Owlets Wind Up Season Against Baylor Frosh

By DICK PARK

Deeply disappointed, but not downhearted, after a frustrating 7-0 loss to the Texas Aggie "Fish" in last Thursday's contest, Coach Nick Lanza's Rice Owlet freshman team plays the Baylor Cubs in Waco tonight. The scrappy Owlets will be decided underdogs as they wind up their '61 five game schedule, but hopeful they can atone for earlier disappointments by upsetting the Baylor Frosh.

THE RICE ROOKIES are 2-2, but both losses were decided by the narrow margin of one touchdown. The season opener saw the Owlets romp the S.M.U. Colts 20-0, followed by a 12-7 loss to the Texas Yearlings. In the first encounter between the Rice and Texas Tech Frosh, the Owlets prevailed in a 7-0 squeaker.

"Catfish" Smith's Cubs have a 3-1 record. After beating the Aggie Frosh 19-7 and losing to the T. U. Yearlings 15-8, the Cubs bounced back to an impressive 27-7 victory over the S.M.U. Colts.

WHILE SUBJECT to a possible change or two with a couple workouts to go, Lanza's probable starters will be the same as last week which saw Stephen Lee and Dale Callihan at the ends, Pat Estill and Louis Mazzurana at the tackles. Bill Walker will replace injured Ronnie Ulbrich at left guard and Wayne Bertsch will start at right guard. Malcolm Walker will handle the center position.

In the Owlet backfield Coach Lanza will alternate Walter McReynolds and Ronnie Cervenka at the quarterback spot. McReynold has proved to be the better passer of the two and Cervenka the better runner.

Don Elsik and Mike O'Grady will be the halfbacks. Ronnie Cox of Sweetwater has taken over as starting fullback since Russel Wyatt was injured in the Texas game.

CURTIS HEBERT of Temple will handle the kicking chores for the Owlets. Hebert averaged 47 yards for 4 boots in the clash (Continued on Page 12)
A win will give the Owlets a 3-2 record for the year but the Cubs will be a tough test.

The Owlets left for Waco by chartered bus early Friday morning, and will return right after the game.