



Mike Michalske

Former Pro Great

## Michalske Likes Coaching Ag Line

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Mike Michalske, A & M's line coach, and an all-time, all-pro lineman is "well satisfied" and has had "much pleasure" in his job as line coach at A&M.

"The A&M coaching staff is the fairest and as good as any I have ever worked with," said Michalske. "I have had 100 per cent cooperation from Chancellor Harrington, President Morgan, Athletic Director Irvin and Coach George, to team trainers," he said.

"A&M's linemen are among the most willing I have ever coached," he said. "Their spirit, desire and cooperation are the best."

Played for Penn State

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, Michalske entered Penn State college in 1923. He was an all-American guard, there, playing in 1924-26.

Michalske played professional football with "Red" Grange and the New York Yankees in 1927-23. From 1929 thru 1937 he was with the Green Bay Packers, where he played with such greats as Amie Herber, Cecil Isbell and Don Hutson. He was chosen an all-pro guard several times while with the Packers.

"Iron Mike" began his coaching career at Lafayette college in 1938. He was assistant coach with the Packers in 1940 and head coach at Iowa State from 1941-46. He was a Baltimore Colt assistant coach in 1948-49, then moved to Baylor where he had three great seasons through 1952 as line coach. He joined the Aggie coaching staff this year.

Proud of '51 Baylor Line

The Baylor line of 1951 has been his most successful coaching job, he said, but he expects some great days for Aggie linemen. Any of the starting A&M linemen are of potential all conference caliber, he added.

"So far the fans have been very understanding about the uphill fight of the Aggies," he said. "I hope the corps, fans, exes and student body will show patience, because better days are in the future."

Michalske's experiences in football are equaled by few. He has

### Bryan Beer Prices Below State Level

The retail price of beer has risen five cents almost everywhere in Texas, except in Bryan, according to local beer dealers.

Beer was 25 cents a bottle for premium and 20 cents for Texas beer until about a month ago, when wholesalers raised beer prices.

The larger retailers raised their prices five cents per bottle, while many small retailers left their prices as they were.

Consequently the larger dealers began to lose trade. After considerable loss of trade, the larger retailers reduced their prices to the original.

### Mail Service Given Hospital Patients

The Aggie Christian Fellowship is initiating Wednesday mail service for patients in the A&M hospital.

## Ags Idle; Owls, Bears, Hogs Picked

# Freshmen to Win In Benefit Game

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The A&M Fish-University of Texas Shorthorn game Saturday gets the attention of Aggie football fans as the varsity shines up its play for the traditional Thanksgiving Day game.

The varsity had another holiday Thursday, and most of the coaches left to check over Thursday night high school games. The squad will stage a defensive scrimmage today. A two-hour session is scheduled Saturday morning.

Wednesday the Cadets had a long hard session with the Golden Nuggets and displayed some sharp blocking and hard running.

### Two Conference Games

Rice plays TCU and Baylor hosts SMU in two important conference games. Arkansas, through with conference play, meets LSU in an inter-sectional clash.

This week's predictions are: Aggie Fish 19, Texas Shorthorns 14.

Rice 27, TCU 6. Baylor 20, SMU 13. Arkansas 14, LSU 12.

In the seventh annual Ben Hur Temple benefit game, two evenly-matched teams will be playing. Both the Fish and the Shorthorns have won only one game this season, but both have several players fans will be hearing from in the near future.

### Pardee Leads Fish

Blasting Jack Pardee is the leading Fish rusher, with 286 yards on 61 carries. Halfback Bobby Keith is the breakaway threat and Ends John Ray and Eugene Stallings. Tackles Bobby Lockett and Houston Green, Guards Jim Martin and Bennie Bloomer and Centers Dick Munday and Walker Griffith head the hard-hitting line.

Quarterback Gerald Orton, Fullback Fred Ernst, End Allen Ernst and Tackle Ben Woodson are some of the Shorthorn standouts.

This stacks up as a very close game, with the winner needing the

breaks. The Fish will have to play their best game of the year.

### Owls to Win

Rice's tremendous ground game and splendid line figures to have little trouble with the Frogs. But this is the Southwest conference.

However, TCU's defense, sixth in the conference, is not strong enough to contain the Owl rushing attack, eighth in the country. Fullback Kosse Johnson and Halfback Dicky Moegle are one-two in conference rushing and have a combined total of 1,293 yards. Johnson is seventh nationally.

### Bear Offense Still Strong

Baylor's Bruins, still battered after losses to Texas and Houston, apparently will have Quarterback Francis Davidson in the lineup against SMU. And this might be the difference, for Davidson's ball handling is a vital part of the explosive Bear offense.

On the other hand, the Pony defense is first in the nation, having surrendered an average of only 163 yards per game. This shapes up as an offense vs. defense game, so the team scoring first will have a big edge.

Baylor's offense still looks too strong.

### McHan Leads Hogs

The Tigers are the accepted favorite over the Hogs, but we look for the great Lamar McHan to have another great day. LSU lost to Mississippi State, 13-26, last week, and passes accounted for two of the State scores.

The running pass is one of McHan's biggest gainers, and End Floyd Sagely is 12th nationally in pass receiving. It adds up to a tight win for the underdog Razorbacks.

## Irvin Appointed For Olympics

Barlow Irvin, A&M athletic director, is one of seven men in the United States who have been selected on the Olympic Games track and field committee.

The other six on the committee are: James Kelly, University of Minnesota; Robert J. Kane, Cornell University; Brutus Hamilton, University of California; Bernie H. Moore, Southeastern conference; Guy Sundt, University of Wisconsin; and T. Lester MacMitchell, New York University.

This committee will organize procedures for the track and field events in the 1956 Olympic games.

The committee will first meet on December 11 in Washington, D. C. Other meetings will be announced by the United States Olympic association.

The last bare knuckle championship fight was fought in Richburg, Miss., July 8, 1889. John L. Sullivan defeated Jake Kilrain in 75 rounds.

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## For Crippled Kids

# Pardee, Keith Resume Rushing Duel Saturday

When the Freshmen answer the opening whistle Saturday afternoon against the Texas Shorthorns in the seventh annual Ben Hur Temple benefit game, Jack Pardee and Bobby Keith will renew their battle for team rushing honors.

Pardee, fullback, has carried the ball 61 times to pick up 286 yards for an average of 4.7 yards per carry.

Keith, halfback, is close behind with 233 yards in 52 carries and a 4.5 average. No other ball carrier is close to the two leaders, either

in total yardage or number of carries.

Don Carpenter is third in both number of carries and yardage gained, picking up 76 yards in 24 carries for a 3.2 average.

## Ag Wrestling Club Working Out Daily

The A&M wrestling club has been meeting and working out every week-day at 5 p.m. The club has 41 members, including 12 freshmen.

Since wrestling is not a conference sport, the wrestlers have their own club, and wrestle similar clubs from other colleges and organizations.

The club opens the season here January 23, against the University of Texas. They also wrestle Baylor, Houston YMCA, and they close the season at the NCAA tournament March 18-20, at the University of Oklahoma.

The Freshmen are slight favorites in the seventh annual Shriners classic, having a season record of one win, one tie and two losses to match the Shorthorn record of one win and three losses.

Both teams lost to the Rice Slimes and the Baylor Cubs. The Slimes downed the Shorthorns, 23-0, and defeated the Freshmen, 34-6.

The Baylor Cubs won over the Fish, 14-7, and trampled the Shorthorns, 25-7.

TCU's Polywogs and the Fish battled to a 6-6 draw, but TCU won over the Shorthorns, 10-6.

Probable starting lineup for the Fish will be Bobby Holliday, quarterback; Keith and Don Carpenter, halfbacks; and Pardee, fullback.

Starters in the line will be Eugene Stallings and John Ray, ends; Bobby Lockett and Houston Green, tackles; Bennie Bloomer and Jim Martin, guards; and Walker Griffith, center.

Saturday's game will close out the season for both teams.

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