

Aggies Make It Two In Row -- Down Texas Tech 16-6

San Antonio's Largest Crowd Sees Cadets Stop Schlinkman

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Before some 22,000 fans, the Texas Aggies last Saturday downed the Red Raiders from Texas Tech by a score of 16 to 6. The game was hard fought the whole way, and the Aggies showed class in their second win of the 1945 season. Outstanding for the Maroon and White were Tom Daniel, Bob Goode, and Preston Smith in the backfield, and Monte Moncrief, Norton Higgins, and Leonard Dickey in the line. For a second-team man, Harold Zeitman looked good on his runs and his pass catching. Much improvement over the brand of ball played against Ellington Field was displayed, as the Aggies fumbled only once, and the ball was wet from scattered rains all night.

Scoring in the first, second, and fourth quarters, Smith ran two touchdowns over after the hard-charging Bob Goode set them up, and Darnell set Schlinkman back for a safety. It took just eleven minutes for the Aggies to reach pay dirt, and from then on, everything Texas Tech had to keep them from it more than one other time. After an exchange of punts which left A. & M. with the ball on their own 25 yard line, Daniels passed and shoveled the way down to the Tech 35. Here, with first and ten, Daniels handed off to Goode for 6 and to Smith for 3 more. On third down with just a yard needed for the first down, Goode carried the ball 21 yards down to the Tech 3 behind superb blocking. On the next play, Smith squirmed his way through right tackle for the score. Higgins stepped back and kicked the extra point squarely between the uprights.

It took the Aggies just 6 more minutes to put the ball back over the Raider goal line. As the second quarter started, Tech kicked

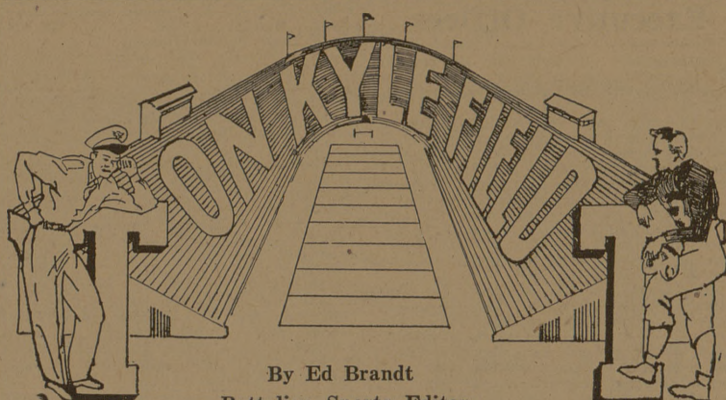
out on the Aggies 49 yard stripe. Daniels shot one incomplete pass over the center, then Goode quick kicked to the Tech 5 where the ball died.

On first down, Jackson kicked out of bounds on the Tech 38 where the Aggies once more took over. Daniels to Smith netted 12; Daniels to Butchofsky got 7 more; then Smith took the ball on a left end sweep, and went over standing up. Again Higgins kicked the point, making the score 14 to 0 for the Farmers.

Late in the third quarter, Texas Tech scored their only counter on a pass from Hardey to Moyers good for 25 yards and the touchdown. With third down and three to go, Smith fumbled the ball on the Aggie 30 where Texas Tech recovered. On the first play, Hardey's pass was intercepted by Daniels on the 10. Goode kicked on first down to the 42, and Norris returned to the 34. Hardey was stopped for no gain on the first, and passed to Moyers for 9 on second. Then on third down, with 1 needed, Hardey again passed to Moyers for the remaining 25 yards to the goal line, and Moyers went over fighting. Schlinkman's try for the extra point went wide, and the score stood A. & M. 14, Texas Tech 6.

In the closing minutes of the game, Tech put up a stonewall defense and stood the Aggies off just 2 yards shy on a third touchdown. Taking over on downs, Tech had the ball first and ten on their own 2. On first, Schlinkman faked a kick, and Grant Darnell broke through to make the tackle behind the goal line, giving the Aggies 2 more points. The game ended only seconds later with A. & M. in possession of the ball on their own 48 yard line.

Cadets Face Oklahoma Sooners Saturday



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Having scored an even 70 points against only two opponents, the Aggies are fast developing into one of the most versatile teams in the conference. Not only do the Cadets have a good passing game, but have a well-rounded running attack. With newcomers Preston Smith and Bob Goode running beside veterans Bob Butchofsky and Tom Daniels, the backfield is well rounded in power and speed. Daniels is an excellent passer, Smith has the speed and elusiveness of "Wild Bill" Conatser, the fastest man on the 1939 No. 1 team of the nation, and Goode and Butchofsky give the team the power that it needs for those extra yards when the going is tough. On the receiving end of Daniels' passes, there are some fine ends including Norton Higgins, Bill Geer, Scooter Yeargain, Dan Foldberg, and Jim Mortensen. All but Foldberg and Mortensen are lettermen, as is Oscar White, a 6 ft. 4 inch man who is having a hard time getting in the game due to such keen competition; but Foldberg, Mortensen, and one other newcomer, Warren Settegest, have fine prospects to develop into topnotch ends.

In the middle of the line, there are Leonard Dickey, Monty Moncrief, Grant Darnell, Jim Winkler, Bullet Gray, Hub Ellis, Thomas League, Lester Millican, and Art Abraham, all of whom are good blockers and heads-up defensive men. As last year, the line will average about 198 pounds. This should prove to be a better line than that of last year, as there is more experience in it.

So much has been said about the scores this writer predicted for last week's games, that from now on, only the expected winners will be given. After all, if a team wins, it wins, no matter what the score. Any man who would like to pick the scores to go with the predicted winners should report to the Battalion office as soon as someone unties his straight jacket.

It has been said that a chain is as strong as its weakest link. Down here at Aggieland, there are just twelve links in the chain of everyday life. Eleven of those links consist of the white shirted Aggie gridsters, and the twelfth is the corps itself. If this twelfth link were on the end of the chain, matters would be somewhat more simple, but as it is, this vital link is directly in the center of the chain. As a result, the strength of the football team that has won two out of two for A. & M. rests squarely on the shoulders of the corps. With a responsibility as great as this, what are you going to do with it? There is only one thing possible to do, Army, and that is to get the fightin' spirit of the Fightin' Texas Aggies up to where it should be. Go down to

the practice field next to Kyle Field and show the team that it has a solid corps behind it. Learn the names and numbers of all the players, what they play, and who plays. Talk up these games on the campus, and more than that, pack that old traveling bag and hit the road to these football games. Show the team, the former students, and the opponents that Texas A. & M. still has the best yell section, the best team, and the best school spirit in the country by making all the games that you possibly can. That Ole Army team works out from 5 every day to past dark, and if you don't think it's hard work, ask one of them. The corps has to work the same way, but in a different way. Hit the ball and keep it rolling. What do you say, Army? Let's make the 1945 football season the most successful one for the Maroon and White in many a year!!!

Looking them over very closely this week, the games will be just a shade more difficult to pick than last week. Some teams failed to live up to their pre-season ratings, and others scored surprising wins or near wins.

This is how they should turn out if my horoscope is right: Texas A. & M. over Oklahoma U. The Sooners have lost 20 of their last year's lettermen, and the replacements shouldn't make up the difference.

Texas over Texas Tech. The game won't be a walkaway, but T. U.'s weight advantage should give them the nod.

T. C. U. over Arkansas. This should be the closest game of the week, with the Froggies coming out on top.

Southwestern over Rice. Uncle Sam ruined Rice when he called out his V-12 trainees, and the Owls won't have much in the way of civilians.

Ags Favored; Squad of 35 Leaves For Norman Friday

Seeking revenge for the 21 to 14 licking pasted on them last year by the University of Oklahoma, 35 high-rolling Texas Aggie gridsters, with a 54-0 victory over Ellington Field and one of 16 to 6 over Texas Tech, will leave here Friday for Norman, Okla., where on Oct. 6 they will meet the Sooners in the sixth football game of a series that had its beginning 42 years ago.

The 1944 Aggie-Sooner game was a spectator's thriller from start to finish. After trailing 14 to 0, the Aggies got to rolling and tied the score at 14-all. Then Oklahoma forged ahead and led by a touchdown margin of three to two at the final whistle. All five conversions were made.

The Aggies and Sooners staged their first four contests in Texas cities, the first two at College Station, the third in Dallas and the fourth in Houston. In this series the Aggies have a three to two margin in the won and lost

column, the Sooners taking the first and fifth games, and the Aggies the other three.

Scores of past games gives the Aggies a total of 75 to 38 for the Oklahoma boys. Oklahoma also won 6 to 0 in 1903, while the Aggies came out ahead 19 to 0 in 1907, 14 to 5 in 1909, and 28 to 6 in 1912.

The 1944 night game played in Oklahoma City was the first of a contract calling for five Texas A&M-Oklahoma contests in the Sooner State.

Barring injuries, the Aggies will enter the game with six lettermen and one freshman in the line and two lettermen and two newcomers in the backfield.

Head Coach Homer Norton has six additional lettermen in reserve but these are stacked at end and guard, with one fullback who won his letter in the 1944 campaign.

Should the Aggies kick off, John Ballentine likely will go in to do the kicking, to be relieved by Tom Daniel, first-string signal caller who was understudy last year to Jimmy Cashion as the man back of the center in Coach Norton's version of the T formation.

Candidates for Cross Country Team Report Mon.

The Aggie cross country track team will begin practice this Monday, October 8. All candidates for the team should report to Kyle Field at 5 p. m. on that date.

If any man has had high school experience in the 440, 880, or mile run, he is considered by the coach as a good prospect for this team. Any man that plans to run the 440 next spring in the regular track season is asked to report this Monday with the other men so that he may take advantage of fall conditioning. Also, any person who has run the Aggie cross country course in P. E. under 10 minutes stands an excellent chance to make the school cross-country team.

Although men who have had any kind of experience in distance running are asked to report, it is not necessary for eligibility. Bill Terrell, from Navasota, Texas, never lost a race while running on the Aggie team and was holder of the conference championship in the 2 mile run. Bill was never even interested in track while in high school, and developed into the runner he was after he had started to college.

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PENNY'S SERENADE

By W. L. Penberthy

Several years ago, when Southwestern was young, it was dominated by two or three strong teams that battled it out for the championship each year. In those days these teams had only one or two big games each year, and they spent much of their time preparing or pointing for these games. Some-times they even scheduled two



games with the same team in a season because the other teams failed to give them any competition. These other games played more or less to fill up the schedule, with very little if any serious preparation being made for the contest.

However, as the years went by the prestige of the dominating teams was challenged by other schools, and with increasing frequency the underdogs defeated the favorites until now the teams of the conference are very evenly matched and the smart coach is the one who points to the game just ahead because he cannot afford to underestimate any opponent—he plays them as they come.

I know of no better example to follow in our every day life especially for those of us who are

trying to gain knowledge in the field of our choice. In no subject is it wise to pass up one day's preparation, but in some subjects he who does not point to each day's assignment will meet with the same fate as the coach who fails to play each game as it comes up in the schedule.

I can think of no better recipe for success than to do each and every little job or assignment as it comes along and do it to the best of our ability.

Game Statistics		
A&M		Tech
15	First downs	3
177	Yards rushing	72
117	Yards passing	34
23	Passes attempted	6
13	Passes completed	2
33.6	Punt average	32.2
30	Yards penalties	38

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