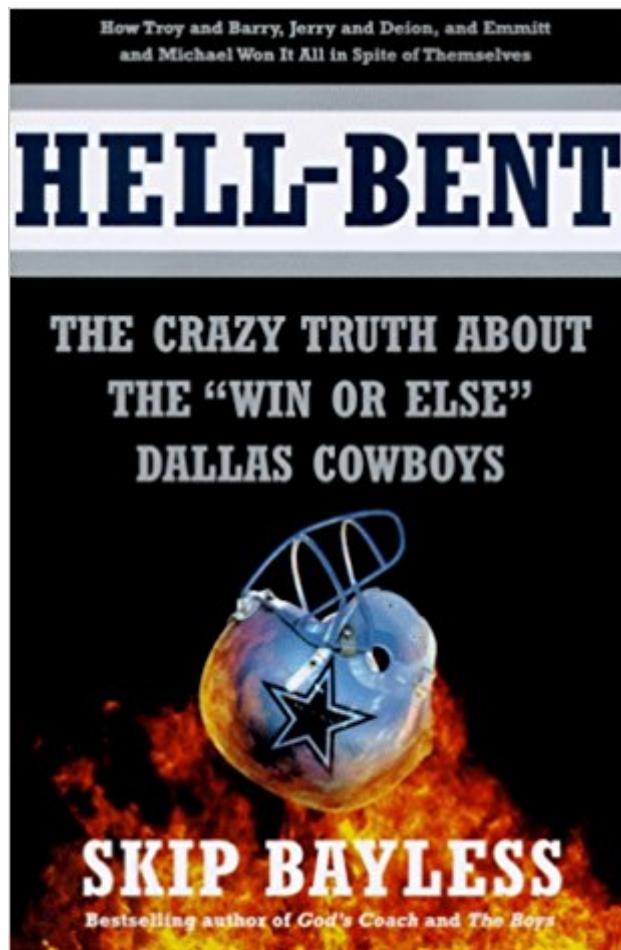


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Synopsis

A commentator on the cable-TV sports channel ESPN offers an inside look at the 1996 Super Bowl winners, the Dallas Cowboys, recounting the jockeying for attention and other behind-the-scenes wrangling among coaches and players. 50,000 first printing. \$50,000 ad/promo.

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This book wasn't nearly as good as Skip Bayless's book 'The Boys', for one big reason: 'The Boys' focus was mainly on what happened on the field. This book is filled with unsubstantiated rumors, and gossip (from questionable sources I might add). Worst of all, this keeps Bayless from discussing what an incredible season the Cowboys had. For example: in discussing the opening day win (on Monday Night Football) over the New York Giants Bayless doesn't even mention Emmitt's (Smith) first carry of the season: an up the middle 60+ yard touchdown run that was spectacular because Smith smoked the Giants secondary. He also fails to mention Prime Times (Deon Sanders) awesome interception against the Raiders (leaping over the top of Rocket Ishmail while running stride for stride with him).....and on and on. He also failed to mention that Jay Novacheck was out late in the season (getting his knee surgically repaired), and how this affected the team's performance. (I mean lets face it as much respect as I have for Kevin Williams, that offense was a 2 receiver offense.) Bayless preferred to lay the blame of the late season slump at the feet of the alleged conflict between Troy Aikman and Barry Switzer. Later in the book is a chapter on the cowboy's "family secrets" and Bayless reports all sorts of unfounded rumors and half-truths about many Cowboys. At one point Bayless claims he knew all about the "real" Michael Irvin but choose not to report on it because what he was doing wasn't "breaking the law, and

certainly hasn't affected his performance". Well Skip why are you reporting it now? Hmmmmmmmmmm? Buying drugs, (which Irvin later pleaded no contest to) isn't illegal? I will give Bayless credit for giving Barry Switzer more respect as a football coach than probably anyone else.

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