

# Sophomores Start For Varsity Squad

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A lot of the credit for the three wins and one loss record of the Aggie basketball team this year goes to a crop of fine sophomores players.

Three of these first year varsity men have broken into the starting line up. They are Don Moon, Rodney Pirtle, and Roy Martin.

Martin, the 6-8½ center leads the prospects, and is expected to be of unlimited value to the team this year. He had high school experience plus a year on the Fish team. Head basketball coach John Floyd says as soon as Martin gets a few more games under his belt, he will be one of the best centers in the league.

Moon, the 5-8½ guard from Minden, has added the defensive shot in the arm the team needed. He is having a little trouble getting his eye on the basket, but is a valuable ball handler and play maker.

Pirtle is a cool player who lives and thinks basketball. Standing 6-2½, he adds scoring punch and height to the team. Having played four years of high school ball and one year on the Fish team, Pirtle is a big asset as a play maker and can keep a team cool in a tight game.

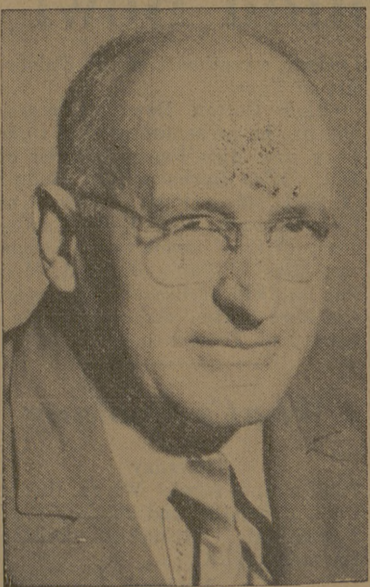
Bob Johnson, another soph, is playing only his second year of basketball. Having not played in high school, he is short on experi-

ence but is a very quick and aggressive boy on the court.

Joe Hardgrove, who doubles as a baseball twirler, is another one of the six second year men on the squad. Noted for his ability as a pitcher his Fish year, he is now coming into his own as a basketball player under the excellent tutelage of coach Floyd.

Ken Murray has potential ability but needs more practice to beat out men such as Pirtle, Miksch, and Binford. His 6-3 is going to be a big help when he gets more polish.

Pat McCrory rounds out the men coming up from the freshmen team. He is a small boy standing 5-10, but has a lot of stamina and fight. He is a hold over sophomore, having three years of eligibility left.



RESIGNS—C. D. Ownby, business manager of the athletic department, has resigned and will leave Saturday. Pat Dial, who is now ticket sales manager, will take his place, said Barlow (Bones) Irvin, athletic director.

# Aggie Stars Leave For Blue-Grey Tilt

Jack Little, Ray Graves, and Marshall Rush leave today for Montgomery, Ala., to compete in the Blue-Grey Football Bowl Game on Dec. 27.

"We have been doing a few exercises every day to stay in shape," Little said. "We furnish the shoes, pads, and headgears, and the bowl authorities furnish everything else."

Ray George, Aggie head coach, who was selected to direct the Grey squad, left Tuesday for Montgomery to get things ironed out for the workouts.

Little said the players arriving for the squad drills would have about six or seven days to condition themselves.

The players will not be paid for the game, but will have all expenses paid, and will be given \$100 in bonus expense money. They are free to use the money in any way they choose, but there is no gate percentage or other money involved.

### Little To Play Pro Ball

"I intend to play pro ball after I finish at A&M, but I have no idea what team I will play for, because the pro football draft won't take place until January 20, Little said.

The selection of George as head coach of the Grey footballers is a high compliment on the driving type of football featured by his Aggie team last season.

It is a general consensus that George fielded a well-coached team and obtained results that astonished pre-season guessers on the fate of the Aggie football team in conference play and over the entire season.

After competing in the Blue-Grey bowl game, Little and Graves will proceed to Mobile, Ala., to take part in the Senior Bowl Game on a play-for-pay basis.

The incentive for taking part in this game is a guaranteed \$100 plus a gate bonus. A crowd of 20,000 last year gave the victorious North squad \$500 for each

player plus a \$75 bonus.

The losing South team received \$400 plus a \$65 bonus.

### Graves Passing

Graves was selected for participation in these games because of his outstanding passing record. Making him even more qualified as a natural selection was Graves' amazing ability to run the ball when his receivers were crowded. Countless times, Graves, when seemingly trapped for huge losses, would start a rubbery-legged run that would turn the apparent loss into a substantial gain.

Selected on several all-SWC teams, Graves would make a fine pro football player if he chose to go into the money game.

Little, who said that he probably would try pro ball, is waiting for the player draft held by professional football clubs on Jan. 20, to find out what club he is assigned to. A demon tackle, Little would be a tremendous asset to any club, either on defense or offense. It is seldom that he can be moved completely out of a play.

Rush, a guard who dealt misery over the past three seasons with his slashing line play, will probably not go into pro ball because of a weight disadvantage. Coach George will feel the impact of Rush's loss when he tries to plug that guard hole next season.

### Hempstead B Team

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Deweese	0	1	0	1
Hoke	0	0	1	0
Chamberlin	2	1	1	5
Somerford	1	1	0	3
Bartlett	1	0	1	2
Hargrave	0	0	2	0
Scharra	0	0	1	0
Forester	0	0	0	0
Byers	0	0	0	0
Total	4	3	6	11

### Tiger B Team

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Carroll	5	1	4	4
Richards	0	0	0	0
Hickman	0	0	1	0
Floek	3	0	0	0
Free	0	0	0	0
Oden	0	1	2	1
Beasley	9	0	0	18
Engelbrecht	1	1	2	3
Total	18	3	9	33

# CHS Wins Two Games In District Play Here

A&M Consolidated High School swept their two games with Hempstead, both A and B teams, 48-23 and 33-11, respectively. All-state center, Peter Kirkpatrick of Hempstead had the flu and only played in the last quarter. He made six points.

A non-district game, it was considered a fine practice by Coach John Ulrey of Hempstead. Othel V. Chafin, coach of the Consolidated Tigers considered it a fine game. "It was good all the way. They pressed us for a while but we were always eight or twelve points ahead. Even in the last three minutes, when they began to pull up on us, we weren't too worried," said Chafin.

### Motheral High Point

Joe Motheral was high man for the Tigers with 16 points. "Pinky Cooner is improving rapidly and is becoming a good ball-handler," said Chafin.

Bobby Jackson was well covered by the Hempstead zone defense. He had very few chances to shoot and only made one field goal. Most of the Hempstead team was concerned with him which allowed other Tigers better chances.

David Bonnen played a fine game in the top of the key-hole with a few nice pivot shots and some good jump shots. The Ti-

gers were stymied by a zone defense in the Madisonville tournament last week-end. They seemed to have overcome this weakness last night.

Byron Andrews and Fred Anderson tied in number of points scored with Andrews hitting five out of five three throws. Both the speedy guards set up most of the scoring plays made by Motheral and Bonnen.

Coach Jim Bevan's Consolidated B team won their game tonight

without very much strong resistance from the Hempstead B team. Roland Beasley sank 19 points for the highest individual score of the evening. Norman Floeck was second for Consolidated with six and C. Chamberlin of Hempstead was third with five.

The Tigers play Hearne in Hearne tonight for their third game of the week. They will then stop workouts until Dec. 29 when they resume work for their tournament on Jan. 2 and 3.



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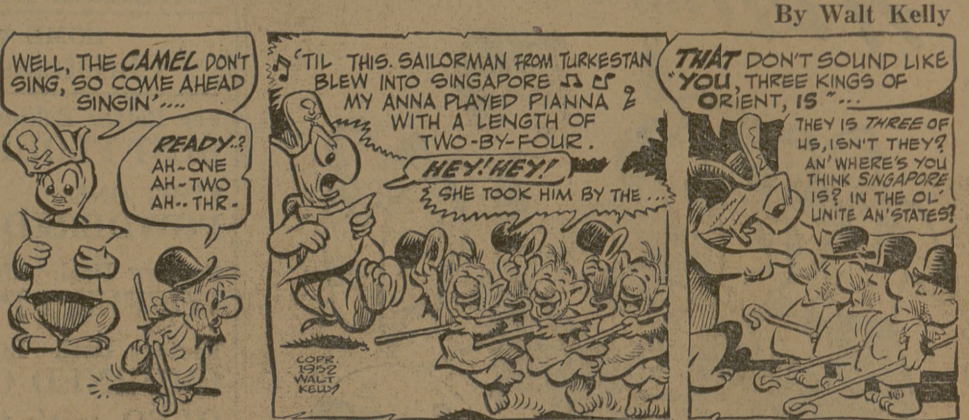
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12-18

BY WALT KELLY

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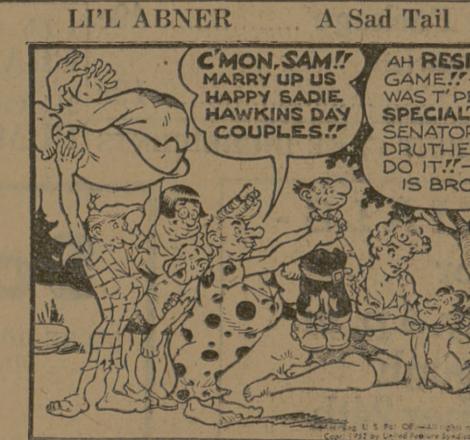
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THEY IS THREE OF US, ISNT THEY? AN' WHERE'S YOU THINK SINGAPORE IS? IN THE OLYMPIAN STATES?

12-19

BY AL CAPP

L'L ABNER A Sad Tail



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