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COUNTRYMAN'S COHORTS BEGIN WORKOUTS

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGINS ON KYLE FIELD

Hamppered by the rainy weather and muddy field, Coach Countryman started his men out in light warming-up workout last Monday. After all, the bad weather will not harm them materially as they have ample room under the new football stand to work out and by the time that they get the kinks out of their system the new field, one of the best in the Southwestern Conference, will be ready for them. With a grand stand of 3,500 seating capacity and large spacious outfields for home runs to be chased down in, there should be more interest shown in baseball this year than ever before. The Aggies have as good a chance to win the championship this year as ever before and they have had some mighty good chances within the three past years. S. M. U. and Texas University will be their closest competition and the first time in years, Texas is weak in their pitching staff.

Countryman will have one of the best pitching staffs that the Aggies have had for years and has letter men in both outfield and infield about which to build his team.

Contracts for all of the pre-season games have not been signed yet but on March 16 and 17 the Waco Texas League club will play the Aggies at College Station and the Houston Texas League team will play here on March 22. It is probable that the Haskell Indians will play during the first of April but as yet no contract has been signed with them.

With the two pre-season games with Texas league clubs and daily games within themselves, the Aggies should be ready for their first game with Rice, March 30-31 at Houston.

ANNUAL SHORT COURSE ANNOUNCED FOR 1928

Dates for the nineteenth annual Farmers' Short Course to be held at the A. & M. College of Texas during the coming summer have been announced as July 30-Aug. 4 by H. H. Williamson, vice-director of the Extension Service. This will be one week later than last year when the short course was held July 25-30.

The program for the coming short course is already being worked out, officials having announced plans for the best educational program yet offered, dealing with various phases of agricultural, livestock and home demonstration work.

An even larger attendance than in (Continued on Page 9)

CAVALRY LEADS IN BATTALION FOOTBALL RACE

With only three more games to be played by each team, the Intramural Football race is simmering down to a close finish. The First Battalion and the Cavalry are at the top, the First having played three games and lost one, and the Cavalry winning all of their contests. The Air Corps and Artillery are tied for third place with the Third Battalion only a little behind them. The honor of holding the celler goes undisputedly to the Second Battalion.

The teams will have a rest this week and get back into condition as the mid-term holidays and dances caused practice to be suspended. The schedule for the rest of the season is:

Feb. 11—	2:00 Second Battalion vs. First Battalion.
	2:30 Cavalry vs. Air Service.
	3:30 Composite vs. Third Battalion.
Feb. 18—	2:00 Cavalry vs. Artillery.
	2:30 Second Battalion vs. Air Service.
	3:30 Composite vs. First Battalion.
Feb. 25—	2:00 Second Battalion vs. Third Battalion.
	2:30 Cavalry vs. First Battalion.
	3:30 Composite vs. Artillery.

Team	P.	W.	L.	T.	Pct.
Cavalry	3	3	0	0	1000
First B.	3	2	1	0	.666
Composite	3	2	1	0	.666
Air C.	4	2	2	0	.500
Art.	4	2	2	0	.500
Third Bn.	4	1	3	0	.250
Second Bn.	3	0	3	0	.000

NEW HEAD OF EXTENSION SERVICE ARRIVES AT COLLEGE

Oscar Baker Martin, new director of the Extension Service, and Mrs. Martin, arrived here Sunday after a trip by automobile from Washington, D. C., where Mr. Martin was formerly stationed as regional director for the Southern region, comprised of the cotton growing states, of the National Extension office, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Martin took up active direction of his new work here Monday. He and Mrs. Martin will be located on the campus.

En route to College Station they made stops in five southern states for the purpose of visiting agricultural colleges at Raleigh, N. C.; Clemson, S. C.; Athens, Ga.; Auburn, Ala.; and Baton Rouge, La.

LONGHORNS WIN FROM AGGIES

The Aggie Basketeers dropped last Saturday's game to State 51-30.

The score was more prominent in Texas' favor due to the Aggie quintet being slowed up by vaccinations.

Brock of State was high point man with 17 marks to his credit, Keaton of the Aggies was second with 13. The Aggie defense was centered on Rose consequently Brock out-stood for the opposing team's offense. Keaton and Lockett were the outstanding players for the Aggies.

The scores for the first and second halves were: 24-11 and 27-19 respectively, and T. U. holding the large ends.

CAPTAIN OF CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM ELECTED

J. P. Avila, of San Antonio, a two year man on the Texas Aggie cross country team, has been elected captain of the A. & M. harriers for 1928 by his fellow lettermen on this year's championship team.

Avila, who was the first Aggie to finish in the conference meet in 1926, placed fifth for the Aggies in the meet this year, running the race with an infected foot just two days after having had a nail removed from one of his toes.

The fleet-footed Aggie is a junior in college this year and will be seeking his third letter as a member of the cross country team. He is also a candidate for the Aggie track team and although he has not participated in any track event in preceding years, he is one of the best prospects for the mile run on this year's squad.

OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE HERE FEBRUARY 3-4-5

Boys Receive Favorable Impression of College During Visit

The Older Boys' Conference is a combined meeting of the Hi-Y and Employed Boys' League. The entire Conference was under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. when the boys from East, South, and Southwest Texas met here last week-end. The "Y" is doing a great work among the high school boys, newsboys, and employed boys.

Beds were provided for most of the boys in the Y, and a few stayed with friends in the various halls on the campus. Meals were served each day in the mess hall with a banquet Saturday night.

Different phases of the general theme of "Living Christianity Seven Days a Week" were discussed at the (Continued on Page Nine)

AGGIES HAVE THREE GAMES IN ROW

At the most inopportune time, the Texas Aggies have three of their hardest games of the season, T. C. U. next Saturday night and the Arkansas Porkers Monday and Tuesday following. The championship for celler position between the Aggies and T. C. U. will find the Aggies hampered by a number of the best players having sore arms due to recent vaccinations.

Scarcely will they have rested from the Saturday night's fray when they will meet their greatest opposition in the season's race, the Arkansas Razorbacks. In games in the past the Aggies have managed to keep the score comparatively close with Arkansas but this year they will have a much harder game than ever before. The Porkers have not lost a game this year nor have they lost a championship in so long that it seems traditional that they win it this year. Regardless of their former record, they are assured of a real fight next week.

FISH PLAY HOUSTON TEAM SATURDAY

Next Saturday at 4:30 the "Fish" basketball team meets the Houston School of Electricity in the gym for their second game for the season.

The "Fish" have one of the best teams that A. & M. has put out in several years and on the roster from Houston such stars as Wade, All-State forward from Lindale; Lockey, All T. I. A. A. forward from Sam Houston Normal; Bond and Milton, All-Houston Industrial League guards and Robinson, former star for Triangles at center, promise to give them a well balanced team and real competition for the "Fish" will be assured.

Other than this game, the "Fish" only have one more game, with Austin High, on their schedule.

WHAT COTTON IS AND WHAT IT DOES

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 7.—"Cotton is the overcoat of a seed that is planted and grown in the Southern States to keep the producer broke and the buyer crazy.

"The fiber varies in color and weight and the man who can guess the nearest the length of a fiber is called a cotton man by the public, a fool by the farmer and a poor business man by his creditors.

"The price of cotton is fixed in New York and goes up when you have sold and down when you have bought. A