

# Troup Slips By Burnet, 50-49 In Opening Round of Play

The Troup Tigers paced by their junior forward Dean Ray Evans slipped by Burnet in the opening round of the Class A and AA Regional Tourney 50-49 this morning in DeWare Field House. Evans scored 23 points to lead the Tigers offensive attack. Tiger guard, Toole also scored nine points. Burnet's Brink topped the losers' efforts with 12 points followed closely by Woods and Albritton, who each tallied 10. Troup jumped to an early 17-7 first quarter lead on the strength of Evans' shooting eye. Troup will probably face the win-

ner of the Luling-Buna clash in the second round on Saturday. Luling, 24-A played Buna at 10 a. m. The Luling Eagles coached by D. K. McGee boast a ten-man squad of nine seniors and one sophomore. They have 23 wins, 6 losses record. His two tallest boys are sophomore Gary Meyer, 6 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and senior Lee Kimball, 6 ft. 2 in. At 11:30 Heame, 22-A, will tangle with Lovelady, 19-A. Heame has nine juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman, tallest man on the squad is junior Leroy Broadus, 6 ft. 2 in.

AA. Game time is set for 2:45 p. m. After the Madisonville-Cameron clash, Kirbyville, 18-AA champs will battle the 22-A titlists, Hamilton. The Kirbyville Wildcats, under the direction of coaches Hal Curry, J. W. Williams and Jack Griffith, will field a 14 man squad. There are two seniors, five juniors, five sophomores and two freshmen. The tallest members include sophomore Bobby Simmons, 6 ft. 5 in.; junior center Buddy Wallace, 6 ft. 3 in.; and junior forward Sam Allen, 6 ft. 3 in. They have 18-9 season record and a perfect 8-0 conference score.



"Klepto" Holmes

Funeral service at College Station will be held for J. C. Holmes at 10 a. m. Saturday, March 1, at the A&M Methodist Church with the Rev. James Jackson officiating.

An interment will be at the White Chapel Memorial in the Garden of Memories at Arlington, Texas, with the Rev. John Wesley Ford officiating, at 5 p. m. Saturday, March 1.

Honorary pallbearers will be members of the freshman football squad and all members of the football coaches staff. Pallbearers will be Herschel Burgess, Barlow Irvin, Burleigh Bearden, Tom Tinker, Bob Benny, and Frank Anderson.

## Tickets On Sale

Prices of tickets for the Region basketball tournament at DeWare Field House, today and Saturday, are 25 cents for students and 60 cents for adults. "Coupon books will not be accepted for admission to the tournament," said Howard Nelson, A&M ticket manager. Programs for the entire tournament will be sold at the gate.

# Ags Meet Rice Cagers In Final Game of Season

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A&M cagers ring down the curtain on another season of basketball tomorrow night when they meet Rice's Owls at 8 p. m. in Houston. The Farmers will be out to add the Owls to their conference win-loss record of 4-7 and lopsided seasonal chalk-up of 8-15. Rice has already fallen before the Aggies once this season, dropping a one-sided 55-44 tilt at College Station on Jan. 11.

Inspired after their 46-42 victory over a highly rated Oklahoma City University five in DeWare Field House Tuesday night, the Aggie basketballers enjoyed a recess from workout Wednesday, but went through a rapid one and a half hour drill Thursday afternoon.

Rice, always a dangerous threat on their home court, will be putting everything they have into this final game in an effort to quell their growing hunger for a win.

Aggie cage coach John Floyd will leave with his eleven man squad from DeWare at 1 p. m. Saturday for the trip to Houston.

Receiving Floyd's nod to take to the floor for the opening tip off will be Walter Davis at center, Don Binford and Raymond Walker at guards, and forwards Leroy Milksch and Bob Farmer.

When asked for a comment on the present attitude and condition of the team, Floyd said:

"We should do pretty good. The boys are rested and appear to be in good spirit since our game with OCU Tuesday night. That game was the best we have played all season. Everyone was working hard on both defense and offense and playing like they really wanted to win the game. I was pleased

with the way Farmer played and plan to start him against Rice." The quintet taking to the floor for Rice will probably consist of center Gene Schwinger, guards Maurice Teague and Leonard Childs, and forwards Ralph Grawunder and Don Lance.

Another outstanding sophomore is Don Lance. Lance was a stand-out on last year's frosh squad, and edged into a starting forward position ahead of junior Bert Dickens, 6 ft. 4 in. forward who held this position for many early season games.

Holding down the other forward position is Ralph Grawunder, the only two-year letterman on the squad. Maurice Teague looked extremely well in early season battles, but his inability to drive in any direction except to his left has resulted in his gradual depreciation of

his effectiveness as a scoring threat. Rounding out the team at the other guard slot is Leonard Childs, 5-1 senior from Houston. Accompanying the varsity to Houston will be A&M's freshman roundball squad. Their tangle with the Rice Frosh is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p. m.

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## "13"-Man Squad

Coach Ted L. Jones is in charge of the Hamilton Bulldogs and their "unlucky" 13-man squad. It hasn't bothered them too much as indicates their 16-1, won-loss record.

The Bulldogs have three seniors, three juniors, six sophomores, and one freshman. Tallest on the squad are sophomore guard Ike Tomison, 6 ft. 2 in.; and junior center George Stinson, 6 ft. 3 in.

The first game Friday night is scheduled for 7 p. m. It will throw onto the court the champions of Districts 21 and 25 AA respectively.

Brenham, tutored by Lief Erekson and Jack Haack, has two seniors, two juniors, seven sophomores and one freshman. The Cubs have four men over the six foot mark, Teddy Gindorf, Eugene Bredthauer, John Barnhill, Charles Thielemann.

The second round for class A will begin at 8:30 p. m. Saturday morning with Class AA semi-finals beginning at 11:30.

Championship games will be played beginning at 7 p. m. Saturday.

## Riflemen Enter El Paso Meet

Riflemen from A&M will attend the Southwestern Invitational Small Bore Rifle Meet in El Paso. The Aggies will leave by bus, March 2 and will stay in El Paso for the six days. This will give the Aggies a chance to avenge their Fourth Army defeat when they fire against Allen Academy. Seventeen schools will be represented at the meet by 22 teams. A&M is sending two teams with two alternates.

In the Fourth Army rifle competition the Allen Academy men took first place and the Aggies took third.

# A&M Trackmen Open Season Against U of H on Kyle Field

A&M's track squad headed by 16 lettermen from its 1951 conference championship team, clashed with the University of Houston for their first cinder meet of the year Saturday afternoon.

Kyle Field will be the scene of event that is giving the Cadets a one-week jump on the other conference schools in the track competition.

The Aggies' greatest strength lies in the field events, but they are still above average in the distances and sprints.

### Field Event Strength

All-American track star Darrow Hooper is the reason why A&M is the pre-season favorite to take the

shot put and discus events. Hooper was undefeated in conference competition last year and won the shot event in the NCAA meet.

### High Jumpers

Another All-American who bolsters Farmer hopes is high jumper Walter Davis.

Davis, also a SWC basketball star, earned his track honors with a leap of 6 ft. 6 in. in the NCAA meet last year. His best jump of the season was at the Texas Relays when he cleared the bar at 6 ft. 9 in.

Other events in which the Aggies are expected to claim first place are the pole vault, broad jump, 440-yard dash, and two mile run.

Don Graves and Glenn Spradling, both of whom tied for second place in the event last season, have been steadily improving on the pole vault.

Another returning performer, Malcolm Marks, has bettered 13 feet in practice this year.

### Distance Runners

Strong Aggie distance runners are James Blaine, SWC first place winner, Dale DeRouen, Charles Gariel, Verlon Westmoreland and Charles Hudgins. The Aggies have only one other

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