Bowl Teams Fared Well!

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Although Rice football fans had very little to cheer about during the post-season menagerie of bowl games, the SWC as a whole fared brilliantly when compared to the often ridiculed performances of past years. As the conference failed to impress anybody with last year's 0-3-1 performance, a 2-2 record this go 'round seemed to quell the ever mounting tide of criticism which lately has tended to classify conference members in the same category as the Skyline Conference omnipotents.

TO REVIEW, that national powerhouse, Baylor (5-5), whipped tenth ranked Utah State with ease before a wild screaming mob of fifteen thousand at New York. Though Rice and Arkansas couldn't get off the ground against Kansas and Alabama, the Texas U. contingent forced Ole Miss supporters to hang their collective Confederate flags at half mast.

The story of that one was simple: the Rebs, who had lost only eight passes to the enemy all season, found orange shirts on the end of five of their aerials New Year's Day.

THE CONFERENCE STAR shined brightly in the all-star classics. Butch Blume booted the winning field goal for the Gray in its 9-7 upset of the Blue. Ronnie Bull outclassed the Davis's and the Ferguson's in the West's 21-8 victory over the heavily favored East at San Francisco. Buddy Iles (TCU) was named outstanding lineman in that same contest.

And if that's not enough action for you, there still remains the Hula Bowl at Honolulu, the NFL All-Star Game, and the US Bowl at Washington, D. C. The lineup for that one should bear watching: the halfbacks are Barry Goldwater on the right and Ralph Yarborough on the left; Lyndon Johnson will be playing center and Richard Nixon will be far back in the field at safety.