

The Battalion

QUARTERBACK CLUB

Ten Top Aggies Of The Week



Dorbandt Barton, a junior starting his first game as defensive left end, was one of the mainstays in the tough Aggie forward wall that held the vaunted SMU Mustangs to 194 yards on the ground.



Dwayne Tucker, 210-pound right tackle, provided a lot of the experienced bulk that opened holes in the Red-and-Blue defensive line for the Aggie backs to move through. Tucker is a junior.



Carl Malberg, outstanding right guard who is earning his second letter as junior, turned in another of the fine line performances that contributed to the 27-to-27 "victory" over SMU.



Dick Scott, 210-pound senior guard who recovered a crucial fumble Saturday, aided the Maroons with some fine defensive play in addition to handling his usual kickoff duties for the Farmers.



Mickey Spencer, 205-pound junior who mans the left tackle slot on offense, tossed his weight around when such action was most needed and played a big role in the Cadet upset of the Ponies.



Bruish' Bob Smith, 192-pound sophomore who leads the Aggie rushing attack, gained 175 yards and scored three touchdowns to continue impressing the entire sports world with his ability.

Rice, heir apparent to the Southwest Conference crown, plays host to the surprising Aggies in Houston this weekend in the game of the week for this section.

The Feathered Flock is off to a fast start in the league race with three victories marred by nary a loss to a loop opponent. Two of the top SWC elevens have fallen before the Owls—SMU and Texas.

Jess Neely's charges opened the season with a 33 to 7 win over the Clemson Tigers. Although the Tigers at the time boasted a winning streak that extended back into 1947, the Houston team's achievement has faded some as the South Carolina Cadets have failed to impress against other opponents since their loss to Rice.

The Owl nemesis, Louisiana State, abruptly halted the bayou contingent's win streak in the second '49 tilt by downing the Birds 14 to 7 at Baton Rouge. Foggy weather, muddy turf, a hard-to-lick jinx—and a strong LSU eleven—combined to bring about the Rice downfall.

Since their loss to the Bengals the Blue and Grey-clad gridsters have bunched three league foes and a pair of Border Conference competitors from their path. New Mexico faced the Owls in the third game of the Houston school's schedule and the Lobos were beaten 35 to 0 in a breather.

Defending champion Southern Methodist next fortified its lair for the Rice invasion of the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, but the title-hungry Birds fought back from a first half deficit to gain a 41 to 27 victory. The burly bayou athletes took this contest in an offense versus an offense battle in which neither club offered or sought quarter.

Despite the Owl win over the Mustangs, the Texas Longhorns were installed as favorites the following week in the UT-Rice clash in Austin's Memorial Stadium. However, fate was not to be denied as Froggie Williams' field goal in the final ten seconds of play brought the Birds a 17 to 15 victory.

Neely's bruised and battered club closed up the next Saturday as they knocked off Border Conference champ Texas Tech. The Houston eleven was the fourth SWC team to accomplish the trick this fall.

Only last weekend the Feathered Flock jostled Arkansas from their path 14 to 0. The win over the Ozark Travelers, coupled with Texas' defeat of Bay-

lor, allowed the Ricemen to take an undisputed hold of first place in the conference standings.

The top two players on the Blue and Grey squad are 197-pound left end Froggie Williams and 225-pound center-linebacker Joe Watson. Six-footer Williams, who has earned three monograms, should make the first string All-Americans at the close of the campaign.

Big 6'2" Watson, another three-letterman, will be included on the All-America squads from the third to the first teams—according to the prejudices of selectors towards putting two teammates on the same honor selection.

Other top stars for the veteran Rice aggregation are backs Bobby Lantrip, Sonny Wyatt, and Tobin Rote. Rote, man-under in the T-attack, weighs 190, stands 6' 3", and tosses a wicked pass.

Lantrip, 5' 11", 190-pound full-back, is second in rushing in the conference while teammate Wyatt, 5' 8", 170-pound left halfback, ranks third in the same department. Harold Riley, 5' 10", 190-pounder, completes the top backfield and holds down the right half slot.

Lantrip and Wyatt are single letter winners while Riley owns two such awards.

Teaming at the guard posts are two more all-conference contenders, S. J. Roberts and Carl Schwarz. Roberts, 5' 11", 190-pound left guard, has lettered twice previously. Schwarz, another two award winner, is bigger than his running mate as he puts 200 pounds on a 6' frame into his job on the right of the center.

Billy Wyman, 220-pounder who stands 6' 2", mans the left tackle position with 210-pound, 6' 3" Ralph Murphy teaming with him on the right. Murphy owns three monograms while Wyman has two.

Jack Wolecott, letterman senior who weighs 191, stands 6' 3", holds down the wing spot opposite Williams. And on defense still another star performer, Gerald Weatherly, enters the conflict. Weatherly, 200-pound, 6' 4" linebacker, teams with Watson to form the most feared defensive twosome in the Southwest.

Weight, speed, power, finesse, experience—the Owls have all of these attributes of a true champion, and apparently the Neely-men intend to put their ability to good advantage, namely, winning the Southwest Conference championship!

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All entries must be turned in to Battalion Sports Desk or postmarked not later than 5 p.m. Friday.

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LAST WEEK'S CONTEST WINNERS

The following eleven individuals won the prizes in last week's quarterback contest. Prizes will be awarded tonight from the stage of the Assembly Hall at the regular Quarterback Club meeting, 7:30 p.m. Eleven prizes will be awarded each week. Contest entries must be in THE BATTALION office not later than 5:00 p.m. Friday or postmarked not later than that time. WINNERS MUST BE PRESENT AT MEETING TO RECEIVE PRIZES. If winners listed below are not present, prizes will be awarded the runner-up prize winners who are present. Eleven prizes will be awarded at the club meeting each Wednesday.

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Billy Tidwell, sophomore halfback seeing his first offensive action this fall, sparked the first half Aggie touchdown drive with a long, weak-side run and scored the final A&M six-pointer.



Cedric Copeland, stand-out junior right end, snared three passes for 30 valuable yards in the Pony fray Saturday. All of Copeland's catches were of the sensational circus variety.



Dick Gardemal, pint-sized sophomore quarterback, handled the signal calling, ball handling, and passing chores in an excellent manner Saturday as he guided the fine play of the Maroons.



Charley Royalty, junior scabbard, turned in one of the most brilliant backfield performances against SMU as he repeatedly knifed the line with split-second timing for good gains.