

Cadets Drop 2 More Games; Play Baylor In Waco Tonight

Frogs and Ponies Take Two Rough And Tumble Games In Local Gym

It was the same old story Friday and Saturday nights in DeWare Field House as the Aggies were handed their second and third conference setbacks. At times it was difficult to tell whether it was a basketball or football game which was being played as 69 personal fouls were committed during the two games.

Coach Manning Smith's Aggies came close to pulling the TCU game out of the fire and winning their first conference game in two years, but they did not have that last minute spurt and the Frogs came out on top, 30-27. Trailing 11 to 16 at the half, the Aggies fought back in the second period and took the lead, only to lose it again. The Cadets were never more than one point out in front of the Purple crew, and were trailing by one point when the Frogs scored a field goal in the closing seconds to ice the game away.

Hub Ellis of the Aggies and Schmidt and Pasco of the Frogs were tied for high point honors, each scoring seven points during the game.

Saturday night, SMU's towering Mustangs completely outclassed the Cadets as they handed them a 50-20 swamping. The Ponies took the lead in the opening minutes of play and were never headed.

Holding a 27-13 lead at the half-time intermission, the Mustangs came back to pour it on until their regulars gave way to the second string late in the contest. Kelley Avery was high point man for the Mustangs with 14 points, followed by Embrey with 12 and Teal with 11. Milton Cherno of the Aggies gathered seven points during the evening to lead his team's scoring.

Tuesday night the youthful Aggies will journey to Waco to meet the equally youthful and inexperienced Baylor Bears. This game will likely decide the team which is to rest in the cellar, and it also offers the Cadets their best chance to win a basketball game. The Bears have been defeated in every game they have played to date, and the Arkansas Razorbacks

scored some 180 points in their two games played two weeks ago.

Box scores of the two games:

A. & M.	Fg	Pf	Pf	Tp
Cherno, f	2	1	3	5
Collins, f	0	0	0	0
Blackstone, f	0	0	1	0
Abrams, f	0	1	2	1
Farrell, f	0	0	0	0
Fincannon, f	0	0	0	0
Ellis, c	2	3	4	7
Weinbaum, g	2	0	2	4
McCormick, g	0	6	3	6
Cashion, g	0	0	0	0
Howell, g	1	2	3	4
Totals	7	13	18	27

T. C. U.	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Pearson, f	1	0	5	2
Gibson, f	2	0	1	4
Hensley, f	1	1	0	3
Davis, f	0	0	0	0
Rothbart, f	1	0	1	2
Schmidt, c	3	1	4	7
Cox, c	0	0	1	0
Mohnke, g	1	0	1	2
Sauer, g	1	1	2	3
Overbeek, g	0	0	2	0
Totals	12	6	20	30

Half-time score: T. C. U. 16, A. & M. 11.

Free throws missed: Cherno 2, Ellis 3, Blackstone 2, Howell 3, Pearson 2, Gibson 6, Schmidt 2, Mohnke 1, Pasco 3, Rothbart, Sauer 2.

Officials: Ab Curtis and Dusty Boggs.

A. & M.	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Cherno, f	3	1	2	7
Howell, f	0	0	1	0
Parmer, f	1	3	5	5
Abrams, f	1	0	1	2
Ellis, c	0	1	5	1
Weinbaum, g	1	2	2	4
McCormick, g	0	0	3	0
Cashion, g	2	1	0	5
Collins, g	0	0	0	0
Fincannon, c	1	0	0	2
Totals	9	8	19	28

S. M. U.	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Avery, f	6	2	0	14
Haden, f	2	5	3	9
Roberson, f	1	1	0	3
Smith, f	0	0	0	0
Teal, c	4	3	2	11
Turner, c	0	0	2	0
Rollings, g	0	1	3	1
Embrey, g	4	4	1	12
Folsom, g	0	0	0	0
Prendergast, g	0	0	1	0
Totals	17	16	12	50

Half-time score: S. M. U. 2, A. & M. 13.

Free throws missed: Howell, Parmer 3, Abrams 2, Haden 2, Embrey, Folsom, Prendergast.

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Norton Gets New Five-Year Contract

Texas A. & M. College's Board of Directors voted Saturday to offer Head Coach Homer H. Norton a five-year contract as head football coach and director of athletics.

The athletic council and President Gilchrist had recommended the action, taken in the meeting Saturday. The contract term would begin September 1, and Norton's salary would be the same as he now receives.

Gilchrist, Prof. C. W. Crawford, chairman of the athletic council, and Norton will work out the contract's details and it will be submitted to the board for final consideration at a later date.

Aggie-Ex Major In Air Corps Completes 35th Combat Mission

15TH AAF IN ITALY—Major Harrison G. Word, 28, 500 East First St., Alice, Texas, commanding officer of a B-24 Liberator squadron in the 15th AAF, recently flew his 35th combat mission.

He is a member of a veteran combat group, commanded by Col. Philip R. Hawes, Pearl River, N. Y., that has flown more than 140 combat missions and has been twice cited by the War Department for outstanding performance against the enemy.

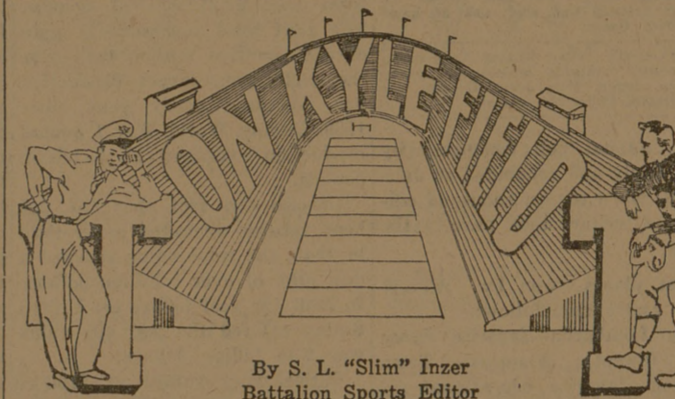
Major Word was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross recently for his part in a mission over France. Flying as command pilot in one of the longest missions yet undertaken by his group, he led a perfect bombing run that destroyed an important unit in the Nazi supply chain.

"Enroute to the target," reads the citation he received on this occasion, "fierce opposition from flak threatened to disrupt his formation and destroy the effectiveness of the attack. Displaying gallant courage, brilliant leadership, and superior flying skill, he executed swift and expert maneuvers which brought his formation through the flak regions without loss of a single ship."

But it is not the flak over Bezieres that Major Word remembers best. It was his 15th mission which took him to the oil refinery at Giurgiu, Romania, that he considers his toughest.

"We were attacked by a swarm of fighter planes on that one," he recalls, "and just as we began the bomb run, two of our turbos gave out on us. One engine was shot up badly and gasoline was spray-

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The Story of a Great Aggie

When the War Department announced last month that Joe Routt had been killed in action, A. & M. lost one of its greatest athletes. Another announcement, released at about the same time, revealed that Lt. John D. Scoggin was missing in action.

Few Aggies in school now remember John Scoggin, and many of the unclassmen have never heard of him, but old "Scogg" was just about the best baseball player the Aggies ever turned out.

Scoggin was captain of the championship team of 1942, and hit somewhere over .500 for the season. When he came up to bat the opposing fielders just backed up to the fence and prayed he

didn't hit one solid. But big John's greatest feat came when the Aggies were playing Texas U. for the championship in Austin. It was in the second game of that series that Scogg became a legend of the Aggies.

With the Aggies leading 4-3, the Longhorns filled the bases in the last of the eighth with one man out. At this point Scogg exchanged his catcher's mitt for a pitcher's glove and went to the mound. The first ball he pitched was hit into a double play, retiring the side. In the ninth inning he faced three men, and all three struck out. This was the first and only time John ever pitched for the Aggies, but when the occasion arose, he had what it takes to win.

Moncrief and Yates On Frog Dream Team

Two Texas A. & M. gridders were honored recently by being placed on the all-opponent team selected by the Texas Christian University football team. The Aggies so honored were Monte Moncrief, tackle who was named as captain of the dream team, and

Paul Yates who was named as fullback.

The team selected by the Frogs consists of these men: Ends—Dub Wooten, Oklahoma U. and Neill Armstrong, Oklahoma A. & M.

Tackles—Moncrief and Ralph Foster, Oklahoma A. & M.

Guards—H. J. Nichols of Rice and Harold Fischer of Texas.

Center—Jack Sachs of Texas U. Backs—Bob Fenimore and Nate Watson of Oklahoma A. & M., Donald Lebow of Oklahoma U. and Yates.

The Oklahoma Aggies were represented by four men, two each were named from the Aggies, Texas U., and Oklahoma U., while Rice had one man on the team.

Rambling ...

Two more basketball games have been added to the schedule of the Aggies. The Cadets will meet the McCloskey General Hospital five at DeWare Field House January 25, and a return game will be played in Temple February 2. This brings to 24 the total of cage games scheduled for this year.

At the present time it looks as if the Aggies will lose most of their gridders to Uncle Sam before next fall rolls around. Reliable sources say that Marion Flanagan, star quarterback of the 1943 "Whiz Kids," is to be discharged from the Service soon and will be back in an Aggie uniform next fall. That should take care of at least one backfield position.

College Professors Speak At Texas Agr. Association Meeting

W. L. Stangel, head of the Animal Husbandry Department of Texas Technological College at Lubbock, presided at the meeting of the Texas Agricultural Workers' Association held in Dallas on January 11 and 12. Many of the speakers and chairmen were from A. & M. College, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, and the Extension Service at College Station.

C. A. Heaton, Emergency Horticultural Assistant, Extension Service, College Station, was chairman of the Horticultural Section. Heaton spoke on "Future Trends in Vegetable Gardening." S. L. Frost, chief, Division of Information and Publications, Texas Forest Service, spoke on "New Horizons for Forestry."

The chairman of Plant Industry Section was Dr. Ide P. Trotter, Director, Extension Service. The co-chairman was Dr. E. B. Reynolds, Chief, Division of Agronomy, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. "Practical Systems for Planting and Using Legumes" was the subject of H. E. Rea, Agronomist, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Of interest in the Home Section was the speech on "Dietary Practices of Texans" presented by Dr. Jessie Whitacre, Chief, Division of Rural Research, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

Dr. J. C. Miller, acting head of the Animal Husbandry Department here, was acting chairman of the A. H. Section. D. H. Reid, head of the college Poultry Husbandry Department, presented "Looking Ahead in the Poultry Business." Also speaking at the

Prof. Reid, Poultry Dept., Returns From National Feed Meet

Professor D. H. Reid, Head of the Poultry Department, has just returned from the National Feed Industry Council in Chicago where he met with Heads of Animal and Poultry Husbandry Departments from twenty-two land grant colleges throughout the United States. The main topic for discussion was available feeds and their needs and supplies for livestock and poultry in 1945.

The representatives were separated into several livestock and poultry groups to analyze feed requirements of various types of livestock and poultry in relation to feed supplies, animal numbers and expected rates of feeding for 1945.

Professor Reid asserted that a printed report will come out about February 15th from the National Feed Industry Council, Washington, D. C., and that there is sufficient feed for all livestock. He said that conditions this year were much more favorable than last year.

The stand of commercially valuable sawtimber in East Texas is estimated to be about 28,000,000,000 board feet by the International 1-4" Rule.

meeting from A. & M. was James A. Gray, who discussed "The Future of Texas Wool and Mohair."

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