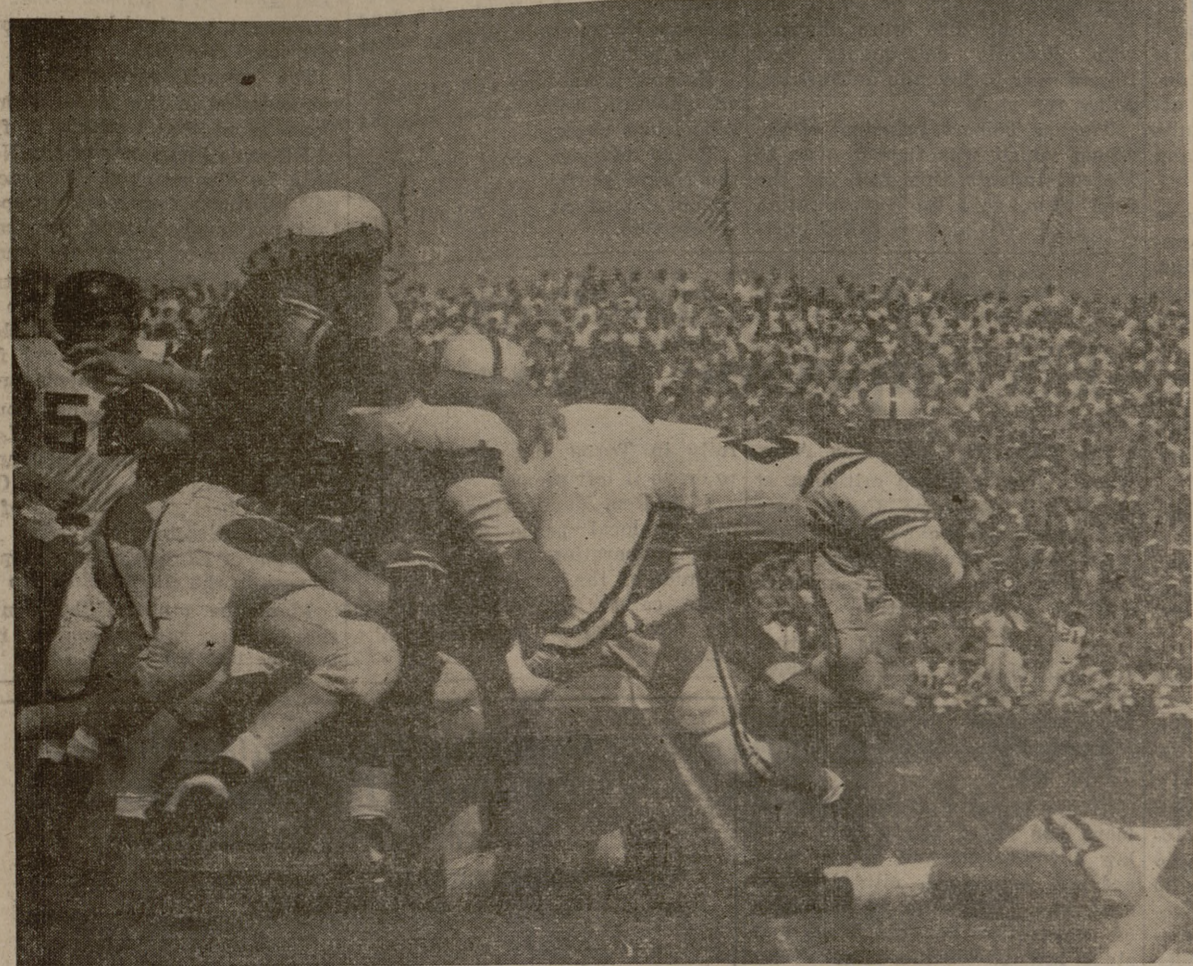


# Mediocre Aggies Beat Down Wildcats 19-0 in Saturday's Season Opener



LOOK, MA, I'M FLYING—appears to be the situation as an unidentified Villanova back falls forward for a short gainer in last Saturday's football action. Also in on the birdman act is an Aggie (also unidentified) making the tackle. Number 52 on the left is Wildcat Team Captain Joe Ryan. —Photo by Don Bissett.

## Cadets Show Five Minutes Of Football to 15,000 Fans

By BARRY HART  
Battalion Sports Editor  
A&M played just enough football Saturday afternoon to beat the Villanova Wildcats, 19-0, but that's about the extent of it.  
For about five minutes the Aggies showed 15,000 sun-beaten fans the type of football that sent them out of the Southwest Conference cellar and to a surprising 7-2-1 record in 1955. Other than that Coach Paul (Bear) Bryant's eleven bordered on the mediocre in the season's opener.  
As usual, the Cadets ground out a lot of real estate—325 yards on the ground, but it was mostly in spasmodic thrusts. "The only good thing I can say about the game," said Coach Bryant, "is that we won and they didn't score."

The same combination that whipped Rice in 1955 broke the gate to the season's first score late in the first period as Quarterback Jimmy Wright pitched a perfect pass to roommate Loyd Taylor for the first points. The play covered 30 yards and Taylor, who took the ball on the 15, went over untouched, thanks to a good block on the lone Wildcat defender by Bobby Keith.  
The Aggies second touchdown came at the 2:56 mark of the third quarter. Murry Trimble got the show rolling with a fumble recovery at the A&M 42 and for a while it looked like the Aggies of old.  
WITH RODDY OSBORNE at the helm, Bryant's men moved the 58 yards in 11 plays, with Osborne and Jack Pardee doing most of the strong-arm stuff. Pardee picked up 28 of the total on five thrusts at the middle while Osborne ran for 19. John Crow, who got the ball only seven times all day for 51 yards, turned on the power for the final seven and the six points. Taylor missed his sec-

	Villanova	A&M
First downs	16	38
Rushing yardage	192	325
Passing yardage	88	97
Passes attempted	20	27
Passes completed	8	7
Passes intercepted by	0	2
Punts	7	4
Punting average	29.4	35.5
Fumbles lost	2	3
Yards penalized	60	80
Score by quarters	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0
Villanova	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0
A&M	6 0 6 7	19

## Rockdale Crushes Consolidated, 46-0

By MAURICE OLIAN  
CHS Correspondent  
Rockdale's impenetrable defense held the Consolidated offense to 11 yards rushing and 15 passing in Friday night's battle of the "Tigers." Rockdale romped to a crushing 46-0 victory, effortlessly maintaining an unscored season.  
Travis Walker started the one-sided scoring spree just 2:20 deep in the first period with a 16-yard jaunt resulting from a Rockdale fumble recovery by Lee Murray, Tiger defensive ace. Bill Buetov converted for Rockdale.  
Erroll Robinson boosted the score 13-0, climaxing a tremendous ground drive amassing three first downs before the talley, still in the initial quarter. Bill Scarlock capped off a sustained 81 yard march in the second period with a 36 yard scoring sprint and Buetov added the extra marker.  
In the fading moment of the third quarter Rockdale ripped off six fast first downs before Walker broke loose on another paydirt scamper for a 27-0 lead. Buetov again converted beautifully.  
Robinson was the next to rack up his second TD of the night as the undefeated team posted 19 points during the game's final 10 minutes. Conversion was no good and the count was 33-0.  
Rockdale took possession of the ball on CHS's 36 after a bad punt and three plays later Al Garza snaggd one of Robinson's aerials for another score. Minutes later Garza sacked a CHS blocked punt and completed scoring for the night with his second trip across the double stripe.  
A&M Consolidated now has a 1-2 record and travels to Houston this Friday night for a skirmish with the District 10-AAA Smiley Eagles.


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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
DALLAS, (AP)—Defense is something they're not worrying about in Southwest Conference football this season if statistics of the first week of play can be taken as an indication.  
It's get those yards and those points and do it more than the other team.  
Texas Christian, the defending champion and favorite to repeat, is the leading instigator of this plan. Last week the Horned Frogs whipped Kansas 32-0 and in doing so rolled up an awesome 540 yards rushing and passing. They allowed Kansas 143 on the ground, but the Jayhawks made none in the air.  
There were some horrendous defensive records, but except in the case of Texas they didn't keep the team from winning. Arkansas, for instance, allowed Hardin-Simmons 409 yards but won 21-6. Southern Methodist granted Notre Dame 329 yards but beat the Irish 19-13 with their own 306.  
**Cross Country Team Expects 100 Candidates**  
"A&M's cross country team will be 'green' this year," according to Coach Frank (Col. Andy) Anderson. About 100 inexperienced ambitious hopefuls are expected to draw uniforms for a berth on the 1956 squad.  
Three seasoned runners currently pace the list of candidates. Fidel Rul Jr., Ed Blake, and Edward Weeren top the list of distance men which also includes such aspirants as Ervan Zouzalik, Bass Redd, and Ronald Kirkpatrick. Jack Head, Charles Flannagan, Anthony Erisman, and Sanford Collins are other top contestants.

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