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Aggies to be in Worst Physical Condition Of Season Saturday; Norton Gives Warning

When the Texas Aggies take on the Rice Owls Saturday afternoon in Houston, it will be the first in some three years that the Cadets have gone into a game so badly battered. They are undoubtedly in worse physical shape than they have been all season.

To those cadets who have not even given a thought to the Rice game but have already been talking of the Thanksgiving battle, take heed to Coach Homer Norton's words. "We were keyed up for the S. M. U. game," the Aggie coach said Monday. "The boys all wanted that one and had themselves in the frame of mind to win it but, you know, they don't get that way every week and what I'm

afraid of is that they will become over-confident and may lose next Saturday. Also add to that our injuries, and we are in a bad shape," the coach concluded.

Derace Moser and Jim Sterling, two of the most important cogs of the Aggie machine were the new injuries added to the already growing hospital roster. Moser hurt his ankle in the S. M. U. game, while Sterling pulled his shoulder in one of his blocks against the Mustangs.

So when you start distributing that good ole propaganda of how we'll beat Texas, just don't forget there is a strong Rice team, very hungry for a victory, staring us right straight in the face. Just you remember that!

Officiating in Fish-Slime Game One of Bad Features of Tilt; Trotter, Stout, Davis Star

Dropped by Houston Tuesday afternoon and saw the Aggie Fish snatch victory out of the fire against the Rice Slimes, 13-12. The game in itself was pretty fair, but the officiating was sorry. The officials missed so many offenses that even the writers in the press box referred to the Slimes as the "Immortal 13"—11 players plus two officials. Even Byron Winstead of the Publicity Department kept shouting "Rate Watson" until his lungs almost gave out. The writer chimed in with a few but finally was left far behind by Byron's vocal cords.

slightly off, with passes being completed all over the field. Most beautiful was George Wilde's 66 yard pass to Jennings Anderson for the Fish winning score. The ball actually traveled 54 yards in the air before Anderson gathered it in on the 12 yard line and scampered over for the score. Add J. N. Trotter, Ben Stout, and Johnny Davis to that combination and you pretty well have the stars of the game. This Trotter boy was the best lineman on the field averaging approximately 65 per cent of all the Fish tackles. Just keep your eyes on this boy—he's going places.

Sports Squibs From Here and There; Lefty Bumpers to Get Trial With Detroit Tigers

L. P. "Lefty" Bumpers, the Aggies' great southpaw pitcher of the past two years, will get a trial with the Detroit Tigers this year . . . if he makes good he may stick with the American Leaguers or be shipped to Buffalo, a Class AA entry . . . Bumpers played with Beaumont last summer winning five games and losing seven with a last place club . . . Texas University and the "12th" man . . . 1,000 members of its select student body flourished out to the station to greet the bewildered Longhorn players who still couldn't understand how Baylor ever managed for a tie! . . . The Daily Tex-

an, student newspaper, called it the greatest rally in the University's history. We don't dispute that angle . . . IT PROBABLY WAS THE FIRST TIME THAT 1,000 MEMBERS OUT OF AN 11,000 TEXAS UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY EVER GREETED THE TEAM. . . It was a great accomplishment for the student body and the cheer leaders . . . NO DOUBT . . . the Aggies are still second only to the Texas Longhorns in total offense . . . the average reads: T. U. 2449; Ags 2057 . . . however, the defensive angle changes hands . . . Texas has allowed opponents 1057 while the Aggies have let their foes only 763 yards . . . According to a report from the Boston Record, Bill Henderson, Aggie end, is leading the end candidates for All-American with 10 votes . . . he is trailed by Loren McKinney of Harvard and Holt Rast of Alabama, who have 9 votes apiece . . . Chal Daniel of Texas is the leading guard with 11 votes.

Dr. George D. Stoddard, dean of the graduate school of the University of Iowa, will succeed Dr. Ernest E. Cole as New York state education commissioner on June 30, 1942.

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Montgomery graduated from A. & M. in 1941 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

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Fish Triumph Over Slimes on Wilde's 66 Yard Pass Play

Scoring on a 69 yard runback of an intercepted lateral, and a 66 yard forward pass, the Aggie Fish scored their second win of the season with a 13-12 decision over the Rice Slimes Tuesday. An Armistice Day crowd of 7,000 persons watched the tilt, which was a battle from the opening kickoff.

Fish End Tom Coers broke the ice in the third quarter when he intercepted Sultis' lateral on his own 31 yard line and raced the distance to score. Previous to this, the game had been a seasaw affair with neither team able to reach paydirt.

Shortly after the start of the fourth quarter, the Slimes marched 38 yards to a touchdown, and a few minutes later went into the lead, scoring on two pass plays which carried them from the 45 yard line to the goal.

However, the Fish refused to admit defeat, and with but four minutes remaining in the ball game, George Wilde dropped back and shot a long pass to Jennings Anderson who raced the remaining distance for the winning score.

The Slimes took the kickoff and drove down to the Fish 10 yard line, attempting a field goal from this point. The pass from center was fumbled, and the Fish recovered as the game ended.

INTRAMURALS

By DUB OXFORD

Judging from the number of protests filed with this writer since the last Battalion appeared, perhaps I had better rectify the mistake made. It was reported that J. R. Rucker of I Infantry was class B individual winner. The corrected statement now reads, J. R. RUCKER OF B INFANTRY WINNER OF CLASS B CROSS COUNTRY MEET.

Water Polo in Quarter Finals
Class A water polo is now in the quarter-finals and only one team so far has progressed to the semi-finals, name E battery Field Artillery. With Welder of 5 CH Q making three goals and Bassinger heaving the ball in for 2 more, 5 CHQ came out

winner of the match with A CWS. The Chem boys tallied only 1 point in the game.

F Field won their match with 2 CHQ by a score of 3-1. Although the match was one of the hardest fought battles that water polo observers have seen, the Field boys were just the better team that night.

In the match between I Field and B Infantry, Ralph Inglefield scored 2 goals and F. M. Edwards backed him up for another point to make the score 3-1 in favor of I battery. The game of the evening was the splashy match between E Field and C CWS. The game ended with the score 2-1 in favor E battery, but that's not the whole story. Pat Biggs of E Field scored the only two goals made, but it was quite a fight to do so. In fact, half of the CWS team spent the most of their time under water and vice versa.

FORFEIT DOGHOUSE

Class A:
G Field Artillery, Tennis
Class B:
2 Hdq. iFeld Artillery, Swimming
F Engineers, Swimming

The volleyball courts have seen lots of action lately, and Recreational officers are reminded that they are allowed to send down only twelve men to participate in a volleyball game.

Intramural Heroics and Hysterics
Referee Orville Lee Moore cornered me and related a most interesting tale. It seems that there

Standings

	W	L	T	Pts	Op
A. & M.	4	0	0	90	10
Texas	3	0	1	129	21
T. C. U.	2	1	0	32	26
Rice	1	1	0	21	52
Baylor	1	2	1	39	78
S. M. U.	0	2	0	10	55
Arkansas	0	5	0	33	105

Aggies Working Overtime In Preparation for Owls

With a tough fight in sight from the Rice Institute Owls in Houston Saturday, the Texas Aggies are working overtime in practice sessions. The Owls are in fourth place in the conference race with one victory and one defeat, while the cadets are leading the pack with four wins and no losses.

Derace Moser, the Aggie passing ace, who completed 11 passes in 26 attempts against S. M. U., has been limping around at practice with a swollen ankle. "Mose" will be in shape by Saturday and is a good bet to be in the starting lineup. Willie Zapalac, who has been nursing an injured knee, is recovering rapidly and should be ready to go Saturday.

Jim Sterling, who has been thrilling spectators with his smashing blocking game, pulled his shoulder in just such a block. Leo Daniels was kept from passing

in the S. M. U. game due to an injured shoulder.

Bobby Williams, with a bruised hip, has been shifted to blocking back from tailback to fill in for Zapalac. Tom Pickett is still out with his rib and knee injuries. This situation leaves the cadets out of tailbacks for the Rice game.

The Owls, under Coach Jess Neely, are working hard in an effort to devise means of toppling the Aggies from the ranks of the undefeated and untied teams and the conference lead. The Owls have been stressing pass defense and are trying in every way to figure a method of stopping the famed Aggie "aerial circus."

The Aggies have a wide edge in the tall-time series with the Owls, having won 17 games to Rice's 6. Two of the games were ties. The Owls have not defeated the cadets since 1935.

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