

A&M Eleven Eager For OU Sooners

By HAROLD GANN

Only a few minutes had elapsed since A&M's convincing victory over Texas Tech. The Aggie dressing room, bulging from an overflow of jubilant players, coaches, and adherents, was a mad house of merriment and mirth.

A barrage of towels, discarded helmets, and shoulder pads steadily erupted from a congestion of back-slapping, hand-pumping bodies.

Game Captain Bob Bates, shedding shoulder pads that were swollen by sweat and strain, mounted an imaginary soap box in the middle of the group. "Tonight's game is just a stepping stone," he shouted. "Next week we've gotta stop Oklahoma's 22 game win streak."

Re-worded and re-expressed in different ways, Bates' suggestive remark caught fire and spread throughout the steaming room. "Mental preparation" for the Sooner game took the place of happy after-thoughts of the triumph over Texas Tech.

Red Raiders—Scrapping Players

The Raiders will be remembered as a group of scrapping players who never called it quits and who never threw in the towel. Not until the final quarter, when A&M pushed across two touchdowns, were the West Texans counted out.

The A&M-Tech merger may be termed "Aggie Football Experiment No. 2," for it proved several significant things.

It proved that the Aggie offensive and defensive lines compared with, if not surpass, any in the conference. Tech gained 270 yards on the ground against highly-her-

Delmar Sikes—Capable Quarterback

The game also proved that the Cadets now have a capable quarterback in Delmar Sikes. Three weeks ago Sikes was so low on the Aggie totem pole of quarterbacks that he could read by the light of a hot foot.

In Saturday's scrap, the Cadet T functioned smoothly, and contrary to past experiences, never stopped or bogged down when the going got tough. Sikes' ball handling and signal calling left little room for criticism.

At halftime during the Tech tussle, the Aggies, ahead 14-13, were behind in every department except scoring. The Raiders led, 13-8, in first downs, 195 yards to 111 in rushing, and 43 yards to 33 in passing.

Quickly reversing the procedure in the second half, A&M out-

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Okie Aggies Pull Upset Over TCU; SMU Next

BASED ON AP REPORTS

SMU—watch out. Twice in the last two weeks, the Oklahoma Aggies have entered gridiron contests against Southwest Conference teams as underdogs, and twice the Oklahomaans have left the field victorious. The Mustangs are the next SWC opponent for

the Aggies, Saturday week.

Last week the Aggies upset Arkansas, 12-7, and Saturday in Stillwater, Okla., the same aggregation defeated the TCU Horned Frogs, 13-7. It was luck, and amazing goal line stands that gave the invaders from the North their second victory of the season.

Although outgained both on running and passing, the Aggies stood firm when it counted to stop TCU and the stellar running and passing of Quarterback Gilbert Bartosh.

Gridiron Sketch		A&M
TCU	First downs	8
	Rushing yardage	78
	Passing yardage	56
	Passes attempted	16
	Passes completed	7
	Passes intercepted	1
	Punts	4
	Punting average	44.5
	Fumbles	2

All scoring was in the middle two periods. But the statistics don't bear out the final outcome. TCU had nineteen first downs and 243 yards rushing, to eight and 73 for the Aggies. In passing, TCU led 97 to 56 yards.

The first Aggie touchdown was a 1-yard plunge by Johnny Grabko after a 45-yard drive in the second period. But the game's other two were sudden.

In the third period, with two minutes gone, Wayne Johnson came out of nowhere to intercept Bartosh's pass on the TCU 45 and return it all the way. It was the only pass interception of the game.

Just three minutes later, Bartosh broke away for 41 yards with a fancy display of broken field running. We went over the goal standing up. The 157-pound quarterback made 131 yards rushing and 92 passing.

In the middle of the fourth quarter, the Texans started a drive on their 10-yard line and, with Bartosh doing most of the running and passing, moved to the Aggie 8. Halfback Johnny Dunn rammed center on the next play but fumbled on the 2. Darrell Meisenheimer, grabbed the ball in mid-air and returned to the 8 even.

Tigers Run Up 25-5 Score To Beat Waller

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A&M's Consolidated Tigers, who now have one win, a loss, and a tie under their belts, will meet one of their rougher opponents of the season, Cypress-Fairbanks, this coming Friday.

During the past weekend, the Tigers ran up their biggest score of the season, defeating Waller, 25-6. Quarterback George Johnston seemed to be the main cog in the Tiger machine which literally flew over the Waller eleven.

Johnston accounted for 143 yards through the air with the completion of 11 of 21 attempted aerials, and his general fieldmanship was near perfect.

One reason for Johnston coming into his own, may be explained by the absence of Halfback Bobby Williams, the Tigers' top runner and defensive back, who usually stars for the Consolidated team with his fine, hard-charging running. Johnston came through because he was needed.

Johnston Pushes Attack
Johnston also pushed the scoring attack with the completion of three touchdown passes, and then scored once himself as he plowed over from the one yard line.

Showing the Bulldogs that they came to win, the Tigers scored easily in the first few minutes when they recovered a Waller fumble. The winning play was Johnston's first TD pass, complete to Billy Richards.

Late in the second period, Johnston completed his second TD pass, again to Richards, who caught the piskin on the 18 and went the rest of the way untouched.

It was Johnston again in the third quarter as the Tigers scored in a series of play after receiving the kickoff. The 140-pound quarterback climaxed the local gridsters drive with a 1 yard plunge across the double stripe.

Completing their scoring with a final tally in the fourth quarter, Consolidated scored their final counter with Johnston's TD pass being caught by Halfback Jerry Leighton in the end zone.

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SMU Planning 3rd Straight Win Saturday

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Southern Methodist will be looking for its third straight inter-sectional victory this weekend at Columbia, against Missouri University. The Ponies have already beaten Georgia Tech, 33-13, and last weekend overcame a 14-point deficit with a 19-point scoring spree to defeat the Ohio State Buckeyes, 32-27 at Columbus, O.

Clemson defeated Missouri, 34-0, Saturday.

Gridiron Sketch		SMU
Ohio State	First downs	16
	Passing yardage	415
	Rushing yardage	47
	Passes attempted	47
	Passes completed	25
	Passes intercepted	2
	Punts	4
	Punting average	40
	Fumbles lost	4
	Yards penalized	25

A stunned crowd of 80,672 watched Fred Benners, 190-pound SMU quarterback, put on a scintillating aerial attack to pull the game out of the fire.

The tall Texan completed 19 of 34 passes for 306 yards, four of them for touchdowns in the closing minutes of the contest.

Ohio held a 27-13 edge a minute after the final period opened. And then Benners went into his aerial show, which befuddled the Buckeye defenders. His opening gun was a 67-yard scoring throw to little Johnny Champion. Three minutes later he tossed 17 yards to H. N. Russell for another score, climax-

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Bruins Confident After Downing UH

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The pass-happy Bears, who last weekend proved that Adrian Burk wasn't the only good passer that the school could produce, are now beginning to feel more confident after their rousing 34-7 victory over the University of Houston.

Traveling to Shreveport, La., this Saturday, the Bruins will tangle with Mississippi State, who

last year lost eight and tied one. But among the Maroons opponents last season were Tulane, Alabama, Auburn, and Tulane, hence, Miss. State can offer a few excuses if needed.

Quarterback Larry Isbell tossed three touchdown passes in the first half of Saturday's game when Baylor dedicated their new \$1,600,000 stadium.

Isbell, coolly employing evasive action on the few occasions he was not well-protected, completed 7 of 11 passes for 113 yards and punted five times for a 43.4 average.

Trout Scores for Baylor
The Bears drove 74 yards in 13 plays after taking the opening kickoff, with Isbell passing 14 yards to End Harold Riley to start it, throwing to Halfback Don Carpenter for 27 more to keep the drive rolling and hitting End Bob Trout of Bowie for the final 13 yards and the score. Trout made a fine catch, outjumping the Cougars' Shannon some eight yards deep in the end zone. Hank Dickerson booted the first of his four straight extra points.

Baylor moved 41 yards in four plays early in the second period for its next touchdown, after James Mott's 17-yard punt return was offset by a 15-yard holding penalty.

Frank Boydston swept end for seven, and Jim Jeffrey made a shoestring catch of Isbell's pass for 12 more, but a backfield-in-motion penalty nullified Carpenter's three-yard gain and set the Bears back to Houston's 27. Isbell then passed to veteran Halfback James (Buddy) Parker, who joined the squad only Wednesday, for the score.

Bill Richards of Baylor leads in punt returns with an average of 34.5 but Lippman has the most yards—84 on three returns.

H. N. Russell, Jr. of Southern Methodist is No. 1 pass-receiving. He has taken 10 throws for 173 yards, three for touchdowns. Johnny Champion of SMU is second with seven for 158 yards.

Baylor Halfback Johnny Curtis intercepted Jolly Hartsell's pass on the Houston 20 late in the period to set up the next score which came four plays later on Isbell's flat pass to Jeffrey for 19 yards.

Houston Counts in Third
Houston scored with five minutes left in the third quarter when Shannon shot over right guard on third down, cut left with no blocking and outraced two defenders down the sidelines for 68 yards and the score. Curtis got a hand on Shannon at the Baylor 20, but couldn't hang on. Max Clark converted.

Sophomore Guard Bill Athey, a defensive standout for the Bears, blocked Hartsell's attempted punt five minutes into the fourth period and Dickerson recovered in the end zone for the next touchdown. Three minutes later, the Bears had their final touchdown, set up by Curtis' 37-yard runback of an intercepted pass.

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A&M Is Still Leading SWC; Bob Smith First

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A&M continued to pace the conference in ground gaining over the weekend as last year's star rusher and ground gainer who sparked the SWC most of last season took over first place. Bruis'n' Bob Smith replaced teammate Gallop'n' Glenn Lippman for the top spot as he rolled up 147 yards against Texas Tech Saturday, increasing his total to 221 yards for 44 carries.

Last year after the Aggies had played two games, Smith held second place in ground gaining with a total of 220 yards but only 32 carries.

Second in the conference is Texas University's Byron Townsend, who has rolled up 208 yards in 37 runs, and Lippman trails in third place with 159 for 15 carries.

Fred Benners of Southern Methodist, whose throwing shot down Ohio State Saturday, is the leading passer with 20 completions in 37 attempts for 314 yards. Ben Tompkins of Texas is second with 14 out of 25 for 248 yards. Kyle Rote of Southern Methodist is third with 22 yards on 12 connections in 23 throws.

Rote is the total offense leader with 370 yards rushing and passing while Benners is second with his 314 yards on passing alone.

Rote tops the punters with an average of 40.8 on five kicks. Larry Isbell of Baylor is second with 39.5 on 11 boots and Jim Hickey of Texas Christian is third with 39.2.

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Arkansas To Open SWC Play After Stomping NTS, 50-6

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The Arkansas Razorbacks seem to be in good standing for their SWC opener which will be held this coming Saturday at Fort Worth against the TCU Horned Frogs. Both teams have been defeated by the Oklahoma Aggies, each team losing by almost similar scores.

Last weekend, however, the Razorbacks attached roller skates to their feet and rolled merrily over North Texas State, 50-6, at Fayetteville, Ark.

The weekend before, both teams had been beaten. Arkansas by the upsetter among the SWC's opponents, Oklahoma A&M, to a tune of 12-7, and the Eagles by the Kentucky Wildcats, 25-0.

North Texas' Eagles scored first on a 48-yard run by Halfback Ken Bahnsen and promised to make a good game of it.

Arkansas' ground attack was awesome against the hefty North Texas line, netting 334 yards, with Ray Parks accounting for 73 and Jack Bailey, heretofore a defensive specialist, grinding out 64, all in the second half.

The Porkers' passing attack, though still not too dangerous, showed marked improvements as Arkansas tuned up for its Southwest Conference opener with Texas Christian next week.

The triumph could have been costly for Arkansas, whose ace halfback, Sammy Furo, injured his right knee in the first half and never returned to action. Seriousness of the ailment was not determined immediately.

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North Texas State scoring: Touchdown—Bahnsen.

Arkansas scoring: Touchdowns—Rinehart, Jurney, 2 Parks, Pryor, Summerall, Hogue; points after touchdowns—Thomason 5; field goal—Summerall.

But the Razorbacks, rebounding from an upset by Oklahoma A&M, took the ensuing kickoff and marched 84 yards to a touchdown, Quarterback Jim Rinehart sneaking over from a yard out. George Thomason kicked his first of five points to give Arkansas a 7-6 lead and the rout was on.

A few minutes later Arkansas took the ball on a blocked punt at the North Texas 29 and on the first play Rinehart passed to end Bill Jurney for a touchdown.

throwing the National Conference into a four-way tie for first. Detroit, Green Bay, Detroit, the New York Yanks and the Bears all have 2-1 marks.

Joe Gert passed and kicked the Pittsburgh Steelers to a 26-7 victory over the faltering Redskins at Washington.

At Washington, Gert started the Steelers off with a 40-yard field goal. Later he clicked on 36 and 28-yard passes, the latter to Elbie nickel for a touchdown.

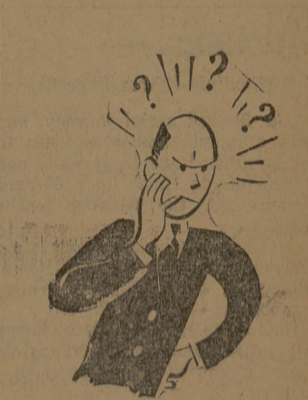
The lone Washington counter came on a 70-yard pass play between Harry Gilmer and Hugh Taylor. The rest of the afternoon passers Sammy Daugh and Gilmer were set on their pants by the charging Steeler line.

On the coast, the Los Angeles Rams whipped San Francisco's 49ers, 35 to 14. Halfway V. T. Smith raced 94 yards with the second half kickoff to snap a 14-14 tie and deal the 49ers their third straight defeat.

The Yanks defeated Detroit, 44-21. Friday night, Baltimore will play at Chicago against the Cardinals Monday night. The Philadelphia Eagles were not scheduled.

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