

Walker Predicting Again; Avg. .784

By FRED WALKER

This Saturday doesn't promise as much in the way of big games as last weekend, but there will still be some mighty goods one boiling up in different parts of the country.



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While not hitting that magical .800 mark last week, we still feel all right in many cases, for we managed to survive with an average of .784. Out of 52 games played, we had 11 incorrect, 40 right and one tie.

Of course there were a couple of eggs laid along the line. For instance: "Florida over Kentucky" (The Wildcats massacred Florida 40-6.); "North Carolina to upset Tennessee" (Tennessee won 16-0.); "Navy, a sentimental favorite, to beat Notre Dame (The Middies were burnished 19-10.); and "Michigan State to squeak past Indiana" (The Spartans won, but the score was 35-0.)

But then there was the sunny side, as our "Upset, Columbia over Cornell, paid off 20-19. We felt pretty good by calling Army by two touchdowns as the final was Army 28-13.

We like to feel that a moral victory can be claimed out of Yale's defeat by Dartmouth, for although we called it in favor of the Eli, a note was added that read, "But don't be surprised if they are upset." The score was 7-0.

The fact that SMU was upset by Texas was not too much of a blow, for most of the sports writers missed this one, with the possible exception of our brilliant colleague F. N. Manitzas who lucked out with the Orange and White.

There won't be a game of the week, or at least this is thought by most football enthusiasts, but before going any further, let us sneak one in for A&M over SMU—and don't laugh—by 13 points.

Up East we find nothing special going on as most of those powers meet weak sisters, but the games between Columbia and Dartmouth, and Delaware and Washington & Lee figure to be hair-raisers. From here it looks like that strong Columbia line will wear down a fighting eleven from Dartmouth, who upset Yale and scored 26 points on mighty Penn. It figures to be close but we'll stick with Lou Little.

The Generals from Washington & Lee are supposed to get in trouble this Saturday, but we think Delaware's Blue Hens are about 12 points out of their class.

Elsewhere in the East: Army over New Mexico at heart's desire; Boston to clip NYU by 25 or 30; Clemson beating Boston College by one or two TD's; Cornell to batter Colgate; Fordham to beat Georgetown in a thriller; NAVY TO UPSET TULANE; Pennsylvania to trounce Brown; and Penn State to take West Virginia by 10 points.

Others include Princeton to stay undefeated by taking Harvard for about seven TD's; Rutgers to slip by Lafayette; Syracuse to wallop John Carroll; and Lehigh to remain undefeated as they clobber Carnegie Tech.

Game Of Week, One Of Two Battles

There's a different story line to pick Wisconsin—and have it Midwest this Saturday as most of the games promise to be whistlers. The Game of the Week is difficult to choose, but most likely it will be one of two battles—Ohio State vs. Wisconsin or Oklahoma against Kansas.

The Buckeyes seem to be invincible this year. Ohio State fans believe that since the loss to SMU which was the second game of the season for the Ponies and only the first for the Bucks, the home town boys could whip SMU if they were to play again. But Wisconsin, the Badgers opponent, has ideas of its own.

The Badgers found themselves tripped up by Michigan 26-13, but on the other hand they have whipped Iowa, Northwestern, Purdue, Marquette, and Illinois. There is plenty of power in this eleven and

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Up Lawrence way, J. V. Sikes is priming Soph sensation Charlie Hoag and the rest of his Jayhawkers to stop "Mule Train" Heath and the Big Red from Norman. Seeing it on paper isn't enough for us because we think Kansas has a chance.

Everyone is pointing for the Sooners in the Big Seven, and Sikes would like nothing more than to avenge that 48-26 whipping last year. We will take the Sooners out of force of habit, but don't be surprised if the Jayhawkers come mighty close to beating, or even pluck, Oklahoma.

For the rest of the Midwest: Last week we said that "Michigan and Ortmann would win because Nick Karras was running with a weak ankle." It was weak as an iron bar. We learned our lesson and now stick the Illini over Iowa for about 3 TD's; and Bill Weeks to overshadow record-breaking Johnny Bright as Iowa State takes Drake for about 13.

Others are MARQUETTE TO UPSET HOLY CROSS IN AN INTERSECTIONAL; Ortmann and D'Acchille to fight a bitter duel as Michigan edges Indiana; Sonny Grandelius to romp when Michigan State passes Minnesota for about 20; Missouri—still has that one good game left—to beat Colorado; Nebraska over Kansas State at will; Northwestern over Purdue by about 10; Notre Dame to beat Pitt in a surprisingly close one; and the Shockers of Wichita to keep Oklahoma A&M in the mud.

Coming down to the Southern part of the football realm we shudder, for it was this section that hurt so much last week. Most of the games seem cut and dried but the contests between Duke and Wake Forest will grab a big lime light for the Southerners.

The Blue Devils have won from South Carolina, Pitt, No. Car. St., Richmond and Georgia Tech while losing to powerhouses Tennessee and Maryland.

Wake Forest's Demon Deacons lost only to the Clemson machine 12-13 while taking Boston College, Richmond, William & Mary, North Carolina and George Washington. The only comparative score is with Richmond.

Wake Forest won 43-0 while Duke ran away by 40-0, so you can see there isn't much to compare. The Deacons have looked a little better in winning though, so we will take the lads from Wake Forest by one touchdown.

South, Rocky Mountain Area Predictions

Rounding out the South: Alabama to chop Mississippi Southern to pieces; George Washington over Furman by about 18; Georgia should win by at least two TD's—over Florida but never sell Woodruff short; Georgia Tech for about 14 over VMI; Kentucky to take Mississippi State by 12; Maryland to beat North Carolina in a toughy and Mississippi to crush Chattanooga.

Combining the Rocky Mountain and Border games we favor Denver over Utah State; Colorado A&M to take Utah by three TD's; Wyoming bringing its unblemished record to eight by beating Brigham Young; Temple State to take Arizona in a very close one and Texas Tech to go, over a hot Tulsa team. (See AGGIES, Page 6)

North Carolina State by Davidson for 20; South Carolina romping over The Citadel; Tennessee to thump Tennessee Tech; Vanderbilt over LSU—MAYBE; Virginia to have a good time with William

& Mary, and Richmond to take VPI.

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Lineman, Back of the Week . . .

Little, Gardemal Top Choices

By RALPH GORMAN

A sparkling performance at the tackle position Saturday night against Arkansas earned Jack Little the award of Lineman of the Week by the Battalion Sports Staff.

Weighing 215 pounds, Little, a sophomore, played on both offense and defense to be a stellar member of the Aggie lineup for the major part of the 60 minute mele.

While his teammates were in possession of the pigskin, Little used the bulk of his 6'3" frame to lay the opposition low time and again, allowing the Aggie backs to rip through the Razorbacks forward wall.

On the defense the 17-year-old Little, who is called the youngest of the squad, broke through the Hog offense to rush the passer unmercifully. He was also a key man in putting the quietus on the Porker running attack.

From Corpus Christi

Hailing from Corpus Christi, the "youngster" garnered two letters each in football, basketball, and track. Last year Little played first string tackle for the Fish eleven, and has been relied upon for much service this season.

Even though there are but three games left on the A&M grid schedule this season, Little will be a top contender for conference honor with this type of play.

Little may be the youngest member of the squad, but has proved he is a veteran on the gridiron, and he sure ain't little.

—Beat SMU—

Diminutive Dick Gardemal called a near perfect game under the arcs on Kyle Field when the Aggies submerged the Porkers 42 to 13. For his performance he is named Back of the Week by the Battalion Sports Staff.

The 155 pound Port Arthurian is a junior letterman and is one of the lightest men on the squad.

In last Saturday's game Gardemal handled the man under spot for the entire first half to set the Aggies into a five touchdown lead, then returned after halftime and engineered the final Cadet tally, before being relieved by Darrow Hooper.

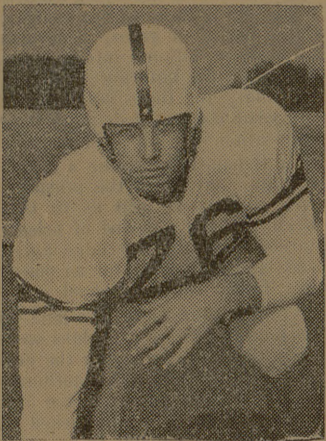
Passing six times, the dandy little quarterback completed five of these aerials for an average completion of .833 and a total of 124 yards. One of these tosses went to Yale Lary for the third Farmer goal crossing.

The former Catholic all-state quarterback from St. James in Port Arthur has hurled 36 passes this season and has found his mark with 20. This—shows percentage completion of .556.

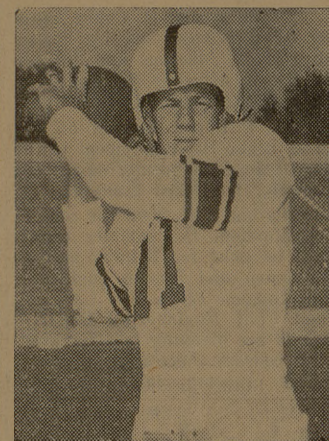
Coach Harry Stiteler's No. 1 signal-caller ranks eighth among the SWC stars in the passing game in passing yardage and second to SMU's Fred Benners in percentage completions. In seven games, Gardemal has been on the tossing end of four touchdown aerials.

Considered one of the coolest men in football, Gardemal's manner of playing may well be remembered when he led A&M to a 27-27 deadlock with the favored Mustangs last season.

—Beat SMU—



Jack Little
A&M Tackle



Dick Gardemal
A&M Quarterback

Arkansas Dismisses Griffin, Williams

Fayetteville, Ark., Nov. 8.—(AP)—Two first string players on the University of Arkansas football squad were dismissed yesterday by Coach Otis Douglas.

The players were center Bob Griffin of Frederick, Okla., and tackle Fred Williams, Little Rock, Ark., both juniors.

Douglas said the players had been missing classes.

Griffin was nominated for Associated Press Lineman-of-the-Week several weeks ago.

The Razorbacks spent yesterday's practice going over defensive and offensive assignments. There was no scrimmage.

Intramural News . . .

Squadron 7 Clips Band

By JOE BLANCHETTE

Intramural Co-Editor

The Freshman Leagues of the Intramural program and the non-military teams rolled into their sixth week of play with plenty of vim and vigor.

On the cage courts the basketballers of Squadron 7 swamped the Freshman Band with comparative ease, winning 28-17.

Lockshin of the squadron was the high point man of the contest with 10 tallies. Allen of the Band was close behind with nine counters. The score of the contest at halftime was 13-10 in favor of the eventual winners.

Buster led Company 10 to a complete rout of the Company 11 "Transfer Fish", 24-12. The lithe hoopsters of Company 10 hooked in eight points.

In the non-military league Leggett rolled over Milner 21-12.

Esque of Leggett paced the scorers with nine, Nickells and Thomason each tallied four for the losers.

Mitchell built up a 21-10 halftime lead over Law and coasted in the second half to win the contest 28-17.

Long of Law and Fred Ham-bright of Mitchell each had eight counters for the afternoon's work.

Football

Noel Bryan's pass to McDonald gave Puryear a 6-0 victory over Bizzell. Bizzell had one more penetration than Puryear but were defeated by the Bryan-McDonald TD pass combination.

An extra-point was the difference as the Ag Engineering Club edged pass the Beaumont Club, 7-6.

SAM tallied a TD, extra-point, and a safety to shutout AMAV 9-0. The two teams were very evenly matched.

E Air Force stopped I Air Force in a makeup game, 19-6.

Company 3 completely outplayed Company 6 in defeating them 12-0.

Tennis

Marlowe, Massey, Walker, and Dickens were the winners of the

necessary two matches as E Field Artillery stopped D Air Force.

Jack Crockett and P. D. Moore salvaged the only match for A Field Artillery as the artillerymen were defeated by B Infantry, Riekey, Schaaek, Stevens and Semlinger were the winners.

Company 5 stopped Company 12-0 on the basis of victories by Oldham, Lovern, Manner, and Scott.

E Infantry took three straight matches from D Field Artillery to win the engagement.

—Beat SMU—

Aggies 7th in Nat'l Rushing With 1988

By JOE HOLLIS

The rumbling of A&M's power in all phases of gridiron activity is making a terrific noise in both Southwest Conference and national statistics.

As the 1950 football season pulls into the final lap, the Aggies push forward to lead all conference competitors in three statistical departments and rank high in three more across the nation.

In 475 plays from scrimmage the Aggies have garnered 1988 yards along with 778 more through the air to bring their total offense to 2766 yards and rank first in the conference.

A&M 10th in Nation

In national statistics SMU shows an average of 420 yards per game to hold the No. 6 spot over the Cadets' tenth place with 395.1 yards per game.

That 1988 yards rushing total for the Sitelermen ranks them over 600 yards ahead of their nearest conference adversary, TCU, to lead the SWC and earn them a rating of seventh among the nation's top rushing elevens.

Smith Fifth in Nation

Still rushing, the Farmers own the nation's No. 5 ground gainer in Bruiser's Bob Smith. The hard charging fullback leads the conference with a net gain of 827 yards in 122 carries. Texas' Byron Townsend is in the 19th spot among the national collegiate stars and is second to Smith in the conference.

Bouncing Billy Tidwell ranks the No. 6 place in the SWC with 381 yards and holds the best average per carry for the conference luggers—7.5 yards per carry, while teammate Glenn Lippman, with 371 yards, holds the No. 8 position in SWC play. It is well to mention that Smith, Tidwell, and Lippman show fewer yards lost in their times carried than any of the nine SWC leading ball toters.

Honors for the best passing game lean toward H. N. Russell's Mustangs. The Methodists claim ownership of the etherial regions and attempt to prove it with 1523 yards gained on their 105 completions out of 193 attempts. For this they lead the nation and show a percentage completion record of .544.

Fred Benners is the man responsible for this record, as he leads the conference and ranks ninth in the nation in individual aerials. Benners has completed 60 out of 123 for 914 yards and a percentage of .566.

Gardemal, Sikes—Passing

Baylor's Larry Isbell is in 19th place in national statistics and second among the SWC stars. Dandy Dick Gardemal, Cadet man-under, is second to Benners in percentage of completions and ranks eighth in yards gained through the air. He has completed 20 of his 36 tosses and four have carried into pay-dirt. Aggie Delmer Sikes ranks tenth in the passing department with a completion percentage of .404.

Individual total offense leader among the SWC stars is TCU's Gilbert Bantosh, who ranks 16th in the nation for the 980 yards gained for the Frogs in the 173 plays he has worked.

Aggie Fullback Smith holds the No. 3 spot in this division with his 827 yards gained in rushing only, while SMU's Rote follows him in the No. 4 position.

Lary Boots, Returns 'Em

Baylor's Isbell continues to hold the lead in the punting division among those SWC stars who handle this chore, and he ranks sixth in the nation with his 41.6 yard average for 42 punts. His excellence in this column rates the Bears a fifth place in team punting in national statistics.

Cadet Yale Lary moved to third in conference punting this week when he averaged 46 yards in the (See STATISTICS, Page 6)



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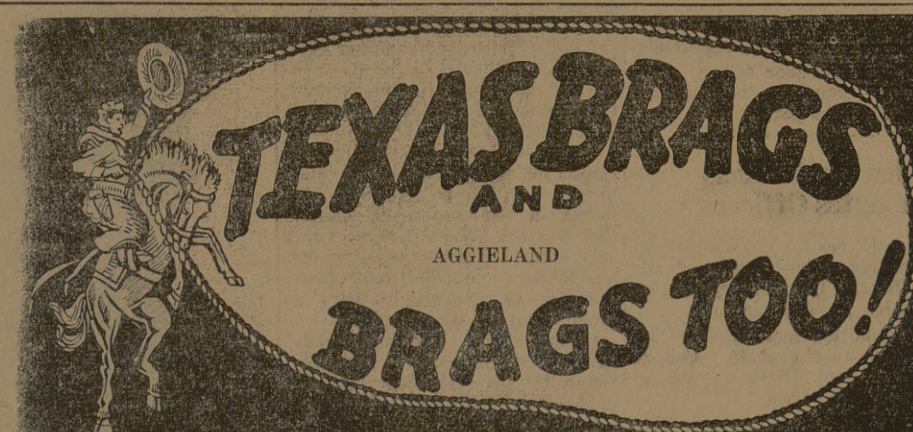
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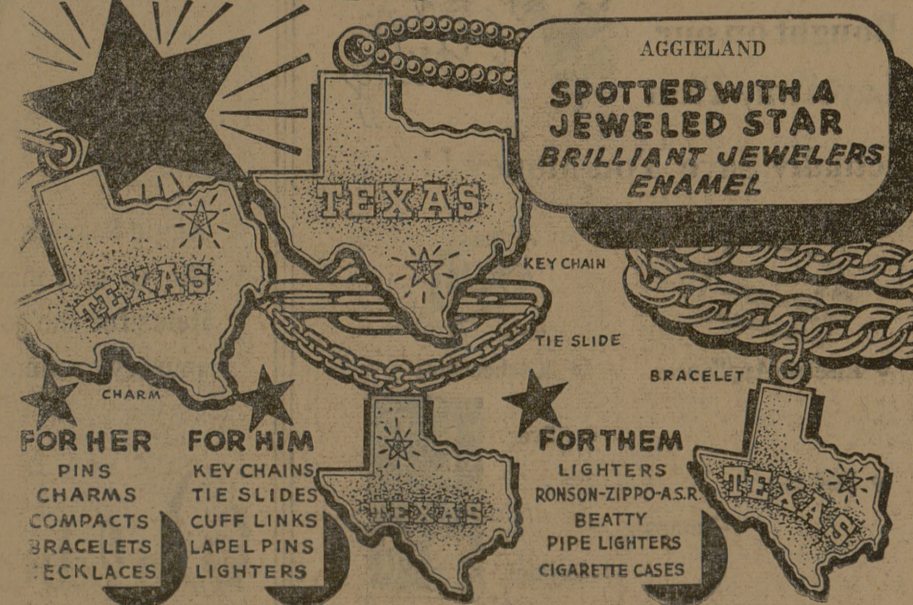
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