First Year for Stiteler Looks None Too Good . . .

Aggie Football Squad Boasts Twenty Lettermen

By DON ENGELKING

"Harry Stiteler probably won't bring the Southwest Conference Football Crown to A&M this year or the next, but by 1950 the Aggies will be one of the leading contenders for the coveted championship." That seems to be the concensus of many sports authorities concerning A&M's football chances.

However, most of us here on the Campus are becoming more interested every day in what the Aggie eleven will do this fall. How many games will we win? Who will do the punting? Who will kick the extra points? How are we fixed for reserves? How many good men are coming up from the Freshman team?

These questions and many more like them are being asked more every day on the Campus. Here are the answers to some of those questions as your Batt reporter sees it.

"Every team in the Conference will be better than they were last year and that means the Aggies will have to be better also to retain the position they held last year." (A&M finished in a tie for fifth). Those were the words of Coach Stiteler in a recent interview.

This means that there will have to be replacements (and good ones too) for the following lettermen lost from last year's squad, Backs—Jennings Anderson, John Ballentine, Jesse Burditt, Ed Dusek, James Hallmark, Stan Hollmig, and Barney Welch; linemen—Bob Gary, Norton Higgins, Cotton Howell, Charles Overly, Joe Sacra and Robert Tulis.

To fill these vacancies on the Aggie squad Coach Stiteler has (besides the twenty returning lettermen) five college and junior college transfers, eight varsity squadmen and twelve sophomores with freshmen numerals.

Although both first string ends are gone from last years eleven, eight good wingmen will be around to handle that position as well or better as it was handled in '47.

Lettermen ends returning are Charley Wright with three letters to his credit, Ray Whittaker with two and Merl Prokop with one. They will receive most of their reserve strength from a 6 foot 3 inch 230 pound junior college transfer named Andy Hillhouse.

Others who will add depth to the end positions are: George Kadera, Dick Callender and Ed Hooker, returning squadmen and Dorbandt Barton and Cedric Copeland from last year's freshman team.

Only two lettermen—James Winkler and Marion Settegast are returning at the tackle posts, but an ex-squadman who was ineligible last year is expected to take over one of the starting berths. He is 210 lb. Jimmie Flowers.

Flowers together with All-conference tackle Jim Winkler should give the Aggies one of the top pairs of tackles in the conference.

Settegast and Milton Routt, another returning squadman should be the two top tackle reserves.

Adding strength to the tackle

slots will be: Dwayne Tucker, Murry Holdich and Percy Burk, all transfers and Ralston Chapin a freshman numeral winner.

The Aggies will again be well fortified at both guard slots with four capable lettermen returning. Herbert Turley, with three letters, Odell Stautzenberger with two and Max Greiner and Calvin Dupree with one apiece should make the Farmers solid in the forward wall.

Stautzenberger and Greiner will probably get the nod for the starting berths.

Adding depth to the guard positions will be: three sophomores with freshmen numerals. They are: Carl Molberg, Donald Slaughter and Michael Spencer.

Herbert Ellis is the only letterman returning at the center slot. A lot will depend on whether Ellis can hold down the centers job with the support of Robert Bates and Hugh Meyer.

Meyer and Bates won Freshmen numerals last fall.

Only two letterman will be returning at the quarterback slot to handle the duties of the man-under in Coach Stitelers T.

Jimmie Cashion, a letterman in 1944 who broke his leg in the LSU game last year, will probably be the number one signal caller. Buryl Baty, a two year letterman will be vying with Cashion for the starting berth. Don Nicholas, a member of last year's squad is the third candidate for the quarterback's job.

The Aggies seem to be well fortified at the fullback position with six candidates vying for the starting berth. Among these candidates are three lettermen, one junior college transfer, one varsity squadman and one freshman numeral winner.

Robert Goff, Ralph Daniel and Paul Yates are the lettermen; Clovis Olsak is the junior college transfer, Kenneth Voss is the squadman and Blanton Taylor is the Freshman letter winner.

Goff and Daniel seem to be the leading candidates although they will probably receive much competition from Olsak and Voss.

The surprise addition of Frank "Frosty" Torno will bolster Aggie hopes at the halfback posts. Torno is reported to be a better than average punter.

Other lettermen returning at the wing back positions are Robert Goode, Preston Smith, Bobby Dew, and Oscar Pollock.

Jim Boswell, an outstanding prospect for the Aggie backfield, will also be vying for a starting position.

Two other candidates who will add speed and strength to the Aggie backfield are, Charley Royalty and Kenzy Hallmark, both Freshmen numeral winners last fall.

The leaders for the two halfback jobs at the present seem to be Boswell, Smith, Dew and Royalty. Both Goode and Torno missed spring training.

Dew is pegged as the possible successor to Stan Hollmig in the punting department while Stautzenberger may succeed Ballentine as the Aggie Conversion specialist.

As to how many games this squad can win this fall, no one knows; but if they win four or more of their ten contests some one will deserve a pat on the back.

Bizzell and Dorm 14 Advance In Campus Softball Tourney

Bizzell Hall, the college softball champions, and Dorm 14, which finished next to last in the Campus softball league, moved into the semi-finals of the Intramural softball tournament Friday night when they downed Walton Hall and Trailer Camp respectively in a double header on the lighted softball diamond.

The biggest surprise of the tournament was the way Dorm 14, winner of only one game last semester, pounced on Trailer Camp for a one sided 16 to 0 victory.

Trailer Camp, which has always produced a fair ball club, was never in the game as Dorm 14 drove across fourteen runs in the first inning to ice the contest.

Three Trailer Camp pitchers—Frank West, Sonny Seewald and Soreason—paraded to the mound in the first inning. These three pitchers walked eight men and gave up four hits in Dorm 14's one big inning.

T. C. Adams hurled quite effectively for Dorm 14 as he allowed only one hit and walked none during the four inning contest.

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In the second game of Friday night's double header Walton Hall, the team that ended on the bottom in the Campus League, gave the Champs—Bizzell Hall, a scare when they took a two run lead in the first half of the first inning.

Ray Dittmar started the rally for Walton by getting a double with one out in the first inning. Whiskey Cure walked and both Cure and Dittmar came home on Howard Fearn's single.

Bizzell came back in their half of the first to score a run on a single by Elmer Russell. Russell stole second and came home on an error.

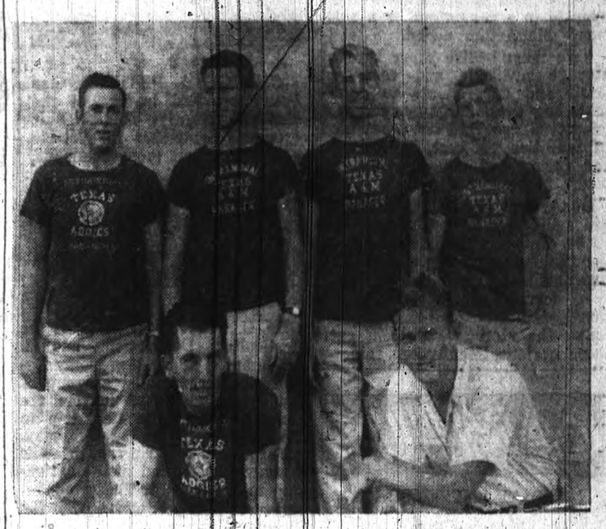
Successive home runs in the third inning with one man on base netted Bizzell three more runs to end the scoring for the night. The game winning homers came off the bats of "Hotdog" Redditt and Bob Hovel. Both men are on the Campus League All-star team.

Jack Green went the route on the mound for the winners allowing only three bases on balls and striking out nine. Wilson also went the route for the losers striking out one and walking one.

Bizzell and Dorm 14 meet tonight to decide the tournament finalist from the lower bracket.

Score by Innings:

First Game					
Dorm 14	1	4	0	1	1	R 16
Trailer Camp	0	0	0	0		R 0
Second Game					
Walton	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	R 2
Bizzell	1	0	3	0	0	0	x	R 4



Intramural officials for the past two summer semesters have been; from left to right, standing, Charles Lester, Bill Rouge, Bill Thorton, Bert Huebner, kneeling, Leonard Pettey and Barney Welch, Intramural director.

These men did all of the officiating at both softball and volleyball games through the entire summer.

Campus Softball League All-Stars

JACK LONDON
Outfielder, Leggett

ELMER RUSSELL
Shortstop, Bizzell

BUBBA WILLIAMSON
First Baseman, Law

Aggie Softballers Lose Two Games To Arlington Team

Vandergriff Buick Co. of Arlington defeated the Texas Aggie Softball team twice in a double header played last Saturday night in Arlington.

The team from Arlington which has won 69 games while losing only 11 this summer took the first contest 3-0 and won the night cap 2-1.

Jimmy Alcock, Arlington pitcher set the Aggies down in the opener with only two hits. B. J. Loyd was the losing pitcher for the Aggies.

In the second game the Aggies held a 1 to 0 lead going into the fourth inning but L. E. Winder, Aggie pitcher, loaded the bases with two out by walking two men and allowing an infield hit.

Winder then fielded a slow grounder to the pitchers mound and threw wild to first allowing two runs to cross the plate.

$100,000 SENT TO AID TEXAS' WAR ON POLIO

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (AP) — Dimes, $100,000 worth of them from the March of Dimes funds, have been sent to Texas to fight the current outbreak of polio, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis said yesterday.

Milner, Leggett, Bizzell, Dorm 14 In Games Tonight

Dorm 14 meets Bizzell and Milner tangles with Leggett in an Intramural softball double header tonight on the lighted softball diamond.

The winner of the Milner-Leggett game will meet Mitchell Hall Tuesday night to determine the finalist from the upper bracket in the single elimination Campus Softball Tourney.

The winner of the Bizzell-Dorm 14 game will be the finalist from the lower bracket.

The only game Tuesday night will be the one between the winner of the Milner-Leggett game and Mitchell.

The final game will be played Wednesday night between the two finalists. The two teams that lose in the semifinals will meet in the first game Wednesday night to determine the third place winner.

Probable hurlers in tonight's games are—Bill Plagens for Leggett, and David "Gene" Bowers for Milner; Arthur Burch for Bizzell and T. C. Adams for Dorm 14.

The first game tonight, between Bizzell and Dorm 14, will start at eight.

Bo McMillin, former Indiana University football coach, has a five-year contract as new coach of the Detroit Lions in the National Football League.

The Detroit Lions say they have the "classiest" name in football in Kinsley van Rensselear Dey, 23-year-old end from the University of New Harpshire.

Nine Lettermen Back as Tigers Start Practice

Nine returning letter-men of A &M Consolidated High School were back on the gridiron last week for practice.

The Tigers are working out daily under the supervision of their new coach, Boots Simmons.

Simmons is a former Aggie football player and an All Conference end for the Aggies in 1942. He plans to run plays from the T formation and Notre Dame Box.

The nine Tiger letter-men are headed by "Red" Cashion, 170 lb. all district quarterback. "Red" is the younger brother of the Aggie Quarterback Jimmy Cashion. Other backs are James Prewit, 175 lb. fullback, Lamar McNew, 170 lb. fullback, John Cooley, 155 lb. halfback.

Lettermen in the line are: Dick Dowell, 160 lb. end; Gilbert Eimann, 175 lb. tackle; Dick Birdwell, 150 lb. guard; Budd McCulloch, 145 lb. guard.

Five reserve lettermen of '47, are Bill Bates, Jake McGee, Royce Rogers, Lloyd Gray, Bobby Williams and a prospective freshman named Gayle Klipple.

The Tigers are playing in a new district this year composed of Bremond, Calvert, Lott, Riesel, and Chilton.

The first game for the Tigers this season will be Sept. 17 on their home field when they meet Madisonville.

Reynolds Leaves A&M Biology Dept.

Howard C. Reynolds of the Biology Department, will leave for his home in Nebraska late this week, and will begin work on his Pr.D. this fall

Reynolds has taught plant taxonomy at A&M since September, 1946, and this past summer semester was botany instructor for the Wildlife Management-Biology field trip to Colorado.

He plans to begin studies for a Doctor of Philosophy degree next fall, and will do a monograph on a plant genus for his thesis. He is undecided as to which school he will attend.

• Reynolds, a native of Seward, Neraska, recived his B. S. and M. S. degrees at the University of Nebraska. He spent 42 months in the army and received a field commission as second lieutenant while on Mindoro, Philippine Islands, with the Amphibian Engineers.

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College View Softball Champions for the second summer semester is the team above from A-even row composed of the following: from left to right; front row, Williams, Whitacker, Way, Gibson, Skidmore, Cummings, Rollins and Snider; back row, Sears, Cooper, Leffner and Patton.

Language Lack No Barrier To U.S. Grid Coach in Monterrey

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

ABILENE, Tex. —(AP)—When Coach Lloyd L. Willeford of Instituto Technologico in Monterrey, Mexico, sends a substitute into a football game he has an interpreter handy to be sure the boy knows what he's supposed to do.

Willeford, a native Texan who coached at Loyola of Baltimore, Concord College of West Virginia and West Virginia University before going to Mexico, isn't handicapped much, however, because of his skimpy knowledge of the Spanish language. And that's a matter that will be taken care of anyway. Lloyd figures he'll learn the language pretty quickly if he continues to coach Mexicans in football.

Jorge Pasquel, the wealthy baseball operator in Mexico, is indirectly responsible for Willeford becoming coach at the Monterrey Institute. Lloyd was an umpire in the International League when Pasquel started jingling his money bags at United States baseball. Willeford went to Mexico to make some of that dough as an umpire. But he didn't like it and started looking around for a job as a coach. Instituto Technologico, a new school, took him on. He started coaching in mid-October of 1947 and won six out of eight games. He fondly recalls when his team won its first game. The people carried him seven blocks on their shoulders.

Willeford, who played football at Davis-Elkins College and with the Quantico Marines, was born at Kerrville, Tex., but he hasn't spent much of his time in this state. However this year he has scheduled games with Brownsville and Edinburg Junior Colleges, Corpus Christi Naval Air Station and Corpus Christi College-Academy in Texas. He says within three years he will be able to play teams like Texas Tech and Hardin-Simmons of the Border Conference.

They call Willeford's team Borregos (the Rams). Music at the games is furnished by a guitar band. The girls don't take part in the pep program and won't appear as majorettes but they yell their heads off in the stands.

The institute is an engineering school founded to develop technicians for Mexican industries. It is only one-eighth completed but already has 1,200 students. It is a $65,000,000 project.

Dr. Wilbur Bohm, Cincinnati Red Trainer, served Washington State College teams for 17 years. He was with the Washington Redskins of the National Pro Football League five seasons.

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