

# Aggies Pick All Opponent Grid Team

After returning from the Thanksgiving holidays, the Aggie gridders met to choose their all-opponents team for 1940.

Rice, Baylor, and Southern Methodist each placed two boys on the champions' honor squad. Stewart Clarkson from Texas A. & I., the unanimous selection of all southwest scribes for Little All-American honors at center nosed at Rice Institute's Tuffy Whitlow by one vote.

Moose Hartman and Milton Simmington were the only players to receive all votes of the Aggies for their respective positions.

Texas Christian was the only team failing to place at least one on the squad, Phil Roach missing, by a close margin.

The following is the team selected by the Aggies:

End	Russell	Baylor
Guard	Green	Tulsa
Tackle	Simmington	Arkansas
Center	Clarkson	A. & I.
Guard	Bianchi	S.M.U.
Tackle	Hartman	Rice
End	Smith	U.C.L.A.
Back	Layden	Texas
Back	Witt	Baylor
Back	Brumley	Rice
Back	Mallouf	S.M.U.

## Next Opponent For Poloists Is Okla. Academy

Oklahoma Military Academy become the next opponents of A. & M.'s malletmen when the two clubs tangle on Jackson Field Friday and Sunday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. in a two game series. Oklahoma boasts a rough riding quartet that is top-flight competition for the Aggies who have turned back Mexico City and the Oklahoma Sooners in previous tilts.

Polo was introduced at the Claremore school by the late Will Rogers and has been recognized as a major sport. Since the forming of the team, their victories over outstanding teams well outnumber the defeats. The team is coached by an old Army player, Sgt. Gibson, and is always a contender for intercollegiate honors.

The Aggies have been hard at work preparing for the clash with O.M.A. and a return engagement in Mexico City during the holidays with the Mexico City team.

Leading Major Burnett's charges on the field will be Captain Sid McDonald of Bandera. Other starters are Carl Maloney of Goliad, Bill Braid of San Antonio, and Norris McGowan of Shreveport. Dwight Barry of Vernon and T. A. Williams of San Antonio are slated to see action.

## Intramurals

4 TEAMS ON TOP IN BASKETBALL

A INFANTRY WINS OVER HQ. CAVALRY



By Bob Myers

Class A basketball competition has been narrowed down to the four top teams and the college champion should be decided this week. Headquarters Signal Corps vs. F Coast Artillery and M Infantry vs. 3rd Headquarters Field Artillery are carded for semi-final games.

M Infantry ran up a 13-7 victory over I Infantry on the basketball court, to take their place in semi-final play. Jack Lindsay was the man who made the shots count and came out with six points to lead scoring for the game.

A Infantry handballed their way through Headquarters Cavalry to the tune of 2-1 when Kay, Mitchell, Hearn, and Higgenbotham came through for the "paddle-feet". Drolesky and Richter cashed in for Headquarters troop.

Three eighth finals basketball games were played before the holidays to bring that sport, in the class B division, closer to the finish line. Wind-ups in both classes should be decided soon.

# BATTALION Sports

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## Tennessee Given Rating As No. 1 Team In Nation; A & M In 9th Place

By Paul B. Williamson

The battle for the national football championship goes into the semi-finals with the Tennessee Volunteers as the No. 1 team of the country.

On a purely personal basis, this rater would have liked to have placed that colorful and fighting Michigan team of Tom Harmon and company at the top in the semi-final accounting. Michigan played a much harder schedule than Tennessee, and lost only to Minnesota by a point after touchdown—7-6. There are two reasons why Michigan could not be the No. 1 team: First—they DID lose that game to Minnesota, and champions don't lose; Second—Michigan will NOT defend its title in post-season games.

So, no matter how much the desire to place Michigan first it simply could not be done. Football Champions should defend their titles to be champions, just like the champions of track, boxing, baseball, horse racing, basketball, tennis or skiing.

Those are the reasons why Michigan rates among the headers at No. 5, instead of the top, just under the only team to which it lost—Minnesota.

Undefeated and untied Stanford beat California 13-7 last week to rate No. 2 and go to the Rose Bowl.

Boston College kept its undefeated and untied record by blanking out Holy Cross 7-0 in a Boston snow storm and earned the No. 3 post. Boston College was better than the score indicated in that game. One touchdown was called back because a linesman was off-sides.

Minnesota, idle last week, rides undefeated and untied at No. 4. That's the best the Golden Gophers of Minnesota deserve in the Williamson ratings because they beat a dry-field-playing Michigan in the mud by only one point, and barely skinned by Northwestern 13-12.

Kimbrough and Company's Texas Aggies stumbled after nineteen straight victories to bow before Texas 7-0 at Austin in an "old" Thanksgiving Day game. They stumbled right on down from No. 1 to No. 9. The Aggies were, and probably still are, a power in collegiate football. But, again, champions just don't lose. The William-

son System in pre-season appraisal, forecast that the Aggies would not finish the 1940 season undefeated. Even last week, this system warned that the jinx of the Aggies never winning in the Palmer Memorial Stadium at Austin was something the boys from College Station would sure have to fight.

Perfect Team	100.0
1. Tennessee	99.1
2. Stanford	98.6
3. Boston College	98.1
4. Minnesota	97.0
5. Michigan	96.7
6. Miss. State	96.4
7. Santa Clara	96.2
8. Nebraska	96.0
9. Texas A. & M.	95.8
10. S.M.U.	94.7
11. Pennsylvania	94.5
12. Washington	94.4
13. Georgetown	94.2
14. Northwestern	94.1
15. Fordham	93.8
16. Mississippi	93.0
20. Cornell	92.9
21. Duke	91.9
22. Notre Dame	91.4
23. Rice	91.3
27. Texas	91.0
31. Hardin-Simmons	90.2
32. L.S.U.	90.0
37. Tulane	88.7
38. Arkansas	88.5
39. Texas Tech	88.7
40. Clemson	88.6
41. Oklahoma	88.5
43. Tulsa	88.3
49. No. Carolina	87.8
50. T.C.U.	87.7
52. Baylor	87.6
55. Florida	87.3
64. Okla. A. & M.	86.7

The Mustangs of S.M.U. get the System's nod to beat Rice at Houston in the most important match of a few straggling games this week-end.

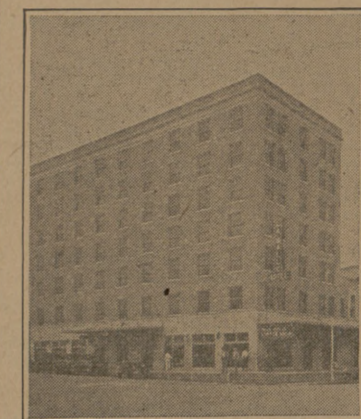
If they come through the Mustangs, our pre-season favorites for the Southwest Championship, will share the title with Texas Aggies. S.M.U. goes into the game with a rating of 94.7 against 90.7 for Rice.

We'll take Texas to beat Florida in a closely-rated match, and Notre Dame to topple Southern California; also Texas Tech over San Francisco U., despite Tech's surprising loss to New Mexico last week.

### LEADING GAMES SCHEDULED

THIS WEEK—	
Saturday, December 7	
Florida	87.5
TEXAS	91.0
Rice	91.3
S.M.U.	94.7
San Francisco	84.6
TEXAS TECH	88.7
So. California	86.0
NOTRE DAME	89.9
Wednesday, December 25	
ST. MARY, TEX.	76.1
Texas All-Stars	
Saturday, December 28	
GEORGIA TECH	87.4
California	86.9

Through the week ending October 26, the port of Houston had exported 130,000 bales of cotton, or nearly half of the United States total of 300,000 since August 1. This gave Houston a substantial lead over other ports.



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Also Cartoon - Sport News

Prev. Sat. - Sun. - Mon. "Edison The Man"

## Completed Record Of Texas Aggies Is Greatest Ever Set By Southwest Team

One week ago the greatest record ever established in the Southwest Conference came to an end. Up until that day the best any team could boast was eighteen wins and a tie included amongst them.

The Aggies have repeated as champions of the conference even though a win by either S. M. U. or Rice would take half the honor of the title away. But only the honor of the title—not the rest.

Last year John Kimbrough and Joe Boyd decorated many of the All-American teams of the nation and this year two Aggies will again have their names flashed across the nation as top gridders of the football world.

For all this we can be thankful. The Aggies are still great in the eyes of many of the faithful followers of the maroon and white.

## No Matter What Is Said, It Still Ends In The Same Old Story; Ode To A Scribe

During the past week many have asked the question, "What happened to the Aggies last Thursday?" The best way to end it all is the way Jitter Bug Henderson passed it off. "With all explanations, it's still 7 to 0, I guess."

Nevertheless, we have a bit of what some might call poetry, but the English department might call trash. It all refers to the same.

It is dedicated to the sponsor of "All-American Lane" and Cowboy Jackie Crain

There's an unpopular guy we all know  
Down on the muddy banks of the Buffalo  
After many years of prognostication,  
He climbed aboard for a vacation.

Then he turned a bleed at the Twelfth Man,  
The greatest corps in all the land.  
Too much noise and conglomeration,  
He cried for Texas in his citations.

Still he said the Nortonmen were greater than the Frogs of '38  
There were no positions to inflate.  
Yet deep in his cold heart there reigned  
A dangerous gang led by Cowboy Crain.

Beneath cloudy skies the two teams met  
And then this scribe began to sweat.  
Both sides agreed to cut the noise  
But the "Yellow Bellies" rang their barnyard toys.

Last week that inspired gang as host  
Turned the Aggies away from the Coast  
"They're not as great as they used to be,"  
He yelled his story from sea to sea.

The wagon's not as crowded as once it appeared,  
For many of his class fell off the rear.  
And once more we find the bayou bum  
Proclaiming his tales o'er a glass of rum.

## Kate Smith To Announce Awards On Radio Program Friday Night Maloney Wires Coach

Coach Homer Norton received a telegram yesterday from Bill Maloney which read as follows:

LISTEN IN TO KATE SMITH'S HOUR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF ALL COLLEGIATE AWARDS. INFORM STUDENT BODY TO DO SO ALSO.

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