

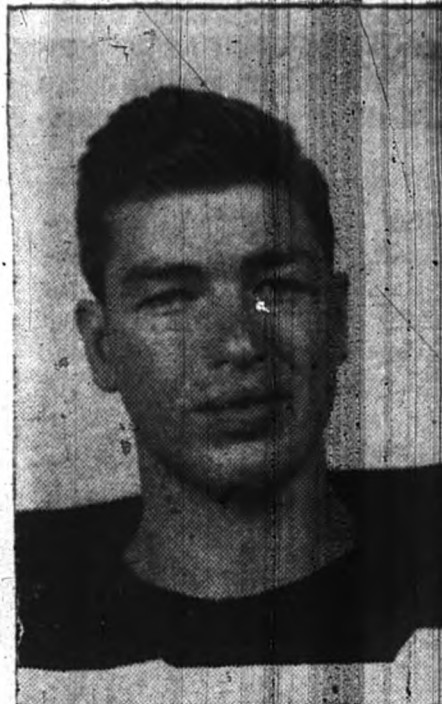
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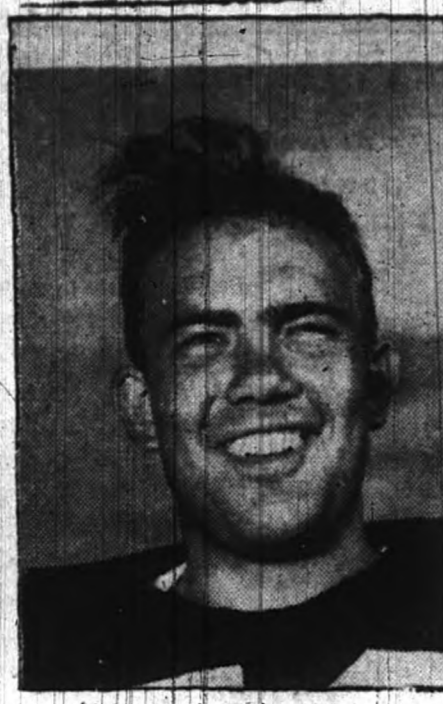
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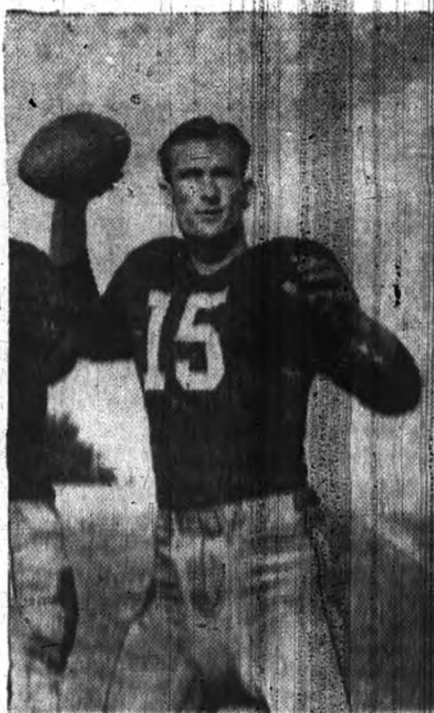


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Steers Host To Aggies In Annual Thanksgiving Day Battle



BURYL BATY



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Longhorns Ready for Aggies, Says Texan Sport Editor

By GEORGE CHRISTIAN
Sports Editor
The Daily Texan

A&M students who can remember the last time an Aggie eleven defeated Texas—back in 1939—could well have their most enjoyable Thanksgiving supper this November 25 since that Thursday afternoon nine years ago.

Despite the Farmers' dark record this year, the feeling here at the University is that the Longhorns will go into the game Thursday with little better than a 50-50 chance to win.

Some 70,000 people will overflow Memorial Stadium before kick-off time. That's not the size crowd that ordinarily comes to see a team with a six-and-three record play a team which has dropped nine out of nine.

Texas people respect the Aggies—and that's a feeling that goes down to Coach Blair Cherry and his Longhorns. If Aggeland partisans think Texas will go into the game on an air of overconfidence, they are sadly mistaken.

Cherry does not have a great team, but he has one which is good enough to come from behind and win when the chips are down. The Steers are at their best in the second half, and that ability to keep going when their opponents weaken has given them four victories in conference play.

The only league team which has failed to score first against Texas was Arkansas, and the Porkers held the Steers down to a 7-6 lead before Perry Samuels scored at the close of the final quarter to salt away the victory.

The Longhorns staked Rice to a 7-0 lead at halftime and then fought back in the last half to win 20-7. The 78-yard touchdown pass from Paul Campbell to Byron Gillory that gave Texas its second score was one of the most perfectly executed plays we've ever seen.

The Longhorns couldn't lick SMU no matter how hard they tried. Texas rolled up 23 first downs and 346 yards rushing and passing, but could score only once. The Ponies seldom had the ball, but they had the scoring punter that was enough for a 21-6 triumph.

Baylor bolted to a 10-0 lead over the Cherrymen, yet Texas won in the final two minutes on a 16-yard pass from Campbell to George McCall.

TCU took a 7-0 lead at the half and then watched the powerful Texas ground game plow them under in the third quarter for a 14-7 Longhorn victory.

After that one, Cherry said, "We're a winning ball club, but you can be dead certain we always have to do it the hard way."

Texas IS a winning ball club. It has all the essentials—the best running game in the conference, the number two passer, good kicking, and a smart, experienced line. But the Steers have made costly mistakes this season, and no team can win nine games straight while committing errors.

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Aggie Spirit to Be Deciding Factor in Turkey Day Game

By ART HOWARD

Last week this writer was so brash as to say that he would jump into the birdbath if the Aggie Freshman beat the Shorthorns. The information that Lippman was badly hurt made it look like a sure and heavy victory for the visitors. But Ole Armour came through without the Galloping Ghost, and my friends insisted on seeing me carry out my promise.

And the ones who didn't see the baptisms clamored for a repeat performance. It's nice to have such friends.

Your reporter has also picked up some advance information on this game—Texas is favored to win, again. But judging from the story above, the Teasippers are afraid of losing this game. Something must have made them change their minds, for a few days before the A&M-SMU game they were taking bets that the Aggies would win.



even show up for the game tomorrow.

We don't want any one taking away our underdog status from us, we need every advantage we can get. At the same time, the Aggies have shown sparks of hot playing, and some ashes of poor playing.

The most discouraging aspect this year has been the rapidity with which we have lost our leads. No sooner do we get ahead than the other team gets mad, scared and humiliated, and roars back to tie the score and go on from there.

Eleven Aggies Play Last Tilt Thursday

By BILL POTTS

When the Aggies come on the field Thursday in Austin to play the Texas Longhorns, 12 A&M men will be getting the last chance in their college football careers to play for A&M.

Aggies who will be playing their last game Thursday are Ralph Daniel, Bob Goode, Charlie Wright, Jim Winkler, Odell Stautzenberger, Hub Ellis, Marion Settegast, Buryl Baty, Preston Smith, Herb Turley, and Calvin Dupree. Eight of these men are starters.

Seven of them had their college career interrupted by military service while the other five were not eligible for the draft. Not a one of these men ever has been on an Aggie team that defeated the Longhorns.

The title for the "oldest" man among this dozen is a three-way tie between Dupree, Baty, and Stautzenberger, all 24 years old. The other nine men are either 21 or 22 years old.

Quarterback Baty first enrolled at Aggeland in 1942 after graduating from Paris High School. He won his freshman numeral before leaving for military service, where he served 36 months in the combat engineers in both the European and Pacific theaters.

Last year Baty compiled an outstanding average in passing for the Aggies, completing 45 out of 94 attempts. This year his best game was against SMU when he completed 17 out of 33 attempts.

Dupree enrolled at A&M in 1943 after playing football and basketball at North Side High in Fort Worth. He won a "B" team letter in 1946 and a varsity letter for playing reserve guard last year.

Stautzenberger, better known as "the San Antonio Wrecking Company," gained All-American honorable mention as guard in 1946. Co-captain of the team this year along with tackle Jim Winkler and back Jimmy Cashion, "Stautz" served three years with the Marines in the Pacific.

He has one year of eligibility remaining after this but has chosen to graduate because of his intentions to play professional football. He has been one of the Aggies' best linemen all season, even though he injured his ankle during mid-season.

Ellis, one of the best linebackers A&M had this season, was the lone center with game experience at the beginning of the season. He lettered three years in football previous to this one, and also has letters in basketball and baseball. He also plans to play professional football.

Daniel Twenty-year-old Ralph Daniel will play his last game as halfback against Texas. Shifted from fullback at the beginning of the season, he has a fine record as a line-busting back. He hails from Jefferson where he lettered three years in football and basketball.

Goode Goode, halfback from Bastrop who led A&M in scoring last year, has letters in football the last three years at Aggeland, in addition to winning the most valuable player award in 1945. He also made all-conference in 1945. He has two track letters and was conference javelin champion in 1946.

Wright Wright, Aggie end who has been near the top in pass receiving in the conference all year, will try once more to cross TU's goal with the ball as he has done once before. He is one of three Aggies who have managed to score TDs in Memorial Stadium. Using his last year of eligibility now, he comes from Beaumont where he lettered in high school football and basketball.

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Aggies Hope to Break Memorial Stadium Jinx With Baty's Passing and Spirited Line Play

By DON ENGELKING

Texas A&M and the University of Texas renew their ancient grid rivalry tomorrow afternoon at Memorial Stadium in Austin. The Longhorns hold a one-sided edge in the colorful series having won 35 games while losing only 15. Four of the games have ended in ties.

Aggies all over the world will be anxiously awaiting the kick-off for this is the game that all A&M students and Ex-A&M students look forward to each year with hope and confidence.

Not since 1939 have the Farmers been able to beat the Teasippers in their annual Thanksgiving Day Football classic and only two times since the rivalry started have the Aggies been able to beat the Longhorns in Austin.

The most consistent jinx working against A&M football fortunes is the Memorial Stadium jinx. The Aggies have never defeated the Steers in Austin since the stadium was built in 1924. The two teams that the Aggies have won the game from Texas in Austin were in 1922 and 1909.

According to the sports wizards the Longhorns are a cinch to win their ninth straight from the Farmers tomorrow in Austin, but the Aggies don't see it that way. As far as won-lost records are concerned the Aggies are having their worst season in the history of the school, but as Amos Melton, Sports Editor of the Fort Worth Star Telegram so aptly put it, "The Aggies have the best team the Southwest has ever seen that has lost nine straight games in one season."

If the Aggies were to win the Thanksgiving day battle tomorrow it would be one of the biggest upsets in the history of the Southwest Conference. To pull this big upset the Aggies are depending on a small, prematurely grey-haired man with as much spirit and ability as any Aggie coach has ever had. He is Harry Stiteler, A&M's much respected Head Football coach, who promises to bring the Aggies out of the football wilderness.

Stiteler has at his disposal a group of football players who are hungry for a victory on the gridiron.

The Aggie backfield is composed of men who can go when they are right. Main hope for the Aggies among this group is Buryl Baty from Paris, Texas who will be playing his last game for the Maroon and White.

Baty has shown flashes of brilliance as a passer and if he is right tomorrow afternoon his aerials may spell defeat for the Steers. Baty will work from the man under slot in Coach Stiteler's T formation.

Jimmie Cashion, who has been alternating with Baty at the quarterback slot, is also a capable passer and Thanksgiving Day may be his day to come through.

Bob Goode, A&M's all-around backfield man will again fall heir to a big job in tomorrow's game. Goode who has averaged playing around 55 minutes per game this season does everything possible in the backfield. He is the top punter on the squad, one of the leading ball carriers, an occasional passer and he is the Number 1 safety man on the squad. Goode, who is also good on pass defense, seldom is taken out for more than one play at a time.

The Aggie line will be headed by a group of seniors who will be playing their last game for A&M. Texas will be relying on their T quarterback and passer, Paul Campbell, and such flashy backs as Ray Borneaman, Tom Landry, Byron Gillory and Randall Clay to run and pass the Aggies off their feet.

The Texas line which is considered the best in the conference this year is headed by all-American Dick Harris at center and such stalwarts as Tackle George Petrovich and Guard Vic Vaisick.

The only mutual opponent that both the Longhorns and the Aggies have lost to is SMU. On paper the results of these two losses would give A&M a slight

advantage. The Aggies lost to the Mustangs by only 6 points while Texas lost to SMU by 14 points.

All of the other mutual opponents of the two teams have beaten the Aggies and lost to the Longhorns which gives Texas a decided advantage.

If the Aggies could play the same kind of ball tomorrow in Austin as they played in Dallas against SMU the Farmers would pull that big upset.

Tomorrow's contest between A&M and Texas will be repeated several times this year, only in different sports. Except for basketball and tennis, every one of the major and minor sports will see these two teams battle for the conference title.

The Aggie polo team has just finished its third undefeated season beating Texas U. and Baylor two games each. The squad, coached by Art Adamson, is now in a process of training for the swimming season which begins January 4.

The Farmer cross country men, led by Fleet J. D. Hampton, won its first conference title in 14 years, when they beat the TU distance men last Friday in a meet held in College Station.

Coach Andy Anderson also is getting his boys in shape for the track season this spring and will be a serious contender for repeating as conference champs. It will undoubtedly be a battle between the Aggies and Texas U. The Teasippers, although losing Charlie Parker and little Jerry Thompson, will again try to stand in the Aggies' path for supremacy.

The Aggie golf team that won the conference championship last spring is losing only Travis Bryan who graduated last June. Other standouts on the squad are John Henry and Bart Halton, defensive halfback of the Aggie football team.

The squad is coached by Gayther Newell, Bryan Club pro, who coached the squad to conference victories in 1927 and again in 1947.

In addition, the Aggie basketball team is scheduled to show a greatly needed improvement in conference standing. Marty Karrow's boys, although not expected to win the title by any means, should surprise the fans by fielding a much improved squad. Mike Garcia, Bill Turnbow, and Bill Baty as well as soph John DeWitt should boost the cagers quite a bit.

It will be a nip-and-tuck battle between the Aggies and the Longhorns for the most championship spots. The Austinites last year won the baseball, cross country, team tennis, individual golf, and swimming, and are favored to win the baseball and team tennis titles again this year.

Aggie Athletic Director Bill Carmichael should be well pleased with the showing the Aggies have made thus far and will be even more satisfied with the future sports picture.

An Editorial . . .

This is a message to the people of Austin.

A portion of today's edition is being distributed in your city for the benefit of our own students who arrived there before we went to press and for you as well.

For many years the TU-A&M game has been famous as the most spirited rivalry in the Southwest Conference. This year we have one other ambition—to make it the cleanest rivalry in the conference and the nation.

We are justifiably proud of our student body and football team. Throughout a losing season they have conducted themselves in the stands and on the gridiron in a manner that leaves nothing to be desired in the field of sportsmanship.

From their freshman days, our students pride themselves on their friendliness. Meet them, talk over the game with them. In this way we hope you can come to know what we mean by the words "Aggie Spirit."

During this Thanksgiving - game period, we hope we will be welcome in your city. In Memorial Stadium tomorrow, we ask only that the best team win. After the game, we hope you will want us to come back again in 1950.

To us, that is the true test of a successful corps trip.

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Yell Practice Tonight in Austin

Yell practice will be held in front of the Stephen F. Austin Hotel in Austin at midnight tonight. As far as it is known, no extra speakers will be present.