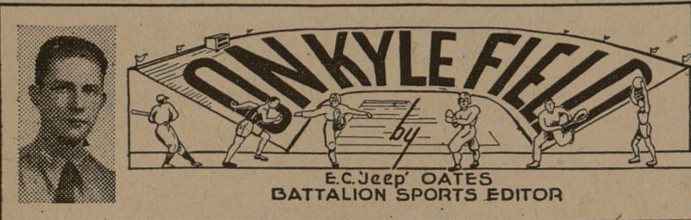


Aggies-Longhorns Will Play Last Tilt Here Tonight



Karow's Diamonders Open Baseball Season Here Next Friday With Grand Prize

There was a mistake in this column last time. It stated that the Aggie baseball team would open its season here yesterday. Under conference rules the teams cannot start their practice until the first of March and that was yesterday.

The cadets will open next Friday afternoon against the Grand Prize team of Houston. The tilt will start at 4 o'clock. The clubs will meet again here the following day at 1:15 p. m.

There has been some change in the baseball team since last year. "Lefty" Moon will probably be on first base in place of Bob Wil-

liams who graduated, Jack Lindsey will be at second with Marland Jeffrey moving over to third to take Bob Stone's place. Bob having moved to short to replace Chubby Nolen who is out because of scholastic trouble.

The outfield will probably have Marion Pugh, Dave Alsbrook and Jack Cooper, all three lettermen. A. & M. will be well fortified behind the plate with Jack Doran and Red Kirkpatrick, both senior lettermen.

The mound staff will be Charlie Stevenson, Sam Bass, Ralph Lindsey, Roy Peden and Lefty Bump-

Football Teams Will Meet Today In Fourth Round of Spring Training Tilts

The four football teams will be ready to play ball this afternoon at 2 o'clock. One boy who is showing up better than well is Sibley who is going to crowd the three lettermen centers for the starting job next fall. He seems to be about the best thing to come up from the freshman squad.

It looks like Chip Rott is going to hold the job at tackle vacated by All-American Joe Boyd. Chip is doing a swell job and will fill Boyd's shoes in fine style.

There will be a water polo game here tonight at 7:30 between the campus club and the San Antonio Y. M. C. A. Coach Art Adamson has announced that there will be a water polo game and swimming match here between Texas and the Aggies, March 14.

Here is news direct from the front. Cincinnati has finally beaten the world champion New York Yankees.

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Norton Talks Over Aggies' 1940 Football Prospects

Aggie Fish Tackle Yearlings In A Pre-Game Skirmish

Tonight in DeWare Gymnasium at 6:30 the Aggie freshmen will meet the Texas Yearlings in the preliminary basketball game to the varsity fray between the Aggies and the Steers, the team Rice defeated earlier in the week by one point for the conference cage title. The varsity game will start at 7:30.

The latter tilt will close the door on the Southwest Conference cage race, a race in which the Aggies finish next to the cellar just above the T. C. U. Frogs who defeated the cadets in Fort Worth a week ago tonight.

Earlier in the year the Texas freshmen and varsity beat the two Aggie teams in Austin and it would appear that it will happen again tonight except that the Steers may have had a big let down after losing the conference flag earlier this week. The freshman game will be a good preliminary tilt with the Texas group being the favorite.

When the Aggies returned from Austin after being beaten by Texas, they vowed to a man that they would win the return game here and they may have another winning tilt left in them. If Texas is down from their loss to Rice, and the cadets have gotten over their fatal north Texas tour, the McQuillanmen may be the victors.

Texas will have Bobby Moers, who is a show in himself, along with the rest of the team. It will be Moers last basketball tilt. It will also be the last tilt for Varner, Smith, Adams, and Tinker, Aggie seniors.

RATS GNAW BUTTONS OFF SHIRTS, LAUNDRY ABSOLVED OF BLAME

JOLIET, Ill.—After diligent research, the American Institute of Laundering has announced that laundries should not be blamed for all the lost and broken buttons in the world.

It based its theory on a finding that most buttons were made from casein, known more familiarly as a white amorphous phosphoprotein occurring in milk.

Now, cheese also comes from milk. Every one knows that mice eat cheese, but it took the American Institute of Laundering to discover that they had added buttons to their bill of fare.

I Infantry boys lived up to one of their leader's saying that "We're not going to drop a game in this football stuff", Tuesday as they turned back the B Engineers with a 20-yard penetration and carry-off the Class A Intramural Championship.

Throughout the year, the I team has defeated A Signal Corps on penetrations, 1st Combat Train 13 to 0, C Coast Artillery 13 to 0, and tied E Engineers 6 to 6, later to be awarded the game on penetrations with a 20 and a 40.

Men who composed the team were Scroggins, White, Leonard, Alsbrook, Davis, Duncan, Willie, Gunn, Jones, Bryant, Akard, Adams, Phillips, Christian, and Reynolds.

Horseshoe pitching in class A resulted in the following wins and losses:

C Eng. over A Cav. 2 to 1.
H Inf. over 3 Hq. FA 2 to 1.
C CAC over A Inf. 2 to 1.
B CAC over Hq. Sig. Forfeit.
D. Eng. over C Cav. 3 to 0.
F. Inf. over L Inf. 2 to 1.
2 CT FA over D FA forfeit.
G CAC over B Sig. 3 to 0.

The class B games results were as follows:

MG Cav. over A CAC 2 to 1.
1 CT FA over E Inf. forfeit.
C Eng. over 3 Hq. FA forfeit.
D Cav. over C CWS 2 to 1.
B FA over A Inf. forfeit.
Class B handball results:
E. FA over A Sig 3 to 0.
H Inf. over M Inf. 3 to 0.
MG Cav. over A CAC 3 to 0.
1 CT FA over L Inf. forfeit.
Volleyball, class A:
D Eng. over F Inf. 2 to 1.
F Eng. over C Cav. 2 to 0.
C Eng. over D CAC 2 to 1.
3 Hq. Fa. over F CAC forfeit.
A Eng. over K Inf. 2 to 0.
A FA over 1st Corps Hq. 2 to 0.
E FA over B CAC 2 to 0.
Inf. Band over A Sig. forfeit.

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Ugly Boy Contest Ballot

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Uncle Billy Disch Starts His 30th Season at Texas U.

AUSTIN, Mar. 2.—The "Old Man" of baseball whistled up another batch of Longhorn baseball players Friday to start laying the groundwork for a possible 21st Southwest conference championship team.

Uncle Billy Disch, white-haired 66-year-old baseball coach, officially started his 30th season at the University of Texas March 1. In 25 years of conference competition his clubs have won 20 pennants.

His '39 team was one of his best. It swept through a 15-game conference schedule without defeat.

From that outfit Coach Disch has five all-conference players back, but he looks askance at a yawning hole in the middle of his infield. Capt. Jack Conway and Cotton Evans, the '39 keystone combination, have graduated into professional baseball.

Texas' 1940 baseball plans start with towering Melvin Deutsch, sophomore sensation of conference pitching circles last spring, and carry on through Capt. Clarence Pfeil, center field; Charley Haas, right field; Johnny Hill, first base; and Bobby Moers, third base. These players were tops at their positions last year.

Haas, however, will not become eligible until he passes a postponed exam April 5, a day after the conference season opens against S. M. U. Another outfield letterman is Pete Layden, erstwhile Longhorn fullback.

Fred Everett, an infielder who turned catcher in '39 and became one of the best in the league, may

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'40 EDITION OF TEAM SHOWS UNUSUAL MERIT

With winter football training nearing the end, Coach Homer Norton and his staff have had a pretty good chance to look over the sophomore prospects for the 1940 edition of the Texas Aggies.

Most of the players counted on have shown ability but the surprise of the entire period so far has been the outstanding performance of Jackson (Jake) Webster, Sweetwater, fullback. Placed on the third team when the entries for the Winter Football Training League were picked, it only took Webster the first game to show the Aggie coaches that he belonged on the first team and that is where he is most of the time now under studying John Kimbrough. In order that he can get all the training possible, Norton is playing him on all four teams and then most of the full game time. Last week he played two full games and was on every team some of the time.

Alternating with him as reserve fullback is "Wild Willie" Zapalac, Beeville. He was hurt the first day out and has not been able to go full force but has shown that he can handle the job. The Aggie coach is also using him some of the time as a blocking back in Jim Thomason's place so that if necessary both Webster and Zapalac can both be in the game at the same time.

Another pleasant surprise has been the work of Bill Sibley, Abilene center. He is playing on the first and second teams as understudy to Tommie Vaughn and Odell Herman. While he is not the polished performer that Vaughn and Herman are, he is coming along nicely and will see some playing time. When he errs he makes no pretense at covering up but asks the coaches what he did wrong and then goes about learning the right way. He stands 5 feet, 10 inches and weighs about 190 pounds.

Another likely looking boy is Elvis (Boots) Simmons, Somerville end. "Boots" was ineligible at the end of his freshman year in 1938 but is back in good graces again. He stands six feet, three inches and weighs about 207 pounds. He can catch passes and has looked good on defense.

It goes without saying that all the remaining eight starters from 1939 are going good and Chip Rott looks like he has moved into Joe Boyd's tackle position for good. Marion Pugh will take over the quarterbacking job of Walemon Price and a shift of Jim Sterling from right to left end takes

care of the Herb Smith vacancy. To plug the right end hole Jack Kimbrough drew the assignment. Bill Buchanan will have something to say about that when the basketball season ends this week but he will have to step for Kimbrough looks mighty good.

All of the freshmen candidates show improvement over their play last year but very few have shown enough to oust any of the regulars out of their starting jobs. So far as can be judged this far off from next season the Aggie team will be mainly seniors, as Derace Moser, back, and Jim Sterling, end, will be the only juniors on the starting team. No sophomores are likely to make it unless something unforeseen crops up. They will play as much time as possible, Norton has pointed out, for he wants them to come up in 1941 as experienced players. He will need plenty of replacements for that season as of the 24 lettermen on the squad, only seven of them will be here after the 1940 season.

Norton has not said what type of a game he expects to use in 1940 but from all indications it will be about the same as the 1939 pattern. He is not using any shift and is using a balanced line. His formations will be the same and will include the box, double wing and punt formations with the double wing and box used the most.

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