

Phils Get TU Star In \$50,000 Deal

Philadelphia, Feb. 1—(AP)—The Philadelphia Phillies paid a bonus of some \$50,000 yesterday to sign Ben Tompkins, University of Texas junior rated by owner Bob Carpenter as a "great prospect."

Tompkins will leave school to join the Phils. Carpenter said the youth was signed to a contract with the Phil's class B farm club at Wilmington, Del., of the Interstate League. He is 21.

The young infielder is better known as a football player. He starred as quarterback on the Texas Longhorn's Southwest Conference championship team last season.

"Didn't Raid Campus"

Phils' scout Hap Morse said at Dallas "I want it definitely stated that we did not go after Tompkins but that he called the scouts in and talked contract. I don't want anybody to start saying we raided the campus."

Carpenter refused to disclose the exact sum for which Tompkins signed. An informed source said the youth was paid a figure "slightly less than that paid Curt Simmons."

Simmons got \$65,000 for signing and fulfilled the Phils' faith in him by winning 17 games in the club's pennant drive last season. Curt is now in the army.

May Go To Army

Tompkins may find himself in the army soon, too. Morse said he is in line for induction. If he isn't called up, however, he will report to the Phils' Clearwater, Fla., training camp and then play for Wilmington.

Tompkins play shortstop, second and third base, and is regarded by Carpenter as "the greatest prospect from the Southwest since Ted Lyons came out of Baylor."

Lyons, a pitcher, was a stalwart performer for the Chicago White Sox for two decades.

Carpenter Elated

Carpenter said he was "elated" to get Tompkins. He said nine other major league clubs bid for the youth's services.

Moore said Tompkins was signed

TU Coach OK's Tompkins Pro Baseball Move

Austin, Feb. 1—(AP)—Bibb Falk, baseball coach of the University of Texas, said last night he certainly had no objection to his shortstop, Ben Tompkins, signing a contract with Philadelphia with a big bonus.

"Of course, it will hurt our team this year but I have no criticism of baseball for signing him off the Texas campus and I don't blame him in the least for signing," Falk declared.

"Tompkins wanted to sign in pro baseball and called in the scouts himself."

Falk said he doubted very much that Tompkins would report to the Phils this year, however. "He was deferred from the service until June if he stayed in school and if he leaves will be eligible for the draft now," Falk said. "The Phils took a big chance in this."

Falk declared that he certainly wished Tompkins the best of everything. "He's a fine boy," the veteran Texas coach said.

TU Counts Chickens Early

Dallas, Feb. 1—(AP)—The University of Texas found out yesterday you get those athletes only when they're enrolled—not by public announcement.

Melvin Work, Dallas high school

baseball star, said Sunday he was going to Texas.

Tuesday he went to College Station and entered Texas A&M. He just changed his mind, that was all.

Davis, McDowell, Standouts As Aggies Capture First TU Win In Five Years

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Scaling worked desperately to keep their colors in the game.

Opening the final period, McDowell, Davis, and DeWitt scored repeatedly to widen the lead and in a short three minutes the Aggies were out in front 23 to 13.

Scaling and Dowies were handling the scoring chores for the Orange and White, but their attempts were futile as the Cadets showed a 30 to 19 margin with but five minutes and 40 seconds remaining in the game, this being the largest lead of the game.

Gray Switches Style

At this point Gray, who denounced Hank Iba for his ball control

tactics, but had been employing his strongest defense throughout the game, changed his mode of play and replaced his tall men with shorter, faster men in a dying attempt to come from behind.

His efforts weren't entirely in vain as the game made a quick transformation from "ball control" to a wild melee of scoring and fouls at the expense of the Cadets.

Texas A&M won three of four games with the 1950 SWC co-champions, splitting with the Arkansas Razorbacks and defeating Baylor twice. But splitting with cellar-dwelling Rice and dropping two tilts to Texas forced A&M all the way from first down to a tie for fourth.

Nine times the officials branded the Aggies as offenders and each time the ruling was met with more intense jeering and booing from the frenzied throng.

The Cadets scored once more as playing time faded out, but the Aggies held fast as the Longhorns played "catch-up" to dwindle A&M's lead to three points. The final horn spelled disaster for TU and the scoreboard read, Aggies 32, Longhorns 29.

Accurate Cadets

In the defense-dominated contest, neither of the teams were allowed their usual number of field goal attempts, but the victors showed a better percentage of

successes in counting for 12 out of 37, while their adversary garnered but nine of 34 attempts.

Personal fouls were prominent in the low-scoring cage bout, as each team lost a play via the offender's route—DeWitt for the Aggies, and Klein for the Longhorns.

If TU's eagerness had made good on even half of their gift toss opportunities, the score would have been decidedly different. Coach Gray's Longhorns tallied 11 times in this column, while missing 16 and the Cadets were credited with eight for 13.

High point honors for the game went A&M's Davis with 11 counters, while McDowell and Texas' Scaling garnered nine apiece.



Head Grid Mentor Harry Stiteler is shown extending the traditional Aggie welcome to Ray George, recently appointed line coach for A&M's varsity football team. Effective with spring training, George will step into the post vacated

by Bill DuBose who returned to TU recently. George comes to Aggieland from the University of Southern California where he had been line coach for the past two years.

Addison Is Star Fish Cager

By JIM ASHLOCK

How many times has it been said that before one can succeed in the "big time" he must be brought up in "big time" surroundings.

Certainly the Southwest Conference may be considered "big time," but James Addison, star forward of the Aggie fish cage team, is ample support to those who deny the above expression.

Addison began his career as an athlete in the small community town of Lipan, Texas. Basketball being the major sport at Lipan High School, "Addie," as his friends call him, literally grew up in a gymnasium.

Most of the teams Addison and his teammates encountered in the small "B" class circuit likewise stuck strictly to basketball. Thus competition ran high. It was through this stiff competition that James acquired his ability as an outstanding player.

Those who have watched James perform on the hardwood have marveled at his unusual jumping ability. There is a reason for this excessive "spring" in his legs.

Everyday after the practice session was over, and the rest of the players had retired to the showers, James remained on the court to get in a little private practice of his own. He would make, not just shoot, but make one hundred jump shots before calling it a day.

As James puts it, "I could usually make about fifty percent of them, so I only had to shoot two hundred. Small wonder the boy possesses traits similar to those of a kangaroo."

During the four years Addison

lettered at Lipan he and his fellow round ballers captured the district and bi-district championship four years in a row. Serving as captain of the team his junior and senior years, he began developing rapidly into the type of material in which colleges are interested. Leading his team to 35 victories out of 42 contests his senior year, Addison rolled up an average of sixteen points per game, which is exceptionally good for a boy of high school caliber.

Apparently the good side of fate took a hand in the situation the night the A&M scouts came around, for that night James practically wore the net from the rim, scoring 32 points.

Addison, an agriculture major, is a hard worker at his books as well as at his chosen sport. His performance in fish games up to

this time has branded him as sure varsity material in his remaining years at A&M.

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