

Fotogenic Five Ready For Campaign



A veteran line-up will represent A&M on the hardwood courts this winter as the Cadets threaten to move into the first division among SWC hoop teams. Starters are (l. to r.) Bill Turn-

bow, three-letter senior; John DeWitt, letterman junior; Buddy Davis, sophomore (fish numeral winner); Jewell McDowell, letterman sophomore; Wally Moon, letterman junior.

Seven Aggie-Exes "Business Successes"

Play-for-Pay Ranks Include Sixty-Six Texas Products

BY FRANK N. MANITZAS

Bob Goode, Odell Stautzenberger, Bill Johnson, Martin Ruby, Damon "Greek" Tassos, Herbert Ellis, and Joe Scott are ex-Aggies among fifty-six of the Texas collegians that are now playing big-time professional football. There are ten other pro-players who hail from Texas but attended colleges outside of the state and are listed on the rosters of the National League and the All-America Conference.

Texas leads the nation with players in the National League where there are 36. Thirty Texans are performing in the All-America Conference.

Goode Stars

Bob Goode, 6-4", 200 pound full-back from Bastrop who ran the 100 yard dash in 9.8 seconds, is com-

pleting his first year with the Washington Redskins. In his first year at A&M, Goode made the All-Conference team and played in the East-West tilt as a pile driving fullback.

Stautz Helps Buffalo

Odell Stautzenberger made the pro-ranks at Buffalo this fall after leaving A&M. In '46, his freshman year, he received the most valuable player award trophy. Stautz's last season at A&M was very successful as he made the INS and UP All-Conference first teams and the AP second team.

Herbert Ellis played over the ball for the Aggies from '44 to '48 and proved to be very efficient. Hub is now playing at the same slot for the New York Bulldogs.

Ruby Tops Tackles

Martin Ruby played for the Ag-

gies in "the years of plenty". Playing for A&M in '39, '40 and '41, Ruby helped the Cadets win two unchallenged Southwest Conference championships and one championship. Ruby was co-captain of the '41 team, and is now employed by the New York Yankees. He has made a number of the all-pro teams and is recognized as one of football's top half dozen tackles.

Bill Johnson left A&M in '46. He is the younger brother of Gimlet Gil. After leaving Aggie-land Johnson made the Junior College All-America after a fine season with the Tyler Apaches in '47. Johnson is now playing at center for San Francisco.

Joe Scott, who attended A&M at one time, later played for the University of San Francisco during his varied collegiate career.

Damon "Greek" Tassos, guard for the Green Bay Packers, captained the '44 Farmer football team. In '43 he was an outstanding performer for the Kiddie Korps eleven. After finishing at A&M he signed with the Detroit Lions.

MURAL NEWS

On the football fields, D Vets bowed to a strong B TC eleven, 6-0, after a hard fought but rather slow game. G Flight downed A Coast, 9-0, in a fast game on both the offense and defense. Louie Caplan caught a runner behind the goal for the two points. The G Flight score was made just ten plays after the start.

E Flight won over B Field, 13-6, in a smooth offensive match. B Infantry defeated A TC in a rout, 28-0, while E Infantry took A Flight, 19-0, in the two high score games of the day.

The play-off between 17 and Puryear in the non-military basketball championship was held Thursday night in the gym.

Schedules for Monday

FOOTBALL, MILITARY			
Teams	Areas	Time	
B INF	C CAV	1	5:10
C INF	S CWS	2	5:10
B AF	B TC	3	5:10
A INF	B CA	4	5:10
A ASA	B COMP	5	5:10
HORSESHOES, MILITARY			
F AF	B VET	1, 2, 3	5:10
B ENG	H AF	4, 5, 6	5:10
G AF	A SIG	7, 8, 9	5:10
A CAV	C FA	10, 11, 12	5:10
E INF	A TC	13, 14, 15	5:10
E FA	B ATH	16, 17, 18	5:10
TENNIS, MILITARY			
A FA	A QMC	13, 14, 15	5:10

LIU Blackbirds Defeat Cadets In Madison Square Garden Tilt

BY GLENN WILLIAMS
Special Eastern Correspondent

New York City, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The Texas A&M basketball team opened its 1949-50 season here tonight in famed Madison Square Garden by falling to the sharp-shooting Long Island University Blackbirds 66-52 before some 14,000 onlookers.

This crowd, probably one of the largest ever to see the Aggie cagers in action had switched their support to the visitors from Texas as by the final whistle when the Cadets staged a late rally in the last five minutes of play and chopped away the winner's 27-point advantage.

Coach Marty Karow's tall Texans proved they were also swift of foot when they began pressing the LIU quintet all over the court in those final minutes. During that period the Aggies tallied 12 points, five of those by Guard Jewell McDowell. While holding their opponents scoreless. The Blackbirds held a 60-33 lead before the outburst and numerous fouls during the final two minutes of play under the new rules caused

the exciting battle to finish with-out a flurry. Sherman White, a 6' 7 1/2" Negro forward, walked away with the individual scoring honors. He accounted for 19 of those points in the first half when he dropped in eight of the 13 shots he attempted from the field. Walter "Buddy" Davis, the Cadets' 6' 8" sophomore pivotman, took over the guarding duties of the jump-shot artist for the last period and held him to six points.

Herbert Scherer, the Blackbirds' 6' 9" center, trailed White with 16 points. Davis and McDowell shared point-making laurels for the losers with 14 apiece. Followed closely by John DeWitt with 13.

McDowell also drew considerable attention from this Gotham city audience for his defensive work against Leroy Smith, speedy

guard whom LIU boosters are carrying for All-America honors. Smith made only two field goals and one of those came midway in the second half when McDowell was taking a breather on the bench.

The Blackbirds hit the basket with great consistency through both halves. They sank 38 out of 35 shots attempted from the floor and 8 out of 12 free throws in the first half to gain a 24-20 edge. Then in the final stanza they canned 14 of 36 field goal tries and four of 13 free shots. These figures give the winners a shooting average of 35 per cent from the floor and nearly 50 per cent on free throws for the game.

Texas A&M was soundly off the first half, bucketing seven of 21 chances in field goals and six of 13 at the charity loss line. They improved their average in the final half, making 12 of 29 attempts from the floor and eight out of nine free pitches. This gave them a 31 per cent average on field goals and nearly 66 per cent on free throws.

The Aggies, who arrived here by train this morning, will work out 2, McDowell, here tomorrow and then play Niagara University in Buffalo, N.Y.

Saturday night to continue their four-game Eastern tour trip.

BOX SCORES

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Texas A&M (53)	38	12	20	52
LIU (66)	35	12	20	66

Free throws missed: A&M—DeWitt 2, Turnbow, Houser 2, Davis 1, Murtha, C. Smith 2, Sherer, Murtha, Gard 3, Feurtado 2, Bigos.

Battalion SPORTS

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Multitude of Bowls Gain Grid Interest

BY HAROLD GANN

When the final whistle of the SMU-Notre Dame game is sounded in Dallas Saturday, Southwestern football adherents will cast their complete interests bowlward.

Of the ever-increasing number of bowl games (28 are on tap for this year) there are approximately eight major conflicts. The recently formed Senior Bowl of Miami now ranks with such outstanding ones as the Rose, Sugar, Cotton, Orange, Gator, Shrine and North-South spectacles.

Bears, Buckeyes in Rose California's Bears will repeat last year's Rose Bowl appearance when they collide with Ohio State's Buckeyes, co-champions of the Big Ten Conference. The Bears lost a dozen stars from last year's team, including All-America Jack Jensen and were not considered as strong PCC contenders by pre-season prognosticators. Neither was Ohio State picked to win its conference. California earned its bowl-berth by sweeping through all its games without defeat; the Bears stacked up a total of 305 points against the opposition's 114. Ohio State's slate was marred by Minnesota, the team previously picked to win the conference, 27 to 0.

Then, in the final tussle of the season, the Buckeyes fought Michigan to a 7-7 deadlock to share the crown with the Wolverines. Most experts are giving the nod to California in predicting the winner.

Sugar for OU, LSU Oklahoma's grid machine will renew Sugar Bowl relations on January 2 when it meets giant-killing Louisiana State. The Sugar Bowl Committee extended to Oklahoma its third bowl bid in four years. LSU is the winner over three conference champions—Rice, Tulane, and North Carolina.

Bud Wilkinson, poker-faced Sooner Coach, has the cards stacked before the fray even gets underway, meaning of course that he holds a "Royal Flush", a super-charged backfield with snake-hipped "Lurel Royal" the man under All-America Wade Walker will give the Okies a helping hand at tackle. So, it will be a hard-charging power team, LSU, against the wide-open deception of the Spitt-T.

In the Cotton Bowl A record crowd—73,347 fans—are expected to be on hand to see Rice (9-1) and North Carolina (7-3) tangle in Dallas' prized Cotton oval. Although both teams lost

to LSU by a touchdown, Rice is expected to win by two touchdowns.

Santa Clara and Kentucky will play in the Orange Bowl for the first time in either school's history. The Wildcats maintained a torrid pass during their first five games, running up a total of 206 points while allowing one touchdown. They had defeated such strong teams as LSU, Mississippi, and Georgia. In their sixth game they were upset by SMU, 7-20.

Then they took Xavier, Florida, and Cincinnati in good fashion before losing again to Tennessee, 0-6. Kentucky outscored Miami, 21-7, Saturday to clinch the Orange Bowl bid. A perennially surprising eleven, Santa Clara, who upset two PCC powerhouses (Stanford and UCLA, will be "touch stuff" for the Wildcats. A crowd of 64,538 is expected.

Gator Matches Powerhouses Missouri's Tigers are expected to out-manuever Maryland's Turkeys in the Gator Bowl. The Tigers, who were second to Oklahoma in the Big Seven Conference, are favored to win over Jim Tatum's crew. 40,000 will witness the fracas, Missouri's second Gator appearance in two years.



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