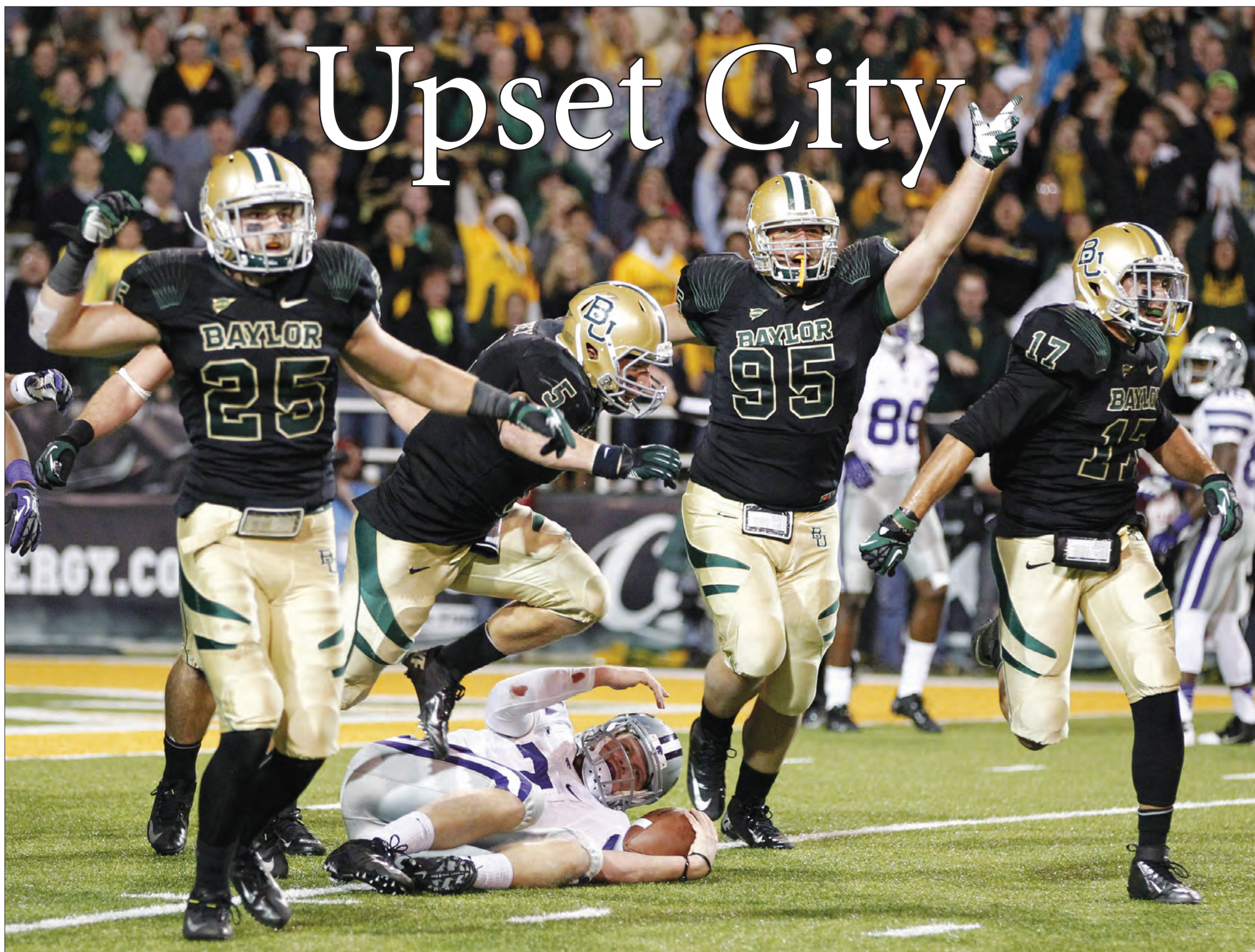
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The Baylor defense celebrates after sacking Kansas State quarterback Collin Klein on fourth down to force a turnover on downs during the second half on Saturday at Floyd Casey Stadium in Waco. Baylor knocked off K-State, 52-24.

BY KRISTA PIRTLE
SPORTS EDITOR

Baylor rocked college football and stunned the nation with its 52-24 demolition of the No. 1 team in the nation Saturday evening. The Bears, however, weren't all that surprised.

"All week we believed we were going to beat them, and we weren't going to be surprised when it happened," senior quarterback Nick Florence said.

Belief was the key word for Baylor under the lights, filling the gaps for a football team that has been lack luster all season. With the prime time slot on ESPN, many figured it would be the coming out party for Heisman front-runner Kansas State senior quarterback Collin Klein.

Instead, with Klein going 27-of-50 for 286 yards through the air, only 39 yards on the ground and a trio of interceptions, it gave the nation the opportunity to see the Wildcats get wacked in Waco.

"Oh, everyone's jumping up and down," Florence said. "Water and Gatorade is flying around everywhere. That's the kind of locker room I want after every game."

The Bears' two mantras for the season are start fast and finish strong. By scoring on the first drive and stuffing Kansas State on the one-yard line four downs in a row, Baylor was going to work.

"I think we just had a lot of energy," head coach Art Briles said. "A whole lot of energy, whole lot of belief and a whole lot of want to. When you've got that going in your favor, you've got the chance to have good results."

The "thunder and lightning" duo of running backs junior

Glasco Martin and sophomore Lache Seastrunk both had career nights for Baylor.

Martin had a hat trick, scoring three touchdowns and rushing for 113 yards.

Seastrunk recorded 185 yards, including an 80-yard touchdown.

Baylor ran for 342 yards, far surpassing the Wildcats' 76.

So far this season, Kansas State has averaged 213 yards per game on the ground.

"They took the fight to us and I thought we weren't well enough prepared for it," Kansas State head coach Bill Snyder said. "We struggled on both sides of the ball and I think we were just not prepared, and I take full control on that."

Through the air wasn't so pretty either, with 286 yards and a trio of interceptions for Klein.

"That was our main thing, to keep Collin Klein uncomfortable," junior nickel back Ahmad Dixon said. "If he was comfortable back there, we knew that we were going to have a long night, and that was something we didn't want to deal with, facing a quarterback of his caliber. He's just any quarterback you see in this league. He has a special gift, and we wanted to try and make him the most uncomfortable as we possibly can. That's what we did and it worked out for us."

Junior cornerback Joe Williams led the Baylor defense with 11 tackles, nine solo and two interceptions.

Dixon and sophomore linebacker Bryce Hager followed up with 10 tackles each. Dixon had a quarterback hurry. Hager had a sack, two tackles for loss, a break-up and a pair of quarterback hurries.

Junior safety Sam Holl caught the other interception at the beginning of the third quarter and returned it for 18 yards.

"I mean you kind of had that eerie feeling before the game," junior linebacker Eddie Lackey said. "I think everybody had it. Everybody had just like a weird feeling in their stomach. You could just see the look in everybody's eyes.

The coaching staff knew it. It was just one of those things like I said with the energy, as soon as we got out there, we made a stop and we all looked at each other as a defense and said, 'Let's keep this thing going.' So it was a great feeling."

On the defensive side for Kansas State, the Wildcats were without their top safety, junior Ty Zimmerman. Baylor took advantage of the backup just under two minutes into the game, as junior receiver Tevin Reese beat him for a 36-yard touchdown reception.

Kansas State answered with another touchdown of its own but didn't score again until notching 10 straight points with under two minutes left in the first half.

Baylor scored first in the second half, but it seemed as if the momentum switched with 12:55 to go in the third quarter when Florence threw an interception at Baylor's own one-yard line.

"Honestly, I thought the guy running down the side with Antwan [Goodley] was the corner," Florence said. "So, I thought T-Dub [Terrance Williams] was standing wide open. I never saw the corner, I guess he was in my blind spot with the lineman. I literally thought T-Dub was wide open, fixing to make 10, 15 yards. It was unfortunate, but we overcame. The defense didn't get

down. The offense didn't get down. We put a complete game together. You've got to overcome adversity in ball games, and we did that."

After that, junior kicker Aaron Jones made a 50-yarder, Martin punched it in the end zone

and Seastrunk turned on the jets for a career-best 80-yard touchdown run.



The Wildcats took eight minutes off the clock in the beginning of the fourth quarter, marching down the field to the red zone. At first-and-goal on the Baylor six, Klein rushed for four yards before being tackled by Lackey.

At second-and-goal on the Baylor two, Klein rushed for a yard before being tackled by Dixon.

At third-and-goal on the Baylor one, Klein didn't gain anything as Holl stopped him in his tracks.

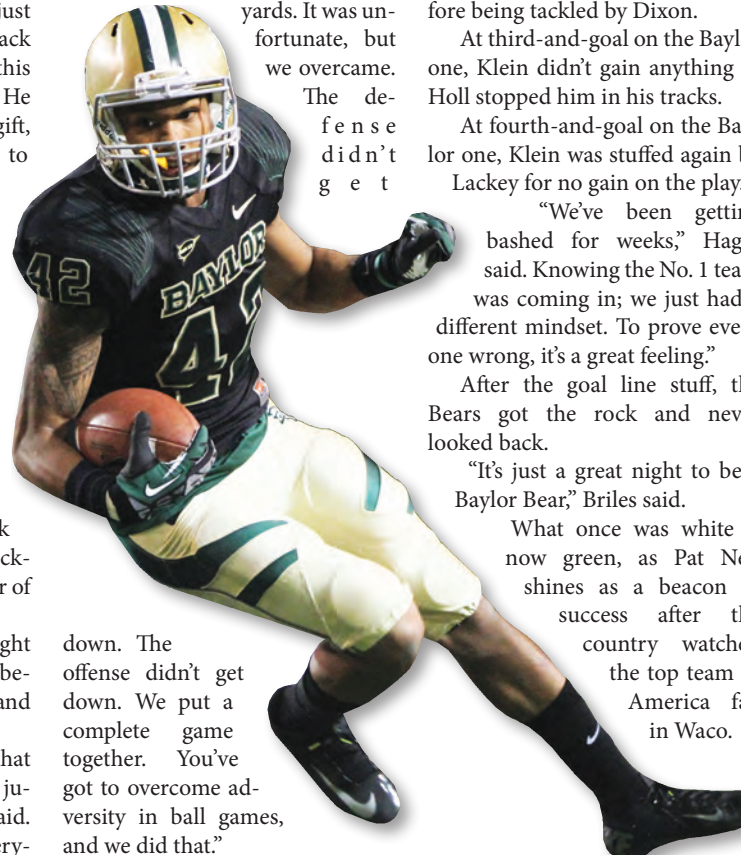
At fourth-and-goal on the Baylor one, Klein was stuffed again by Lackey for no gain on the play.

"We've been getting bashed for weeks," Hager said. Knowing the No. 1 team was coming in; we just had a different mindset. To prove every one wrong, it's a great feeling."

After the goal line stuff, the Bears got the rock and never looked back.

"It's just a great night to be a Baylor Bear," Briles said.

What once was white is now green, as Pat Neff shines as a beacon of success after the country watched the top team in America fall in Waco.



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Logan Lowery @LoganLowery24
I'm calling a Baylor win tonight #BCTW

Trevin Allison @TrevinAllison
I've been tough in high school, but never where most is like. The Bears had the boys more than ready to play tonight. #BCTW

calley power! @calley_power
starting the ball. was epic. #BaylorNation #Bears #Bearsyacht

Sports Illustrated @SIrow
Waco, Texas - where ranked teams go to lose

David Pollock @DavidPollock47
PQ3 & Andrew Luck are off Baylor & Stanford's hands but their teams just beat the #1 & #2 teams in the Country.

Baylor Football @BUFootball
This is Baylor's first ever win over a No. 1 team, and the first win over a No. 2 team since the Bears defeated Tennessee on Jan. 1, 1907.

Ahmad Dixon @MRDU_6X
Thank You #BaylorNation

Spencer Septon @SpencerSepton
Baylor's first down goal line stance vs. Collin Klein and he was the strongest, most talented, valiant, heroic thing I have ever seen.

Terrance Gatorade @PopChrist44
Had a dream earlier this week that Baylor beat Kansas St. Thing about Coach Briles is that he turns dreams into REALITY! #BaylorBears

Mantavus Dene @Mantavus15
We had to pick up coach Briles after the big win!

Makenzie Robertson @makenzie_rub
Probably the only thing that could make me want to be in Waco instead of Hawaii right now. CONGRATS to @BUFootball!!! Proud to be a bear!

Mikal Speech @MSpeech
Not every night you hear your commentators saying "The Baylor Defense does it again!" #BCTW #Bears

Scott Drew @SDREW
Congrats Baylor Football!! Tremendous performance @ Waco!!!

David Ubben @DavidUbben
To be clear, we're sure Baylor did not somehow sneak it and replace its defense with an SEC All-Star team? Someone checked on that, right?

Brandon Laner @TheBrandonLaner
If you not in Waco tonight I feel bad for you son, I got 99 problems but K State ain't 1. #BaylorGang

Baylor scores by land, by air, by Seastrunk



MAKENZIE MASON | ROUND UP PHOTO EDITOR

No. 25 running back Lache Seastrunk breaks away from the Kansas State defense on Saturday in Waco for a Baylor touchdown. The Bears brought down the No. 1 ranked Wildcats with a crushing 52-24 victory.

By DANIEL HILL
SPORTS WRITER

Usually athletes don't cry after a win, but they do occasionally shed tears after a loss.

Baylor sophomore running back Lache Seastrunk was so overcome with emotion in the waning moments of Baylor's 52-24 victory over No. 1 Kansas State that he shed a few tears of joy.

"I broke into tears," Seastrunk said. "Thirty seconds left, I don't even know. It just came out. So magical to see your dream unfold right before your eyes, what you wanted for two years."

Seastrunk's emotion is understandable. After leaving the University of Oregon, where he red-shirted as a freshman and did not play, he transferred to Baylor in August of 2011 and had to sit out the entire season due to NCAA transfer rules.

In effect, Seastrunk hasn't actually played in a football game in nearly two years.

Seastrunk had a breakout performance on Saturday against the Wildcats as he rushed for a career-

high 185 yards.

A major chunk of Seastrunk's yardage came on an explosive 80 yard touchdown run where he knifed through the center of the Kansas State defense and turned on the jets for a touchdown.

Because of his speed, Seastrunk has been named the "Lightning" of the Baylor backfield and bruising 6'1", 220-pound junior running back Glasco Martin is the "Thunder" of the Baylor running backs.

Martin rushed for 113 yards and a career high three touchdowns against the Wildcats.

"Glasco brought the punch," Seastrunk said. "He's pure power. If he gets going, he's a locomotive. He's going to move you over, period. You're either going to get hit with the loud thunder and your ears are going to start hurting, or just pure lightning and get stuck in place, get stunned."

The running game was at its best Saturday against Kansas State.

Earlier in the season, the rushing attack might have been undervalued and overused, but Baylor is finding its stride with a balanced rushing attack.

"I feel like we should have been rushing the ball a lot from the beginning of the year," Martin said. "I feel like we just kind of found the right mix of running backs and when to use who and when to utilize our skills. So I think it's finally coming together."

With 342 yards rushing against Kansas State, the Baylor rushing attack is on track.

Even senior quarterback Nick Florence got in on the rushing attack by contributing 47 yards on the ground.

"Really just the offensive line was making holes and we've got great running backs," Florence said. Props go to the offensive line. They did a good job on the run game. They did a good job of protecting me. They did a great job. We've got to win up front if we're going to win the ball game."

Every facet of the Bears rushing attack delivered against Kansas State, and this bodes well for the rest of the Baylor season.

With thunder and lightning, the Bears are hoping to come up with some late season electricity in the rushing game.

Winning in the trenches

By DANIEL HILL
SPORTS WRITER

With Baylor's stunning 52-24 display of dominance over No. 1 Kansas State, one position group stands out from among the rest: the offensive line.

Every game of football is won at

receivers and running backs typically absorb the lion's share of the glory, the offensive line is typically overlooked.

What the line does isn't flashy or eye-popping, but it's an intrinsic part of football.

With Spencer Drango, Cameron Kaufhold, Ivory Wade, Cyril

game and they allowed the offense to get into a rhythm.

"Like we always say, it always starts up front," Richardson said.

"The physicality of the game starts up front. It's a trenches game for everybody. Once everything in the front line gets started, once we win the front line, it's the game. We



MAKENZIE MASON | ROUND UP PHOTO EDITOR

The Baylor offense and the Kansas State defense get set before a play during the game on Saturday in Waco. The Bears walked away with a dominating 52-24 victory against the No. 1 ranked Wildcats.

the line of scrimmage.

To put it lightly, Baylor dominated the trenches against Kansas State.

Baylor senior quarterback Nick Florence had ample time in the pocket to find his receivers on his way to throwing for 238 yards and two touchdowns.

Baylor running backs junior Glasco Martin and sophomore Lache Seastrunk both had career days behind the potent Baylor offensive line.

"Props go to the o-line," Florence said.

"They did a good job on the run game, and they did a good job of protecting me. Did I get sacked? I don't know. I don't remember. But they did a great job. We've got to win up front if we're going to win the ball game," he said.

Seastrunk rushed for a career-high 185 yards and turned on the jets for an 80-yard touchdown run where he sliced the Kansas State Wildcats defense.

Martin, rushed for 113 yards and had a career high three touchdowns.

Martin and Seastrunk will deservedly receive credit for their performances, but let's not forget the offensive line.

The running backs know how crucial the offensive line is to their success and after the game, both Martin and Seastrunk were quick to praise their teammates.

"You've got to give full credit to the offensive line," Martin said.

"They made some very big holes that me and Lache took advantage of. We've got to thank them," he said.

While the quarterback, wide

Richardson and Troy Baker, the Bears have a massive offensive line that is loaded with talent, experience and young players with high potential.

Drango, starting left tackle, is only a redshirt freshman and he is already up to the task of protecting Florence's blindside.

Kaufhold is an experienced senior at left guard that adds veteran savvy to the offensive line.

Wade, the starting center, has played tackle for the Bears in his career and is a viable NFL prospect.

Right tackle Baker is only a sophomore and his upside is through the roof.

The most heralded Baylor offensive lineman is certainly right guard Richardson.

In several publications, Richardson has been projected as a future first-round NFL draft pick.

Richardson is massive at 6'5" and 335 pounds.

He's exceptionally athletic and is a true mauler at the line of scrimmage.

In run blocking, Richardson has superb technique and overpowers opposing defensive linemen.

With these five at the line of scrimmage, Baylor has an optimistic outlook for the rest of the scheduled two games of the season and possible bowl game.

The future is promising with this offensive line, and the present is rewarding too.

On Saturday against the best team in college football, the Bears outmuscled the Wildcats and imposed their will.

They dictated the flow of the



DREW MILLS | ROUND UP PHOTOGRAPHER

No. 31 defensive end Chris McAllister sacks K-State No. 7 quarterback Collin Klein on Saturday in Waco. The Bears celebrated a historical victory defeating the No. 1 ranked Wildcats 52-24.

Not so fast, Collin Klein

By GREG DEVRIES
SPORTS WRITER

The story of the day, aside from David defeating Goliath, was Baylor's defense playing relatively flawless, something Baylor fans are not used to.

"We had faith in our defense," junior running back Glasco Martin said. "We knew as an offense that we could potentially score every time we got the ball in our hands. We just jumped on the backs of our defense and they came up with a stop and we took advantage of it."

The defense has come a long way. It was only six games ago that this same defense let up 70 points to the now unranked West Virginia Mountaineers, and it has only been four weeks since the Bears gave up 56 points to the No. 15 Texas Longhorns.

"Well, we knew coming into this game that we kept getting better and getting better all year, and we just knew tonight that it was just more motivation against the No. 1 team in the nation," junior cornerback Joe Williams said.

Williams had two interceptions

against Kansas State and now leads the Bears with three interceptions on the year. Forcing turnovers has also been a big part of Baylor's recent success. Baylor forced three turnovers against the No. 1 team in the nation to help them earn the victory.

"Turnovers were huge," junior safety Sam Holl said. "We really wanted to win the turnover battle. That's huge in any game. I feel like we did a good job doing it this game. I think everybody showed up and played really well, tackled well, got turnovers, so that was good."

The physicality of the defense has also notably improved. Earlier in the season, arm tackling plagued the team.

The defense has been wrapping up, and hitting ball carriers low to take them down.

"We definitely brought pressure on them and it was difficult for them to keep up and see where we were coming from, our blitzing lanes," junior linebacker Eddie Lackey said. "From a physicality standpoint, we just really were on the attack and we attacked everything"

They have also been dialing up pressure. Kansas State senior quarterback Collin Klein was sacked twice against Baylor, and was frequently hurried or knocked down.

"We knew we had to keep [Klein] unhappy back there and unsettled," junior defensive end Chris McAllister said. "You don't want him sitting back there able to do what he wants to, having all the time he can get, so we wanted to keep him moving and have some pressure on him. We wanted him to have to make some throws when he's not able to make them. We were able to do that."

Baylor still has to win another game to become bowl eligible.

"Our football team is getting better," head coach Art Briles said. "We're better now than we were a month ago. We're becoming a better football team. We felt good about how our game has progressed over the last two to three weeks without question. We're playing good football right now. We're playing our best football of the season right now. We've still got some growth in front of us. Hopefully we'll be able to finish the job. The job's not finished yet."

Baylor still needs one more win

By GREG DEVRIES
SPORTS WRITER

With Baylor's win against Kansas State, the Bears have totaled five wins so far. Baylor has to win at least one of the two remaining games to be bowl eligible.

The difference between five wins and six wins in college football is a lot bigger than just one win. The sixth win, and the opportunity to play in a bowl game, gives a university a lot of exposure and a lot of money.

Beating either Texas Tech or Oklahoma State would give Baylor a lot more than just bragging rights.

Junior cornerback Joe Williams also feels like the team is peaking at

the right time.

"Around this time, everybody remembers November and December so it's our time of the season. Everybody else is banged up right now and we are ready to play," Williams said.

Junior running back Glasco Martin feels the team is finding its identity.

"It seemed like at the beginning of the year, we couldn't really find an identity for ourselves," Martin said. "I feel like we are starting to gain a lot of momentum and catch our stride and we are going to continue that momentum into the next couple of games."

After starting 3-0 in nonconference play, the Bears lost four games in a row to Big 12 opponents. When asked if beating the

top team in the country makes up for the losing streak, senior quarterback Nick Florence said that the ultimate goal is a bowl game at the end of the year.

"Really what makes up for that is winning one more game and getting bowl eligible," Florence said. "This is a good memory, I won't forget it, but we've got to get bowl eligible and that's our goal as a team. That'll make up for the four in a row and another one last week."

Baylor's next game will be against Texas Tech in Dallas. The Red Raiders started the year 6-1, but they have struggled lately.

Texas Tech has lost three of its last four games with the only win coming against Kansas in overtime.

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