

# TOP PLACE GAINED BY NORTHWESTERN

## Wildcats Vault Over Minnesota in Football Ranking Poll of The Associated Press.

### FORDHAM RISES TO THIRD

#### Santa Clara Advances by 10 Notches—Army Falls From Sixth to Twenty-first.

In a battle of ballots almost as fiercely fought as their struggle in the mud at Evanston, Northwestern displaced Minnesota yesterday as the No. 1 college team in the national football ranking poll conducted by The Associated Press.

Majority support was swayed by the Wildcats' 6-0 triumph that snapped the Gophers' winning streak, but many experts apparently were not satisfied as to Northwestern's superiority, all things considered, and voted their opinions accordingly. As one expressed it: "Without taking anything away from Northwestern, I still think Minnesota is the better club."

Notwithstanding the mixture of sentiment, 31 of the 43 contributors to this week's poll rated Northwestern at the top of their "first ten" to give the Wildcats a total of 412 points.

Ten experts rated Minnesota No. 1, with the Gophers taking second place in the consensus with a total of 371 points. The other two top place votes went to Fordham's Rams, who jumped to third place in the national standing.

#### How Teams Are Ranked

The rankings, with points scored on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis:

#### FIRST TEN

	Points.
1. Northwestern .....	412
2. Minnesota .....	371
3. Fordham .....	227
4. Marquette .....	212
5. Pittsburgh .....	191
6. Washington .....	181
7. Louisiana State .....	168
8. Nebraska .....	165
9. Santa Clara .....	145
10. Tulane .....	93

#### SECOND TEN

11. Southern California.....	76
12. Southern Methodist.....	40
13. Notre Dame .....	17
14. Alabama .....	16
15. Duke and Pennsylvania.....	10
17. Washington State .....	8
18. Dartmouth and Tennessee...	4
20. Auburn .....	3

Despite a general impression of inconsistency created by last Saturday's tremendous wave of upsets, the week's ranking list reveals a steady upward curve for a majority of the top flight.

Northwestern has rated 4-3-1 in the three polls taken by The Associated Press. Fordham and Marquette made the most striking advances, the Rams showing 15-5-3 and Marquette 20-10-4 for three successive weeks.

#### Move Toward Upper Levels

Louisiana State, Nebraska and Santa Clara, the last two newcomers this week to the top ten, also have made uninterrupted progress toward the upper levels.

Santa Clara jumped ten notches this week as a result of its convincing intersectional victory over a strong Alabama Poly team and now threatens the Coast leadership of Washington's Huskies. Washington dropped from fourth to sixth, while idleness cost Southern California a place in the first ten for the first time.

Army, its stock deflated unexpectedly by Colgate, fell from sixth to twenty-first in the poll. Yale, Holy Cross and Princeton likewise dropped out of sight as a result of Eastern upheavals. Meantime, Notre Dame recaptured prestige and sufficient votes to regain the ranking list as a result of beating Ohio State.

Southern Methodist justified its choice a week ago as the No. 1 team of the Southwest by moving into the Conference lead. The Mustangs, beaten only by Fordham this season in a game that was a tough one to lose, have advanced slowly but steadily in the rankings.