

Fretz Fans 14; Slams Out Homer, Double; Downs SMU, 8-3

Shorthorts Defeat Ag Fish, 4-1, In Kyle Field Meeting

By FRANK SIMMEN, JR.

Playing their early season brand of ball, A & M's Fish baseball team took a 4 to 1 beating at the hands of the Texas freshmen yesterday afternoon on Kyle Field.

Sam Blanton, although pitching superb four-hit ball was not given sufficient backing in the field and at the plate by his teammates. The South Park right hander limited the Shorthorns to four safeties while Yearling ace Denny Davidson set the Fish back with the same number.

The game went into the fourth inning with neither pitcher giving up a bingle. Ace Hopkins, Shorthorn right fielder, singled to left with one man on for the first hit, but Blanton set the next two men down in rapid succession saving a possible Longhorn rally.

Not to be outdone the Fish Al Ogletree also collected a hit in the top of the fourth but this also went to no avail as the Aggie defenders were unable to score.

The first run of the slow contest came in the bottom of the sixth. With one out Ben Tompkins walked, went to second on a pass ball and, made it to third on a steal after Robertson had singled to center field.

Kal Segrist, talented second base man on the Longhorn squad went hitless for the afternoon. The ex-Adamson great homered against Tankersley in the last Fish-Yearling encounter.

The Shorthorns made another run in the eighth on two Fish errors and slipped across two more in the ninth on one hit.

The Fish made their only marker in the seventh. With two away Bobby Farmer singled over second followed by Yule Lary who slapped out a double that almost sailed over the fence scoring Farmer all the way from first.

Making two walks and a hit pay off in the last of the ninth, the Yearlings slipped across their two runs to go ahead 4 to 1. Robertson walked, Robertson and Robertson, Henry Bengston held the bases.

Bengston, with the bases loaded, then slapped out a single over second base scoring Robertson and Robertson. Henry Bengston holds

the honor of being the only freshman in this conference to homer against Baylor Cub pitcher Ray Fitzpatrick. He did it in last Wednesday's game in Austin in which the Cubs won by a 5 to 3 count.

Blanton had eight strikeouts to his credit while Shorthorn hurler Denny Davidson put six Fish out via the strikeout route.

The Fish were never ahead during the entire game. They tied it up in the seventh with one run but the tie was broken in the eighth and ninth when the Yearlings put across three more tallies.

This was the next to last contest for both freshman squads. Texas closes out their six game schedule with a game in Waco against the Cubs this Saturday. The Fish close out their season next Monday in a game with an improved Allen Academy nine.

In this contest Coach Paul Anderson expects to use most of his second stringers to see how they are rounding into shape. Allen Academy is a member of the Central

Texas conference of Texas junior colleges and at present is tied for third place.

BOX SCORE				
AB	R	H	E	
Fish:				
Echette	1	0	0	0
Opersteny	4	0	0	0
Lackey	4	0	0	2
Ogletree	4	0	1	1
Mills	4	0	1	0
Farmer	4	1	1	0
Lary	4	0	1	0
Tunnell	3	0	0	1
Blanton	2	0	0	0
Totals	30	1	4	4
Shorthorns:				
Gustafson	4	0	0	0
Bengston	5	0	1	0
Segrist	3	1	0	0
Tompkins	3	1	0	0
Hopkins	2	0	1	0
Robertson	2	1	1	0
Robertson	3	1	0	0
Benson	3	0	0	1
Davidson	3	0	1	0
Totals	28	4	4	1

SACKIN' UP SPORTS

Starting today at the Palace Theater in Bryan is a movie short entitled "Basketball Highlights of 1948." According to Marty Karow, coach of the Aggie basketball squad, this is supposed to be a very good cage picture. It will run through Saturday.

One of the bright spots in this year's baseball race is the fact that the Aggie team might be classified as a sophomore team in all but a few positions. Regular members of the 1949 team that will be lost through graduation at the end of this year are at second base, third base, and right field.

Joe Savarin should be a capable fill in for Cotton Lindloff at the second sack. At Russ May's third base position, Shug McPherson might be moved in from the outfield. McPherson played on second in high school and was shifted to first last year on the Fish team. One of this year's Fish team might

do the trick at the hot corner.

Several possible starters at the right field post that now belongs to Bobby Fretz (when he is not pitching) are Bill Warriner, of the varsity squad this year, or any of the good Fish garden tenders.

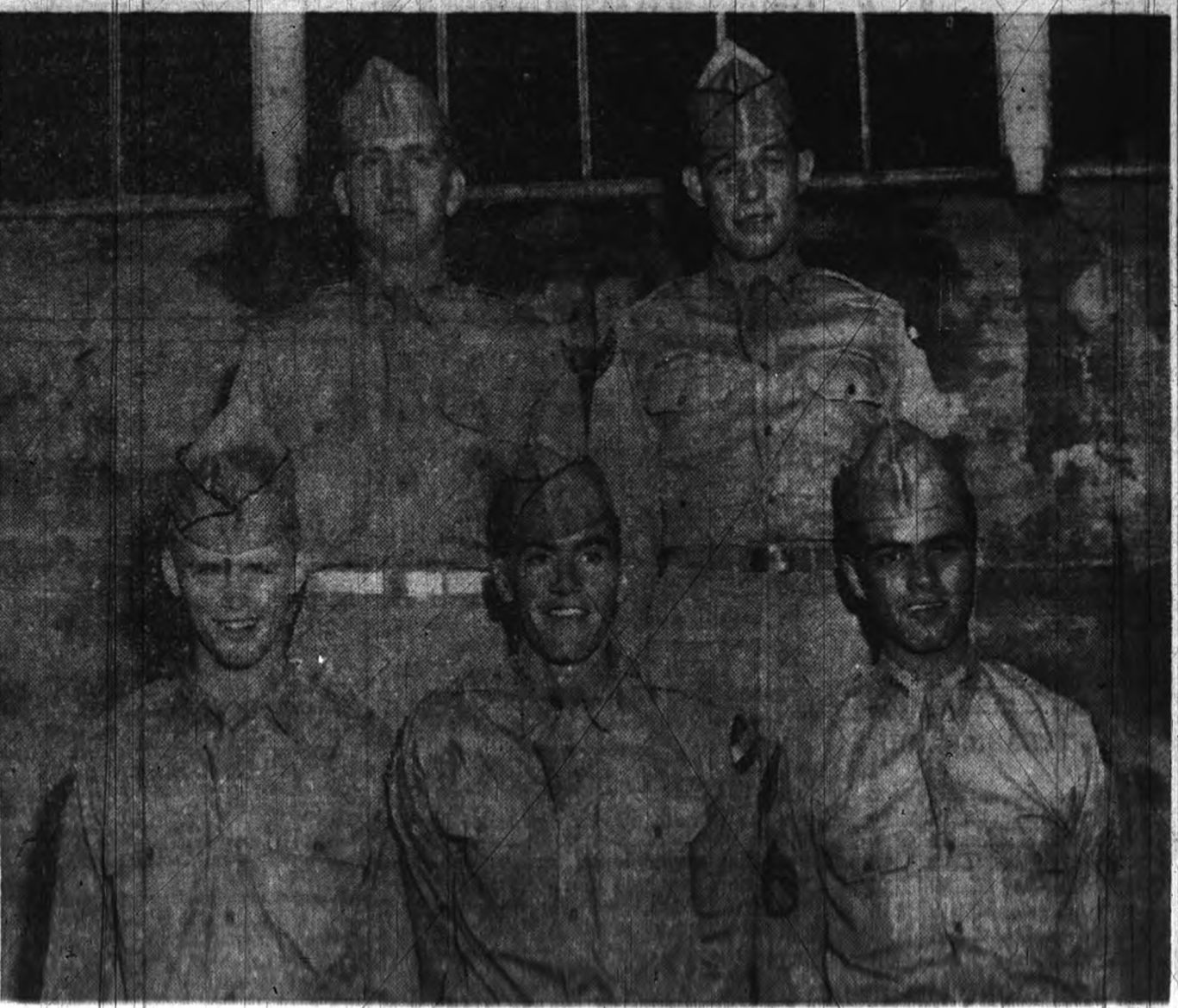
Here is what the Associated Press has to say about the college baseball situation in the nation. (AP quote)—College baseball is doing very well, thank you, in spite of the weather and the big leagues. But even the men who are mainly responsible for its success, the coaches, are hard-pressed to find an explanation.

In every part of the United States except the Deep South, reports indicate that college teams are playing better baseball and drawing better crowds than they were in pre-war days.

College baseball has improved considerably in the past couple of years, and particularly this year, says Art "Dynie" Mansfield of Wisconsin, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches. "There seems to be a greater abundance of material than usual. I know in our own instance we have several players riding the bench who might have been outstanding a few years ago."

Other observers in the East and Mid-West have made similar reports while the Southwest and Pacific Coast, long strongholds of good college baseball, add to the "better than ever" statements. The California Intercollegiate Baseball Association, which has turned out two national championship teams, has been drawing sellout crowds regularly this spring and Southwest Conference games have attracted from 2,500 to 5,000 spectators. (end quote.)

Fred Pike has operated the time clock at the Detroit Olympic stadium during hockey games of the Detroit Red Wings for 21 years.



A Infantry's championship cross country team are right to left, bottom row, Jack Turcotte, W. N. Miller, and G. L. Pence. In the back row are M. E. Kuta and J. E. Pianta. These men placed first in the cross country competition in the intramural program last fall for their outfit. That is, they won the team competition.

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Texas Negro High School Coach Uses Strap System

AP Newsfeatures

ORANGE, Tex.—W. R. Smith, coach of Wallace High School for Negroes in Orange, uses the "strap system" to make his football plays work. He has compiled one of the finest coaching records in Texas.

When he started coaching he knew only one position on a football team—fullback. Most of his plays are devised after watching children at play or group-ups at work.

Last season he had a very successful lateral pass play the movements for which he learned while watching a worker in a cleaning establishment toss clothing into a basket.

The strap system, in case you're unfamiliar with it, is based on the old-fashion idea that cowhide liberally applied to a boy's bottom is a wonderful aid in helping him remember lessons in discipline—or in the fine art of sidestepping tacklers.

Whatever the merits or disadvantages of the strap system, it drew 40 of the 73 boys in Wallace High out for football last fall. Although all were well-acquainted with the penalty for failure to fulfill an assignment or for breach of discipline.

Do the parents like it? Well a

Dorm 14 Wins From Fighting Dorm 17

After blowing a four run lead, dorm 14 came back in the 6th and 7th innings to win from a hard-fighting dorm 17 crew by a score of 9 to 5. 14 drew first blood in the 3rd with four runs only to see that lead fade as 17 stormed back with five runs in the bottom of the 3rd.

In the 5th, Charlie Penick led off for 14 and made third base on an error by the center-fielder. After a line drive was stopped by Bill Turnbow, the pitcher for 17, Buraw Keptra drove in the tying run. What proved to be the winning run was scored by Rife after dragging out an infield hit, advancing on a walk to Jack Hodges, and a sacrifice by "Hoot" Gibson, followed by an infield hit by Penick. Hodges scored on a hit to right field by Tom Meadows. Two more runs were scored in the 7th on a single to right field by Gibson. 17 managed to get a runner aboard in the last of the 7th as they attempted to come from behind but they were stymied by the neat support given Jack Hodges as he hung up his fourth consecutive victory. Dorm 14 has two more games this week, Thursday with dorm 11 and Friday with the Vet Village team.

Club action continued as Luther defeated Kraem and Kow and FFA clipped the Vet Med Society. Both scores were 10-2. Galveston forfeited to ASCE.

In Horseshoes, C Infantry defeated QMC, A Engineers hexed E Air Force, and Dorm 17 defeated Walton. CW's won by forfeit over E Infantry.

MORE SEATS

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — The seating capacity of Shibe Park has been increased by 2,350 by extending the grandstand 15 rows into foul territory on both the left and right field sides. The home of both the Athletics and Phillies now holds approximately 35,000 fans.

High School Spring Training Returns After Coaches Vote

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

DALLAS, May 10 (AP)—Spring football will return to most Texas high schools next year. Coaches, who have been clamoring for resumption of the month-long practice which comes shortly after the close of the grid season, have been successful.

The surprising thing about the referendum conducted by the interscholastic league on the question was that class B schools voted to resume spring practice but class A schools did not.

This explodes all opinions. It was believed that the smaller schools didn't want spring training because of the manpower situation—they didn't have enough athletes to carry on the regular spring sports with most tied up for 30 days when baseball, track and other activities are in full bloom.

The class A schools probably will seek another referendum as soon as possible.

Track and field and baseball have done much better since spring football was cut out last year—by a referendum vote of the league membership. Take a look at White Oak, which last Saturday won the state class B track title. It was the first state championship this school ever knew. White Oak had been predominantly football since its inception. But spring football was eliminated and now the school has won a track title with a brilliant record. But the class B schools will return to spring training next year. What are White Oak's chances in track next season?

Baseball has flourished in the past two years. The state tournament scheduled in Austin in June may show the football coaches something. It may illustrate to them

Mustangs Take Early Lead But Can't Stop Aggie Surge

DALLAS, May 10 — (Spl.) — Texas A & M kept conference flag hopes alive by pouncing out an 8-3 victory over the SMU Mustangs at Burnett Field in Dallas last night. The hero of the game was Bobby Fretz, the Aggies star pitcher. In addition to leading the Aggie attack with a homer and a double, Fretz struck out 14 SMU batsmen.

The Mustangs jumped into the lead early in the game. In the first inning Fretz issued a walk to Deak Walker. Then Gerald Jensen came up and drove a double against the centerfield wall to score Walker. The one run lead held until the third inning when the Aggies exploded for four runs. Bobby Fretz got the first when he flipped one of Lee Weber's fast ones 355 feet over the left field wall. Mays then

beat out an infield hit and went to third on Lindloff's long single to left field. Guy Wallace scored both men with a triple to right center field and came home himself on Moon's outfield fly.

SMU got back in the ball game in their half of the third by scoring two runs. After Willet was walked and Kyle Rote singled, John Ligon doubled to left center to bring them across.

The Aggies added another run in the fifth. Lindloff singled, went to second on an error, and scored on Wally Moon's double. A&M scored another run in the top of the eighth. Shug McPherson scored from second on a hard hit single by Lindloff.

The Farmers kept right on scoring in the ninth. Due to some sloppy playing by the Mustangs, the Aggies managed to put two more runs across the plate. Moon got on on an error, went to second and third on another one, and came on in when DeWitt slashed a triple in between right and center fields. DeWitt then scored on a wild pitch.

The game ended with the last batter grounding out after Fretz had struck out the first two of the inning.

The game was exciting all the way as both teams had men on bases almost every inning. SMU muffed many opportunities to score throughout the game by making bad plays.

Score by inning:
A&M 004 010 012—8
SMU 102 000 000—3

Ag Fencers Take Second In Tourney

Three Aggie fencers won second place in the Amateur Fencers League of America foil contest in Dallas last weekend. I. J. Barrios, Gus "Mistral" and Gerald Monks were the Aggies that placed second in the tournament.

The Aggies won the College bracket of the tourney by beating Texas Tech. Galveston's experienced Buccaneers stopped the Aggies in the finals. Texas Tech beat the Aggies in the 1947 meet.

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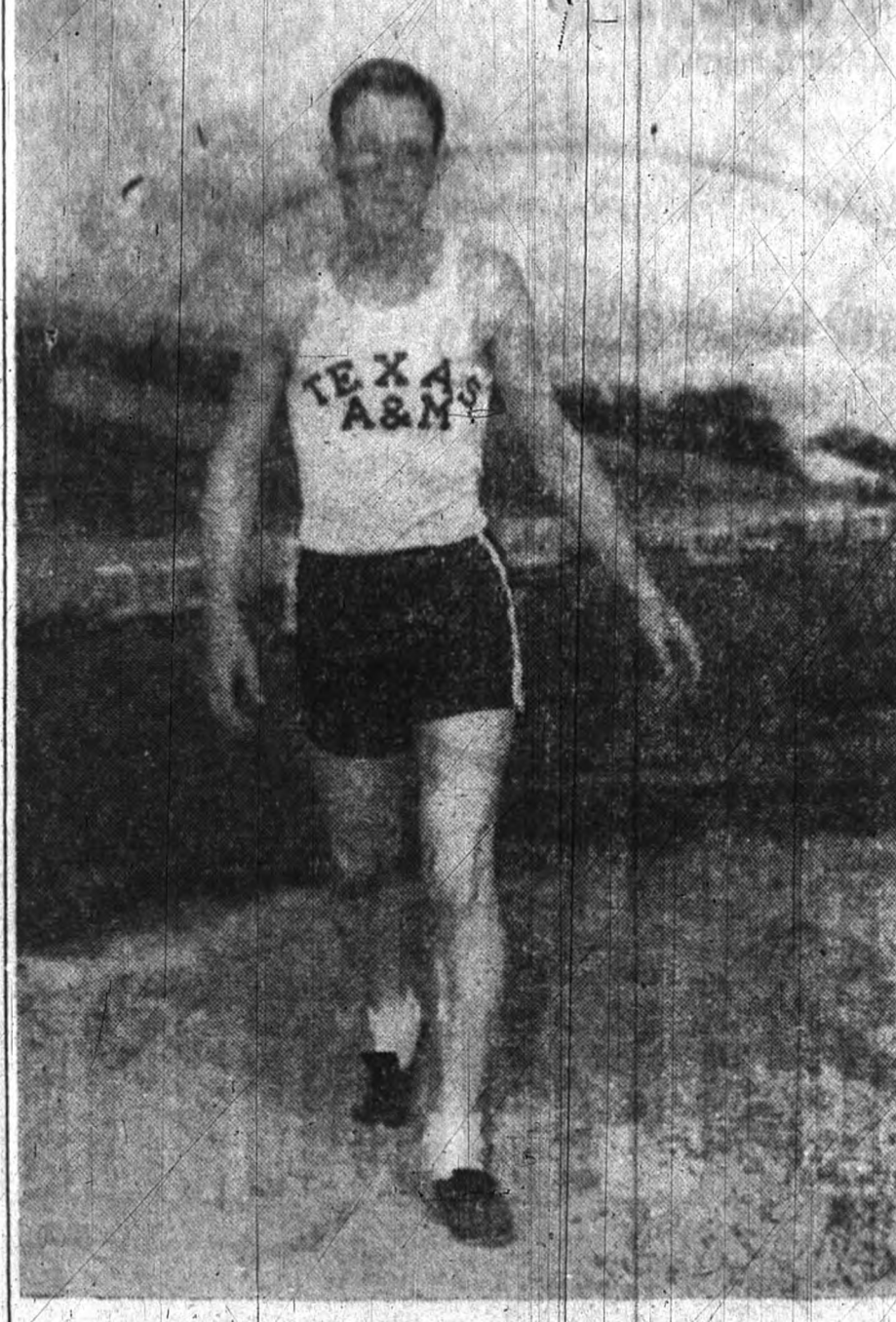
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J. S. Henry is one of the improved Aggie sophomore broad jumpers that are depended on to get points in the conference meet in Fayetteville, Arkansas, this weekend. John has a cousin, Bill Henry, also entered in the broad jump event. Both are sophomore students from Hearne.

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