

Raiders Clash With Southwestern Pirates Tomorrow

Four-Time Losers Hope For Victory

THE Cinderella Man of Texas college football—Head Coach R. M. Medley of Southwestern university—brings his potent Pirates here for a tussle Saturday night with Texas Tech's oft-defeated Red Raiders, who may themselves finish out the season riding in a pumpkin coach if Dell Morgan's magic wand continues to work wonders in improving the Techsians.

Tech indeed stands a good chance to lambast Southwestern, as would any football team which could make a ball game of it for three quarters with top-notch Tulsa university before being overwhelmed by waves of fresh reserves, as did the Raiders last weekend in losing to the Golden Hurricane 34 to 7.

Southwestern in normal times would not even rate a "breather" spot on the Tech schedule, but this is war, brother.

Last year Cinderella Man Medley found himself in somewhat self-conscious possession of virtually the entire 1942 Texas university football team, along with sundry gridiron gentry from Texas Christian, Baylor and lesser colleges. This conglomeration of brilliance, shunted to the tiny Georgetown campus by Marine and Naval training, began the season by walloping Texas university and played out the season with only one loss—that to Southern Louisiana institute—to end up in the Sun Bowl, where under-rated New Mexico managed to eke out a tie.

This year, the story doesn't read so gloriously but things are still jake with Medley, compared to peacetime hardships of coaching at Southwestern. Harold Fischer, picked on at least one All-American team at guard, and Jack Sachse are co-captains at their old alma mater, Texas university this year, and the other stars have shrugged aside football for sea and garrison duty, but six of the mighty crew remain, along with numerous hot freshman prospects and some more of those Naval trainees.

In any case, Medley has no reason to groan. The Pirates lost to Texas 20-0 and Southern Methodist 16-15, but outplayed SMU all the way and gave Texas something of a nightmare before succumbing. And three wins to the Pirates' credit include victories over Galveston Army Air field, 59 to 0, Louisiana Tech, 20 to 0, and North Texas Agricultural college, 39 to 6.

Southwestern's returning letter-men include: End Morris Bratton, 180-pounder from Cleburne and a junior; Tackle Ed McFarland, 220-pound junior from Lufkin; Tackle George Blomquist, 194-pound sophomore from Florence; Joe Baumgardner, 170-pound sophomore wingback from Austin; Quarterback Dale Giles, 185-pound junior from Corpus Christi; Ed Braswell, 165-pound wingback from San Antonio.

In addition, there's flashy Don Hughes, 165-pound triple-threatener from Lufkin who is the spark of the Pirate backfield.

So this is the outfit the Red Raiders must tackle Saturday night in their fifth attempt this season to ring the Victory Bells. "Winless wonders," though they be to date, the Raiders have three merits which can be hozaanned to the firmament and which make for optimism on the eve of Game Five.

In their first four games without victory, the Men-In-Red:

1. Never stopped trying.
2. Never failed to score.
3. Never failed to improve so much they looked like a different team each succeeding weekend.

In Tulsa last Staturday night, the Oil City's great bowl-bound aggregation held a slim lead and its heart in its throat going into the final period, with an alert Tech 11 making it look very much like anybody's ball game.

Only a terrific running and passing attack with all stops out enabled Tulsa to storm up and down the field for three touchdowns in the final frame, to give the Hurri-

cane a top-heavy win over the firing Techsians.

Fast-stepping veteran Maurice "Red" Wade, former all-Big Six star at Missouri university, scampereed through the Redmen to lead the Tulsa assault.

Tulsa scored first in the initial period and again in the third stanza to take a 14-0 lead, but Tech struck suddenly and effectively through the air for a third quarter score that made it 14-7. A 27-yard pass from Gene Hardey to Luke Thompson was the scoring thrust for Tech.

The alert Raider backs stifled Tulsa in the first half by intercepting two passes deep in their own territory and pouncing on two vital fumbles to turn the tide when the heat was on.

This was the third consecutive victory for Tulsa coach Henry Frnka, former Lubbock high school mentor, over his former schoolmate and bosom pal, Dell Morgan, in a rivalry between Tech and Tulsa that started in the 1942 Sun Bowl game. The 34-7 score was exactly the same score by which Tulsa defeated Tech last year.

The 20 to 3 advantage in first downs held by Tulsa accentuates the difference in the two teams, which makes it all the more remarkable that the Raiders could keep the crowd of 8,500 people poised on the edges of their seats wondering what was going to happen next.

Because for most of the game, it wasn't the walkaway score indicates, and Tulsa's first string did all the scoring.

The game tomorrow night is the first meeting between Texas Tech and Southwestern.

Tech is coming back strong.

That's why the Raiders hope to sink the Pirates and toll midnight for the Cinderella Man.

Probable starting lineups:

Texas Tech	Southwestern
Thompson LE	Bare
Snodgrass LT	Latch
Birdwell LG	McFarland
Turner C	George
Lawson RG	Blondznski
Frazeze RT	Blumquist
Taylor RE	Bratton
Hardey QB	Griffin
Shahan LH	Hughes
Norris RH	Baumgardner
Schlinkman FB	McDonald

Dr. Bahm Becomes Editor Of Conference Newsletter

Dr. A. J. Bahm, professor of philosophy and sociology and secretary-treasurer of the Southwestern Philosophical conference, is editor of the conference Newsletter. The November number of the publication is being sent to members this week.

The Sideline--

By Hugh Rowland

This weekend the Raiders face an almost certain fifth defeat in the shape of the Southwestern Pirates. But, if the "Morgan Men" keep improving at the rate they have been, the mighty Pirates may be the victims of a terrific upset.

The Pirates swing into the Raiders Saturday night with all men up and playing. Hughes, their crippled star back, is again on the field, and will meet the Raiders in top notch condition. Although the season has left Medley's starting 11 intact this far, the "Bucs" will face the mental hazard of having to undergo a final examination this week before the end of the semester, with convocation Friday morning. This brings sharply to the recollection of Southwestern fans the only defeat of last season, when the Pirates had completed finals Saturday morning before meeting Southern Louisiana institute in Houston that night.

The only other advantage the Raiders will hold is that they will meet the Pirates here on the Matadors' own stomping ground and the Pirates will be unaccustomed to this altitude.

The Pirates have seven boys of last year's team playing again this year. They have nine men with one year of college experience and ten men with two years to their credit. With the Naval and Marine units supplying most of their players, some of whom are tough over-seas veterans, the Pirates stack up for more experience than our Raiders. Baumgardner, their marine star, has played one year for Texas U and has started his second season with the Pirates. Griffin, star defensive blocking back, has two years experience from Texas A&M, and Bratton, "big dog" of last year, has two years of college football behind him. The Pirates' starting lineup averages 194 pounds as compared to our 183. Our scout report shows the Pirates have a very tough team with fast backs and big line.

With comment flying thick and fast as to incidents of our last home game, a situation has arisen which needs the cooperation of Tech students. A lot of local yokes and other varied characters are in the habit of invading the east football stand, running up and down the aisle, stumbling over the box seats and otherwise creating an undesirable commotion. Tech students have been asked to help keep "objectional foreigners" out of the student section and to be considerate themselves of the boxholders down front. If you want to rush onto the field the minute the final gun sounds, then go down to the end zone gate and enter there; don't go jumping across the boxes and stepping on ladies hats. Those boxholders payed for the right to sit there, and they don't deserve to be mobbed the minute the game is over.

Many students are wondering what has happened to the colorful Raider uniform we have been accustomed to seeing up to this year. The answer is that they were destroyed in the fire at the stadium dugout last spring. New red jerseys were ordered at the beginning of the season and after several delays have finally arrived. However, since it is the custom of the home team to let the visitors wear their favorite color, it is doubtful if we will see much of the Raiders in the traditional red. The red jerseys will be worn when the Raiders are on the road and at all home games wherein the visitors wear a color other than red.



Don Grove, Tackle

Grove Is Tech's Towering Tackle

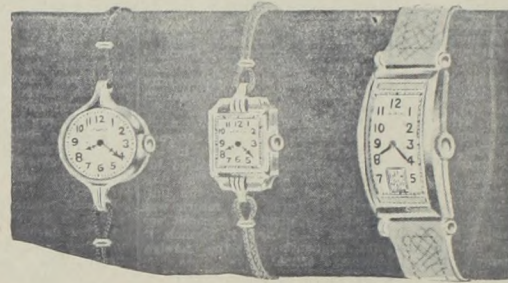
Imagine a 17-year-old kid nearly big enough to bounce your old man on his knee (providing your old man isn't Primo Camera)—a youngster who is merely in his second year of college and has already played out a season of college football.

That's Don Grove, pride of Monument, N. M., whose stature is somewhat monumental itself in a tackle position in the Red Raider line.

Don soars up to a height of six (See GROVES page 4)

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