

## FISH FOOTBALL

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well during the early part of the season.

The freshman players are given fine opportunity to demonstrate their prowess in workouts against the varsity team. While one squad of the "fish" players scrimmages with the varsity, the other is kept busy drilling on formations of the opponents next in line to clash with the varsity team.

Many of the freshmen are giving indications of becoming good material for the varsity squad in coming years and there is every reason to believe that this squad will prove to be as valuable a source of varsity material as the 1926 squad was.

Outstanding among backfield candidates are: L. E. Clark, all-state halfback from Marshall High school who is developing into a triple threat man rapidly; C. A. Tracy, Houston boy who starred on the San Marcos Academy eleven; J. G. Floyd, Gilmer high school fullback; H. B. Delery, fullback from the San Jacinto high school at Houston; G. H. Zarafonetas, Breckenridge boy who has seen service in the backfields of the high schools at Pomona, California, Ranger, and Breckenridge, and who has also had one year at Burlison College; G. E. Richenberg, North Dallas high school halfback and former team mate of Conover, Aggie half this year; W. G. Cotton, Beaumont high school halfback and quarter; H. U. Bible, brother of Coach D. X. Bible and four year man from the high school at Jefferson City, Tenn.; M. Sessions, Austwell boy who played with San Marcos Academy; H. D. Phillips, four year man from the McKinney high school.

The backfield does not contain all of the men who show promise as future material, however, for there are several men on the squad who should be of value in rebuilding the Aggie line which will be badly weakened by graduation this year.

Among these line candidates are: Herbert Evans, stellar tackle from Oak Cliff high school, Dallas; H. R. Hornsby, guard, who played two years with Austin high school; C. H. Anderson, center from Sunset high

school, Dallas; S. S. Langford, guard and tackle from Fort Worth who has played with Polytechnic high school and North Texas Agricultural College; T. B. and W. B. Powers, twins from Beaumont high school who play end; E. E. Farquhar, Jonesboro boy who starred at end for Gatesville high school and Weatherford junior College.

## T. C. U. TIE GAME HELPS MORALE OF TEAM

In the outcome of the game last Saturday with the Horned Frogs of T. C. U., a 0 to 0 tie, Coach Dana X. Bible sees a stabilizing factor that may contribute materially in a helpful way to the Aggies for the remainder of their conference schedule. Inasmuch as A. & M. entered the contest as the favorites to win, considerable gloom prevailed in the Aggie's camp following the brilliant defensive showing of the Frogs that held to a scoreless tie game. It was not the first time Matty Bell's gridsters have upset the dope either. And this contributed in part to the ultramarine haze that hovered over Aggieland when the battle had been fought and the result hung up.

However, as Coach Bible points out, that is now history and possibly helpful history. The game at Lubbock next Friday, Oct. 28, with the Texas Technological College, is next on the card and Bible and the Aggies are looking that way. This week's practice for the clash at Lubbock promises to be one of the very light workouts with no drill on new plays or formations. The idea is to let the players rest up a bit and to get them in as good physical condition as possible for the somewhat tiring ride to the Plains. Great preparations for the initial game between the Aggies and the Matadors have been made and indications are that West Texas will turn out a record breaking crowd for the contest. In consequence the Matadors may be expected to stage a hard battle.

"We have not overlooked that fact," said Bible, "and the Aggies realize they will play another inspired team at Lubbock, just as they played one at Fort Worth last Saturday. This means the boys will have to be in shape mentally and physically. The T. C. U. game may be considered as

having given them the right frame of mind and it will be up to the coaches to get them in shape physically. There will be some work with Texas Tech plays, but for the most part the practice will consist of light workouts."

Indications are that Conover, Burgess and Varnell will be in the game at Lubbock, at least part of the time. Due to sprained ankles, neither Conover nor Varnell played in the T. C. U. game and Burgess, still nursing a fractured rib, was sent in for only a few minutes. The only casualty of the game with the Frogs was a sprained ankle suffered by Figari, one of the regular guards. It is possible he will not get in the game at Lubbock.

The Aggies will leave here Wednesday night for Caldwell in motor cars and will board Pullman there for the trip by the Santa Fe to Lubbock where they are due to arrive Thursday afternoon in time to limber up in workout on the Texas Tech gridiron. They will leave Lubbock Friday night and are expected to get back here Saturday afternoon in time for a light workout which should give them a one-day advantage in preparation for the game with S. M. U. Nov. 5.

In commenting upon the game with T. C. U., Bible with his usual genial smile found only warm words of praise for the showing of the Frogs and attempted no alibis for the Aggies. "As the result showed, T. C. U. played a strong defensive game," he said. "The playing of Rags Matthews at left end was particularly outstanding. Against such resistance it would have been necessary for a team to do better than its best to make headway. We had too many inexperienced men in the line-up to rise to the occasion. The Horned Frogs should get the credit they merit for their brilliant defensive work. Had Captain Blackie Williams for the Frogs and Conover, Burgess and Varnell for the Aggies been in the game, it would have been a great offensive battle. As it was, it was purely a defensive game with neither team displaying an attack of sufficient strength to make a sustained drive."

Capt. Aldredge: A man who can't express himself so that people can understand him is an idiot. Do you understand me?

Fish: No, sir.

## SWIMMING CLUB VERY ACTIVE THIS YEAR.

Efforts to gain recognition for swimming as a conference sport are being made by the swimming club composed of A. & M. College students and it is hoped that such efforts will meet with success in time to have inter-collegiate competition during the present school year, according to Drexyle H. Turner, Houston boy who is captain of the swimming team representing the club in aquatic meets.

As yet official recognition of swimming as a sport has not been given by the Athletic Council of the college, and the council decided at a recent meeting not to accord such recognition until it has facilities for such a sport and until swimming has been recognized by the Southwest Conference. Swimming is included, however, as one of the intramural sports of the college.

Swimming is classed as one of the major sports in many of the eastern athletic conferences and should at least be rated as one of the minor sports in the Southwest Conference, Turner suggested. Swimming teams already exist at the University of Texas and S. M. U., and there should be very little difficulty in forming teams at the other schools in the conference, he added.

The local swimming team last year demonstrated much strength in defeating the Houston team and in establishing records in the 50 yard dash and in the 200 yard relay in the splash day meet at Galveston. All of the members of last year's team are back and there are forty-eight candidates in addition to those who are working for places on the team.

Last year's team was as follows: Herman Cox, Ft. Worth, coach; Drexyle Turner; E. D. Clardy, Galveston; C. M. Everts, Houston; F. Anderslitch, Los Angeles; J. M. Meyers, Pearland; C. H. Hegemann, San Antonio; H. L. Phillips, Dallas; W. M. McCrae, Dallas; W. Woodlief, Dallas.

Turner is Gulf Coast champion of 50 and 100 yard dashes; Everts holds Southern A. A. U. record for 50 yard dash and the Houston city record for 100 and 220 yard dash, while Clardy holds the Gulf Coast championship with back stroke for 50, 100 and 220 yard dashes with time records better than those of any collegiate swimmer on record.

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