

Fish Crunch Through Unbeaten Owlets 34-21

Rebounding higher than a kite after a humiliating 14-38 loss to Baylor's Cubs in their last game, the Aggie Fish put a gleam in their fans' eyes again last night with a convincing 34-21 win over the previously unbeaten Rice Owlets.

The Fish scored from way out and in close, and sent 4,500 spectators home saying "Wait 'til next year."

Sensational halfback John Crow and fullback Ken Hall led a crunching ground game that ate out 310 yards through a hard-fighting, heavy Owlet forward wall. Crow led all ball carriers with 122 yards in 12 carries. Hall, who didn't start the game, had 95 yards in 5 tries, including an 84-yard scoring run.

Rice's leading runner was halfback Virgil Mutschink with 50 yards in 11 tries. Quarterback Frank Ryan completed 9 of 15 passes for 103 yards and a touchdown for the Owlets.

Oddly, the Owlets led in first downs 16-12, and gained 369 yards on offense to 356 for the Fish. Rice completed 12 of 22 passes for 138 yards. A&M tried only 6, completed 2 for 46 yards and a touchdown. The Fish line gave up 253 yards rushing, but when the chips were down, Maroon-shirted freshmen were there. A&M jammed Owlet drives on the 6, 10 and 19-yard lines.

A&M took a 13-0 lead early in the second quarter, then made it 20-7 at the half after Rice had scored. Hall's 84-yard scamper made it 27-7 early in the third period, then the Owlets stormed back for two touchdowns. With the score 27-21, Crow broke off right tackle and raced 40 yards for a

touchdown to insure the game for the Fish.

Rice received the opening kickoff, and Hill fumbled on third down, with Fish guard Jim Stanley, a great lineman last night, recovering on the Owlet 22. Crow hit tackle for 3, then quarterback Jimmy Wright faked a handoff, dropped back and threw to end Bobby Marks in the end zone for the first score.

Crow kicked the extra point, and the Fish led 7-0 with 2 minutes, 20 seconds gone.

Early in the second quarter, Owlet halfback Lester Veltman was jarred by three Fish linemen, fumbled and end Dean Meeks recovered for A&M on the Rice 30.

After a 5-yard penalty, Wright faked a handoff and threw to Meeks for 27 yards and a first down on the 8. Crow and Wright punched to the 2, then Hall hit the middle for the score.

A high snap from center ruined the extra point try.

The Owlets took the kickoff and moved 65 yards to score in 9 plays. A 27-yard run by Hill to the 15 after an attempted pass set it up. Veltman scored on second down from the 1. Bergstrom's kick made it 13-7.

Halfback Billy Dendy returned the kickoff 34 yards to the Fish 44, and 10 plays later quarterback Bobby Conrad scored from the 5 on a keeper off left tackle. Ed Dudley kicked the extra point.

The Owlets drove to the Aggie 11 after the kickoff, led by Hill's passing. On fourth and three, Mutschink was stopped at right end after a 1-yard gain, and the Fish took over.

On the first play after the second half kickoff, Owlet center James Crawford recovered a fumble

on the Fish 27. Rice pounded to the 7, but Kelley was swarmed under on a fourth down line plunge with 3 needed, and the Fish got the ball on their 6.

Crow and Dudley carved out a first on the 16, then came the game's most spectacular play. Hall took a handoff from Wright, slanted off right tackle toward the sideline and outran the entire Rice team on an 84-yard dazzler. End Roger Hobson took out an Owlet and an official with a nice block.

A&M Fencers To Meet Rice, TSC

A&M's fencing team will meet Rice and Tarleton State college at 8 a.m. Saturday in the ball room of the Memorial Student Center.

The Aggies, defending Southwest conference champions, belong to three leagues—Southwest Conference, Amateur Fencing League of America and the Invitational League.

Co-captains Arthur E. Garner and Bill Huettel, in addition to five other returning letter men, make up the core of this year's squad.

CHS Meets Waller Tonight, Seeks Second Place Tie

The A&M Consolidated Tigers wind up their 1954 grid campaign tonight against the Waller Bulldogs at Waller.

A win in this final game would give them a second place tie in district 25-A and boost their season record to 6 wins and 4 losses.

At present CHS is in a four-way deadlock for the runner-up slot with Waller, Cypress-Fairbanks, and Katy. Each of these teams have a 2-2 conference mark. The winner of the Cypress-Fairbanks and Katy game will share second place with the winner of the Tiger-Bulldog game.

Carroll, Litton Out
The Tigers will play without the services of two key performers tonight. Quarterback J. B. Carroll and George Litton, 170-pound tackle will be out of action due to knee injuries.

The Bulldogs will not be up to full strength either. Ace fullback Travis Sorsby missed last week's game, and will probably not play against the Tigers.

Waller will have a weight advantage of about 20-pounds per man, but this has been the case in most of the Tiger games so far this season.

CHS Trails in Statistics
The Tigers trail their nine opponents in almost every department of game statistics.

CHS has 205.2 yards rushing to their opponents 218.7. The Tigers have 41.5 yards per contest in the air as compared to 54.4 for their rivals. These figures give Consolidated a net total of 246.7 yards per game and their opponents 273.1.

The Tigers have averaged 30.7 yards on punts and their opponents 29.8. CHS has racked up 100 first downs and 148 points in nine games. Opposing teams have 103 first downs against Tiger defense.

Wade Leads Tigers
Bobby Joe Wade continues to lead Tiger ball-carriers with 651 yards in 101 trips. This is good for an average of 6.4 yards per carry. Travis Englebrecht has

gained 687 yards in 107 tries for a 5.9 average.

Wade also tops the scorers with 37 points. Englebrecht has made 36 points, and Carroll 33.

The probable starting offensive line-up will have Jerry Oden and Dick Hickman at ends, Henry Phillips and Ed Linton tackles, Garland Andrews and Jack McNeely guards, Manuel Garcia center. In the backfield Norman Floeck will be at quarterback, Tommy Barker and Englebrecht, halfbacks, and Wade at fullback.

SPORTS SHORTS

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It took a long time, seven weeks to be exact, but now most football fans are convinced that the Arkansas Razorbacks aren't the luckiest team in the country. After a 28-15 win over Rice last week, their seventh in a row, the Razorbacks finally are favored to win a football game. (Arkansas was picked to win its opener from Tulsa, then the "experts" turned their backs.)

A victory over SMU tomorrow gives 1954's Cinderella team a Cotton Bowl berth and probably will send the state of Arkansas into the biggest celebration since it entered the Union.

This week's predictions:
Arkansas 21, SMU 14.
A&M 16, Rice 13.
TCU 21, Texas 13.

SMU Is Crippled

The Razorbacks have every incentive to go all out against the Mustangs, and SMU also is well battered after the Aggie game. About 27,000 are expected to pack the Fayetteville stadium, built to hold only 22,000.

Perker guard Bud Brooks was the Associated Press lineman of the week after the Rice game, and Coach Bowden Wyatt said it wasn't even Brooks' best effort of the season. Henry Moore, George

Can Ags Give Top Effort Again?

The Ag first team has had a minimum of contact work this week and should be physically ready for another top effort. The way the Cadets have played all week despite tough losses has been one of the high points of the SWC season.

Many fans and sports writers think the Cadets are going to win at least one conference game. Exactly how much they want to beat the Owls will be shown tomorrow. We've been wrong about the

Walker, etc., are reported ready to go, and it looks like there will be great rejoicing in the land of acorns and razorbacks Saturday night.

At Kyle field, meanwhile, the Aggies try to break a nine-year losing string to Rice and give Head Coach Paul Bryant his second straight decision over Owl coach Jess Neely. Bryant's Kentucky team beat Rice's Cotton Bowl champs 19-13 last year.

Cadets most of the time this season, but not this week, we hope.

Texas will have some more lineup changes when it meets TCU at Fort Worth. Tackle Langford Sneed has been changed to end, and halfback Billy Quinn moved back to his original fullback spot.

The Steers didn't show much against Baylor, and Charlie Brewer might replace Glenn Dyer at quarterback. Dyer played most of the Baylor game. TCU had two weeks to get ready, and the Frogs have a definite offensive edge.

Kittens Lose 28-2 In Season Finale

The A&M Consolidated junior high Kittens ended their 1954 football season on a losing note last night, as they were stomped by the Huntsville Hornets 28-2.

This win handed Huntsville the district title and left the Kittens resting in second place. The Hornets finished their league schedule with an unblemished 6-0 showing, while the Kittens had a 4-1-1 conference mark and a 6-1-1 season record. Huntsville had only a 7-2 lead at half time, but they pushed across three T.D.'s in the final half to win easily.

The Hornets had a 269-203 lead in net yardage gained.

Dean Slovacek scooted 33 yards in the first quarter to give the Hornets a 6-0 margin, and Monroe Parker slammed across for the extra point.

Consolidated got its lone two points in the second period, when Dee Smith and Pete Rodriguez crashed through to bring down Charles Thompson in his own end zone.

In the third quarter, Slovacek sprinted four yards for the tally, and he then smashed over for the P.A.T.

The Hornets sewed up the victory with two last quarter touchdowns. Tanis Rodriguez and Slovacek rambled to pay dirt on runs

of 23 and 31 yards. Slovacek and Thompson cracked the middle of the Kitten line for the last two extra points.

Survey Reveals... Crew Cuts Prevail

A recent survey of campus leaders by Professor Trim of the Market Research Dept., revealed that the crew cut is far and away the most popular coiffure among male students. "So predominant is the crew cut," stated Trim, "that any student who lets his hair grow over an inch, is likely to incur such good-natured chiding as: 'What happened, did the gypsies carry you away?'"

Trim also sampled students as to class cuts. He found that, without exception, 10, 2 and 4 are the most popular periods during the day for class cuts. "Seems anyone with a 10, 2 and 4 class or lab, just naturally cuts in order to enjoy zesty Dr.



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