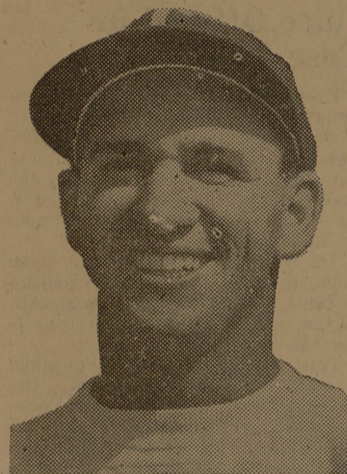


# BATTALION Sports

## Smith Resigns to Operate Grocery

Manning Smith, Assistant football coach and head tennis coach, resigned Tuesday, effective August 1, to take over the management of the grocery store that he



Manning Smith

purchased from the estate of the late Luke Patrone.

Coach Norton made the announcement late Tuesday afternoon after Smith had closed the deal for the store. Coach Norton stated that he deeply regretted the loss of Smith, and that Johnnie Frankie will assume Smith's duties for the 1946 season.

Coach Norton brought Smith to A&M in 1934 when he came here as head football coach. Smith had played under Coach Norton at Centenary where he made Little All-American. Since coming to Aggieland, Smith has served in the capacity of tennis coach, assistant football coach, and assistant basketball coach. He served in the Merchant Marine during the war, and only returned for duty here last fall.

The Brazos originally was known as the Rio de los Brazos de Dios—River of the Arms of God.

## Indians Take Over Second Half Lead

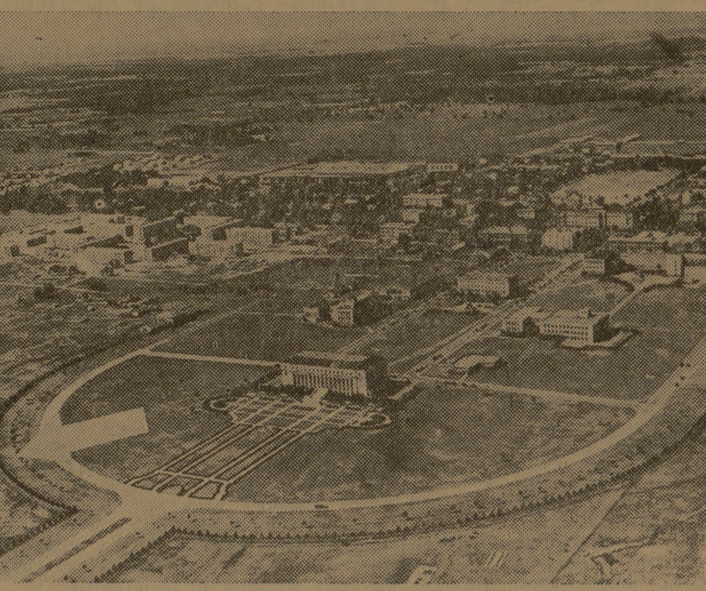
The Indians and the Yankees played their second game of the last half of the College Station softball league against each other. The game was played on the College Park diamond last Wednesday afternoon, July 24. Webb Jay, pitching for the Yankees, allowed the Indians 7 hits for their 3 runs. Barlow pitching for the Indians let the Yankees hit 10 times for their 6 runs. The longest hit of the game was a home run for the Yankees by Chas. Smith in the 3rd inning. Magee knocked out a double for the Indians.

The Pirates routed the Cubs by a score of 8 to 2 last Wednesday afternoon on the College Park diamond. Karow was the winning pitcher, allowing the Cubs to hit 5 times. Barlow pitching for the losing team allowed the Pirates to hit 13 times. There was one double play in the game; Hensel to Lyon for the Pirates in the 4th inning. There were no extra base hits.

The Indians playing their third game of the last half of the season was credited with their second win when they defeated the Giants Monday afternoon on the College Hills diamond, by a score of 14 to 13. Carroll was the winning pitcher taking over from Vincent in the third inning with the Indians 7 runs behind the Giants. Prewit, Jr. was the losing pitcher. The Indians walked 14 times and got 6 hits for their 14 runs. The Giants walked 7 times and got 10 hits for their 13 runs. Vincent in the 2nd inning and Prewit, Sr. in the 6th, and 2 doubles. The Giants slugged 2 triples and 2 doubles.

Cpl. Wade B. Colbert, former Aggie student, recently spent eleven days furlough time at Baguio, Luzon, Philippine Islands' summer capitol.

## :: On Kyle Field ::



An aerial view of the campus with an arrow pointing to the proposed golf course. This area is now pasture land, but it has all the necessary requirements of a golf course.

By U. V. Johnston  
No one will doubt that Aggieland needs a golf course. Sure, we need a lot of things, but we do wonder why this college has operated for over 70 years, during which time athletics have become an important part of the student program, and yet a golf course has never been built. No one is to blame. No one has deliberately snubbed the student who wants to walk three or four miles in the blazing sun just to see how few times he can swat a little rubber ball with a piece of iron on the end of a steel pole. Somehow, we just never got around to it.

Golfers can now sit up and take note, for something is going to be done about it. No, you will not be putting on a re-modeled drill field within the next few weeks—not even for some months, and never a drill field—but according to those in ye administration building, within a year's time something definite will have been done toward providing the local divot diggers with a Byronic (Nelsonic) playground.

You are saying, "Yes, I've heard that song before," and it is true. You have heard that song before, but always remember, before the world's finest symphony becomes beautiful music, it must be rehearsed many times. That is what must be done when diving into the construction of something as complicated as a golf course.

It isn't just a pretty cow pasture which is kept mowed; it isn't something that will pay for itself; it isn't something we who play golf want done hastily and possibly hap-hazardly. Here are the more important items which must be chewed on before you putt your first putt:  
1. Approximately 150 acres of

suitable terrain is the first requirement.  
2. Approximately \$50,000 as an initial investment, followed ever so annually by \$15,000 maintenance costs.

One would think that with the land and the money, we need only begin. Yes, we do begin—begin figuring out the what's, where's, how's, and Who's of your course.

The "Where" is first: Where are you going to put an 18-hole golf course on the college grounds? The logical answer is south and east of the Administration building, but the Ag school has invested a lot of time and money over a good many years developing that spot to suit their purposes. Until suitable facilities for their needs are provided, they should not be asked to move to make way for something which is, to say the least, not essential. Another where, and a big one is where is the \$50,000 coming from. Appropriations by the college from its funds is one answer; flush former students will no doubt help. One other tiny "where" is where are we going to get the thousands of gallons of water each summer necessary to keep the course in condition. Water is short in almost all communities in the summer—and golf is played in the summer. We haven't an answer for that one.

The big "what" is: what sort of golf course do you want? A very easy course would suit the duffers but bore the golfers; a difficult course would suit the golfers but exasperate the duffers. So we must have a 18-hole "middlin" course so that most people could enjoy it.

The "how" is: how are we going to meet that \$15,000 annual upkeep cost. Green fees, without doubt, and perhaps a semester membership card. As the staff should include a professional golfer-manager, lessons could be had, not free, but at nominal rates—lower than the \$5 to \$10 an hour some city clubs charge. Clubs could be rented, or checked out as is other athletic equipment.

The "who" is: who is going to operate the course after it is built. Our vote goes to the athletic or physical education department with a professional golfer as full-time manager and instructor.

These questions must be answered, not hurriedly, however, and only after adequate study by men interested in deriving the best for our needs and our money. Only one alternative is offered in place of a college constructed and operated course. Until such time as a college course can be provided, the college could make a deal with the Commissioners of the City of Bryan, who have charge of the Bryan Playground course. Details could be worked out whereby the student could purchase semester membership cards at a rate appropriate to student means. Responsible city officials, speaking unofficially, indicate that such an arrangement could be very readily worked out. Either way, the fact remains that from March until Novem-

## Purveyor Hard to Catch In Intramural Softball

The Intramural softball program went into full swing this past week with plenty of good games and of course some run-aways. The softball league is playing under a new rule now and it has met with approval. The ruling is that any team that has a scoring lead of eight runs any time after four innings have been played will be the winner of the game. The game will terminate under these conditions, but not in the middle of an inning.

In the Volleyball League, there was only one game played. Dorm No. 15, volleyball champs of the last six weeks, defeated Dorm No. 17 in two fast games, 15 to 8, 15 to 4, behind the heads-up playing of Ritchey and Janosky.

**SOFTBALL**  
In the Old Area League the Purveyor team has been victorious in three games. In their first win they beat Bizzell 15 to 7. The following day, they ran away from Dorm No. 16 to the long score of 26 to 5. Milner was the next victim to the score of 9 to 1. Milner won two games behind the pitching of Brandis. They outslugged Bizzell in a hard battle 8 to 6. McMann made a sensational catch in this game, taking time to wipe his hands off before making the catch. Milner, on the following day, beat Mitchell 9 to 6. Pitcher Loves for Mitchell got a homerun in the 5th inning to drive in two runs.

Bizzell outlasted Dorm No. 15 by the score of 6 to 4. High, leftfielder for Bizzell, led the hitting field by getting 3 hits for 4 trips to the plate.  
Dorm No. 15 beat Dorm No. 17 9 to 1 in a short fast game. James and Yarbrough of No. 15 each got a homerun.

In the New Area League, Dorm No. 3 stepped out in front by beating last six weeks' softball champs, Dorm No. 12, to the tune of 10 to 2. The winning pitcher was Dickson who held No. 12 to 4 hits. Shortstop Russell led the batting for the losers getting 2 for 3, while shortstop Bowen led for the winners with 3 hits for 4 trips to bat. In their other wins

they defeated Dorm No. 9 21 to 11 with Neumann pitching for the winners. Their next victory was over Dorm No. 1 by the score of 8 to 5.

Dorm No. 12 was victorious in two of their three games. Dorm No. 1 was their first victim to the score of 9 to 2. The second win was over Dorm No. 7 by a score of 12 to 7.

Dorm No. 7, behind the pitching of McGowan, beat Dorm No. 9.

## Swimming Added to Mural Activities

The Intramural department has taken on a swimming meet along with its many other activities. This meet has been planned for the 15th of August but it may have to be run off in two nights as interest is expected to run high.

The events in this meet will include the 400 foot four man relay, 100 foot back stroke, 200 foot breast stroke, 300 foot free style, 300 foot three man medley relay, and diving events.

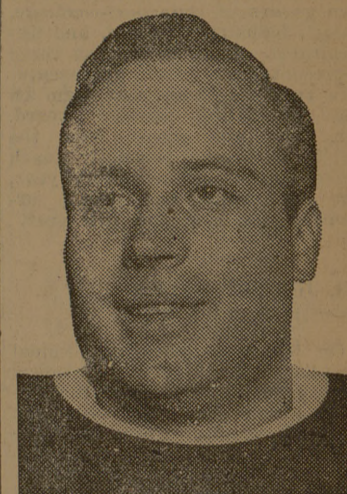
Spike White has asked that all entries be in early, so that plans can be made early.

## Golf Tourney Gets Record Support

The duffers and golfers turned out en masse last week to start off the second half golf tourney with a total of thirty-four entries. Each golfer is placed in a flight that is made up of golfers of approximately his own calibre. This will lead to a very successful tourney as everyone will have an equal chance in his own flight.

## Cure Made Ass't To Coach DeWare

Wayne Cure, outstanding tackle of the 1942 Aggie football team, has been appointed assistant coach of the "B" football squad and will be line coach under De-



Wayne Cure


ware. He will assume his new duties at the beginning of the 1947 football season.

In addition to lettering in football, baseball, and track at Seymour High School, Cure has three grid letters from John Tarleton Junior College and made All-Conference there. He played at A. & M. during the 1941 and 1942 seasons as both guard and tackle. His football career was interrupted at this point by the war, during which he served as an Infantry officer.


Before leaving for service, Cure was majoring in Agriculture and minoring in Animal Husbandry.

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**Attention G. I. Wives**

Between 75 and 100 extra employees will be needed by the Veterans Advisor and The Exchange Store to assist in handling the peak load of Fall Semester Registration. Past experience in both departments indicate wives of veteran students are highly adaptable to this work.

The Veterans Advisor will need approximately 50 extra employees on August 17 and September 7 and 9 to issue book requisitions. Requirements: Legible handwriting, a fountain pen and ability to follow simple instructions. Those interested apply to Mr. B. A. Zinn, Veteran Advisor, before August 10.

The Exchange Store will need extra sales people, file and billing clerks, etc., beginning about August 15. Previous sales experience not necessary, but desirable. If interested apply to Mr. Robert B. Barham, Personnel Supervisor, Exchange Store before August 10.

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