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Aggies Have Lost Three Games by 7 Points; Missing Gratis Throws Has Been Main Cause

While looking over a newspaper of one kind or the other, you've probably noticed that many times a basketball team beats another quintet by a mere 7 points. "Only 7 points," you might have said, "boy! That must've been a close battle all the way."

And true enough. A basketball game that has only 7 points difference between the two teams is one mighty good fracas. But—and here comes the rub—if you think a game is close when the difference is only 7 points, what do you then think of **THREE GAMES**, the scores of which total a difference of but 7 points. That is exactly what has been the fate of Coach Marty Karow's hard fighting quintet which has been so near to victory and yet so far. In their past three encounters they have lost first to Baylor by a 48-46 count, then to the Rice Owls, 44-42, and Tuesday night they hit a snag at Waco when the Bears downed them, 38-35.

Sports writers and radio com-

mentators have given a lot of credence to the "hard-luck" going of the S. M. U. Mustangs, who have lost six conference games, none of which has been by more than 5 points. Well, so what? Look at the Aggies, and also take a gander at Coach Karow—he has more gray hair than he ever had. And no wonder! Losing three games by the total difference of 7 points would give anyone gray hairs.

What has caused all these setbacks suffered by the Cadets? Certainly, the boys haven't really been unlucky in the last three of their games. If you think they have, you give them sort of a poor excuse. The answer lies in their free throws. For example, in their previous games with Rice and Baylor, they scored more field goals than their opponents, but found the going tough from the foul line. Tuesday, they made but 7 gratis shots out of a total of 15, and therein lies the story of a team that smells victory so near, but still finds it so far away.

Tale of Red Goatley, Star Cadet Pole Vaulter is Most Unusual Story of Year

Looking over the prospects of Coach Dough Rollins' track team, I ran across one of the most unusual stories of the year—the story of an athlete who didn't know his own ability. His name is Red Goatley, a sophomore and one of Coach Rollins' brightest track stars. He specializes in pole vaulting, and according to Rollins, is just about tops in that field over here. But I'm getting ahead of the story.

At any rate, white Red was a fish last year, Albert Ricks, who is one of the top pole vaulters in the conference, detailed him to catch the pole while he (Ricks) pole vaulted. This Red did for a number of days until he got a craving for jumping over the bar.

It was his first try, but that impressed Coach Rollins so much that he immediately issued him a suit. At first, Red did only fair, but practice and more practice finally developed him into a real star pole vaulter. Today, he jumps 12 feet, and is giving Albert Ricks a strong fight for the pole vaulting honors of the squad.

As for his eligibility, Coach Rollins has nothing to worry about. Last year, Red made 105 grade points out of a possible 108, and made 56 just this past term. He's taking P. E. and that's not Physical Education—it's Petroleum. Hm! Who said that athletes were dumb?

And why? According to Miss Anna Many, counselor of women, the short date hour gives the girls an opportunity to test their "dates" without the fear of being "loaded" with a "drip."

Baylor Defeats Aggie Cagers At Waco Tues, 38-35

Hailey Leads Bears To Hard-Earned Victory; Bill Henderson High Point Man

The Texas Aggie cagers, who have been the hardluck players of the Southwest conference by losing a number of games by extremely narrow margins, suffered another such defeat Tuesday night at the hands of the Baylor Bears in Waco. The Cadets were nosed out with a 38-35 score.

The spur of the late Baylor drive was the same Bill Hailey, who tossed the winning basket against the Aggies at College Station several weeks ago. Hailey accounted for only six of the Bear tallies but all of these came in the last five minutes of the game—a time when they were much needed.

The Aggies, with five minutes left to play, were ahead, 28-25. The Bears, turned on the head and led 35-32 with about 40 seconds of the game remaining. Bill Henderson tossed a goal and scored a free throw given him by virtue of a foul as he was throwing at the basket. This tied the game at 35-35.

Peden fouled Dwight Parks, the Baylor ace, as Parks was dribbling down the floor. Parks made the throw to provide the winning score and Arnett tossed a field goal as the whistle sounded.

Henderson, the high-point man, was held scoreless during the first half by Arnett, Ray Jarrett guarded Parks so closely that the latter could account for only ten points.

The Cadets are now in sixth place in the conference race with one victory against four losses while the Bears are in a third place tie with the Rice Owls.

Pitts, Ark Capt., Setting Hot Pace For Hog Quintet

Captain R. C. Pitts, the Forrest City senior who developed into a great basket-ringer almost overnight, is setting a hot pace for University of Arkansas basketballers at the end of 14 games and on the eve of stretch warfare for the Southwest conference championship.

The lanky guard, who spent most of his time in the back areas for two years while mates chucked in points, has poured 58 field goals and 31 free throws through the nets this winter for 147 of Arkansas' 600 points. In four league games the 6 foot-4 veteran has tallied 58 of Arkansas' 164 points.

Arkansas has won 11 of 14 games. Including this week's pair with Baylor, Coach Glen Rose's quintet has nine more games scheduled.

Luke Harrison -- Summer Sports Director Here -- Has Contributed Much to Intramural Program

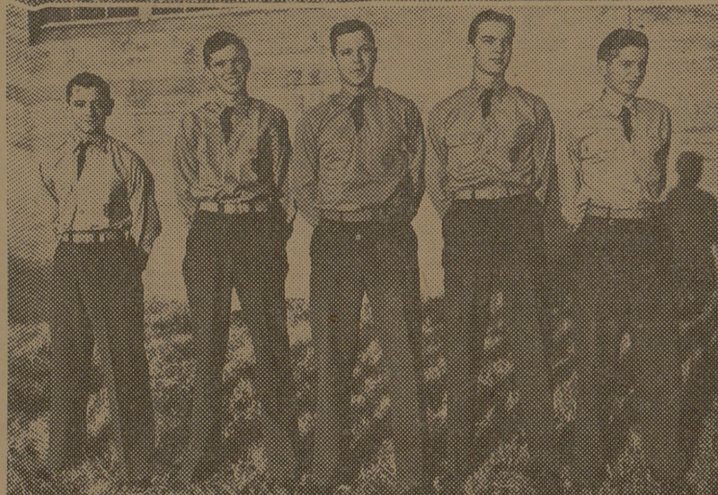
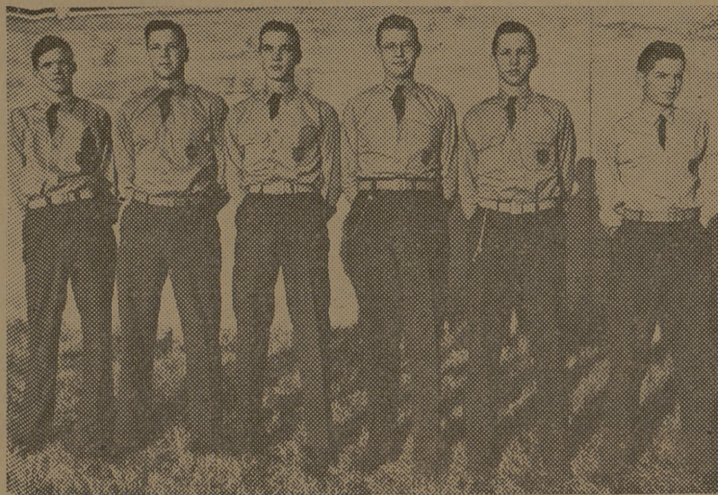
All Aggies who have participated in intramural sports have become acquainted with L. A. (Luke) Harrison, one of the men who has done much to promote student participation in athletics. Luke is

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More Intramural Champs



Class B intramural champions shown above are F Field Artillery volleyball winners Pigg, Mohle, Weldon, Holekamp, Adams, and Tennison. Bottom, F Field ping pong champions Harrison, Pigg, Mohle, Weldon, and Tennison.

Aggie Gridsters Settle Down to Hard Scrimmages

The Texas Aggie football team, which started its spring training session last week, has settled down to hard work and scrimmaging. The gridsters have been knocking heads all week, and, according to reliable information from the coaches, this will continue on through the last day of practice.

Tuesday and yesterday afternoon the gridsters went through strenuous scrimmages and fundamentals. Passing, kicking, blocking, and tackling were the orders of the day and the footballers carried them out in fine style. Leo Daniels, Ed Sturcken, Cullen Rogers, George Wilde, Jake Webster, and Vernon Bellville did most of the flinging, and hit their receivers with remarkable accuracy. Sturcken and Daniels proved especially exceptional in that respect with both showing midseason form.

In scrimmages, Daniels, Sturcken and Webster broke loose for long gains. The Aggie forward wall, looking better day by day, was led by guards Weldon Maples and Ray Mulhollen and Bill Sibley at the pivot post. Sibley proved to be the defensive star of the past two scrimmages with his great offensive and defensive work. His offense brought pleasing smiles to the coaches. Nute Trotter, star of the past freshman team also has been looking far above par in recent sessions.

The squad has been divided into four teams and each scrimmage the other every day. A general intra-squad game has been scheduled for Saturday afternoon at three p.m. and the public and students are invited to view the edition of the '42 Aggie team.

INTRAMURALS

By DUB OXFORD

Don't try to hang your clothes on the wooden structure west of the clay tennis courts. Just because it resembles a clothesline is no definite proof that it is. To get to the truth of the matter, the wooden structures are the new home of class A volleyball courts.

The new volleyball courts are complete with an officials stand above the net. This will enable the referee to readily see fouls or any other breach of the rules. While the courts are dirt, they will be surfaced with a suitable material soon.

Both class A speedball and basketball winners will have been decided by the end of this week and in answer to the many requests, the standings for the semester will be run as soon as the games are finished and the results tabulated.

Handball Instruction

With 25 men in each court, handball instructions for freshmen and all who are interested have been the order of the day down in the intramural department. Much credit is deserved by Aggies Ransom Kenney, Joe Stokes, and C. B. "Chesney" Marsh. Assisted by Spike White and Nickie Ponthieux these boys were the instructors for the freshmen.

The following instructional per-

iods will be held in the little gym game credit will be given only to those students taking intramural for P. E. credit.

Thursday, February 5, 5 p.m., little gym, Handball demonstration for Infantry and Engineers.

Friday, February 6, little gym, Handball demonstration for all other organizations.

"Bucket" Is The Name

Joe Bill Crownover, C. Chemical Warfare sophomore, is better known as "Bucket." Joe Bill is another of the unsung heroes of the intramural department. Joe is a sophomore intramural manager. Helping with intramurals is right down Joe Bill's alley, a he is maj-

FORFEIT DOGHOUSE

Class A:
Artillery Band, Volleyball.

oring in physical education, also his hobby is playing games. "Bucket" is from San Antonio and of all things, reads and makes speeches when he is not burning up the handball courts.

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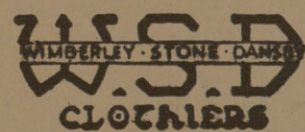
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