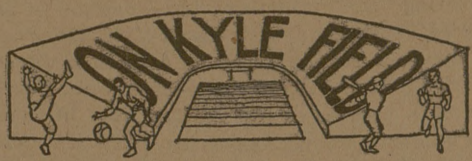


Water Carnival Opens Tonight in Natatorium



By Mike Haikin
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Brilliant Showing of Fish Track Team Heightens Prospects for Good Season in '43

Those up-and-down prognosticators in this sports world, who have certainly had a hard time this year, may find it easy going when the 1943 track season rolls around.

Only one look will be required and that in the direction of Coach Rollins' squad, which will be flanked by one of the greatest freshman teams to come out of the Southwest Conference in many a year.

Those fans that viewed the dual track meet last Saturday will readily agree that this sensational Fish team can almost come to par with the Aggie varsity. Of course, there are quite a few events the Varsity could grab just by experience, but they'd have one heck of a fight before it was all over.

True, Coach Dough Rollins loses the biggest part of his team this

year, but with such stars as Larry Wolfe, Don Frye, "Iraan" Kennemer, Jennings Anderson, Ben Stout and some of the other bright freshman stars to choose from, the Aggie track coach will have little to worry about.

And the thing that makes this team a great one is the lack of one individual star. Instead, they have a flock of them, with one being high point man in one meet and another in the other meet. Each does his share in piling up the points, and that is one of the reasons the Fish have swamped their opponents in every meet they have entered.

Most of the boys on the team are under draft age and unless they decide to lend on the Dean's team, you can be sure that Dough Rollins will not grow any gray hair for at least another year.

Cecil Ballow's Fielding Is Big Factor In Aggie Championship Hopes This Year

The Aggie baseball team is on top of the heap and certainly most of the responsibility rests on the brilliant hurling of Charlie Stevenson and the heavy slugging of clean-up man John Scoggin.

But when you do start dishing out the credit or the orchids to anyone for the showing of the team don't leave out Cecil Ballow, the sweet fielding shortstop of the Aggies. His work in the infield this year has been one of the main factors in the success of the Aggie machine. He has saved many a run with his almost miraculous stops, while his smooth fielding has broken up more than one uprising.

Ballow was never much of a hitter but this season he's having his best year at the dish. He has collected 10 blows out of 41 times

at bat, giving him an average of .244, which is steadily climbing. Since the S. M. U. game at Dallas, a couple of weeks ago, Ballow has slapped out nine hits out of 24 times at bat which is a .375 average. One of his blows missed clearing the left field wall by a foot or so.

Today, with the Southwest Conference race as close as it is, Coach Dimmitt puts much responsibility upon the shoulders of Ballow. The shortstop position is one of the hardest spots on the team and requires a man who can scoop up the ball and go places in a hurry. That requirement more than befits Cecil Ballow, who, today, ranks as one of the best fielding shortstops in the history of the Southwest Conference.

Sports Squibs From Here and There; Pete Watkins Outjumps SWC Record by One Inch

Lanky Pete Watkins, the Aggie ace high jumper, surprised himself and Coach Dough Rollins when he cleared 6 feet, 8 3/4 inches

in his workout Monday afternoon. . . . That mark eclipses the Southwest Conference record by 1 inch . . . if his mark and Roy Bucek's recent hurdle mark of 23 seconds can be repeated in the Southwest Conference meet, the Aggies will be pretty well set. . . . Bill Stages, former Aggie football player and coach of Hull-Daisetta High (See KYLE FIELD, Page 6)

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Water Polo Team Backs Annual Show

Theme of Fete Is Victory; Fire Dives, Aquabatics Featured

The sixth annual Water Carnival will open tonight at 7:45 in P. L. Downs, Jr., Natatorium climaxing three weeks' hard work by the water polo and swimming team. The affair is being sponsored by the water polo team, of which Ernie Conway is captain.

The carnival will feature "Victory" as a theme and will also be held Friday and Saturday night. Carnival director Art Adamson, Aggie swimming coach, has indicated that 75 minutes of fun and frolic will be in store for all who attend the big aquatic show.

Highlights

The Fire Dive, performed by Frog Baxter promises to be the highlight of the carnival. Baxter will thrill the crowd by diving from the rafters of the pool with flaming clothing into water which has burning gasoline on it. Importing U. A. Young and Bland Schwarting, aquabats from Baylor university, these famed aquatic stars will perform on the different swimming appliances around the pool.

After working with waterproof batteries, soldering iron, wire and lights, the illuminated swimming formations will be in fine shape for tonight. This is always a spectacular swim spectacle and the Aggie swimmers have formations that will be entertaining to all. This part of the show will be put on while the pool is in darkness.

A water polo game between the possible next year's team and a team composed of this year's seniors and ex-students will then be featured.

Novelty Acts

Swimming a 100-yard exhibition race will be the junior national 220-yard champion Fish Griffin and Bob Cowling, conference 100-yard breast stroke champion. Besides this race, there will be many acts and especially amusing is the "night shirt" race. This is a back stroke relay race and will feature the varsity versus the fish. The swimmers will be handicapped in this race in that they will be attired in night shirts and will have to change them every time a new man enters the relay.

Finale

As a method of introducing the members of the swimming team, there will be a demonstration of the evolution of swimming. This demonstration will begin at the dog paddle and progress to the crawl. The fish team will be introduced by novelty swim strokes and Bob Taylor, record holder, will demonstrate the free style. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the swimming or water polo team.

Heads Carnival



Art Adamson

Fish Play Texas Yearlings At Austin Friday

Forrest to Pitch; Lefty Byers Hurls Freshmen To 7-3 Win Over Goose Creek

With Lee Forrest, sensational freshman hurler, slated to be on the mound, Coach Bill Buchanan's still unbeaten Aggie Fish team journey to Austin to meet the Texas Yearlings in a return engagement tomorrow afternoon.

The Fish and the Shorthorns have already played one game, with the former coming out on the long end of a 6-5 score. Forrest has won three of the four Aggie victories. Opposing him will be Ray Fortune, ace Texas flinger.

Meanwhile, the Fish seemingly uncovered another pitching ace in Lefty Byers who hurled five-hit balls in subduing the Goose Creek Ganders, 7-3, Tuesday afternoon at Baytown. This was the first official time that Byers had pitched and he came through in fine fashion. But for three miscues in the seventh inning he would have produced a shutout. He struck out nine men and walked but four. Only two of the five hits off Byers were solid blows.

The Fish collected eight hits off the pitching slants of Charlie Stout, with none of them getting more than one blow.

Aggies Down Fliers, 14-2

Ballow and Rogers Lead Cadet Attack With Three Blows

Pounding out seventeen hits, including a homer over the left field wall by Les Peden in the sixth, Coach Lil Dimmitt's Aggie nine defeated the 71st Materiel Squadron, Ellington Field, 14-2, here yesterday afternoon.

Lefty Rees started on the mound for the fliers, but his slanting curve proved no mystery to the hard-hitting Cadets. However, he did strike out 10 men and walked only four.

Carden Pitches Good

Smokey Carden hurled the distance for the homelings scattering eight blows to the Ellington boys. He received grand support afield and at the plate as Cecil Ballow and Cullen Rogers led the slugging melee with three hits apiece. Ballow also showed up great at his fielding position coming up with some nice plays.

The Aggies opened up in a hurry as they sent across three runs in the opening frame. A walk to Ballow, hit by Rogers and Scoggin, and a wild pitch accounted for the tallies. They added two more in the third on a double by Glass, a single by Newberry, and an error by Tabor, Ellington catcher.

Finally Score

Carden held the fliers scoreless for three stanzas but they finally got to him in the third. Hits by Evans, Ritter and Kilean, and an error by Scoggin let in two runs. From there on, Smokey was tough as a boot and Ellington never seriously threatened.

The Cadets, however, kept up their onslaught throughout the fray as they hit Rees left and right. They added three in the fourth, one each in the fifth, sixth and seventh, and wound up their scoring of the day by slapping out three runs on four blows, including Ballow's triple against the left field wall, in the eighth inning.

Score by Innings:

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Batteries: Rees, Harney and Tabor; Carden and Aldrich.

Tracksters In Quadrangular Meet Here Sat Afternoon

Coach Dough Rollins' Aggie track team goes back to action for the first time Saturday afternoon since its sensational upset win over the Texas Longhorns in a dual meet some two weeks ago.

A quadrangular meet between the Aggies, T.C.U., S.M.U., and Baylor will be the highlight of the affair that afternoon.

The Cadets are in the peak of condition, with the possible exception of Jimmy Knight and Emrick Labus, Rollins' ace dash and relay men. Their workouts have been exceptional in the past week with two Southwest Conference records taking a tumble.

Baylor's main bid for victory will be in Jack Wilson, football star, who is entered in almost every field event. His specialty is the shot put and that's where Baylor hopes to pick up at least five points. S. M. U., so far is unproven, since the whole track squad is made up of 10 men. T. C. U., likewise, have not accomplished anything of brilliance this year.

Captain Roy Bucek, Pete Watkins, Albert Ricks, Joe Vadjos, Ken Stallings, Bill Mitchell, Bill Henderson and Johnny Ziegler are expected to be the point makers for the Aggies. Bucek has been especially great in his workouts, tying Freddy Wolcott's record in the 220 low hurdles last Saturday.

Tennis Team Meets Sam Houston Here This Afternoon

Coach Manning Smith's fastly improving tennis team will meet the Sam Houston State Teachers' College in a regulation match here this afternoon.

The Aggie netters are having one of their better seasons this year. Xavier Fernandez, Al Kreedorn, and Bill Marshall have been the sparkplugs of the team.

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INTRAMURALS

By DUB OXFORD

Dewey Hoke, the tabulator of all records in the intramural department has just finished the compilation of all the standings of both class A and class B boxing. He has enumerated both the place points and the standing. In class B there were 240 men entered and class A boasted 146 entrants.

Here are the standings and place points of the top 25 organizations:

Class A			Class B		
Organ.	Points	Place	Organ.	Points	Place
E Field Artillery	30	1	Hdq. Cavalry	30	1
E Coast Artillery	20	2	B Coast Artillery	17.5	2
H Field Artillery	15	3	D Field Artillery	17.5	2
I Infantry	3.7	4	3 Hq. Field Art.	10	4
I Field Artillery	3.7	4	L Infantry	1.6	5
C Cavalry	3.7	4	D Engineers	1.6	5
D Cavalry	3.7	4	H Coast Artillery	1.6	5
3 Hq. Field Art.	—	8	I Infantry	—	8
A Signal Corps	—	8	A Field Artillery	—	8
5 CHQ	—	8	E Field Artillery	—	8
E Infantry	—	11	F Coast Artillery	—	8
G Infantry	—	11	M Infantry	—	12
M Infantry	—	11	B Engineers	—	12
F Field Artillery	—	11	E Coast Artillery	—	12
Hq. Cavalry	—	11	D Infantry	—	15
D Repl. Center	—	11	H Field Artillery	—	15
B Field Artillery	—	17	C Infantry	—	17
			D Infantry	—	17
			G Infantry	—	17
			I Infantry	—	17

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