

ON KYLE FIELD

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Cagers Close Season With Bang

Last week-end the Aggie cage squad terminated a somewhat disappointing season by polishing off the TCU Frogs Friday night and taking the SMU Ponies by a close decision Saturday night.



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In that the Ponies were ranking third in the conference and had just finished polishing off the second-place Arkansas Porkers, the last victory was a fitting climax. From the start the visitors seemed to take a slight edge and practically every time Ponie forward Bill Tomlinson tossed the ball in the direction of the goal, it found its way through the hoop. The Aggies didn't attempt very often to work the ball in too close with their taller opponents covering the goal but relied upon long shots which apparently paid off.

Sam Jenkins, 6-foot forward, dropped in a long one-hand set

shot from well outside the free throw line and just to prove it wasn't an accident, did a repeat performance on the next play. Mike Garcia also connected with a couple as did Homer Adams, Lynn Smith and Bill Batey. Adams, who some sports writers believe to be the best two-handed set shot in the league, sunk one from the side-lines and then sewed the game up with a crisp shot as the overtime period neared a close.

Mike Garcia outdid himself with the ball handling, especially in the last three minutes of play when the Cadets were holding a one-point lead and trying to keep the ball out of the hands of the Ponie aggregation, who were now getting desperate.

Billy Turnbow, who has been playing reserve forward went in when the going got tough and some of the boys were getting winded to literally take the ball out of the hands of the visitors more than once. Bob Kamperman and Don Volding, who was changed back from forward to center, contributed fine floor games and a couple of points to boot.

'Fifteen' For Twelfth Man

The twelfth man was there too, as anyone within hearing distance can testify and their solid support was not to be outdone. To those members of the Cadet Corp, and the veterans who were there, this corner was mighty proud of them. After the game Marty Karow said that he wished us to express his appreciation and that of the team for the loyalty showed the cage squad even when wins were few and far between. He further told us that he sincerely believed that the twelfth man had contributed

not only spiritually but physically to the victory and without them the outcome might very well have been considerably different. Good work, Ole Army!

As long as the school is so solidly behind the teams, they have a lot more incentive to win.

After the game the Corps rushed out on the floor and carried the team off the floor as they do in victorious football games. This tribute of carrying the boys off the floor is something that hasn't happened here in years.

Conference Standing Could Be Worse

The Aggie cagers did not take many honors this year but things could be blacker. They ended fifth rather than in the cellar as Paul Tracy in the "Daily Texan" predicted at the beginning of the season and what's more, the squad as a whole and the members individually showed a quality of sportsmanship that was a credit to the school. Notably, Mike Garcia was able to hold his temper better and get off the floor smiling more often than most of us could.

This year the final count was Texas on top batting 1,000 percent and Arkansas bringing up second. SMU took third honors with Baylor following with a 50 percent average.

A&M carried fifth followed by Rice and TCU in that order. The Aggies had four wins and eight losses, beating TCU twice, Rice and SMU. Losses were to Texas on two counts, Baylor twice, Arkansas twice and Rice and SMU once each.

Aggie Bee Cagers Down San Jacinto

In a preliminary affair preceding the A&M-TCU tilt on Friday night, Johnny Frankie's Aggie Bee cagers swamped a visiting San Jacinto High School aggregation by a score of 59-44.

Scoring in the first half was spasmodic with each quintet keeping the ball long enough to make three and sometimes as many as six buckets without interception. Fouls and errors were numerous and many shots were missed by both teams. Peck Vass dropped in a long one-handed set shot and Miller tossed in another from well outside the free throw line but most of the buckets were crisp shots or tip-ins.

The lead changed hands often and on several occasions the Golden Bears wrested the lead from the Bees but by half-time the Ags held a lead of 29-22.

The second half opened faster with both squads getting down to business, but the hosts got a 12-point lead and managed to hold it for most of the remainder of the match.

Little Jack Miller was high-point man for the Aggies with 14 tallies while Gilbert Luton paced the Bears with 15. No points were made after Cheek dropped in a charity and a bucket with two and one-half minutes of play remaining.

This year San Jacinto won three out of four preliminary bouts but dropped tilts to both Sam Houston and Jeff Davis in the run-off for District.

Game Statistics

A&M	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Vass, f	5	3	2	13
Gorman, f	1	3	1	5
Cheek, f	2	1	1	5
Brown, f	4	2	5	10
Bruker, c	0	2	2	0
Eckles, g	2	2	2	6
Shugart, g	2	2	1	6
Miller, g	6	2	0	14
Shaw, g	0	0	2	0
Totals	22	15	16	59

SAN JACINTO	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Womack, f	1	1	5	7
Cobb, f	1	0	0	2
Luton, f	6	3	4	15
Sommers, c	3	6	2	12
Alexander, c	0	0	2	0
Durkee, c	0	1	0	1
Harris, g	0	1	0	1
Hagan, g	0	0	0	0
Bryang, g	2	0	4	4
Marks, g	1	0	1	2
Sheir, g	0	0	1	0
Totals	16	12	19	44

HALFTIME SCORE: A&M Bees 29, San Jacinto 22.

Free Throws Missed: Gorman, Sommers, Shugart 3; Womack 2; Vass, Brown, Eckles, Miller, Luton, Marks 1.

About a quarter of a million veterans reinstated their lapsed National Service Life Insurance policies with Veterans Administration during 1946.

March 1-9 has been designated as National 4-H Club Week.

Aggie Cagers End Season; Down Last Two Opponents

TCU Frogs Lose To Farmers 48-38

Marty Karow's Aggie cage squad won a fast decision from the visiting TCU Horned Frogs in DeWare Field House Friday night for win number three of the season. The final count was 48-38 with the Cadets on the heavy end of the score.

Opening the play with Bill Batey dropping in a charity after only 35 seconds of playing time had gone by, the hosts proceeded to rack up five tallies before the Purple got in a count. Wardynski contributed the first point for the Frogs four minutes after the tilt started.

The Aggies held a substantial lead all the way except for about 15 seconds in the second half when Gene Schmidt dropped through a ringer that tied the count 23-all. Other than this incident, the Farmers had things pretty much their own way with numerous pass interceptions and errors on both sides. The short but scrappy Frogs held their own on charity tosses matching the Farmers eight for eight but missed eleven as compared to only five misses for the hosts.

At half-time the Aggies held a 23-18 lead but immediately after the intermission the visitors came back to drop in two buckets and a charity to make their only real threat of the game. However, Batey again came through, followed by Smith and Kamperman to put the Cadets again well out front.

With four minutes left to play and the Ags holding a ten-point lead, Adams came through with three buckets and Smith and Turnbow with one each to leave the Purple well behind but Brothers came through with a charity with less than ten seconds left and Schmidt dropped in a bucket as the final gun sounded.

Homer Adams, Senior guard from Dallas, sparked the Aggie drive with 13 tallies to take high-point honors and Mike Garcia counted 11 but fouled out in the last three minutes.

Game Statistics

A&M	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Batey, f	3	1	2	7
Jenkins, f	0	0	0	0
Kamperman, f	4	1	1	9
Turnbow, f	0	1	3	1
Smith, c	2	1	2	5
Volding, c	0	0	0	0
Adams, g	6	1	3	13
Moore, g	1	0	1	2
Garcia, g	4	3	5	11
Totals	20	8	17	48

TCU
Hendricks, f 1 0 0 2
Dolnic, f 0 0 0 0
Schmidt, f 2 2 1 6
Young, f 1 0 1 2
Kudlaty, c 2 3 5 7
Harry, c 0 0 0 0
Pasco, g 2 0 3 4
Jarrell, g 0 0 0 0
Wardynski, g 4 1 2 9
Brothers, g 3 2 2 8
Totals 15 8 14 38
HALFTIME SCORE: Texas 18, A&M 23, TCU 18.

Cadets Drub Ponies 59-58 in Overtime

In the last tilt of a hectic season, the Texas Aggie cage squad edged out the visiting SMU Mustangs by a count of 59-58 with a five minute overtime period.

The count was tied 11 times and the lead changed hands 14 times throughout the affair with the Ponies taking a 9-3 lead in the first five minutes of play but losing it when Jenkins dropped in a long one-hand set shot and just to prove it wasn't an accident, repeated the performance on the next play.

Long sets were the order of the day with Jenkins tallying three buckets that way and Batey, Smith, Garcia and Adams dumping in two each. Scoring was relatively slow but the breaks were fast with both teams turning in some fast floor games.

At the half-way mark the Cadets held a 25-21 lead but after the intermission the Mustangs came back to make three buckets without interruption and take a two count lead. Here Garcia came through with a long set and a moment later Batey did a repeat to again take the lead. From here on it was nip-and-tuck except for some 20 seconds when the Ags took an eight point lead, the biggest margin in the tilt.

With a minute and a half of playing time left in the regular game and the hosts leading 54-51, Ponie forward Bill Tomlinson dropped in a charity and a bucket to tie the count 54-all.

The overtime period saw some fast breaks but little scoring with Prewitt initiating the scoring with a bucket followed by Smith, Adams and Smith for the Ags to make it 59-56. Prewitt made another bucket but the Farmers took over and retained the ball for the final two and one-half minutes of playing time.

Smith and Tomlinson shared scoring honors with 18 tallies each while Ponie forward Tomlinson tallied 17 but fouled out before the game was over.

A&M	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Batey, f	3	0	2	6
Jenkins, f	4	0	4	8
Kamperman, f	0	2	2	2
Turnbow, f	0	0	0	0
Volding, c	1	1	2	3
Smith, c	8	2	2	18
Adams, g	6	0	2	12
Garcia, g	4	2	1	10
Totals	26	7	13	59

SMU
Prewitt, f 8 2 2 18
Tomlinson, f 3 1 5 17
Channell, f 0 1 0 1
Pugh, c 1 3 3 5
Harris, g 2 1 2 5
Rollins, g 6 0 1 12
Salmon, g 0 0 1 0
Totals 25 8 14 58
HALFTIME SCORE: A&M 25; SMU 21.
Free Throws Missed: Tomlinson, Pugh 3; Garcia, Harris 2; Batey, Kamperman, Volding 1.
Officials: Curtis, referee; Deitzel, umpire.

Basketball Captain



HOMER ADAMS, 6-foot Aggie guard from Dallas was told Saturday night that he had been elected captain of the 1946-47 basketball squad. The only Senior on the team, Adams lettered in 1942 before entering the Army Air Forces where he served for two years as lieutenant in the Eighth Air Force, and again when he returned last year.

Aggie Bees Lose To Houston U. 54-45

The University of Houston Bee team stretched its undefeated record to 17 straight last Saturday night by coming from behind in the last two minutes to down the Aggie Bees 54-45 in a fast-moving tilt in DeWare Field House as a preliminary match to the A&M - SMU tilt.

In the first seven minutes of play the Aggies ran up seven points before the visitors were able to score.

At halftime the Cadets trailed 23-17 but at the end of the third quarter they led by a count of 35-33. At the four-minute break the count was tied 42-all and then both sides score to make it 44-all. At that point the Houston Bees stepped out and left the Ags trailing, tallying 10 points for the Cadets—one, a charity sunk by Shugart.

Ken Schreber of the University was high with 12 tallies.

High Score Man

BILL BATEY, 6-foot Aggie forward from Moulton paced the scoring on the A&M team for the season with 287 tallies. Playing his first year of College

Aggie Swim Squad Downs TU 54-39 For Win Number 7

The Texas Aggies established themselves as heavy favorites to win the 1947 Southwest Conference Swimming Championship when they scored a convincing repeat win over the Texas Longhorns by a score of 54 to 39 at the P. L. Downs Natatorium Saturday afternoon.

Records fell by the carloads in the dual meet as Danny Green led his talented teammates to a surprisingly easy win over the defending Southwest titlists. Five marks were shattered as Coach Art Adamson's charges staged one of the classiest exhibitions ever seen at the local pool.

Green completed a grand slam in the free-style events, adding new records in the 50 and 100 yard races to go along with the standards he had previously set in the 220-yard and 400-yard events.

The new times of 23.7 in the 60 yard and 53.2 in the 100-yard new pool records also. In addition, Green also anchored the Aggie 400-yard free-style relay team composed of Fisher, Knox, and Riley to a 100 foot victory in the record-breaking time of 3:49.3.

Jimmy Flowers, the freshman flash, also got in on the record breaking proceedings, winning the 100-yard breast stroke in 1:06.9, one-tenth of a second under the existing conference record. Flowers also had a hand in the Aggies' fifth record breaking performance of the afternoon, teaming with Harold Spencer and Ed Fisher to win the 300-yard medley relay in 3:11.7. The conference record in the event is 3:13.2.

Texas' only wins were recorded in the 220-yard and 440-yard free-style, which were taken by Joe Demmer, and diving, won by Paul Quaintance. Demmer was pushed in both free-style events by Bernard Syfan, the fast-developing Aggie swimmer.

The victory was the eighth straight for the Aggie mermen who have yet to meet defeat this season.

A capacity crowd saw the Aggie triumph.

basketball, Batey sparked the team at the beginning of the season and, despite his lack of height, played a floor game that had speed to burn.

Batey starred at Corpus Christi Naval Air Station while in service. His length of service was 3 years and three months during which time he served as an aviation machinists mate 3/c.

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