

Tigers, Rough Granger Eleven Clash Tonight

The Tigers of A&M Consolidated will find their home grounds pocketed with dynamite tonight at 8 as they tangle with a powerful Granger eleven, a team that for 12 years straight has won its district championship.

Out of the seven games they have played this season, Consolidated has salvaged two wins—Somerville and Wallas—while dropping four—Navasota, Cypress-Fair-

banks, Smithville and Bastrop—and tying one—Madisonville. Smithville, Bastrop and Somerville were district battles.

Granger High School has hung up a phenomenal record in pigskin competition this year as they have managed to average a little better than 52 points a game to become the highest scoring school-boy team in Texas. Experience and depth are two factors that add to their potency for in the two playoffs there are seven seniors playing on offense and five on defense. Gilbert Bartosh, TCU triple-threat-er is a former Granger star.

The return of end Bobby Jackson and back Roland Jones to the Tiger lineup should add considerably to the Consolidated attack, but coach O. V. Chafin remained somewhat dubious as to the outcome when he said:

"This is the first meeting of the two teams and I am afraid to comment on results.

Tiger Lineup		
Offense	Pos.	Defense
R. Jones	LE	D. Jones
J. Burchard	LT	J. Burchard
B. Jackson	LG	B. Barlow
C. Smith	C	M. Free
R. Rodgers	RG	D. Royder
E. Guthrie	RT	E. Guthrie
J. Richards	RE	D. Williams
G. Johnson	QB	G. Johnson
J. Leighton	HB	J. Leighton
L. Beauchamp	HB	L. Beauchamp
C. Klipple	PB	C. Klipple

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Cadet Harriers Meet North Tex

Still suffering from the tough one point defeat by Arkansas last Saturday, the Aggie Cross Country team journeys to Denton tomorrow morning for a dual meet with North Texas State.

Seven men will make the trip with Coaches Frank Anderson and Ray Putnam. They are Julian Herring, John Garmany, Charlie Gabriel, Alex Ortiz, Jim McMahon, Charles Hudgins, and Marshall Lazarine.

The meet will be at 3 p. m. Friday, thereby giving the boys a chance to get to Dallas for the A&M-SMU game Saturday.

The supposedly very strong Aggie team has dropped two meets this fall (Oklahoma and Arkansas) while winning only over Texas.

North Texas can boast no better team than last year's which was soundly whipped by the Maroon and White harriers at College Station. Don Edwards, NT's leading distance star, could get no better than 6th as five Aggies beat him to the wire. He is again leading the team this fall.

Julian Herring, the Aggies SWC champ in 1949, appears to be rounding into shape and should do better this week. Herring beat Garmany by 10 yards last Saturday though both were beaten by Parker James Brown. Garmany has been the Aggies leading contender thus far in the season.

With only the SWC meet in College Station (Nov. 25) remaining after this week, Friday's race should indicate the Ags leading individuals for that contest.

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Here's the breakdown of touch-down plays called by Texas A&M quarterbacks in 1950: Delmer Sikes, 16; Dick Gardemal, four; Ray Graves, two, and Darrow Hooper, two.

Douglas Contends . . .

'Players Should Go To Classes'

By WHITNEY MARTIN

New York, Nov. 10—(UP)—An old-fashioned, naive fellow is this Otis Douglas, University of Arkansas coach. He actually believes college football players should be required to take a swipe at studying now and then, if only to keep up appearances.

Douglas ousted two of his starlinemen for failure to attend classes, and if other coaches follow this precedent what is going to happen to college football, anyway?

If they are going to require athletes to clutter up their minds with such useless information as they pick up in math, chemistry and social science classes, how can they be expected to remember their signals come Saturday? You can't very well take out an opposing tackle with a hydrochloric acid formula.

Classes Generally Conducted

Everyone knows that classes are conducted for large-domed youths constructed along the general, rugged lines of a loose-leaf notebook. If only students are to be permitted to play football these lads will have to replace on the gridiron the beefy, stout-boned burrheads who may not know whether Detroit is in Michigan or just in the American League, but boy, how they can slant off tackle!

If football of the better class is to survive some concessions must be made to the athletes. They should be given at least a 50-50 chance to survive the rigors of their studies.

A concession, say, like the football-minded prof made to a massive tackle who failed rather dismally in his classroom work. The professor agreed to give him an examina-

tion of two questions. If the lad answered one correctly he would be passed and eligible for the big game.

. . . Didn't Know . . .

He asked first which state Oklahoma City was the capital of, and the boy said Texas. He then asked if South America was north of North America, and the boy said he didn't know.

"The first answer, naturally, was wrong," the prof explained, "but the second answer was right, as he obviously didn't know, so I passed him."

We're just kidding, of course. Seriously, we admire Douglas for the stand he has taken, and firmly believe that a boy playing college football should be required to keep up his studies the same as any other student.

. . . Paying Moderate Sum . . .

We're not against paying a moderate sum to a worthy lad who happens to be a better than fair football player and is interested primarily in getting an education, particularly if the boy would not be able to pursue his studies without such aid.

It isn't the semi-pro angle that hurts the college sport and brings down the wrath of the reformers. It's situations such as Douglas is trying to correct at Arkansas—the idea that a boy goes to college purely to play football, with no intention of improving his mind.

It takes cooperation all-round to see that actual students, and not synthetic students, play college football. Each professor must see that each athlete is up in his studies, and the coaches must see that no boy who is not up in his studies is permitted to play.

It's as simple as that, but it doesn't always work as there is a weak spot somewhere along the line. Douglas, and Arkansas, are to be congratulated for holding the line.

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Going Into the Oil Business . . .

TU's Blair Cherry to Quit

Austin, Tex., Nov. 10—(UP)—The unusual situation of a college coach announcing his retirement while his team is on top came today as Blair Cherry said he would quit at the University of Texas at the end of this season.

He gave business reasons. Texas now leads the conference and is heavily favored to play in the Cotton Bowl New Year's Day. Three weeks ago things were different. After Texas lost to Oklahoma 14-13 and Southern Methodist soared to the nation's top, the pressure on Cherry was terrific.

Cherry becomes one of the few coaches at Texas to quit without being asked officially. His predecessors, D. X. Bible, set the pattern. Bible retired as coach in 1947 and now is athletic director.

Cherry is to enter the oil business with his brother, Alton Cherry of Dallas. He was said that he could make a lot more money and with less worry in the oil business than in football coaching. Cherry turned down a contract to coach in professional football only last year.

He has three years to go on his present contract after this season and has been making \$12,500 a

year. "While I regret that my personal plans have to be brought into the picture at this time, I think it is best to say now that I will resign at the end of the present season."

Rumors Say Cherry To Coach Pro Rams

The Los Angeles Rams pro football club heard with surprise—and promptly denied—a rumor that it was interested in signing Texas' coach, Blair Cherry.

"We have a coach, Joe Stydahar, and we are very well satisfied with Mr. Stydahar," said Harold Pauley, a director of the club.

Pauley added that the Rams have not contacted or dealt in any way with Cherry.—Based on AP Reports.

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Taylor to Address Ags

Lewis B. Taylor, executive secretary, Texas Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, will speak to the Collegiate FFA Chapter Monday night, November 13, at 7:30 in the Agricultural Engineering Lecture Room.

Lewis will speak on the functions of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association.

Cherry said. "For some time I have had intentions of entering private business and the decision was finally made some time ago."

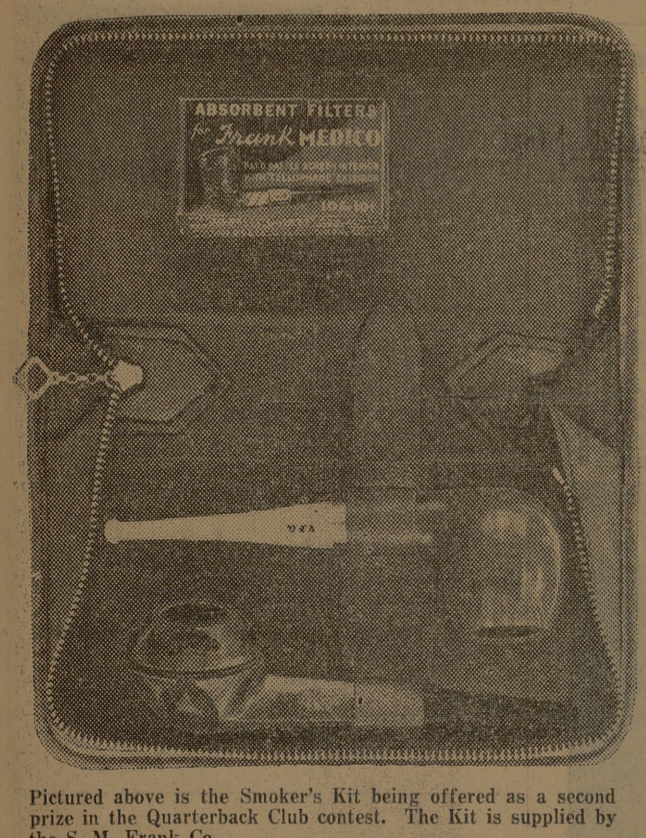
Bible said he regretted Cherry's decision but declared that if it is final "Texas will lose, in my opinion, one of the finest men and most able coaches that has been connected with this institution or any other."

Mrs. Cherry said she didn't know Blair had made up his mind "but I'm glad he's getting out. It's too much of a strain. The fans demand too much."

Cherry was a high school coach until he came to Texas as an assistant in 1937. He directed Amarillo High School to three straight state championships.

His record as high coach at Texas is 28 victories, nine losses and one tie and he has had teams in Bowl games twice—in 1948 when Texas beat Alabama in the Sugar Bowl and in 1949 when the Longhorns licked Georgia in the Orange Bowl.

For three straight years Texas has lost to Oklahoma and it had lost three straight to Southern Methodist until Saturday when the Longhorns knocked down SMU 23-20. It left Texas the only undefeated team in the Southwest Conference play.



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