

FROM THE

Sidelines

By Van Conner

Last week's Battalion prognostications met with 40 per cent success on a tough weekend when the upsets we picked didn't materialize and the ones we didn't, did. We named four out of 10 and only came close on one score.

This, of course, is indicative of the exciting, unpredictable

nature of major college football across the country. It also shows how lucky most of those other sportwriters can get.

Seriously, we don't pretend to know as much about picking gridiron victors as those guys who make it their fulltime job. But everybody's been bugging us to take the plunge so we'll try again this week. Besides, it's fun.

Ags Lose Craig, Hoyak

The Cadet football squad has had more disappointments than just the Arkansas game this week with the discovery that two linemen will join fullback Jerry Rogers on the

out-for-the-season list.

Junior tackle James Craig had a knee injured during the
Razorback tilt and the doctors and coaches feel he should take the rest of the year off.

And sophomore guard Joe Hoyak got tangled up with influenza. He has been advised by the team physician not to

Headblocking May Be Outlawed

Next years fans may see NCAA football teams being penalized 15 yards for the notorious "head blocking." According to AP Newsfeatures sports editor Frank Eck, the Football Rules Committee of the NCAA will discuss the practice and possibly outlaw it.

Not too many years ago doctors and officials were calling for improvement of football headgear to alleviate an increasing amount of head injuries. Equipment manufacturers perfected their helmets to the point at which they can now be used as weapons, says Eck.

Northwestern Tops Nation; Texas Still Fifth Despite Narrow Win Over SMU

were to be played this week, it State, an old rival, 15-7. could boast of being an unofficial match for the national champion- underwent a brisk shakeup, were: ship between the No. 1 and No. Texas, No. 5; Arkansas, No. 6; 2 ranking college teams.

fornia, driving toward a possible nesota, No. 10. clash in Pasadena, are pace-set- Only the East is not represented ters in the weekly poll of the in the latest standings. The Midsix straight games.

past Indiana 26-21 Saturday on a late passing drive by Tom Myers. The Pacific Coast hasn't had a

On the basis of ten points for a 1961. first place vote, nine for second, etc, Southern Cal, who hurdled a Texas, No. 5, were the only teams of the voters.

Sugar Bowl, followed in the No. 3 to ninth. and No. 4 positions, respectively, Missouri, Wisconsin and Minneafter receiving nine first place sota are newcomers to the list, votes each, Alabama made Missis- rooting out Michigan State, Washsippi State its seventh victim of ington and Auburn.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS | the season 20-0 while Mississippi If the Rose Bowl football game finally managed to beat Louisiana

Completing the top ten, which Missouri, No. 7; Wisconsin, No. 8; Northwestern and Southern Cali- Louisiana State, No. 9, and Min-

Associated Press. Each has won dle West has four teams in the top ten, the Southeast has three, Northwestern, which squeezed the Southwest two and the Pacific

retained top place in the standings national champion since Southern with 24 of the 49 No. 1 votes of the California won the mythical title special panel of sports writers and in 1939. Minnesota, in 1960, was broadcasters and a total of 442 the last Big Ten team to head the final poll. Alabama won it in

formidable obstacle in Washington to hold their positions from a week 14-0, took over the No. 2 rung ago. Alabama dropped a notch; with 409 points, The Trojans were Mississippi moved up from sixth picked as the nation's best by six place; Arkansas, 17-7 winner over Texas A&M, jumped two rungs; ALABAMA AND Mississippi, Southern Cal gained one, and boomed for a meeting in the Louisiana State fell from fourth



Craig Lost For Season

injury suffered in the third quarter of the several games.

James Craig, 215 pound junior tackle from A&M-Arkansas game. Craig drew praise Jasper, is out for the season with a knee from Coach Hank Foldberg for his play in

Porkers Dominate SWC Statistics

Arkansas' Razorbacks escaped | Billy Moore increased his from a weekend battle with the Ag- | son scoring total to 60 point gies retaining their SWC team sta- two TD's against the Aggle tistics lead and adding to their in- hold the conference scoring dividual leaders.

The Hog's pace the offensive de- into second with two extra p partment with 361.6 yards per and a field goal against the game and the defensive end allow- dets. ing 208.1 yards per game.

The Aggies maintained their when the leading ball carries standing in both departments - named. Arkansas holds the eighth in offense, 200.3 per game, three spots. Moore paces the and third in defense, 260.1 per triumvirate with 414 yards game.

Texas, while squeaking by Sou- Fullback Danny Brabhan thern Methodist 6-0, dropped to breeched the Aggie line fourth in team offense and held yards, ranks second with 335 second in defense.

Arkansas' Ken Hatfield replaced having toted the ball 74 til A&M's George Hargett as the punt 327 yards. return leader getting 204 yards on In the passing department 12 returns. Hargett is second with lor's Don Trull enjoys a con-148 yards with 15 returns.

92-yard return against TCU, took passes for 986 yards and a over third place.

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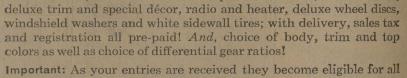
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