

State Swallows A&M In Last Quarter, 48-6

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EAST LANSING, Mich.—Saturday was the day for Michigan State and their mighty Spartans as they proved to 49,000 jubilant fans the green and white coated lads still have the punch to maintain number one spot in the nation. And Coach Biggie Munn's boys were very thorough in proving it by pouncing the Aggies 48-6 here at Macklin Field on the Michigan State campus.

Sparked by a converted half-back named Ellis Duckett who could always be in the right place at the right time when passes were thrown his way, the Spartans just couldn't make a mistake in their offensive and defensive play. The Aggies, however, played a much better game than the score indicates. The thundering power of Michigan State's running game and the passes of Tom Yewcic and Willie Thrower were too much for the one-deep Aggie team.

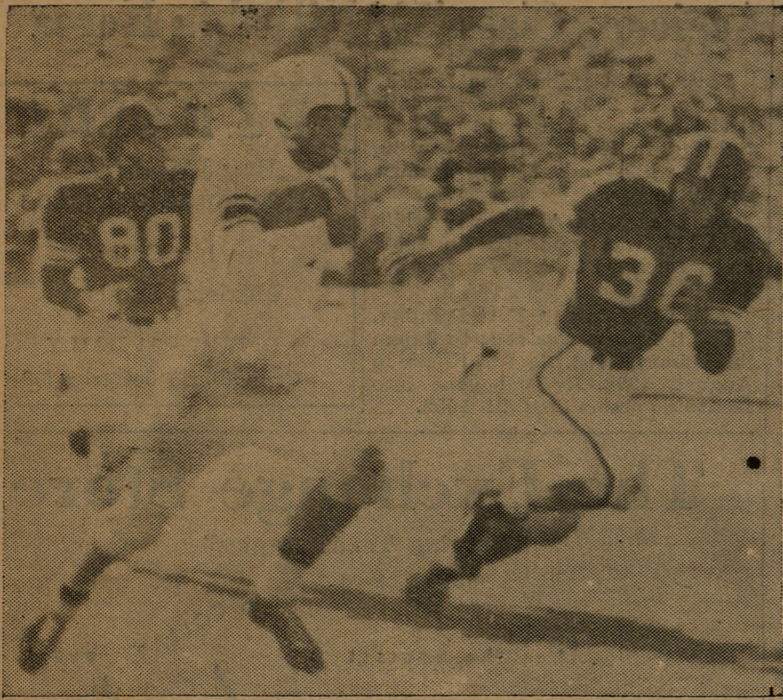
Equal Ability

The Spartans bench teams seemed to have an equal amount of ability as the first squad when they continued to lash out a ground-eating offensive in the closing minutes of the game. The game was record breaking in itself. Michigan State rolled up

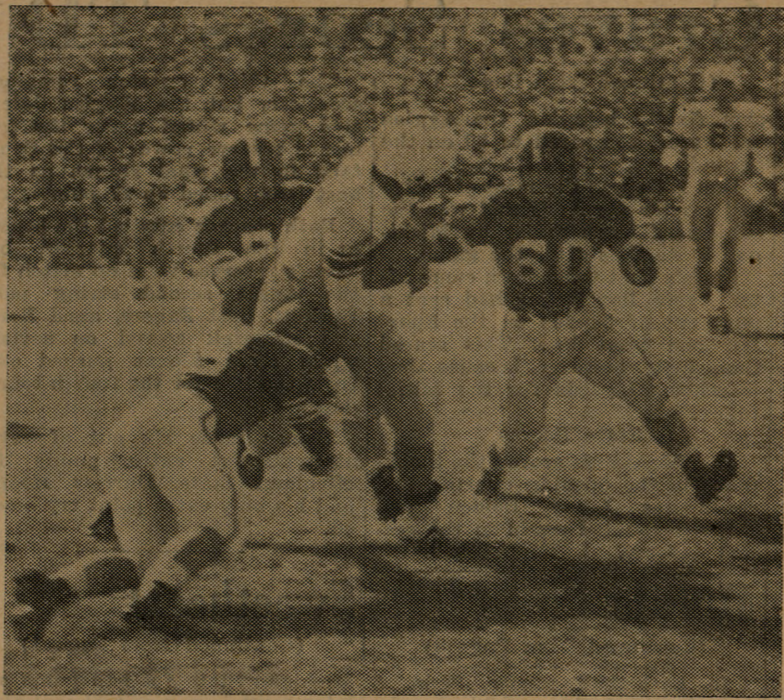
30 first downs, the most in its history of football. Coach Ray George's Aggies, in their first coast to coast TV broadcast, had the most points scored against them since Texas University beat them 49-0 in 1898.

Graves Great

Graves displayed some of the greatest intestinal fortitude and ability shown in recent years by an Aggie quarterback as he continually took a beating from the rushing line of Michigan State. But again and again he would come back to pass, with his throwing netted 11. Then other pass plays



SCORES ONLY TOUCHDOWN—Quarterback Ray Graves sprints 16 yards for A&M's only score against the Michigan State Spartans. Following Graves across the double stripe were States' Ed Timmerman (30) and Don Dohoney (80). (Staff photos by Wilkerson).



HARD RUNNER STOPPED—Halfback Don Ellis picks up seven yards against the Spartans before being stopped. State Guard Frank Kush (60) comes in to help his two unidentified teammates. Darrow Hooper (81) is in the background.

Near Impossibility In Sports

Ags Look Good While Losing

Many favorable comments passed around about the Aggies' stubbornness and spirit exhibited at East Lansing, Mich., this last week-end.

Among the best were from Gene Gregston, Fort Worth Star-Telegram sports writer, who said: "The Texas Aggies achieved what is considered a near-impossibility in sports here Saturday when they were soundly and thor-

oughly beaten, 48-6, by a Michigan State team that deserves rank with the all-time great college football products.

"The Aggies looked good while losing. Many of the viewers may not agree with that, but it was almost a unanimous opinion among the press box observers.

"How does an outclassed, out-manned club do this? By that old, shopworn, possibly-trite item, hustle.

"The Cadets have it. They battled until physically there was hardly anything left, and then the Spartans added two quick touchdowns in the final 72 seconds to hike the result up to astronomical proportions.

Lack of Depth

"Coach Ray George's College Station crew is thin in depth again this year—there's their principal weakness.

"Basically, the Aggies are a first and third-period ball club. They tire in the second and the fourth quarters, but they're apt to be a match for just about anybody in the other two.

"The Spartans made few mistakes. Combined with their excellent line play was a veritable secondary blanket over A&M receivers, it was a beautiful pass defense . . .

"Spirit wins a lot of ball games, but only fanaticism could have won for the Aggies, who had plenty of spirit . . .

Take Foes Lightly

"The Spartans take the supposedly-easy foes too lightly. They relax, much as they did against Oregon State a week ago, but they were definitely keyed for Texas A&M, much to the Aggies' sorrow.

"Curiously enough, the two top MSC exhibitions in the 18-game streak came on national television days, causing many to label the Spartans as a bunch of old 'hams' but, as some said, 'what a good-looking bunch of hams they are.'

"A&M will be tough in the Southwest Conference race. The reserves have been getting experience that will bolster the team in the league race. In Quarterback Ray Graves, Halfback Don Ellis, Tackle Jack Little and some others, Coach Ray George has players ranking among the best in the circuit.

"And that battling nature is tough to beat, too.

"There was little remorse in the Aggie family. The coaches and (See AGS LOO KGOOD, Page 4)

A FA Drops ASA, 16-0, In Murals

The intramural football parade moved on Friday with showings of potent offenses and stout defenses.

Rose, A FA, made the longest scoring play of the day, a 35-yard dash from scrimmage against ASA, as the cannoneers exhibited a stubborn defense in shutting out their opponents, 16-0.

A 12-yard pass to Jennings also figured in the scoring.

Sqdn. 9 netted five penetrations to beat C FA in a 6-6 deadlock. C FA could manage but two penetrations.

In two other close contests, Sqdn. 8 scored twice in nosing out B FA, 12-7, and Sqdn. 5 scored a safety to beat B Inf, 9-6.

In Thursday football tilts, Turner scored the only touchdown on the last play of the game to lead Co. C to a 7-0 win over Sqdn. 22.

In another thriller, I. M. Denard raced 80 yards on the game's last play to widen Sqdn. 18's margin of victory. Co. B was the victim of a 12-0 score.

A rock-ribbed Co. A defense was the major factor as they defeated Sqdn. 17, 9-0. A Inf, won a close game from A Armor, 6-2.

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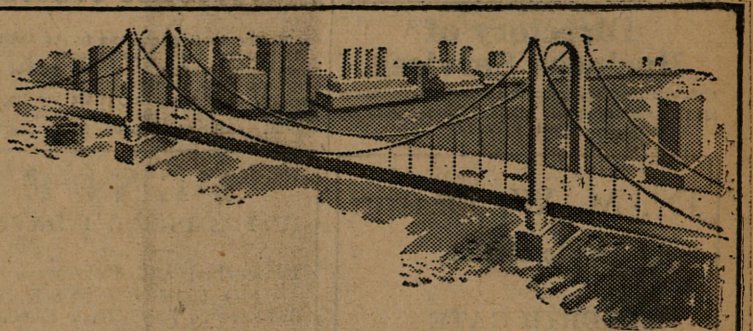
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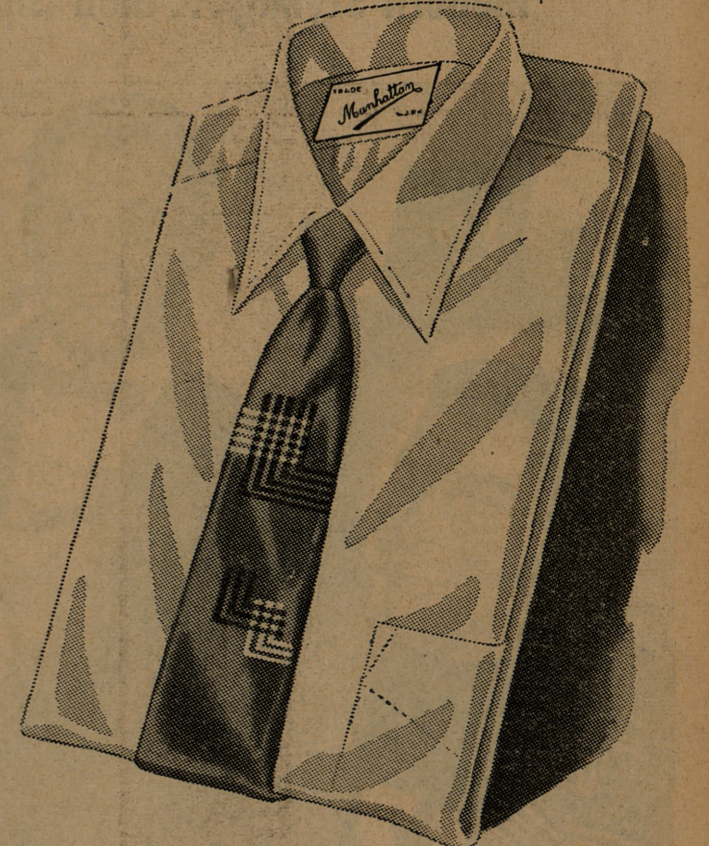
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