

TCU Tie Makes Aggies Undisputed S W C Champs

Fish Intensifying Efforts for Yearlings

Coaches Expect Toughest Test Yet; Game on Bryan Field in Case of Rain

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With only one more day remaining until they battle the Texas Yearlings, the Aggie Fish are intensifying their efforts to be ready for the encounter. Having worked hard against the varsity the past week, including a rock-and-sock scrimmage Saturday afternoon, the Fish are in top shape and ready to go.

Coaches Charlie DeWare and Manning Smith are expecting the toughest battle their charges have yet experienced, and to quote Coach DeWare "We'll be lucky if we win by one point." In preparation for the forthcoming clash, the Fish has been working overtime on passing and pass defense, two departments in which they have shown signs of weakness.

Rules, Suggestions Offered Students, Visitors for Game

Plans Set up to Help Everyone Save Time And Money While on Campus

With thousands of visitors expected to be on the A. & M. campus Thursday, it is important that certain rules and suggestions be followed. These are for the benefit of both students and their visiting friends and are designed to prevent unnecessary waste of time and money.

Here are some suggested rules:

1. All gates will open at noon and fans are urged to take their places in the stands as early as possible.
2. If you do not have a ticket for the game, stay away from College Station. There are none available and no standing room will be sold.
3. Scalpers are warned that federal and state men will be here to watch for any violation of the laws governing resale of tickets at advanced prices.
4. If at all possible, fans should come to the game by one of the several special trains which will be run. All trains run within one block of the stadium and will save the trouble of hunting parking space or driving over congested roads.
5. FREE parking space will be provided to care for fans who drive in, and those who come by that method should follow the signs directing them about the campus.
6. To relieve the pressure on local eating establishments in Bryan and College Station both of the dining halls will be open to the public with family style meals served at a nominal cost. Meals will be served from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m.
7. The Assembly Hall has been set aside as headquarters for visitors.
8. First aid station will be located on Clark Street, the thoroughfare leading to the main gate of Kyle Field.

Welsh, Wilde to Lead Battle

The Fish will be led into battle by Barney Welsh, swivel-hipped halfback from Stephenville, and George Wilde, sensational passer from Graham. Ahead of them in the rugged forward wall are Ends Nute Trotter, sensation in the Rice game, and Jim Coers, whose alertness counted six points in that affair.

Yearlings Ready

On the other side of the fence, word comes from Austin to the effect that the Yearlings are out to keep their string of victories over the Fish intact. While Coach Littlefield's boys are not as strong as other freshman teams in recent years have been at Texas, they still pack plenty of punch in some departments.

Game at 2 o'clock

The game is scheduled for 2 o'clock on Kyle Field, but in the event of rain Wednesday morning, the location will be moved to Bryan Field so that the turf on Kyle Field will not be torn up for the varsity game Thursday afternoon.

Mournful Tunes of Bass Horn, Piccolo to Lead Elephant Walk

One of the events long remembered by seniors as a symbol of achievement in their college careers is the annual Elephant Walk which will again be held Thursday morning November 27. Symbolizing that their lives as student are drawing to a climax, and that they will no longer be of use to the football team, the Elephant Walk has its origin in the customary actions of an old or wounded dying elephant.

Laying aside their dignity and wearing their shirt tails out, the seniors each year at the end of the football season parade in winding lines up and down military walk. Two senior members of the band lead the march playing a slow, mournful dirge on a piccolo and a bass horn. On this occasion the seniors take off all insignia of rank and regiment; fourth year private or cadet colonel makes no difference, they are just Aggies on this day.

Ross Volunteers Initiate Sixty Junior Members Sunday With Informal, Formal Rites Followed by Sbis Banquet

Bill Robinson Elected R V King to Reign Over Spring Holiday Festivities

After a full day of preliminary rites, the Ross Volunteers held a formal initiation Sunday night in Sbis Hall. Sixty new members took their places in this honorary military organization.

Following the formal initiation held by candle light, the company adjourned to the banquet room of the mess hall for a dinner.

Guests of honor at the ceremonies were Col. M. D. Welty, Commandant and P. M. S. & T., Lt. Col. J. K. Boles, Major T. A. Adeock, Capt. W. S. McCully, Lt. T. B. Strother, and Lt. G. P. Lerner.

Following the banquet, a business meeting was held to elect junior officers and determine policies for the coming year. Bill Robinson, E Field Artillery, was elected king

of the R. V. spring holidays. Junior officers elected were Austin Nance, first sergeant; Henry King, line sergeant, and Jim Cunningham, line sergeant.

The Ross Volunteers, named after Lawrence Sullivan Ross, prominent in the early history of Texas A. & M., is the oldest organization on the campus. They are now entering their fifty-fifth year of service.

Louis Kercheville, captain of the company, announced that drill would soon begin in an effort to

Albert Spalding On Town Hall Program After Thanksgiving

Violin Virtuoso, Now Playing with Kostelantz, Make A & M Debut Dec 3

Albert Spalding, one of the foremost violin virtuosos of America and the world, makes his bow to the Texas Aggies Wednesday night, December 3, in Town Hall's third presentation of the year.

Spalding made his debut in Paris at the age of 16. In the course of his career he has played before royalty, was decorated by the Italian Government and by France with the rosette of the Legion of Honor. There is scarcely a musical center of the world where he has not appeared and been accepted as a master of the violin. It is said of him in some of his criticisms that his playing is as fine as the violin he uses; he has been called by some "the aristocrat of the violin."

Each season he sets new records all over the world in his concert tours, playing recitals and appearing as soloist with some of the leading orchestras. At present he is appearing every Sunday afternoon with André Kostelantz's orchestra.

Visitors Charged 35¢ On Thanksgiving Day

A charge of 35 cents will be assessed all visitors who eat in the mess halls at the noon meal Thanksgiving, Bill Butler announced today.

This charge will be made to cover the expense caused by the unusually large crowd which is expected to eat in the mess halls.

Austin Nance, Henry King, Jim Cunningham Chosen as New Non Coms make the R. V.'s the outstanding drilling organization in the state. It is hoped that the company may put on several exhibitions during the coming year to further their reputation as a military unit of renown.

Senior officers for the year are Lewis Kercheville, captain; Max Jordan, second in command; Frank King, secretary and treasurer; and Second Lieutenants G. W. Halton and C. B. Marsh.

New members are chosen each year by the senior members. Invitations are extended to those who have proven themselves proficient in drill and military knowledge during their freshman and sophomore years. Other factors on which membership are based are popularity and other accomplishments of merit.

Teasippers Burn Red Tapers 24 Hours Each Day to Drive off Jinx

The belief that unpleasant occurrences can be prevented by simply burning a red candle is not just a superstition of the dark ages. Hundreds of them are burning now 24 hours a day at Texas university to drive off the Kyle Field "jinx". The impression is that Christmas has come early over at Austin, but the impression is wrong because the everburning candles is the teasippers' way of showing they've got the spirit.

U of Houston Prof Invited to Speak At National English Meet

Dr. R. Balfour Daniels, professor of English and chairman of the division of cultural arts in the University of Houston, has been invited to appear on the program of the College English Association, which will meet in Indianapolis on December 28-29.

Dr. Daniels, who has been a member of the faculty of the University since 1939, will lead the discussion following an address on December 29 by William Blackburn of the English department of Duke university. Dr. Daniels' speech and discussion will be the "Value of Literature in the Present Crisis."

Officials Fail to Comment On Cotton Bowl Invitation

Team, Back in Top Shape, Scrimmages Behind Locked Gates Learning New Plays

The Texas Aggies have been declared Southwest Conference champions for the 1941 season even before the season has been officially closed. For the third consecutive year the Cadets have finished not lower than first place in the Southwest Conference race.

The Rice Owls, by battling the Texas Christian Horned Frogs to a scoreless tie last Saturday, clinched the championship for the Aggies.

As the clash with the Texas Longhorns is the only remaining conference game, the Aggies have an undisputed hold on top honors, regardless of the outcome of the Turkey Day battle. Hand-in-hand with the championship comes the automatic invitation to participate as the Southwest Conference representative in the New Year's Day Cotton Bowl classic. The directors of this annual affair invite the conference champs to be the host team every year. No comment has been made by A. & M. officials on this invitation and none is expected until after Thursday's game.

Citrus Fruits Hold Spotlight At Horticulture Show

Purpose of Display Is To Instruct Students, Raise Money for Trips

Fruits and vegetables of every description were on display in the lobby of the Agriculture building yesterday as a part of the show sponsored by the Horticulture Society.

Citrus fruits from the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas constituted the chief display. Each crate was carefully inspected and graded for size, quality and pack. The producers of the best crates of grapefruit and oranges were awarded silver plaques of recognition by the society.

The purpose of the show is twofold: first, to afford horticulture students a chance to see various types and grades of fruits, and second, to secure funds to send some of the students on an inspection trip later in the year. Admission is free, but all the fruits and vegetables are on sale at reasonable prices.

On exhibition are products from many other states. The quick freezing process of foodstuffs in their fresh form for future use, hybrid development in plants, and canned goods of various sorts were also on display. The show will close this afternoon.

Three-Time Champs

Conference champions in 1939, co-champions with S. M. U. in 1940, and repeating their 1939 feat this year, the ten seniors on the Aggie squad have never experienced anything lower than a tie for top honors in their entire college football career.

Notified of the Rice-T. C. U. deadlock while they were hard at work preparing for the climax of A. & M. football, the Texas U. game, the Cadets were overjoyed at the news, but soon started back to work with renewed vigor.

Scrimmaging behind locked gates, the Aggies are learning new plays, both offensive and defensive, designed by Coach Norton to stop the deadly onslaughts of the Longhorns. A number of new plays will be seen for the first time Thursday as the Cadets are expected to go the limit to take the Steers into camp.

Team In Top Shape

The string of injuries which has plagued the Aggies is practically gone and all men are expected to be in top shape with the exception of Les Richardson who has a bad ankle. Roy Maples will start in Richardson's place at the right guard post in the event the latter is still ailing at the game time. (See CHAMPS, page 4)

Student Activities Committee Rules On Cotton Ball and Barnyard Frolics

Along with the handling of routine business the Student Activities Committee made a decision in regard to the Cotton Ball at its meeting held yesterday afternoon in Dean F. C. Bolton's office.

In line with its former decision announced earlier in the year, the committee agreed that the Cotton Pageant should be managed entirely by the Agronomy Society and at the Cotton Ball following the pageant

the net proceeds should be split between the society and the student fund managed by the Activities office. This fund will be used in a similar manner as money derived from shows at the Y.M.C.A.

The committee also approved a petition of the Agricultural Engineering Society to hold an open dance this spring to be known as the "Barnyard Frolic". This dance will be a corps dance and proceeds will go into the corps dance fund.

The unexpected loss by Texas reversed the roles somewhat and finds the Aggies under "pressure" to preserve their undefeated, untied record.

While Texas will be fighting to repeat their 1940 feat of putting an end to the Aggies' string of victories, a win by Texas now could not ruin the cadets' championship since TCU tied Rice last Saturday.

Bands Plan Spelling Session

Texas' 150-piece Longhorn Band will parade at the half as will the Aggie band. The Texas band will probably form the letters TU and AMC. The Aggie band will spell "Bible", "Norton", and "12th Man". While the "12th Man" is still forming, the band will play the song new to Aggiland this year, "Twelfth Man."

Year's Greatest Pre Game Commotion and Excitement on Tap;

Aggie History Full of Dynamite Scheduled to Unroll Itself Starting Tomorrow With Broadcasts, Bonfire, Dance, Game

Aggie history written full of dynamite will unroll itself in Aggiland tomorrow and Thanksgiving. After a buildup given by eight or more national radio broadcasts, the largest bonfire given in the history of the school, the year's largest corps dance and a luncheon attended by Governor Coke Stevenson and the majority of the State Senate, A. & M. will play Texas university's Longhorns as a fitting climax to such a display of frivolities.

Bill Stern Starts Broadcast at 6:30

N. B. C.'s own Bill Stern will be one of the radio personalities to give time to the Aggies when he broadcasts from 6:30 to 7 p. m. from the steps of Goodwin Hall Wednesday night. The program will be carried from coast to coast by N.B.C. and around the world by short wave radio.

Bill Stern, N.B.C. sportscaster, will direct the program and will interview General George F. Moore former commandant of A. & M., who is now stationed in the Phil-

ippines. E. B. Elliott, local Texas distributor, has arranged for the company's big new sound truck to be available for yell practice that night and will be placed on the drill field where all the program may be heard.

Glen Miller's program will be broadcast a few minutes later to those students out on the campus and the crowds who will be filling into old Sbis for the annual Bon Fire dance. Miller will dedicate the entire program to the cadet corps and will play "Chattanooga Choo-choo," "Elmer's Tune," and "Song of the Volga Boatmen" for them. He will also play one surprise tune for the cadets on this program.

Thursday's radio programs will be given over mainly to the actual broadcasting of the game, but will be followed Thursday night by the program of the Grand Prize Brewing Company dedicated to the Aggies.

Kickoff Moved Up Thirty Minutes

Beginning with the kickoff at 2:00 p. m., Kern Tipps will broad-

cast the game over the Texas Quality Network which would ordinarily be the only hookup to broadcast the classic. Because this is the event of the day and the entire season, the National Broadcasting Company will carry the entire program beginning at 3 p. m. This network will not be heard in Texas.

In addition to the T.Q.N. and N. B.C. broadcasts of the Mutual Broadcasting Company will carry the entire game. It will be noticed that the start will come 30 minutes early Thanksgiving as Kyle Field games have been starting at 2:30 p. m.

Bonfire Blaze Begins During Yell Practice

The largest bon fire ever assembled on the campus will be lighted during yell practice and will burn until many of the activities of the evening have been completed and dancers wind their way homeward.

Construction on the heap has been underway since the corps re-

turned from their jaunt to Houston for the Aggie-Owl victory November 15. Railroad timber, trees, barrels, baskets, doors, crates, packing boxes, stakes, old skis, and discarded flooring have been arranged to form a conical lumber yard of great proportions.

Governor, Senate Here for Luncheon

Governor Coke Stevenson will attend a luncheon in Sbis Hall at noon Thursday along with approximately two thirds of the State Senate. The office of student activities states that at least half of the House of Representatives of the State of Texas will be visitors on the campus at this time.

Governor Stevenson will deliver his dedicatory message before the start of the game of which he has said, "congratulations to the two fine teams and the great institutions which they represent. To the student bodies of both schools, my praise for their devotion to the cause of democracy and the ideals of service."

Aggiland Plays For Bonfire Dance

Aggiland's own orchestra under the direction of Topsy Pearce will play for the bonfire dance tomorrow night. Norma Jean Jahn will lend her vocal talent to the color of the affair when the largest crowd of the year will pack the historic building, Sbis Hall.

The dance will begin at 9:30 p. m. and will last until 1. Admission will be \$1.00 with the customary tax of 10 cents totals \$1.10. Besides the many members of the corps who will attend the dance with their dates there will be many visitors on the campus who will go to the dance, further expanding the crowd.

Game Climaxes Week's Festivities

The climax of the week will come with the playing of the football classic which will be the forty-eighth meeting between football teams of Texas University and A. & M. Before the defeat of the TU