



ON KYLE FIELD

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Two Great Blockers Here This Week; Thomason Best Since "Horse" Stafford

The two greatest blocking backs the conference has seen since "Horseface" Stafford led Bohn Hilliard around for Texas several years ago will oppose each other here Saturday. They are Jim Thomason of the Aggies and Will Mullenweg of S. M. U., both big boys that go close to 200 pounds. They are both rugged lads that are



Thomason

Tickets For Pony Tilt Going Fast; Largest Non-Thanksgiving Crowd Expected

Ticket manager E. W. Hooker has announced that tickets for the tilt with S. M. U. have been going fast and that some 25,000 fans or more will be here for the game. Two special trains will be run from Dallas and many more fans will motor down from that city. Bryan is almost ready to call a holiday for the tilt. Many of the Houston people will be here, besides many national famous sports

Sanders, Pony Tackle Is Great Boy; Aggies Are Not Too Chesty Now

Three of the finest tackles in the South will be on the field Saturday in Sanders of S. M. U. and Boyd and Pannell of A. & M. Sanders will give both of the Cadets a run for their money on playing that tackle position.

capable of going full stride for the full sixty minutes.

The all-Conference blocking back will be picked Saturday and I will give you the answer right now. He is as fine a boy as can be found on the Aggie campus. A boy that will rival anyone for the number of friends he has.

He and John Kimbrough, along with the Robnetts and other line-men who pull out, offer the best protective wall of the ball carrier that has been seen in these parts for many a year.

writers and commentators.

Ex-students will be plentiful, and here's hoping they don't try to tell the ball club and the coaches how to play the game.

It is rumored that the Aggies will be the favorite in this tilt, but that is an error. Many of the "pickers" are putting the Ponies on the spot, and some of those pickers are the gamblers who bet only on sure things.

Ernie Pannell had a poor day in Arkansas, but he has told us that he is going to more than make up for it this week, and when he tells me that I am ready to watch the opposing team take a beating down in that line. When Ernie

Mustangs Threaten Aggies First Defeat

Clash Here May Settle Conference Champions

Sporting Eyes of the Nation Will Be Turned on S. M. U.-A. & M. Grid Battle

By "Jeep" Oates

In a big field in a little town east of the Brazos River called College Station by some 6,000 Aggies, the classic of the week in football will be held Saturday when the Texas Aggies meet the Southern Methodist Mustangs in a game that promises to bring forth the conference champion and maybe the national champion.

All sporting eyes of the nation will be cast here as the fray will be sent over the air on a national hook-up. The Ace sports writers and experts from the entire nation have already announced that they will be here. Some of the better known names are Bill Sterns and Kayle Talbot.

The two bands of the two famous schools will be at their best. It is said that there is not a single injury on either band and that they will be ready to go full speed.

That is the bright side of the contest, but while the bands practice, the headlines blast, the commentators shout and the sports writers predict, the two football teams and their coaching staffs work hard and pray for a one-point margin of victory.

Euel Wesson received a shoulder of newspapers with stories about their key men being injured, but when 2:30 Saturday afternoon rolls around S. M. U. will have its starting eleven on the field. The Aggies will not be so fortunate.

The Aggies suffered some painful bruises in the Arkansas tilt and they will probably not be completely healed, but some of those boys will be in there fighting. They know they have the hardest game on their schedule this week. They know, too, that Matty Bell and his Ponies defeated them last year with a weaker ball club and they know that he is liable to do it again this year if they don't "rock 'em and sock 'em."

His loss will be felt as it injury in the Ozarks and he is definitely out of the game this week. H is loss will be felt as it weakens the reserve strength considerably.

Records show that S. M. U. has just as good a running game as the Aggies. Both teams have averaged 3.67 yards every time they have carried the ball. It is to be remembered that the Ponies have played two of the highest-ranking teams in the nation in Oklahoma and Notre Dame and their average is still that high.

Bellville of S. M. U. has an average of seven yards for every time he has carried the ball, and that is far ahead of the leading Aggie who has only 4.93 yards for an average.

The Mustangs are again the best in passing. Clement has completed .529 per cent of his aeriels and Hagerman has completed .500 per cent of his.

Preston Johnson, who is rated as the best back in the conference for all-round ability, is one of the leading blockers, ball carriers and punters in the South. Johnson has averaged 24.3 yards on kick-off returns. He is one of the leading scorers in the conference with 21 points and the Ponies have played two games fewer than most of the other teams.

The team that loses will be just another team that fell by the wayside, while the aggregation that is victorious will remain in the people's eyes. There are always many starters but few finishers as

has a good day there is no better tackle in the world, and he has that determined look this week.

Joe Boyd says he is ready to beat *88* out of S. M. U. As he hails from Dallas, nothing would suit him better than to do just that. Joe says he enjoyed making the touchdown, but he is going to have him a good time in the line this week. JOE, how did you get down that field so quickly on that pass Saturday? You didn't charge too quick did you?

Chip Rountt was injured Tuesday afternoon and will be out of the game.

There has been lots of talk about the Aggies being overconfident, but that is all wrong. In the first place they don't have anything to be chesty about till they at least beat their most formidable opponent and they are waiting till Saturday for it.

All the boys to a man say that they are not going to let something like that beat them out now. You can bet that John Kimbrough will be hitting them just a little harder this week than he ever has. He has everything to lose by not doing it and you know Big John.

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Season's Records For Conference Teams

ARKANSAS		TEXAS	
32 Cen. Okla Teachers	6 12	Florida U.	0
0 Mississippi State	13 12	Wisconsin	24
14 T. C. U.	13 12	Oklahoma	24
7 Baylor	19 14	Arkansas	13
13 Texas	14 26	Rice	12
0 Villanova	7 0	S. M. U.	10
0 Texas A. & M.	27 21	Total	66
66 Total	105		
BAYLOR		TEXAS A. & M.	
34 Southwestern	0	32 Oklahoma A. & M.	0
13 Okla. A. & M.	0	7 14 Centenary	0
19 Arkansas	20	7 Santa Clara	3
0 Nebraska	20	0 Villanova	7
0 Texas A. & M.	47	20 T. C. U.	6
27 T. C. U.	13	20 Baylor	0
93 Total	158	7 27 Arkansas	0
RICE		T. C. U.	
12 Vanderbilt	13	12 Texas	16
13 Centenary	0	7 Fordham	13
0 L. S. U.	0	52 Total	68
8 Sam Houston Teachers	28		
12 Texas	28	2 U. C. L. A.	6
7 Fordham	13	7 13 Arkansas	14
52 Total	68	0 11 Temple	13
S. M. U.		TEXAS A. & M.	
7 Oklahoma	2	0 21 Centenary	0
16 Denton Teachers	0	0 0 Baylor	27
19 Notre Dame	20	27 53 Total	80
16 Marquette	0		
10 Texas	0		
68 Total	27		

Marland Jeffrey Is Contender For First-String Quarterback Position

By Jimmie Cokinos

Marland Jeffrey, the young man in the inset, is the substitute back who in the Arkansas game was on the throwing end of two touchdowns. One of his heaves went for



Jeffrey

60 yards with Herb Smith on the receiving end. He played an outstanding game Saturday, substituting for Price, the starting quarterback, who was held from the game due to injuries. Jeffrey hails from Port Arthur and at present is alternating time with Price and Marion Pugh as the starting quarterback. But with "Cotton" Price on the injured list Jeffrey will probably see lots of action in the game against the S. M. U. Mustangs Saturday.

According to Norton's plans he is using "Jeff" in the quarterback position in order to give the Cadets a flexible backfield, as he is able to play anywhere in the backfield. Jeffrey prefers the quarterback job, and is best fitted for that job. He has a keen head for calling plays and works in a calm manner which are two important characteristics of a good field general.

Weighing 185 and standing 5.11, "Jeff" has the ideal build for a back. He is capable of handling the Cadets punting duties as his kicking average last year was almost 40 yards. He passes the ball with accuracy and hits his receivers consistently. He is also a nice ball carrier, utilizing his speed to skirt the opponent's ends to gain yardage.

Jeff made freshman numerals in football and baseball during fish year. He won his first "T" in football last fall and added a second varsity letter when he made the Aggie baseball team as their third baseman. He stands a good chance of receiving a third "T" for his football play this fall.

While attending Port Arthur high school Jeffrey lettered three times in football and once in baseball. In his senior year he was selected as a back on the 1936 all-state grid team.

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E Infantry won from C Engineers.

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BAYLOR PICKED TO BEAT TEXAS

By Paul B. Williamson

The Williamson system has been warning its readers for several years that good football is no longer confined strictly to the "Ivy League." This season, especially, have so-called obscure teams handed plenty of grief to old time outfits. Many small colleges today have stadiums, cheering set-ups, bands, drum majorettes that eclipse those of many larger institutions.

All of that sort of thing paves the way for many weekly upsets against tradition, though not always against true rating form.

This week the system sticks its head out in predicting Baylor over Texas by a hair. Clemson over Wake Forest, Fordham over Indiana despite identical ratings, Harvard over Army, Illinois over Wisconsin, Northwestern over Purdue, Pittsburgh over Carnegie Tech, Arkansas over Rice, Tulsa over Texas Christian, Tulane over Alabama, Texas Mines over Arizona, and Oklahoma A. & M. over Washington U. of St. Louis.

Those are the hardest ones. The rest of the leading games should be easy according to the ratings. The system doesn't even cross fingers in predicting that Chicago will not beat Ohio State or The Citadel will not topple Tennessee. (Editor's Note: A. & M. and S. M. U. looks closer than the records.)

TEXAS A. & M.	97.3	S. Methodist	92.4
Rice	82.7	ARKANSAS	85.77
Texas Christian	84.0	TULSA	84.47
BAYLOR	88.4	Texas	84.47
HAR. SIMMONS	82.0	W. Tech Teach	86.0
S. CAL.	96.7	Stanford	86.6
Iowa	89.6	NOTRE DAME	94.7
MICHIGAN	90.1	Minnesota	87.2
N. CAROLINA	97.1	Davidson	76.9
Georgia Tech	90.9	KENTUCKY	98.0
Auburn	87.1	VILLANOVA	88.87
Centenary	77.4	TEXAS TECH	84.1
SANTA CLARA	91.0	Mich. State	84.0

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