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JUNIOR STOCK JUDGING TEAM LEAVES SOON

Coach Stangel Inaugurates a Unique Method of Choosing the Team

In just a few more hours so to the men who will act as judges. But the Junior Stock Judging team will be known. It seems as if Coach Stangel is trying to keep a few Juniors in the greatest anxiety for the longest possible period of time. However, such is indeed not the case, for the new system of picking the team aims to give absolutely every one a fair shot at the team and yet give the strongest possible team.

This time Coach Stangel has picked nine men to work out for the team this final week. Heretofore, the men who actually composed the team and who went on the trip were given the final workout during the last week. Out of this nine will be picked a team of seven. Formerly only six men have made the trip. The nine men trying out this final week are: R. C. Mowery, S. C. Evans, Jack Mahan, M. G. Snell, C. Luker, H. C. Robinson, E. C. Ward, M. Menzies and C. H. Rothe. With such competition among themselves with none knowing exactly who is to make the team when it is made will be composed of men who will be all the stronger due to the keen competition. Let the best men win.

The contests in Oklahoma City and Ft. Worth have simmered down to the proportions of duel contests between Oklahoma and Texas. For a time it seemed as if there would be quite a delegation of teams, but they all got cold feet, or for some other unaccountable reasons will not turn up when Texas and Oklahoma cast their hats in the ring. It is very disappointing indeed, that some of the stronger teams from Kansas, Iowa, etc did not come, for we will be in the dark as to the strength of the teams these states will turn out for the International next fall.

THE BIG NOISE MINSTREL WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Big Audience Entertained by All-Star Cast With Music and Fun

Heralded by a multitude of posters and announcements that the great "Catfish" would positively deliver an end-man, the Big Noise Minstrel burst upon A. and M. until seven-thirty all doors were guarded and only campus residents and fair dames with "rinctumed" cadets and Casuals were permitted to loll in the cloak-room or take their seats in the parquet. Eager eyes were watching through the places where the windows used to be, as the hordes of humans hunting happiness surged from the dormitories. It was a cosmopolitan gathering—aristocrats from the court-rooms of Milner trod on the pedal foundations of ruffians from the corner-rooms of Bizzell, and freely exchanged compliments with the lordly doorkeepers. About the time we usually turn our attention from cattle-pens and our powers of imagination on the fundamental nature of light, the doors were opened and in thirty-three and two-fifths seconds the audience was ready to be entertained. However, many minutes were to pass before the curtain should rise. Each newcomer was inspected and all circumstances with the coming of said newcomer were discussed. The A. and M. Five jazzed in and the audience had music with its gossip. The jazz was snappy and the waltz was dreamy, but both were eclipsed temporarily by the arrival of the commandant. Expectancy rose as eight-thirty drew near and the red lights began to wink behind the curtain. On time to the minute, the lights flashed off and a hush greeted the opening number of the Big Noise.

The immortal "Old Black Joe" was the first offering of the well-balanced chorus. An attempt to mention all of the effective chorus numbers would consume too much space
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THE AGGIE FIVE DEFEAT RICE IN BOTH GAMES

Owls Throw Scare Into Overconfident Aggies in Second Game But Are Finally Defeated

By annexing the last two games against Rice the A. and M. quint broke another record and continued on its unimpeded way toward an undefeated season. Seventeen games have the Farmer boys played and although they have been pretty lucky on some of the close ones, seventeen victories are marked down to their credit. The one ambition of the ubiquitous Owls was to take just one game from the Aggie club and at the end of the first half of the second game it looked as if their desire was to be fulfilled.

The most insidious evil a successful team must combat, is overconfidence, and at the start of the second game the home club was so full of it that it fairly oozed from their bodies. They went into the game under the impression that it was impossible to lose and as a result the Rice five outfought, outshot and outpassed the Aggies throughout the first half. With the score 8-5 against them the now awakened Farmers rallied and of course Rice was no match for them. Capt. McQuillen started the fireworks by three fast field goals in the first five minutes of the second half and Forbes pulled himself together and kept the good work going. With the whole team playing like fiends the game ended with Driver's boys winners by a score of 28-13.

The first game was a walkaway for the Red and White. Securing the lead early in the first half the Farmers were never headed and the Owls went down to defeat to the tune of 43-13. The whole Aggie team starred and the game was featured by fast passing and excellent foul shooting by Forbes. The refereeing of Henderson of Texas was the best seen here this year. Driver's five ends the season with Texas Friday and Saturday at home and
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MAHAN'S TEAM WINS THE ALL-COMPANY TITLE

Winners of the All-Company Silver Footballs Picked by Seven Judges

In the fastest, cleanest and "peppiest" all-company football game that has ever been played on A. and M., the team of Captain Mahan's picked the faster team won over Ex-Captain Wilson's football aggregation by the close margin of 7-0.

The lone score of the game was made when Ogle, end on Mahan's team, recovered a fumble and ran thirty yards for a touchdown followed by a kicked goal.

The game was played Sunday, Feb. 22, before the largest and most enthusiastic crowd that ever watched an all-company game at this institution.

Substitutions were freely made on both sides in order to give every man on each team an opportunity to show his ability.

Some twenty substitutions were made.

Every man fought gamely and desperately throughout the game in order to qualify for the mythical all-company eleven and possession of one of the silver footballs which are given every year to each man winning a place on the all-company team.

Those men showing special ability on Mahan's team and picked for all-company were: Scofield, fullback; Beasley, halfback; McGharity, quarter; Legg, center; Wendt, guard; Brown, tackle; Riggs, end.

Those making the all-company team from Wilson's team were: McMillan, half; Deitrich, guard; Winn, tackle; Wilson, end.

Every man picked for the all-company team starred in playing his particular position. The head-work and carrying of the ball by McGharity, the punting and passing of Scofield, the aggressive defensive and offensive work of Deitrich, Legg, Wendt, Brown, and Winn, the defensive work, tackling and handling of passes by Riggs and Wilson and the tackling, interference work and all-