

Ags 6th, Smith 4th In Nat'l Rushing

With its jump among the top 12 teams in the nation according to the majority of the polls, A&M also took a rapid rise in the statistical department, according to the National Collegiate Athletic Bureau.

In rushing offense, the Cadet eleven is ranked sixth, with Arizona State holding the first spot with a total of 2,860 yards to the 2,340 of the Aggies. The only team in the top 15 which the Farmers have played is Oklahoma, who is in the 10th spot with a total of 1,964 yards.

The Aggies are 11th in total offense while SMU is fifth, while again Arizona State is in the drivers seat. But the big gun from the Southwest Conference is A&M's Bruisin' Bob Smith.

No back in the country has been as all-fired destructive as the 200-pound terror of the plains.

By scoring four times and passing for another six points against Iowa State last Saturday, Bright ran his touchdown-responsibility record to 30 in nine games. He ran for 18 and passed for 12. His team scored only 36 in all.

The previous TD record of 23 was held jointly by Stan Heath of Nevada and Charlie Justice of North Carolina.

Bright's new total offense record of 2,400 rushing-passing yards eclipses by 213 the previous record of 2,187 set eight years ago by Frankie Sinkwich of Georgia.

Bright's average of 266.7 yards per game outstrips the previous best—Heath's 221.3 in 1948. His two-season record of 4,350 yards betters the 4,003 total established by Sinkwich in 1941-42.

Smith 4th In Nation

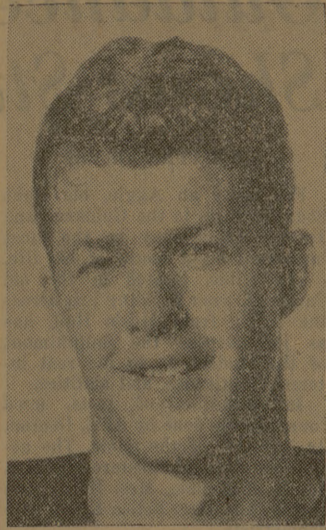
Smith, A&M's mighty fullback, thrust his way into the fight for the national rushing crown when he carried 29 times for 297 yards in crushing SMU, the top one-game burst of the season. The NCAA Service Bureau calls Smith's rampage, which included touchdowns of 74 and 73 yards, the greatest rushing damage ever inflicted by an individual on a major rival.

The only two higher one-game figures in the major-college record book are 326 yards by Fred Wendt of Texas Mines against New Mexico A&M in 1948, and 307 yards by Curtis Kuykendall of Auburn against Miami (Fla.) in '44. In both instances, the Bureau says, the opposition was below par. He has gained a total of 1,124 yards in 151 carries for a 7.4 average.

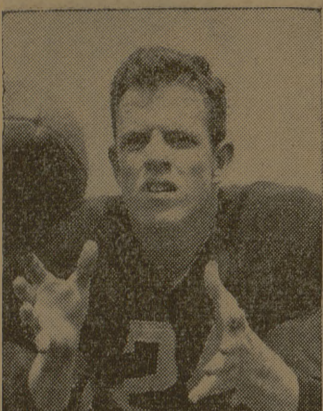
Smith's big blast carried him past Everett Grandelius of Michigan State into fourth place and into what promises to be a hot fight for rushing honors among Smith, Whizzer White of Arizona State of Tempe and Bob Reynolds, of Nebraska. Smith also holds the 16th position.

Johnny Bright, Drake's Negro ball-carrier and passer, is through for this season, his schedule finished, and as far as Drake's opposition is concerned it will be all right if Johnny doesn't come back for his senior year.

Defensive Backs of the Week

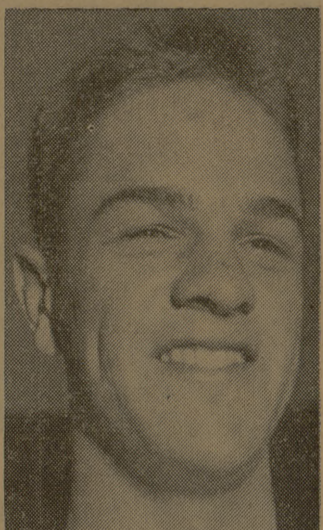


Buddy Shaeffer



Charley McDonald

All three of the surrounding Aggie halfbacks played heads-up defensive ball against SMU, and were tied in the final poll for the weekly honor.



Yale Lary

Lary, McDonald, Shaeffer Gain Defense Back Honors

By RALPH GORMAN

Yale Lary... Charley McDonald... Buddy Shaeffer... these three members of the A&M's 1950 gridiron aggregation were regarded as standouts in the Aggie backfield defense when the Mustangs of Southern Methodist were turned back 25 to 20 last Saturday in Dallas' magnificent Cotton Bowl.

LARY, a 180 pound junior letterman from North Side of Fort Worth has punted 45 times this season for an average of 39 yards per boot to rank in the No. 3 spot in the SWC. He maintained that same average against the Mustangs and would have probably had more had he not booted several of these into coffin corner.

This wasn't all that the El Paso lad did before the final gun sounded, for he summoned all his speed to cover the SMU attempted passes like a blanket and on one of the occasions jumped over Ben White's head to intercept one of Benner's aerials.

Participating in every phase of football defense, these three lads staged a show all their own.

Tackling, knocking down intended aerials, intercepting two Benner tosses, and returning punts—add all these up and it will prove that Lary, McDonald, and Shaeffer were a trifle busy with their gridiron obligations this past Armistice Day.

Employed on defense the majority of the game, the 6' 0" Cow-towner garnered three assisted tackles in halting the Methodist power.

While playing safety, Lary tucked in Kyle Rote's punt on the Cadet two-yard line and scooped up the West sidelines to the Mustang 36 for a 62 yard runback.

When the all-conference defensive team is selected at the close of this season, the names of Lary, McDonald, and Shaeffer will receive strong consideration.

—Beat Rice—

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Ag Cagers Work Hard Preparing for 1st Tilt

By JOHN DEWITT

A&M basketballers are working long and hard nowadays in preparation for their first tilt on December 1st with North Texas Teachers. Coach John Floyd, the new Aggie mentor, seems to be well pleased with the improvement his charges have shown in the past two weeks.

The Cadets are doing exceptionally well in picking up their new style of play.

Coach Floyd says he is still doubtful as to what his starting lineup will be, and added that he probably won't know until the opening date. Leading candidates for starting berths at the present time are Jewell McDowell, Buddy

Davis, Bob Farmer, Marvin Martin, John DeWitt, and Don Heft. Woody Walker, Leroy Misch, Eddie Houser, Glenn Williams, and Don Garrett are also showing considerable promise and will likely see a lot of service in the approaching campaign.

Returning Lettermen

Returning lettermen from last year's Aggie quint are McDowell, Davis, Martin, Houser, and DeWitt. Farmer, Williams, and Walker were squadmen last season and saw only limited service. Misch, Heft, and Garrett were regulars on the Freshmen crew last winter.

Jewell McDowell, the brilliant little Aggie guard who was mentioned on several All-American selections at the close of last season, was also a unanimous for the All-Southwest Conference team for the 1949-50 campaign. Davis and DeWitt also received mention on the mythical Southwest Conference all-star quintet.

Cadets Top Contender

The Cadets are rated a leading contender for the Southwest Conference title by pre-season forecasters. The favorite will likely be the Arkansas Razorbacks, who have a seven-footer on their squad. SMU, Texas and TCU are also expected to make things rough in the title scramble.

The Baylor Bears, after taking 4th place in the 1950 N. C. A. A. playoffs, are in the process of rebuilding and at present are somewhat of a dark horse.

Rice is not expected to be as strong as in recent years but do claim one of the Conference's leading scorers in Joe McDermott.

According to the experts, the brand of basketball displayed in the conference should be a great improvement over that of last season. The title chase should be nip-and-tuck affair right down to the wire.

—Beat Rice—

Mural News

By JOE BLANCHETTE
Intramural Co-Editor

A raft of forfeits marred Tuesday's intramural play but nevertheless the grid battles, cage wars, and tennis contests were reeled off for the second consecutive day after the victorious Dallas Corps Trip.

Basketball

Stephen sank the winning field goal in the final 15 seconds of play as Company 3 continued undefeated in intramural play by edging past the hustling heretofore undefeated cagers of Company 2, 20-19.

Steinman of Company 3 led the scorers of the contest with 10 tallies. Mittee led the losers with eight counters.

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Ags Ranked 12th by AP In Weekly Football Poll

The Texas Aggies are rolling again.

Gaining one first place vote and a total of 239 points, the Cadets jumped to the No. 12 spot on the Associated Press Football Rating Poll after their 25-20 win over the Mustangs.

SMU now holds 14th place, having dropped from seventh.

Texas, ranked fifth last week, dropped to sixth place although they edged past the Baylor Bears, 27-20, last Saturday.

Two teams in the SWC—A&M and Texas—can claim to be better than the first place team having beaten the Ponies. Ohio State, however, will meet a tough test this week at Champaign, taking on Johnny Karris and company from Illinois. Ohio State, the Big Ten ruler, gained the top position after a tingling 19 to 14 victory over Wisconsin.

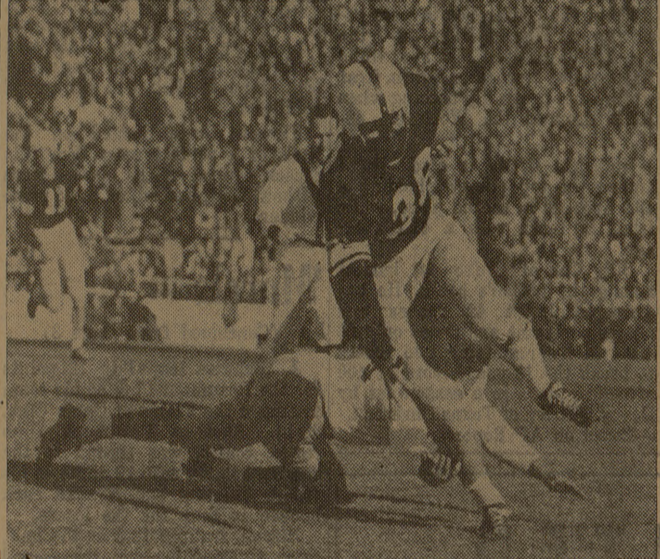
A win over the Buckeyes will send Illinois to the Rose Bowl.

The fall of Army is the big news in the weekly Associated Press poll. The unbeaten Cadets, 51 to 0

winners over little New Mexico Saturday, actually received the most first place votes, 72.

Army, which barely edged California for third, got 2,272 points. California's total was 2,126.

Kentucky, the only other team over the 2,000-point mark, with 2,001, was fifth. Then, in order, (See POLL, Page 4)



Bruisin' Bob Smith, coming round-the-bend for an extra few yards before being felled by an unidentified Mustang in last week's 25-20 win over SMU. Smith is ranked fourth in the nation among the rushers with an average of 7.4 yards for each of 151 carries.

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Maroon & White... Sports Chatter

Murray Holditch and Charley Royalty have been chosen by Head Coach Harry Stiteler to lead the Cadets against the Rice Owls, Saturday afternoon on Kyle Field...

Holditch is a senior 6' 7" guard from Blooming Grove, while Royalty, also a senior, but playing left halfback is from Freeport.

Head Trainer Bill Dayton reports that all of the Aggie squad will be ready for Rice come Saturday, and that everyone was suited in regular equipment yesterday with the exception of Carl Molberg and Elo Nohiviza, both of whom should be ready by gametime...

Smith is the only person to have ever performed this feat against a major team...

Big guns in the Cadet forward wall which helped Smith were Center Hugh Meyer and Guards Molberg and Max Greiner... Bruisin' Bob's own words... "Our team is doing better this year because of the way the line is blocking, especially so downfield and because the team is beginning to think more than it ever has before, plus plain ole' hustle..."

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