

Ag Cagers Enjoy Good Season With Floyd at the Helm

By FRED WALKER
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The Aggies have only four basketball games left in their 1950-51 season, and even if they should lose all four, Coach John Floyd can still say that he had a good year at A&M.



Eleven of the 19 games played by the Aggies have been victories. Last year they won only ten.

It is highly improbable that the Maroon and White quintet will drop all of these games, but then fate plays strange tricks at times. A&M has not been defeated in DeWare Field House by a conference team this year and the odds say that SMU and the University of Houston will not break the record. And, again, on paper, Rice should be an Aggie victim, even though the game will be played in Houston.

And then comes the big test—Texas. TCU practically stole the Longhorn's garters Monday night, but that wasn't the story. It doesn't make a bit of difference how good a team is, sometime they are going to cool off. The Steers couldn't hit the side of a barn in Fort Worth while the Frogs were hotter than the Copa's chorus line.

Here's the point. It is going to take more than ordinary basketball to beat the Steers in Austin. Floyd beat them here in a beauty last month and was immediately nominated for President of the United States by overjoyed Aggies. If he beats them in Austin, the Administration here better look to their jobs.

New Look in Bee-Bop

Here's a pretty good story concerning two of the foremost basketball coaches in the country—Clair Bee of Long Island University and Oklahoma A&M's great "ball control" master, Henry (Hank) P. Iba.

As a college coach, Bee took highest satisfaction from the Blackbird win over Iba's Aggies in the Garden in December, 1949. Iba had driven Bee nuts, as he had many another, with his holding, defensive game. Iba seemed to have his number until the LIU coach got the brain cells working.

The result was a Bee masterpiece on Iba lines, a 38 to 31 win in which the Blackbirds took only 28 shots, and used only seven men.

"What pointed up that game for me," recalled Bee, "was Iba's remark after he lost. Hank said: 'That little so-and-so held the ball on me!' That was my laugh of a lifetime. Imagine Hank complaining about anyone holding the ball on him!"

'Mural Wrestling Off to Good Start

By PAT LeBLANC

A howling partisan crowd of about 200, densified the area of the little gym as they watched thirty wrestlers perform on the initial day of the Intramural Wrestling Tourney.

Some spectators were seated or perched on parallel bars, wall-attached judge's boxes and anything that would elevate them in order

that they might watch the thirty warriors.

The top bout of the day was the finale, which matched Ralph Shanahan, B TC, and Atchinson, D Inf, of the 117 lb. division. Atchinson won the bout, but Shanahan made it rough on the winner who had no easy task of pinning the slippery Shanahan.

Ledlow Downs Corbett

In the 157 lb. class, Jimmy Ledlow pinned Corbett's shoulders in a mat bout that was evenly matched. Ledlow's victory came about as the results of Ledlow's reversal of a loosely applied hold by Corbett, who had Ledlow momentarily pinned to the canvas.

Brown, E FA, outscored Guthrie, White Band, 6-5, while Burns of F AF, did the same against Clark of C Cav. in the 157 lb. class.

White Band's Chapman and Cogburn, K AF, won over IAF Beagle and A Cav James McGee respectively, in the 147 lb. division.

Roberts of A Eng, garnered the largest number of points on the opening day as he quelled "Jug" Felton, 14-5. Tabb won a close scrap over the band's Eller, 4-1. Heavyweight Bill Scudder of ASA, threw his weight around to a good advantage, as he beat opponent Martin of K AF.

Luckman's Ball Days Over; Has Office Job Now

Sid Luckman—eulogized as the greatest T formation football quarterback by such greats as George Halas, Frank Leahy, Johnny Lujack and Bob Williams—ended his 12-year playing career with the Chicago Bears today and became a vice president of the club.

The Bears thus became runner-up to the First National Bank of Chicago in the number of vice presidents on hand. The bank has nearly 50.

The Bears have at least four officials—Luckman, technical advisor Clark Shaughnessy, the grid-iron nomad appointed last week; assistant Bear coach Luke Johnson and old-timer Jim McMillen, former Bear guard and now mayor of suburban Antioch, and pro wrestler—Based on AP Report.

—Beat SMU—

Varsity Baseball Starts Tomorrow

Varsity baseball practice will begin tomorrow afternoon at 3 p. m.

Coach "Beau" Bell has asked that those candidates other than varsity holdovers and freshmen numeral winners furnish their own shoes and a suitable uniform.

Top Aggie Gridders Not In Spring Gear

"Bruisin' Bob" Smith, Darrow Hooper and Yale Lary, three mighty big names in Aggie football, will not participate in Spring training this year. Believe it or not, their services are more valuable elsewhere.

Lary, who was invaluable as the Aggie punter last year, as well as doing plow-horse chores on defense and offense, will begin working out with the baseball team tomorrow. He claims baseball as his major sport.

The track team is beckoning Smith and Hooper into action. Smith, the nation's third leading rusher last year, will go into the field events as well. Hooper, a good quarterback with Head Football Coach Harry Stiteler hopes to make into an even better one.

Great Hitter

As a freshman at A&M, Lary played center field and batted .366. As a sophomore he was switched to first base and had a seasonal batting average of .294, with four home runs to his credit.

Playing ball this past summer for the Columbus (Tex.) Redbirds, Lary batted .346 and cracked eight home runs. He made all-tournament in post season play with a .375 average while batting .500 at Brenham to make all-tournament there, too.

Hooper, a 6-5 athlete from North Side High School, Fort Worth, holds the national high school shot put record of 59 feet, 10 1/8 inches. In his freshman college year he bettered the SWC shot put record of 50 feet, 2 1/4 inches. No varsity weight man in the conference was able to touch 50 feet last spring.

167 Pounders

Bohmler's pinning of McDowell was the feature of the 167 lb. division. Harper, B Cav had a rough task in downing Shivers of A QMC, as did Lovingsloss, F AF, in his win over A Sig Sanders. Eubanks of Puryear displayed fine wrestling tactics in disposing of Davis of B Cav.

Only two bouts took place in the 177 lb. division. Hulan has to call upon his reserve strength to eliminate his fighting adversary by the name of Richerson. Hulan pinned Richerson in a long four minute struggle.

Pierce held Cobble's shoulders to the mat for the count in the other bout between the 177 pounders. —Beat SMU—

Pro Basketball Beauties



These are the Arkansas Travelers, a sextet of lovely young women who play basketball better than most men. Their coach, captain and star, Hazel Walker, organized the team in 1946 when she realized what kind of entertainment the public was hungry for.

Ag Stars To Vie With Fem Pros

From out of the North come, not the hordes of Genghis Kahn or Attila the Terrible, but Hazel Walker's Arkansas Travelers, the shootin'est, roottiest, ballhanding set of women that ever set foot on a basketball court.

That's only half of it. Who are they going to play? Why, who else but Peck Vass and his Ex-Aggie All Stars.

Yessir, tonight at 7:30 in the Lamar Junior High School Gym, John Floyd and such Aggie greats Wally Moon, Taylor Wilkins, Brazy Breazeale, Jamie Dawson, Charlie Beard and Homer Adams will take the floor against Hazel Walker and her famous troupe.

Massacre time has been posted as 7:30 p. m. to keep the odds, mounting in favor of the women, from getting out of hand. What? Women beat basketball team composed of men like this? And playing with men's rules? Never!

Look Out Men!

Don't be too sure. This isn't just any six girls who play the game for lack of something better to do. These women are professionals who have made a hobby out of eating all-star teams for breakfast.

Hazel Walker's name and fame is known throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico for her phenomenal records in basketball. She is better known to the sports world as Miss Basketball for she

was selected on the All-American teams ten times, a record which stands during her 14 years in amateur basketball.

Records, Records

She has won the national free throw championship six times and has held the international championship for two years. Her record—in the latter competition—of 49 out of 50 tries has never been beaten in national tournament history.

During the past season, Miss Walker and her "Travelers" played more than 200 games throughout 42 states and Mexico. In contests against men—always playing with men's rules—the women emerged victorious 75% of the time.

Man vs Woman

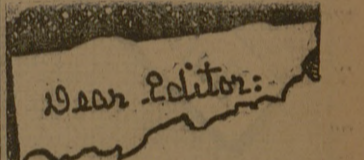
At half-time tonight, Miss Walker will challenge any one in the Gym to a fast game of foul-tossing. Not many takers are expected.

Introducing the rest of The Arkansas Travelers: Pat Johnson, 5' 11", Edgerton, Ohio; Phyllis White, 5' 11", Enid, Oklahoma, All-American six years; Flo Reed, 5' 3", Yantis, Texas; Georgia Mullins, 6', Olive Hill, Kentucky; Margie Arends, 5' 11", Kramer, Iowa, professional model; and Dorothy Jones, 5' 11", Mount Vernon, Arkansas.

With the exception of Cecil Neighbors, principal of Crockett Elementary School, all the "poor males" playing for the All-Stars will be Ex-Aggies or students now in school.

Preston "Pee Wee" Smith, Carleton Batten, Frank Tucker, Norman Francis, James Conrad, Ridley Briggs and James Linack will complete the Aggies line-up.

All-Star mentor Peck Vass has promised a good game to the public. He further stated that when the "old-timers"—such as Neighbors and Wilkins—wear out, the youngsters will come through with a good speedy style.



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Bell Led Baseballers Open Practice Feb. 15

A&M's 1951 baseball team will begin training Thursday afternoon, with but 15 days remaining before their diamond prowess is put to the test against the Brooke Field Medics of San Antonio on Mar. 2 and 3.

As in spring grid training, more than 70 candidates are to report for the first day of practice and Coach Bell hopes to have the roster cutdown to playing and traveling size by Feb. 25.

In addition to the regular conference games, A&M has scheduled 10 "warm up" contests which will include an invading nine from the Big Ten.

All-American Cage Candidate Fans Rate McDowell Highly

By JOHN DEWITT

When the subject of basketball comes up in the Southwest Conference, there can't have been too much said without mention and

praise for A&M's All-conference guard, Jewell McDowell.

The regular season is only a little more than half gone, and already McDowell has been chosen by Collier's Magazine as one of the nation's 30 cage stars to receive All-American consideration. So SWC fans can see that this lad is as important to the Aggies' cage hopes, as the wheels are to an automobile.

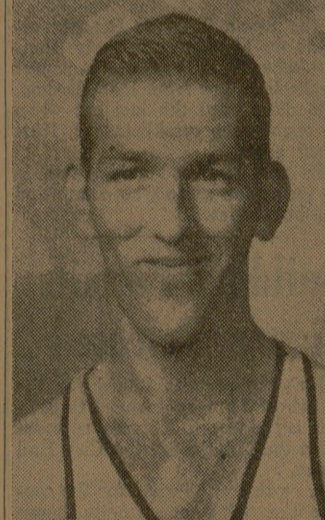
Twenty-one year old Jewell hails from Amarillo, Texas, where he gained a reputation with the Amarillo High Sandies. At the 1947 High School State Tournament in Austin he was just about the nearest thing to a one man show the State Tournament had ever seen and fellow Amarillians will tell you that McDowell is the best basketball player the Sandies ever turned out.

Family Man
Mac is married and has a three year old daughter, Julie, who is his pet subject for conversation. His wife, Patsy, is an attractive young lady you'll see if you happen to visit the Campus Cleaners.

Minnesota Big Boy
The University of Minnesota is scheduled to play two games here this year. State inter-sectional foes include Brooke Field Medics, University of Houston, and Sam Houston State.

Here's the schedule:

Mar. 2	Brooke Field Medics	College Station
Mar. 3	Brooke Field Medics	College Station
Mar. 14	University of Houston	College Station
Mar. 17	University of Houston	Houston
Mar. 20	Sam Houston State	College Station
Mar. 22	Brooke Field Medics	San Antonio
Mar. 23	Brooke Field Medics	San Antonio
Mar. 28	University of Minnesota	College Station
Mar. 29	University of Minnesota	College Station
Apr. 3	Baylor University	College Station
Apr. 6	S M U	College Station
Apr. 7	S M U	College Station
Apr. 9	T C U	College Station
Apr. 14	Rice	College Station
Apr. 17	Sam Houston State	Huntsville
Apr. 21	Texas University	Austin
Apr. 27	T C U	Fort Worth
Apr. 28	T C U	Fort Worth
Apr. 30	S M U	Dallas
May 4	Baylor	Waco
May 5	Baylor	Waco
May 11	Rice	Houston
May 12	Rice	Houston
May 17	Texas University	College Station
May 18	Texas University	College Station



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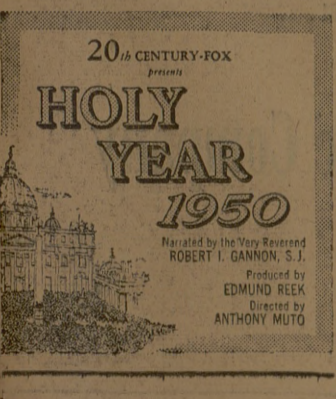
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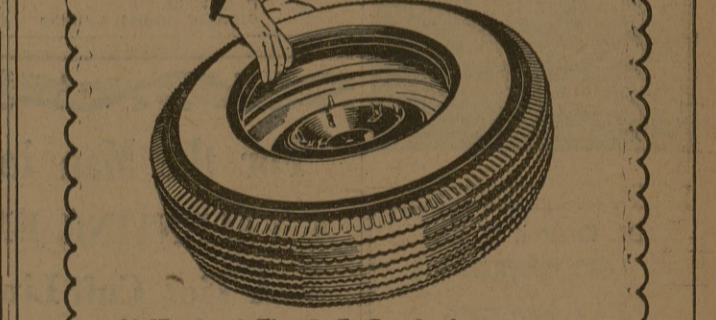


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