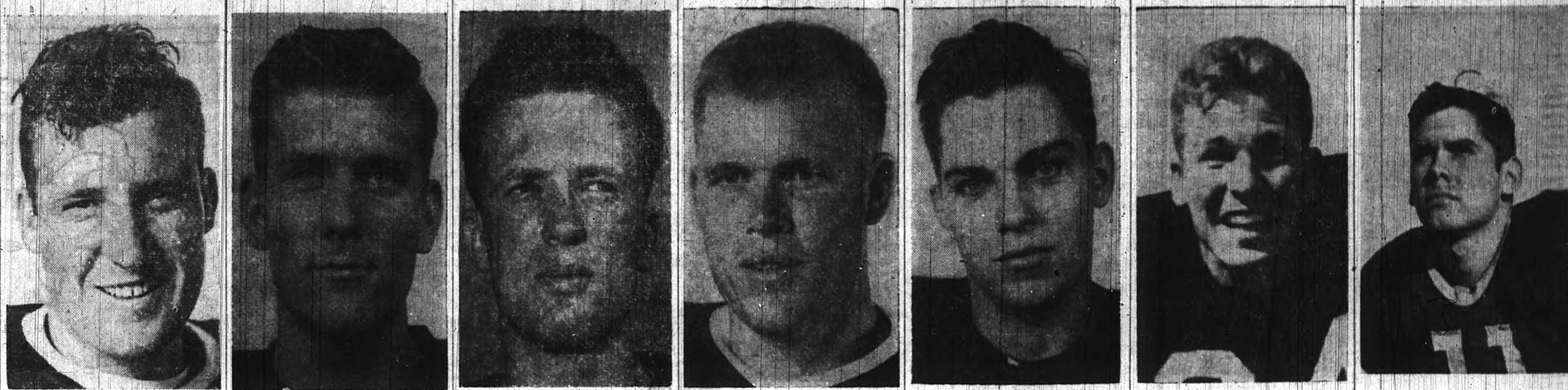


These Aggies Wear Maroon and White Final Time Thursday

Special
Turkey
Day
Edition



JIM CASHION
Back
College Station

FRANK TORNO
Back
Cameron

BOBBY DEW
Back
Corsicana

PERCY BURK
Tackle
Nacogdoches

DICK CALLENDAR
End
College Station

DICK SCOTT
Guard
Murchison

DON NICHOLAS
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Ags, Steers Meet Tomorrow On Kyle Field

'TD' Concert, Bonfire, Dance, Highlight Tonight's Activities

A concert and dance with Tommy Dorsey's music, the lighting of the 1949 Bonfire, and yell practice highlight the events for pre-game celebrants here tonight.

Dorsey's hour-long concert, which begins in Guion Hall at 6:15 this evening, will feature the famous Dorsey Band, including vocalist Sonny Calelo, drummer Louis Bellson and saxophonist Boomie Richman.

Sonny Calelo, the vocalist with the Dorsey aggregation, never really intended to be a professional singer—he was set on a business career. Uncle Sam interrupted for two years while Frank (his real name) served in the Navy. Upon his discharge, he entered in several contests for singers and wound up singing in the Copacabana, where Dorsey heard him and signed him up.

Bellson, who has studied drum since he was seven, has written several articles on drumming, designed his own drums, and is sponsor of some facsimiles now being sold by the Gretsch Drum Co. He first worked with Ted Fiorito, then with Benny Goodman until he came with Dorsey. According to Dorsey,

Bellson has his job for life. Bonfire Dance at 9:30. Beginning at 9:30, the Bonfire Dance will continue until 12:30. The dance will be held in Spsisa and will be semi-formal.

Tickets for both the dance and the concert may be obtained at the Student Activities Office and will be on sale at the doors at Guion and Spsisa. Concert tickets cost one dollar each, and tickets for the dance are \$2.50, stag or drag.

When the bonfire is set off at 7:30 on the main drill field, yell practice will be held. According to head yell leader Glenn Kothmann, speakers at the yell practice, other than the regular talks by the yell leaders, include: Coaches Stuteler, DuRose, J. T. King, and Todd; captains Whittaker and Goff; possibly graduating members of the team; P. L. "Pinky" Downs; and, if he is available, Dean Kyle.

The Bonfire, which is nearly completed, towers some 60 feet above the drill field and is being guarded closely to thwart any attempt at retaliation for the attempt made Monday by two sophomores to light the TU blaze pre-maturely. As us-

ual, this year's bonfire is the biggest and the best.

Thursday's Events
Spsisa cafeteria will be open at 10:30 a. m. and Duncan cafeteria will open at 11. Visitors may eat in either of these cafeterias. Tables and chairs will be provided for outdoor luncheons at the Grove.

Guion Hall, has been designated as headquarters for Texas University visitors. The main lobby of the YMCA will be headquarters for former students of A&M.

A first aid station will be set up on the west side of Clark Street near the stadium.

Spence Street will be the only street open to through traffic for crossing the campus.

In case of rain, tractors will be available to help pull cars out of the mud on the parking lots.

A parcel checking stand will be located in the YMCA Chapel.

Then, of course, there's a football game at Kyle Field at 2. It will be broadcast over WTAW, beginning at 1:45. Kern Tips will announce it.



TOMMY DORSEY

Bovines Favored In Annual Turkey Day Football Finale

BY HAROLD GANN

That BIG moment arrives at 2 p. m. tomorrow when the all-important Turkey Day clash between A&M and Texas gets under way on Kyle Field.

Kern Tips, eminent grid-caster, will give a play-by-play account over radio Station WTAW for those unfortunate fans who failed to get tickets for this fifty-sixth renewal between the two arch-grid rivals.

Coach Blair Cherry's strong TU aggregation will enter the game as a 14-point favorite, but as everyone knows, the dope book is as useless as a two-day-old weather report whenever one attempts to decide the outcome of this game.

A&M and Texas each have played against nine teams since the start of the season and the Longhorns sport far more impressive results against their opponents.

TU Topped Tech

For example, the Orange and White team was three touchdowns better against Texas Tech, 14 points better against Oklahoma,

five TD's better than A&M's showing against Arkansas, three touchdowns better against TCU, six managers better against the Bears, and 11 points superior to the Cadets against Rice.

According to the records, the only factor that favors A&M over Texas is the Aggie showing against SMU. The Aggies played the Mustangs to a 27-27 deadlock while the Steers bowed in defeat to Walker and Company, 6-7.

The Tea-sippers' powerful offensive attack has stacked up 248 points—an average of 37.5 per game while their stout defensive play has yielded only 8.7 points a game.

Aggie figures stack-up just the opposite; the Cadets have scored an average of 8.7 points per game while allowing their opposition 25.

Steers Weigh More

Team weight charts also favor Texas. The Steers have more depth, better passing, and more seniors in their lineup.

A&M's ball carriers have better yards-per-carry averages than those of TU. Bob Smith, fullback, and recently converted defensive halfback Billy Tidwell who is now playing offensive right half,

have averaged better than five yards per carry. For Texas halfbacks Byron Townsend and Randall Clay have a 4.6 and a 3.9 average, respectively.

The Aggies are predominant in only two departments. They will have the home field and punting advantages. Also, the Twelfth Man will be in the stand.

Campbell Hat

Paul Campbell, Longhorn passer, has literally gobbled up the yardage with his forward heaves. He has completed 81 of 165 attempts for 1,233 yards. When Campbell is hot he's hard to handle.

Aggie quarterbacks Nicholas and Gardemal, who have divided chores this year, together have chucked up 530 yards while throwing 99 times and completing 49.

Texas holds a vast majority of the victories in the series with the Aggies, having beaten A&M 35 times while suffering 15 defeats. Five of the games have ended in ties.

A&M has not enjoyed the taste of victory from Texas since the year the Aggies won the national championship back in 1939. "Old Army is mighty hungry."

Longhorns Picture Maroon Game As Opportunity To Regain Victory Column

by ABE WEINER
Daily 'Texan Sports Writer

Hark ye Aggies! The Longhorns are coming. Yes, they're coming and they're bringing with them all the spirit and ferociousness that they've displayed time and again this season.

They know they'll need it, because they've been forewarned about your "Twelfth Man" and they have already learned that playing eleven men at one time is quite a job.

The Longhorns are tired of losing games—especially by such small margins, so they'd like nothing better than to rectify their previous errors by whipping you. That's why you'd better take note.

Though four time losers, the Texas team of 1949 has come a long way this season. It started out with a mere hope of winning the Southwest Conference title. Along the way, the hopes brightened, and by the time it was scheduled to meet Rice, it had been proclaimed the leading challenger to the SWC titleholder—Southern Methodist's

Elephant Walk

The annual Elephant Walk will start at 9:30 Thursday morning, according to "Red" Duke, senior yell leader. Seniors will meet in front of the flagpole on military walk.

The line of walk will be from the flagpole to Prexy's triangle up Military Walk to Duncan Hall. Uniforms will be boots, shirt tails out, ties loose, hats and any other desired additions.

The band will consist of a bass horn and a flute.

Catastrophes Happen
The followed a series of catastrophes and a rough schedule. The load was too heavy, and the Longhorns finally fell flat on their faces against TCU.

But now they are rested, and nothing would be sweeter for the nine seniors, ten juniors, and seventeen sophomores currently composing the squad than a victory over Texas A&M. That would be the culmination of a successful season.

Physically, the team is in the best shape of the year. With the exception of Billy Fyle, who'll act as co-captain along with Guard Danny Wolfe, all should be ready to play. There are a few on the doubtful list, most notable of whom is end Ray Stone who has seen action in only three conference games in two seasons because of injuries.

Backfield Is Strong

You'll find a backfield composed of Paul Campbell at quarterback, Byron Townsend and Randall Clay at halfbacks, and either Ray Borneman or Lewis Levine at fullback.

Needless to say, Campbell is the man that calls the signals, does a masterful job of ball handling and passing. Townsend, a shifty sophomore, lends speed to the backfield, while ever-dependable Clay and the fullbacks supply the power.

Up front, the Longhorns have a

massive line with speed, power, and stamina—the clue to its success this season. Lack of depth in reserves strength, however, has been the main factor for several of the Longhorns' losses this season.

Line Stand Outs

Led by three of the finest blockers in the conference, Burly Bud McFadin at left guard, Dick Rowan at center, and Errol Fry at right guard, the line has held its own against every Longhorn opponent this year with the possible exception of TCU's nine-ran defensive forward wall.

At tackles, the Longhorns call upon a 207-pounder, Gene Vyukal, and a 222-pounder, Ken Jackson. Ben Procter and Paul Williams at ends round out the offensive line.

There's a different set-up defensively, with Rudy Bauman (in the absence of Stone) subbing in for Procter, Danny Wolfe taking Fry's place, and Joe Arnold and Don Menasco coming in as linebackers.

Bobby Coy Lee and Bubba Shands at the halfback spots and Bobby Dillon at safety make up the backfield.

Vyukal and Jackson usually leave the game when this defensive crew enters the game.

Operate From T

The Longhorns, of course, operate from the T formation, the emphasis being on the man-in-motion and flanker plays—the same of

defensive attack used by the Chicago Bears of the National Professional Football League with a few variations devised by Coach Blair Cherry.

That's what Aggie rooters will see when the Longhorns take the field Thanksgiving Day. What Longhorn rooters hope to see is a Texas victory, and they feel that only two things are needed:

- (1) A fair share of the breaks.
- (2) A mental attitude to match that of the spirited Aggies.

We in Austin know that they'll have the latter.

—Beat TU—

Directors' Board Meets This A. M.

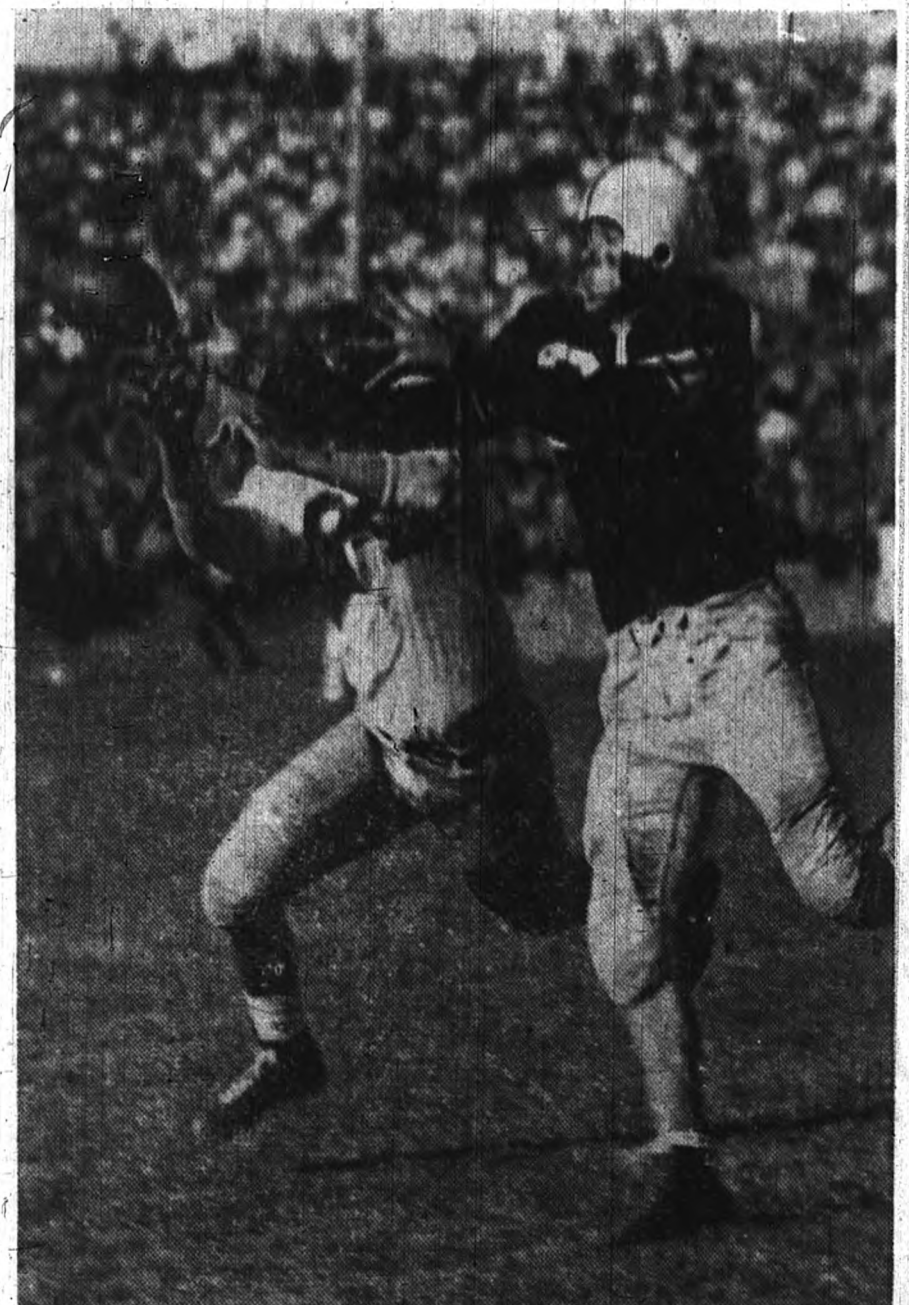
The board of directors of the A&M College System met today at 9 a. m. in the meeting room in the board of director's home back of Spsisa Hall.

The board will probably consider confirmation of contracts for the \$9,000,000 building program for the A&M System, R. H. Shuffler of the Department of Information, said this morning. Of that sum \$5,000,000 is to be set aside for A&M College.

No Batt Till Tuesday

Publication of The Battalion will be discontinued until Tuesday, Nov. 29.

Today's issue will be the last until that date. Suspension of publication will be necessary because of Thanksgiving holidays.



Wray Whittaker, pass receiver in the dark jersey above, ranks tenth in conference statistics for yardage gained on aerial receptions. Whittaker, 195-pound offensive end from Houston, is earning his fourth letter as a Cadet football player. A former Jeff Davis gridder, Wray is co-captain of the Aggie squad and one of the two seniors who have been able to hold regular offensive places on the eleven this fall. Last year he suffered a broken jaw in the SMU game and missed the rest of the campaign. Nineteen months of service in the Navy separated his first action with the Farmers (in 1946) and his high school play. (See page 7 for a complete story on Whittaker.)



Bobby Goff, 190-pound right halfback, climaxes his grid career as an Aggie by leading the Maroons against their arch-rivals, the Texas Longhorns, on Kyle Field tomorrow. Goff is co-captain of the '49 team. The Kenedy, Texas, product led the Cadet ground gainers last fall and is among the most dependable rushers this year. (See story on page 6.)

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