

Aggies Hope History Won't Repeat With Bear Game Looking Like '53

Baylor Over Aggies by 13

AP Chooses Irish To Beat Sooners

By WILL GRIMSLEY

NEW YORK (AP)—Emotionalism, a throwback to the Thirties when locker-room oratory and the Die-For-Deer-Old-Whatchamacallit spirit flowered, has replaced the cold slide rule as the measuring stick in college football games.

Form is disgraced. Upsets are rampant. Don't sell any team short—including three-times-beaten Notre Dame against Oklahoma, winner of 34 straight. Our upsetter of the week: Notre Dame.

Last week we rode with Texas A&M, Columbia and Penn in their upsets, picked 37 of 45 for an .822 average. Season's record: 169-46 for .781.

Here goes:

Notre Dame 20, Oklahoma 7: The Fighting Irish will have the spirit of Knute Rockne riding with them in this over-the-head effort. Paul Hornung, one of the nation's finest backs, has a day of glory.

Michigan State 26, Illinois 6: Ordinarily this might be a good spot for a surprise, but the Spartans' over-all strength is too overwhelming.

Georgia Tech 20, Tulane 7: The Greenies are the season's surprise but they left something on the field in the Ole Miss upset.

Baylor 13, Texas A&M 0; Baylor, idle last week, had extra time to prepare, should win defensive battle from Aggies who went all

out against TCU. Stanford 27, Southern Cal 14: The Indians' air attack counter-balances Jon Arnett, playing his last game.

Tennessee 35, Maryland 0: A romp for the Volunteers, who look like one of Gen. Neyland's old powerhouses.

West Virginia 13, Penn State 7: The Mountaineers bring the P-Staters rudely to earth after the big upset over Ohio State.

Michigan 14, Minnesota 7: The Wolverines keep the Little Brown Jug.

Arkansas 14, Mississippi 6: Ole Miss still groggy from the loss to Tulane.

Pardee Doubtful Starter; Krueger Lineman of Week

By BARRY HART
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Saturday's battle in Waco bears a striking resemblance to the situation three years ago and Aggies are hoping history doesn't repeat itself.

In 1953 BBB (before Bear Bryant) A&M had powered past four opponents and been tied by Houston, 14-14, while Baylor was undefeated. Both were ranked nationally in the top 20, but the Bears dropped the Aggies out of everything with a 14-13 victory. A&M got progressively worse after that, losing the rest of their games.

Such is the situation this week and nobody realizes it more than Coach Paul Bryant.

"It wouldn't surprise me if they beat us very badly," said Bryant after Wednesday's workout. "Even at our best they may be too big and too many for us. We have a few hurt, a few that think they're hurt, a few still congratulating themselves on the TCU victory and a few getting ready."

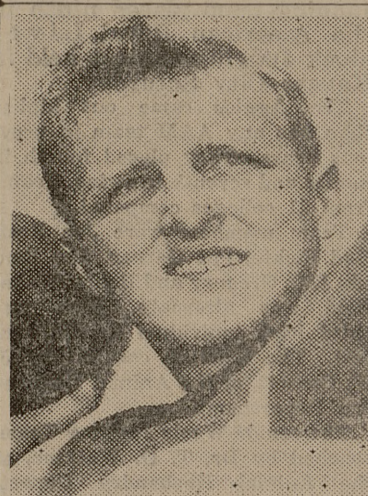
For the first time in two years, Bryant is worried over his fullbacks. Both Jack Pardee and Richard Gay have yet to suit up for practice. Pardee, probably the nation's finest linebacker, is about 50 per cent of the A&M defense and his blasts up the middle are a big factor on the offensive.

"Pardee isn't getting well as fast as we thought he would," spoke Bryant. "The next few games will determine the all-SWC picks. If Jack can be ready and play like he's capable, he'll make it."

If Pardee and Gay are not in top shape Saturday, either George Gillar or Ken Hall will move into the starting fullback spot.

Murry Trimble, starting left guard, played 55 minutes in the TCU game and came away unscathed, but a group of over zealous Fish pushed him down the tunnel steps and he suffered a painful back bruise. Trimble has been working out after heat treatments and will play Saturday, however.

Left Tackle Charlie Krueger was named Lineman of the Week by the Dallas Morning News for his terrific game last Saturday. The 6-4, 215 Caldwell Junior turned in his finest performance of his collegiate career.



DOYLE TRAYLOR — the SWC's hard-luck back who will probably miss the remainder of the 1956 season with a broken leg.

Durocher Talks With Cleveland

NEW YORK (AP)—Leo Durocher will meet with Cleveland General Manager Hank Greenberg next Monday to discuss the possibility of his managing the Indians next year.

Both Greenberg, here on business, and Durocher, now a television executive in Hollywood, disclosed they have had preliminary discussions, via long-distance telephone, but added that no definite proposition had been made.

Baylor Footballers Hit with Poisoning

WACO, (AP)—A total of 103 Baylor University athletes, including almost all members of the Bears' football squad, were treated Wednesday for what Coach Sam Boyd said was food poisoning.

The mass illness forced cancellation of the grid team's final body-contact workout this afternoon in preparation for its crucial Southwest Conference game here Saturday against Texas A&M.

The game has national importance as A&M is ranked seventh in the country in the current Associated Press poll and Baylor is rated eighth.

Boyd said that the only athletes who did not become ill after eating roast beef during last night's meal in the dining room of the athletes' dormitory were 12 students who are at their homes.

Dr. Horace Tripett, the team physician, said that he believed all the stricken athletes would be back to full physical strength by game time Saturday.

Forty-nine of the athletes were football players. The others were basketball and track men. Their illness also forced cancellation of basketball, freshman football, and cross-country practice sessions today.

SPORTS SLANTS

By BARRY HART
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I missed a pair last weekend, but I was never more glad. The Aggies won and Texas got beat. Nothing could be finer. The record dropped somewhat, but it's still an impressive 15-6-1.

There's more on tap Saturday than a week ago. A&M tackles very tough Baylor in Waco, the Steers journey to Houston against Rice, Arkansas hosts Mississippi in Little Rock and TCU gets Miami in Fort Worth. All are night games with the Notre Dame-Oklahoma battle on nationwide television out of South Bend in the afternoon.

I'll go with these Saturday:

A&M 21 — Baylor 13
Rice 27 — Texas 14
Mississippi 14 — Arkansas 6
TCU 19 — Miami 14

The Aggies put on a display of "guts" on Kyle Field against the Froggies. It was typical of the Cadets under Bear Bryant. Baylor has had a week to prepare for A&M, but I don't think anyone can stop the Ags now. The loss of Doyle Traylor may have hurt Sam Boyd's Golden Bears somewhat, but don't count on it. A record crowd of over 40,000 will witness this one.

Rice hosts the weakest Texas team in a decade in mammoth Rice Stadium. The Owls dropped a 14-13 decision to SMU there a week ago, and should bounce back Saturday. The Steers lack of depth and poor defense was put to the test against Arkansas and the Razorbacks tore 'em up in the fourth quarter. Rice won't have to wait that long.

The Froggies are still limping over the hurt here on Kyle Field, but you can't keep a fine team down. They have to get the nod over Miami. Looks like Jim Swink has returned to form.

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