

:: On Kyle Field ::

By U. V. Johnston

Just about the most popular spot in and around Bryan or College Station these days is the Bryan country club, as nearly everyone seems to have the desire to get out and swing the old clubs. An official intramural tournament has not started as yet but Spike White has promised that there will be one in the very near future. So all you duffers, drag out the clubs and get in a few practice swings. The swimming pool at the Country Club is also doing a booming business these hot days, and the customers are not all of the male species. Of course the married men are not interested in this aspect, but some of the single men may take the tip.

The present golf course at the Bryan Country Club is far from the best in the country, but with the improvements that are now underway, the course should be much better. The course in its present form is not only a very poor one, but it is a very dangerous one. The plan for playing eighteen holes on a course that was originally designed for nine is very definitely a poor one. The course would be enough of a hazard with only nine holes, as the fairways cross in too many places. With eighteen holes the golfers take their life into their own hands when they go out on the course.

With the addition of the nine new holes this will be remedied to some extent, and possibly the course will improve as a result. The back nine will give the fairways in use at present a little relief from the heavy traffic, and in

a period of time this will improve the course as a whole. If the gods are favorable to the workmen and let up on the rain just a little, so that the heavy equipment can get in to finish up the work already started, the new back nine will be ready for use on or about the first of July.

The Sports Department of The Battalion would like to make public apology to Rice for a serious error that was made in last week's edition. Through some mistake—either typographical or error by the writer—we made the statement that Ransom Jackson was a student at Rice, and this is not the case at all. Jackson is a teapiper, and although he is a very good ball player, I do not think that Rice would appreciate the idea of a teapiper being associated with their school.

DeWitt (Tex) Coulter, the all-american tackle for Army in 1945, has washed-out of West Point, because he was failing in mathematics, and he does not intend to apply for re-examination.

At present Coulter's intentions are not definitely known, but his ex-team mates think he will either turn pro-ball or return to some Texas school.

GIRL SCOUT DAY CAMP

The Girl Scout Day Camp for Girl Scouts of College Station and Bryan which opened last Monday closes this evening with a camp fire. The scouts will spend the night on the little house grounds tonight. Open house will be held tomorrow until 11:30 a.m.

BATTALION Sports

Play Ball!



Opening game of College Station softball league with Ray Perryman at bat and R. L. (Satch) Elkins behind the plate.

Yankees and Tigers Win First Games In Soft Ball

In a siege of pop-bottle throwing, umpire arguments, battling bats and whizzing balls, the College Station softball league got under way last Friday afternoon at the College Park diamond when the Yankees, managed by C. O. Spriggs, won over the Cubs, managed by Sol Wright by a score of 11 to 4. John Stiles was the winning pitcher for the Yankees and H. Cordova was the losing pitcher.

In the second game of the season, played Monday night at the College Park diamond, the Tigers took the Pirates 7 to 4. The winning pitcher was H. W. Barlow, who pitched a 4-run, no-hit game up until the time he was relieved by Luke Harrison. Marty Karow was the losing pitcher relieved by Ezel Jones who pitched four, no-runs, no-hits, innings. Karow slugged the longest hit of the game which was a three bagger.

Two more games of this league were being played Wednesday night on the Drill Field diamond as part of the community picnic program. However, the results were not available in time to print. These games were: Indians, Ed Garner, Mgr. vs. Yankees, C. O. Spriggs, Mgr., and Cubs, managed by Sol Wright vs. Pirates, managed by C. A. Bonnen.

The results of these two games will be published in the next edition of the Bat.

The Association of Former Students keeps records on 16,000 ex-students of A. & M. College.

Swimming - "Yes My Darling Daughter", But Heed The Rules

Some timely advice to vacationists concerning the proper precautions to be used in water sports during summer months was released from the State Health Department by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

It was pointed out that in view of prevailing travel difficulties, vacation pleasures are apt to be limited to excursions and picnics at nearby lakes, rivers, and ponds of unfamiliar depth and currents, and without the usual life-guard supervision associated with bathing beaches and commercial swimming pools.

"Swimming and water sports are beneficial to good health provided one's physical condition justifies this type of exercise," Dr. Cox asserted; "nevertheless, they possess dangerous possibilities if the rules of safety, through carelessness or thoughtlessness, are disregarded."

The A. & M. Hospital has 150 beds, operating room, X-ray and laboratory facilities.

State AAU Track Meet This Week-End in Santone

The sports lime light of the week will be focused on San Antonio and the State AAU track meet which is to be held there Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15. Old Army will be represented in this meet by seven men, two of whom are Southwest Conference champions, and the chances are that we will have a winner or two. One of these will also go to the NCAA meet at Minneapolis, Minnesota, the followweek week.

Art Harnden will be the mainstay of the Aggie delegation to San Antonio next week and also the representative to the Minneapolis meet the week-end of June 21 and 22. The others who will carry the Aggie colors are William Fischer and W. L. Benson

White Takes Athletic Honors

Oscar White, junior from Rising Star, Texas, walked off with the sports laurels at A. & M. this year by knocking down letters in three major sports: football, basketball, and track. White played end in football, forward in basketball, and ran the 120 yard high hurdles in track. His best time in track was 14.7 for the hurdles.

Not being satisfied with letters in three major sports, he had to annex the heavyweight boxing title in his spare time.

With letters in his three sports he would have been the outstanding man at Aggieland, but when he picked up the boxing title he clinched it with no one running him an even close second. White is very definitely the A. & M. athlete of the year, and has been mentioned as the outstanding athlete in the nation.

Tassos Signs Contract With Detroit Lions

Damon (Greek) Tassos, who played freshman football in '42, and varsity ball in '43, '44, '45, has signed a new contract with the Detroit Lions at an increase in salary of \$1000 a year. Tassos played for the Lions last year during football season, but returned to school in the spring.

While Tassos was playing for A&M he was also a track man. In 1945 he took the Conference championship in the shot-put with a throw of 47 feet 2 inches. In between playing for A&M and pro football he coached the Consolidated High School football team to a championship.

More than 15,000 former A. & M. students served in the armed forces during World War II.



OSCAR WHITE

in the 440 yard dash; James Martensen in the 880 yard run; Robert Goode, Southwest Conference champion in the javelin; Franklin

Young, shotput; Oscar White in the hurdles.

The top men in the meet this week end will be invited to the national meet two weeks hence, and A. & M. should have at least two or three men qualifying. Harnden is almost a cinch to qualify as he holds the third fastest time of any collegiate athlete for the year in the 440, and he should do better Friday night, as The Alamo Stadium track is reported to be in the best of condition, and it should be very fast barring exceptional heavy rains.

Harnden should qualify for the national meet, but when he gets to the national he is going to run into some very stiff competition in the form of a lad from Illinois, who ran the 440 in 46.2 in the Big Ten track meet a few weeks ago. This time is two tenths of a second faster than the worlds record set in 1931 by Ben Eastmen.

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