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WEEK 6

Texas A&M-Houston	A&M by 6	Houston by 17	A&M by 33	A&M by 1
Texas-Oklahoma	Texas by 6	Texas by 3	Oklahoma by 3	Oklahoma by 5
Arkansas-Texas Tech	Arkansas by 3	Arkansas by 9	Arkansas by 6	Arkansas by 2
Baylor-SMU	Baylor by 4	SMU by 7	Baylor by 3	Baylor by 14
TCU-Rice	TCU by 7	TCU by 4	Rice by 1	Rice by 3
Dallas-Los Angeles	Dallas by 9	Dallas by 13	Dallas by 10	Dallas by 9
Denver-Kansas City	Denver by 6	Kansas City by 4	Kansas City by 6	Kansas City by 7
Seattle-San Diego	San Diego by 7	San Diego by 6	San Diego by 7	Seattle by 6
Buffalo-Miami	Miami by 3	Miami by 7	Miami by 7	Miami by 7
Houston-Baltimore	Houston by 2	Houston by 17	Houston by 11	Houston by 6
Last week's record	6-4	7-3	7-3	7-3
Season percentage	.680	.700	.640	.600

Cowboys butt Rams; Oilers lasso Colts

United Press International
IRVING, Texas — The Dallas Cowboys and Los Angeles Rams, a couple of clubs that have lost whatever fondness they ever had for each other, will stay up late Sunday night for another of the NFL's experiments with prime time television.

Both teams seem to be nearing a high efficiency rating and are coming off impressive victories so those tuning in could be treated to a decent show.

It will be the second of three Sunday night games in the NFL this year as pro football continues consideration of expanding its schedule into areas other than Sunday afternoon.

Los Angeles played in the first Sunday night game this season, beating Denver on the second week of the season.

The game will wrap up the biggest football weekend of the season in the Dallas area. On Saturday, nationally ranked and undefeated Texas and Oklahoma will meet in the Cotton Bowl and, a few hours later, Southern Methodist will defend its Southwest Conference lead in Texas Stadium against Baylor.

A total of almost 200,000 will witness the three games.
Dallas and Los Angeles fought it out last season for the NFC title and after quite a bit of pregame bickering the Cowboys won it, 28-0.

"I don't look at this as a game of revenge," said Los Angeles Coach Ray Malavasi, trying to keep a low profile. "I look at it as a chance to be competitive."

Los Angeles has had an overwhelming array of injuries this season, but still lead the NFC West with a 3-2 mark.

"We've had 12 people out and it's been very difficult because of injuries. But we have played well the past few games. Pat (quarterback Pat Haden) had a very good game against New Orleans last week."

The Rams have utilized second-year running back Wendell Tyler in place of veteran Lawrence McCutcheon and the resulting speed in the backfield has brought a new threat.

Los Angeles' chief problem at the moment, however, is the offensive line — where injuries have created havoc.

Dallas, meanwhile, has put together two sound games in a row — most recently clubbing Minnesota, 38-20. Tony Dorsett has returned to form of late and if he should gain 100 yards against the Rams it would mark the first time in his still brief NFL career that he has gained 100 yards or more for three consecutive contests.

"The team that is coming here has excellent personnel," said Dallas Coach Tom Landry. "They have the best defense in the NFC. They may be hurting in the offensive line a little, but overall they are solid."

"When you play defense such as Los Angeles, the thing you worry about is turnovers. We haven't been as good in that area as we have in

the past, so it is a concern going into this game."

The Rams will have the rare opportunity of playing two weeks in a row against the only two teams in the NFL that utilize the "flex" defense. New Orleans, with former Cowboys assistant Dick Nolan at the helm, uses the defense that Landry originated. "They may be able to come up with ways they think are best to attack the flex," one Cowboys assistant said. "But we get to watch them on film and see how they ran against New Orleans. It works both ways."

Dallas Cowboys running back Tony Dorsett, who suffered knee abrasions when he fell from a horse this week, is a probable starter for Sunday's game against the Los Angeles Rams, a team spokesman said Thursday.

Dorsett fell from the horse Tuesday on a ranch in Mount Vernon, Texas, where he and several other players had been invited for a dove hunt. He missed practice Wednesday.

Wide receiver Drew Pearson missed Thursday's workout with a virus. His status for the Rams game was uncertain.

BALTIMORE — The Houston Oilers play the Baltimore Colts Sunday under circumstances uncomfortably similar to the team's last meeting.

Oilers' middle guard Curly Culp played in the 1976 Monday night game in Memorial Stadium when the Oilers were embarrassed 38-14, and this week he talked as if a repeat would not surprise him.

"What we have to do the rest of the season is be consistent, avoid those peaks and valleys," the 11-year veteran said.

Culp added that Coach Bum Phillips' team had not set its course this year despite a 4-2 record.

"Bum told us before the season that this was the best team since he'd been here," Culp said. "That could be true. But I think it's too early to say how far we'll go."

The Oilers played brilliantly in a 31-10 win over an unbeaten Cleveland Browns team but then fell flat one week later in a 24-17 loss to the 2-4 St. Louis Cardinals.

Phillips declared that there had been no letdown in preparation for a team with a poor record. Against Baltimore, the Oilers have a chance to prove him right.

The Colts are 1-5 after beating the New York Jets 10-8 Sunday.

In 1976, the Oilers went to Baltimore with two straight losses taking the shine off a 4-1 start. The Colts stepped on them and it was three more games before Houston pulled out of its slide.

There was added uncertainty for Oilers coaches as they prepared to defend Baltimore. They did not know which quarterback would start against them, Greg Landry or Bert Jones.

Jones was injured in the Colts' regular season opener but he re-

joined the team in practice this week.

Dan Pastorini will start at quarterback for the Oilers despite his poor performance in the loss to St. Louis and 14th ranking among AFC quarterbacks. His effectiveness rating is 38.6 as compared to Landry's 72.6.

The Oilers passing offense has been so erratic, despite opponents' concentrating on stopping running back Earl Campbell, that tight end Mike Barber spoke out.

"We're not playing good football," he said. "We can't keep spitting and sputtering like this. Every game gets more and more important and they're ain't no slackers."

"I guarantee you, the Colts have a

good team. I hope St. Louis taught us a lesson we won't forget."

Barber has made 10 catches in six games, slightly behind his 1978 pace.

"I'm very upset," he said. "Wide receiver Kenny Burrough leads the team with 17 receptions but that number does not rank him in the AFC's top 15."

If Baltimore, eighth in the AFC in stopping rushing plays, defenses Houston as St. Louis did, Campbell probably will have a tough time regaining the NFL rushing lead he lost last weekend.

Campbell's 622 yards, following his 54 yards on 13 carries Sunday, are 63 yards behind Chicago's Walter Payton.

Pigskin prognostications

Horns to boom Sooners

By IRA KAUFMAN
United Press International
Saturday the third-ranked Oklahoma Sooners travel to Dallas to take on the fifth-ranked Texas Longhorns in what shapes up as the biggest game of the young football season.

Last year, the Longhorns were held to only 191 total yards by the Sooners, but this year's Oklahoma defense hasn't played as well as last year's squad. Texas figures to be gunning for revenge in front of a Cotton Bowl crowd of over 72,000 and the Sooners' high risk offense should provide Texas with plenty of good field position.

Our prediction — Texas 27, Oklahoma 14.

Penn State 34, Army 7 — The Nittany Lions finally returned a gleam to Joe Paterno's eye last week in routing Maryland. The Cadets will need all the artillery they can muster at University Park.

Yale 24, Dartmouth 6 — The Elis, out to avenge last year's 10-3 loss to the Big Green, have solidified their defense and they blanketed Colgate last week.

Syracuse 37, Temple 30 — Suddenly the Orangemen have one of the nation's most explosive and well-balanced offenses and they should be too much to handle in a Veterans Stadium shootout. The Owls also have a fine offense, but they haven't faced a team with Syracuse's firepower.

Pitt 26, Cincinnati 3 — The 17th-ranked Panthers should continue to grow against the outclassed Bearcats, who were thrashed by North Carolina last week.

West Virginia 13, Boston College

10 — Mountaineers no longer a joke after beating Kentucky last week.
South
Alabama 42, Florida 0 — The Bear calls off the dogs at halftime, but the second-ranked Tide doesn't lose much with the second string.

Louisiana State 17, Georgia 6 — Georgia's defense will keep things close, but the Fighting Tigers, No. 12, remember last year's loss and have too much talent.

Florida State 24, Mississippi State 3 — The Seminoles will be in an ornery mood when they remember last season's 55-27 debacle at the hands of the 20th-rated Bulldogs.

Tennessee 21, Georgia Tech 20 — The Volunteers will be smarting after being upset by Mississippi State last week, but the Yellow Jackets played Notre Dame tough and will hang close.

Southwest
Texas Tech 16, Arkansas 14 — The Razorbacks embarrassed the Red Raiders last year and it's table-turning time at Lubbock.

Houston 9, Texas A&M 7 — The sixth-rated Cougars have one of the nation's strongest defenses and the Aggies lack the high-powered of-

fense to test it.
Baylor 23, Southern Methodist 10 — The Bears almost upset Houston last week and have too much defense for the breakdown Mustangs.

Midwest
Michigan 30, Minnesota 7 — You think the No. 11 Wolverines are going to lose twice in Ann Arbor this season?

Indiana 20, Ohio State 16 — The eighth-rated Buckeyes took Northwestern lightly last week and it showed. The Fighting Hoosiers can contain Ohio State's attack. Upset special.

Nebraska 51, Kansas 17 — The Cornhuskers have been as awesome as anyone in recent weeks and the Jayhawks' defense should be easy pickin' for the nation's No. 4 team.

Notre Dame 33, Air Force 6 — Ninth-ranked Fighting Irish had it too close for comfort last week and should shoot down the Falcons easily.

West
Southern Cal 24, Stanford 21 — The Cardinals played the Trojans tough last year and may catch top-rated Southern Cal.

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