



SPORTS BITS

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The game last Friday night brought out several facts. One is that Coach Reid has a real bunch of fighters down there working out daily. The last inning rally that they put on would do credit to any team.

And, another fact is that from present prospects, this year's basketball team is to be the strongest that Aggie has put forth in at least four years. Every member that got in the game displayed real stuff.

In addition to the usual line-up of Hoke, Bell, and Beard—several new faces were seen. Doche, a sophomore from Amarillo; Marcum, sophomore guard; and Moody, forward, all played their first game for the Maroon and White.

These aforementioned sophs were unusually outstanding among the non-lettermen playing. With a little more experience, and confidence gained, these boys should cause critics to take notice.

This week, the team will journey down to Huntsville to play the Sam Houston State Teachers College's strong quintet two games Saturday. The reserves will play the Teacher's reserves in the afternoon, and varsity vs varsity Saturday night.

The changing of Beau Bell to forward from guard seems to be a good change. Beau was already good, but this change makes him look better yet, especially after he got 14 points in the last game.

The last game before Christmas will be held at College, Thursday, the 18th with the Sam Houston State Teachers as victims. A tentative schedule calls for the opening conference game on Jan. 16 with Arkansas at Fayetteville.

Earl Secrest of Hope, Ark., Razorback guard, has been elected to pilot the University of Arkansas team through the 1931 season.

Varsity football letters have been awarded to twenty-three members of this year's team at T C U. S M U and Texas each awarded twenty-five letters.

Ox Emerson, veteran guard, will captain the Orange and White eleven this coming football season. Emerson (Continued on page 7)

Intramural Standings

Standings of all organizations having a total of more than 200 participation points to their credit, in competition for the intramural standard, are as follows:

Bat. F.	275.5
A Sig.	272.5
Bat. E.	262.5
Bat. C.	246.
B Sig.	245.
H Inf.	240.
Bat. D.	230.
F Inf.	230.
B Eng.	230.
C Eng.	230.
Bat. B.	220.
A Inf.	210.
Bat. A.	205.

The above standings are complete through Saturday December 6.

GRID CAPTAIN



MOULDEN

Moulden Elected Capt. 1931 Eleven

Carl Moulden, veteran Aggie tackle and all-conference mention this year, will pilot the 1931 A & M grid eleven through the next football season, and will fill the shoes left vacant by the graduation of Bull Floyd, 1930 football captain. This was decided at a meeting held Friday night by the 1930 lettermen.

Moulden earned his first letter at tackle his sophomore year and gained much favorable comment among the various sport critics of the state. He again lettered at tackle this year, and was pronounced one of the outstanding tackles of the conference.

With Carl at the helm, the 1931 Maroon and White players may be assured that they have made a logical choice for the position. Moulden is one of the hardest fighters on the team, and if the team will follow the pace set by him, a successful season should be assured.

The Cisco lad has proven his value to the Aggies in many of the games this year by his fighting ability, even against men considerably heavier and larger than himself. In selecting Moulden captain, the 1930 lettermen chose a man of outstanding ability, that will lead, and not push, his teammates to victory.

Gridsters Feted By Ex-Students

The Texas Aggie football team were the guests of the Houston Texas Aggie club at the annual football banquet held at the Rice Hotel, Saturday night, December 6th. This banquet is given each year by the Houston club for the Aggie football team.

With Dr. William States Jacobs acting as toastmaster many stories were told on the different guests at the banquet. As far as the Aggies are concerned Dr. Jacobs can be toastmaster at all the Aggie banquets.

Before a record breaking crowd of 600 people, practically every speaker extolled the merits of Matty Bell as coach, and promised a better day for Texas Aggie football. Coach Bell responded with a speech lauding Aggie (Continued on page 7)

Intramural Grid Teams In Good Shape For Fray

With the opening of intramural football season scheduled for Saturday, December 13th, the intramural teams are fast rounding into shape. There are seven teams entered in the intramural league this year.

The First Infantry, under the direction of Red Hornsby, Jelly Woodman, Rube Tracy, and Dutch Sebesta, has several men from last year's team back. The team is much stronger than last year as several freshman and two varsity men are eligible for competition. Sully Woodland is perhaps the most promising prospect on the squad this year.

With ten men from last year's team back and several fish showing good form the Second Infantry, coached by Ox Emmons, Bus Moore, and Jimmie Aston, is working out daily. The old men that are back are W. A. Oles, E. P. Giberson, G. P. Donaldson and others. The squad has in "Bottles" Kinnison one of the best punters ever seen at A & M, being kept from the fish squad this year by a sore knee.

The Engineers, with practically the same squad of last season, have one of the strongest teams in the league this year. The Engineers finished second last year and are due to give somebody a fight this year. The team is coached by Ox Abbey and C. H. Flourney. A. H. Grantham, A. E. Rowlands, W. E. Maxwell, and Swede Parker are the old men who are showing much form, and there are several fish that are playing good football.

The Composites were hard hit by graduation this year. With only seven men back, Coaches P. L. Tracy and Ralph Dorsey are faced with a hard task in molding a strong team. (Continued on page 7)

Holmes Weeding Out Fish Cagers Rapidly

With 90 candidates reporting for the initial workout, freshman basketball under the supervision and direction of Klepto Holmes, freshman basketball coach, got under way last week, scrimmages being held almost daily.

The squad this year is unusually tall as a whole, boasting of more than 20 men who will tower above the six foot mark. This one factor is quite a help since in former years Aggie coaches have been handicapped by the lack of a sufficient number of tall men for this sport.

By the middle of next week Coach Holmes expects to have the squad cut to 25 or 30 men, since it is practically impossible to make any noticeable progress with such a large squad as is now coming out. The late table will begin as soon as the squad has been cut to a limited number to be carried through the season.

Although it is a bit early to make predictions, a few of the men are already showing signs of developing into capable ball players. Most of those going out have played on some intramural basketball team in the past six weeks, which has given them some added practice and experience over those who did not participate.

Those who have made a good showing so far are C. L. Cobb, J. Merka, and F. L. Webb, all of Bryan; F. M. Sorrell, Natalia; C. M. White, Camp Normoyle; H. C. Stefani, Galveston; J. E. Robertson, Austin; R. L. Murray, Mercedes; J. M. Mitchell, Galveston. These men have had from two to four years basketball experience.

Aggie Five May Play Baylor

Tentative Schedule Has Games Between Schools

Subject to the approval of the Southwest Conference Athletic Council, which will meet in Dallas on December 11, the following schedule is tentatively announced for Coach John Reid's Aggie quintet during the 1930-31 season. It is probable that this schedule will be adopted as it now is, but it will not be definite until the council has approved.

The tentative schedule is: Dec. 13, Sam Houston Teachers at Huntsville; Dec. 18, Sam Houston Teachers at College; Jan. 2 and 3, Southwestern University at Georgetown; Jan. 5 and 6, Southwest Teachers College at San Marcos; Jan. 9 and 10, Centenary at College; Jan. 16 and 17, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville; Jan. 24, Rice Institute at College; Feb. 2, Baylor University at Waco; Feb. 7, University of Texas at College; Feb. 7, Baylor University at College; Feb. 13, Texas Christian at Ft. Worth; Feb. 14, Southern Methodist at Collas; Feb. 17, Rice at Houston; Feb. 20, Southern Methodist at College; Feb. 23, Texas Christian at College; Feb. 28, Texas University at Austin.

Southwest Honored In East-West Selections

Four out of the five Southwest conference football players who were invited to play with the West in the annual East-West game at San Francisco, New Year's Day, have definitely accepted. The fifth, Noble Atkins of T C U, is nearly certain to go.

Atkins is waiting to learn whether the conference officials will rescind the rule against post-season all-star play. He is captain of the Horned Frog basketball team, and thus does not care to be made ineligible; however, he may go with the rest of the players who are disregarding the conference ruling.

Jake Wilson and Botchey Koch of Baylor, Dexter Shelly of Texas University and Louie Long, Mustang end, are the other players from the Southwest conference that have been honored by invitations to participate in the annual event. These players have all accepted the invitation.

Dana X. Bible, Nebraska coach and former Aggie mentor for eleven years, chose eleven out of the twenty-two men to be invited. It is interesting to note that five of the eleven men were selected from Southwest conference teams, all being Texans.

With the exception of one man from Southern California, the entire list of "West" players has been selected.

The list follows:
Ends—Long, S M U; Wilson, Olympic Club; Ebbing, St. Marys; McKalip, Oregon State.

Tackles—Broadstone, Nebraska; Christensen, Oregon; Bogue, Stanford; Speidel, Olympic Club.

Guards—Greenberg, Nebraska; Koch, Baylor; Beckett, California; Colbert, Oregon.

Centers—Atkins, T C U; Tassi, Santa Clara.

Backs—Wilson, Baylor; Bausch, Kansas; Lange, Baker University, Kansas; Mills, University of Oklahoma; Shelley, Texas University; Kitzmiller, Oregon; Boyle, St. Mary's.

HARRIER CAPTAIN



MELTON SMITH

Harriers Elect Smith Captain Of 1931 Team

Melton Smith, Sulphur Springs, was elected captain of the 1931 A & M cross country team at a meeting of lettermen of the championship 1930 aggregation Wednesday afternoon.

Smith, who was a letterman on the championship team of 1929 as well as that of this year, will be running his last year in an A & M uniform next fall. He was fifth among the A & M runners in the conference meet this year and has been a consistent runner for two years.

He was also a letterman on the Aggies' 1930 championship track team, running the two-mile event.

Aggie Cagers Win Opener From Y

Overcoming a 11 point lead with but a few minutes to go, Coach John Reid's 1930-31 Texas Aggie cagers opened their basketball season by defeating the Houston Y M C A Triangles 38-33 in the Memorial Gym Friday night. Bell led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Shiro Hoke with 11 points. Hardy was high point man for the Triangles with 10 points.

The first half was rather slow, with neither side being able to hit the basket accurately. The score at the half was 17-15 in favor of the visitors. Coming back in to the game with vengeance, the Houstonians turned loose a vicious attack to run the score up to 32-21 with about 10 minutes to go. At that time, the Aggies decided it was time to cut loose, and led by Beau Bell, they staged the comeback that ended the game in their favor.

Bell, Hoke and Doche were the outstanding players on the Aggie team. Bell is playing an improved game since his change to forward. Shiro Hoke turned in an excellent game, proving to all that when he gains his stride, he will be all-conference material. Doche was undoubtedly nervous during his first game in the "Big League," but after the stage fright period is over he will probably prove of great value to the cagers.

Three former conference stars stood out for the Triangles—Looney, former Texas center; and Brock and Hardy, guards.

War is like an earthquake or a flood: after the disaster there is less material wealth to hand on to succeeding generations. Whatever is destroyed is gone; that is the immediate and certain result.—Foster and Catchings.