

Halfback Don McIlhenny
One of SMU's Backfield Stars

SPORTS SHORTS

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The Southwest conference enters the final month of the season this weekend with fans still wondering who's going to beat Arkansas. If they get by Rice Saturday, the Razorbacks will be virtually "in."

For the second time this season, the conference gets to show off before a national television audience. The Baylor-Texas game at Waco will be the TV Game of the Day.

This week's picks:

- A&M 14, SMU 13.
- Rice 21, Arkansas 17.
- Baylor 20, Texas 14.

If figures don't lie, SMU has the best balanced team in the conference. The Ponies lead in offense, defense and rushing defense. They have surrendered just 100.6 yards per game on the ground, eighth lowest in the nation.

Reams of copy have been written this year about the Pony backfield of Duane Nutt, Frank Eidom, Hal O'Brien and Don McIlhenny. Undoubtedly too much of it has been true to suit Aggie Coach Paul Bryant. Eidom and McIlhenny are seventh and eighth in rushing, Nutt is second in total offense and passing.

The Aggies haven't shown any signs of a letdown this week, a remarkable attitude for a team that has lost four of its games by a total of 19 points.

SMU will have every incentive to go all out this week—homecoming, a chance for the SWC title—but this looks like the game when the Cadets will stop making the mistakes that have been costing touchdowns.

The Rice-Arkansas game is the biggest of the conference season so far. The Owls have to win, and Dicky Moegle looks like the boy to do it for them. He leads the conference in rushing with 508 yards and is fourth in total offense. A vote for the Owls, even though Arkansas has two good lines to Rice's one.

Baylor figures to have too much offense for the Steers, who seem

Kittens Play Colts, Try for Second Place

A&M Consolidated junior high plays Madisonville tonight in its final road game of the season and can clinch second place in its district with a victory.

The Kittens have a 4-1-1 season record and a 2-1-1 district mark. Madisonville is third with a 2-3 record. Kickoff tonight is at 7:30.

In a previous meeting, Consolidated took a 33-13 win. Since then, the Kittens have lost three-fourths of their starting backfield through injuries.

That trio of Jim Wright, Sidney Greer and John Wayne Todd scored all but one of the touchdowns in that game.

Coach Horace Shaffer's starting lineup will average 110 pounds per man, compared to 108 for the Colts.

Shaffer plans to start Bobby Ross and Kirby Jackson at ends, Bennie Jackson and John Beatty at tackles, Pete Rodriguez and either Royce Hickman or Joel Mills at guards, George Carroll at center, Tommy Bramble at quarterback, Jimmy Walton and Dee Smith at halfbacks and Edgar Feldman at fullback.

Feldman scored all three touchdowns last week on runs of 97, 73 and 82 yards as the Kittens downed Navasota junior high, 20-18.

Co-captains for tonight's game will be Walton and Smith.

Gene Gibson, Texas Tech freshman basketball coach, was an All-Border Conference center for the Red Raiders in 1950.

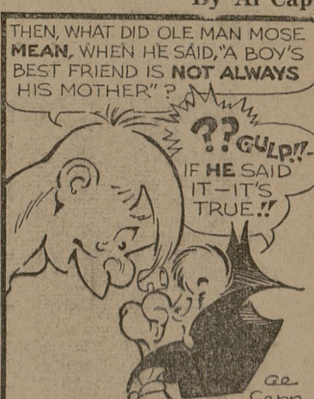


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