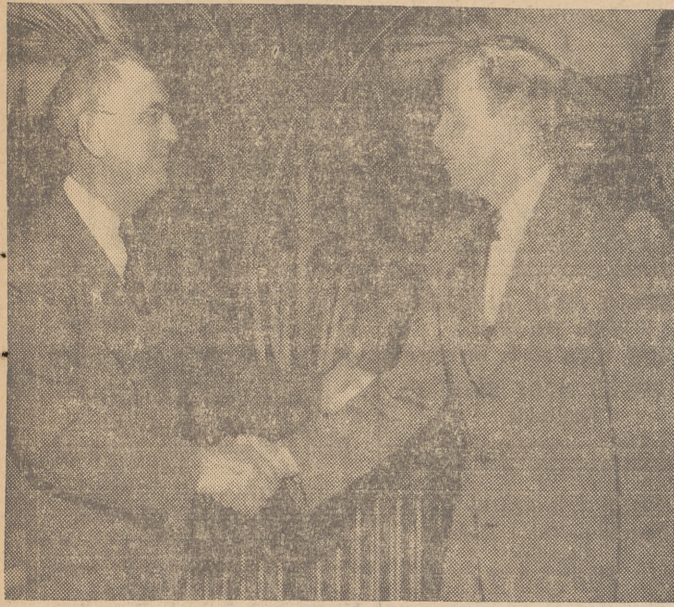


Mile Relay Team Wins Again



D. W. WILLIAMS presents ART HARNDEN with a lifetime pass to all athletic events at A&M for his performance on the track that brought great credit to A&M. This honor is reserved for All-Americans. Harnden is the first gold medal winner in the Olympics in the Southwest conference.

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Stautzenberger, Winkler Lauded
According to Coach Harry Stautzenberger, Odell Stautzenberger and Jim Winkler were the outstanding line men in the East-West All-Star game in San Francisco New Year's Day in the opinion of the coach of the Western team.

Twenty-five men in addition to Goode and Turley received their letters Friday night. Twelve of these lettermen have played their last football for A&M. They are End Charlie Wright; Tackles Jim Winkler and Marion Settegast; Guards Odell Stautzenberger, Herb Turley, and Calvin Dupree; Center Herbert Ellis; and Backs Bob Goode, Bart Haltom, Preston Smith, Ralph Daniel and Buryl Baty.

Others receiving letters: Robert Bates, center, Ft. Worth; James Boswell, back, Hearne; Richard Callendar, end, College Station; James Cashin, back, College Station; Turk Charin, tackle, San Antonio; Cedric Copeland, end, Waco; James Flowers, tackle, Highland Park; Robert Goff, back, Kenedy; Max Greiner, guard, Beaumont.

Andy Hillhouse, end, Alvin; Carl Molberg, guard, Fredericksburg; Charles Royalty, back, Freeport; Dwayne Tucker, tackle, Waco; Kenneth Voss, back, Gatesville; Wray Whitaker, end, Houston.

Lockhart Nolen and Robert Street were the team managers; while Robert Holmes and James Dyerly were the assistant trainers. Members of the cross country team receiving letters were J. D. Hampton, Julian Herring, Jerry Bonnen, Carroll Hahn, and Webster Stone.

Harnden Given Lifetime Pass
Another high point in the proceedings was the announcement that Art Harnden, the Aggie who ran a lap on the Olympic champion 1600 meter relay team, would be presented a lifetime pass to all athletic events at Aggieland. This

Lead Taken by Mitchell at Start; Team Posts Time of 3:26.1 for Win

Maintaining their winning ways in the house and out in the cold air, the A&M mile relay team returned from Washington yesterday with their victory string intact after their first indoor race.

This time the Cadet comets left the best the East had to offer in the way of mile relay teams in their wake as they turned in the good time of 3:26.1 for an indoor track. Their victory was further emphasized by the fact the second place Seton Hall finished from twenty to thirty yards back.

The track record in Washington is held by Michigan at 3:22. The Wolverines did not compete in the race Saturday night.

An odd fact about the race was the fact that Seton Hall, the second placing team, won a basketball game from the Aggies earlier in the winter, while Villanova, third place winners, won a football game from the Farmer pigskinners at Philadelphia.

In the race itself, the only outstanding thing shown besides the clear superiority of the Aggies, was that leadoff man Don Mitchell of the Aggies passed the runners of the other three teams on the inside while negotiating a turn. From that point on the Aggies gained approximately five yards per man on the rest of the teams.

Olin "Tiger" Teague, representative from this district, honored the squad at a banquet in Washington, last Friday.

This meet was sponsored by the Washington Evening Star as part of the presidential inaugural ceremonies. All expenses were paid by this paper. The squad flew up Thursday and returned late yesterday.

Films of the Thanksgiving game finally will be shown at the Assembly Hall Tuesday, January 18 at 7:30 p. m.

is an honor reserved for All-American performers for the Maroon and White and the Athletic Council felt that Harnden certainly fell into this classification. Assistant Coach Ray Putnam of the track squad reported on an outstanding high school track prospect who contacted A&M authorities about his chances of going to school here after they had given up hope of landing him because his older brother had gone to Texas. When the coaches expressed their surprise that he did not want to follow his brother's footsteps to Texas he had replied, "Well, Dad doesn't feel that that mistake should happen twice in the same family."

Plenty of beef and talent was present at Sbsia among the high school stars who were guests of A&M for the evening. There were five class AA all-state players sitting at the tables working on the T-bones that the Sbsia cooks had done themselves proud on. Also helping out with getting rid of the steaks were the members of the fine freshman football squad of the past fall. This squad was presented to the gathering as a group by freshman coach Bones Irvin.

Ecklund Signs On Yankee Grid Team

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (AP)—The University of Oregon's star center Brad Ecklund, has signed a contract to play professional football with the New York Yankees of the All America conference. The signing of Ecklund was announced by Yankee owner Dan Topping today.

Topping also disclosed the signing by the Yankees of former southern Methodist guard Jim Wright. He played for the Boston Yanks of the National Football League in 1947. Wright became a free agent by remaining out of pro football last year.

KICKING IT AROUND

BY ART HOWARD

Goode or Goff Most Deserving Of Award As Most Valuable Player?

We do not know who made the selection of "The most valuable football player award," but it is doubtful if they gave it to the right player. I do not wish to take anything from Bobby Goff—he did some fine playing for us and almost beat TCU with his running—but he was injured too much to merit the award.

Bob Goode was clearly the man being honored as the most valuable player, in my opinion. Before the SMU game, Goode stood up and made a speech. He said that A&M had not beaten Texas or had a good season in the four seasons he played here. This was the game he wanted to win, and he told the team about it.

Whether or not his talk had any effect on the team's performance, that day, it still shows that Goode wanted desperately to win for himself and for A&M. He averaged close to 55 minutes in every game. It was in the Baylor game (which we almost won) where he was twice knocked out, revived by oxygen, and sent back in.

Bob also kicked most of the time, and brought us out of the hole several times with his running. He led the conference in passing averages, completing three for three.

Nobody will claim that he was the smartest man on the squad, nor will they say that he was the best trainer. But it would be hard to find a player on last year's squad who wanted to win more than Bob Goode did.

Very possibly he did not receive the award as most valuable player for two reasons. First, it was known that he would not be here to receive it, which would have been awkward for the banquet's award. Second, Goode was somewhat of a football tramp. He came to school only to play football, and give studies and other sports the minimum of concentration.

Finally, his being chosen first in the National League's draft of college football players was proof enough that he was the most valuable player for A&M in '48.

It appears that we got a real catch in J. T. King, new Aggie end coach. Besides being a fine coach, King is also somewhat of a recruiter, and filled the Tulane lineup with Texas players.

"Dawg" Dawson, somewhat of a persuader himself, is reported to have said that when he went to a town to see a high school player and heard that King had been there the week before, he would turn his car around for College Station.

King talked one player into going to Tulane who was headed for Texas U.—in fact, he had his bags all packed.

Well, King picked up his bags and offered to give him a short tour of New Orleans. It's a funny thing, but by the time that the kid got his bags back, registration had already closed at T.U., so the athlete went to Tulane.

We are sorry to hear that P. L. "Pinky" Downs, the eternal Aggie rooster, is in the hospital at Temple. Dr. Marsh, who sent Pinky up there for a checkup, said that it was nothing serious but that Pinky would have to slow down a little.

Scott and Lomax Take Weight Titles In Bryan Golden Gloves Tournament



COACH MARTY KAROW'S hopes for a win over the Baylor Bears here this Friday looked better after TCU held the Waco team to a seven-point victory Saturday. Karow's crew has registered its lone victory of the early season against the Frogs.

By FRANK MANITZAS

The first annual Golden Gloves Tournament sponsored by the Bryan Jaycees was held in the Allen Academy gym January 13, 14, and 15. Frank Navles, Boxing chairman, presented a gold medal to the winner of each division.

In the fly-weight division Fred Morales, Jr., who won the state fly weight championship and reached the quarterfinals of the National Golden Glove tournament in 1948, won the fly-weight division unchallenged. After his exhibition with Ruben Velasco, Morales asked that his medal be given to Velasco for the spirit shown by Velasco in fighting Morales with a hurt shoulder. Morales showed signs of a great boxer in his fight with Velasco by his fancy footwork and lightning like jabs.

Bill Androus of Houston won the Bantam weight title of Brazos County by defeating Aggie Royce Brimberry, also from Houston, in the finals. Brimberry's repeated blows to the face of Androus made it hard for Androus to win.

Androus won the title on a split decision. This was the only fight in the bantam weight division yet it proved to be one of the best fights of the tournament.

The feather weight division was won by Aggie L. L. Lomax of Monohans, who defeated Robert L. Jones of College Station in the finals. Lomax had defeated Ruben Velasco by a unanimous decision in the semi-finals.

Lomax has no fingers on his right hand and sponge has to be stuffed into his glove to make up for the loss of these fingers. The loss of these fingers does not effect the fighting ability of Lomax.

Jones had downed Fred A. Moore of Houston in the semi-finals by a technical knockout to gain entrance into the finals. Early in the first round a left jab by Jones cut Moore's right eye.

Referee E. W. Slovacek asked that the fight be stopped due to the excessive bleeding of the cut over Moore's right eye. In the finals Lomax displayed his well developed footwork by keeping his opponent on the run most of the time, and Jones had a hard right which proved very efficient at times.

Jimmy Deliganes defeated George Lopez in the semi-finals and Roy Akridge in the finals to win the light weight division of Brazos County. In the semi-finals Deliganes of Laredo put all his 136 pounds behind his right cross to force Lopez all over the ring, but he did not hurt him. Lopez seemed to be out of shape.

Akridge of Dallas defeated Stanley Thompson of Abilene in the semi-finals by a technical knockout. Thompson started the fight with a series of left and rights to the mid-section of Akridge. Akridge gained control of the fight with a right punch to the nose of Thompson.

In the second round the referee stopped the fight because of excessive bleeding of Thompson's nose. Akridge showed better boxing in the finals than he had throughout the tournament.

Deliganes was more of a slugger than a boxer, although he was very game and could take more punishment than Akridge, he could not dish it out as well. Akridge came through in the final round with more than enough points to win.

Chevo Gongora of Bryan defeated Rudolfo Medina also of Bryan in a well fought fight to win the welterweight division in the first round both boys came out swinging and before the round was over each had a bloody nose. In the second round both fighters were considerably slower, and Medina pulled out in the final round to gain enough points to win the match.

The middle weight division was won by Cortez Turner, who defeated Aggie Kelsie Roach in the finals. Roach gained entrance into

the finals by flooring Edward Castillo in one minute and forty seconds of the first round. It was a solid right cross by Roach that floored Castillo, who regained his feet but could not stand on them to fight.

Cortez Turner, a boxer from Allen Academy, edged out Charles Knight, who knocked out Hager in thirty seconds in the quarterfinals, in the third round when Knight admitted defeat and did not last through the last round.

In the finals Roach went into the ring with the presumption that the only way that he would win was to knock out Turner early in the middle of the third round. Just to let the audience know who the winner was, "Cockey" Turner held up his own hand at the end of the fight.

The light-heavy weight bout between Mueller and Williams was won by mild swinging Williams by unanimous decision of the judges. Mueller was swinging wildly in the second round trying for a K. O. but to no avail.

The heavy weight title was won by Aggie Dick Scott, who was unchallenged.

The winners of this district tournament will have their expenses paid to the regional meet in Temple the weekend of January 27. The tournament was run off to a complete schedule to the satisfaction of all who attended. The officials of the tournament were E. W. "Cotton" Slovacek, referee and the judges were Bullock and Mistriviek.

Tugboat Jones To Coach at Midland

MIDLAND, Tex., Jan. 17 (AP)—Thurmon (Tugboat) Jones, former Abilene Christian College football star, has been employed as Midland High School Athletic Director and head football coach.

He was given a three-year contract, but terms of the agreement were not made public.

Jones was an all-conference guard at ACC and played two years with the professional Brooklyn Dodgers.

In 1943, he became coach at Electra, and later coached at Wichita Falls high school and Hardin College and Texas A&M. His teams won the district title in 1944 at Wichita Falls and went to the state semi-finals in 1945. His Hardin team of 1947 tied for the Texas conference championship.

Jones for the last six months had been in the oil well servicing business. He replaces Barnes Midlam, who recently resigned to go to work with an engineering firm.

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Owls Upset Longhorns As Baylor Takes SWC Lead

AUSTIN, Jan. 17 (AP)—Big Bill Tom paced Rice Institute to a 45-37 upset victory over the University of Texas Longhorns here Saturday night.

Tom dropped in 16 points as the Owls knocked off the highly touted Longhorns.

The victory gave Baylor sole possession of first place in the Southwest Conference basketball race.

Rice came from behind a 24-22 halftime Texas advantage to grab the lead early in the second half and stay ahead the rest of the time.

The defeat was the second Texas has suffered at home in its last 29 starts. It was the first Longhorn loss in conference play this year for Texas and threw the Steers into a second place tie with Rice.

Texas scored on the opening tip-off, Vilbry White grabbing the ball and netting a goal. The score was tied three times after this and lead changed hands six times before Rice went ahead to stay.

The Longhorns' widest margin was seven points, after 14 minutes of play.

Rice built up an eight point margin in the second half before Texas netted a field goal.

Al Madsen bagged 14 points for Texas, but Phillip George, Texas Center, failed to make a single point, and Tom Hamilton tallied only six.

Baylor Downs TCU

Baylor Bears won their fourth straight Southwest Conference basketball game.

Aggie Coaches On Banquet Circuit

A&M's football coaches hit the banquet trail again this week to keep five speaking engagements.

Head coach Harry Stiteler will speak at Corpus Christi tonight, Rosenberg Tuesday night, and in Breckenridge Thursday night.

Freshman Coach Barlow (Bones) Irvin will be the speaker in Victoria Monday night and in Stephenville Wednesday night. Pictures of the 1948 Thanksgiving Day 14-14 tie between the Aggies and Longhorns are shown at most of the banquets. Also much in demand are the movies of the Aggie freshman's 14-0 victory over the Texas freshmen.

Hogs Tromp SMU

DALLAS, Jan. 17 (AP)—Arkansas' Razorbacks beat Southern Methodist with free throws here tonight 54-45, in a Southwest Conference basketball game.

The Razorbacks and Mustangs each counted 18 field goals, but Arkansas connected for 18 free shots to nine for Southern Methodist.

The Mustangs led in the early stages of the game, the tall Razorbacks pulled away after nine minutes and stayed there the rest of the contest.

Ken Kearns, Arkansas guard, was high point man for the night with 14 points. Johnny Campbell, a 5 feet 7 guard for the Razorbacks, also dealt the Mustangs misery with his floor game and shooting. He tallied 13 points for his night's work.

Arkansas led, 27-21, at the half-time, but a late SMU rally reduced the margin to two points before Campbell started hitting.

New Directories On Sale in Dorms

Aggie Student Directories are on sale once again, and may be bought from agents who will appear in the dorms this week and the next.

Selling at thirty cents each, the directories may also be bought by writing or calling the Student Activities office.

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