

24 Out For Aggie Half, Fullback Posts in '49

By BILL POTTS
(Second of a series.)

Backfield Coach Dick Todd will have 24 men from which to fill the halfback and fullback slots in the Aggie backfield this fall when football practice starts Sept. 1.

Of these 24 men, 17 are sophomores, five are juniors, and two are seniors.

When senior Bobby Goff had his knee operated on this summer, it threw open for awhile anyway, the position that he had virtually sewed up during spring drills.

Goff's knee is coming along better than expected now but it is expected that he will see little or no service at the right halfback position until the third or fourth game this fall.

Goff, who hails from Kennedy, was moved from full to halfback in spring training. Last fall, he led all the Aggie backs in number of yards gained with a 531 total, although he was injured the latter part of the season. He was also eighth in the conference in total yards gained rushing.

Right behind Goff and trying for the position of right halfback last spring were two outstanding prospects, Doyle Moore and Bob Shaeffer.

Moore, a 180 pound sophomore from Austin, was ineligible last year and could not play for the varsity. He played in the backfield of the Aggie Fish team in 1947. Moore has speed on offense and defense and he looked especially good in spring training.

Shaeffer was the extra point specialist for the Fish team last year and played at a halfback position.

One of the fleetest backs on the Aggie squad, Shaeffer got that way by being one of the outstanding 100-yard dashers in the state in the spring of 1948.

Shaeffer's speed is what will put him in the games this fall, both on offense and defense. His defensive tactics against passing attacks were outstanding in spring drills.

He will probably take over most of the extra point making for the varsity this fall.

It goes without saying that Glenn Lippman, the "Gallop" Ghost from the Gulf Coast, has the left halfback position practically sewed up.

Lippman, who is expected to be the best back to play on an Aggie team since Dick Todd and John Kimbrough, is all that a coach could ask for. Speedy, shifty, smart, Lippman is all that.

Weighing in at 170 and standing five feet, seven inches tall, he possesses the ability to stand the defensive team on its respective noses as he goes past.

Lippman was a class A all-state back in high school and was selected for the second all-American high school team.

A sophomore, he led the Fish backs last year in scoring and ground gaining. He will be used mostly for offense.

Behind Lippman for the left halfback post come John Christensen and Charlie Royalty.

Of the two, Royalty possesses the most experience. A 160-pound junior from Ercopert, he scored the second Aggie touchdown last season in his first varsity game, that against Villanova in Philadelphia.

Royalty's experience and speed are expected to be a big factor in his playing this year. He weighed only 148 last season and that plus his experience, is expected to improve his playing this year.

Christensen was the hard luck man of the Aggie squad last season. He didn't make the varsity squad until just before the LSU game last year. However, he wasn't allowed to play in that one because of a conference ruling that states that a man's name has to be announced a week before he can play in a game.

Against TCU, the first game in which he played last year, Christensen made a name for himself with his brilliant defensive work. Then, in the Baylor game the next week, he received a back injury and was forced to quit playing for the season.

From Galveston, Christensen weighs 180 pounds and stands five feet, eleven. He will probably see a lot of defensive work in the backfield this fall.

Another back who will see some service in the left halfback position this year is Frank Torno. Bob Goode's understudy in the punting department last fall.

The coaching staff had Torno selected to do most of the punting during spring training but he told them that he would rather do more than just the punting, and he probably will.

A junior six-footer from Cameron, Torno will get quite a few chances to carry the ball with his 180 pounds this fall. He will also have most of the punting duties.

Two 180 pound sophomores from southeast Texas, Augie Saxe and Charlie McDonald, are also given good chances of seeing a lot of service in the left halfback slot.

Saxe, who is from Beaumont, won a Fish football letter in 1948 and will probably be used a lot in a defensive halfback position as well as on offense. He's one of the speediest members of the 1949 squad.

McDonald, from Fort Arthur, was ineligible last year because he had played the previous season with Lamar Junior College. He will be used more as a defensive specialist than anything else. He looked exceptionally good in the pass intercepting department last spring.

Back across in the right halfback slot again, Gary Anderson and Bobby Dew are also being mentioned as good prospects for that position.

Anderson, from San was a member of the Fish backfield last fall. He was state City Conference 100-yard dash champ in high school in 1948 and has speed to burn.

Dew, a 175 pound junior from Corsicana, was expected to do a lot of the punting last fall but didn't get to play because of a knee injury. He will see some service as a punter this fall.

Five other sophomores make up the remainder of the backs heading for a halfback slot. June Clark, Rodney East, Karl Holler, Clarence Parks, and Don Pfeffer-

korn, will add speed to the Aggie backfield, whether they're played on offense or defense.

For the fullback slot in the Aggie backfield this fall, a big block-busting 195 pounder from Houston, Bob Smith, has been tagged as the starter.

Ineligible last season, Smith is a sophomore whose hard running has been compared to that of Jarvin' Jawn. Besides being a hard line buster, Smith has been clocked in the 100-yard dash in 10.5 which is good for a boy being groomed for fullback.

Smith's work on defense is also good, especially against passes.

While in Lamar High School in Houston, Smith won honors in track and football.

Pushing Smith for the starting assignment at the fullback slot this fall will be two more outstanding fullbacks, Jim Voss and Clarence "Hull" Lawson.

Voss, a 190 pound senior from Gatesville, is especially good in broken field running. Fast for a fullback, his defensive specialty is backing up the line. While in high school in Gatesville, Voss was named all-district back.

Lawson, a fullback on the Fish team last year, hails from Wichita Falls. He looked especially good at the post in spring training. Weighing in at 170, he will be used a lot on offense.

Other fullbacks who expect to see service this fall are Paul Yates, a 190 pound senior from Fort Worth who looked good at times last fall, Bernard Lemmons, who played the same spot in the Fish backfield last fall, and Jim Dobbyn, another sophomore who was one of the faster men in the first-year team's backfield last year.

Other candidates for the post include Billy Tidwell from Hearne, a 180 pound boy who was one of the meanest and roughest backs the Fish team had last year, and George Roberts, a 100-pound sophomore from Austin.



Pictured above are the members of the C-West softball team of the College View League. First row, left to right, they are, Jack Holt, Wray Whittaker, E. L. Ely, W. M. Fritz (Mgr.) and Moody Moore. Second row, T. M. Bird, A. C. Davis, Bobby Goff, L. A. Lawrence and Charles Switzer.

LSU Hopes To Have Better Defense on Gridiron in '49

By BILL HAILE

LSU's hopes for a winning team this year are looking up. In 1948 the Tigers had a disappointing season, losing all but three of their games. Their defense was so leaky at times that five of their opponents got through for 35 points or more.

Lost from the 1948 team are such key men as Abner Wimberly, all-Southeastern end, and Harrel (Rip) Collins, fullback and leading punter.

Also lost were most of the Bengals' better guards, but LSU coaches think the addition of such outstanding newcomers as halfback Lee Hedges and Ray (Moose) Potter, 225 tackle from Peabody, Mass., may compensate for the losses.

LSU had the country's fullest infusion of new blood in coaching assistants of any major college. It retained Gaynell Tinsley as head man, but brought in Ed McKeever as backfield coach and Norman Cooper as line coach.

McKeever has seen duty with Notre Dame, Cornell, San Francisco and the Chicago Rockets. Cooper has had his duty at Kansas U. and Vanderbilt. Helping Cooper with the line will be Alf Satterfield.

The Tigers have some good prospects coming up from the 1948 freshman team to help out the 23 returning lettermen, nine of which are seniors.

The two boys being groomed to take on quarterback duties are Ken Konz and Charley Pevey. Konz was halfback last year and proved that he had plenty of speed and was a fine breakaway runner. During spring practice, Konz was moved up behind the center and his pitching was very impressive.

Pevey handled the quarterback duties last year and did most of the passing for the Tigers. Although he did most of the passing, it wasn't any too good. His throwing this year has improved greatly under the guidance of backfield coach McKeever.

Pevey suffered a spring shoulder separation, however, and Louisiana State will be in a tough spot if forced to depend entirely on the inexperienced Konz.

Other backfield material will include speedsters Dale Gray, Lee Hedges and Jimmy Barto at left halfback and Billy Baggett and Al Heroman taking over the right half slot.

As for the future he says: "As long as we can keep our sports and keep them healthy, we will develop men with fibre—men who are able to take it."

Stagg recalls that 70 years ago when he was considering a career in the ministry he said that if he had charge of a church "I would have a gymnasium in conjunction with it."

"Now, that is just what many churches are doing," he added.

Project House Wins First, 6-4

Project House won its first game of the semester Thursday when it defeated Walton Hall 6-4.

Walton sluggers pounded out 10 hits for four runs but the hits were all too scattered.

Project House came to life in the first with three runs off three hits and scored two more in the third and one more in the sixth.

Law was the winning pitcher, allowing ten hits and Tittle was the loser, allowing eight.

Van Wagner was the leading hitter with a perfect day at the plate, getting three for three. He also had five RBI's to his credit.

Blasting the line from the fullback position will be Ebert (brother of the Eagles' great Steve) Van Buren and Zollie Toth, a 215 pound blaster of the human tank variety.

The first and second team lines should average about 308 while the backfield may go as high as 180. Although the line may have the weight, it is sadly hurting for experience.

The only position on the line that will have much experience are the ends. The most efficient of these ends is team captain Sam Lyle. Following him closely and probably taking over the other end post will be Ray Bullock.

The rest of the line will be filled in with some powerful sophomores. At tackles will be Moose Potter and Curtis Baskin, 235 and 225 pounds respectively. Even with all that weight these two boys get around pretty fast, and a lot is expected of them.

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The Tigers could look like this: left end, Sam Lyle, 205; left tackle, Joe Baird, 235; left guard, Red Walsh, 205; center, Joe Reid, 218; right guard, Dick Bradley, 198; right tackle, Curtis Baskin, 225; or Moose Potter, 255; right end, Ray Bullock, 190; quarterback, Charlie Pevey, 165; or Ken Konz, 175; right halfback, Billy Baggett, 165; left halfback, Dale Gray, 174; fullback, Zollie Toth, 215.

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Campus Champions In Softball May Be Determined Today

The winner of the Campus Intramural Softball League will be determined this afternoon or Monday, depending on the outcome of today's Milner-Mitchell affair. The winner of the College View League was determined last week with B-Odd again coming out on top.

The Standings

American League	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	71	41	.639	
Boston	68	46	.596	4
Cleveland	67	47	.585	5
Philadelphia	62	52	.544	10
Detroit	63	53	.543	10
Chicago	49	65	.430	23
Washington	38	73	.342	32 1/2
St. Louis	37	78	.322	35 1/2

National League	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	69	42	.622	
Brooklyn	68	43	.613	1
New York	57	54	.514	12
Boston	57	55	.509	12 1/2
Philadelphia	57	57	.500	13 1/2
Pittsburgh	52	59	.468	17
Cincinnati	46	67	.407	24
Chicago	43	72	.374	28

Texas League	W	L	Pct.
Fort Worth	77	51	.602
Tulsa	75	54	.581
Oklahoma City	69	59	.539
Shreveport	65	62	.512
San Antonio	60	68	.469
Houston	48	77	.384
Beaumont	48	78	.381

The SCOREBOARD

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

American League
Washington 4, New York 5.
Detroit 2, Chicago 0.
Cleveland 14, St. Louis 4.
Only games scheduled.

National League
Chicago 0, Pittsburgh 2.
Philadelphia 9, Brooklyn 5.
New York 6, Boston 10.
Only games scheduled.

Texas League
Shreveport 0, Tulsa 6.
Houston 2, Dallas 5.
Beaumont 1, Oklahoma City 11.
San Antonio 7, Ft. Worth 2.

WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY
American League
Philadelphia at New York, night.
Boston at Washington, night.
Cleveland at Chicago, night.
Detroit at St. Louis 2 games night.

National League
Brooklyn at Boston, night.
New York at Philadelphia, night.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, night.
Chicago at Cincinnati, night.

Texas League
Houston at Dallas.
San Antonio at Fort Worth.
Shreveport at Tulsa.
Beaumont at Oklahoma City.

Mitchell Defeats Law Hall 8-6

Mitchell Hall defeated Law Thursday 8-6 to remain set for the big game today with Milner. Milner has only to defeat Mitchell today to win the campus championship.

Mitchell collected five hits for eight runs off Hank Vornkahl while Von Rosenberg allowed five scattered hits for six runs.

Errors hurt Law's chances yesterday when four miscued balls were allowed to get the better of Law fielders.

Mitchell had its big inning in the sixth when Frederick doubled to right and scored Whitten, Aaronson, and Fulbright. Whitwell had scored earlier on a fielders choice by Rex Fox.

Dailey of Law drove in two of the three runs his team got in the second when he singled to the right, scoring Goodrum and Sonnenberg.

Frederick of Mitchell was the leading hitter with two for three at the plate.

Score by innings:
Mitchell 301 004 0-5-8-3
Law 130 110 0-5-6-4

Sam Sneed, 37, became the oldest player ever to win the PGA links championship when he copped the crown this year.

Intramural Standings

Team Milner 7 1
TCVV 6 2
Dorm 14 3
Leggett 5 4
Mitchell 4 5
Hart 4 5
Purveyor 3 5
Walton 3 5
Law 2 6
Project House 1 7

CAMPUS LEAGUE
Team W L
Milner 7 1
TCVV 6 2
Dorm 14 3
Leggett 5 4
Mitchell 4 5
Hart 4 5
Purveyor 3 5
Walton 3 5
Law 2 6
Project House 1 7

COLLEGE VIEW LEAGUE
Team W L
B-Odd 6 1
C-West 4 3
B-Even 4 3
D-Odd 3 3
A-Even 3 3
D-Even 3 3
A-Odd 2 4
C-East 1 5

Purveyor Wins Over Hart Hall 9-4

Purveyor Hall managed to stay above water long enough to defeat Hart Hall, 9-4 Thursday.

Dave Thomas, the winning pitcher, was also credited with a home run in the fifth that spared a rally for Purveyor that scored 5 runs.

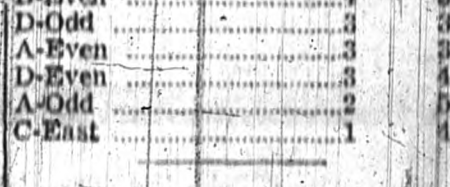
Not satisfied with that, Purveyor came back in the sixth to score four more runs, three of them coming on a triple by Howard Peach with the bases loaded.

Dave Thomas, with a homer and a single to his credit, took batting honors.

Harry Miller was the losing pitcher, giving up ten hits for nine runs.

Score by innings:
Purveyor 000 054 x-10 9 1
Hart 000 004 0-9 4 0

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