

Oat Farming in CB Not Done by Aggies

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"The Texas Aggies may have opened a 'grass roots' campaign to defeat the Southern Methodist University Mustangs in the Cotton Bowl on Nov. 11."



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That is the first sentence of an Associated Press article which was carried in the majority of the newspapers yesterday. We deny that Aggies are responsible for the actions taken, and we believe that nothing in reality has been done, concerning oat farming in the Cotton Bowl.

The main reason for our denial is the fact that A&M's Head Football Coach Harry Stiteler had asked that the student body refrain from the use of such tactics after it was disclosed that a large "A&M" had been grown in the turf of Memorial Stadium.

That act too has yet not been proven to be one committed by Aggies. After some students had been arrested in Waco for car painting, Coach Stiteler asked of the Aggies to try and control their enthusiasm which was not in the nature of physically hurting someone but of pranks.

Concerning the AP story which insinuates that Aggies are responsible for the sowing of oats in the Cotton Bowl, and that A&M was laying plans to capture the Mustangs mascot, Peruna V, we say nuts.

If someone can not think of a better way of getting his team

prepared for the Aggies than using, what in our opinion, falsehoods—we say that someone better start reading more books.

Besides Aggies know that only cotton grows in the Cotton Bowl, and what would we do with Peruna—our new horse barns are not yet finished.

Aggies Rank But Single Vote in AP Poll

A&M, who after their first game of the season against Nevada got six votes in the Associated Press football ratings poll, received but a single—one—vote in this week's poll.

The Cadet eleven dropped from 13th to a lowly 49th place position.

Other teams in the Southwest Conference were also included in

Poll Will Be Shaken Up Saturday

The shaking up of the poll, however, should come about this Saturday, one of two teams and may be both will fall.

We mean, of course, the Longhorns and Mustangs battle which will be held in the Memorial Stadium.

No one has yet set their minds one way or the other on the outcome of the game although many seem to lean towards the offensive of the Ponies.

In five games SMU has a total of 2236 yards offensively. Through the air the Ponies gained 1171

A&M—Top SWC Offensive Eleven

Switching to the team which leads the conference in total offense with the emphasis on running, we find that A&M holds the lead with 2331 yards. Almost two-thirds of this is through running—1716 yards.

Largely responsible for this is the Aggies top fullback Bob Smith, who in 106 plays has totaled 694 yards for an average of 6.49 per carry.

He holds second place in total

yards and the remainder of their total, 1065 yards, was rolled up on the turf.

Kyle Rote, SMU's big, big gun has contributed 733 of the yards. But 257 of which have been through passes.

Texas' total offense rates up to a total of 1618 yards, with 959 coming on the ground.

Byron Townsend seems to be the cog in the Texas' wheel holding sixth place in total offense among the conference, with 504 of his 534 yards occurring on the ground.

offensive yards gained in the conference while leading the ground game and the score card.

Bruis'n' Bob has rushed across 11 touchdowns for 66 points. Another top ball carrier among the Aggies is Billy Tidwell who has been playing almost 60 minute ball in the Aggies last few games.

He holds the best average in the conference with 7.5 yards for trip and has made 51 for a total of 381 yards.

Aggie Linebacker



James Fowler

Fowler has been playing in the linebacker position for the Aggies this year, and has shown that he can do the job. His height and weight, 6' 0" and 190 pounds, make him a hard hitting man for the job.

Unscored-On Cubs Lead Fish League

By Associated Press

Five of the seven Southwest Conference freshman football teams will be in action this week, undefeated, untied, unscored on Baylor meeting unbeaten, once-tied Texas Christian at Camp Hood Thursday.

Texas and undefeated Southern Methodist play at Austin Friday while Arkansas meets the North Texas State freshmen at Eldorado, Ark., Saturday.

Two games were played last week. Rice defeated Texas 20-16 and Arkansas licked the Oklahoma A&M freshmen 18-0.

Team	W	L	T	Pts	Op
Baylor	3	0	0	72	0
Southern Methodist	1	0	1	0	0
Texas Christian	1	0	1	12	6
Arkansas	2	1	0	32	30
Rice	1	2	0	33	64
Texas A&M	1	2	0	33	59
Texas	0	2	0	16	32

Aggies Favored Over Arkansas

Dallas, Nov. 1—(AP)—Southern Methodist is a seven-point favorite to win the Southwest Conference's big game over Texas at Austin Saturday.

Odds established here today also picked Texas A&M to beat Arkansas and Rice to whip Texas Tech. But it was even money on the Texas Christian-Baylor game at Fort Worth.

A&M is a seven-point favorite and Rice is given a 14-point bulge over Tech.

"Take your choice," the odds-makers said about Texas Christian vs Baylor.

At the rate he's going, all America fullback candidate Bob Smith of the Texas Aggies will make twice as many touchdowns and more than twice as much yardage as he made in 1949.

—Beat Arkansas—

Dawson, Gilstrap Will Speak to QB Clubbers

By ROGER COSLETT

Two rival football talent scouts, each representing major teams in the SWC, will forget their jobs and speak Thursday night not to an audience of prospective high school talent but to an audience of arm chair quarterback.

The occasion will be the weekly 7:30 p. m. meeting of The Battalion Quarterback Club, and the schools being represented will be The University of Texas and A&M.

Up from "Forty Acres" will be H. C. "Bully" Gilstrap, assistant football coach, talent scout and public relations man for the Longhorns. "Dog" Dawson, end coach and talent scout for the Aggies, will round out the cozy twosome.

Along with the two speakers will be the presentation of two tickets to the A&M-Arkansas game, and color movies of the Baylor game of last week.

Competition Between Two

In spite of the extreme competition between these two men in their efforts to outdo each other in securing prospective college ath-

letes for their respective institutions, the scene will be a friendly one. For in reality the two are the very best of friends.

"Bully" is best known for his "beat the Aggies" spirit and it goes back a long way. In fact he says that his greatest thrill came when, as a player, he helped Texas to its first victory over Texas A&M on Kyle Field, back in 1923.

Gilstrap One Of The Best

Gilstrap still ranks as one of the University's greatest all-time athletes. He was outstanding in football, track and baseball back in 1921-23.

He started his coaching career at Electra and went on to Schreiner Institute at Kerrville the next year, and remained there for eleven more years. The Longhorn athlete returned to the university as a coach when D. X. Bible and Blair Cherry took over in 1937.

Since then, Bully has been an integral part of the Longhorn's coaching family. He's noted for his friendly approach to high school athletes, for his after-dinner speeches, and for his place on the University's football staff that has guided teams to outstanding victories in the Sugar Bowl and Orange Bowl.

Affable and talkative, Bully is a native of Taylor. He was born in 1901 and starred at Grainger High. Come Thanksgiving Day, Gilstrap is all for tearing the Aggies apart but any other day you'll find him thinking that Aggies, and all other conference teams are "fine people."

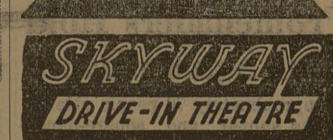
Dawson—Wise Old Dog
Bill "Dog" Dawson, a younger man than Gilstrap, is nevertheless

SMU vs. TU Sellout

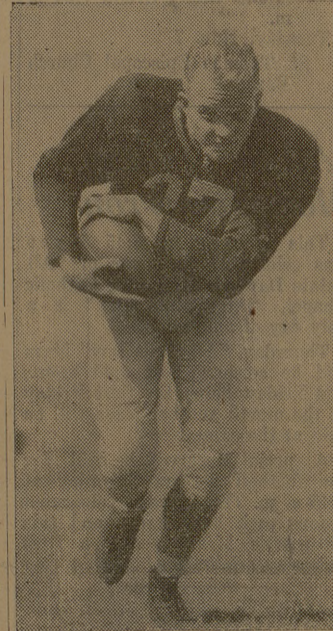
Austin, Texas, Nov. 1—(AP)—Don't come to Austin Saturday with the idea of getting SMU-Texas football tickets after you arrive, Texas Athletic Business Manager Ed Ollie warned yesterday.

"The game is a complete sell-out. There's no chance of any tickets being returned from SMU at Dallas as that quota also has been sold," Ollie reported.

That means every one of Memorial Stadium's 65,498 seats—including bleacher and temporary box seats—probably will be occupied.



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Jim Dobbyn

Starting and playing most of the second half in last week's game, Dobbyn has showed his ability in running from the fullback position. In the games which he has played this year, he has scored 12 points.

Baseball's Bonus Rule on Way Out

Cincinnati, Nov. 11—(AP)—Baseball's controversial bonus rule, appeared headed for the ash heap yesterday.

Elimination of the rule, adopted Feb. 15, 1947, won approval of the major-minor executive committee today following a proposal by the Jersey City Club.

The committee will recommend that the major and minor leagues, at their December meetings erase the entire bonus structure.

Another proposal to remove the high school rule was rejected by the committee at a closed session called and presided over by Commissioner A. B. Chandler.

Chandler said "abrogation of the high school rule would be one of the biggest mistakes organized baseball could make." The regulation prevents teams from signing high school players until after they have graduated, or their original class has graduated.

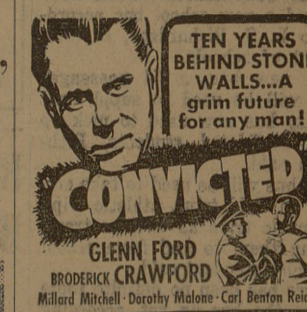
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OU Sooners Taking Along Own Air for Game With Colorado

Norman, Okla., Nov. 1—(AP)—Most football teams take their own drinking water when they hit the road, but Oklahoma's Sooners go 'em one better. They take along their own air.

And the Big Seven conference champions will have along an extra large quantity when they risk football's longest winning streak against Colorado Saturday in mile-high Boulder.

Somewhat dazed by conflicting suggestions from well-meaning fans on the best ways to combat the altitude, Coach Bud Wilkinson disclosed today that tanks of oxygen are standard equipment for his club.

Here are a few of the suggestions which have poured in from followers in recent days:

- Make all players wear nose guards because they'll bleed to death if they get hit in the nose.
- Bring the team in at the last minute so the players will have good old Oklahoma air still in their lungs.
- Take the team to Colorado a week ahead of time as they can become accustomed to the climate.
- Bring along iron lungs that they can crawl into to recuperate after long runs.

- Take sea sick pills.
- Don't give them anything to eat until after the game.
- Do more passing because the ball sails farther.
- Cut down on passing because it's harder to catch a ball.

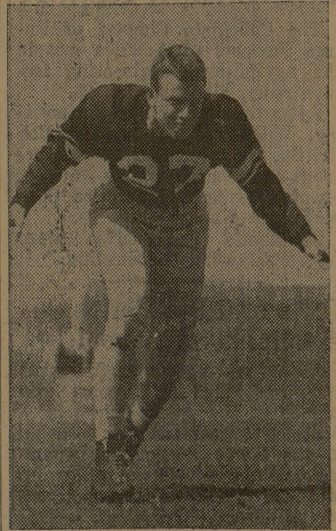
However, Wilkinson feels there will not be enough difference in climate to bother his team.

"I think it's all psychological," he said. "Our main job right now is to convince the boys they can breathe just as well in Colorado as here.

"I don't think it's as tough a switch as a team used to a cold climate playing in hot weather." The Sooners always take along a couple of cylinders of oxygen—wherever they play. When a player comes out of the game, he gets a couple of whiffs.

"I don't want any rumor to get started that we're taking oxygen along just to make up for the thin air in Colorado," he said. "We always do it. We'll just take a little more this time.

"Actually, there's only one thing certain. The air inside that football isn't going to be any different here or there."
—Beat Arkansas—



Charley McDonald

McDonald broke into the Aggie defensive line up during the VMI game and has played considerably since that time. Although McDonald is not the fastest back on the team, his alertness makes him one of the Cadets' best.

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