

Slow-Starting Fish Down Cubs

Fish Blast Strong Baylor Frosh Team, Aggies Engage Okies Monday In Swim Meet

By PER SIMMEN

Combining a fast break with the height of Buddy Davis, the Ag Fish came through with another startling victory Friday night in DeWare Field House to defeat the Baylor Cubs by a score of 47-41. Buddy Davis led his teammates in scoring with 22 points. McDowell, who played an outstanding floor game for the Farmers in his last game with his freshman buddies, came through with 12 of his team's 47 points.

Despite an early and very short lead by the Cubs the College Station boys came back to run scoring crazy making a total of 30 points in the first half while holding the Cubs to only 18. In the second half though the Aggies had considerable trouble in holding that lead and the end of the game found the young Farmers ahead by only six points.

"Ears" McDowell played his regular brand of splendid ball, but the biggest surprise of all was the brand of cage play turned in by the Fish center Buddy Davis.

Davis used his height in controlling both backboards throughout the game and pulling shots out of the bag to lead his teammates to a victory over the new Wacoans.

Fleet forward Bill Harris, who played with Fish Bentley last season at Harrington High School, led the Baylorites in the scoring column with 15 points.

With the game 9 minutes old,

Fleetwood dribbled in for a crip when Mac was screened out, making it 17 to 15. This was the closest the young Bears came in threatening the Aggies hold on the lead.

With only a minute to go in the first half McDowell made a long shot from his own right corner to notch the Fish lead by a 30 to 18 count.

In the second half the Cubs seemed to have found themselves. Center Ralph Johnson started making shots after he moved away from the bucket and the protesting cover of Buddy Davis.

Johnson managed to slip in a total of 6 points in the second half while big Bud was busy with another man. Johnson's tricky ball handling and faking made him a standout on the Baylor team.

The latter period was filled with quite a few scares as the Cubs threatened the Ag' freshmen's lead in the closing minutes.

KICKING IT AROUND

By ART HOWARD

Retiring Sports Editor Gives Last "Kicks"; New Sports Editors Named

Today is the last time this writer will appear behind the familiar eight ball, for when the new semester rolls around I will hand it over to the new sports co-editors, Bill Potts and Sack Spoede. This being my swan's song, I would like to say that my association with A&M's coaching staff and athletes has been very cordial, on the whole.

Before leaving this column corner, I would like to amend something which I said last week about Bobby Goff. It finally came out that Goode was ineligible to receive the award of "Most Valuable Player" because he had gotten it in 1944, and the donor has stipulated that no athlete could get it twice in the same sport.

I do think that Goff deserved this award, Goode being ineligible. However, on closer consideration, who says that a man cannot be the most valuable member of a team more than one season?

Why give repeating lettermen a second sweater—they

Aggies Engage Okies Monday In Swim Meet

One week from this afternoon the Texas Aggie Swimming Team will meet their first opponents on the 1949 season in a dual meet in P. L. Downs Natatorium when they meet the strong Oklahoma University mermen.

Last season the Sooners lost only two of eight dual meets with other universities in this area. The two teams that beat them are SMU, who the Okies defeated in a later match, and A&M.

The probable line-up for the Aggies is:

Medley relay: George Reeves, Jimmy Flowers, Danny Green, and Bernard Syfan.

220 yard free-style: Dave Vardaman and Gilbert McKenzie.

50 yard free-style: Danny Green and Jerry Fisher.

Diving: Bill Strait and Scotty Potter.

100 yard free style: Danny Green and Jimmy Flowers.

150 backstroke: George Reeves and Ed Kruse.

200 yard breast-stroke: Gene Summers and Dick McKenzie.

400 free-style relay: Jerry Fisher, Jimmy Flowers, Bernard Syfan and Danny Green.

Jimmy Flowers, ace breast stroker on the team, will swim in the free-style events because he is recuperating from a cold. Bill Strait may not participate in the diving due to a pulled muscle.

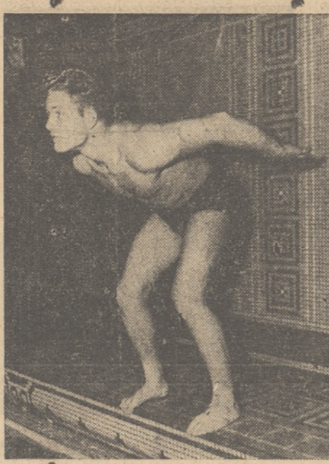
already have one? Team captaincy is supposed to be given only to graduating seniors, but several Aggies have been selected more than once.

Bert Pfaff of Tyler gives a trophy for the best blocker and, if I am not mistaken, he does not restrict it in any way.

But I think that the Aggie coaching staff, which makes the selection (with restrictions), would use their own judgment in passing this trophy around, unless there were only one logical choice for the award.

It is a fine thing for a local firm to give an award to the players. But if any restriction is placed upon it which prevents it from being what it is called, "Outstanding player or blocker," I believe that the Athletic Department should give its own trophies.

I would like to make it easier for Potts and Spoede by explaining a few things about the sports department. We have been criticized both verbally and in print, for our coverage and our editorializing. I have personally talked with most of the letter-writing critics, and invited them to join us. Invariably they are too busy to come help us. We make our mistakes up here, but we don't run any closed shop.



JIMMY FLOWERS, Aggie swimming star, will swim the dashes instead of the breast-stroke against Oklahoma next Monday afternoon. This will be the first meet of the season for the Cadet tankers.

Football Schedule For '49 Released

A ten-game 1949 football schedule against the same foes Texas A&M encountered in 1948 has been announced by Athletic Director Bill Carmichael.

The Cadets will play their first home night game ever on Saturday Sept. 17 against the Villanova Main Liners of Philadelphia. Villanova is one of the five 1949 Bowl game winners on the Cadets' slate.

Each of the Aggies' four home games is against a bowl winner, SMU, Baylor and Texas being

Bears Outlast Aggies, 53 to 47

By BILL POTTS

Too many missed free throws cost the Aggie basketballers a possible win over the conference-leading Baylor Bears in DeWare Field House Friday night. While leading at only one time during the contest, the Cadets were always well in the game except for a few minutes during the second half when they were 37 points down. They pulled up to within five points of the Bears before the last five minutes of the contest were played but could never get

any closer and lost by a score of 53 to 47.

Bill Turnbow played inspired ball all night and led the Aggies with 14 points in the scoring department, but missed five gratis shots that could have made a lot of difference. His team mates also missed enough to take the Aggies total of missed up to nine.

The Bears leading free throw maker and top scorer for the night was Don Heathington, their big 6 foot 3 inch forward who made seven gratis ones in seven attempts. He was trailed by Odell Preston who failed to make one in seven attempts.

The last few minutes of the game were marred a lot by traveling on the part of the Bears who seemed to think they were playing football instead of basketball. The Aggies were much better in their dribbling but didn't pass the ball enough.

Sam Jenkins, the Aggie co-captain who was playing his last game for the Cadets Friday night, did himself proud against the Bears. His ball handling and passing were above reproach and at various times, he nearly faked the Bears out of their uniforms with his tricky sidesteps and breaks.

Sam graduates this semester.

The Bears started off the fire works with eight points before the Aggies were able to rack up their first bucket. Gene Schrickel started the Aggies' scoring with two points after three minutes and 45 seconds had elapsed.

Tall John DeWitt hit again a minute and a half later with a long one from the left side. The Bears however, kept things in their hands and matched shot for shot until the Aggies started a rally after eight minutes had been played.

Schrickel sank a long one from the left side and Red Owens matched it with one from right

under the basket. Then came the big drouth of the Bears and the Aggies got hot. Turnbow made one of two free shots and John DeWitt got one gratis.

After the Bears had tried for the Aggies basket and failed, Turnbow put a long one through the hoop over his shoulder to make it 16-17 in favor of the Bears.

One minute and fifteen seconds later, "Wild Bill" Turnbow got wilder and sent the Farmers ahead with a crisp shot on a pass from Schrickel. Then Jim Kirkland sank a free one to put the Farmers two points ahead.

The Aggies lead didn't last long because Bill Johnson came back to tie up the score with a shot from just back of the foul line. Then Heathington put the Bears ahead again with another of his free ones and the Aggies were never able to catch up again.

During the last five minutes of the first half, the Aggies were able to make only two points more, both of those by Batey on free throws. The Bears, meanwhile, made seven. The halftime score was Baylor 27, A&M 21.

The Aggies started off the second half just as they started the first, like a bunch of cold polar bears with mittens on. It took three minutes and twenty seconds before they could get their first bucket, that one by Kirkland. Meanwhile, the Bears had raised their score four points to make it 31 to 23.

The Aggies basketballers then folded up and that looked like the game. In the next four minutes the Bears collected 11 points while John DeWitt made the

only two for the Aggies and the score read, Bears, 42, Aggies, 25.

Then came the best rally of the night for either team, this one on the part of the Aggies.

Jenkins stole the ball from Heathington and made a bucket after Turnbow had just sunk a free one. Preston made a free one for the Bears and that ended the Bruins scoring for awhile. During the Bears' scoreless period, the Aggies rolled up six more points on shots by DeWitt, Turnbow and Schrickel.

Heathington tipped in one for the Bears and Mobley matched it to run the score up to 45-36.

Turnbow and Schrickel made two more fast ones and that was as close as the Farmers could get to the Bears during the second half.

From then on, it was each team matching points with the other until the final minute. Baylor pulled one more point into the lead on a free shot by Preston and that was the ball game.

BAYLOR	G	F	P	P
Owens, f	6	2	3	14
Heathington, f	6	7	4	19
Preston, f	1	6	4	8
Hickman, g	0	0	1	0
Pulley, g	1	0	1	2
J. DeWitt, g	0	1	4	1
Johnson, g	4	1	2	9
Totals	18	17	19	53

AGGIES	G	F	P	P
Turnbow, f	4	6	4	14
Batey, f	0	2	0	2
Kirkland, f	1	1	3	3
Martin, f	0	0	0	0
J. DeWitt, c	4	1	4	9
Jenkins, g	2	0	3	4
Schrickel, g	4	3	5	11
Mobley, g	2	0	1	4
Totals	17	13	20	47

Free throws missed: Baylor (6), Owens (9), Turnbow (5), Kirkland (2), J. DeWitt (2).

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