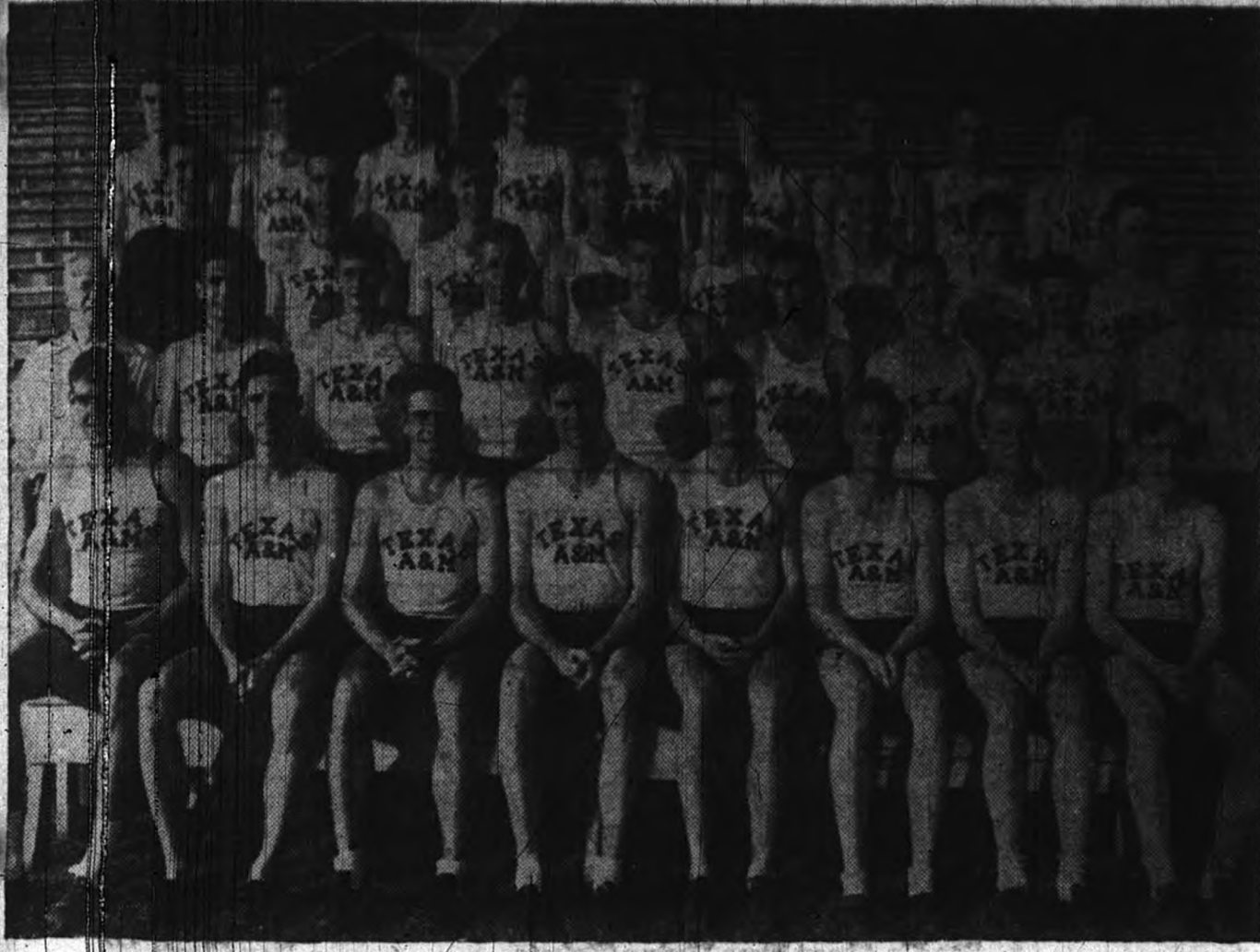


1949 Southwest Conference Track Champs



Pictured above is the 1949 Texas A&M track team which recently won its third successive Southwest Conference Track Championship. Left to right, first row: Leland Tate, Connie Ludwick, Ray Holbrook, Ervin Bilderback, Bill Napier, Warren Wilson, Carroll Hahn, and L. O. Coleman; second row: Track Coach Frank Anderson, Charles Clark, Bill Cardon, J. D. Hampton, George

Kadera, Don Cardon, Johnny Davis, Leroy Bode-man, and assistant coach Ray Putnam; third row: Manager Woodson Garney, Ed Hooker, Benton Terry, Jack Simpson, E. D. Wade, W. D. Richardson, Jerry Bonnen, Bob Atkins; fourth row: Jack Bond, Alex Ortiz, Julian Herring, Jim Desmuke, Bill Henry, J. F. McCarty, Bob Hall, John Henry, and Don Mitchell.

Amateur Baseball Team To Be Organized Here This Summer

According to Claude Mahle, manager of the YMCA barber shop, an amateur baseball team will be organized here just as soon as

classes start the first six weeks of the summer session.

Open to students and non-students alike, the team will begin practicing the first day of regular classes next semester, Tuesday, the 7th of June.

The team is to be sponsored jointly by Mahle and the American Steam Laundry of Bryan. Mahle stated that the sponsors will pay for transportation and meals for

the team on all out of town trips.

He further added that after the team has had a chance to get organized, games would be scheduled with such semi-pro teams as Conroe and Weimer. Two or three games are to be played each week.

All practices will be held on the Kyle Field baseball diamond at 4 in the afternoons. All the team's games, whether day or night, will be played in Bomber Park, in Bryan.

Mahle added that plenty of equipment was available for prospective team members. Colorful uniforms, and caps with the names of the sponsors on them will be issued to all players.

Mahle concluded by saying that he wished to invite all that wished to play on the team out at the Kyle Field diamond any afternoon at 4 p. m. The first practice is scheduled to be held June 7.

Now He Won't Know
DALLAS, May 26 — If only George Soffar of Houston would find his book, maybe he could stop worrying—even though someone stole his luggage, clothing, French perfume and personal papers from his car.

But the book he was reading was taken too, Soffar told police. It was Dale Carnegie's "How To Stop Worrying."

Murals Close Year With Crown Games

Softball reached its climax Tuesday and yesterday afternoon for three intramural teams.

Milner, A Composite, and Lutheran are winners in the three leagues, Veteran, Corps, and Club.

A Composite took their victory Tuesday afternoon when they defeated D Field Artillery by a decisive score of 8-1. Henry Englebrecht hurled the day-dodgers to their championship while Floyd Henk was the loser.

The redlegs didn't gain their single run till the sixth frame when poor support by Composite let a run in on two errors. Only four hits were given up by Englebrecht. A Composite scored three runs in the second, four in the fourth and one more in the seventh.

Lutheran Student Association notched their crown on Tuesday afternoon. Max Lindig toed the slab for the Lutherans in their 4-1 victory over FFA. Glynn Bunch was charged with the loss.

The Future Farmers annexed their sole run in the fourth. The Lutherans had pushed one across in the second and third and cinched their win with two in the sixth.

A close shave was experienced by Milner in their victory over Vet

Village West, champs of the off-campus teams. Dave Martin received credit for the 3-2 win, out hurling Art Burch.

Milner scored in the initial frame but the West Villagers tied the game in the second and eased ahead by one run in the third inning. But Dave Howell slapped a homer in the fifth with one man on base to sew the game up for Milner.

Pitching was tight in the game. Martin yielded but one hit and walked three. Burch only allowed Milner four hits but put eight men on first.

Horseshoes closed out with a championship match Wednesday. A Cavalry took a 2-1 decision over C Infantry for the crown.

A Cavalry's team consists of Humphrey, Knokkroff, Steen, Nolen, Deck, and Nance.

John Lugar of Dorm 9 is the new Intramurals Open Tennis champion. He beat out Alex Pegasus of A Engineers' yesterday. Dieter and Perkins combined to take doubles crown.

A Infantry and Dorm 16 are the two organizational points winners in Intramurals. A Infantry received their award at evening mess formation Wednesday evening.

Detroit Rookie Outfielder Johnny Groth Pleases Hometown Rooters



Bones bat to harden its hitting surface.



Listens to tips from Manager Rolfe, left.



JOHNNY GROTH



Has once-injured thumb examined by trainer.



Autographs a ball for a Detroit fan.

AP Newsfeatures
NEW YORK — All of a sudden the Detroit Tigers have given promise of becoming a pennant threat. If freshman manager Red Rolfe were asked to give the reason he probably could point to one man, Johnny Groth.

Not that Rolfe hadn't been told by the Detroit front office when he took over the club. But Groth has been the ultimate in slugging for the Tigers. He may even make Bijare Stadium fans forget all about Hank Greenberg.

Groth is the 22-year-old rookie who broke in with a double bag. On opening day he hit two successive home runs. The following day he drove in all five Detroit runs as the Tigers beat the Chicago White Sox, 5-2. All he did in this game was hit a home run with the bases loaded, a double and a single.

Three days later he scored from first base on a single and an error in the 10th inning to give the Bengals a 5-4 win over Cleveland. Three days later he doubled in the 10th inning to score two runs and give his mates a 7-5 win over the White Sox.

Thus, his base running and slugging accounted for the Tiger's five wins in the first seven games. In another game he hit a grand-slam home run against the St. Louis Browns but the Tigers got bad pitching and lost, 9-5. He hit safely in his first 11 games and then began pitching hot balls to him, finally stopping his hitting streak. The day his streak ended he drew two walks and grounded out in his only official time at bat.

Groth picked right up where he left off last fall when the Tigers brought him up from Buffalo where he hit .340. In six major league games last September he drove out eight hits for a total of 14 bases and a .471 average.

A native of Chicago, Groth was a triple-threat halfback at Boys' Latin High. At 18 he enlisted in the Navy and was assigned to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. On the team were such big leaguers as Bob Feller of the Indians and Pinky Higgins, Tiger third baseman. Groth hit .355 at Great Lakes

and came to the Tigers on the recommendation of Higgins. With Egan, Detroit's chief scout, thought so much of the teen-ager that he got a bonus. Some estimates go as high as \$30,000. Groth went to Williamsport, Pa., in the Eastern League in 1947 and batted .319. In 1948 he drove the paces of Steve O'Neill, then Detroit manager, at the Tigers spring training camp at Lakeland, Fla. "His bat will hurt somebody," Steve kept saying in a manner he impress all within hearing range that the six-foot 182-pounder would be breaking up ball games in the near future. But the Tigers sent him to Buffalo for a year of seasoning.

"He's about ready," said Egan, "but we want to make sure."

At Buffalo, the Cubs (at in love with Groth) put as they have this spring in the noise city. With the Browns, he led the international league in runs with 124, hits with 199, doubles with

37, triples with 16 and in total bases, 358. He had 30 homers and batted in 97 markers. He fielded a sparkling .986. At the close of the season he was named the league's rookie of the year. Now nearly everyone believes he will be the American League's rookie of the year this season. In his first 15 games he had five homers and his 22 hits and a .407 average to top the league. He's right up there with Ted Williams and Junior Stevens of the Boston Red Sox in driving home runs.

He certainly is coming through as advertised.

S Battalion SPORTS

Ft. Worth Cats' Carrasquel Is Busy Learning English

DALLAS, May 26 — Alfonso Carrasquel tells the umpires what he thinks without fear of being put out of the park. His teammates—the Fort Worth Cats—are learning Spanish too. Perhaps the arbiters will need a foreign language course as a result.

Carrasquel is the first man ever to play in the Texas League without being able to speak a word of English. That is, he didn't know any a couple of weeks ago when he arrived. His progress has been amazing.

The tall, lithe young man from Caracas, Venezuela, has been catching the eyes of the fans here as Fort Worth plays Dallas a series. He is a fine fielder and a fair hitter (12 hits in 52 times at bat). His mates think he'll make the Class AA grade.

The Texas League wasn't Carrasquel's first stop. He was in spring training with the Brooklyn Dodgers squad and was shipped to Montreal. But he didn't get to play there. Fort Worth needed a man and Carrasquel was sent along.

At first Alfonso—his teammates call him Chico, which, he explains, means pal or friend—had to get along with signs and a bat boy who spoke Spanish. Then nine days ago Cal Abrams came to the Cats. Cal is from Brooklyn and speaks Spanish. He not only communicates what teammates want Chico to know but is helping the Venezuelan learn English.

Chico knows "cut off," "squeeze play," "double play," "I got it" and other baseball terms. He also admits—through Abrams—that

he knows about the first and fifteenth. Those are pay-days.

His diet lacks variety since he doesn't know many food names. But his mates help him along—they order what they think he will like.

Alfonso is a nephew of Alex Carrasquel, who once played for Washington in the American League. He nodded emphatically when asked if he thought he, too, would make the big leagues.

Chico says, through his Brooklyn mouthpiece, that the players here may be a little better, generally speaking, but there's not much difference in Venezuela and Texas League baseball.

Chico explained that when the umpire called a strike he figured was a ball he quite often told the catcher what he thought of him—with cuss words—in Spanish. He admitted that "the bad words" were the first English words he learned. But he doesn't use the English version to the umpires.

The Cats all say they like Carrasquel very much. They're a little envious of his fan mail, however. Chico gets more mail than anybody. The reason is that he's one of ten children in the Carrasquel family and all his brothers and sisters and other relatives write him incessantly.

Joe Dobson has won 47 games for the Boston Red Sox the last three seasons. He has lost 25 during the same span.

Duke Snider, No. 3 hitter with the Dodgers this spring, was groomed for the spot two years ago when Brooklyn trained in Havana.

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