

Revenge Seeking Baylor Awaits Aggies

Undefeated Bears Seek Victory Over Winless Farmers to Stay in Battle for SWC Crown

By BILL POTTS

The Aggies begin tapering off today for their second Conference game of the season this Saturday with Baylor. This week's secret practice sessions have been something new for Aggie land in that one has been held every day of the week.

A check with Trainer Blaine Rideout yesterday showed that practically every man on the squad will be ready for service. There are the usual sprains and bruises but none are too serious.

The Aggies will be going up against the most emotionally keyed up team that they have played all season when they take the field against the Bears. Ever since the Aggies upset the dopestheet last year and panted them on Kyle Field, the Bears have been pointing to this one. They were almost unanimous favorites to beat the Farmers last year.

The Bears have surprised everyone this year and at the present, they are tied with Texas and SMU for first place in the conference. Pre-season dopsters had them picked to fight it out with the Aggies for the cellar.

The Bears have won three and tied one and at present are the only undefeated team in the conference. They have also had to come from behind in three of those Tulsa, Miss. State, and Arkansas, to pull the game out of the fire. Last Saturday night, they were never headed by Texas Tech.

The Bears are thick in reserves this year and use them liberally. They do not go all the way and use an offensive and defensive team such as some other teams in the conference use but it sometimes appears that way.

Charlie DeWare, who has scouted the Bears this season, stated that "Baylor will be the toughest team that the Aggies have come up against since Oklahoma."

DeWare goes on to say, "In George Sims, their speedy little tailback, the Bears have the best catback that I have seen in the conference all season."

Sims at present is leading the conference in punt returns with 262 yards on nine runs—an average of 29.1 yards.

Baylor also has Adrian Burke a junior college transfer from Kilgore, who has been burning up the ozone with his passes. Besides Burke, two other passers Hayden Fry and Ray Painter are expected to see service against the Aggies.

The Baylor line is all about the same size and they are three and four deep in every position.

What will come out of those secret practice sessions this week, no one will know until game time, but one thing is known, those Bears are really pointing for the Aggies.

Star Guard Wants To Be Fullback

PULLMAN, Wash., Oct. 21 (AP)—The "lineman of the week" wants to be a fullback.

Laurie Niemi, 240-pound tackle for Washington State College, was thrilled today to be named the country's top lineman for the week in an Associated Press football poll.

But it would be a greater thrill for him to make a touchdown. "That's been my ambition," he said. "In college and all through high school I wanted to play in the backfield."

You'd never think he was dissatisfied with his job if you had watched him Saturday rearing up out of the line like a freight elevator to bat down University of Washington backs.

You wouldn't expect discontent in a lad described by Coach Phil Sarboe as "the inspiration and sparkplug of our team."

But Niemi wants to make a touchdown. He tried out for the backfield once at Clarkston, Wash., high school. "But I was too big and lumpy," Niemi said.

Fans who left their seats early before the half of end of Texas A&M football games this fall missed plenty. Villanova scored seven points on the Cadets in the final 37 seconds; Texas Tech worked a 92-yard pass play for touchdown with 14 seconds left in the half, and TCU scored seven points on the Farmers in the final ten seconds of the first half.

Johnson, Goff And Berry Among Top Offensive Players

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (AP)—Nothing short of two broken arms it appears, can prevent Nevada's Stan Heath from throwing the pigskin farther this season than it ever has been thrown before by any one player.

The Wolfpack's T-formation quarterback already has heaved the ball 1,031 yards in four games to lead the nation's passers in that department.

With five games to go, Heath needs only 427 air yards to better the 1,457-yard record set by Davey O'Brien of Texas Christian in 1938.

Heath's record breaking flinging enabled him to take over the lead in total offense. Although he has netted only six yards on five rushing efforts, he has moved the ball for a total of 1,037 yards.

The most accurate passers are Southern Methodist's Gil Johnson (75.6 percent completed), Frank Tripucka of Notre Dame (64.6 percent) and Jimmy Southard of Georgia Tech (63.8 percent).

Lindy Berry of Texas Christian, whose 99 rushes and 164 total offense plays both are the highest in the land, regained second place to health in total offense with 710 yards. Fred Wendt of Texas Mines placed third with 656 and Charley Justice of North Carolina was fourth with 648.

The leaders also include: Rushing offense—Wilton Davis, Hardin-Simmons, 424, ninth, and Bobby Goff, Texas A&M, 401, tenth.

Penalty Goes Over Goal Line for TD

HOUSTON, Oct. 21 (AP)—A Negro football team that watched an official score the winning points for it in a game here may have to settle for a tie.

It happened when Jack Yates of Houston defeated Central of Galveston, 15-13, last week.

Central drew a clipping penalty when it had the ball on its own 13-yard line. An official picked up the ball and started stepping off 15 yards.

He hesitated at the goal line, but then took two steps across it and signaled a safety.

The public address system announcer told the crowd: "The rule book says that can't happen, but it did just now."

L. A. Morgan, principal at Central and chairman of District 3 of the high school Negro football league, said he has discussed the matter with Principal W. S. Holland of Yates.

"As far as we are concerned, the score should be a 13-13 tie," Morgan said. "We will recommend that such a score be recognized when the committee meets."

The 'Eyes of Texas' At Secret Practice

Coach Harry Stiteler's grey hair turned a shade grayer yesterday afternoon when he looked up into the stands during secret practice and saw five men wearing orange sweaters with big white "T's".

These men, members of the visiting Texas University Water Polo team, were watching the Aggies go through some new plays in preparation for the Baylor game.

The exact reactions of Stiteler are not recorded, but the Aggie managers ushered the Texans off the field quickly and politely.



JACKIE JENSEN, University of California, is being boosted as an All-American candidate for the fullback position. Jensen weighs 182 pounds, and is a 10.3 man.

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TU-Rice, SMU-Santa Clara Games Top Week's Slate

Santa Clara's Broncs will run into one of the greatest passing teams of them all when they meet Southern Methodist's Mustangs in Dallas Saturday night.

This is one of two interconference games on the Southwest Conference schedule, Texas Christian battling Oklahoma at Fort Worth in the other.

Statistics released yesterday by James H. Stewart, executive secretary of the conference, show Southern Methodist to have thrown 62 passes and completed 43 for 693 yards. The Methodist average is .693, meaning that for each 10 the Mustangs throw they complete almost seven.

Gil Johnson has connected on 33 of those completions for 574 yards and he's just one of the guys Santa Clara will have to worry about in the Cotton Bowl tussle.

Donk Walker, All-American in every book, is leading the Southwest Conference in punting with an average of 37.2 and in pass receiving with seven catches for 228 yards. In other words, Walker has rolled up more than one-third of the yardage SMU has made in passing.

Oklahoma will have to stop the biggest all-around gainer in the conference at Fort Worth. He is Lindy Berry, who leads in total offense, with 683 yards on 161 plays. The versatile little quarterback of the Horned Frogs has pitched 62 passes and completed 29 for 305 yards. And he has carried the mail 98 times for 378.

There are two conference games on the schedule Saturday, Texas playing Rice at Houston and Baylor taking on Texas A&M at Waco.

Rice will go up against the leading offensive team in the circuit. Texas has rolled up 1,628 yards in five games—an average of 325 per contest, which is eating up the ground. Texas ranks second both in rushing and passing with 1,055 on the ground and 571 in the air.

Texas A&M's major trouble with Baylor likely will be the punt returns of fleet George Sims, who leads the conference in this department with 262 yards on nine runs—an average of 29.1 yards.

Arkansas, which rests this week, is the leading ground team. The Razorbacks have rolled up 1,142 yards rushing. And they're tops in defense, too, giving up only 898 yards in five games—an average of 179.6.

Clyde Scott of Arkansas still is the leading ball-carrier. The mighty Razorback has netted 500 yards on 63 carries. Bobby Goff of Texas A&M is runner-up with 401 yards on 77 carries.

Back of Gimet Gil Johnson in passing is Paul Campbell of Texas who has thrown 67 and completed 24 for 386 yards.

Second to Walker in punting is Sonny Wyatt of Rice, who has averaged 36.5 of five boots.

The leading pass-receiver in the number of throws caught is Morris Bailey of Texas Christian—another fellow for Oklahoma, to worry about. Bailey has taken 18 throws for 194 yards. He's second to Walker in yardage.

Quarterback Club Entry Blank

Team	Score	Team	Score
Baylor	_____	A&M	_____
Texas	_____	Rice	_____
SMU	_____	Santa Clara	_____
Oklahoma	_____	T. C. U.	_____
North Carolina	_____	LSU	_____

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All entries must be turned in to the Batt Sports desk by 3 p. m. Friday. The winner will receive two tickets to the Baylor game. Only one entry allowed per person. The Quarterback Club will meet Thursday night at 7:30 in the Assembly Hall.

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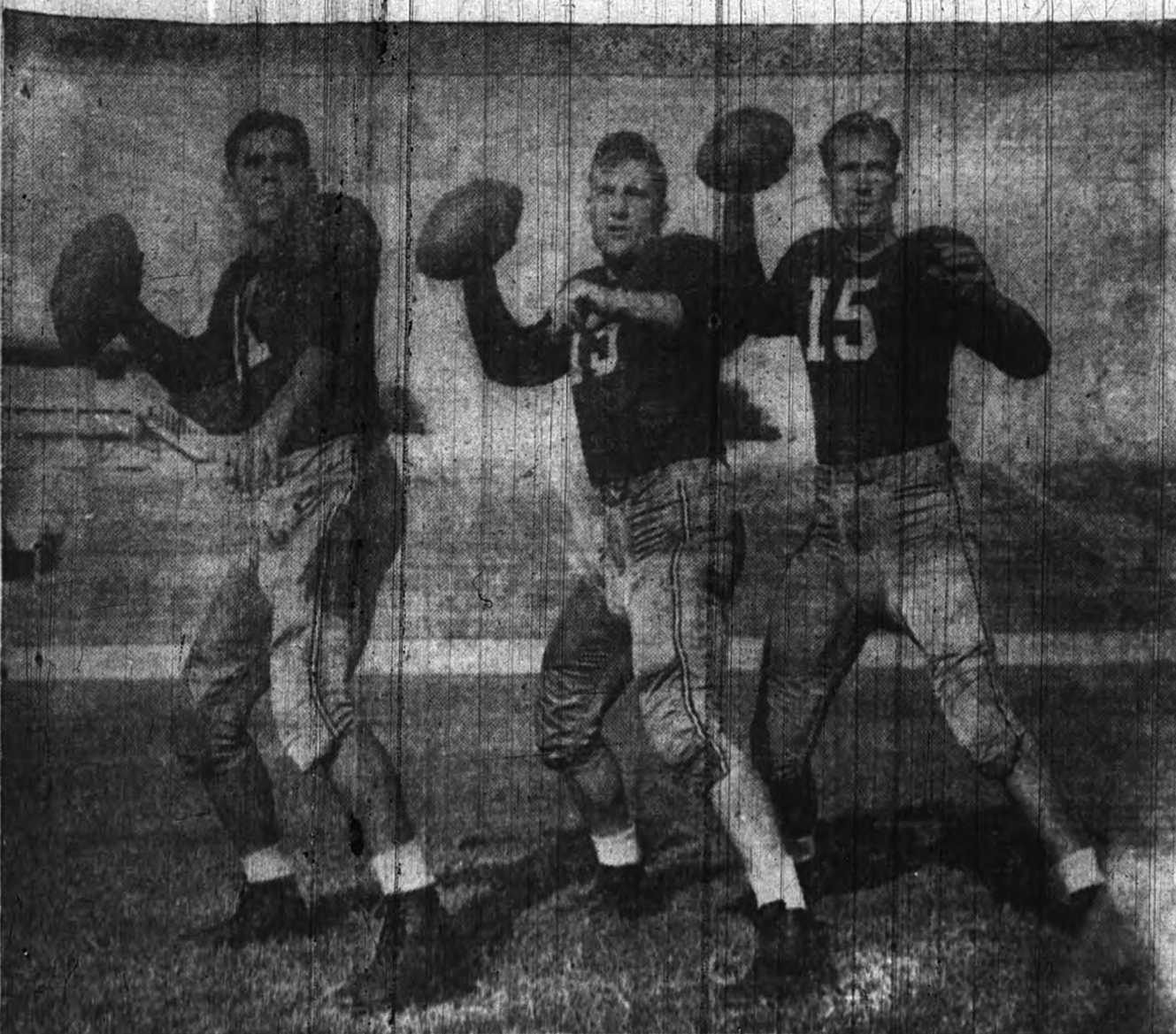
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A&M's three quarterbacks, from left to right, DON NICHOLAS, JIMMY CASHION, and BURYL BATY, will all be ready to go against the Baylor Bears next Saturday. Baty has been hampered with a sore ankle, the last three games, but has been looking good in practice this week.

Water Polo Team Comes From Behind to Defeat Texas, 3-1

By ART HOWARD
A&M's Water Polo team came from behind to defeat the Texas University swimmers, 3 to 1, in the P. L. Downs Jr. Natatorium last night. The game was marred by numerous fouls, most of which were made by the Aggies.

Coach Tex Robertson's squad outplayed the home team in the first quarter, and Wally Pryor put the Longhorns out in front with a close-in shot midway in that period. The good blocking of Aggie goalie Ed Kruse kept the threatening TU swimmers from making any more goals the remainder of the game.

Van Adamson started the Aggie scoring in the second stanza with a hard pass into the wicker. Adamson was about five yards out when he threw his tying shot into the side of the net, out of the reach of the Texas goalie.

Danny Green, A&M's star swimmer, put the Aggies ahead with a high toss which hit the top of the scoring cage after taking a long pass from Adamson.

Texas Jack Tolat took the throw out after Green's goal, but A&M regained possession of the ball almost immediately. Then Bernie Syfan scored for A&M on a long angle shot which passed Bob Hill, the Texas goalie. That finished the scoring for the night, but not the action.

McCluley, the referee, was subjected to a barrage of yells from both the Texas squad and the home town crowd as numerous fouls were committed during the game.

As Coach Art Adamson explained after the game, McCluley was following the water polo rules' interpretation guide which suggested that minor fouls should not be called unless the man fouled lost the ball.

Diving star Jack Tolat was the offensive spark of the TU squad and intercepted several Aggie passes.

A&M threatened several times in the second half but could not score. The Cadet swimmers led the ball several times on bad passes, but they outgassed the Texans in scrambles for the ball.

One of Green's passes hit Gene Summers on the head, and the ball was recovered by the Texans. Late in the game Summers was called out of the water for ducking a Texas swimmer.

Bernie Syfan led the Aggies in total attempts with five, followed by Danny Fisher and Syfan both played good defensive games for the Aggies, and Johnny Heeman's passing kept A&M's offensive going.

The opening game between the two "B" teams ended in a 3-3 tie. Jim Bennett, Bill Sargent, and Gilbert McKenzie each made a goal for the Aggies. Roger Tolat, younger brother of Jack, made two points for Texas, and teammate Wyatt Wilson made the other one.

STARTING LINEUPS
A&M: Egan, CF; Demmer, LF; Fisher, RF; Van, RB; Pryor, CB; Summers, LB; Talar, R; McCluley, L; Adamson, RB; Hill, G.
Texas: Bennett, CF; Sargent, LF; McKenzie, RF; Tolat, RB; Wilson, LB; Talar, R; McCluley, L; Hill, G.

Line coach Bill DuBose is the football mentor at Texas. "M" who played for the Texas Longhorns.

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