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## Obligatory forehead slap over Baldwin

If there's one guy out there who can orchestrate an offense that can rack up 293 total yards and three touchdowns on USU's first four drives of a game, it's Dave Baldwin.

If there's one guy who can suddenly have a massive shift in production and play calling to only gain 161 yards in the rest of the game after that, scoring zero points, it's also Dave Baldwin.

If there's one guy that the majority of USU fans kind of want to roll up a newspaper and hit on the head saying, "BAD!, Bad Dave," it's Dave Baldwin.

Now, let's clear up The Bull Sheet is not on the "Fire Dave Baldwin" bandwagon just yet. But on the "Fire half of Dave Baldwin" movement... well... this is probably the first mention. It's as clear-cut of a case of Jekyll and Hyde as you can get.

Last Saturday there was this guy that plays for USU named Robert Turbin. Apparently he's pretty good too, what with his 16 carries for 155 yards. To put that in context, that was Turbin's second lowest number of carries in a game this season, yet he cranked out his second highest total of rushing yards. On the other side of the ball, Fresno was pretty aware that the USU defense was struggling against their running game and handed the ball off to Robbie Rouse 24 times. Rouse averaged almost four yards LESS per carry than Turbin, but when Fresno needed to grind out some yards, Rouse was their guy.

Baldwin on the other hand spent most of the second half trying to put square pegs into round holes with a gross overuse of the option and those wide receiver screen passes

that have worked like twice all season since the Auburn game.

The dilemma really gets tricky in the sense that nobody is sure whether anyone else could match the overall offensive production that Baldwin's good side manages to get out of this team, but my lord this inconsistency is just brutal.

We're a 2-4 football team that could very easily be 6-0 and in all honesty SHOULD be at least 5-1. Were it not for this gross inconsistency from an offensive unit that should be dominating every game, we'd be there.

## Last time USU won a bowl game, that team started the season 1-5

Yes, this exact same headline was used in the exact same place in the last issue of The Bull Sheet. Just a friendly reminder though. 2-4>1-5.

## In all honesty, we shouldn't lose again

HUGE emphasis on "shouldn't". The word "should" along with it's negatory form of "shouldn't" are two dangerous and incredibly frustrating words when describing Utah State football (see reference to how we should be at least 5-1).

But from here, the only other games that look like they could be potential losses are Hawaii and Nevada. Hawaii is always tough on the island, and despite how bad they've looked on the mainland, that game will not be easy for USU, especially since they're the only team in the WAC who is better than La Tech in stopping the run. They also struggle with consistency though. They got pounded by UNLV earlier this year. The same UNLV team who got their rectums thrashed by Southern Utah.

As for Nevada, they are not the same team as years' past, and we get them at home.

For San Jose, Idaho, New Mexico State and La Tech, losses are just straight up unacceptable in those games. Losses there, and we don't deserve to go bowling.

## Epic intro video... Check!

In case you missed the new intro video prior to the team taking the field that debuted at the last home game, pay attention today and get excited.

Major props go out to Ry Bay for putting that together. If it didn't give you goose-bumps, you probably should start loving the Aggies more, but chances also are that if you didn't love it, you didn't read far enough in this newsletter to get to that part.

That video marks one more big step closer to USU looking and feeling like a legitimate college football program to be reckoned with and a game day atmosphere that is something to brag about.

Obviously we still have a long ways to go, but it's definite progress, and every bit counts.

## #OccupyRomney

Yes, we get that there are going to be tons of empty seats at this game because of fall break, but for the final two home games after this, especially if we can put things together to threaten bowl eligibility, Romney Stadium had better be packed for that stretch run.

Come out to the games, spend all day tailgating, bring out the grill, drink some beers, or if that's not your thing drink some energy drinks. Just get out and get excited to back this team.

Just maybe if we rally up enough, Robert Turbin will stay one more year instead of going pro.

## Utah State

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## Louisiana Tech

## Bull Sheet scouting report A game preview

All that dominance in the running game for USU faces possibly its toughest test so far this weekend going against the No. 24 ranked rushing defense of Louisiana Tech. Success through the air will be crucial to USU's offense in moving the ball today, as the running backs could use all the space they can get.

The Bulldogs' offense is solid at both quarterback and running back, but has one of the WAC's best wide receivers in Quinton Patton, who has 46 catches for 635 yards and five touchdowns on the season.

At running back, Lennon Creer was once one of the most highly touted running back recruits in the country, and he'll show why if he gets space to run.

For USU's defense, it's essential that they get pressure on the quarterback, which has seemed like a tall task the past few weeks. If Patton is given time to run and quarterback Nick Isham has time to wait on Patton to get open, USU could fall victim to the big plays today.

In a perfect world, good Dave will be under the headset for maybe even three quarters of the game, which should put the Aggies in prime position to get back on track in the WAC.

## In the next Bull Sheet...

- We'll probably talk about Dave Baldwin some more, and hopefully about Good Dave, but in all reality... well... dammit all to hell.

- Maybe Stew Morrill wants to double as offensive coordinator?

- Basketball season will have started already, which is crazy to think about. But don't give up on football... please?

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## Wishful thinking??? Maybe...

We all know about the legend of The Spectrum on Wheels, and the few attempts to coordinate Romney on Wheels, but if things really do turn around for USU this season and we go to a bowl game, so help me god if that place (no matter where it is) isn't filled with USU students going out of their minds for our football team, asses will be kicked!!!!

Yes, we've got to earn it first, but if we do, it'd probably be in Albuquerque or Boise, both doable drives, so just in case, be ready!!!!

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