

# :: On Kyle Field :: Battalion Sports

by U. V. Johnston

The 1946 football season has all the earmarks of being one of the wildest ever to be reeled off in this or any other conference. With the return of all the servicemen and more high school material than at any previous time the teams will be among the most powerful to ever take the field. This year a good team will be only average, as it is going to take a great team to be even in the running. This same thing will be true of the players. A player who could be All-American in any other season might be playing All-American bench-warmer this season.

All of the coaches are afraid to make a guess as to where their teams will wind up in the standings, as everything is one big question mark at the present. When asked for an opinion the coaches answer with a stock reply—"Too early to tell." It really isn't too early to tell as every coach knows approximately what calibre players he will have, but he doesn't have any idea what the other coaches have up their sleeve. Every school in the states is going to be loaded with other players, but the opposition won't be able to find out what kind of load they carry until next fall. This is true of every season, but more so this year than before.

Next September the Aggies will have one of the largest teams ever as over one hundred men have indicated that they wish to play. Of this number, forty-two are lettermen and fifteen are freshmen. This leaves about fifty new men, and some of these have had college experience at other schools. This is only an estimate as any number may change their minds before next September, but if only half appear there will be enough to make the competition stiff for a first string berth.

At the present, Texas looks like the best team on paper, but that doesn't always tell the story. Texas has taken the championship three out of the last four years, and if statistics prove anything, she will repeat again this year. From these three championship teams Texas will recover a great number of players in the form of returning Vets, whereas we will only get a few of our last

championship team back. The last championship team we had was in '41, and only a few of these players will be back next fall, while on the other hand the Texas teams will be made up of championship material—in fact almost any player returning to Texas will have to have been a member of at least one of their championship teams.

This does not mean that we are conceding the championship to Texas, but looking at the statistics, we feel that the University has the inside track at present. Texas isn't a cinch to win—not by any means—but she holds the big stick in that she has more returning talent than any other conference team, and she will be the school to beat this year just as she has been all during the war.

## Richardson Takes Coaching Job at Consolidated H. S.

Lester S. (Les) Richardson, former guard on the Texas A. & M. co-championship team of 1940 and championship team of 1941, has been appointed head coach of A. & M. Consolidated High School and will begin September 1, 1946. Les, who is formerly from Houston, is now living in the project house area with his wife and daughter and plans to settle in College Station after his graduation in August of this year.

Before entering A. & M., Richardson was All-District guard at Milby in '36 and All-Conference guard at Marshall Jr. College in '38. He had only two years of eligibility left when he entered A. & M. In addition to coaching at A. & M. Consolidated, Richardson will continue his education toward a masters degree in Industrial Education, teach two courses at A. & M., and teach shop work at high school.

## THORNTON TO ATTEND MEETING

M. K. Thornton, agricultural chemist for the A. and M. College Extension Service, will attend a meeting of the Southwest Fertilizer Committee in Shreveport, Louisiana, July 11-12, Director Ide P. Trotter has announced.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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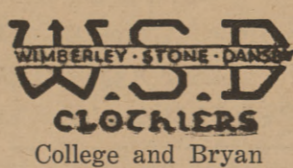
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## Dorm 12 Takes Bizzell by Storm To Win Intramural Softball Title

### SOFTBALL

It was two in a row for Dorm No. 12 as they made a clean sweep of the softball championship play-off series by outslugging Bizzell Hall 7 to 3, 13 to 6. Dorm No. 12 threw the Corp championship this past spring semester and with a few minor changes in the team they came back to win their second straight crown.

In the first game pitcher Buddy Moore held the hard hitting Dorm No. 12 team to 6 hits while "Fireball" Seibert kept Bizzell in hand with 4 hits. Bizzell made their 3 runs in the 2nd and 3rd innings and from there on it was No. 12's ball game with only 3 players for the Bizzell team reaching first base. Russell at shortstop, Cross at 3rd base, and Fern in left field Persons, and firstbaseman Anderson were the top players for the losers.

In the second game of the series Dorm No. 12 walloped the Bizzell team for 14 hits to give them the championship. "Fireball" Seibert, pitching with ease held the Bizzell team to 6 runs. Dorm No. 12, led by playing manager Bolton, stepped out in front the first two innings to hold the scoring lead throughout the game. Leftfielder Rankin, fielder Adams, and right-fielder Cook were outstanding in filling the outfield holes. Second baseman Johnson, for No. 12, was the leading hitter getting 3 hits and 1 walk. For Bizzell center-fielder Stevens and shortstop L'Hommadiou played heads-up ball.

Two homers were hit during the play-off, both in the last game, by Bolton and Adams of the No. 12 team.

### VOLLEYBALL

The volleyball league championship was decided in a two day series play-off with Dorm No. 15 being the winner.

The first game was won by Dorm No. 15 when they defeated Dorm No. 9 15-13, 15-6. Dorm No. 15 led by Barnett came from behind in a slow start to beat Dorm No. 9 two straight games. Dawson, Epps, and Weathered played heads-up ball for the losers.

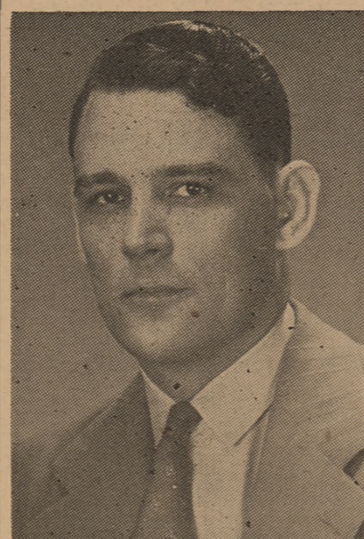
Dorm No. 15's final win was over Dorm No. 16 to give them the championship. The first game was a wild scoring game with Dorm No. 16 playing for game point ten times only to lose a hard fought game 16-14. In the second game No. 15 took a fast game 15-8. Dorm No. 16 was having constant "trouble keeping their No. 2 man located." The sharp spiking of Sample and the

## Coach's Son Turns Traitor to Baylor; Wears Aggie Shirt

Seems as though the Aggies have, (rather, did have) a big fan on the campus of the Baylor Bears. That is to say they had a little fan, fanning in a big way—nine year old Frank Kimbrough, Jr., son of the Bear's coach, Frank Kimbrough.

Little Frank blossomed out in a Texas A. & M. T-shirt! So his father was called on the mat by the Baylor Chamber of Commerce this week. The shirt has been given to Frank, Jr. by his uncle, Jack Kimbrough, a Texas Aggie, who is well remembered on the campus here (and on many another campus, by those who played against him).

However, the president of the Chamber of Commerce rectified what he considered a gross mistake by presenting little Frank with a T-shirt "bearing" the proper Baylor insignia.



## W. T. (Bill) Moore

Candidate for Representative, 26th District Texas Legislature, Brazos and Grimes Counties. Grad. Texas A&M College Class '40. Former member Business Law and Economics Faculty. World War II veteran, overseas service. Fully qualified to serve. (Paid Pol. Adv. by friends of W. T. "Bill" Moore)

"on the ball" playing of the entire team gave Dorm No. 15 their winning team. For the losers Mueller, Mostyn, and O'Mara played outstanding ball.

### TENNIS OPEN TOURNAMENT

Thirty-nine matches in the tennis tournament have been played, 10 doubles and 29 singles, to bring the tournament into its final week. In doubles Sharp and Smith defeated Glibin and Richardson 6-4, 5-7, 6-3 to put them in the final play-off match. The teams of Lewis and Sellers, Edgar and Page have a semi-final match to play and the winners of that match will meet Sharp and Smith for the championship match.

In the singles matches Wallis beat Schas 6-2, 6-4 and Page beat Rettig 6-4, 6-4 to put them in the semi-finals. Two matches remain in the quarter finals, Sellers vs Edgar and Sharp vs Langford.

### GOLF OPEN TOURNAMENT

The golf tournament will finish play the coming week. In singles Bolton, Lee, and Brock have reached the semi-finals. One match in the quarter finals between Thomas and Weathered remains to be played. In doubles the semi-finals have been reached with Burdett and Bolton against Kachtick and Lee, Weathered and Pettit against Welch and Walton.

## Indians Take Team Batting Honors

Although the Tigers took the softball pennant for the first half of the season they rank second in team batting average. The Indians, who rank third in the final standing are first in team batting. And the Giants taking second place in the first half of the season, stand last in the team batting average.

On the list of the ten leading hitters for the first half of the season, the Tigers placed two men: Harrison and Mead, who are first and third on the list, respectively. The Yankees placed two men in the second and eighth positions, Beardon and Stiles occupying these places. The Indians got three men on the list; Kelly, Roberts and Denton occupying fifth, seventh and ninth places respectively. The Cubs put two men on the list; Jay and Garrett in the sixth and ten places. Karow occupies fourth place for the Pirates.

Table with 4 columns: Player, Team, AB, H, Avg. Lists top hitters like Harrison, Beardon, Mead, Karow, Kelley, Jay, Roberts, Stiles, Denton, and Garrett.

Table with 4 columns: Team, A.B., Hits, Pct. Lists batting averages for Indians, Tigers, Yankees, Pirates, Cubs, and Giants.

## 1800 Vets, Wives Eat Barbecue at Holiday Outing

Celebrating their first legal-holiday Fourth of July in years, veterans and their wives gathered at the American Legion Park in Bryan last week for a barbecue and dance. The Ex-Servicemen's Club served 1800 plates of barbecue and a corresponding amount of beverages, according to Ike Ashburn, Jr., chairman of the committee in charge. The Veterans' Wives Club assisted in staging the picnic.

New maroon-and-white buses, making their first runs for the Bryan-College Traction Co., had to make several trips in order to carry the celebrators out to the Legion Hall, while many others arrived in private automobiles.

The college mess hall was praised by the committee for its cooperation in providing not only the original order of barbecue and other food, but also for rushing out extra amounts when the original supply proved inadequate for the huge crowd.

Don't be afraid of the dictionary! A. & M. Handbook.

## Wm. L. POWERS

A university graduate. Former County Supt. of Brazos Co. and experienced rural teacher solicits your careful consideration and vote for County School Superintendent in the Democratic Primary July 27

(Paid Political Adv.)

## Giants Are Second In C. S. Softball

The Tigers walked off with the first half-season softball pennant after winning five games and losing none. In their last game of the first-half of the season the Tigers beat the Indians 8 to 9 on July 1 to officially cop the pennant. The Giants took second place, winning three games and losing two.

Last Monday the Giants met the Indians on the College Park diamond winning by a score of 11 to 4 to insure their second place standing. Rogers was the winning pitcher, allowing the Giants to hit 11 times for their four runs. The two longest hits of the game was a home run in the second by Wilkins for the Giants and a triple by Kelly for the Indians.

Last Wednesday, July 3, the Giants met the Cubs on the College Park diamond to win from them by a score of 6 to 5. Rogers, the winning pitcher for the Giants allowed the Cubs to hit 8 times for their 5 runs. Cordova was the losing pitcher, letting the Giants hit 8 times for their 6 runs. In the last half of the 7th inning Jay slugged a home run for the Cubs. The longest hit slugged for the Giants was a double by Reese.

In a game on the College Hills diamond last Friday afternoon, the Yankees took the Pirates 12 to 5. The Yankees got 10 hits off Terrell, while Terry allowed the Pirates to hit only 5 times. The longest hit of the game was a home run by Stiles in the second inning.

Final Standing table with columns: Team, Won, Lost, Pct. Lists teams like Tigers, Giants, Indians, Pirates, Yankees, and Cubs.

## McNEW ATTENDING SPOKANE CONVENTION

J. T. L. McNew, vice president for engineering, left today for Spokane, Wash., where he will attend the summer convention of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

McNew, a vice president of the ASCE, was accompanied by his wife and son. They plan to visit Grand Coulee dam and other points of interest in the Pacific Northwest.

## Ag '46 Football Schedule Tough

Table with 3 columns: Date, Opponent, Place. Lists football schedule for Aggies from Sept. 21 to Nov. 28.

This football season looks like one of the toughest for the Aggies for several years. Out of the ten games there is only one, the first one, that could be called a light one, and it is no push-over. The other nine are with big schools, and the Aggies will have no easy time with any of them.

Every school in the Conference will be loaded with returning lettermen, and all will be shooting for the title. Texas and A. & M. are high with 42 returning lettermen each, and Arkansas has the least number as they have only 18 returning. All told, there will be

over one hundred fifty returning lettermen to the Conference, and listed in these are two All-Americans. H. J. Nichols, the All-American guard in '44, from Rice will be back, and Hubert Bechtol, the All-American end, from Texas will be out of the service in time to play for Forty-Acres.

Nearly every school in the Conference has been picked by at least one sports writer to pick up the title, and they are all going to try to keep face with these writers. The Aggies will have one of their best chances since '40, but it isn't going to be easy.

## EXTENSIONERS ATTEND OKLAHOMA SHORT COURSE

Three district agents of the A. and M. College Extension Service are spending July 8-12 at Stillwater, Oklahoma, attending a short course on Housing for Family Living, according to an announcement by Director Ide P. Trotter. Included in the group are Leta Bennett, Bess Edwards and W. I. Glass. Classes for the short course, which is being offered by Oklahoma A. and M. College, will be conducted by an outstanding authority in the housing field, Dr. Keith H. Hinchcliff of the Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Illinois.

## C. HOHN TO ADDRESS SANTA FE CONFERENCE

State Farm Labor Supervisor, C. Hohn will explain some of the phases of the Extension farm labor program when he addresses a conference of Catholic priests and lay people from seven states in Santa Fe, New Mexico, July 10, Director Ide P. Trotter has announced. His subject will be what the Extension Service has done to bring about better utilization of labor and better working relationships between the producers and the migrant farm laborers.

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