OWLS PREPARE FOR TRY AGAINST TOP TEN TEXAS

By BUDDY HERZ

“When you get that feeling in your stomach, you just know you’re going to win.” With these words of tri-captain Gene Jones in their hearts, the 1958 Rice Owls defending Southwest Conference titlists, play host to the fourth-ranked team in the nation, Coach Darrell Royal’s, University of Texas Longhorns.

Starting time is set for 8 pm at Rice Stadium.

The big question mark for the affair is whether Rice can win on its home field. Three times the Owls have won away from home and twice gone down to defeat on friendly turf. But Saturday night, it is said, will be a different story.

A powerful running game which gobbled up 225 yards over a stubborn SMU line in a 13-7 Rice triumph last weekend, bolstered by a sporadic passing attack and brilliant defense when the breaks are needed, give the Neelymen a big boost. Quarterback Jon Schable, a veritable key to Rice fortune, Pat Bailey, who played probably his finest game against SMU, as did Gordon Speer and Billy Bucek, two of the hardest running backs in the SWC hold the 1958 title fate in their hands.

Then, too, fullbacks Ray Chilton, and Hart Peebles, two quick 3 yard men, and ends Buddy Dial and Gene Jones, undoubtedly the finest in the Southwest, should strike terror into any Longhorn hopes.

But Texas does have some-