

## DROP-KICKS

Southwestern Conference Champions in Football and Cross-country.

The first two conference events of the year resulted in championships for the Aggies, football and cross-country. Basketball is next.

Everybody is still talking about football. The All-American teams picked by the nationally-known sports writers have not been published yet and everyone is waiting to see how the Southwestern Conference stars will fare. Sprott has already been picked for the New York Sun's second team and for Davis Walsh's third team. Joel Hunt was given quarterback on Walsh's third team.

The mythical teams that most sportsmen want to see their favorites on are the teams picked by Grantland Rice, Lawrence Perry, and Walter Eckersall. All of these men have given considerable space in their columns to Joel Hunt and other stars of the

Joel Hunt leads the conference scores with a total of 128 points with Hume of S. M. U. second with 116 points.

The leading scorer in the East is Lane of Dartmouth with a total of 125 points.

So far as the Sports Editor of the Battalion has been able to find out, no football player in any major college has scored more points this season than Joel Hunt.

Fifteen football letters were awarded by the Athletic Council to the following: Hunt, Alsabrook, Bartlett, Burgess, Davis, Deffebach, Dorsey, Figari, Holmes, Lister, Mills, Petty, Richter, Sikes, and Sprotts. The requirements for a letter are high at A. & M. calling for playing in 100 minutes or more of conference time

For the fifth time in the past ten years of Dana Bible's reign as Aggie Head Coach the Southwestern Conference title flag waves over Kyle Field. In that past ten years no other conference eleven has won the title more than twice and that's about as good (Continued on page 9)

CROSS COUNTRY LETTERS AWARDED

Five men on the A. and M. College cross country team, winners of the 1927 Southwest Conference championship, were awarded the varsity cross country letters by the Athletic Council as follows: Captain A. B. Childers, Jasper; J. P. Avila, San Antonio; J. B. Haile, Goliad; J. G. Killian, Alvord; E. Thompson, Jr., Cameron.

The bronze trophy, a small mounted bronze statue of a cross country runner, awarded by the conference to the College winning the championship, has been received and placed on display in the athletic department.

#### 25 FRESHMEN ARE GIVEN NUMERALS

Twenty-five freshmen football numeral awards at the A. & M. College have been made for the 1927 season by the Athletic Council. R. G. Higginbotham is freshman coach. Numeral awards were to the following: C H. C. Anderson, Dallas; H. U. Bible, Jefferson City, Tenn.; F. Broiles, Ft. Worth; T. R. Buckman, Ft. Worth; L. E. Clark, Marshall; H. B. Delery, Houston; H. L. Evans, College Sta-tion; E. E. Farquhar (deceased) Jonesboro; J. G. Floyd, Rosewood; T. A. Henderson, McKinney; H. R. Hornsby, Austin; J. W. Humphries, Denton; S. S. Langford, Ft. Worth; A. A. Moore, Itasca; J. M. Noel, McCall; C. B. Northcutt, Frisco; M. E. Overton, Stamford; H. D. Phillips, McKinney; Powers, Beaumont; W. B. Pow ers, Beaumont; G. F. Rechenberg, Dallas; M. Sessions, Austwell, C. A. Tracy, Houston; R. L. Van Zandt, Ft. Worth; G. H. Zarafonetis, Breckenridge.

In awarding the freshman numerals the Athletic Council paid added trib-ute to the memory of E. E. Farquhar, Jonesboro, who died following injuries received on the gridiron, by directing that certificate of appreciation of the student be prepared and sent to Farquhar's parents

### 'NUMBER 8' DEDICATED TO JOEL HUNT

That famous "8" worn for three ears on an Aggie jersey by Joel Hunt, has become a tradition, and will be worn no more by grid performers of Aggieland. The Maroon and White jersey that has become famous in Southwestern Conference football has made its last appearance, and the number that it has carried has been a record as even the most dedicated to the finest of Aggie foot-

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BASKETBALL PROSPECTS YEAR

Fifteen men, four of whom were lettermen on the varsity quintet last year while the others are freshman numeral men, give Coach Charles F. Bassett an unusual array of material from which to select the Texas Aggie basketball squad this year.

The four lettermen back this year

are: J. V. Sikes, Leonard, captain and guard, who is playing his third year with the varsity; S. J. Petty, Decatur, forward; W. E. Davis, Steph-enville, forward; N. A. Webster, Tex-

arkana, center and forward.

The freshman candidates are: J. Blount, Gainesville, center and guard; H. Broiles, Fort Worth, guard; J. E. Brown, Alvord, center; Brooks J. E. Brown, Alvord, center; Brooks Conover, Dallas, forward; M. Darby, Houston, center and forward; R. R. Dorsey, Fort Worth, guard; H. N. Keeton, Fort Worth, guard; T. C. Lockett, Dallas, forward; F. Scovell, Dallas, guard; W. F. Taylor, Burleson, forward; R. Varnell, Barry, guard.

Three of the lettermen, Sikes, Petty and Davis, and four of the first year men, Conover, Varnell, Dorsey and Brown, are members of the Aggie football squad this year. Sikes and Petty play opposite ends while Davis, Varnell, Conover and Dorsey are backs. Brown plays at center. Three games will be played before

the Christmas holidays, two with the Sam Houston State Teachers' College at Huntsville, December 15th and 16th, and the other with the Houston Y. M. C. A. at Houston Dec. 17.
Following is the complete schedule

for the season:

Dec. 15-16—Sam Houston State Teachers' College at Huntsville. Dec. 17-Houston Y. M. C. A. at

Houston, Jan. 4-Houston Y. M. C. A. at

College Station. Jan. 7-Rice Institute at Houston. Jan. 12-13—Sam Houston State Teachers' College at College Station.

Jan. 16—Southern Methodist University at College Station. Jan. 21—Texas Christian University at Fort Worth.

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Jan. 30—Rice Institute at College

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Feb. 11-Texas Christian University at College Station.

Feb. 20-21—University of Arkansas at College Station.

March 3-Texas University at College Station.

# LEADS AGG TO 28-7 VICTORY

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Before a record breaking crowd of over 27,000 football fans, Joel Hunt, all-time All-Southwestern back, probable All-American back and the hardest and most conscientious fighter that the football world has ever seen, led the Texas Aggies to victory over the Texas Longhorns and to another Southwestern Conference Championship for the present class of '28, ending the football history for the season of 1927 in a sensational and memor-able manner. Two years ago it was that the Aggies won the Champion-ship by defeating the ancient rival from the Capitol City by piling up an unheard of score of 28 points, again in this good year of '27 history repeated itself and the Aggie Seniors wearing the "Fish" numerals will always point to it and say, "Yes, I graduated in '28, but that is the score of the games that decided the two Championships for us while I was in Aggieland."

As of old, it was the game of the year, both teams fighting hard, inspired by the traditions and histories of past games. For the Aggies it was just their year, they could not be denied. For the Longhorns it was just another game against Texas Aggies, always sufficient reason for inspiration, and fight they did, putting Bible's team on the defensive for the first time this season. As a result of this furious onslaught the team from State broke a longstanding record in the history of the two schools, that of taking the ball across the Aggie goal line by direct plunging. Nor is this a discredit to the Aggie line, one of the best that the college has ever seen, but an expected outcome of open type of football now being played.

As of old, Joel Hunt was the outstanding star of the game, closely followed by his team mates. The line contained seven stars throughout the game, from end to end it would be hard to discriminate as to the most individual star. For Texas, McCullough, at center, and King, Rose and Bald-win in the backfield were the outstanding stars although during the third quarter every man on the team fought like demons and brought the crowd to their feet, yelling, crying and apprehensive. Such fight must

After the last whistle blew there