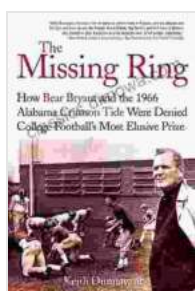


The Stolen Championship: How Bear Bryant and the 1966 Alabama Crimson Tide Were Denied College Football

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The controversy began after Alabama's 7-2 victory over rival Auburn in the Iron Bowl. The game was played in Birmingham, Alabama, and was attended by a record crowd of over 70,000 fans. Alabama dominated the game from start to finish, but the victory was marred by a controversial call

late in the fourth quarter. With Alabama leading 7-2, Auburn quarterback Pat Sullivan threw a pass that was intercepted by Alabama defensive back Tommy Tolleson. Tolleson returned the interception for a touchdown, but the play was called back due to a penalty on Alabama.

The penalty was for pass interference, but it was a highly questionable call. The replay showed that Tolleson had clearly made a clean catch and that the Auburn receiver had interfered with him. The call was met with outrage by Alabama fans and players, and it is widely believed that it cost Alabama the game.

The loss to Auburn dropped Alabama out of the national championship race, and the Tide finished the season ranked No. 3 in the final AP Poll. However, many believe that Alabama should have been awarded the national championship despite their loss to Auburn. The Tide had a better record than the other teams in the top 10, and they had also defeated the No. 1 team in the country, Notre Dame, earlier in the season.

The NCAA's decision to deny Alabama the national championship was controversial at the time, and it remains a source of debate today. Some people believe that the NCAA made the right decision, while others believe that Alabama was robbed. Regardless of where you stand on the issue, there is no denying that the 1966 Alabama Crimson Tide was one of the greatest college football teams of all time.

The Legacy of the 1966 Alabama Crimson Tide

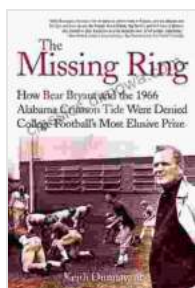
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number of outstanding players, including quarterback Ken Stabler, running back Mel Blount, and defensive back Tommy Tolleson.

The Tide's success in 1966 was due in large part to the leadership of coach Paul "Bear" Bryant. Bryant was one of the greatest college football coaches of all time, and he led Alabama to six national championships during his tenure. Bryant was a master motivator and tactician, and he was able to get the most out of his players.

The 1966 Alabama Crimson Tide is still remembered today as one of the greatest college football teams of all time. The Tide's undefeated season and their record-setting scoring margin are a testament to the team's talent and the coaching of Paul "Bear" Bryant.

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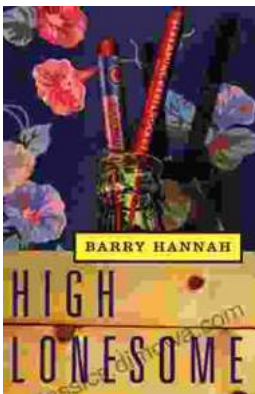
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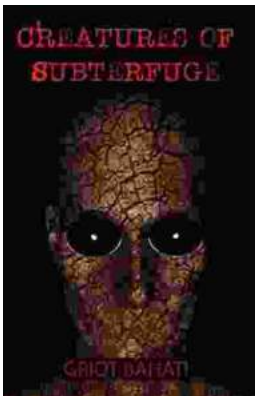
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