

Weaver's Red Raiders Looking for Revenge

By GARY ROLLINS
 Texas Tech has every reason in the world for wanting to beat the Texas Aggies.

The most prominent reason would be the unforgettable drubbing the Farmers handed Coach DeWitt Weaver's hapless Red Raiders last year in the Cotton Bowl. The Aggies had a field day, and when the gun finally sounded, the scoreboard read 40-7. Revenge was sweet. That was last fall.

DeWitt Weaver had this statement to make following spring training, "I was pleased with the spirit and individual improvement shown in spring training. If I had to choose between spirit and experience, I'd take spirit. It would be much better to have both and by 1958 I think we will!"

On paper, the Lubbock school appears weaker than last year's squad with only 12 lettermen returning from the 1956 squad. Graduation cleaned out the Athletic dormitory, taking 14 players and the heart of the team.

Everything about the Red Raiders is untried, but just as last year's Texas Aggies avenged a 1954 loss on Kyle Field, the 1957

Tech team hopes to do the same type of revenge. They'll have A&M on their home field, and Weaver says his inexperienced squad has little to offer but spirit.

If spirit can win games, A&M will lose their first game since the Turkey Day game of 1955.

Seniors Sparse

There are only eight seniors on the Texas Tech roster, with sophomores dominating. Their weaknesses are at end, halfback and center where one letterman will return at each position.

Their strength is at fullback, where they will return three of their top ground-gainers in Doug Duncan, Charlie Dixon and Gene Bentley.

At quarterback, they have been bolstered by a junior college transfer Floyd Dellinger to assist John Riddle.

Their passing attack, last year a component of their potent offense is now dependent upon untried receivers.

If their sophomore-laden front wall develops, their running game could be stronger than anyone has bargained for.

Their line will average about 201 pounds, with squaddmen furnishing

needed depth. The backfield will average 174 pounds.

Of the 65 men on the squad, the starting positions will go to the men who want to play. The line will boast five standouts in guards co-captain Charlie Moore and Floyd Hood, end co-captain Pat Hartsfield, center Jack Henry, and tackle Jim Henderson.

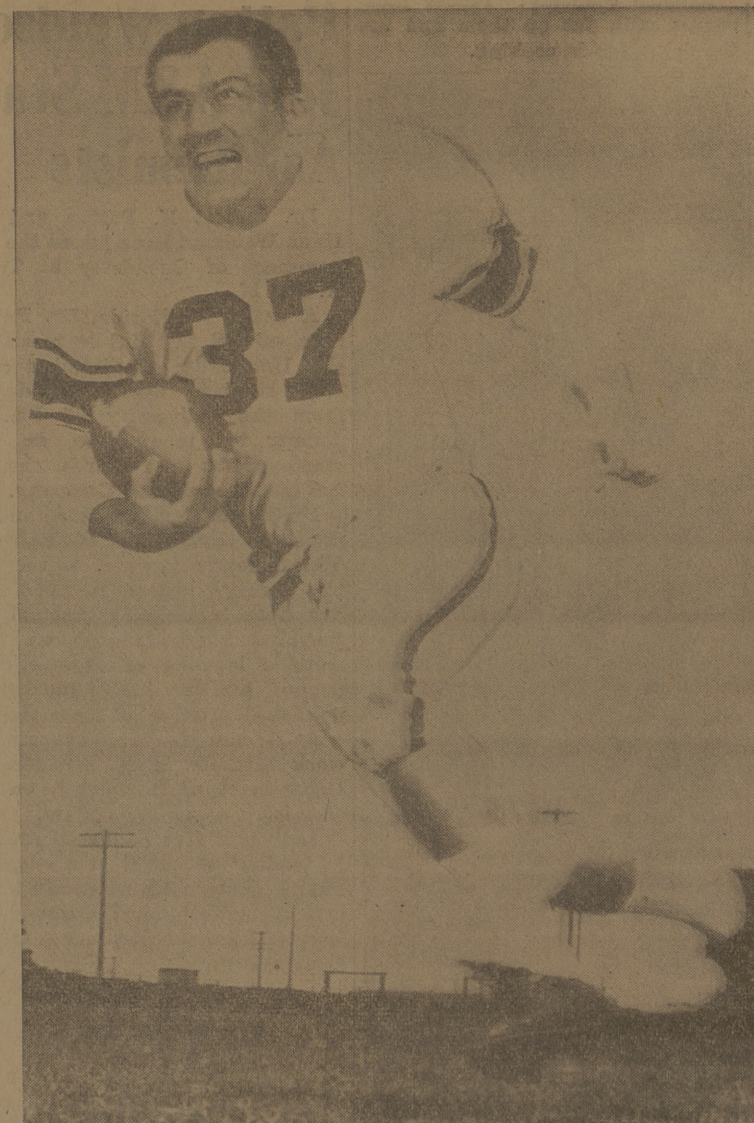
Up from their freshman team are three promising yearlings: tackle Bobby Cline, 245; guard Gene Lay, 185; and halfback Mickie Barron, 175.

Things really look dismal at the South Plains school, but that is just the way Tech would like for them to look.

Frog Tales

Last year, just two weeks after sustaining a 7-6 loss to A&M, the still-strong TCU Horned Frogs made a trip north to play in Lubbock. Visions of beating the Red Raiders "worse than those Aggies" clouded the minds of Swink & Crew, but when they awoke from their dream, they found the scoreboard at the end of Jones Stadium telling a tale that none could believe.

Spirit and Texas Tech had won, 21-7.



Gordon LeBoeuf

LeBoeuf, 190-pound sophomore fullback from Port Neches, had a fine opening game against Maryland. With the backfield weakened by the loss of key backs Crow and Taylor, Gordon and other sophos will be called upon to fill depth vacancies.

Five SWC Teams In AP 'Top 20'

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The first major games of the 1957 season did nothing to alter the general pre-season belief that Oklahoma has the strongest college football team in the land.

Striking with awesome speed and power against a team that had been regarded as the best in the East, the Sooners demolished Pittsburgh 26-0 last Saturday and ran their record winning streak to 41 consecutive games.

The result was reflected today in the first Associated Press weekly ranking poll of the new season. Oklahoma had been the pick of the sports writers and broadcasters in the pre-season poll when they rated the teams in the way they expected them to finish. Oklahoma again was an overwhelming choice in the first weekly rating, based on what the teams have shown so far in the new season.

Texas A&M rated second in the pre-season balloting, retained that place. Michigan State, ranked fourth, drew four of the nine first place votes that didn't go to Oklahoma. Duke received two and Navy, Minnesota and Iowa one each.

Texas A&M had a stern opening opponent in Maryland, but came through at the finish in the rain for a 21-13 victory.

Georgia Tech, an impressive 13-0 winner over Kentucky, moved up to third in the first weekly ratings, displacing Michigan State, and

Navy, which gave Boston College a 46-6 battering, advanced to fifth.

The top ten teams with points on 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 basis (first place votes and won lost records in parentheses):

1. Oklahoma (65) 1-0..... 720
2. Texas A&M 1-0..... 460
3. Georgia Tech 1-0..... 374
4. Michigan State (4) 0-0..... 354
5. Navy (1) 1-0..... 297
6. Minnesota (1) 0-0..... 275
7. Duke (2) 1-0..... 249
8. Tennessee 0-0..... 247
9. Oregon State 1-0..... 223
10. Michigan 0-0..... 190

THE SECOND TEAM

11. Baylor 1-0..... 169
12. Iowa (1) 0-0..... 127
13. Texas 1-0..... 60
14. Houston 1-0..... 53
15. Southern Methodist 1-0..... 35
16. tie Pittsburgh 0-1..... 26
17. Stanford 1-0..... 26
18. Rice 1-0..... 23
19. tie Mississippi 1-0..... 21
20. Penn State 0-0..... 21

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Gridders Come Alive; Start "Hitting" Again

"For the first time since the season began," said Coach Paul Bryant, "our kids looked like they were beginning to enjoy practice—everyone looked like they wanted to 'hit'—it seemed to make them feel good. If they do it again tomorrow, then we'll know they are starting to get something out of our practice."

The squad worked out for an hour and fifty-five minutes Tuesday; longer than any practice session for the entire year. The ground was wet, and a cool north breeze made it feel like football season had finally come to Aggieland.

Intramurals

Sophomores interested in positions as intramural managers are urged to contact Barney Welch in the Intramural Athletic Office in DeWare Field House as soon as possible. Welch is in dire need of sophomore managers.

Attention is called to the beginning of intramural competition with the opening of the swimming meet, Monday, Oct. 7.

Sports Car Club To Hold Meeting

The Chaparral Sports Car Club will meet at 8 p. m. today in Room 2-A of the MSC. All interested sports car enthusiasts are invited to attend.

A program of activities for the present school year will be the main topic to be discussed. Slides of last year's activities will be shown.

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