

# Farmer Football Squad Shows Promise In Workout Saturday

## Western Loop May Have Pro Champs

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 (AP)—It's still a long way to December, but from this balmy September vantage point it looks like the 1948 All-America Conference pro football champion will come from the western division again.

Cleveland's Browns, the 1946-47 champions, and the reinforced San Francisco 49ers have established themselves as the solid threats for the title.

The New York Yankees, meanwhile, face a dogfight for the Eastern Division crown they wore in 1946-47, and even if they win it they'd have the dubious pleasure of playing either Cleveland or San Francisco in the final.

Off the basis of past performances against Cleveland in 1946-47 (three losses and a tie) and yesterday's 41-0 pasting by the 49ers, the Yankees outlook is gloomy.

Cleveland continued its pennant parade yesterday by routing the Buffalo Bills at Buffalo, 42-13, a much wider margin than had been expected.

## Quarterback Club Opens With Address by Stiteler, Movies

Coach Harry Stiteler will open the first meeting of the Quarterback Club in the Assembly Hall Wednesday night with a short, informal talk on the Aggies' grid hopes for the coming season.

He will also introduce the new members of his staff and explain their various duties for the coming season. Coach Stiteler is noted for his frank and open answers, and he will probably give a good picture of the team's performance in pre-season workouts.

Three excellent football shorts have been scheduled to complete the program for the night. The first, "Ball Handling in Football," applies both to the "T" style of play and the wingback formations. Close-ups illustrate effective techniques when the ball is passed hand-to-hand from center to quarterback.

Two generally accepted methods for making hand-to-hand passes in the backfield are explained, and actual game scenes follow to show the same techniques used under playing conditions.

The other two pictures, "Blocking in Football" and "Tackling in Football," give correct body and foot movements for those maneuvers.

These pictures are produced by the Encyclopedia Britannica Films in collaboration with Andrew Kerr, football coach at Colgate University. Slow motion shots are combined with narration to show both the players the spectators the correct methods as used in today's split-second game.

## Running Game Is Better This Season

The Aggie eleven finished off ten days of practice with a scrimmage on Kyle Field Saturday which pleased the thousand-odd spectators. The first hot sun in several weeks failed to slow the varsity as they showed a surprising punch on the ground. Jimmy Flowers, hobbled by a swollen ankle, was the only varsity man on the bench.

Bobby Goff was the standout for the Farmers Saturday with his line-busting rushes which were good for several yards each time. Goff made three first downs in a row for the maroon team when the whites stopped the varsity's passing game. Another surprise performer of the day was Bob Goode. Besides turning in some fine kicking, Goode was in fine running form and made several long jaunts over the white team.

The scoring punch which the Cadets need this year may come from speedy Charlie Royalty, up from the freshman team. Royalty looked good in spring practice and has done just as well in the pre-season practice. He was off for two long end runs Saturday, but his 155 lbs. failed to dent the rough white line. Royalty played on the maroon team most of the afternoon, and was also good on defense.

Another short back which showed a lot of promise was Bart Halton. Halton's toe put the whites out of danger with a 55-yard boot once, and he broke up several maroon pass plays. Halton also gave a couple of good runs for the whites, while displaying a good change of pace.

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Following is a brief summary of the Aggie starters:

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Next to Wray in the left tackle slot is the Aggie All-Conference choice in '47, big Jim Winkler, 225-pounds of brawn from Temple and a 3-letter regular for evident reasons. Jim looks more like a Tiger tank than a tackle as he demolishes the offenses that are thrown at him these days.

The lightest in the line may be Max Greiner, 190-pounds when it comes to fudges on the scales a little, holds the advantage he has now and starts. Pushing Greiner, who prepped at Beaumont High and was the only freshman to earn a varsity letter last fall, is Herb Turley, 198-pounder who has earned 3-letters since coming to A&M from San Antonio.

"Old Reliable," Hub Ellis, is back at center and determined that no upstarts (A&M has three center prospects in fish numeral finners Bob Bates, Hugh Meyer and NTAC transfer Hulin Smith) are going to keep him from holding down the starter's job. Ellis, who looks on football as a game after his "bull-dogging" exploits, hails from Kilgore and has utilized his 205-pounds to gain 3-letters.

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Back from another tough assignment (beating the scholastic booby-traps here at Aggie) comes Jimmy Flowers, 210-pounder, who

should be a big improvement over some of the exhibitions Kyle Field saw last fall.

Fullback is filled by Bob Goode, exceedingly fast for a 205-pounder. (The Basrop runner can do the 100 in 10.1.) If he decides to go all-out, Rob could easily make all the critics look sick by becoming one of the Southwest's most formidable runners. Goode also will go some passing from the fullback slot and may be called upon to exercise his potent kick-off and punting toe. All-Conference in '45, Goode also lettered in '46 and '47.

Pee-Wee Smith, the other half of the highly-publicized '45 backfield duo, is showing new life at the right half post. The 190-pound Bryan back has 3-letters and like Goode is capable of setting the woods on fire if he hits his peak performance of past campaigns. Pee-Wee has been lifting those feet up and checking out when he handles the ball in practice and he bids fair to have his best season since '45.

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## THE BATTALION SPORTS

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## Ex-G Men Probing Big Nine Players

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 (AP)—An intensive probe into athletic programs in each big nine conference school was under way today in a campaign against "improper aid" which already has cost 11 athletes their eligibility.

Conducting the investigations are Commissioner K. L. (Tug) Wilson and two ex-G men, one a specialist in accounting and the other a specialist in law.

This trio will follow the same pattern used in a one-year survey climaxed yesterday by disclosure by the faculty committee of 11 athletes ruled ineligible to compete in intercollegiate athletics for one year for receiving "improper aid." All were freshmen last year, and five have dropped out of their schools.

## Sets Weight Mark

MOSCOW—(AP)—Soviet Sport reports that L. Maltsev of Simferopol has set a new world record for weight lifting with the left hand. Maltsev lifted 110 kilograms, 690 grams (about 243 pounds). The announcement says the previous record for left-handed lifting was 107 kilograms. It was set by a German in 1936.

Cookie Lavagetto and Al Glonfriddo, two of the Brooklyn Dodger stars in the 1947 World Series, are playing for Oakland, Calif., and Montreal, respectively.

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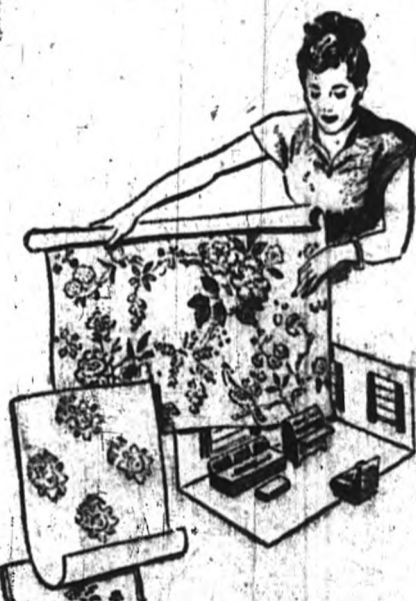
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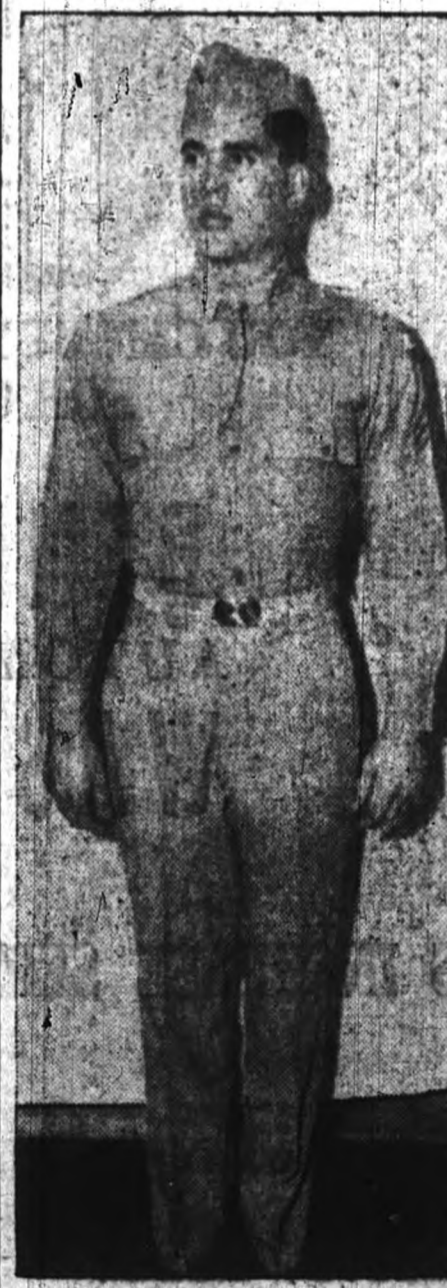
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