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Primary Encouragement

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Hub Johnson (Pinch-Hitting)
AGGIE DIAMOND MEN OPEN PRE-SEASON SCHEDULED HERE FRIDAY.

Coach Mart Karow's nine will open the 1940 season here Friday evening at 4 o'clock with the Grand Price Club of Houston. A second game will be played Saturday evening at 1:15 p. m.

RICE CAGERS CHAMPIONS

The Rice Owls carried off the basketball championship Tuesday night by nosing out the Texas Longhorns with a narrow margin of one point, the score standing 42 to 41.

Bobby Moers turned against his home-town team and ran up the highest for the night, sixteen points, and held Frank Carswell to but two field goals.

Bobb Kinney, sophomore center for the Owls who reaches almost to the rafters, took charge of the board for the champs and scored fifteen points.

Fouls and field goals were undoubtedly the downfall of the Texas five.

TRACK TEAM ROUNDS INTO SHAPE

New members to the track team are creeping out every now and then. A few days ago James Prowell, a junior college transfer and an eligible participant this year, appeared on the field in tennis shoes and slacks and cleared the pole vault bar for eleven feet six inches.

March 8 and 9 the team will make its annual trip to Laredo for the Border Olympics. This will be the first real test for the crew.

FOOTBALL STILL HERE, AS SHOWN IN MANY WAYS.

Talk has already begun to flow wild and many predictions have been made for the coming season

and yet just a few months the Aggies hung up their heads for a bit of rest, six weeks and still the congratulations.

In this month's "Allied Coach Homer Norton sub-fitting article praising the Aggies. It was titled "So They Won." An editor praised the story as a true winning team by the man made it.

MINOR SPORTS APPEAR GREAT NUMBERS IN NEXT FEW MONTHS.

The eleven minor sports remaining on the seasonal schedule will be making their appearances in the next few months. Much honor should be given these teams as many boys practice many hours at their respective games. Many of these sports are those which take many years to perfect and to conquer rather than a short training period to round off the rough edges.

The tumbling team which has given a great performance this year will end its period Saturday night at the Texas Aggie-Texas Longhorn game.

After Saturday night the squad men of both the Texas Aggies and the Texas Longhorns will hang up their suits and put away their rubber-soled shoes for some time; many will do so for the last time.

The Longhorns lost their last game to the Rice Owls by one point and the Aggies dropped their last to the S. M. U. Mustangs.

To the Texas team a win would merely add another win to the cinch for second place. To the Aggies, it would mean a closing win to re-establish the lull the Aggies went into some five games ago.

Texas boasts of a great team and it will take all the Aggies can give to beat out the boys from forty acres.

Development

and by with that cause.

A full afternoon of sports events will be staged in the Kyle Field area with the highlight being the final football game of the training season for the championship of the squad. Admission will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students and children.

Gates at the field will open at one o'clock and the baseball team will stage a game against Grand Prize Brewers, Houston, on Kyle Field diamond at 1:15 o'clock. Following that Coach Norton will take over on Kyle Field and introduce his 1940 Aggie grid squad. A series of foot races between the players according to position will follow and then the final race to find the fastest man on the team. All players will compete in full football equipment.

With that event out of the way, the two top teams in the Winter Training League will tie into each other. The two bottom teams will turn their players over to the two teams in action so that all of the members of the squad can see some action.

In the past the Sports Day has attracted a large crowd and Joe White, letterman end and "T" Association president, says that he hopes the crowd will shatter all records this time so that they can send a bog check to E-President Herbert Hoover, chairman of the fund.

Del Courtney's Band

By Bob Nisbet

That great group of acrobats known as the A. & M. Tumbling Team will make its last bow of the current season when they perform their inimitable antics at the between-halves rest period of the basketball game this Saturday night at the Deware Field House when the mighty Texas Aggies tangle with the Longhorns from the University of Texas. This bunch of boys have worked hard at their tumbling this year and have presented a program of gymnastics for all but two of the scheduled conference home games.

Strangely enough, the boys who are so adept at doing flips and somersaulting do all their learning by themselves. There is no instructor for them. Newcomers learn the art from the boys of the past year and pass it on to the boys of the next year. Of the 14 boys on the team, only one of the number, R. L. Stephens, had any experience in tumbling before entering college. W. L. Penberthy of the Athletic Office acts as sponsor and advisor for the team, but the actual tumbling comes from much effort, elbow grease, sweat, and long hours of practice.

Mainly responsible for the success of this year's team, though they won't admit it, are the two co-captains, Don Simpson of Christoval, and H. A. Derrick of San Antonio. Other hard-working members are B. G. Newton, H. B. McCluskey, C. A. Gochicoa, Tracy B. Medders, W. W. Merritt, D. E. Kelly, T. K. Pierce, A. W. Burgess, R. L. Stephens, R. H. Suman, G. I. Siegel, and J. E. Tips.

They Get Lots of Bumps



Shown above in one of their formations is A. & M.'s active Tumbling Team, whose acrobatics add much color to the basketball games at Aggieland. In the picture are D. P. Simpson, H. A. Derrick, B. G. Newton, H. B. McCluskey, C. A. Gochicoa, Tracy B. Medders, W. W. Merritt, D. E. Kelly, T. K. Pierce, A. W. Burgess, R. L. Stephens, R. H. Suman, G. I. Siegel, and J. E. Tips.

really think they will be able to go. Arrangements are being made now to schedule a definite date. However, there is another angle. Also being considered by the officers of both organizations is a joint program between the Tumbling Team and the Singing Cadets to be put on in the middle of April.

With all their jumping around and climbing over each other, there have been no injuries to any of the boys unless sore muscles and tired bodies could be classed as injuries. As far as that goes there have never been any serious injuries to any boy on the tumbling team as long as there has been a team at A. & M. The reason for this is the careful way in which boys who are starting are taught the fine art. Another reason is the use of a special belt suspended from the ceiling of the gym that the boys use to try out a new stunt until they get the correct technique.

For years the tumbling team has talked of making a trip to Denton to put on a show for the girls at T.S.C.W., but this year they

Dr. Bass Tells How To Check On Your Posture

AUSTIN, Texas.—If you can do it, here's the way to check up on your own posture, according to Dr. Ruth Bass, University of Texas physical education professor.

Drop an imaginary line from your ear to the ground. If it falls through your shoulder, hip and knee, when standing, and through your shoulder and hip, when sitting, you're on the right track. Next make sure that both your head and chest "push" up, that your abdomen pulls in.

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Wilkerson Stars As S.M.U. Defeats Aggies 46 To 39

Virgil Wilkerson, center for S. M. U., found the basket for 23 points Monday night to give the Mustangs a 46 to 39 victory over the Aggies.

The Mustangs led in the first few minutes of play, but lost command until the closing moments of the initial period. The score was tied seven times between the time S.M.U. lost the lead and regained it.

The Aggies were never out in front more than two points, and most of the time held only a one-point lead.

In the first thirty seconds of play, Tommy Tinker sank a free toss and broke the ice for the Aggies. The Ponies went ahead with a field goal, but Dawson sank a field goal and brought the Aggies out in front 3-2. Wilkerson found the basket, putting the Mustangs back in the lead. Dawson sank another field goal and A. & M. went ahead 5-4.

The Mustangs did not get the lead again until a free toss made the basket midway in the period. S.M.U. now led 12-11. The lead changed sides twice and the score was tied four more times before S.M.U. went ahead to stay.

With two minutes remaining in the half, Keeton, of S.M.U., slipped in an overhand shot. Keeton was fouled by Varner but the shot was counted and Keeton sank the

Artillery Prom—

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may later be used by other organizations, was made by Marshall Biggs, senior architectural student.

Dormitory number five will be vacated by one o'clock Friday afternoon for the accommodation of guests, who may obtain entrance to the dormitory at three o'clock. Reservations may be obtained at the Commandant's office.

Favors for the dance will consist of gold plated booklets with the Field Artillery insignia and the letters, "A. & M." superimposed on them.

To aid in making a military atmosphere for the ball, two cannons will be placed before the entrance to the hall.

Courtney's band, which enjoys national recognition, will also play for a corps dance to be held in Sbsia Hall Saturday night.

In charge of the dance are J. P. Giles and Joe Cain who made arrangements for the accommodation of guests. The decoration committee is composed of R. M. Magee, Chairman; Joe Spiller, and Raymond Parrish. The committee to arrange for favors, invitations, and programs consists of Preston Bolton, chairman; Ellis Marks, and Roy Roberts.

free toss making the score 19-16. Wilkerson made two free shots good and Keith made a field goal bringing the score to 22-16 at half-time.

During the last half, S. M. U. managed to keep this same margin most of the time.

MOST POPULAR SENIOR BALLOT

TO: PRESIDENT, SENIOR CLASS CAMPUS.

The following five seniors, in my opinion, deserve to be placed in the 1939-40 Longhorn as the FIVE MOST POPULAR SENIORS of the Class of 1940.

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(signed)

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