

Shorthorns Strong Defensively; Varsities Remain Idle Saturday

FROM THIS ANGLE

by LARRY GOODWIN

Now that the '47 football season is staggering to a close with only a few scattered conference championships, assorted traditional rivalries and the perennial bowl game choices to be decided, the talk on the gridiron front is slowly turning to the annual jockeying for positions on All-Conference, and All-America teams.

The Southwest Conference seems to have more than its share of candidates this year for National Honors. SMU's Doak Walker, Arkansas' Clyde Scott, Bobby Layne and Dick Harris of Texas and Joe Watson of Rice all seem bound for some sort of National recognition.

On the home front, the scramble for positions of the annual All-Southwest Conference eleven, shapes up to be a real tug of publicity, press agents and personalities. The backfield is more or less set up with Walker, Scott, and Layne virtual certain choices and two or three other candidates vying for the other spot. The line, however, is a different problem.

Annually, injustices are done in the selection of an All-Southwest line. Since the real value of a lineman remains hidden much of the time from the sports writers (and they're the ones who pick most of the teams), it naturally follows that boys who have been steadily plugging along game after game playing excellent, but not necessarily sensational ball, take a back seat to some of the highly-haloed linemen who have the advantage of a good publicity director to push them along the golden path to glory. The case of Herbert Bechtel at Texas is a classic example. This fair-haired lad had one good season while a Sophomore back in the days when the

war washed the desks clear of most really good players. So with nobody else around to take the job Bechtel made All-America. Then for two more years, little Hubert rode his press clippings to even greater fame, landing on the All-America again while playing ball which was conspicuous by its lack of "exceptional play."

So, with this in mind, we guess its more or less futile to try to push a certain Aggie lineman for All-Southwest honors, even though, in the opinion of a lot of followers of Aggie football, he thoroughly deserves them.

We refer to Jim Winkler, the Aggies' scrappy tackle who has played rough, headsup ball all season. Jim's only failing is that he's not in a position to do anything "sensational" that might take the sports writers' attention away from their typewriters long enough to give him a break.

Week after week, Winkler roams the field, making tackle after tackle, diagnosing plays correctly and being at the right spot at the right time to stop them. He has a lot to do with the throttling of Doak Walker, in the SMU game and he played a rough, headsup game against LSU. But it looks like Jim is just going to another "should-have-been" when the All-Conference selections start coming in. But the spirited tackle from Temple has one consolation.

He has another year in which to try to convince the scribes in Texas that he's as good as most people around here think he is.

The Washington Capitals of the Basketball Association of America lost only one home game out of 30 last season.

Junior Steers Work Hard On Offense for Fish Tilt

AUSTIN, TEX., Nov. 19.—(Spl.)—The winless, but defensively industrious University of Texas freshman footballers are hard at work this week on offensive plans for their charity game here Saturday against the A&M Fish.

These two teams—little brothers of the Thanksgiving Day classic rivals—will preview the Aggie-Longhorn rivalry of the future in Memorial Stadium Saturday in a game whose benefits will go to the Crippled Children's Clinic, under the sponsorship of the Ben Hur Shrine in Austin.

CHARLIE DeWARE
FRESHMAN COACH



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Ags Lead Passers, Hollmig in Punts

In spite of the losses, the Aggies do not look too bad from the statistical side of the scoresheet.

A&M leads the conference in passing yardage with 1148 against 1067 for runner-up Texas. Stan Hollmig has passed for 515 yards with a .41 completions average but is second to offense-only Bobby Layne who has credit for 912 yards with a .57 average. Burly Baty is fourth with 482 and a .48 average, on his throws.

Ed Dusek is the only A&M ball carrier in the upper ten, holding fifth place with 361 yards, Walmsley of Rice having passed him by one yard after last week's game.

Barney Welch is the leading pass receiver in the conference, having snagged 19 for 226 yards. However, three Texas men, Bumgardiner, Gillory, and Blount are within ten yards of him and Welch will have to stop 'em as well as catch 'em to keep his lead intact on Turkey Day.

On the scoring side, Bob Goode is tied for third place behind Walker and Gillory. Walker is away ahead with 70 points, but Gillory has only 42 points to Goode's 36.

Stan Hollmig is also high up in another bracket, kicking. Although he holds only third place with an average of 39.7, the other two men have not kicked anywhere near as many times as Hollmig. Should Hughes of Arkansas or Landry of Texas get off one bad boot in their final game, Stan will jump to first place.

Williamson Keeps Average in Spite Of Many Upsets

Paul B. Williamson stuck close to his season's average despite the many upsets on the gridiron last week, his report shows. Calling 231 games out of 284 his week's and season's averages were the same 83.4 percent.

Back in the nation's No. 1 spot was Michigan after trouncing Wisconsin 40-6. Following in order to complete the top ten were Notre Dame, SMU, Texas, So. Cal., Pennsylvania, California, Alabama, Penn State, and Georgia Tech. Near misses were N. Car. U., and Ole Miss, in the 11 and 12 spots.

Scattered down the line were LSU-13, Rice-14, TCU-18, Army-23, Navy-28, Texas A&M-48, Baylor-54, and Arkansas-56.

Listed as the upset of the week was Iowa's 13-7 victory over Minnesota. Other outstanding surprises were N. Car. State over Wake Forest 20-0, Idaho's shot at unbeaten Utah 13-6, and Army's tie with the Quakers 7-7. Williamson gives the credit for Alabama's win over Ga. Tech 14-7 to Harry Gilmer and not to the weatherman as was the case with many upsets.

Ags Start Workouts For Texas Game, Look Good in Muddy Practice Session

With no game this Saturday for the first time since the start of the season, the A&M Varsity started practice Tuesday afternoon on a wet, cold field in preparation for the Big Game with Texas. While the Longhorns rested for two days, the Aggies were working out in earnest. Coach Norton's schedule includes work on both the defensive and offensive, "to get us ready in every shape and fashion for Texas."

The injured list for the Aggies is at a new low and the team should be at full strength, not counting the players already out for the season, for Thanksgiving.

On the practice field John Ballentine was showing his usual skill at point kicking in spite of the soggy turf.

A&M has not played a game in the mud this year but the team did not seem to be troubled with the heavy piskin and the receivers were holding the ball.

Then mental attitude of the Aggie players will be almost as important as their physical shape for the coming game. Those who remember the famous no-substitution, "They Shall Not Pass," Texas U. team which beat the 1940 A&M team will agree with this statement.

The coaches and the team are appreciative of the support given them this week in spite of their bad loss to Rice. More than one Aggie feels that if the Farmers beat Texas, the season will be a success.

Cotton Bowl Will Sell Bids Nov. 23

A million dollars in Cotton Bowl bonds will be placed on sale by the State Fair of Texas Sunday, November 23.

Purchasers of the bonds will be granted the right to buy tickets to games in the stadium when it is rebuilt.

The bonds, of 30-year duration, will bear 3 percent interest. Money from the sale will be used to add about 16,000 additional seats on the west side, R. L. Thornton, president of the fair, said.

The new Cotton Bowl will seat 62,000 persons when completed, he stated.

With the purchase of each \$100 bond, the purchaser obtains an option to buy at regular price one ticket to any football game at the Cotton Bowl Stadium for which reserved seats are sold.

The sale will end December 15.

This enlargement project is only one step toward a 100,000 capacity Cotton Bowl, Thornton said.

Gliders Glide In Pavilion Tonight

The Aggie Aerobats Club will sponsor the first contest of the season for model airplane flyers and builders tonight at 7 p. m. in the Animal Husbandry Pavilion.

Anyone in the College Station area may enter the glider contest, according to Rogers Barton, faculty sponsor and member of the engineering drawing staff. Three cash prizes will be awarded the winners based on the average times the best three out of five flights, Barton stated. Although each contestant may enter as many as five different gliders, one for each flight, he will be eligible for only one prize.

Barbershoppers To Form Tonight at 8

A "Barber Shop" choral group will be formed Wednesday night at 8 p. m. in the lecture room of the Electrical Engineering Building, W. H. Hall, sponsor, announced yesterday.

After the group has been organized it is planned to form groups that could meet at any time and place convenient for them to practice.

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Aggie B Team Tangles With Clifton Junior College Here Friday at 2:30

Coach Johnny Frankie's Texas Aggie B team is slated to close the '47 season against Martin Juel's Clifton Junior College eleven on Kyle Field Friday afternoon with kick-off time set for 2:30 p. m.

The Aggie Bees, sparked by Bruce Wallace at the quarterback slot, have heretofore combined with Charlie DeWare's Fish team this year and have dropped four games in four tries.

Last week against the Rice Blue Bolts, the Bees, starting the game and carrying through the first

Station WTAW will broadcast this game Friday starting at 2:15 and will also carry the Fish-Short-horn game in Austin Saturday at the same hour.

Richard Gottlieb will announce both games, with the aid of Milt Frenkel.

quater, drove the determined little brothers of the Owls against their own goal line before losing the ball on downs. Previously, Wallace had connected twice with passes be-

hind the enemy goal only to have them called back because of penalties.

Probably starting for the Aggies will be Wallace, Bruce, Burnell, and Simcik in the backfield, Mack and Hempe at the terminals, Duke and Straus at tackle, Muegge and Overly at the guard posts, and Buttler at pivot.

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Humble's broadcast of the SMU-Baylor game will be heard from Municipal Stadium in Waco. The game will go on the air at 2:20 p. m. over stations WFAA-WBAP, (820 kc), Dallas-Ft. Worth; WOAI, San Antonio; KPRC, Houston; KRIS, Corpus Christi; KVAL, Brownsville; KGN-C, Amarillo; KRIG, Odessa; KPET, Lamesa; and WACO, Waco.

The Rice-TCU broadcast, scheduled for 1:50 p. m., will be aired from TCU Stadium in Fort Worth. Stations carrying the game will be WRR, Dallas; KFJZZ, Fort Worth; KRBC, Abilene; KBST, Big Spring; KGKL, San Angelo; KCRS, Midland; KOSA, Odessa; KIUN, Pecos; KROD, El Paso; KNOW, Austin; KMCC, San Antonio; KPAB, Laredo; KRIG, McAllen; KXYZ, Houston; KFDM, Beaumont; KRRV, Sherman; KGYL, Greenville; KPLT, Paris; KCMC, Texarkana; KMHT, Marshall; KRBA, Lufkin; KWFT, Wichita Falls; KWBU, Corpus Christi; KFRO, Longview; and KSST, Sulphur Springs.

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