

# THE BATTALION-MSC A&M QUARTERBACK CLUB

## Mustangs Surprise SWC Fans

SMU's Mustangs, with a new offensive formation, are in the middle of the Southwest conference title race.



Connie Magouirk

Back of the Week

### Connie Magouirk Leads Aggs In Game With Razorbacks

Connie Magouirk, senior halfback, is the Quarterback club back of the week choice for the second straight week. Magouirk plunged two yards for one of the Aggie touchdowns in the game with Arkansas and carried the ball 11 times for 48 yards and a 4.4 yards-per-carry average.

He punted one time for 51 yards and caught a pass for 10 yards. Sweeping the ends with good bursts of speed, Magouirk made much of his yardage on pitchouts, but was equally effective on plays through the line. Besides his fine offensive showing in the Arkansas game, Magouirk was a defensive standout.

of the best bets for the SWC crown. Woody Woodard replaced Rusty Russell as head coach this summer and promptly did away with the single wing and Y formations for which the Mustangs had been noted.

Any complaints about his version of the T and split T offense have been silenced by the showings of the Mustangs this year.

In their first 1953 game SMU pushed highly touted Georgia all over the field but lost 6-4. Tech has been consistently rated among the nation's top 10 all season.

The Ponies then plastered Missouri, 20-6, edged favored Rice, 12-7, on Frank Eidom's incredible 91-yard dash in the last minute, beat Kansas, 14-6, and lost to Texas last week, 16-7.

#### Norton Leads

All-Conference Jerry Norton, the player who did the most to beat the Aggies in last year's 21-13 loss in Dallas again sparks the Mustangs. This year however, he has more help than last year. SMU has a whole corps of brilliant backs. They are: Norton, Eidom, Bill Crisler, Don McIlhenny, Duane Nutt, Sammy Stollenwerck, Hal O'Brien, Roy Pace, Blake Tucker, Don Moore, Don Kilgore and Dale Moore.

Norton gained 814 yards rushing and passing last year and has been

the leading Pony ground gainer for the last two seasons. He has gained 246 yards rushing so far this year and has a 38 yard average on 21 punts.

Nutt has hit on 17 of 28 passes for 208 yards. Stollenwerck has connected on 13 of 28 for 146 yards. Nutt completed 7 of 10 in the Texas game.

#### Eidom Is Great

Eidom, second in the conference in kickoff returns, is one of the outstanding break-away runners of the league. He hits a hole in the line so fast that he frequently breaks loose before the linebacker or halfback has time to close the gap. Eidom has run back five kickoffs for 121 yards, a 24.2 yard average.

McIlhenny is another of SMU's outstanding backs. He has intercepted three passes this season and is another great open field runner.

Stand-out linemen for the Ponies include tackle Jack Gunlock, and Ed Bernet and guards Jerry Clem, Darrell Lafitte and Don Goss.

Gunlock and Clem are co-captains. Bernet, a sophomore, has caught 11 passes for 124 yards and is a fine defensive performer. Clem played more football than any other Mustang last year, 457 minutes. Lafitte played 417 minutes.

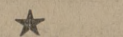
#### Goss Has Ability

Goss has the ability to be one of the best linemen ever produced in the SWC, according to many experienced observers. The middle guard on defense, Goss frequently had to be hit by three players on Longhorn running plays Saturday.

The Ponies have 21 lettermen, 17 of whom played more than 100 minutes last season. Thirteen were either offensive or defensive starters.

Clem, Norton, Crisler, guard Lou Miller and Lafitte played more than 400 minutes in 1952.

A&M has a 17-12 edge in the 34 game series. Five games have ended in ties. They started playing in 1914.



### Aggie-Hog Film Set At QB Club

The movie of the A&M-Arkansas game will be shown at the Thursday night meeting of the Quarterback club.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom.

Jones Ramsey, sports publicity director, will be the narrator for the film.

All future meetings of the club will be held at 7:30 p. m. in the MSC.

The schedule for the rest of the year is as follows:

Nov. 11, SMU-A&M film, MSC Ballroom.

Nov. 19, Rice - A&M film, MSC Assembly room.

Dec. 3, Texas - A&M film, MSC Assembly room.



Sid Theriot

Lineman of Week

### Guard Sid Theriot Selected Top Lineman of Hog Game

Guard Sid Theriot is the Quarterback club lineman of the week for his play in the Arkansas game.

One of the outstanding Aggie players of the season, Theriot has been widely mentioned for his fine all-round play all season on both offense and defense.

A regular last season as a sophomore, Sid has been a solid, steady performer in every game. A hard, sure tackle, he is one of the fastest men on the squad and is always one of the first downfield on punts and kickoffs.

Theriot's speed enables him to turn in shattering blocks downfield on offense.

Sid's 190 pounds make him light for a major college guard, but he knows how to make use of every pound. He undoubtedly is one of the best linemen in the Southwest conference at his weight. Many sportswriters who have followed Aggie games this season would go further and call him one of the best linemen in the conference.

Outweighed by almost every lineman playing opposite him this

season Theriot seldom is moved out of a play through the middle.

One of the top competitors on the squad, Sid is always one of the first players on the practice field. "I really enjoy playing the game," he said. "I get a kick out of beating them all."

Theriot was an all - starter at Gobson, La., in 1950, and is one of eight Louisiana players on the squad.

Soft-spoken when he does say something, Sid lets his playing speak for him. And so far this year, it's had plenty to talk about.



Jerry Norton—Mustang Triple Threat Ace

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