

## Hill, Snagger and Scholar, Bidding For All-SWC Berth

Quietly making his bid for an all-Southwest conference berth is Texas A&M's sophomore end, Russell Hill of Dallas.

An unknown back at Woodrow Wilson high school, Hill made the transition from frosh back to varsity end at the suggestion of Coach Jim Myers last spring and he's now leading the conference in yards receiving.

The brilliant math student, whose father is a teacher and former grid star, has caught 16 passes for 311 yards on a team not noted for its passing. A year ago Charles Milstead threw more passes than any other A&M back in history, but this season the Cadets have used the pass sparingly with Hill the chief target.

Hill didn't catch many passes in high school. In fact he didn't do much of anything. His best year was as a junior when he finished 8th in rushing in the city of Dallas.

"I had two great opportunities to catch passes in high school but I missed them both," the 5-10, 180-pounder recalled.

Nicknamed "Harlon" by his teammates because of his great catches this year, Russell feels complimented because of his great admiration for the Chicago Bear end, Harlon Hill.

Aggie coaches call him the

"Lonesome" end, not because of the offense used by Army last year, but due to Russell's retiring manner.

"He's always by himself," one member of the A&M staff says. "He's either figuring out new pass patterns or thinking about a school quiz."

Russell would like to be the Lonesome end all the time but lately the opposition has been worrying about "No. 88" and he's not as anonymous as he was earlier in the year.

"When they get your number," he says, "You've got to work harder to get open."

One of his best catches came against Arkansas. Hill got behind two defenders but the ball was short and he came back quickly in front to catch the ball and save an interception. But his greatest reception was in A&M's 9-7 upset over Michigan State when he took a 23-yard gainer from Milstead while horizontal to the ground.

Russell's father, Irvin "Rusty" Hill, was a star back for the pro Chicago Cards in the mid-30's, playing with the immortal Ernie Nevers. The elder Hill retired before Russell was born but he's been in close contact with his Dad.

"Dad teaches math at Woodrow Wilson and you won't believe this," he modestly admits, "but I made

an A both semesters in his class. And my sister, Sue, (a WW senior this year) is making an A right now in Dad's class."

After the elder Hill finished playing he began a coaching career that saw him develop the fabulous Jackie Crain, later an all-America at Texas, and Bill Forrester, SMU's former all-America star. Crain played at Nocona while Forrester was a Woodrow Wilson line-man.

Although small for an end, Hill does a good job on defense, too. His best performance on defense comes in containing backs on wide plays. Because of his size Russell isn't thinking of a pro career. He wants to be a teacher, pilot, or both. He's going for a double degree at A&M in math and mechanical engineering.

## Fish Meet Rice Owlets Tonight In Last Home Tilt of Season

The Aggie Fish, trying to even the score in the won-lost column, will take on the Rice Owlets tonight in Kyle Field.

So far this season the Freshmen have showed up good in all three games played, but have only been able to come out on the heavy end of the score once. The lone victory was impressive as they romped over the Houston Kittens, 20-6 in Kyle Field two weeks ago.

The TCU Wogs edged the Cadets, 14-13 in the opener and Baylor's Cubs handed them a 7-6 setback.

All the frosh are in good physical condition for tonight's contest with the exception of Guard Jim Harper of Borger, who will probably be forced to give his starting position to Mickey McGrew, a 210-pounder from Snyder. Fullback Sam Byer of Marlin is back at full speed after being hurt for

the past three weeks but Lee Roy Caffey of Thorndale is due to start this week.

Caffey and Ronny Ledbetter of Dalhart are the leading ground gainers for the Fish in three games. Ledbetter has 114 yards for a 3.7 average and Caffey has totaled 110 yards to average 4.6 yards.

Ronnie Brice of Andrews, who has connected on seven of 12 pass attempts, is the leading passer. On the receiving end of the passes is Mike Davis of Weatherford who has snagged four for 37 yards.

Probable starting lineup for the Owlet game will be Don Ramsey and Bobby Huntington at ends, Jim Walton and George Hogan at

Halfback Erich Barnes and Guard Abe Gibron of the Chicago Bears played college football at Purdue.

tackles, McGrew and Jim Phillips quarterback, Jon Mason and Ledbetter at guards, Jerry Hopkins at center, better at halfbacks and Caffey at ter, Brice or Tommy Janik at fullback.

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## Cadet Keglers Take Second Place at Houston Tournament

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Louisiana State College.

The high series of the meet was taken by Jerry Knipper of Northeast Louisiana as he topped the pins for 629 points. Second high series man was Bob "300" Tomlinson of the Aggies who bowled 621. Tomlinson was followed by Larry Dantzier, Aggie captain, who rolled 584.

Northeast Louisiana came from behind with a 1062 third game to pull ahead of the Cadets. Besides the Aggies and Northeast Louisiana there were four other teams entered.

Besides Tomlinson and Dantzier, Tony Servello, Kent McMahan and Lee Wilson made the trip for the Aggies.

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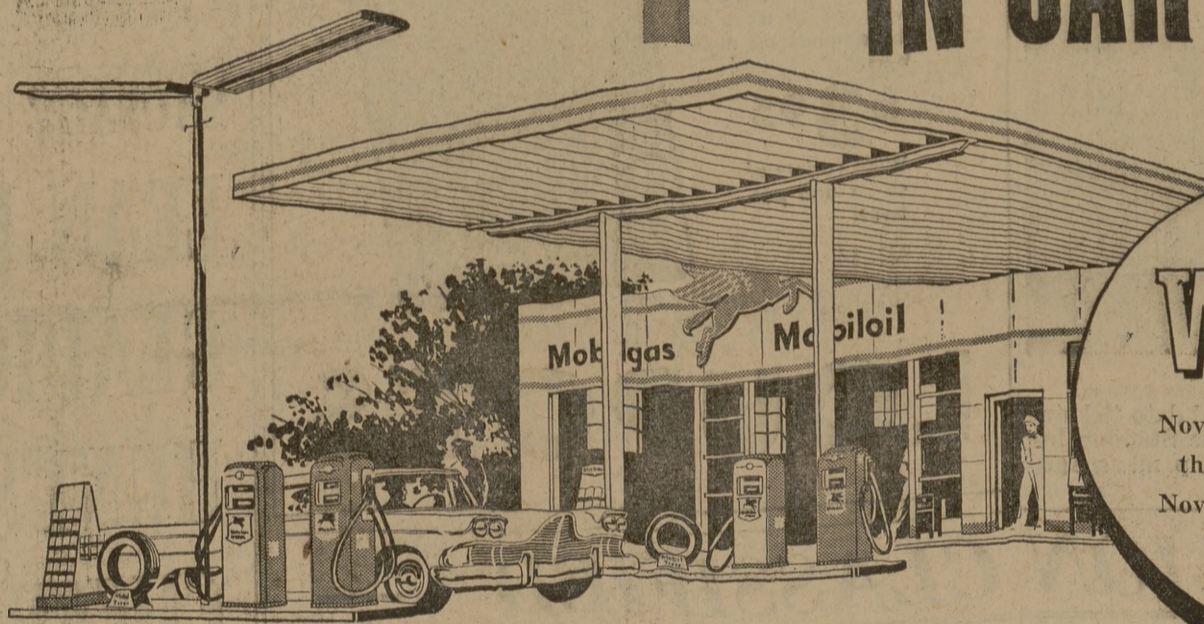
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