

# Spring Training Gets Underway As 70 Gridmen Report

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More than 70 lettermen, squadmen, and freshmen players reported for the opening day of spring training yesterday afternoon and went through light drills and limbering up exercises.

Head Grid Mentor Harry Stiteler led the 1951 Aggie football hopefuls through a workout that stressed form more than strength.

The roster of spring candidates is composed of some 25 men from the varsity lettermen group, nine squadmen, 20 from last season's B team and a like number from the ranks of the freshmen.

### Revised Coaching Staff

As the revised coaching staff of Stiteler, Gil Steinke, newly appointed backfield coach; Ray George, 260 pound line mentor from the University of Southern California; Bill "Doc" Dawson as end coach, Dalton Faircloth as B team coach and Bill "Doc" Dayton as trainer get started on the fundamentals and making acquaintances the Cadets appear in high spirits for the out of season head knocking exercises.

There is no word as yet on the appointment of a new freshman coach to replace Perron Shoemaker, who went to the University of Georgia.

### Smith Not Suited

Three stalwarts from the rank and file of gridsters who helped put Aggie athletics through their most successful year since 1943 were not suited up for the opening day and will not see service in the spring football program.

Bob Smith, A&M's All-American fullback who added the "away" to the art of breakaway running is on the roster of track candidates, as is sophomore quarterback - end Darrow Hooper.

Yale Lary, who played in every backfield spot but the man-under-post and experienced more playing time than any of the Kyle Field stars other than Carl Molberg, will be seeking his second letter in the Cadet baseball lineup.

Lary played both right field and the first sack and was regarded as one of the top hitters in last season's diamond play.

New Baseball Coach Beau Bell is counting heavily on the young Cowntowner to deliver the goods when the baseball campaign gets underway Mar. 2

### Dollar—New Star

At present all eyes around Kyle Field are pinned on the recent junior college acquisition, Roy Dollar. Standing 6' 2", the 192 pound Del Mar Junior College quarterback comes to Aggieland via the graduation route and will begin his two years of eligibility in the fall.

His record in JC competition shows 15 paydirt passes for a team that won 10 games while dropping but two. His quarterbacking experience dates back to his high school days when he played tailback for Mexia and in Dollar's most recent season with the Corpus Christi Junior College, he handled the punting shores with an average of 40 yards per boot.

A convert to the T formation style of play, Dollar joins Dick Gardemal, Ray Graves, and Delmar Sikes as top candidates for the man-under slot.

### Gardemal Shows Well

As the first day of practice opened, Gardemal fell right in line with the adept ball handling duties, while Graves and Sikes exhibited little need for polish in the passing game.

Stiteler plans plenty of scrimmage in the two hour per day, six day week training period. His desire is for every player to get a chance to find the position best suited for his abilities.

The training schedule calls for three intra-squad games on the last three Saturdays of practice, and possibly one next Saturday, provided the squad progresses rapidly enough.

## That Man Again



Although most of his shots come from the outside, All-conference guard Jewel McDowell is a capable cager under the basket as well, as is shown here against Baylor. Against Arkansas last night McDowell hit five times from beyond the 25 foot mark and was high point man for the Cadets with 12 counters.

# Ags Bow To Hogs In Overtime Bout; Frogs, Bears Score Wins

The Southwest Conference basketball campaign took a turn last night in three conference camps that threw the race into a melee of chaos and confusion.

Buster Brannon's Horned Frogs up at TCU jumped from third to a first place tie with the Texas Longhorns, when they down Jack Gray's Orange and White quintet 49 to 34. The Christians and the Steers show six wins and two losses apiece in conference play to lead the league.

Up in Fayetteville, Coach Presley Askew's Hogs unleashed lethal fury in the closing minutes last night, as Coach John Floyd's Cadet cagers fell apart at the seams in an overtime period to bow to the Razorbacks, 45 to 38.

A&M's cage quintet fought their hardest game of the season and came from behind twice to find the score deadlocked 36 all at the end of two regular periods.

Then in that fatal extra session, the Cadet attack began to wither and innumerable fouls were called at the expense of the visitors.

Bob Williams scored on a hook shot that sent the Hogs ahead and big Bob Ambler followed through

with a tip-in, as D. L. Miller counted on a charity toss. The Aggies were trailing 36-41 with less than two minutes remaining.

Cadet Marvin Martin narrowed the Razorback lead with a one hander for the final Aggie tally, as Norman Prince and Williams bucketed field goals on lay ups and the final score read: Arkansas 45, A&M 38.

Buddy Davis led the Floyd charges as he scored 11 points for the Aggies and cleaned the backboard time and again during regular play to keep the Cadets in the game.

McDowell Hits Five

All-conference guard Jewell McDowell found the range five times from outside the 25 foot mark and cut the cords for 10 points and runnerup honors for the visitors.

Ambler led the Arkansas team in scoring with 15 points. His sterling play kept seven-foot Billy Hester on the bench throughout the game.

TCU 49, Texas 34

Six-foot, seven-inch George McLeod scored 19 points last night as he led Texas Christian to a 49-34 triumph over Texas in Will Rogers Coliseum.

Some 5,100 fans witnessed the game.

The victory pulled the Frogs into

a tie with the Longhorns for first place in the conference. Both have six triumphs and two defeats.

TCU flattened Texas in the opening minutes and applied the pressure most of the way, although in the last stages the victors were content to protect their lead.

### Frog Didn't Score

TCU didn't score a field goal the final 11 minutes.

The Longhorns hit only three field goals the first half, the result of a combination of a tight TCU defense and cold shooting.

TCU led at the half, 28-14, and at 10:05 minutes of the second half by 46-24, the largest margin enjoyed by the Frogs.

### Bears 61, Owls 58

Baylor roared from behind in the last five minutes, then put the

ball in deep freeze the last 93 seconds to trim Rice, 61-58, in a Southwest Conference basketball game in Waco last night.

Little Howie Howde made the clincher for the Bruins, dribbling past his guard for a lay up shot to give the Bears a 61-57 lead with three minutes to play. Seconds before he had broken a 57-57 tie on another drive-in shot.

Johnson Again

Big Joe McDermott of the Owls popped in 18 points in the first half, then went scoreless the last half. Ralph Johnson of Baylor tabbed 20 to increase his scoring lead.

The score was tied 17 times with Rice holding a 37-33 lead at half time. The victory enabled Baylor to snup a 6-game losing streak and climb out of the SWC cellar.

Based on AP reports.

## Lathem Takes MSC Bowling Title With 224

Tom Lathem, junior business student from Abilene, bowled a high game of 224 to cop the MSC weekly Saturday bowling prize, awarded to the high singles bowler of the day.

Second place went to Warren McReynolds, sophomore business student from Houston, who topped the pins for a 219.

MSC personnel presented the prize-winners with unusual gifts—edible ones. Lathem won a cake with a chocolate "bowling ball" atop it, while McReynolds' award was a free stack of the MSC pan-rakes, complete with butter, syrup, and bib.

The idea of an all-day bowling match was originated by Chris Gent, assistant director of the MSC, and Jimmy Rose, bowling alley manager.

Beginning each Saturday when the lanes open at 9 a. m., the contest continues during the day and until 10 p. m. The alley, however, remains open until 11.

Each week prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners. If a student has won a first prize previously, he is not eligible to win any award for another 30 days.

Any A&M student is eligible for the kegler competition. According to the alley manager, a student is "anyone enrolled for one hour's credit or more." This, he said, includes corps, civilian, and graduate students.

### Management Meet Set For March 1-2

The fourth annual Management Engineering Conference will be held at A&M March 1 and 2.

Industrial executives will take part in the conference which will stress management problems in industry.

J. L. McCaffrey, president of International Harvester Company, Chicago, will speak at a banquet session the evening of March 2 on the Role of Executive in a Free Enterprise System.

### Darnell Official Judge For Judging Contest

A. L. Darnell of the Dairy Husbandry Department was the official judge at the FFA and 4-H Dairy Judging Contest sponsored by the Houston Pat Stock Show Saturday Feb. 10.

Two classes of dairy cows from each of the four major dairy breeds were judged.

### Hogwaller

ARKANSAS	g	f	pf	tp
Smith, f	1	0	1	2
Lambert, f	1	1	1	3
Price, f	1	0	1	2
Ambler, c	6	3	3	15
Hess, g	1	3	3	5
Miller, g	5	2	3	12
Williams, g	3	0	0	6
Totals	18	9	12	45

A&M	g	f	pf	tp
DeWitt, f	0	0	3	0
Martin, f	4	0	4	8
Miksch, f	1	1	4	3
Davis, c	3	5	4	11
McDowell, g	5	0	3	10
Walker, g	2	2	4	6
Heft, g	0	0	1	0
Totals	15	8	23	38

Free throws—Arkansas: Smith 1, Lambert 3, Ambler 4, Miller 1. Texas A&M—Martin 1, Davis 1, McDowell 3, Miksch 1. Halftime score — Arkansas 15, Texas A&M 13.

## SWC Vetoes Rule Change, Others OK

Lubbock, Tex., Feb. 13—(AP)—The Border Conference yesterday voted to allow freshmen to play alongside varsity squadmen in spring sports, but possibly not on football.

Earlier yesterday in Dallas, officials of the Southwest Conference announced that a similar proposal was defeated by a narrow margin.

### Southern Conference O. K.

Last week the Southern Conference voted to allow freshmen to take part in varsity sports.

Dr. J. William Davis of Texas Tech, president of the Border Conference, said the needed majority of six votes was reached today. There are nine schools in the conference—from Texas, Arizona and New Mexico.

Border Conference freshmen will not be eligible for the rest of the 1950-51 basketball season.

The freshman eligibility proposal was defeated in the Southwest Conference when three schools voted for the measure and four against. A majority of five votes was needed for approval.

However, Howard Grubs, execu-

### Bonus Baby Ben Gets Draft Call

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 13—(AP)—Ben Tompkins, the latest bonus baby of the Philadelphia Phillies of the National League, has received orders to report for induction into the army next Monday.

Tompkins signed a contract with the Phillies less than two weeks ago reportedly calling for a bonus estimated between \$25,000 and \$50,000. He was due to report at the Phillies' Clearwater, Fla., spring training headquarters Thursday.

He was signed off the University of Texas campus where he had another year of eligibility after starring in both football and baseball.



Chris Gent

Tom Lathem

Gent, assistant director of the MSC, is shown presenting Lathem with a white cake and chocolate bowling ball Saturday night for his high game of 224 in that day's bowling.



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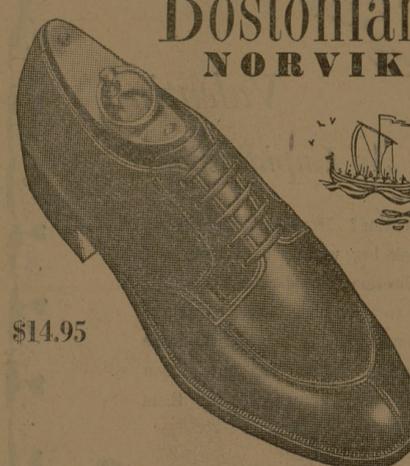
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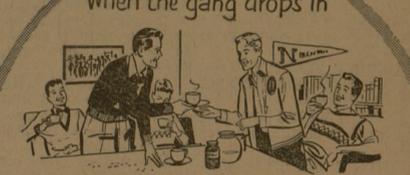
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And soon it will be birds-and-bees time again. Rushing the season? Well, maybe just a little, but we want you to be prepared for the social events and the current happenings at A&M and at College Station this Spring.

So we urge you to follow the Batt for up-to-date news on what's going on. Read the Batt and keep abreast of the latest poop on all the dances, proms, meetings and other events that will be held. They'll be covered thoroughly in the columns of...

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