

Main Team Strength May Leave

Nineteen Aggie Seniors Play Last Game Before Record Crowd Today

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Nineteen Aggie football players will be playing their last game of their college career this afternoon on Kyle Field.

They represent the main strength of the '51 edition of the A&M football squad which will be trying to save the season from being a complete disaster.

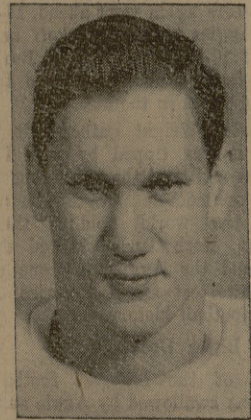
It would be a great climax for these men who created a great deal of optimism for the Maroon and White followers when they were freshmen in 1948 to send the Longhorns down to their first defeat in 12 years by an Aggie eleven.

Bob Smith

The "Masked Marvel" of the Southwest Conference, Bob Smith, who has been All-American for three years as far as the Aggies are concerned is co-captain of the team.

Voted "Sophomore of the Year" by the Associated Press his first season on the Aggie team, the powerful 190-pound fullback was picked for "Athlete of the Year" by the Texas Sports Writers Association last winter. The Houston lad was picked as an All-

American fullback on the Chicago Tribune, NEA and Gridiron Record, last winter.



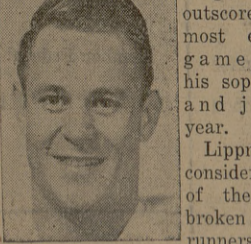
Last year the A&M team made 2,682 yards rushing and almost half of this was made by Smith who racked up a total of 1,302 yards.

Smith's brilliant downfield blocking has made the other backs more of a threat to go all the way than last year, which has kept A&M at the top in the rushing department in the SWC.

Last year all the Longhorns had to do was to stop Smith, but it will be a different story this year. Besides watching Smith the Steers will have to look out for the other two aces in the hole and a good aerial offense.

Glenn Lippman

The leading SWC ground gainer this year, Glenn Lippman played on Aggie teams that were out-manned, out-weighted, and out-scored almost every game during his sophomore and junior year.



Lippman is considered one of the best broken field runners in the conference and has been able to prove himself as the Maroon and White line has opened big holes in opponent's lines.

In high school, Lippman was All-American and All-State and led the freshman '48 squad that defeated the Shortorns.

One of the smallest men on the squad, weighing 168 pounds, Lippman is a conscientious player, an excellent blocker and the best quick kicker on the squad.

The halfback has carried the ball 99 times for a net gain of 628 yards for an average of 6.3 yards per carry.

Lippman is also the leading scorer for the Aggie eleven, scoring five touchdowns this season.

Billy Tidwell

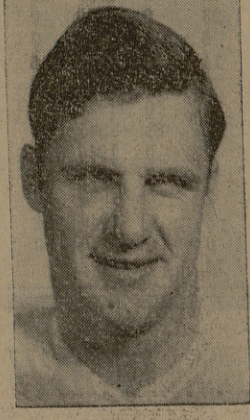
The third ace in the hole for the Aggie backfield is Billy Tidwell, who is one of the fastest men on the squad.

Tidwell was one of the outstanding backs on the A&M Freshman team of '48 and an all-around athlete at Hearne High School where he played before coming to Aggie-land.

Against SMU in his sophomore year, Tidwell scored and almost broke away on a kickoff return against the same team.

Since that Mustang game, Tidwell has been a regular starter at right half and has come into his own as an outside runner.

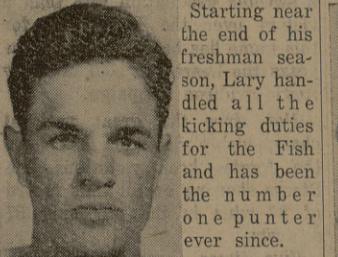
In last season's Presidential cup



ment, Gardemal has thrown 49, and completed 22 for 395 yards.

Yale Lary

A six-foot, 180-pound "utility back," Yale Lary handles all the punting chores for the Aggie squad.



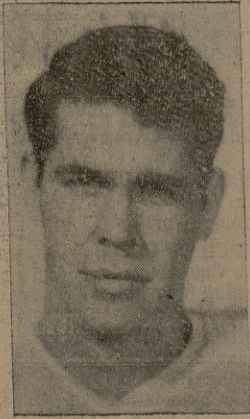
Starting near the end of his freshman season, Lary handled all the kicking duties for the Fish and has been the number one punter ever since.

Outstanding on pass defense, Lary has been safety for the Cadets this year and is second in punt returns in the SWC, with 20 for 356 yards and an average of 17.8 yards per return.

So far this season, Lary has booted the ball 45 times 1696 yards and a 37.7 average.

Hugh Meyer

One of the Co-Captains of this year's team, Hugh Meyer held down the center position most of the '49 season and all of last season on offense.



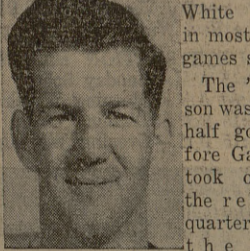
tilt, Tidwell accounted for three touchdowns as the Aggies rolled over Georgia 40-20.

This season, Tidwell has carried the pigskin 80 times for 322 yards and three touchdowns, for an average per carry of four yards.

The leading pass receiver on this year's team, Tidwell has snared 13 passes for 256 yards and two TD's.

Dick Gardemal

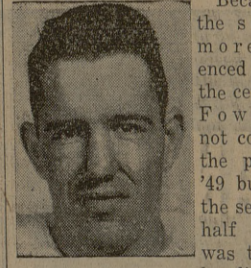
Dick Gardemal became a regular starter midway through the '49 season and has called the plays for the Maroon and White eleven in most of the games since.



Although he only weighed 165 pounds, Jim Fowler was an outstanding player on the '48 freshman team.

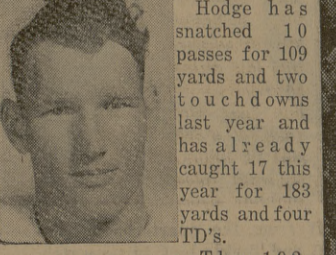
Because of the several more experienced boys at the center slot, Fowler was not counted in the plans for '49 but before the season was half over he was the regular linebacker.

This season Fowler has been the regular linebacker except for a



Charley Hodge

An offensive starter all last season, Charley Hodge is one of the reasons why the Aggie aerial game has improved this year.

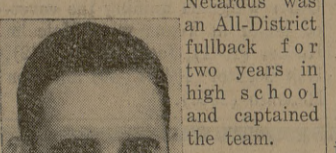


Hodge has snatched 10 passes for 109 yards and two touchdowns last year and has already caught 17 this year for 183 yards and four TD's.

The 192-pound, six-foot-one-inch end is the best blocking wingman on the team besides being an excellent receiver.

Jaro Netardus

One of the three seniors from El Campo, the other two being Lippman and Elo Nohavitz, Jaro Netardus was an All-District fullback for two years in high school and captained the team.

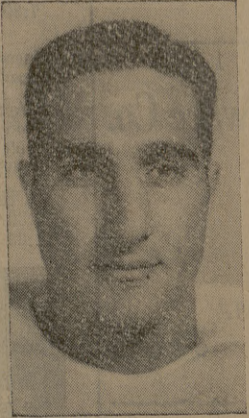


Netardus was a regular starter in '49 until a seige of injuries kept him on the bench.

A regular defensive end, Netardus has played well at this position, keeping opposing ball carriers from making wide sweeps.

Sam Moses

One of the Cadets' "60-minute men," Sam Moses started playing regularly as a sophomore in '49 and has held that post ever since.



A hard worker, Moses is rated a top offensive player and is a good offensive line signal caller.

This 220-pound, six-foot-three-inch tackle has not had the recognition he deserves, but should receive All-SWC honors this season.

Elo Nohavitz

In spite of his stature, five-foot-ten-inches, 183 pounds, Elo Nohavitz is one of the most aggressive linemen on the team.



Nohavitz is the number one offensive guard and is able to move out quickly for downfield blocking.

Built like a small but fast tank, Nohavitz received honorable mention from the United Press for All-American.

Robert Shaeffer

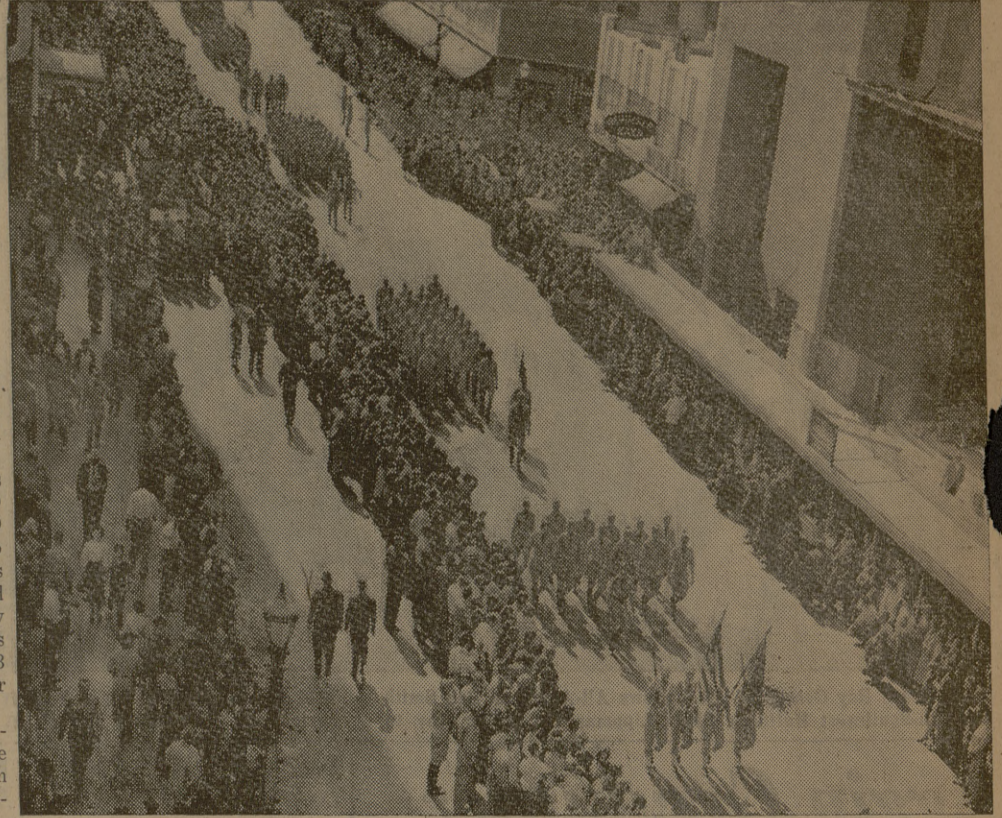
Starting in the TCU game Robert Shaeffer became a standout defensive linebacker and end. Shaeffer was an All-District end in high school, but was shifted to the halfback position after his freshman year.



A regular defensive halfback in '49, Shaeffer played mostly on defense last year also.

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Cadet Corps On Parade



Members of the A&M Cadet Corps, some 4,600 strong, as they looked while marching down the streets of Fort Worth recently in their first Corps Trip parade. Commanded by Cadet Col.

of the Corps Eric Carlson, the corps has eight regiments commanded by eight full colonels. The eighth regiment contains the 1800 man freshman class.

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in 260 minutes of playing time, er, one of the best in the conference. He intercepted passes that set up touchdowns in games with Rice and A&M last fall and turned more than any other player on the

team.

Cunningham—Fleming
The other right senior guard, Bill Milburn developed into a first rate tackle as a junior after a mediocre sophomore season. Especially is adapted for putting

pressure on passers.

Two more senior guards include Don Cunningham and Gene Fleming. Cunningham is another converted backfielder, who excelled as an linebacker last year and has earned two varsity letters.

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