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RICE OWLS vs. THE AGGIES—FRIDAY

THE AGGIE DOPE BUCKET

The first of those three games have been safely tucked away in the old duffle bag. Two more remain on the list that must be won; The defeat of last year at the hands of Rice must be avenged; and then the Texas University game on Turkey Day at the brand new stadium; but we have plenty of time to consider the crowning event of the 1924 season. This week must be spent in preparation for the Owl invasion.

Down at Houston, they have a new coaching staff at the Institute, made up of men that are nationally famous in the football world. The head coach, Heisman, has written books that are considered by football men to be text-books on the subject. He gained recognition several years ago when he was coach at Georgia Tech. They have as line coach, Bedenck, who was placed on Walter Camp's All-American team as a tackle last year. These men have developed a team this year that is the best Rice has had in years; a team that have strong hopes of defeating the Aggies on Kyle Field.

The Aggies seem to have a member of the famous "Grange" family in its lineup. This is none other than the diminutive Bob Berry, the outstanding star of the Aggie-Horned Frog game. Berry, with his brilliant runs, gained a total of 263 yards in this encounter, gaining on almost every attempt. However he did not receive the credit of a single touchdown that was made by the Farmers. He made one after a sensational 28-yard, broken field run, but the play was called back and the Aggies penalized 15 yards for using their hands on the offensive.

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The following is an extract from Jinx Tucker's column in the Waco News-Tribune:

"Fumbles certainly have proven disastrous to A. and M. during the last two years. Some day one of Bible's men is going to pick up a fumble to win an important game for A. and M., and Aggieland will celebrate the event with a holiday."

It is true that fumbles have proven our downfall on several occasions during the past two years. However, if one of the Aggie players should happen to pick up a fumble and as a result win a game for the Farmers, there would not be a demand made upon the faculty the next day, or even several days later as some schools in this state do, for a holiday on which to celebrate the occasion. Such actions are a reflection upon the team's

ability to win athletic battles. Because a victory has been won on the athletic field of honor does not justify a demand upon the academic department for the discontinuance of classes for a day to proclaim to outsiders the fact that we have defeated our opponents. Aggie traditions are not built upon such weak foundations.

The only instance that can be recalled where a holiday was proclaimed over athletic achievements, was in 1922 when the Aggies won the Southwestern Conference title in basketball after a hotly contested struggle. The Aggies defeated the University of Texas on Kyle Field one Friday night, thereby winning the championship. A half holiday was given the student body by Pres. Bizzell the next day. This was the same year that the Aggies were champions of the South and the half holiday was in recognition of the two championships that had been won to that time.

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Charlie Waugh added another blocked punt to his credit against T. C. U. when he broke thru the line and blocked Clark's attempt. The big Aggie tackle recovered the ball and trotted over the goal line for a touchdown. It was the second one that he has blocked this season against a conference team,—the other against S. M. U. in Dallas.

Hardman played the greatest game of his career last Friday. He was all over the field, making tackles right and left, besides opening holes thru which a wagon could have passed with ease. If an outstanding man in the A. and M. line would be named it would certainly be this individual. If his next two games are like this one, some body is going to have to hustle to beat him out of a place on that mythical eleven.

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D. X. certainly gave us a very pleasant surprise when that new passing attack was launched against the Frogs. Dansby, on the sending end of the aerial attack, is improving wonderfully.

Clark, the T. C. U. quarter, is one of the neatest little field generals we have seen this season. He was beyond question, the outstanding individual for the visitors. Besides being a capable general he is a brilliant defensive man. It was he that on many occasions came from the safety position that he was playing to tackle the Aggie backs after they had passed the line of scrimmage.

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FRESHMEN DEFEAT ALLEN ACADEMY ARMISTICE DAY

Undefeated Team Adds Another Victory to Its List

In one of the feature events of the Armistice Day celebration held in Bryan Tuesday, the Aggie Freshmen defeated the fast Allen Academy eleven by the one-sided score of 36 to 14. The game was featured by long runs and fumbles on both teams. Coach Anderson's men flashed an open running attack that the Academy forwards were unable to solve and before the second quarter was two minutes old, two touchdowns were marked up to the credit of the Slimes.

Allen was forced to take up the defensive at the very start of the game. Their kick-off went over the goal line and the ball was put into play on the twenty-yard line. On the first play, the rangy Sykes drove over left tackle from a punt formation, and passing the line of scrimmage, weaved his way through the rest of the Allen team and raced eighty yards with perfect interference for the first touchdown. It was completed and the extra point added before the game was two minutes old.

The second counter came in the early part of the second period. Hunt intercepted a pass, and the Fish backfield carried the ball to Allen's 30-yard line, where they were stopped for two plays but on the third, Willis completed a perfect pass to Hunt who received it on the dead run and ran over the last marker for the touchdown. Hunt kicked the goal.

In the second quarter, Coach Anderson sent in the second team, and it was against them that the Freshman goal line was crossed for the first time this season. Allen scored two touchdowns against them before the half ended. In the last half, the first team was sent back and before the final whistle that ended the game had blown, three more Freshmen had carried the ball over the enemies' goal line and had added a safety for good measure.

Fish	Allen
Calloway	Bethea
Left End	
Woodland (C)	Naomi
Left Tackle	
Speed	Shaw
Left Guard	
Sprott	Dunn
Center	
Recktorick	Myers
Right Guard	
Hill	Seay
Right Tackle	

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Coaches Heisman and Bedenck, together with their collection of Owls from Rice Institute, accompanied by practically the entire student body, will fly into Aggieland Friday with but one purpose in view,—to beat A. and M. on Kyle Field. They have been pointing to this game since the very beginning of the season and have been waiting until the day arrived when they could invade the home of the Aggies. Judging from the games played between these two schools in the past, the Farmers are expecting the usual fighting team that Rice puts on the field every year when they play A. and M. No matter how bad their eleven shows up against the other schools, they can always be expected to play the best game of the season when they face the pupils of Bible. To them, the game with the Aggies is the climax of their football season. They measure the success of the year by the results of this annual struggle.

The Owls present one of the most formidable elevens that has been gathered together at Rice in many years. They were powerful enough to trounce the Longhorns to the tune of 18 to 6 in Houston two weeks ago and they haven't lost any of their power in the two short weeks that separated that game with the one with the Aggies. It is true that Austin College took the game from them in Houston last Friday, but the Kangaroos were playing a team that was not up to its form by a large margin. From tackle to tackle, the Owls have the heaviest line in the Southwest. The rest of the team adds to the strength of the line, a brilliant passing game and an exceptionally good running attack. They also stand with unflinching courage.

The Aggies, on the other hand, have the sting of defeat from last year still smarting them. They face Coach Heisman's eleven Saturday not the team that tied S. M. U. in the Fair Park Stadium or the one that took the small end of the score in Bear fracas a week later in Waco, but a rejuvenated team; a team that will flash an entirely different offensive and lay down the same impregnable defense that was exhibited in the game with the Horned Frogs. It will be eleven men fighting to avenge the defeat of a year ago.

In every game on Kyle Field this year, the Farmers have emerged victorious. The game with the Owls will be the last to be played this season on that battle-scarred ground. We must close this year's campaign on it with a clean slate, and to keep this record free from the tarnish of defeat, those Owls must be sent back to their roosting place without the laurels of victory flying from their colors; they must be crushed; owl

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