

:: On Kyle Field ::

By Ed Brandt,
Battalion Sports Editor

A LONG, LONG WAY

With but five conference games left on the schedule, the Aggies have little chance of gaining any of the basketball honors this year, but since November, they have come a long way up that uphill road. In recent years, the Maroon and White cagers have been not too highly looked upon by rival fives, but this year shows that the Aggies have with them now the one thing they have been lacking for the past three or four years, and that one thing is Coach Marty Karow. Not to bring discredit or unjustness to the other men who have coached the Aggie quint after Karow left for the armed forces, for they have worked wonders with the little material they have had. But with Marty's return, there is also a return of a certain something that has been lacking around the hardwoods here for a couple of three years. That certain thing

is the spirit in which Marty works, and that same spirit he spreads to his players. This year, the Aggies were unanimous choice for the bottom of the heap, but they are not there. True, they haven't won all their games, but the ones they have won have been impressive. And the ones that they dropped have been by narrow margins. This writer thinks that the Aggie coach and team should be commended for the swell job they have done so far, and for showing all comers that any game with the Fighting Farmers is going to be one of the toughest on their schedule. And from a birdseye-view of the remaining games, the Aggies have a better than even chance of winning them. They have improved steadily as the season has progressed, and now boast a team that will be hard to beat by anyone.

JUST AHEAD

As next semester comes in a week, spring sports are more and more coming into the spotlight. Baseball and track season at Aggie land will start officially about the first of March, and the season promises to be a good one for the Cadets. Many high school and amateur baseballers and cindersmen have been enrolled in the college, and A&M's spring sporters should be about the best in the conference. Of course, now is a bit early

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Aggie Quintet Loses Close Game Saturday To Corpus Christi Naval Air Comets

By Charles Osenbaugh

The Texas Aggies again had their hard luck late in the game and dropped a close 59-56 thriller to the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station Comets. Both teams took turns at leading all through the tilt but a Corpus break came late in the last quarter when sailor Steve O'Neal found the range for five points giving the Comets a

margin the Cadets couldn't overcome.

At the close of the game Jamie Dawson and Yo Yo Yeoman of the Aggies and Navy pivotman, Ove, left via the foul route. This was a fairly wild game in the free throw department with a total of thirty-three fouls being called.

Coach Karow presented a new cager to the fans in the person of

Morris Backer, a "B" team product. The small forward scored six points and proved the best floor man playing at times. Backer made a couple of nice "steals" as well as dribbling and passing well.

Corpus men took high scoring honors with Dan Watson, George Ziegenfuss, and Steve O'Neal making 17, 16, and 15 respectively. "Little Dawg" Dawson supplied 12 for the Aggies to lead in the basket department. Yeoman tipped in 11 and Peck Vass, Homer Adams, and Oscar White turned in eight each.

A. and M. jumped into the lead at the outset of the game on two free ones from Dawson and from there on the lead was constantly changing hands, five times in the first half.

Jake Tooney and John Rafferty were the officials. A. and M. held a 32-25 halftime lead.

E. L. Angell Wins Bronze Star for Service in AMG

News was received recently that E. L. Angell, assistant to the president of A. & M. College, had received the Bronze Star medal in recognition of his work on General Eisenhower's staff.

Mr. Angell was a Lieutenant-Colonel in the American Military Government in the European Theater of War.

Biology Club Sees Veterinary School

The annual tour of the School of Veterinary Medicine was featured in the regular bi-weekly meeting of the Biology Club Monday night. Sixteen members made the trip which extended through the departments of Bacteriology, Pathology, and Physiology.

At the next meeting, set for Monday, February 14, the club will begin formulating plans for the publication of the monthly Texas Academy of Science magazine.

falls in love with the American girls. As the story ends, she is looking forward to a future under the skies of Honduras.

Cowboy boots and ten gallon hats, straight from Texas were presented to the mayor of Metz, France, by Lt. Gen. Walton W. Walker, of Texas.

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Watch Dog of the Aggies

Football Banquet Will be Held Next Thursday-McKnight Will Be Speaker

The annual football banquet for Texas Aggie gridders and their friends will be held in Sbsia Hall at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, and Felix McKnight, assistant managing editor of the Dallas News, will be the principal speaker.

Coach Homer Norton will announce the 1945 lettermen and will give a preview of the prospects for the 1946 edition of A. & M. College's entry in the Southwest Conference gridiron sweepstakes. Ford Munnerlyn and S. A. Lipscomb will present the Captains and Most Valuable Player awards, as has been their long-time custom; and the Best Blocker award will be made by Bert Pfaff of Tyler, who long has sponsored this trophy.

The awards to the lettermen will be presided over by C. W. Crawford, chairman of the Athletic Council, and Coach Frank Anderson will present the Cross-Country team lettermen. Byron Winstead is toastmaster.

One of the outstanding sports writers of the nation, Felix McKnight has been signally honored recently by election to the Board of Directors of the Associated Press Managing Editors Association. He won nationwide recognition for the excellence of his editorial writing on the Dallas News after joining that publication following several years as Southwest-ern sports editor of the Associated Press. For his untiring services to the various war loan drives, Mr. McKnight was awarded the Chamber of Commerce medal for civic enterprise and has been honored otherwise by various organizations. He is the Texas A. & M. College representative on the Dallas Cotton Bowl committee, a former student of the college, and much in demand as a speaker. He will be remembered here as toastmaster at the farewell banquet honoring

to make predictions of the Southwest Conference, for anything can happen between now and the time the race officially gets under way, but from a birdseye seat, the Aggies seem to have what it takes. No reports have come in yet as to the strength of Coach Art Adamson's swimming team but the conference champs will be ready when the time comes. A story has come in from Austin that the T. u. pre-war coach, Tex Robertson, is back at his old post and is gunning for recapture of the tank title from A&M. The army probably paid him more there than his swimming season can afford.

Dean and Mrs. E. J. Kyle before their departure for Guatemala.

Ticket sales will be limited to the capacity of the banquet room and the public is invited to attend the banquet. A. E. "Pete" Jones at the Athletic Department is in charge of sales, and tickets also may be obtained at \$4.25 each from Mike Barron in Bryan and at Lipscomb's Pharmacy, College Station.

Fish and Game Club Hears Dr. Turk

The Fish and Game club met January 21 at 7:15 p. m. in the Animal Industries Building. Dr. R. D. Turk, head of the department of Veterinary Parasitology, gave a most interesting talk about animal parasites and their relation to wildlife.

The Club is formulating plans to select a delegate to attend the North American Wildlife Conference to be held in New York in March.

Campus Study Club Hears Book Review

Mrs. F. B. Clark and Mrs. E. R. Alexander were hostesses to the Campus Study Club Tuesday afternoon at the YMCA at College Station.

At the close of the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. P. B. Pearson, Mrs. Clark introduced Miss Edna Burkhart, reader's adviser at the A. & M. Library, who reviewed "They Changed Their Skies", by Latetia Osborne.

The setting was the capital of Honduras. The story tells of the romance of two Americans, Ralph Hewitt and Isabel Gresham, who work at the American Legation there, and of Pepita, the Castilian girl, who complicates the romance, wins the American and returns to the United States with him. It was also the story of Dona Elena, mistress of Casa Lopez, and her household; of her son, Armando, who was educated at Harvard and preferred to practice medicine in the United States; and even of Maria, the cook, and her small son, Juan Ramon. Eventually, Dona Elena's son returns to his native land and

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PENNY'S SERENADE

By W. L. Penberthy

Some time ago I heard of an incident that happened when Coach Manning Smith was making a name for himself at Centenary College. As the story goes Centenary was playing a mighty good team and the going was pretty rough with neither team being able to do much with the other. Centenary was on the offense and Manning was calling signals. He had called the play and was in the tail back position with the referee standing a short distance to his right rear. Just before he started calling the signals for the snap of the ball he turned his head and with a grin said to the referee, "I hope this one works."

Surely one of the foremost objectives of sports is to teach the ones who take part, not only to be calm and collected when the situation is tense, but to take the ups and downs of the game in good grace. None of us like the griper who is always unhappy over the play of an opponent or the work of the officials, but we enjoy the player who puts everything he has into the contest and at the same time shows he enjoys the contest. When something humorous occurs we get a kick out of seeing him laugh.

The same is true of those with whom we associate and work. We all have our troubles and cares, but the burden is made none the lighter by our carrying a sad look around with us. A couple of nights ago I talked with a fine lady whose



husband lay on his death bed. Her heart was broken but she retained her sense of humor and looked on the bright side of things. Some folks let the least thing get them down while others never let anything change their cheery outlook—God bless them. We may not be able to choose what changes and breaks may come to us in life, but we can certainly choose the spirit with which we meet them.

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