

Looking at the Aggies . . .

# From This Angle

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## Ringin' Down the Football Curtain

Well, the curtain has fallen on the 1946 football season and for many an Aggie supporter who had hopes of great things from this year's aggregation, it wasn't any too soon.

But, looking back over the 10 games played since September blew in, it can be said that things weren't toooo bad. The Aggies won four and lost six—admittedly not very impressive for a team that was supposed to fight it out with Rice and Texas for the title—but the Farmers did finish fourth in the loop, one game behind Texas and two behind Rice and Arkansas.

Those conference wins over

## Give Aggie Cagers Time; Then Judge

With conference basketball competition scarcely a month away and pre-conference play already in full swing, the local sports spotlight has definitely switched to the hardwoods.

The question on everybody's lips is, of course, "what kind of a team are the Aggies going to field?"

The answer? Well, from this angle, it looks like the present bunch will be better, much better, than last year's, but just how much better remains to be seen.

The team has more natural ability than any that has graced DeWare Field House for many a moon. Despite the more or less unimpressive showing against North Texas, Wednesday night, Adams, Jenkins, Batey, Kempermann, Klutz, Garcia and Collingsworth look like they might develop into a formidable crew before the season has progressed very far.

The passing and backboard work in the North Texas game left much to be desired but it must be remembered that the Eagles had two games under their belt before playing the Farmers. With a little more practice playing in actual competition, there is no reason to believe the passing and rebound work won't pick up.

Collingsworth, Jenkins and Batey were the only Cadets hitting the cords with any regularity at all—Garcia and Kempermann appearing noticeably off form, but again, it must be pointed out this was just the first game and more must

Baylor, T.C.U. and S.M.U. are not to be sneezed at, and the Aggies certainly acquitted themselves well in holding Oklahoma to a thin 10-7 win.

Individual honors did not befall any of the Aggie regulars probably because of the team's poor won-and-lost record. The exclusion of Howell, Stautzenberger and especially Monty Moncrief from the all-Southwest Conference selections was a real surprise—one which we're still trying to figure out.

Concerning next season's chances—we've got just one thing to say—its high time we found the combination to beat T.U.!

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Speaking of the conference, a typical dog-eat-dog race, with about three or four teams having a fighting chance for the title, appears in the offing. Texas is strong (they took North Texas to the cleaners two nights in a row by margins over 20 points). Rice as usual, will be in the thick of things and the loop's dark horse looks like S.M.U. The Ponies finished sixth in the circuit last year, but reports from up Dallas way indicate the Mustangs have a team that is vastly improved. Arkansas, which usually produces teams averaging in the vicinity of six feet four inches, is an unknown quantity, while Baylor and T.C.U. are in the same boat with the Aggies—in the building stage.

At any rate, things should be interesting along SWC hardwoods this spring, so bring your smelling salts, get a firm grip on yourself, and prepare for the fireworks.

## SAE Meets Tuesday

"Cyclone Combustion", a film produced by the Wright Aircraft Corporation, will be shown Tuesday evening, December 10, at 7:30 p. m., at a meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers to be held in the ME lecture room.

In addition to the film, a talk will be given on the Lockheed P-80 by Terry Clark, president of the chapter. This plane is powered by the Allison-GE turbojet.

# Aggies Leave On Eastern Cage Journey

## North Texas Trims Aggie Cagers, 59-49

A spirited, headsup North Texas basketball team made the Aggies' 1946 cage debut a dismal one Wednesday night at DeWare Field by staging a furious last half assault that netted the Eagles a well-earned 59-49 triumph.

The game was typical of most early season contests with work under the backboards spotty on both teams and shooting erratic on the part of the Aggies. A million fouls, more or less, were committed, and the game was thus, rough from start to finish.

The Aggies' ball handling was bad and as Coach Marty Karow put it, "we just weren't hitting our shots." Those two facts just about sum up the reasons for the defeat. Showing up well on the attack were Bill Batey whose one-hand push specialty netted him 15 points and second high point honors for the night, John Collingsworth, who bucketed 11 counters and Sam Jenkins who dunked nine more.

But most of the glory was hailed in by two North Texas products, lanky center, Hopkins who had six foot plus frame in the Aggies' hair all night and dropped in 20 points on the side, and speedy Bill Canble who led the Eagles' decisive second-half assault and finished the night with 14 points. Hopkins hogged the backboards all night, getting about half the rebounds and his 20 points were good for high point honors.

The Aggies hopped into a early 2-0 lead when Batey dunked a one-hander and the score was tied at 2-2 and 4-4 before the Eagles pulled away to 7-4 and then upped it to 15-8 and 21-9 before the Aggies could find the range. Mike Garcia entered the game and started the fire with a long set shot, Jenkins followed with two free tosses and Batey added a tip-in to cut the margin to 21-15 before Bell swished one for the Eagles. However, the Aggies hadn't cooled off—yet. Collingsworth hit the cords with a long one-hander and Kempermann added a pair of gift heaves to make it 20-23. In the last two minutes of the first half, Collingsworth looped in two goals and a free toss and Batey dropped one while North Texas was gathering only two points and the teams left the court at intermission with the Farmers enjoying a 26-24 lead.

Things looked good as the second half opened with Batey hooping another one-hander but Hopkins and Canble got hot to account for seven quick points to send the Eagles into a lead they never relinquished. The Eagles managed to stretch their advantage to 40-34 with seven minutes gone in the second half before the Aggies made their last serious bid, pulling to within two points at 40-38 on two free tosses by Collingsworth and Jenkins crisp shot. But Hopkins, Canble and Co. got busy to up their lead to 48-39 with six minutes left. The Aggies managed to crawl up to 47-52 with two minutes left, but a hot last minute bucket parade by the Eagles closed out the game at 59-49.

## Farmers Play Five Games In Four States On Jaunt

With a rather unimpressive showing against North Texas on their record, the Texas Aggie basketball team today was looking forward to embarking on an extended tour through the East and Midwest.

The trip, one of the most extensive ever attempted by an Aggie team, and the first since the pre-war days, will carry the Cadet goalers through four states for five engagements in five days.

The squad, 14 strong, will leave Saturday morning on the Southern Pacific and will arrive in Troy, New York, Monday morning. Monday night, Coach Marty Karow sends his charges against Siena College in a game played as part of a double-header scheduled in Troy. Immediately after the game the team again hits the road to fill dates with Moorehead Teachers College at Louisville, Ky. on Tuesday night; Bradley Tech in Peoria, Ill. on Wednesday night; St. Louis University in St. Louis on Thursday night and the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Ky. on Friday night.

## INTRAMURALS

Cliff Ackerman

The current volleyball and basketball Class A season is drawing to a close with playoff games for the college championship scheduled for the coming week.

The Corp Volleyball Crown went to "C" Field as they outplayed "E" Inf. 2 to 1. "C" Field, led by the driving spikes of Tittle and the drop spikes of Davis brought the winning points in. Stevens and Luther were outstanding in the set-up positions and on blocks. For the losers Kiel and Jaude were outstanding along with the fast and hard driving spikes of Nelson. The score by games looked like this: 15-6, 9-15, 15-3. The College Championship lies between "C" Field and Dorm. 15, winners of the Veterans leagues.

## BASKETBALL

In the veterans leagues the important game of the past week was the playoff in League A between Dorm. No. 3 and the Vet Village team. Dorm. No. 3 came out on the long end of the score 32 to 23 in a well played game. Thompson led the winners by running up 14 points, while Lucas and Bowen headed the score and played good defensive ball. On the losing team Parrish was outstanding as he scored 13 points. Johnson and Crew set up the defensive pace for the Vets.

Playoff games to decide the Corp and the Veteran championship teams will be played as scheduled in the big gym: 7:00 oDrn. No. 3 and Puryear; the next two games will be at 7:45 and 8:30 between A Coast, E Field, A Inf., and the winner of League "B". The following week the college championship team will be decided as the winning Corp team meets the winning Vet team.

## TENNIS

The class B tennis will come in the end before the holidays. In the semi-final matches "A" Sig beat "G" Inf. and the other match "A" Eng. meets "C" Inf. and the winner of that match will play "A" Sig for the College Championship.

## CROSS COUNTRY

The Upperclass and Freshman cross country meet will take place on Saturday, December 14, at 2:30. All entries are due in Wednesday, December 11, by 6 o'clock.

## All-America, All-Conference Teams Are Announced by A.P.

This week the Associated Press named its All-American and All-Southwest-Conference teams, the latter being chosen by coaches of the conference.

All-America	All Conference
End—Burr Baldwin, (UCLA)	End—Gene Wilson (S.M.U.)
End—Elmer Madar (Mich.)	End—Alton Baldwin (Ark)
Tackle—Dick Huffman (Tenn.)	Tackle—Weldon Edwards (T.C.U.)
Tackle—George Connors, (N.D.)	Tackle—Charles Lively (Ark.)
Guard—Alex Agase, (Ill.)	Guard—Weldon Humble (Rice)
Guard—Weldon Humble (Rice)	Center—Paul Duke (Ga. Tech.)
Center—Paul Duke (Ga. Tech.)	Back—John Lujack (N.D.)
Back—John Lujack (N.D.)	Back—Charley Trippi (Ga.)
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## Improved Play in SWC Makes Going Rough in '46---Karow

"We've got more talent this year than anytime since the war, but unfortunately, so has everybody else." Such was the comment of head basketball coach, Marty Karow as the local 1946 basketball season got under way.

Looking over his chances for the 1946-47 season, Karow said his present crop of cagers is handling the ball better and hitting the basket a little more frequently than at the corresponding time last year, but the veteran mentor has tended to add that it was still too early to make any definite comments about the Aggies chances in the Southwest Conference race, especially after the disappointing showing against North Texas.

"Texas and Rice, as usual will be strong," Karow advised and added, "and look out for S.M.U. The Ponies have rounded up some good players and are a cinch to improve their standing of last year." As for the other teams in the league, Karow declined comment, saying, "we'll find out soon enough."

As for his own team, Marty had this to say: "The team is not composed of a bunch of tree-toppers. The squad as a whole will average

about six feet with the first team checking in at about six feet one inch. As for experience, Adams lettered last year and Klutz lettered in '42 while Jenkins, Kempermann and Batey have only service experience.

Jim Kirkland and Peck Vass, both of whom lettered last year as Freshmen, are the only other members on the squad with experience at A. & M.

## '46 Aggie Cage Slate

- Dec. 9 Siena College, at Troy, N.Y.
- Dec. 10 Moorehead Teachers at Louisville, Ky.
- Dec. 11 Murray Teachers, at Paducah, Ky.
- Dec. 12 Bradley Tech, at Peoria, Ill.
- Dec. 13 St. Louis, at St. Louis, Mo.
- Dec. 14 Kentucky, at Lexington, Ky.
- Dec. 20 Houston Tourney, at Houston
- Dec. 21 Houston Tourney, at Houston
- Dec. 27 L. S. U., at Houston
- Dec. 28 U. of Houston, at Houston
- Jan. 4 Open, at College Station
- Jan. 10 T. C. U., at Fort Worth
- Jan. 11 S. M. U., at Dallas
- Jan. 15 Baylor, at College Station
- Jan. 25 Rice, at College Station
- Jan. 31 Baylor, at Waco
- Feb. 3 Texas, at Austin
- Feb. 12 Rice, at Houston
- Feb. 15 Texas, at College Station
- Feb. 21 Arkansas, at Fayetteville, Ark.
- Feb. 22 Arkansas, at Fayetteville, Ark.
- Feb. 28 T. C. U., at College Station
- Mar. 1 S. M. U., at College Station

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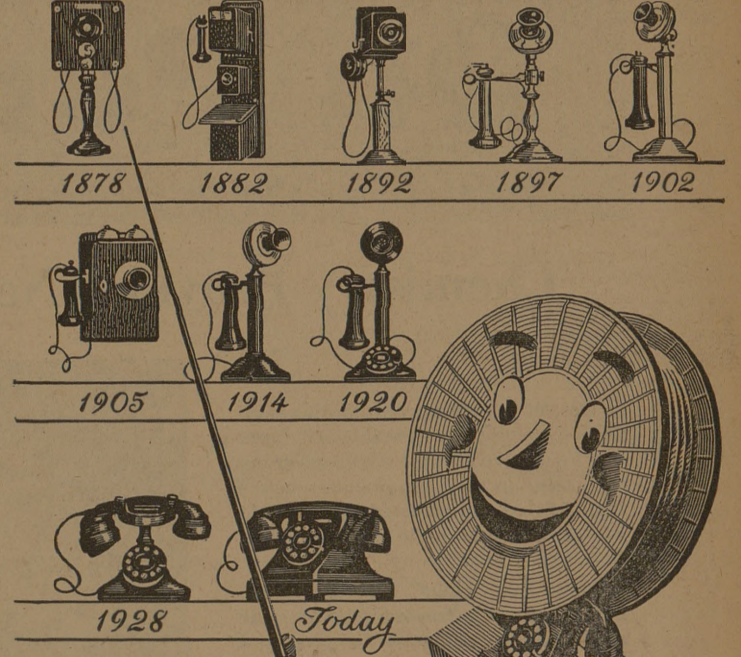
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