

# Aggie - Longhorn Game Always Turns Out Good Scrap

## Steers Have 26 Victories To 14 For A. & M. Teams

Outcome of the 45th renewal of the Texas A. & M. Texas University gridiron duel in Memorial Stadium, Austin, on Thanksgiving Day Thursday provides the theme for debates as unpredictable as the one we all remember:

"Resolved, That Fire is More Destructive than Water".

Picking the winner strictly on "form", which takes into consideration such things as "past performance", "record to date" and "strength of reserves"—the Aggies have it "in the bag"—Maybe!

On the other hand there is that "ole debbil" TRADITION (the caps are intentional) and in this department the Steers have everything in their favor.

Since their first encounter in 1894 the Steers and the Aggies have been providing the season's most colorful gridiron encounters for the Lone Star State, on several occasions they have crammed two games into a single season.

To date the Steers from Austin have left the cleat-torn turf victors 26 times, the Aggies having triumphed only 14 times, with four games deadlocked.

The Steers won the first seven tilts before they were tied in 1902 at San Antonio. This tie so enthused the Aggies that they came right back the same year and pinned the Steers' horns back to the tune of 12-0 in Austin.

Since 1902, the Aggies have been able only twice to journey to Austin and come away with a victory. These came in 1909 when a safety and field goal netted five points and the Steers were unable to tally; and in 1922 when the Farmers took

the Longhorns to a 14-7 cleaning. The boys from the Capitol City bounced right back in 1932, however, and stormed College Station—traveling back home with a 6 to 0 victory under their belts.

Since the 1922-23 exchange of victories on visiting fields, neither the Steers nor the Aggies have been able to go afield on Turkey Day and bring home the bacon, although the boys from Austin netted a "moral" victory in 1933 with a 10-10 tie on Kyle Field.

Furthermore next Thursday, if history repeats itself, there will be no necessity for the ground-keeper to mark off the goal line so far as the Aggies are concerned, because history has yet to record an A. & M. warrior who ever crossed the Texas goal line for a touchdown since the Steers moved into Memorial Stadium.

With this in front of them there is much wonder whether Dandy Dick Todd can swivel-hip his elusive physique across the barrier or whether Big John Kimbrough,

the Haskell Hurricane, can plow his mighty frame through that invisible stone-wall that has so successfully withstood the touchdown onslaughts of every Aggie who has made the attempt.

Suffice to say, that the Aggie who does cross that Texas goal line next Thursday for a touchdown will take his place alongside the immortal grid heroes of all time who have worn the Maroon and White. Who will it be, if any?

Thursday will see a capacity audience to witness the annual gridiron classic despite the fact that both teams are hopelessly out of the race for Southwest Conference honors.

These capacity audiences have journeyed to Austin and to College Station for 13 years since both teams entered the tilt knowing the conference crown would go to the winner. The Aggies trounced the Steers for the championship in 1925

## Aggie-Longhorn Team Statistics Listed By Publicity Department

For the benefit of those football fans who like to make a comparison of the relative strength of the opponents before selecting the winner, the Texas A. & M. College publicity staff has prepared the following dope on the Aggies and Texas Longhorns who play at Austin on Thanksgiving Day.

The comparison shows how the players on both teams have performed against the same Southwest Conference teams and gives an equal basis for the fans to pick the winner—perhaps. Games other than conference matches are not included in the following figures:

### 1938 Conference Record

AGGIES	Opp.	LONGHORNS	Opp.
6. Texas Christian	34	6. Arkansas	42
13. Arkansas	7	6. Rice	13
6. Baylor	6	6. Southern Methodist	7
7. Southern Methodist	10	3. Baylor	14
27. Rice	0	6. Texas Christian	28
32. TOTALS	57	27. TOTALS	104
Won 2, Lost 2, Tied 1		Won 0, Lost 5, Tied 0	

### Ball Carriers

Player	Times Carried	Yards Gained	Yards Lost	Average Gain
Geer, A&M	1	26	0	26.00
Thomas, A&M	7	55	0	7.87
Wood, A&M	1	7	0	7.00
Jeffrey, A&M	6	28	0	4.67
Price, A&M	13	60	0	4.62
Todd, A&M	68	342	40	4.44
Rogers, A&M	27	124	5	4.41
Kimbrough, A&M	61	262	6	4.19
Herman, A&M	1	4	0	4.00
Bage, Texas	1	4	0	4.00
Plato, Texas	7	26	3	3.29
Lawson, Texas	47	185	37	3.15
Britt, A&M	3	9	0	3.00
Conatser, A&M	1	3	0	3.00
Boyer, Texas	21	75	15	2.86
Bryan, Texas	39	111	25	2.21
Smith, A&M	2	4	0	2.00
Forney, Texas	1	2	0	2.00
Hall, A&M	4	6	0	1.50
Gray, Texas	8	14	3	1.38
Moers, Texas	12	34	21	1.08
Dittman, A&M	2	4	2	1.00
Puett, Texas	3	3	1	.67
Pugh, A&M	3	4	3	.33
Davis, Texas	14	20	39	-1.36
Gill, Texas	1	0	3	-3.00

to the tune of 28-0, but it was on Kyle Field.

The Aggies again won the conference championship in 1927, defeating Texas 28-7, but Texas had no chance that year.

Texas won the conference title in 1932 by winding up their season at Austin against the Aggies with a 21-0 victory.

Grover Cleveland was President of the United States and James Stephen Hogg was Governor of Texas when the University of Texas team, known then as "Varsity" trouncer A. & M., known as "College", 38-0 before a capacity crowd on the outskirts of Austin in 1894 to start all this feuding. The Aggies waited four years before going to Austin again, but they were again defeated in 1898 to the tune of 48-0.

The games, also "Varsity" victories, of 1899 (6-0) and 1900 (5-0) were played in San Antonio; but in 1900 the ambitious Aggies didn't have enough until they were defeated a second time, at Austin, 11-0. The Aggies continued to re-

ceive goose-eggings in 1901, first in San Antonio, 17-0, then in Austin, 32-0.

When the Aggies gained their first tie with the Steers, 0-0, in 1902 at San Antonio, they came back the same year and won at Austin, 12-0. The Steers administered defeats to the Aggies in 1903, 04, 05, and 06 at Austin, but in 1907, the teams played a scoreless tie in Dallas, and a second game later in that year in Austin netted the Steers a victory 11-6. In 1908, the teams met twice, Texas winning at Houston 24-8 and at Austin 28-12.

The Aggies bounced back for a couple of victories in 1909, at Houston, 23-0, and at Austin, 5-0. The winning streak was continued in 1910 at Houston when the Aggies won 14-8.

The Steers took the 1911 game at Houston 6-0 and relations were broken off until 1915 when the present schedule of home games began at College station with a victory for the Aggies, 13-0.

## WILL PLAY LAST GAME



Britt



Rogers



Minnock



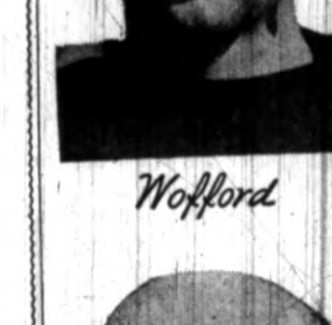
Dittman



Olbrick



Coston



Steffens



Branson



Rushing



Schroeder

## Thirteen Seniors To Play Their Last Aggie Football Game Thursday

Thirteen seniors representing some 25 football letters at A. & M. will play their last game for the Maroon and White cause Thursday.

They are all set for being the first bunch of Aggies to ever defeat the Steers on the new field at Austin.

Dick Todd and "Slick" Rogers are the two men in the backfield that are going to be missed in all years to come. Each of them have earned three varsity grid letters, counting letters for this year. Both of them have been truly great little men. Henry Dittman, although not being a regular, has been an invaluable substitute. He has had speed to burn, and but for having been Todd's substitute, he might have been a regular.

"Zed" Coston and Eli Rushing are the two centers that are departing. Both are big boys and the loss of them will be felt. Coston is a three year letterman and Rushing will no doubt be a two year letterman.

Four guards will be lost, "Bull" Minnock, "Korky" Steffens, "Block" Olbrick and "Stubby" Warden. All will be letterman except Warden, but he has been part of the foundation under the Aggie eleven for three years. Guards will be needed in volume next year.

George Branson and Paul Wofford are the two tackles that are going. Branson won a first string job this year and has played bang up ball. Wofford, like Warden, has

played little, but has done his part.

Both first string ends, Britt and Schroeder, will go after passes for the last time before they pass out of the picture. Both are three year lettermen and both will be exceedingly hard to replace.

All of these men have blazed a trail that will be followed for many years. The class of '38 will long remember the senior football players that went through the scholastic mill with them.

## OKLAHOMANS WIN TWO POLO GAMES

Oklahoma Military Academy out- rode the Aggie polo team Friday and Again Sunday to win both ends of the two game series between the two teams, 5 to 2 and 6 to 5.

In the Friday game the Cadets went into the fourth chukker with a 2 to 1 lead, but saw the Oklahomans forge ahead an dwin 5 to 2. Sunday, the Aggies scored four of their five goals in the first chukker and then were held scoreless until the sixth when one of the mounts of the Aggies, tired of his side failing to score and kicked a well placed goal to make the Aggie count 5 goals.

The boys from Oklahoma scored three in the third and one in each up ball. Wofford, like Warden, has the fourth, fifth, and sixth.

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