

Lack Of Pitching Will Hurt Brownies In 1949 Campaign

AP Newsfeatures
BURBANK, Calif.—Zack Taylor watched his St. Louis Browns go through a lively inter-squad game at their new training base here and commented:
 "We could use some pitching. Innocently spoken, it can go down as quite an understatement of fact. Boy, can they use pitching!"
 The Brownie front office peddled away their best hurler of 1948, Fred Sanford. They got in return a fat bundle of cash, but they can't pitch money every fourth day.
 Sandy won only 12 games and lost 21 for St. Louis, but the Yankees thought enough of him to kick through with a lot of dough.
 There is no reason to take a run-down of Zack's pitching prospects. There will be time enough for that if miracles are to follow in the American League race this year.
 Aside from this department however, the Browns have a pretty well balanced outfit, a hustling team and a manager who seems to get along fine with his talent.
 His infield is good, and could be terrific if Big Jack Graham, San Diego's homerun sensation, continues to belt the major league brand of ball as he has done in exhibitions.
 Gerry Priddy as second was one of the outstanding players of the league last year, and teamed with Shortstop Eddie Pellagrini formed one of the finest double play combinations in the big show.
 Graham, incidentally, can play in the outfield, too, leaving first base open to good-field, no-hit Hank Artt.
 Taylor is high on his outfield—veteran Al Zarilla (.329); Paul Lehmer (.276 and improving); Dick Kokos a fine graduate of Toledo in the American Association; Whitey Platt, a utility veteran.
 Two young catchers, Sherman

Lollar and Les Moss, also look good.
 Taylor achieved wonders in piloting the Browns into sixth place. Observers think they'll do as well this year.

Hope Gives Batt Scoop On Television

By BOB HOPE

—When the editor of The Battalion suggested an article for the paper I naturally thought of a piece of radio comedy, but he insisted I write on something I knew a little about.

This naturally narrowed down the choice as eightball is not too interesting and drop the handkerchief seems to have gone out with the plunging neckline.

Then it suddenly came to me I hadn't written anything about television, which as you know is when the audience finally gets a chance to see what they have been smelling for years.

I had to brush up on television first of all so naturally I had to go into a tavern. I was learning a lot when the cocktail waitress' husband came in and I went out. Then I talked with all the top entertainers in television. Milton Berle did a couple of my jokes for me as they should be done on television; Gorgeous George the wrestler showed me both his A and B grunts and the Pomona, California, forum of the air allowed me to visit their program. The Pomona Program is like the Chicago Round table only they like to invite a square once in a while. Then I had them show me some of the televised speeches Dewey made last fall. Boy, do they sound funny now!

Then I went after the technical end by visiting a laboratory. I told this little scientist that I was Bob Hope and going into television. He took one look at me and started tearing at his calculus. "For this," he shouts, "I work nights on the coaxial cable."

He really got disturbed though when he found out I thought that "Channel number five" was a French perfume.

I asked him if he thought television was here to stay. He said after seeing me that he was no longer sure.

Then I had a long talk with my sponsor. He said that we'll have to change our commercials for television. Instead of opening my show with a monologue I guess out on this big lake with a Swan towing me. The next twenty minutes I have to hop from lily pad to lily pad in what looks like Eliza and the bloodhounds the day the ice melted. Then for a big finale I break the announcer in two and throw half of him in the lake and the other half in the kitchen.

I asked him a little testily if he didn't want us all to take baths on the stage. He said he'd thought of it but didn't want to work this hardship on the musicians.

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Star Of The Week



Ray Holbrook Chosen Star Of Week For Corpus Feat

Ray Holbrook, a strong candidate for the award since the start of track season in each week's pool, has been selected by The Battalion Sports Staff as the Star of the Week for last week. This choice was based on Holbrook's performance at the triangular meet at Corpus.

The old saying that the rich get richer certainly was true in this case, although not in terms of money. One of the main reasons that Holbrook was chosen this week was the presentation of the medal for the outstanding performance after the meet in Corpus Christi. That award definitely placed Holbrook as the Star of the Week in the eyes of The Battalion.

Holbrook, who was the owner of the record with the time that he ran last year, lowered the record in the 440 yard dash to 47.8 seconds. This time would tie the conference mark and is one of the best ever turned in in the Southwest.

Holbrook has not run a quarter-mile race in over 29 seconds in this season. Twice, at the Border Olympics and in the dual meet with Texas here, he has run 48 flat, and on the poor track at Ft. Worth he slipped and went over 48 seconds by a few tenths of a second.

Not only does Ray pace the Aggie quarter-milers but he also holds down the anchor man position on the mile relay team, undefeated in two years. This year the team has not actually been pressed in any of its meets, even in the invitation meet at New Orleans and Washington. The latter was the first time that the team had run on an indoor track.

Aggs Play Texas Today; Meet Okla. Tech Friday

By LEON SOMER

The Texas Aggie baseball nine will resume conference play against the University of Texas this afternoon after yesterday's tilt with the Longhorns was called off because of rain.

The Steers and Aggies are expected to stick to the game starting pitchers that were to hurl in yesterday's contest between the two teams. Texas, which boasts of a fine pitching staff this year, will send their ace fliker, Murray Wall to the mound while the Aggies will rely on the hurling of southpaw Bruce Monroe.

The Farmers will play two other games this week against non-conference competition. On Friday and Saturday afternoons on the Kyle Field diamond the Cadets will meet Southwestern Oklahoma Tech. These two tilts will be the last non-conference battles for the Aggies.

Against the Oklahomans Coach Karov is expected to call on Pat Hubert, Blanton Taylor and Truett Mobley for hurling duties.

The Aggie nine has compiled a 5-4 record against outside competition this season. The Farmers have taken single games from the Houston Buffs (Texas League) and S. F. Austin College, split with the Bryan Bombers (East Texas League), lost one game to the Leaco Pirates (Big State League), two to Ohio State, and won two from the University of Houston.

After games this week-end the Cadets baseball schedule calls for three games each with SMU and TCU and two games each with Rice and Texas.

Other conference games this week find Rice and Texas meeting in Houston Friday and Baylor going to Ft. Worth for two games with TCU on Friday and Saturday.

Former Aggie Grid Star Is Reburied

Wednesday afternoon at Brenham reburial services were held for Capt. Joe Rott, a former A&M football guard who was killed in action in Germany.

The former Aggie All-American football great was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Chipp Rott who reside at Chapel Hill. Two brothers, Chipp Jr., former Aggie tackle, now of Victoria, and Milton, now at A&M followed Joe to Aggiland.

Mile Relay Team Has Lost Only 2 Meets In 3 Years

By SCOTTY SWINNEY

Aggiland has been noted for many things during her sports history. In 1939, it was a great football team. For the past three years A&M has been building another team for which it has gained fame. That team is in the mile relay, which has taken every contest in sight.

At the beginning of the season two years ago, this team was relatively unknown. Then they started their winning ways and broke record after record. That team, composed of Bill Napier, Ervin Bilderback, Ray Holbrook, and Art Harnden, tasted defeat only one time. They were nosed out in the Drake Relays by Ohio State, which was said to have the best team in the nation.

Again in 1948, the lads from A&M started winning the mile relay, and it soon became an accepted fact that the event belonged to them. During that year, they again lost only once. This time defeat came in the pre-season meet at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Coming out of that event, they went on to show their heels to any and all competition. In 1948, they won the Drake Relays, the Kansas Relays and went on to take the 1600 meter relays at the post-season Coliseum Relays at Los Angeles in a time of three minutes and eleven seconds.

The best time for the season in the regular mile relay was 3:16.7. Their winning time at the Southwest Conference Meet in Houston was three minutes and seventeen seconds. Gone from the old team of the year before was Bill Napier, who had dropped out of the relay to concentrate on the dashes in an effort to break Texas University's monopoly in those events.

Don Cardon, hurdler from El Paso, completed the relays roster for the 1948 season. They were anchored by Art Harnden, two time winner of the Southwest Conference 440 yard dash, and member of last summer's United States Olympic team. Their number three man was Ray Holbrook from Baytown, who was Harnden's shadow in the 440. He was always on Art's heels at the finish line, and if pressed he could always manage to bring out an extra spurt of speed, not only in himself but also in Art.

Two members of last year's squad are missing from the 1949 roster. Ray, who is often called "Tiger" by others on the track squad, is from Baytown, which used to be called Goose Creek. He first came to Aggiland in the summer of 1944 and ran for the Maroon and White for the first time in the spring of 1945.

They are Art Harnden, who completed his eligibility, and Don Cardon, concentrating on the hurdles and dashes. Taking their place are Connie Ludwig of Dallas and Donald Mitchell, a sophomore from Deer Park.

In two pre-season meets this year, the team went undefeated. They won the Sugar Bowl Classic and the Washington D. C. meet. The Washington meet marked the first time that any of the men had run on an indoor track. Though they were hampered by this fact, it wasn't enough to beat them.

In the regular season, they are thus far undefeated, and from all predictions will remain that way. Ray Holbrook has been shifted to the anchor position with Bilderback now running third. Probably their toughest competition this year will come in the Drake Relays when they will meet the Ohio State team led by Mal Whitfield, the 400 meter Olympic star.

Three of the team members, Holbrook, Bilderback, and Ludwig, will end their eligibility at the end of the season. The only remaining member will be Don Mitchell, who won the state high school 440 crown in 1947, and gained his freshman numeral at A&M last year.

A probable member of the 1950 team will be James Baker of Highland Park, a converted dash man who is now anchoring the freshman mile relay team. Other hopefuls are Don Cardon, who ran with the 1948 team, and stands a better than average chance to work with it next year, and B. F. Place from Wortham, another dash man who has been changed to the 440.

Everything points to still more success for the Aggie's mile relay team in years to come. Rice seems to have the only team in the conference which can threaten them, and thus far the Owls have had very little success, due to what they term bad luck. As a note to the feathered flock, I would like to say that it will take more than luck to beat the Farmers out of the crown they worked to get.

CALUMET TOPS

NEW YORK —(P)—Calumet Farms won 13 out of a possible 34 races in New York last year and led stables in money won in the state with \$390,175. C. V. Whitney's horses won 44 out of 212 races and \$339,765 to rank second.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF COLLEGE STATION STATE BANK

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ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 565,740.32
United States Government Obligations, direct and guaranteed	431,964.78
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	19,946.36
Corporate stocks (including \$1,950.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	1,950.00
Loans and discounts (including \$1,194.93 overdrafts)	401,178.98
Bank premises owned \$20,847.93, furniture and fixtures	\$1,186.90
Other assets	722.64
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,452,537.91

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$ 851,015.89
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	80,000.00
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	134,795.42
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	203,987.92
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	2,407.10
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,362,746.42
Other liabilities	20,976.51
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	\$1,383,722.93

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital*	50,000.00
Surplus	15,000.00
Undivided Profits	3,814.98
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT	68,814.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$1,452,537.91

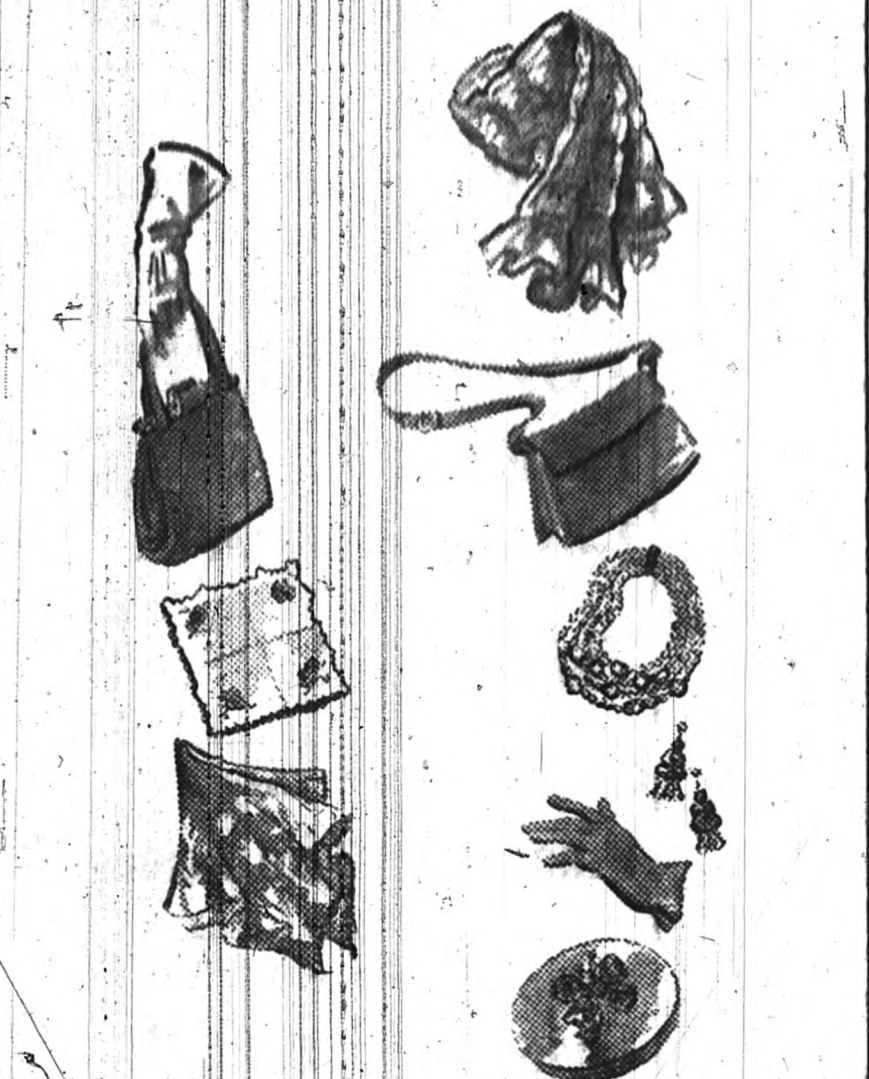
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