

W. "RIP" COLLINS ASSISTS AGGIE PITCHING STAFF

Former Aggie Star Returns to Give
A Week's Coaching to
Twirlers.

Warren Collins, better known to the student body as well as football and baseball fans throughout the country as "Rip" Collins, returned to College Station, last Thursday to assist Coach Rothgeb in whipping the baseball squad into shape for the coming baseball race. During his stay here which lasted for a week he had charge of the pitching staff and during that time the Aggie hurlers received the coaching of a man successful in the big leagues.

Last season, Collins was a member of the Detroit Tigers of the American League, but up to the present time has not signed a contract for the coming pennant chase. In the race last year, he led his club in pitching and ranked sixth in the American League. His colorful career began in 1920 as a member of the New York Yankees. Later he was traded to the Boston club along with other players, and Detroit obtained him from the latter club.

Besides being famous as a baseball player, Collins also has the distinction of being one of, if not the greatest punter ever produced in the Southwest. He was a member of the team of 1915 that defeated the University of Texas 13-0 in the face of overwhelming odds, and one of the determining factors in this wonderful victory was his punting that averaged 65 yards for the day. The old men in talking of the football games of the past, often talk of the time "Rip" stood behind his own goal line during the Texas Aggie-Mississippi A. and M. game and made a punt that hit the crossbar on the goal posts at the opposite end of the field.

He attended the homecoming of the former "T" men that was held a few days ago, and consented to help with the task of getting the Farmer ball heavers ready for conference chase. Consequently, he was on hand for practice Thursday afternoon of last week. His methods of catching runners off the bags and how to work the opposing hitters were explained and demonstrated to the proteges of Rothgeb and results of his work with these men has caused the hurlers to show a decided improvement in the practice games that are played every afternoon.

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mark at the end of the T. C. U. game that he didn't want to live through another one like it. We are sure that Aggies agree with him in hoping there will never be another like it as far as the score is concerned.

Within two years, Texas A. and M. will lead the Southwest Conference in basketball by a wide margin. This is the statement made by Doc Stewart, coach of the University Longhorns, as he stood in the center of the court in the new Memorial Gymnasium the night of the Aggie-Longhorn game that followed the dedication exercises.

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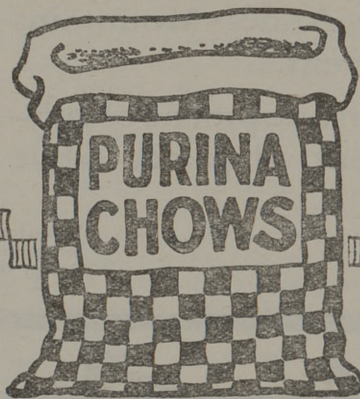
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is an ideal playing plant for the greatest college sport, has never failed," Coach Stewart said, "to attract to the institutions that erect them, the cream of the section's talent. It is easy to envision the procession of fine school basketball players here in the next few seasons. In 1927 the College should easily lead the conference.
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