Aggie Nine Opens Conference Play Against Owls Wednesday

GUY WALLACE is the starting Aggie shortstop this year. He is a sephomore and will be playing his first conference game when the Aggies play the Rice Owls in Houston tomorrow. A&M is to play two games against the Owls this week.

Yankee Manager Casey Stengel

a meager 252. The Yankees need more hitting from this pair to figure seriously in the race.

champion Texas Longhorns.

Donk Walker and Ryle Rote gave the Ponies a 1-to-0 lead in

their half of the first frame.

Walker walked and Rote singled him home. Baylor promptly tied it up, 1 to 1, in the second.

In the fifth, the Bears jumped on the Mustang hurling staff and

On 2 hits, 5 walks and Walkers

slam 4-run home run by Ernest (Dutch) Schreeder, Bear

The Bears added four more runs in the sixth. Schroeder

with a homer, double and single

in four trips, paced the Bear

Clyde Robinson started for Bay-lor. After a shaky start he scat-

tered five hits over six innings.

The best Mustang blow of the

day, Rote's tremendous drive to

right center field was nabbed by

Baylor's Chuck Devereaux with a

Fred Copeland finished the last

three innings for the Bears, whif-

fed five and was touched for only

BROOKLYN, N. Y. -(AP)-The

Brooklyn Dodgers have the right to select from Mobile any or all

players on or before Oct. 1 under a renewed working agreement, the

commissioner's office has announ-

At present the Dodgers have at

their Vero Beach, Fla., camp

four players who saw some duty

with Mobile last season. They are

Pitcher Willard Ramsdell, First

Baseman Preston Ward and Out-

fielders George Shuba and Cal

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artillery.

error, Baylor slammed across runs. One of the hits was a grand-

Walker-Rote formula.

Has Pack of Pennant Problems

World Series, looks like the third Over Ponies, 14-3

ing staff—and very little else.

His problems are numerous. He has no idea who will be his first

New York Yankees Hitting—Good Pitching—Good Catching—Fair Outfield—Excellent

baseman, or his third baseman, or

in the outfield, where he is

strongest, he is not altogether

Bill Johnson, hero of the 1943

baseman but Bobby Brown still

thinks he has a chance. Johnson

hit .294 last season in 127 games

while Brown batted an even .300

Joe DiMaggio's right heel-the

one that was operated upon last

November-has flared up again.

No one knows just how serious it

is. The Yankees know, however,

that to make any decent showing

in the pennant race, they must

Stengel also must know soon whether Charlie Keller, who miss-

ed most of the 1947 season because

of a spinal condition, has fully

recovered from the operation. So

Tommy Henrich rounds out the outfield, which Stengel regards as the best in baseball.

Backing up the big three are Johnny Lindell, a .317 swatter last year; Hank Bauer, up from Kansas City; Gene Woodling, the Pacific Coast batting champion, and Cliff Mapes, a holdover, Stengel says his biggest problem is how to cut this imposing list of flychasers to five.

Unless he collapses completely, Yogi Berra looks like he'll return behind the bat. He played the outfield last year. Berra needs plenty of polishing in fielding. There is no question of his hitting.

Gus Niarhos, Charley Silvera and Ralph Houk are the other receivers.

Babe Young, veteran National Leaguer, will attempt to fill the shoes of George McQuinn at first. Should he fail, either Jack Phil-

lips, Dick Kryhoski or Joe Collins will take over. Both Stinweiss and

Rizzuto experienced poor seasons

at the plate last year. Each hit

A letter, unsigned but obviously

boys for all sports.

far, Keller has been impressive. game into a romp.

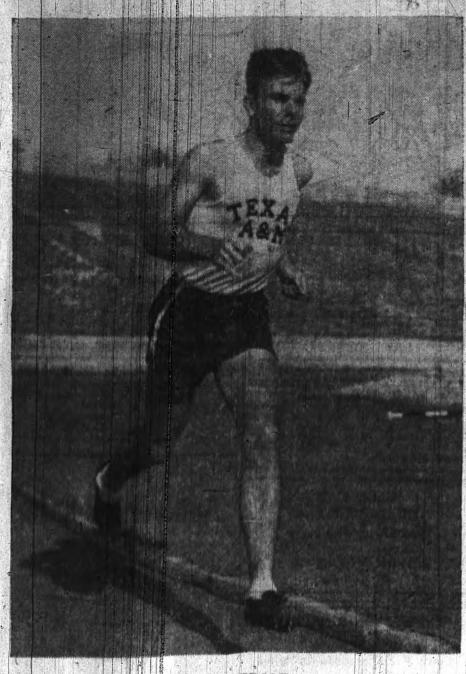
have a healthy DiMaggio.

His double play combination of Second Baseman George Stirnweiss and Shortstop Phil Rizzuto is a question mark. Even

Infield—Fair Finish—Third

his first string catcher.

THUMBNAIL PREVIEW



RAY HOLBROOK

Top Aggie 440 Man Placed Second In Schoolboy 880

tries, and has turned in winning

Aggie Softball

Nine Plays TU

Tomorrow Nite

Softball comes into the spot-light Wednesday night when the University of Texas repays a visit and plays a double header with

Game time is set at 7:15 and

the two tilts will be played in the

lighted softball diamond near the

Texas won the game played earlier with the Aggies. Bill Lloyd pitched a no-hit ball game for A&M but Texas scored a single

run on a walk and error to win.

the A&M Softball team.

fill an outfield position.

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Ray Holbrook, the Aggie's fleet times in the 440 yard dash at the footed 440 yard dash man, is a na-Border Olympics and the South-tive of California. He moved to western Exposition Meet. Goose Creek, Texas at the age of nine, and ilt was there that he

started his track career. That year he ran a 52 second 440 can touch Ray Holbrook, and from of Oreste Minosa are hot third to place third in the State Meet. all indications, the 1949 year will base prospects. During his senior year in high

school, he again concentrated on the 440 and placed 2nd in the Regional Meet. When it came time for the State Meet he was shifted to the half mile run and captured second place in that

After graduating from high school in 1944, Ray shifted his feet to Aggleland. As a Freshman on the 1945 A&M track team, he captured first place in the 440 with a time of 49.1 seconds.

That same year, he also took the 880 crown in 2 minutes and 1 second. To top off his activities for that afternoon, he can a leg on the Aggie mile relay team which placed

After the season of 1945, Ray was given an invitation by Uncle Sam to join his Navy. He spent one year on this leam, during which he ran for the Ward Island track team at Corpus Christi, Texas. He was discharged in time to re-enter A&M in the fall of 1946.

of 1946.
Holbrook got back to A&M at the same time another Aggie 140-king did. The other man was Art Haraden, who was in the United States Olympic squad last summer, and they became known as the 440 twins of Aggieland.
In every meet the Aggies entered that year, it was these two lads who crossed the finish line in first and second place. That season Ray Inished second only to Haraden with a time of 0:48,3. He also ran on the A&M mile relay team which won the conference meet.

As a junior, Ray kept up his point making ways for the Aggies. This season went much the same way, with Harnden finishing first and Holbrook bringing up a close second. The same was true for the Conference Meet. Bowen will patrol right field.

A&M's mile relay team that year enjoyed even greater success than during the previous season. That year, with Ray again a member, they set a new record at every meet in which they were entered except the Brake Relays and the Conference Meet. They won both of these meets, but thy couldn't quite touch the

This seems to be another good season for the Aggie fleet foot. He has already anchored the mile re-

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Hurlers, Rookies Hold Key To Indian Success In '49 Season

TUCSON, Ariz.—Confidence in rookies and pitchers dominates the camp of the Cleveland Indians. The performance of the two groups stands out as the Tribe prepares to defend the American League stands out as the Tribe prepares to defend the American League

it stronger. He was secured from the Washington Senators for

THUMBNAIL PREVIEW Cleveland Indians Pitching—Very Good Catching—Good Hitting—Satisfactory Infield—Excellent Outfield—Strong Finish—1-2

Yet Boudreau says he can re place any of them with a rookie and hardly notice the difference. In spring practice these newcomers have shown ability in the field and at the plate:

Herman Reich, a big fellow up from Portland, Ore., has been holding down first base while Vernon recovers from an appen-

Both of these meets found themselves with new records in the quarter mile after the Aggie flash both from Oklahoma City, are get-ting a lot of work at shortstop. Al The right field assignment pro-Ray ran his first quarter mile had finished. From this point, it nown competition during his junior looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though there isn't a man last season, and a virtually unlabel looks as though the season. Bob Kennedy in the Southwest Conference that known Negro player by the name is the leading candidate.

Cleveland feels no team in the league will be able to match its corps of starting pitchers. Beb Both play a large part in the well-balanced baseball weapon being molded by Manager Lou Boudreau. This weapon is made up of experience youth, hitting, fielding and enthusiasm.

The Tribe's 1948 infield of Eddie Robinson at first, Joe Gordon at second, Boudreau as short stop and Ken Keltner at third was considered the best in the league. Mickey Vernon makes it stronger. He was secured from

reach this mark last year, and he was only one short.

The aging Satchel Paige, who won six and lost one, feels he can win 20 if given starting assignments. But if he is used for relief roles, it's okay with the lanky Negro.

Steve Gromek, they say, is still another potential 20-game winner. Frank Papish, secured from the Chicago White Sox; Early Wynn, another transfer from Washington, and Sam Zoldak all add strength to a formidable mound squad.

And Boudreau is happy with his catchers, Jim Hegan is still No. 1 and rated as good as any in the league. The experience of Mike Tresh, secured from the White Sox is going to help. Rookie Ray Murray from Oklahoma City is also being given a lot of work.

You won't find many better outfielders than Dale Mitchell and Larry Doby. Both hit hard and run fast. This Speaker thinks that if any player again hits 400 ST. PETERSBURG, Fla—Casey Stengel has been bossing his New York Yankees less than a month, but already he knows that he has inherited a club with an excellent outfield, a potentially fine pitch-

that if any player again hits .400 it will be Mitchell.

Doby hit .301 last year and is being boomed as a potential great. Ray Boone and Fresh Marsh, Along with Bearden, he'll be fight-

as if they intend to keep the title.

Battalion Sports Quiz

Who won the Boston Marathon last year?

Who won the Boston Marathon last year?

1. Leslie Pawson 2. Johnny Kelly 3. Gerard Cote
What is the U. S. Speedboat record?

1. 96 mph 2. 124.9 mph 3. 134.6 mph
Who holds the U. S. Speedboat record?

1. Gar Wood 2. Sir Malcolm Campbell 3. Guy Lombardo Who was the only man to ever beat Gene Tunney?

1. Jim Crowly

2. Elemer Layden

3. Harry Gaeb

Which of these was not a member of the Four Horsemen?

1. Jim Crowley Elmer Layden 3. George Gipp 4. Don Miller

What is the fastest growing sports?

Can you name the jockey who rode his 3000th winner last

1, Eddie Arcaro 2. Johnny Longden 3. Ted Atkinson Which Major league team has finished in the first division for 20 successive years? Do the players receive a cut from all the games played in

the World Series?

Who won the first Southwest Conference Championship? 2. Texas A&M

How To Win Friends And Influence Sports Writers

a tribute to Dr. Daniel Allen Penick the National Collegiate Tennis
Tournament will be held at the
University of Texas June 20-25.
Dr. Penick, the only tennis coach
Texas U. has had during 41 years is quite excited about it.

singles winners he has had in the as to whether or not they want to resume spring football practice.

Gil Johnson, Southern Methodist er may break into the line-up at second base and Babe Howell may

Johnson had a knee injury that fundamentals.

This was banned last year by mighty passer, says there was some vote of the schools on grounds it good-natured ribbing going on in interfered with spring sports. Since the SMU-TCU football game last then the Texas high school coachfall. Johnson sparked Southern es association has been campaign-Methodist in a 99-yard drive in ing for the return of spring practhe last minute and forty-two sec- tice. The chief argument is that it onds to bring a tie and he made gives the opportunity to condition his only run of the year with the boys and that they also need the period to teach the footballers

was supposed to keep him from In place of the month's spring carrying the ball. "Coach Dutch training a rule was voted that al-Meyer of TCU told his players not to hit me on my bandaged leg,"
says Gil. "It was a mighty fine thing for Mr. Meyer to do."
lowed a school to start fall practice Aug. 15 instead of Sept. 1.
The coaches say that period is too hot for practice.

As the time ticked away Gil Prospects are that one class may Suddenly called himself to run with the ball. Dick McKissack, the Southern Methodist fullback, was amazed. "You'll hurt yourself," he said. "Oh, no," said Gil. "I'll catch them flat-footed. You block for me. Prospects are that one class may vote for return of spring training —Class AA. But these are the schools where spring training interferes most with spring sports. The cities can better afford to have it because they have enough

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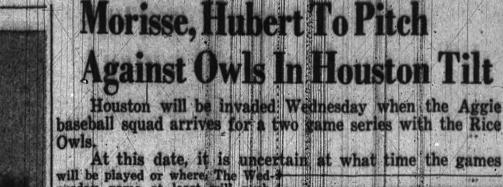
from a Texas A&M ex-student takes us to task for saying in a story after the University of Texas had defeated A&M in the Border Olympics and Southwestern Recreation Meet that Texas was making Our article related that A&M

had won the Southwest Conference championship two years in a row but it now appeared Texas would return to the throne. We are somewhat puzzled at the

letter writer's agitation. First off he says he knows most Texas journalists are "teasippers from T.U." But that he thinks we should at least give a little credit to the Aggies for having won the past

mentioned as having won the past two years. Answering the other point: We don't like tea and as near as we ever came to attending Texas U, was the time we talked to one of the professors about fix-ing up a schedule of courses for our son.

A special team will be on compute to talk about Aviation Cadet-Pilot Training. Watch for its



will be played or where The Wednesday game at least will probably be played at Buff Stadium, and that will possibly be the site of the Thursday game also.

Coach Marty Karow will take a squad of about 17 boys. Included in this number will be four. Aggie pitchers Either Bruce Morisse or Pas Hubert will start the Wednesday game. If both of these men are used on the mound in the first game. Blanton Taylor or Bobby Fretz will take the nod on Thursday. Otherwise, the man who doesn't pitch the first day will start the second game.

A&M goes into this series as the favorite, having won three games against two losses. The Ow record includes two losses against one win. The only method of comparison between the two taxms at this time is their showing against the University of Houston The Aggies defeated the Cougans, while they in turn beat the Owls.

Italians Plan

To Construct Huge Stadium

Stengel has seven potential starting pitchers. The best of the lot probably is Vic Raschi, a 19-game winner last year. Southpaw Ed Lopat won 17 last year, Allie Reynolds 16, Spec Shea nine, Tommy Byrne eight and Bob Porterfield five, all in the final six weeks. Fred Sanford, acquired from the Browns for \$100,000 and three players last December, should help. He won a dozen in '48. ROME—IP— An Olympic stadium to seat 120,000 may be built in Naples, in part with money, from Americans of Italian descent.

Architect Dagoberto Ortensi, 47, of Rome won honorable mention for the plans of the project at the 1948 Olympic Games in

Joe Page, who had a bad year in '48, will again be the no. 1 re-lief man. Wally Hood from New-The stadium will cost about 600,000,000,000 lire (about \$1,000,000 and it will be partly financed by the Italian Olympic Committee and by the City of Naples. The two organizations however will not be able to raise the entire sum, and an appeal was addressed to Italo-Americans for funds.

This follows a precedent at ark, and Clarence Marshall and Don Johnson from Kansas City are the best of the newcomers. Dutch Hiller, with a 5-2 record last year, probably will join Page in the **Baylor Bears Win**

This follows a precedent This follows a precedent at Athens, where the Olympic stadium was rebuilt through the gen-erosity of Americans of Greek exraction, Ortensi says. Naples' sports stadiums were

Baylor Bears sounded a loud warnbadly hit in the attacks the city suffered. The Arenaccia stadium ing to their Southwest Conference and the Olympic swimming pool were bombed beyond repair.

The planned new stadium will have three tiers of seats, with a normal capacity of \$7,000. This can be increased, by adding a ground fourth tier, to 120,000. baseball foes Monday with a savage 14-to-3 rout of Southern Meth-odist Mustangs. Coach Pete Jones' crew looked like they were ready for any-

body, including the perennial For three innings the Mustangs were in Monday's contest, the con-Outlets are designed Ortensi says to allow the stadium to be emptied in ten minutes. The city hopes someday to see the Olym-pic Games held in the bowl. From the sporting field level to ference's first tilt. Then the roof fell in Baylors power hitters, aid-ed by some slack fielding and lax pitching by SMU, turned the

the summit the stadium will be 27.85 meters high (about 90 feet). It will have 43.5 kilometers (25.5 miles) of seating space, 12:1 kilo-

meters roofed.
Ortensi, who got his degree in architecture in Rouse and Turin, is a specialist in stadium building. He was the designer of the National stadium in Turin, which was criginally built to held 24,000 and now can hold as many as \$0,000 meters roofed. The Mustangs picked up two more runs in the third with the

ST PETERSBURG, Fla. Whitey Kurowski is unable to open the season at third base for the St. Louis Cardinals, Ed Kazak locks like the best bet for the

The Rochester, N. Y., rookie has been filling in nicely at third for Kurowski whose long ailing elbow Kurciwski whose long ailing elbow is still troubling him. In yesterday's against the Detroit Tigers, Kazak doubled off Hal Newhouser and scored the only run as the Cards took a 5-1 thumping;

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Eddie Miksis, utility Brooklyn Dodger infielder, is expected to be side-

lined five days.

Miksis suffered a small fracture of the orbital bons below his left

eye yesterday in Brooklyn's 9-4 troumph over St. Paul American Association farm hands. Miksis attempted to tag negro shortstop Jim Pendleton as he skole second but the ball escaped

him and struck his face.

Dutfielder Cal Abrams and inter Bully Cox

train for Beaumont, Texas, yes-terday. The remainder of the 26 man squad that will tour the southwest was slated to leave by plane today.

ST. PETERSBURG.—Paul Hin-

richs, the New York Yankees' \$40,000 bonus pitcher, is giving Manager Casey Stengel some hapmoments.

Binrichs, Lutheran Divinity student at Concordia Seminary at St. Louis, Mo., has allowed only five hits in 13 scoreless innings, Hin-tichs allowed only two singles in three innings yesterday in the Yanks' 7-3 defeat by the Philadelphia Phillies.

as it did for the Britain-Italy socder match last year.

He is now building stadiums in three Tuscas towns —Grossetto, Prato, and Arezzo. Ortensi in 1932 won the competition for a projected theater in Kharkov, itossia. He also took first place in a competition for a monument at Buenos Aires to Argentina's first president.

B. J. Lloyd has been designated night. Gene Brown will probably start on the slab in the second game. Monte Monerief will stand by as a relief hurler.

Manager Barney Welch has released his starting line-up. As a battery mate for pitcher Lloyd, Don Joseph will be the catcher. In the infield, Jack Schugart will hold down first base, Harry Morgan will patrol the keystone sack, Phil Russell will plug up the shortstop-hole, and Ed Cook will handle

He hopes to produce a champion to go with the five doubles and two In the outgardens, Clovis Olsak will be the left fielder, Bill Barber will manage center field, and Bill In the second game, Jackie Mill-

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

Gil lit out around right end
while McKissack laid a terrific
block on the first guy he thought

Next month there will be a referendum among Texas high schools

As noted above A&M was duly



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