

Managers Pick Campus Softball League All-stars

Hovel, Cortez, Burch and Russell Tied For First Place in Voting; Machemehl is Pilot

Twelve Softball Stars were selected yesterday by the managers and officials of the Campus Softball League as the All-star team of that League. Bob Hovel, A. J. "Cort" Cortez of Law, Elmer Russell of Bizzell and Arthur Burch of Bizzell led in the balloting with nine votes each. "Hot Dog" Redditt of Bizzell was next in the race with eight votes. Redditt was followed by Jack London of Leggett who polled seven votes.

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Texas, Rice and SMU Picked As Top Three in SWC Football

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF
Associated Press Sports Editor

DALLAS, Aug. 18 —(AP)—As far as Southern Methodist is concerned this looks like where they came in last year—at this time in 1947 Methodists were rated third in the Southwest Conference race.

The consensus of coaches and critics place them the same right now.

SMU does have some problems along with its hopes of repeating with the championship. The Methodists are well-fortified at all positions except center and blocking back. They should have the best backfield in the conference. The line looks very good from guard on out.

But at blocking back SMU will be using the man who was third in line last season. Bob Ramsey, the regular blocking back, finished Howard Parker, who divided the time with him, became ineligible scholastically and signed a pro contract. Francis Pulatite, who had been expected to work with Dave Moon at the spot, also has signed a pro contract and gone to the New York Giants.

Fred Goodwin, who played behind Cecil Stuphin and Lloyd Baxter is back at center.

On what can be developed to work with Moon and Goodwin will largely depend the changes of SMU in the conference race.

Blair Cherry was fortunate in one-sense at Texas last year. He managed to start the season without being put on the spot as favorite. It's different this time. Texas is due to be the majority choice to win the title.

Surprisingly, Rice is rated virtually even with Texas. Rice lost a lot of good footballers but it still has Tobin Rote, the sparkling of a fine finish last season. And it has Joe Watson, a magnificent center. And it has the advantage—a big advantage, too—in the schedule.

The Owls play Texas, Southern Methodist and Texas Christian all at Houston. Those are considered the three toughest teams in the conference other than Rice. And some say Rice also has a strong ally in Houston humidity.

Arkansas appears to be the mystery team. Word from Fayetteville is that the Razorbacks should be their strongest since John Barnhill came in as coach.

Barnhill has been there three years and in 1946 tied for the title. However, it doesn't seem possible that Arkansas could have a line as strong as last season. It lost its starting tackles among other stalwarts in that forward wall.

Texas Christian probably would be favored had it retained all the men it finished with in a blaze of glory last season.

The Frogs lost both tackles—Weldon Edwards and Harold Kilman, the former turning pro and the latter losing in a battle with the scholastics. It also appears pretty certain of losing Al Vaiani, a very fine back, who contracted polio this summer. He isn't likely to play any football this year.

All this summarizing leaves Baylor and Texas A&M to fight for the last two places in the conference race. But they could make trouble.

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Reserve Officers To Hear Stockwell

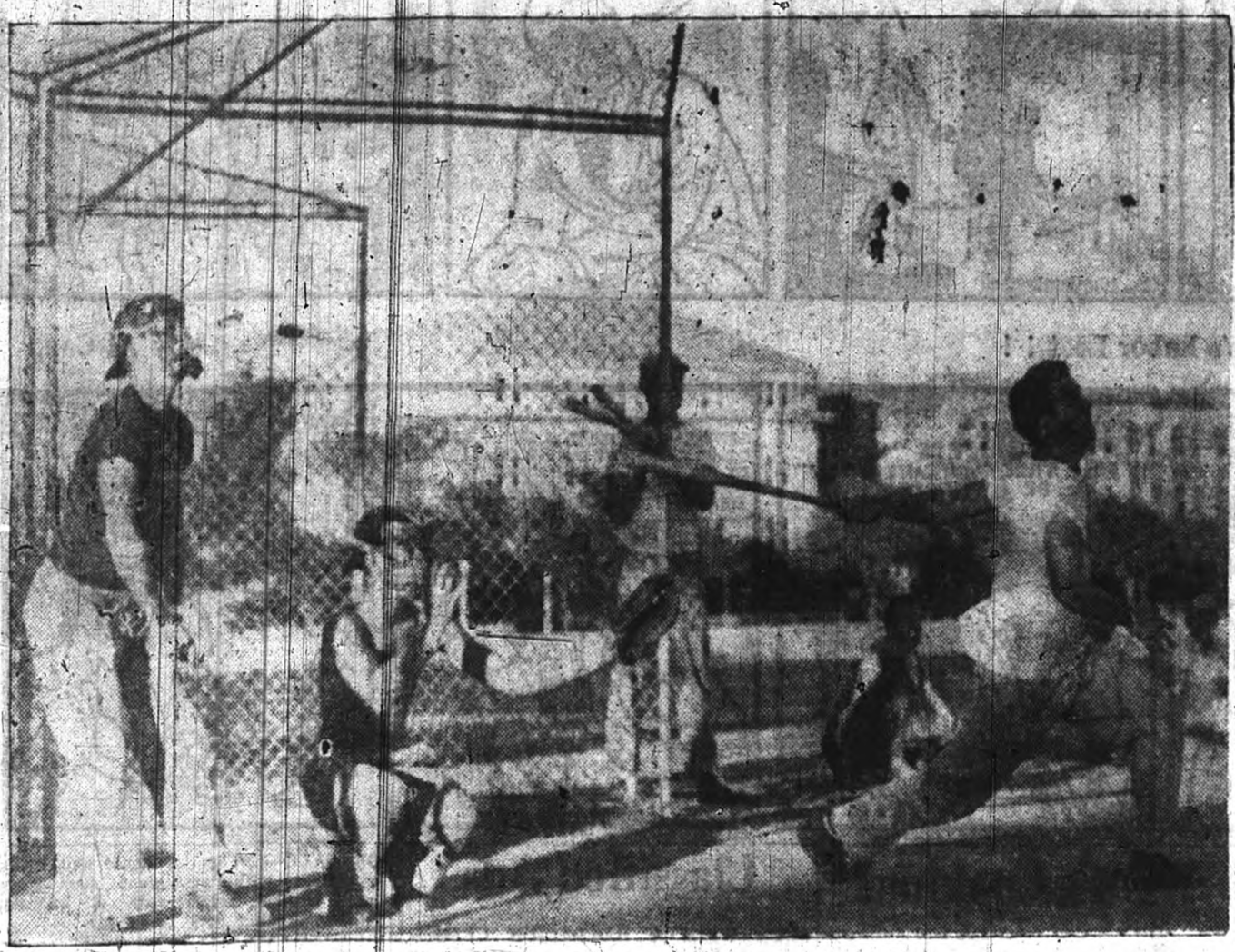
Army Reserve Officers of the 479th Composite Group will meet Thursday night at 7:30 in the PMA Building, according to Paul J. Woods, acting public relations officer of the group. The officers will hear Capt. A. W. Stockwell, local unit ORC instructor, reveal the details of the new Reserve Officers retirement bill. Stockwell also plans to announce the name of the new commanding officer of the Group. The new CO will succeed Colonel R. A. Eads, who is leaving the community.

Employees Dance Thursday in Shisa

The A&M Employees Dinner Club will meet Thursday evening at 8 in the main dining room of Shisa, Hall. Dinner will not be served. Members will dance, and refreshments will be served during the dance. Admission to the dance will be 25c per person, payable at the door.

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JOE SACRA polls one for Bizzell in their final League game with Puryear last week. "HOT DOG" REDDITT awaits his turn at the bat in the background. The catcher is A. B. HARRIS of Puryear and the umpire is BERT HUEBNER.

Bizzell Beats A-even Twice For College Softball Crown

By DON ENGELKING

Bizzell Hall took the College Softball Championship with ease last night as they shut out the Champions from College View—A-even for the second night in a row. The score last night was 11 to 0.

Last night's game was the second of a proposed three game series. Bizzell won the first game Monday night 6 to 0, making it unnecessary to play the third game of the series.

The College View champs were badly outclassed by the champions of the Campus League in both games. A-even collected only three hits in both games put together.

The two games were played under the lights on the new diamond near the Groves.

Monday's Game
Arthur Burch hurled two-hit ball for Bizzell in the opener of the series Monday night to record his seventh win of the semester against no defeats.

Burch was never in trouble as his mates scored five runs in the first inning to ice the game in a hurry. Burch struck out ten of the College View men and walked none.

Bizzell scored five runs in the

first inning on three walks, three hits and an error.

The Campus champs added a run in the second on a walk and Elmer Russell's double.

Milton "Shallow Water" Machemehl, manager and roving short, and Russell, the shortstop, led Bizzell's attack with two hits each.

Gibson was the losing pitcher for A-even.

Tuesday's Game
Jack Green, a southpaw, set A-even down last night with only one hit in an abbreviated four inning game.

It was agreed between the managers to stop the game at the end of four innings if a difference in the score was more than eight runs.

Green faced only thirteen men walking none and striking out seven.

Whitaker, the College View hurler, was too wild to be effective against Bizzell last night as he walked eleven men.

Bizzell took an early lead by scoring two runs in the first inning on three walks and singles by Russell and Machemehl.

Battling all the way around in the third inning Bizzell tallied eight runs on five hits, four walks and an error. Highlight of the inning was Joe Sacra's fluke home run on a misjudged fly ball to deep right field.

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Russell was the only man in the game to collect two hits.

The world's largest city, so far as area is concerned, is believed to be the town of Kiruna, in Swedish Lapland, which received city privileges January 1, 1948. Although it has only 18,000 inhabitants, it spreads over more ground than 18 times the area of greater New York City.

The Niagara Falls have shifted their position about a quarter of a mile since white men first saw them.

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HUB ELLIS, three year letterman at center, will have the big job of filling Bob Gary's shoes at the center slot this fall.

San Antonio Golfer Leads in Tourney

FORT LEWIS, Wash., Aug. 18. —(AP)—Shooting a blistering three-under-par 69 in a 18-hole playoff, Sgt. Roy Schneider of San Antonio, took medalist honors in the All-Army Golf Tournament yesterday.

He led the Fourth Army team of Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to the four-man team championship over four other teams.

Schneider had a total of 73-69-142 for the 36 qualifying holes. This gave him a two-stroke edge over a Second Army man, Lt. Willard M. Mann of Fort Worth, Texas.

The Fourth Army posted a team total of 612, followed by Fifth Army 629, Sixth Army 625, First Army 618 and Second Army 632.

Besides Schneider, those on the winning team were Sgt. John Laxon of Brownwood, Texas; Col. John F. Day, Jr., Fort Sam Houston, and Maj. L. W. Magruder of Bryan, Texas.



CALVIN DUPREE, 1947 letterman guard, will be back this fall to bolster the Aggie line. Dupree, together with Odell Stautzenberg, Herb Turley and Max Griener will make the Aggies one of the strongest teams in the conference at the guard positions.

Fire Made Gene Great

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Champions of Intramural Volleyball for the second time this summer is the team shown above from Mitchell Hall. They are from left to right: front row, Al Cartwright, Buzz Williams, Olin Brashear, Wally Dixon, and A. P. Wiley; back row, A. L. Von Rosenberg, Frank Hill, Nick Holland, Bob Conine, and Raymond Siegmund.

Sports Scribe Remembers The Late Babe Ruth's Longest Hit

By MURRAY ROSE
Sports Roundup

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 —(AP)—The big guy stepped out of the dugout... made two short strides towards the batting cage... and then there was a my cardrums... It kept up for... in volume as the minutes passed... and in the midst of it all I found myself standing on my seat, yelling like a wild Indian...

There were five thousand of us there in the Yankee Stadium that day... kids from six to sixteen... all in for free... able to see the Bambino... and all five thousand screaming like mad...

It was my first visit to a big league park... my first look at the Babe... and most of the other kids present were getting their first peek at a major league game... and at the fabulous Ruth.

Then came the first of the many thrills that day... The Babe moved in for his practice flick... the throw came and the Babe swung... The ball shot off his bat as if out of a cannon and headed high into the lower right field stands—"Ruthville..."

There was a furious scramble for the ball... the first of many that day... The Bambino hit about ten more balls, at least five of them going into the stands... later to be exhibited on as many mantelpieces...

The big guy tossed aside his bat and then trotted with quick, mincing steps to right field to catch a few... the King received a deafening ovation... He doffed his cap, his big wide face spread-flatter by his grin he caught a fly, pivoted and tossed the ball in almost the same motion into the stands... He threw nine more into the stands, making five thousand fans his worshippers forever... The game started and the min-

utes dragged until it was Ruth's turn to hit... the first pitch came in low and the Babe swung... There was a dead silence for a moment... The Babe had missed... two balls... and then another mighty swing... another whiff... Well, it only takes one to hit... Come on, Babe... then the ball came in again... low... The Babe swung... and missed again... Silence again—just a moment... youngsters, strong in heart, refused to let their idol down... The Babe trotted back to right field and the cheering was no less strong—The Babe waved, motioned as if to say wait until the next time...

The next time came two innings later... The Yankees trailing by two runs... two men on... two out... and the Babe up... The big guy didn't waste any time... The first ball sped in to meet the fat part of the Babe's bat and zoomed to its inevitable fate... high in the right field stands.

That was in 1924... The Babe hit 46 homers that year... but none better or longer than the one he poked that day... The records may say different... The experts may say different... But you'll never convince five thousand die-hard fans different... That was it.

Tobacco was so precious to the American Indians they frequently burned it as part of their devotions to the Great Spirit.

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