

Baylor Seven-Point Favorite Over The Aggies Here Tomorrow

CRYSTAL GAZING

By PAUL MARTIN

Time again to stick our neck out for another round of calling the scores on S.W.C. contests to be played this week-end. (Of course, all the teams don't read this column and sometimes fail to conform.) This week finds the Southwest Conference teams in two conference tilts and three inter-sectional clashes which leaves all member schools busy. The three as yet undefeated eleven, Texas U., Southern Methodist, and Baylor, look as if they have a chance of hanging onto their records.

SMU is slated to tangle with UCLA way out on the Pacific Coast and the Ponies probably have the toughest job of the three. The Uclans are among the stronger teams on the coast this season. They have never won a game with the Mustangs since the two started playing in 1935. That year the Ponies stomped the Californians 21-0. Two years later the Bruins bowed 28-13 and in 1940 it was 9-6. We'll give the Ponies the nod here. Sparked by Doak Walker and Gilbert Johnson, the visitors should grind out a 14-12 victory.

John Barnhill's Arkansas Razorbacks will probably declare Memphis fished and off-limits after this week. After dropping a decisive tilt to Texas U. in Crump Stadium there Martin the Peckers are slated for a match with the powerful Ole Miss eleven this Saturday.

TCU, after the decisive thrashing it gave A&M last week, should bounce, but in the wrong way. We believe the Purple won't make much headway against the Oklahoma line. No upset appears in the offing here so we'll confidently call it Oklahoma 14, TCU 6.

The Texas University-Rice tilt tips the S.W.C. clashes this week with everyone remembering last year's 18-13 upset. The Owls are back with 26 of their 29 lettermen of last year in the ranks; and are given a chance in this match-but the Steers haven't shown any signs slowing down yet. Despite a few injuries, including fullback

Bruins Seek First Win in Ten Years On Aggie Grounds

By Art Howard

Baylor's unbeaten and untied Bears will be definite favorites when they invade Aggie ground tomorrow to play A. & M.'s hapless football team. Rated as the tenth team in the nation, Coach Bob Woodruff's squad is a seven-point favorite to hand the Aggies their fourth straight loss.

Weak only at the guard position, Baylor will be trying to rack up its first game on Kyle Field in ten years. But since neither team is a high scoring outfit, two touchdowns is expected to insure a win for either side.

For the first time in years the Baylor student body "has the spirit" and will probably come here more or less en masse. This means that the probable attendance will be 20,000 fans.

After three straight out-of-town losses, the Aggies will be trying to get back into the win column. The Farmers will be short on signal callers with Jimmy Cashion and Babe Hallmark on the injured list. Don Nicholas, who has been moved up from the B team to spell Stan Hollmig and Burt Baty, was reported to have been hurt in practice and may not see much action. Early weather reports indicate that it will be hot and dry Saturday, with no clouds to protect the players.

Probable Starting Lineups:

A&M	Pos.	Baylor
Howell	LT	Hollon
Talle	LT	Heironimus
Tusley	LG	Griffin
Gary	C	Jack
Stautzenberger	RG	Strong
Winkler	RT	Timley
Higgins	RE	Ison
Goode	LH	Parker
Smith	RH	McKinney
Hollmig	QB	Pierce
Dusek	FB	Pierce

Tennis Team Take First Two Matches

The A&M tennis team, which has been working out since the first day of school, has two victories under its belt already.

Last Saturday morning, Bill Bennett and Bonnie Stanford defeated the top TCU doubles team 2-6, 6-2, and 6-3. On October 4 the Aggies drubbed Southwestern University in one doubles and three singles matches. Bennett defeated Bill Leak, the Texas Conference champion of last year, 6-2, 6-4. Duffy Stanley defeated Weldon Mays 6-4, 6-2, and Rodney Sellers defeated John Caldwell 6-2, 6-2. In the doubles match Bennett and Stanford defeated Leak and Mays 6-2, 6-1.

According to W. M. Dowell, head tennis coach, the tennis team will definitely be stronger than last year. Not many players have reported for practice thus far, but several boys on the campus are expected to report soon, including Boots Gilbert of Dallas.

William Moore, last years number one man, is again shaping up as this year's top racketeer, followed by Stanley, Sellers, Stanford James Wallis, and C. A. Austin.

Rye grass, planted in October, will make a green lawn that lasts all winter and dies down when summer grass revives in the spring.

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Veterans, Corps Select Aggies To Beat Baylor

The Aggies will beat Baylor Saturday by about one touchdown, if the consensus of opinion of the student body as reflected in the Quarterback Club Contest entries, proves true.

Of the 105 entry blanks received by the Battalion late Thursday, 71 picked the Aggies and 33 saw the Bears as winners, a ratio in favor of the Aggies of over 2 to 1. The remaining entry called the game a tie.

SMU was the most-heavily backed team with 90 contestants picking the Mustangs to trim UCLA. The Bruins polled only five votes with one tie predicted. Oklahoma and Texas also polled 90 votes, with their opponents, TCU and Rice respectively receiving 15 votes each.

Mississippi was the general selection over Arkansas, 84 to 19 with two ties.

Splitting up the ballots among the veterans and the corps, it was seen that the two groups participated in the contest just about in proportion to their relative number with four out of every seven ballots carrying a veteran dorm address.

Unusually enough, the Fish and the Seniors in the Corps sent in far more entry blanks than Sophomores and Juniors. The Fish picked A&M by a ratio of four to three while the Seniors were 9 to 1 in favor of A. & M. The veterans predicted the Aggies to win in a little more than four cases out of seven.

Teague President Of Capital Aggies

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21 (AP)—President of the Texas A. & M. Club of Washington for the next six months—officers are elected semi-annually—will be Rep. Olin E. (Tiger) Teague, Class of '22, of College Station.

Other newly elected officers are O. L. Mims, '33 class, an agriculture department employee, first vice-president, and Capt. William C. O'Delly, '42 class, of Houston, vice-president. The retiring president is H. H. Williamson, national extension service official, who formerly headed the Texas Extension Service at College Station.

The sensation of color can be produced by stimuli other than light; for instance, pressure on the eyeball while in complete darkness.

FROM THIS ANGLE

by LARRY GOODWYN

Aggies Have Potential to Trim Bears; If They're "Hot", Bruins Face Trouble

Saturday afternoon on Kyle Field, Coach Homer Norton's Aggies lay their last bits of prestige on the line against Bud Woodruff's unbeaten Baylor Bears. Not only are the Aggies remaining title ambitions riding on the outcome, but they'll fall almost out of sight in the National ranking of college teams if they bow to the Bruins.

With the sting of the 26-0 TCU facing still bitter in their memories, the Aggies should bounce, in some shape or fashion against the Bears. There is little doubt among those who have seen the Aggies play all their games this year, that A&M has a team quite capable of sending the Bears back to Waco on the short end of the score. However, the same could have been said before the TCU game.

Whether the Aggies WILL play up to their potentialities undoubtedly will be one of the more decisive factors in Saturday's game. They can beat Baylor if they will.

Further, the team enters the conflict with the knowledge that they have the solid and frequently voiced support of the Cadet Corps. In fact, so rabid has the enthusiasm for the Baylor game become, that should the Bears triumph, there will be very little, indeed, remaining in the cadet coffers.

So, without further ado, we'll climb right on the handwagon and pick the Aggies to upset the Bears. The score? 14 to 13 sounds close enough.

Intersectional

Oklahoma over TCU—The Sooners bowed to Texas this year, an event which might not happen when the Frogs tackle the Steers, but, in this one, we'll have to give the nod to Jack Mitchell and his Oklahoma cohorts, 27-12.

UCLA over SMU—This is the perfect spot for an upset. The Ponies after trimming Rice, should normally experience some degree of a letdown this week. On the hunch that SMU might also be looking over the Uclan game toward the payoff clash with Texas next week, we'll take the Californians, 14-7.

Miss. over Arkansas—Just a shot in the dark—together with an ever increasing suspicion that Arkansas was a bit overrated this year. Mississippi 6 to 0.

All of which brings us right down to the Texas-Rice get-together. After three straight upsets at the hands of Jess Neely's

Intramural Notes

Largest Handball Tourney Opens

By CLIFF ACKERMAN

The fall semester intramural open handball tournament got underway this week with 53 singles players and 30 doubles teams participating.

Looking especially good in the singles were Bill Rippetoe and Powell Schumaker, followed closely by Burke and Smullen.

In the doubles, the top combinations were Rippetoe and Layne, and Armstrong and Owen. Reese and Wilson, and Hooper and Epps also showed up very well.

Handball, a fast, tough game, has long been an intramural favorite. This year has been no exception. The present tournament is the largest open handball tournament in A. & M. intramural history.

104,000 Vet Mechanics

Approximately 104,000 World War II veterans are learning to become skilled mechanics and repair men under the job-training provisions of the G.I. Bill, VA reported. Of some 600,000 veterans taking on-the-job training, mechanics led the list followed by salesmanship and retail management with 80,000 veteran trainees.

Tennis to Assume More Prominence

More emphasis hereafter will be placed on tennis at A&M College, Athletic Director William B. Carmichael announced Wednesday.

In past years the Aggie tennis squads have had only minor successes with part-time coaches and equipment most of which was furnished by the players themselves.

Under the new setup, as approved by the athletic council, the athletic department will furnish all balls, racquets and other necessary equipment.

Also, the netizens have their first full-time coach, in W. N. Dowell who already is working with the squad although the season actually doesn't start until next spring. Dowell took over as tennis coach last April. The Aggies finished third in Southwest conference competition. Four lettermen are members of the current six-man squad with another, Boots Gilbert of Dallas, slated to report later.

1,447 Graduates in 1947

The Registrar's Office officially announced yesterday that 1,477 students have graduated from A. & M. since January, 1947. This figure represents all students who were graduated in January, May, and August, 1947.

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