

Northwestern Ranked No. 1 Team In Nation

Batt Sports Staff Picks Top Teams; Northwestern First

Northwestern, Notre Dame and North Carolina were rated the top three football teams in the nation after last Saturday's games by members of the Battalion Sports Staff in the Associated Press Poll.

Northwestern was given the nod over the Irish and the Tar Heels after the three teams finished in a dead heat for top honors. Notre Dame edged into second place leaving the North Carolinians in third.

After their rousing 40 to 0 rout of Purdue Michigan's powerful Wolverines were tagged the number four team in the Nation by the Batt's scribes.

The fifth place spot was awarded to the Wramblin' Wrecks from Georgia Tech because of their crushing 27 to 0 defeat of Washington and Lee. It was Tech's third straight win of the season.

Much controversy arose over where to put the Cadets from West Point. It was finally decided to give Army sixth place. There were good arguments for moving the Cadets up higher in the ratings and there were others that had the Army rated much further down the list.

Although Army had a 27 to 0 lead over Illinois at the half they faltered in the third and fourth periods and allowed the Fighting Illini to make it a close game. Illinois scored three times in the last half to bring the count to 27 to 21 before the game ended. This was Army's first close call of the season.

Minnesota received a lot of followers after seeing mighty Northwestern in a 19 to 16 thriller. The Gophers were rated seventh in the Batt Poll.

The University of California, who is favored to represent the West Coast in the Rose Bowl, rated eighth in the poll after rolling over a strong Wisconsin team 40 to 12. SMU and Baylor, two Southwest Conference powerhouses, rated ninth and tenth respectively. Even after SMU's tragic 30 to 14 loss to Missouri, the colorful Mustangs continued to hold the respect of the Aggie sports writers.

This is the first attempt by the Batt Sports Department to pick the Nation's top ten teams. These ratings were sent in to the Associated Press sports department to be compiled with other newsmen's selections. The results of these selections form the AP weekly poll.

- THE TOP TEN**
- 1. Northwestern
 - 2. Notre Dame
 - 3. North Carolina
 - 4. Michigan
 - 5. Georgia Tech
 - 6. Army
 - 7. Minnesota
 - 8. California
 - 9. SMU
 - 10. Baylor

Another poll in which the Batt was asked to take part is the Collier's 1948 All-American team selection poll. The Sports staff submits their selections as to who they think are All-Americans each week-end.

Here is the Sports Staff selection for the past weekend: Ends; Leon Hart, Notre Dame and Morris Bailey, TCU. Tackles; Leo Nollini, Minnesota and Tom Salisbury, Clemson. Guards; Odell Stautzenberger, Texas A&M and

OFFICIALS' NEW SIGNALS FOR FOOTBALL PENALTIES



AP Newsfeatures
NEW YORK—The six revisions in the official's signal code, designed to keep the fan in the stands informed, which became effective this season, are depicted here by AP Newsfeatures Artist Joe Cunningham. The military salute, which in previous football seasons signified "unnecessary roughness" and also was a part of the roughing the kicker and clipping penalties has been eliminated. The "holding" signal previously also was used to show illegal use of hands by offense. A new signal was devised for the latter offense that more closely resembles the infraction. There was no signal for illegal pass receiver downfield (tackles, guards or center are not allowed beyond scrimmage line).

Flag Football, Volley Ball Added to Intramural Agenda

Fall Intramurals entered full scale operation Monday afternoon as Flag Football and Volleyball were added to Basketball and Tennis action.

With Flag Football holding the biggest interest of all, here are Monday's results. "B" Infantry defeated "E" Air Force, 7-0. "A" Cavalry galloped over "A" Field Artillery by 19 to 0 score. "C" Infantry was a 6 to 0 winner over "A" Transport. Unable to hold back "B" Athletic, "E" Vets lost by a 13 to 0 count. "A" Infantry overcame "A" ASA by the same count.

Of the day's activity, Intramural officials Bill Hodge and Joe Painter reported "A" Cav's win over "A" Field as the best played. The troopers' one-two punch of Page and Marble ran wild through the artillerymen who were only able to make one 40 yard penetration during the game.

On the handball courts, "D" Vets defeated the Day Students 23 to 13. "A" Flight took care of "D" Field by a 22 to 11 score. "D" Air Force

lost to "B" Air Force by a slim margin of 18 to 15. "A" Engineers tied "B" Air Force up by a 23 to 14 count.

The day's closest game was between Flights "B" and "D" with the boys from "B" the three point winner. Dick Harris became high point man for the victors, scoring six points in the 18 to 15 contest.

Tennis action moved into its third week for Corps teams. "B" Engineers lost to "E" Infantry, two sets to one. "A" GWS outplayed "A" Ordnance by the same score. "A" Quartermaster dusted off "B" Field by a two to one score. "C" Field won over "D" Infantry two to one.

The day's lone Volleyball game found "D" Air Flight pitted against "A" Vet. The Veterans took two games out of the three to come out the winners.

"Lest I Forget"...

NEW YORK, (AP)—Eduardo Fiestas, a hurdler on the Peruvian Olympic team, was so mad when he kicked over the fourth hurdle in the London meet that he returned to the course and walked off with it.

He boarded a Peruvian International Airways plane here en route to his home in Lima, Peru, with the hurdle still in his possession, strapped to his luggage. He wanted to be reminded of his error always, he said.

Boudreau Gives Bearden Credit For Series Win

BOSTON, Oct. 12 (AP)—Gene Bearden, a career rookie with ice water in his veins, is the undisputed hero of Cleveland's first World Series title since 1920.

"We owe it all to Bearden," said Manager Lou Boudreau after yesterday's thrilling 4-3 victory over the Boston Braves for the championship. "Give him all the credit. That goes back to the playoff game, too."

The handsome Southpaw conqueror of the Boston Red Sox in the pennant playoff game, had just sauntered in from the bull pen to save the series finale.

Starter Bob Lemon was rocking and reeling from the fury of the attack of the Boston hitters, hungry for the winners' slice of the honey from record crowds. The Braves had the bases full with one away in the last of the eighth, trailing 4 to 1. Then came Bearden.

Pinch hitter Clint Conaser, the first man he faced, sent Thurman Tucker to deep center with a fly ball. Tommy Holmes tagged up and raced home, to make it 4-2.

Manager Billy Southworth brought in Phil Masi to hit for Bill Salkeld, and Masi hit the boards high on the left field wall for a double that scored Torserson. Now it was 4-3.

Coldly surveying the situation, Bearden went to work on Mike McCormick, one of the Braves' more dependable hitters in the series. He came in with his knuckler on the first pitch and McCormick bounced it right back to the box for the vital third out.

Eddie Stanky led off the ninth. Bearden got him down to 3-2 and then lost him. The tying run was on first and the heat was on.

Sisti bunted one foul. Then he bunted again. The next pitch he tucked and the ball popped into the air about 10 feet high in front of the plate. Catcher Jim Hegan made the catch and fired to first base for an easy double play. Holmes ended the game and series by flying out.

'Ponto' Organizes Volleyballers To Enter New League

A volley-ball club was organized on the Campus this week. M. A. Ponthieux, of the Physical Education Department, will sponsor the group. He stated yesterday that they will enter in the "Central Texas Volleyball League."

Other entrants in the league are the YMCA Clubs of Fort Worth, Dallas, Waco, and San Antonio in addition to a group from Baylor University. All games in the league will be played on a home-home basis with numerous out-of-town trips scheduled for the A&M group.

Ponthieux also sponsors a freshman fumbling club and will organize a freshman volleyball club at the Annex. He already has 40 members in the tumbling club, and expects a similar, or larger number when the volleyball group is organized.

Ponthieux is a well-known figure on the main campus. He has been attached to the PE Department since he got his degree in Physical Education in 1941. He entered A&M in the fall of '37, and immediately began his athletic career. He was captain of the freshman swimming team, was an intramural manager for three years, and again was captain of a swimming team, this time the varsity squad, in his senior year in 1941.

Last year Ponto managed the A&M Volleyball Club, which played in the Gulf A.A.U. Volleyball Tourney. He was also chairman of the Gulf A.A.U. Volleyball Committee last year.

North Carolina, Notre Dame, California Trail Wildcats

Northwestern is ranked No. 1 in the nation for the second successive week by the Williamson Rating System. North Carolina, 28 to 6, victor over Wake Forest this week, was ranked in the second place slot vacated by Army. Army fell from second to 10th place by equating out a 26-21 win over Illinois!

Undefeated Notre Dame moved up to No. 3 with a 24-7 win over Michigan State. The South Bend team is ranked first in several other polls, but is still shunted by Williamson because of its narrow squeak over Purdue, which was beaten 40-0 by Michigan this week. California jumped from eighth to fourth place by virtue of a humiliating 48-14 stomping of Wisconsin.

In the Southwest Conference, Texas took the biggest drop from 16 to 53, after the Oklahoma game. This is probably the lowest rating the Longhorns have had in ten years.

Southern Methodist dropped from sixth to 22nd, just below the Horned Frogs. Missouri University rates no better than 53rd, in spite of a win over the Mustangs.

Arkansas also dropped in Williamson's ratings, from 11th to 16 Oklahoma U. improved four notches to rate 44th after smearing the Longhorns.

In one of the few advances by a SWC team, A&M moved from 101st to 86th while LSU, chastised for not doing better against the Aggies, slipped from 49th to 70th.

Rated over A&M are Florida, Iowa, Miami of Ohio, Utah U., Dayton, San Francisco U., Muhlenberg, Texas Mines, La Tech, and Colorado A&M.

Williamson picks Arkansas to beat Texas in the upset of the week, and picks SMU over Rice easily. Texas Christian is also slated to clip the Aggies, and Baylor is given a big margin over Texas Tech.

In the big leagues, Northwestern is given the nod over Michigan, and Notre Dame is favored to swamp Nebraska, and Minnesota gets the nod over Illinois.

Dog and Pet Show Planned Oct. 19

The sixth annual Dog and Pet Show of the A&M Consolidated School District, will be held October 19 in the Animal Husbandry Pavilion.

Entries will parade at 7 p. m. and judging will start immediately afterward. Prizes will be awarded for first place in each class, and ribbons will be awarded to the first four places in each class. Grooming and handling will be stressed in judging.

Dogs and other pets to be entered must be brought to the west entrance of the pavilion not later than 6:30 p. m. Dogs must be on leash; other pets must be in cages or otherwise under control. Dogs and pets must be the property of the exhibitors (children, grades 1-8).

Registration of the pets will be at the west entrance at 6 p. m. week.

Williamson had a bad week, along with the other forecasters, by missing 67 out of 360 games for a 82.6 average. His toll was especially heavy among the big-time teams, although he correctly picked TCU over Indiana.

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Cardinals to Hold Tryout Camp For Baseball Players

ROCKDALE, Texas, Oct. 11—The St. Louis Cardinals, always strong contenders for the National League Pennant, will conduct a two-day try-out camp at Rockdales Fair Park Field, Wednesday and Thursday, October 27 and 28. The camp, made possible through the cooperation of N. E. Alford, of Rockdale, will be one of a large program scheduled by the Cardinals this year.

Workouts, which will get underway at 11 o'clock each morning, will be under the supervision of Fred Hawn and C. A. "Runt" Marr, former minor league players and experienced scouts.

They will put the aspirants through regular drills in running, fielding, hitting and throwing, giving each player a real chance to show what he has to offer the major leagues. To conclude camp activities, several games will be played between teams made up of players in attendance at the camp. Players are requested to bring their own gloves, baseball shoes, and uniforms if they have them, for the Cardinals do not supply this type equipment for their trial camps.

All expenses incident to attending the camp will be refunded to those players who are signed to contracts with any of the 11 minor league clubs comprising the famous Cardinal minor league network.

DONT FORGET TURTLES TOMORROW

KICKING IT AROUND

BY ART HOWARD

SWC Losing Prestige As Top Teams Are Beaten in Intersectional Games

Much of the prestige which the Southwest Conference has been building up in the last ten years has been shattered this season with the defeat of our top teams in intersectional play. Texas, SMU, Rice, and TCU were all supposed to have hot teams this year, and each one of them has been beaten at least once in outside games.

The first flaw came out when Texas, ranked by many to take the title, was stomped 34 to 7 by North Carolina. Nearly everyone passed it off as a first game mistake on part of the publicized Longhorns; for they came roaring back to romp at will over New Mexico and LSU.

Then Oklahoma, which was beaten by Santa Clara, took the gold plate off of the Texans in a grudge game Saturday. While we enjoyed seeing Texas going down for the count, we still hate to see our conference

QUARTERBACK CLUB

Team	Score	Team	Score
Texas A&M		T.C.U.	
S.M.U.		Rice	
Texas U.		Arkansas	
Baylor		Texas Tech	
Northwestern		Michigan	

Entries have to be turned into Batt office by 5 o'clock Friday. Only one entry allowed per person.

Name _____
Address _____

College Holiday Scheduled Nov. 29

Monday, November 29, 1948 will be a holiday in lieu of the original scheduled holiday on October 3, Dean M. T. Harrington, Chairman of the Executive Committee has announced.

This change was requested by the Student Senate since there will be limited number of student tickets available for the Baylor-A&M game.

Since only a small portion of the Aggie student body will be able to attend for this reason, there will be no corp. trip, Harrington said.

The track has been fast for 30 sittings of Hialeah's races—the Widener and Flaminio.

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