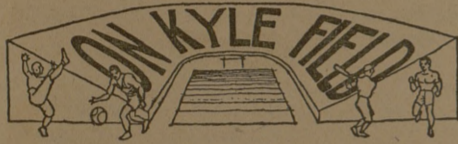


Owls Eke Out 44-42 Triumph Over Aggies



By Mike Haikin
Battalion Sports Editor

Football Goes On and On; Coach Norton Announces Spring Practice for January 26

It looks like football soon may be considered an all-season sport. Not that it will be played all the year, but the fact that the players seem to practice throughout the whole year. No sooner was practice finished for A. & M. January 1, than Coach Homer Norton announced spring practice for January 26. That gave the players but 25 days to rest between seasons. The Aggies open their fall training around September 5, have a 25 day respite, and then go on to spring training up around April. That means that the average Aggie gridster plays football seven months of the year. No wonder the Aggies lay claim to

more championships than any other team in the conference.

Some 50 to 60 gridsters will report to Coach Norton and start working out for the 1942 season. Of these 39 are returning lettermen while the rest are squadmen, ineligible, and members of the '41 freshman team. The prospects for a great season next year are more than bright, with Leo Daniels and Ed Sturcken, an ineligible this past year, in the key roles. Leo understudied Derace Moser, and showed that he was the top sophomore back of the conference last year. Sturcken, big and burly ineligible, showed plenty of promise in developing into a second John Kimbrough, with his power in practice scrimmages. Spring training should tell a lot about the big boy from San Antonio. But mark our word, if Sturcken shows only half of what he had this past fall, he'll be a thorn in the side of Ag opponents. The line will center most of its defense around Center Bill Sibley, who has a lot of "All-American" possibilities. He was, by far, the best center in the conference this past year, and the '42 season may see Billy gain greater glory. Unless the draft gets him real soon, Weldon Maples, should prove to be one of the top guards next fall. Bill Henderson and Boots Simmons should fare more than favorably with the other ends of the conference. The tackle positions are the biggest problem, with Martin Ruby, Enel Wesson, and Leonard Dickey all gone. Bob Tulis is sure to hold one spot while Ben Stout of the Fish, Jack Swank, and Don Leuthy should have a merry go of it for the other post.

All in all, it looks mighty good for the Cadets for next year, especially down Austin way. The other teams, especially T.C.U. and Rice, will have some good material, and you can be sure that the Aggies will be in the thick of the race.

Sports Squibs From Here And There; No New Man To Take Place of Chas. DeWare

There will be no new man taking the place of Army bound Charlie DeWare. . . Coach Homer Norton indicated that the A. & M. coaching staff will adjust itself to the situation. . . in all probability Manning Smith will be put in charge of all freshman sports. . . awards to the coaches and mem-

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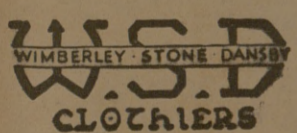
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Football Banquet Honors Team Tonight

Post Trophy To be Awarded Moser and Ruby

Tonight is "payoff night" for the Texas Aggies football team as the annual gridiron banquet will be held in Sbis Hall at 7:00 o'clock and the announcement of letters and awards will be made.

Numerous awards will be made to the gridsters in addition to the usual lettermen presentations. The Lipscomb-Mummerlyn Captain's Trophy will go to Marshall Spivey and Martin Ruby, who were elected honorary captains by the lettermen at the close of the season. The Lipscomb-Mummerlyn Most Valuable Player Trophy will be awarded to the player selected as the player most valuable to the team.

The annual Bert Pfaff trophy will go to the player selected as the best blocker on the team. The American General Insurance Company and C. C. (Polly) Krueger will both give awards to the Aggies selected on the All-Southwest Conference team.

Coach Homer Norton, as in previous years, will give the squadmen the gold watch charm token he awards only to championship teams. The usual gold footballs will be given to all of the lettermen. The Chase Holland, Texas Aggie spur-clip tie clasps will be given to all members of the squad.

The customary gold T medals will be given to those who have lettered for the first time, while the others will receive an additional bar indicating another letter earned. Ruby and Spivey will receive captain's bars.

Derace Moser and Martin Ruby will receive the Houston Post trophy for the most valuable back and linesman in the conference for 1941.

The four winners of the varsity cross country letters will also be announced tonight. Freshman numerals will be awarded to the members of the 1941 Aggie Fish football squad.

End Coach Dough Rollins will be the master of ceremonies and President T. O. Walton will make the main address. Among the special guests there will be Dan Rogers, chairman of the Cotton Bowl committee; James Stewart, business manager of the Cotton Bowl Committee and S. M. U.; Felix McKnight, staff writer on the Dallas Morning News; Col. Ike Ashburn, former assistant to President Walton; and a colorful collection of others.

Pat Flaherty, Houston sports announcer, will be on hand to broadcast the activities over a state-wide network.

Colonel Boles Speaks To A & M Rifle Club

Meeting last Monday night, the Texas A. & M. Rifle club had as their guest speaker Lt. Colonel J. K. Boles. Lt. Colonel Boles, himself a coach of the International Rifle team, exhibited to club members target guns that had been used in the International matches.

The Lt. Colonel then gave a resume of his experiences as a rifle coach. Colonel Boles has fired in matches taking place in Italy, Switzerland, Sweden, Belgium, and Poland. He also shot on the Olympic team of 1924, his team winning the meet.

The field artillery instructor then said that his best shooting was in Poland where he won two world championships. Target shooting is my favorite sport, the Lt. Colonel then added.

Passing along helpful advice to the tyroes, Colonel Boles believes that the "trigger pull" is one of the most important phases of fine target shooting. This "trigger pull" is especially to be stressed where off-hand shooting is concerned.

Members of the Maroon and White teams will be made within the next week or so. . . there is a possibility of a banquet being held in honor of the boys—but it's only a possibility. . . this writer tried his hand at broadcasting Tuesday at 11:55. . . Figure I'd better stick to sports writing. . . Baylor's defeat by Texas left the conference race an open affair. . . anyone may yet prove to be the crown wearer, but from this corner we still say it'll be Rice. . . only time will tell.

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INTRAMURALS

By DUB OXFORD

Left out of the story in last Saturday's Battalion was the news concerning F Field Artillery's win over H Coast Artillery to cop the class B intramural school ping-pong championship. The freshmen from F battery won the tilt 4-1. Freshmen from F battery winning matches were: J. H. Tennison, R. O. Weldon, C. G. Mohle, C. L. Harrison, and F. D. Pigg. The only man winning a match for H Coast was Grantham.



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Class A:
H Replacement Center, Speedball
B Replacement Center, Speedball

F FA Wins Grudge Battle

Playing an almost "grudge" battle, F FA won the class B volleyball championship of Texas A. & M. by downing I Field 2-1. The freshmen from F battery will almost need an anchor chain to carry all the intramural medals that have been bestowed upon them. Not only do they have medals but they also have a marvelous record that few teams have equalled—the winning of two intramural championships within two days. Beat that, if you can!

In the playing of the title match, F Field took the first game 15-1. I Field Artillery then got their dander up, came back and won the next game 15-11. The last game, the deciding factor of the game, F Battery won 15-11.

I FA Football Champs

Playing a very hot game, but sparked by the chill of a brisk winter afternoon, I Battery Field Artillery took the class A touch football flag Monday afternoon

by beating F Battery Field Artillery 8-7.

The game began with a score and ended with a score. On the first play of the game, F Battery threw a pass behind their own goal line. The pass was incomplete, thus giving I Battery their first tally of the game.

On the next possession of the ball, I Field took the pigskin and scored a touchdown by a 60-yard pass, Roberts to Sims. This was the last score that I battery made.

About a minute before the game ended, Lambert of F Battery attempted a pass over the goal, it was batted down by Sims and Rotholz of F Battery caught the bouncing ball. A touchdown resulted from his brilliant catch. The point was kicked by Erp. The game ended with the final score I Battery, 8; F Battery, 7.

Charlie DeWare Joins Army at San Antonio

Charlie DeWare, Freshman football and baseball coach, answered the call of the colors recently. DeWare left yesterday for Fort Sam Houston where he will serve with the Infantry. When asked why he did not join the Air Corps, he replied, "I'll get mine the hard way."

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Kinney Leads Owl Scoring; Aggies Give Fierce Battle

"Bat-em" Bob Kinney, the towering center of the Rice Owls, returned to pre-season form last night, as he hit the meshes for 21 points to lead the Houston team to a thrilling 44-42 victory over a determined Texas Aggie five at the DeWare Field House.

The Owls had to fight hard all the way as they got the battle of their lives from a bunch of Aggies who didn't know of the word "quit." The ball handling of the Aggies was excellent, with Art Jarrett and Bill Henderson shining in that respect. Jarrett, incidentally, made the last 10 points for the Cadets to keep them in the game. He wound up with 14, while Henderson hit the basket for 16 points.

Kinney proved to be the big gun of the Owls during the first half, too, as he scored 13 of the 19 Owl markers. Henderson accounted for 12 as the Aggies lead at the half, 21-19.

The Owls took a small lead of 10-5 at the start of the game, but Henderson closed the gap with two field goals. Kinney popped one in to extend the Owl lead to 12-9, and then proceeded to sink three more goals to put Rice ahead 18-13 with two minutes to go. However, Henderson and Lee Huffman hit the

meshes consistently to wind up with a 21-19 lead for the Cadets at the half.

Jamie Dawson opened the second half with a gratis shot followed by a field goal by Henderson. Closs and Gomez sank free throws while Palmer added a field goal to tie the score at 24 all. With four minutes to play, Art Jarrett sank a goal to put the Aggies into the lead, 36-34. Field goals by Walters, Gomez, and Closs gave the Owls a lead of 40-36. Jarrett hit the meshes again, but it was counterbalanced as Kinney and Gomez hit the basket. The score was 44-40 as the seconds ticked by. Jarrett broke loose to get under the basket and sink another field goal to cut the Owl lead, 44-42. With but fifteen seconds to play, the Aggies retrieved the ball from the Owls. Standing in mid-court, Henderson took a long shot that missed the hoop by inches. The game ended with that play.

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