

# Aggies Defeat Longhorns In Austin First Time Since 1923

## Victory Puts Fighting Aggies Back In Race For Southwest Conference Basketball Title

### Merka Leads Farmers To Victory Over University in Last Half of Game.

By taking the Texas Longhorns into Corral Thursday, by a 34-19 score, The Fighting Farmers of Aggieland came into the limelight of the conference basketball race, tying with TCU for second place in the conference standing.

Out of three conference starts, the Aggies have won two and lost one game. The first game of the season was lost to the Rice Owls at Houston in a nip-and-tuck game, the Owls happening to have the larger side of a 31-28 score at the time that the final gun shot to end the game. The six foot and one-half inch giant from Owl-land, "Tree top" Kelley, led Coach Jimmy Kitt's quintet to victory by being the spark-plug of his team and by making a total of 16 points to take high point man honors.

In the second game of the season played here, the Aggies trounced the S M U Mustangs 40-34. After taking the lead at the latter part of the first half, the Aggies never relinquished it and at only one time during the remainder of the game let the Ponies come near to taking the big side of the scoring. Zachary of the Mustangs was high point man in this game with 14 markers to his credit.

In the game Thursday, although the Longhorns led for nearly the entire length of the game, the Aggies came out at the time that was necessary and neatly took the game out of the University's hands by a 34-19 score to win the first game from Coach Ed Olles' quintet in two years and the first game played on the University's floor in eleven years—the last time the Aggies won in Austin was in 1923.

Gray, the Wills Point goal shooting sensation of the Longhorns was high point man of the game with a total of 19. Although Merka was high point man of the Aggies, the points were well distributed among the entire team, every member that entered making at least two points.

#### BOX SCORE

Player	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Gray, f	9	1	0	19
Thompson, f	0	0	2	0
Francis, c	3	1	1	7
Fagan, g (c)	0	0	0	0
Rundell, g	1	1	2	3
Wittman, fg.	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>29</b>

Player	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Breaznle, f	1	0	0	2
Shepherd, f	0	0	0	6
Merka, c (c)	5	0	2	10
Wilkins, g	1	0	2	2
Davis, g	2	2	1	6
Carmichael, g	0	2	1	2
Hutto, f	3	0	3	6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>

Officials: Sears (Kentucky Mines) referee, and Morse, umpire.

### Aggie-Bear Game

Arrangements have been made to begin the Aggie-Bear game Saturday night at 8 p. m. instead of 7:30. This will permit students to attend the first show in the Assembly Hall without missing any of the game. The Saturday night show will begin immediately after supper.

## Harriers Elect R. E. Taylor To Captain '34 Team

### Captain-Elect was Outstanding Man on 1933 Championship Cross-Country Team.

R. E. "Bob" Taylor, Hawley, was elected Captain of the 1934 Aggie Cross-Country team in a meeting last week of the 1933 lettermen. Taylor, a graduate of John Tarleton Agricultural College, came to A and M last fall under the new Southwest Conference Junior college rule which allows a junior college graduate to become eligible immediately for two years of conference competition.

Taylor was one of the outstanding men on the Aggie Cross-Country team that tied for the conference championship with Texas University this year. He won a first and a second place in dual meets and came out sixth in the conference race at Houston. His first place was against Rice, and second place was in the dual meet against Texas.

## JACK MEAGHER TO COACH AT AUBURN

Jack Meagher, retiring head football coach of Rice Institute, was elected to head coach at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, Alabama, and has signed a three year contract with that institution. Meagher's appointment was announced Friday afternoon by Dr. L. R. Duncan, member of the college's administrative committee.

Coach Meagher will take charge of athletics at the Auburn School February 1 of this year and continue for two more years. The coaching job was left open by the resignation of Chet Wynne, who recommended Coach Meagher highly for the job.

## Watching the Aggies

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CHAMPION STUFF! That's what Coach Reid's Aggie quintet showed in Austin Thursday night by coming from behind in the middle of the last half to win from the Longhorns. To further show "where the Aggies are headed this year" this was the first time since 1923 that the Cadets have won a basketball game from Texas on the University floor.

FROM "BOOGER COUNTY" comes Taylor Wilkins, stellar Aggie guard who claims to know and brags about knowing everybody that ever lived there. On each basketball trip, Wilkins sees somebody from "Booger County", more commonly known as Robertson County, and always stops a few seconds to say hello. On the trip to Huntsville when the team played Sam Houston, he knew the captain of the Bearkat team and also the scorekeeper. When the team was enroute to Austin, someone asked Wilkins if he would likely see someone at Texas from "Booger County", he answered "sure, but it will likely be a girl because the girls from 'Booger County' go to Austin while the boys all go to Huntsville". Wilkins didn't explain why the boys all went to Huntsville.

CONGRATULATIONS GO TO Coach and Captain R. E. Porter and his Texas Aggie Tumbling team for the excellent performance during the half of the SMU-A and M basketball game. The tumbling team has many new stunts this year—and, according to Porter, intend to give some new features at each of the remaining home games.

WATCHING THE COACHES during a basketball game is almost as interesting as watching the game itself. When the SMU Mustangs played the Aggies last week,

Coach Jimmy St. Clair, although seemingly calm and quite, was wringing his hands. As the Mustangs, led by Zachary, started their thrilling last minute effort to catch the leading Aggies, Coach St. Clair jumped up and asked the timekeeper how much more time there was. When he found there were only a few seconds to play he again took his seat with a long frown on his face.

On the other hand, Coach Reid jumped up only a few seconds later and asked how much longer there was to play—and when he found out, sat down with a grin that would do justice to any three people combined.

THE LARGEST SCORE for an intramural football game was made by the Cavalry when they trounced the Coast Artillery eleven by a score of 26-0 Sunday, January 14. The entire Cavalry team was "hot" in this game with Bumpas, Ramsey, and Young leading the attack. Heretofore, the games have not been won by more than one touchdown and the majority have been so close that the outcome had to be decided by penetrations of the 20 yard zone.

COACH JACK CHEVIGNY, coach-elect of Texas University will be the youngest coach in the Southwest Conference next year. Norton, who was the youngest until Chevigny was elected to take Littlefield's place, is next in age. Chevigny is 28, Norton 35.

SHOOTING FIRE CRACKERS at the basketball games is very un-sportsmanship-like and SHOULD BE STOPPED. Those who can not show any more consideration for the players and for the other spectators than was shown in the last game are not needed and are NOT WANTED at the games.

## FISH CAGERS DEFEAT WEST END BAPTIST

### Freshmen Hold Lead Over Houston Team Entire Length of Game to Win by Score of 32 to 23.

Coach Roswell Higginbotham's Texas Aggie Freshman Cagers opened their basketball schedule Saturday night by defeating the West End Baptist quintet from Houston 32-23. The "Little Aggies" took the lead at the opening of the game and held it the entire length of the contest, the score at the half being 14-10. At the middle of the second half the West Enders put on a comeback to bring the score to within three points of a tie but otherwise did not threaten to tie

the score.

Starring for the freshmen were Paul Evans, Fort Worth, high point man with 8 points; Pete Dowling, Houston; A Helbing, San Angelo; and the five foot seven inch giant, J. A. Crichton, Shreveport. Crichton, who tips the scales at just over 120 pounds, was probably the smoothest player, and despite his size gave the bigger boys plenty of competition.

Other games scheduled for the freshmen include the following: January 27, Thrall high school, College Station; February 3, Thrall high school, Thrall; February 9-10, Waco high school, College; February 19, Trinity Episcopal, Houston, at College.

Coach Higginbotham plans to schedule a number of other games besides these although no definite dates have been made yet.

The Freshman players who remain on the squad which was cut from 80 candidates are as follows: Centers: Pete Dowling, Houston; J. H. Gayden, Groesbeck; L. A.

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