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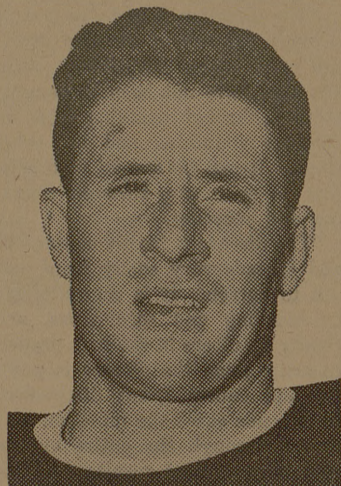
### Javelina Stout Defense Responsible For Close Score at Half; Hog Pass Defense Weak

The big question hanging aloft in everyone's mind concerning last Saturday's game in San Antonio is, "What happened to the Aggies during the first half? There is only one answer. Nothing happened to them. They played as good ball as was expected of them, but ran up against a stout and determined Javelina defense that just wouldn't give way. This was evidenced by their brilliant goal line stand that withstood four vicious line plunges by Derace Moser.

However, A. & I. had one very big weakness—pass defense. The Aggies were completing their aerials right and left in the first half, but just couldn't cash in on all of them. When the rest period for the intermission came, Norton pointed out to the boys the mistakes they were making, and told them to continue their passing attack relentlessly. This they did, and you know the result. The passing of Moser was magnificent. His passes were true to the mark each time, and if he continues to be as accurate as he was last Saturday night, Coach Norton's worry for a flinger will be over.

### Boots Simmons' Great Exhibition Last Week Shows Aggies Have Best Ends in Conference

As for the stars in the game, there were so many for the Aggies that it was hard to distinguish them. However, we will say this, Boots Simmons undoubtedly, played one of the greatest games of his life. He was in on nearly every tackle, was responsible for a couple of scores with his great pass snagging, and blocked with the viciousness of a professional. The Javelinas were halted in their tracks every time they tried to go around his end. It was a great day for Boots, which only goes to show what kind of end play the Aggies will have all year. Henderson, Sterling and Simmons—they can't be beat.



E. Simmons

### Texas Shows Class in 34-0 Trouncing Of LSU; Considered One of Nation's Strongest

If you aren't yet convinced that Texas University has one of the strongest teams in the nation, then you'd better crawl in a hole. It is only wishful thinking to say that the Longhorns are weak and will not be in the running for the Southwest Conference flag. This

### Williamson Warns All Opponents of Aggie Possibilities

Texas U Still Placed In Second Slot by System; SMU, TCU, Ranked High

By Paul B. Williamson

Keep your eyes on those Texas Aggies. Any team that can run over the Javelinas of Texas A. & I. 41 to 0 evidently wasn't hurt so much by the draft and graduation. Don't say we didn't warn you! The Williamson System made a straight win-lose record of 83.2 per cent over the nation last week. However, the System along with practically everyone else, slipped up on a number of games.

The games we went wrong on were: Mississippi State 14, Alabama 0; Ohio State 33, Southern California 0; Manhattan 23, George Washington 0; V.P.I. 3, Georgetown 0; Washington State 13; California 6; Yale 21, Virginia 19; and Massachusetts State 8, Connecticut 6.

On the brighter side of the picture, the system picked Creighton over St. Louis U., Baylor over Denver, Tulane over Auburn, Texas over L.S.U., Hattiesburg over Louisiana Tech, Texas Tech over Oklahoma A. & M., T. C. U. over Arkansas, Columbia over Brown, and Louisiana Normal vs. Centenary as "mighty close"—they tied 6 and 6.

We expected Northwestern to beat Kansas State, but not by such a whale of a score—51 to 3. We also picked Rice to swamp Sam Houston, 42 to 0.

Perfect Team	100.0
1. Duke	99.8
2. Texas	99.7
3. Ohio State	98.4
4. Navy	98.0
5. Northwestern	98.0
6. Tulane	97.7
7. Minnesota	97.5
8. Oklahoma	96.0
9. Stanford	95.9
10. Pennsylvania	95.7
11. Fordham	94.1
12. Santa Clara	93.9
13. Michigan	93.5
14. Mississippi State	93.4
15. Nebraska	93.4
16. Tennessee	93.1
17. Wisconsin	93.0
18. South Carolina	92.5
19. Baylor	92.7
20. S.M.U.	92.6
21. Rice	91.5
22. Notre Dame	91.5
23. Vanderbilt	91.7
24. Dartmouth	91.5
25. Georgia	91.3
26. Kentucky	91.2

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corner picked the Longhorns to win the crown at the start of the year, and we're not back-tracking a bit. There is not one doubt in this writer's mind that the Longhorns will suffer a terrific jolt on Kyle Field come Thanksgiving, but then that's as much the strongest Aggie optimist can hope for. Don't fool yourself about those Steers. They have class, as evidenced by their recent 34-0 trouncing of L. S. U. True, the Tigers weren't any polished team, but the most the experts were giving was 13 points, and that five touchdown win the Longhorns put over was no fluke, by any means.

This Saturday they take on Oklahoma Sooners in Dallas. The game should prove to be an interesting one, and if you still don't believe in the power of the Longhorns, why, then just truck over to "Big D" and give them the once-over.

**STAR OF THE WEEK DEPARTMENT . . .** This week the honor goes to two great football players. The first, Boots Simmons, Aggie relief end, who showed Coach Bud McCallum's A. & I. Javelinas the art of end-play with his great exhibition of pass catching. The second star, Pete Layden, backfield ace of the Texas Longhorns, who ran the L. S. U. Tigers to death with his passing, running, and kicking.

### Bill Braid Lost to Polo Team Until December

The hard riding Texas Aggie polo team suffered a severe blow this weekend as it was learned that one of the team's starting members would be lost to the squad. Bill Braid, the top man for the number two position, goes out of action for an indefinite period. Braid is to undergo an intestinal operation in the near future which will keep him on the sidelines probably until mid December.

Lieut. W. H. North, coach of the team, continues to mold the team into a first class outfit. Prospects were definitely bright at the first of the season, but as a result of Braid's misfortune the team's chances will be hindered, though by the time Bill gets back into action the squad will have some experience and will be ready to go full steam.

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## It Wasn't War but Khaki Clad Marched on S A for Victory

By Mike Mann  
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The Aggies marched on the Alamo last week end—not a war march but a march to support the Aggies on the gridiron Saturday night in their fray against the Texas A. & I. Javelinas. Some 3,000 Aggies entered San Antonio between Friday morning and Saturday night at game time.

The Alamo City was ready for the arrival of the Aggies and "Welcome, Texas Aggies" signs were displayed prominently at hotels, night clubs and drive-ins throughout the city. These signs were taken at their face value and Aggies could be found taking part in festivities both before and after the game.

### Display of Spirit

The San Antonio corps trip, though unofficial, gave a better display of Aggie spirit on a corps trip than has been seen in a long time. The Aggies in San Antonio were going full blast by game time Saturday night.

In the stadium the corps took up over three sections of seats,

the main body of Aggies being located between the 20 and 50 yard lines while a great number of cadets were strung out all the way into the end zone. Had it not been for the increased vigor of the corps the scattered condition would have seriously hampered the yelling. As it was, the yell leaders were hard-taxed to cover the entire body.

The Aggies just turned on the heat and took care of all obstacles—space included—and an excellent display of the Aggie yelling section was seen by the spectators across the field. The Aggies in the stands were supported by a large number of dates who had that old Aggie spirit and were giving the yells right along with the corps.

### Both Bands Show

The half-time color was supplied by the Javelina and Aggie bands. The Javelina band took the field first, went through formations in tribute to the two schools, and then left the field playing the "Aggie War Hymn".

The Aggie band came on the field immediately behind the A. & I. (See CORPS TRIP, Page 4)

## Team Will Work Out In Indiana and Washington

Rogers, Pickett, Williams Lead Aggie Second-Half Attack in 41-0 Win Over Hogs

Happy over their belated 41-0 victory over Texas A. & I. last Saturday night at San Antonio, Coach Homer Norton and 30 Texas Aggie gridsters will depart this afternoon at 12:30 for New York City where they will prepare to meet the challenge of the N.Y.U. Violets at the Yankee Stadium next Saturday.

The team, Coach Norton, and Line Coach Bill James will take the bus to Hearne, where they will catch the Missouri Pacific. While on their way to the "Big City", the team will stop at Vincennes, Indiana, and Washington, D. C., and take a couple of workouts. Another workout will follow these at New York before the game. They plan to return to College Monday afternoon.

Meanwhile the gridsters had a heavy workout yesterday afternoon, including a rough scrimmage and a passing drill. Moser, Daniels, Pickett, Williams, and Rogers were hitting the receivers with remarkable regularity.

Again it was the reserves who

clinched the game for the cadets last Saturday night. The "three musketeers"—Rogers, Pickett, and Williams carried most of the load in the second half to give the Aggies a 11-0 victory over A. & I. Held off to almost a stand-

still by a stout-hearted Hog defense during the first half, the cadets broke loose with an aerial circus in the second session featuring Moser, Rogers, Daniels, and Pickett that all but tore the A. & I. secondary apart. An idea of the damage done by the passing attack was the fact the Aggies completed 21 out of 41 aerial attempts for a net total of 305 yards.

Coach Homer Norton was all smiles yesterday afternoon when discussing the team. "The boys looked mighty good, particularly Simmons, Roy Bueck, and Cullen Rogers," he said smilingly. A

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