

Tankmen Favored To Rack Up Win Over Baylor Bears In Swimming Meet



NEW YORK, March 5 — Harry Walker admits there aren't many dollars between him and another year with the Philadelphia Phils.

"They understand what I want," said the outfielder, "and my move is up to them."

SARASOTA, Fla., March 5 — Johnny Ostrowski, up from Los Angeles, is making a bid for the third base job with the Boston Red Sox. Chief competition probably will come from Johnny Pesky or Vern Stephens, depending on which of them is picked for short stop.

TAMPA, Fla., March 5 — Manager Johnny Neun of the Cincinnati Reds today picked Ewell Blackwell, his biggest winner last season, and rookie Howard Fox against Detroit Sunday.

Second-Stringers Due to See Action As Ags Are Heavy Favorite Over Bears

The Aggie Tankers will go into action again tomorrow afternoon when they meet the Baylor Bears in Waco. Baylor will be after its first win of the season, having lost to Texas, and SMU.

A&M took the last dual meet here against Baylor, winning by 48 to 27, while using every body except the timekeepers.

Texas University, which handed the Ags their first setback last week, took an even worse (58-26) toll of the Bruin swimmers.

With the Cadets heavy favorites, Coach Art Adamson will probably give some of his second stringers a chance to show their stuff.

Baylor took only two firsts in the last meet against the Aggies here. Bullet Manale took first in diving and Jean McCoy won the 100-yard free style.

Workhorse Danny Green will probably take it easy tomorrow and swim in only one or two events if the meet goes according to schedule. Green has been breaking pool records with regularity this season.

Ed Kruse and Buddy Fisher will probably fight it out for honors in the backstroke while Howard Spencer rests. Spencer turned in one of the best individual races last week against Texas, winning by several yards.

This will be the Aggies' last dual meet of the season, and a win tomorrow will give them a total of eight victories against one defeat.

Next Saturday the team will take part in the Southwest A.A.U. meet and the following week comes the conference meet to be held here.

On March 26, and 27, the team will take part in the NCAA finals at Michigan University.

TWC Cage Team Picks LaSalle As Best Opponent

PORT WORTH, Tex., March 5 — Texas Wesleyan's "traveling-steady" team in the nation, thinks the best basketball team they met in jaunts over 15 states and the District of Columbia this season was LaSalle of Philadelphia.

Against TWC, Foust made 19 points; when LaSalle beat Arkansas, Foust outscored the Razorbacks' George Kok, 29 points to 25. The Rams' E. F. Parham outscored Foust 32 to 19, and Parham fouled out with four minutes to go.

First team—Jim Lacy, Baltimore; Lovola; Mickey Marty, Loras College (Ia.); Larry Foust, LaSalle; Burt Rollins, Southern Methodist; William Caterna, Duquesne; or Johnny Orr, Beloit (Wis.).

Second team—Doc Nutt, Abilene Christian; Sam Tronatore, Loyola (New Orleans); Ace McCann, LaSalle; Renner, Seton Hall; John Erickson, Beloit; Smith, Long Island.

Closely missing is Norm Haukins of Lawrence Tech, the nation's high scorer and all-American candidate.

Aggie Pistol Team Defeated by Mich.

The A&M Pistol Team received its first defeat of the season last week as it fell with a score of 1288 to Michigan State who scored 1320 points. The Aggies' only win to date was their victory over Pennsylvania State two weeks ago.

Members of the Aggie team in the match against Michigan State were R. G. Cox, H. R. McNiel, R. T. Cook, B. G. Ray, W. W. Reed, and S. W. Smith. Cox, of A&M, was high point man with a score of 282.

The Team is back in competition this year for the first time since before the war. Several matches have been scheduled for this year's season. This week the Aggie Team will shoot a competition match with West Point.

Any other Freshmen who want to come out for baseball this year must report not later than Saturday, March 6, to Tom Pickett on the Freshman Field South of the Varsity Diamond.

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Aggie Thinly Clads Hosts to TU Monday

Middle Distance Events May Decide Meet; Sippers Favored

By DON ENGELKING

Texas University's heralded track team will invade Aggie land Monday for a dual meet with the defending champions of the Southwest Conference—The Texas Aggies. The first event will be run at 2:30 p.m. on Kyle Field.

Monday's meet will be the first for both teams this season.

Boasting two of the best all-around track squads in the Nation, the Aggies and the Longhorns will display some of the best track and field men this Conference has ever produced. Each team has several men who will be trying for berths on the US Olympic team this summer.

Olympic prospects on the Farmer squad are: Art Harnden and Ray Holbrook in the quarter-mile. George Kadera in the discuss and Bob Goode in the heath-ten.

The deathlin, incidentally, consists of the following events: Discus throw, shot put, javelin throw, broad jump, high jump, pole vault, 100-yd. dash, 120-yd. high hurdles, 440-yard dash and the mile run. Goode will probably enter five of these events Monday.

Kadera will enter the discuss shot and javelin. Harnden and Holbrook, in addition to running the quarter mile, will form half of the mile relay team.

Stand-outs on the TU squad are, first and never last, those famous Longhorn sprinters, Charley Parker, Perry Samuels, Allen Lawler, Charlie Tatom and Tex Robertson. Tatom and Robertson the two slowest, can each run the 100 yard dash in 9.8 seconds.

Robertson, who is noted more for broad jumping than sprinting, was the NCAA broad jump champ in 1946.

A definite Olympic prospect is Jerry Thompson, Texas' great middle distance runner. Thompson, who holds the conference record in the mile run, won the 880-yd. run, the mile run and the two mile run in the conference meet last spring.

Although Allen Lawler will not be able to run Monday due to a recent appendectomy, the Longhorns will be in the favorites row regardless.

Last year the two teams each scored exactly the same amount of points in a dual meet here May 13. Neither team has suffered serious losses since then but the Longhorns have been bolstered by the addition of Robertson who was ineligible last spring.

Ponies Score More Points But Cagers Lose Seven Games

DALLAS, March 4 (AP)—Ironically, the highest-scoring team in Southwest Conference Basketball lacked just 24 points of winning the championship.

Southern Methodist's seven losses were from one to seven points. There were two one-point defeats, two two-pointers, one five, one six and one seven.

SMU averaged 52 points per game, statistics from the office of James H. Stewart, executive secretary, show. That was two-tenths of a point better than Baylor, which won the championship.

But defensively, the Methodists gave up 49.4 points—fourth in the conference. Baylor was tops in this department with an average of 42.0. Second was Texas with 45.0 and third was Arkansas with 48.0.

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Above is the Lamar team which won the Junior College tournament here. Bottom row: Oart Phillips, Gilbert Massey, Verlon Bobbitt, Frank Garvey, Charles Shoptaw, and Jimmy Anderson. Top row: James Kirkland, Jerry Parish, Coach Elbert Pickell, Bill Moody, and Joe Mouton. Moody was on the first All-Tournament team and Parrish was placed on the second.

Cagers Close Medicocre Season Against Sips Tuesday Night

By BILLY GERSCH

A&M's basketball team will play the role of underdog again next Tuesday night when they lower the curtain on another basketball season with a game against the University of Texas Longhorns.

The Aggies are closing out a below par season. They have won only two of their conference games, defeating SMU 51-46 and TCU 48-22.

Regardless of this game's outcome the Farmer's final standing in the conference will be one step above Texas Christian in the cellar.

The Maroon and White Squad could embarrass the Longhorns by shading them in this final game, as the Steers are due to play in the National Invitational Tournament at New York City.

A loss to the Aggies would throw Texas into a tie with the Arkansas Razorbacks for second place behind the Baylor Bears in final conference standings.

In their previous meeting the Aggies matched the Steers point for point until the last half when Big Tom Hamilton of Dallas began sinking his one hand specialty shots and led the Texas scoring with 20 points.

Slater Martin, Hamilton's teammate, helped ice away the game with his phenomenal accuracy and was credited with 17 points. Billy Turnbow led the Aggie scoring, netting 15 points. The score of the game was 69-48.

After losing a humiliating game to SMU and dropping a close one to TCU, the Cadets may regain

THE BATTALION SPORTS

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1948

3 Volleyball Teams Play Here March 6

A&M's Volleyball Club will play host to teams from the Waco, Houston and San Antonio "Y's" in DeWare Field House tomorrow at 3 p.m.

This same Houston team placed third in the National Tournament this year.

In 1947 U.S. people, on the average, spent twice as much for goods and services than in 1939.

Bob Feller of the Indians allowed 17 home runs during 1947.

Tomorrow's football scrimmage will be held at 2 p.m. instead of 2:30 as originally planned. The postponement of the track meet was the reason for the change.

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