

Colorado Smashes Tired Aggies, 65-52

Colorado's Russel Rerucha dropped in five field goals of five attempted in the last half to lead Colorado A&M to a 65 to 52 win over the Aggies in DeWare Field House last night.

After trailing 29-32 at halftime, the Colorado five caught fire in the third period to tie the game at 44-all. The Rams pulled away in the final period for their second straight triumph after three setbacks.

Game At a Glance				
A & M	FG	FT	PF	TP
Miksch, f	6	7	3	19
Binford, f	1	0	2	2
Hardgrove, f	0	0	2	0
Martin, c	1	0	1	2
Addison, c	2	4	3	8
Moon, g	3	2	0	8
Pirtle, g	5	1	4	11
Johnson, g	0	0	3	0
Heft, f	1	0	1	2
Williams, g	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	19	14	20	52

COLO. A&M				
Kinard, f	FG	FT	PF	TP
Kinard, f	4	2	4	10
Betz, g	0	7	0	7
Sweitzer, f	1	1	2	3
Rerucha, g	5	4	1	14
Sneath, c	1	1	2	3
Pivic, g	1	1	1	3
Stuehm, c	6	2	3	14
Gregory, f	5	1	2	11
TOTALS	23	19	7	65

Score at half: Tex. A&M 32, Colo. A&M 29.

Officials: Referee—Tom Hamilton; umpire—Bob Smith.

Rerucha and Dennis Stuehm tied for Colorado's high points with 14 each.

Miksch Leads Scorers
A&M's LeRoy Miksch, topped all scorers for the night with 19. Rodney Pirtle, Aggie guard added 11 points.

The big difference came in the second half when the tireless Coloradians outscored the Aggies 36 to 32.

Robert Betz put the game on ice for Colorado with two free throws in the final 30 seconds of the battle. Then they froze the ball until the clock ran out.

Miksch's 19 points brought his season total to 76 in four games. This gives him a game average of 19 points per game. The 6-5 Waelder senior sat out the Northwestern State Louisiana game and while he watched, his team lost their only other game of the year.

Leave for Dallas
The Cadets leave Saturday to enter the pre-season, Christmas tournament in Dallas Dec. 26-30. The Aggies with a 3 win 2 loss record meet SMU at 7:30 p. m. Saturday. All games will be played in the automobile building on the state fair grounds.

After the holiday meet the Aggies open regular SWC play Jan. 6 in Waco against Baylor.

Chest Drive To Stay Open Until January

"We are still working and think that we shall get enough contributions by late January to make our goal of \$11,019.00," said Bennie Zinn, chairman of the Community Chest Drive, in a letter to Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist and Mayor Ernest Langford.

The drive closed officially Dec. 5, with \$9,447.28 in contributions.

"The business sections of College Station contributed better than in the past," Zinn said. "Special committees worked in these districts and practically every business contributed something."

Other committees contacted every resident of the city who does not work for the college or a local firm. Employees of the college were canvassed through their departments.

"We have appealed to the deans at the college to make one more push," Zinn said, "because we have fallen down in some parts of the college."



'Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus'

(Many, many years ago when the late Charles A. Dana was editor of the "New York Sun," he received a letter one morning from a little girl named Virginia O. Hanlon, who wrote:

"Dear Editor: I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say that there is no Santa Claus. Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?"

This letter written to one of America's foremost journalists made a great impression on a great man and received an answer that has been treasured, re-read and remembered Christmas after Christmas, down through the years. Mr. Dana's famous reply in the following editorial is presented once again.)

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. They do not believe except they see. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, compared with the boundless worlds about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary the world would be if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Vir-

giniacs! There would be no child-like faith, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would then be extinguished.

"Not to believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus; but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Not everybody sees Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not; but that's no proof that they were not there. No one can conceive or imagine all the things that are unseen or unseeable in the world.

"You may tear apart a baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world that not the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. It all real. Ah, Virginia, in all the world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus? Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever! A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of children."



NEW HOME—R. D. Lewis (left), director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, shows the finer points of the experiment station's new home to Chancellor Gibb Gilchrist at an open house held in the new quarters Wednesday.

CHS Approved For Veteran Training

A&M Consolidated High School and Lincoln High School for Negroes have been approved by the Veterans Administration for training of Korean war veterans.

These veterans who have not received a high school diploma may obtain free tuition, textbooks, and supplies under Public Law 550 in order to complete their education, according to Les Richardson, superintendent of A&M Consolidated schools.

The approval of training under these provisions is an aid to local public schools, since no permanent school funds are received for students over eighteen years old, Richardson said.

Wedding Date Set For Frances Viola

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Viola of Bryan have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Frances Viola, and Joe D. Davis on Jan. 24 in St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Bryan.

The bridegroom-to-be is a senior mechanical engineering student.

Rec Council Plans Party

A Christmas party for all the people of College Station, complete with Santa Claus, singing, and dancing, has been scheduled by the Recreation Council Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. in Consolidated High School's cafeteria.

Music will be furnished by a choir from the A&M Presbyterian Church. Also on the program are singing and dancing acts by local school children.

Since the party is primarily for the children, Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute gifts to them.

Temple Vets Get Fruit From Area

More than 3,000 apples and oranges donated by College Station residents, college employees, and students at A&M, Lincoln, and A&M Consolidated schools were given to 1,130 veterans at the Veterans Administration hospital at Temple Friday.

P. L. Downs Jr., official greeter of the college, conceived and organized the plan. Most of the veterans were from Korea.

No Longer Chairman

Teague to Play Big Part Legislating for Ex-GI's

By TEX EASLEY
Special Washington Service
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Republican control of Congress after Jan. 3 will keep Rep. Olin Teague (D) of the College Station and Bryan district from becoming chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee. But he still is expected to take a leading role in matters affecting ex-GI's.

"We on the Democratic side of the committee will do all we can to see that fair and equitable legislation is enacted," he said in an interview.

"Although we passed measures this past session extending World War Two veterans benefits to the Korean war G.I.s, we know there will still have to be some further changes made in the light of experiences gained in the operation of the program."

Teague Drafted PL 550
Teague was chairman of a special House committee which checked into the abuses of the World War Two ex-GI's benefit laws. He was responsible for drafting of Public Law 550 of the 82nd Congress, extending and modifying the older measures.

"We have sent out inquiries to colleges and universities, builders and veterans themselves to get their views on how this new Korean veterans bill is working out," he continued. "The results of that survey will determine what further changes are needed next year."

The Teague Committee had as its primary purpose the uncovering of facts which would lead to passage of legislation improving the veterans benefit program.

Expose Graft, Corruption
As a sort of by-product, Teague said the committee exposed graft and corruption which led to probably more court convictions and prison sentences than have resulted from all other congressional investigations combined during the past year.

He estimated that some 300 persons have faced criminal charges based on data turned up by his committee working in cooperation with the Veterans Administration, the General Accounting Office and the Justice Department.

"In addition," he added, "money taken illegally from the government in various kinds of rackets has been recovered in an amount far exceeding the cost of operating the committee."

Scope Is Vast
The vast scope of the ex-GI. benefit program, Teague said, should be kept in mind in considering the wrongdoings that arose in connection with its operation. He added that the cost of the "Service-men's Readjustment Act of 1944" has been in excess of 15 billion dollars.

In addition, the federal government has insured loans under the

program with an initial principal of more than 18 billion dollars, and has assumed the obligation to guarantee approximately 9 1/2 billion dollars in business and real estate loans made to veterans.

Here are the highlights of some of the more outstanding cases of irregularities uncovered by the Teague Committee.

Some Falsified Records
Vocational schools in Philadelphia offered training in meat cutting. The committee found these schools were falsifying attendance records, employees were accepting money to mark veterans present, and some of the veterans enrolled as students were getting subsistence pay although not attending the schools. A federal indictment has been returned in the case which is still pending. Meanwhile, \$75,000 has been recovered.

A chain of trade schools operating in Tennessee were investigated, resulting in recovery of \$217,300 in payments. Trial of three owners of the schools has been set for February.

The committee, in cooperation with the VA and FRI, investigated what Teague described as a conspiracy in San Diego, Calif., dominating building activities. As a result of the inquiry, Teague said, 26 builders, bankers, real estate brokers, lawyers and VA employees were indicted and are standing trial.

Atrocity Investigation Expected By Congress

A&M Athletes To Be Honored By Banquet

A&M's football and cross-country teams will be honored at the annual Winter Sports banquet on the Aggie campus Jan. 17.

The banquet is sponsored jointly by the Brazos County A&M club and the A&M Athletic Department. The affair will be held in Sbisahall and will start at 7 p.m. The banquet attracted 500 last year.

Every member of the 1952 Aggie freshmen and varsity football and cross-country teams will be honored, according to K. A. Manning, general chairman of the Winter Sports banquet. All other sports will be honored at the spring sports barbecue.

28 Employees Of A&M System Receive Awards

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(AP)—Rep. Flood (D-Pa.) declared today there was "no doubt whatsoever" that the incoming 83rd Congress will approve an investigation of alleged Communist atrocities in Korea.

Flood, a member of a special House committee which has been investigating the Katyn Forest massacre of World War II, said a bill authorizing such an inquiry probably would be introduced immediately in the new Congress convening Jan. 3.

Flood's statement followed the final report of the Katyn committee, which found a "striking similarity" between the massacre of 15,000 Polish officers early in World War II and reported Communist atrocities against U.N. troops in Korea.

Flood called the mass murders in the Katyn Forest near Smolensk, Russia, some time after 1940 a "blueprint" for Communist plans to liquidate their enemies on a wholesale scale.

Committee Recommendation
The House committee recommended that the next Congress undertake such an investigation, stating in its report:

"Communist tactics being used in Korea are identical to those followed at Katyn."

There was no indication, however, that the committee had evidence of new or recent mistreatment of U. N. troops or of incidents not reported a year or more ago in the Korea conflict.

The U. N. Command then put the number of atrocities in Korea at about 8,000.

Russia Blamed
The committee's report, coming after more than a year's inquiry into the Katyn Forest murders, laid the guilt on Soviet Russia and recommended that the USSR be arraigned before the World Court by the U. N. General Assembly.

It also asked the President to lay its findings before the U. N., and for the United States delegation to seek establishment of a U. N. international commission to investigate "other mass murders and crimes against humanity."

The committee didn't go into procedural details, and there appeared to be no way in which the Katyn massacre could be brought before the World Court. Russia has never accepted the jurisdiction of the court in a case concerning her. Without such acceptance, she could not be brought in as a defendant.

Wendell Horsley, head of the Placement Office, was in charge of arrangements for the dinner and party.

Entertainment was provided by the Singing Cadets, under the direction of Bill Turner. Also on the program was group singing.

Parts of the presentation ceremonies were broadcast on WTAW Saturday morning.

Mother of Aggie Killed in Accident

A 42-year-old mother on the way to pick up her Aggie son was killed in an automobile collision Saturday.

The car driven by Mrs. John Brannen of Huntsville collided with a car being driven by a Bryan AFB airman.

Mrs. Brannen's son, John C. Brannen, is a sophomore at A&M. The accident occurred on Highway 6, about four miles north of Navasota.

Mrs. Brannen was the only person killed. Her husband was released to his home, and another couple in the car are in a Navasota hospital. The airman was not seriously hurt.

Louise Jones Robert King Wed Dec. 20

Miss Louise Jones, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Luther Goodrich Jones, 900 Hereford South, and Lt. Robert Lynn King of Sherman, were married in the A&M Presbyterian Church at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Rev. Norman Anderson, pastor of the A&M Presbyterian Church, officiated.

Mrs. Robert R. Lancaster, organist, played traditional wedding marches and accompanied Mrs. Frank C. Whitmore as she sang "Oh Perfect Love" preceding the ceremony.

The bride's attendant was Miss Sharon Cornelius of Fort Worth. Montgomery J. LaFrance of Sherman was the best man and ushers were Fred Anderson and William Lancaster.

Following the wedding a reception was held in the MSC. In the houseparty were Miss Doris Goodrich Jones, Miss Grace Goda, Mrs. Eugene A. Rush, Mrs. Fred Hale, Mrs. R. R. Lancaster, Mrs. Norman Anderson, Mrs. J. Wheeler Bager, Misses Jean Adams, Ann Fleming, Claire Rogers and Eugenia Rush.

The bride attended Texas State College for Women and was graduated from the University of Missouri with a degree in journalism. Prior to her marriage she was working with Kamin Advertising Agency in Houston.

King received his degree from A&M in 1952.

A. B. Stevens Appointed Pet E Head

Professor A. B. Stevens has been appointed head of the petroleum engineering department, effective Feb. 1.

He succeeds Harold Vance, who will head the oil and gas department of the Second National Bank in Houston.

"We are very fortunate in having a man on our staff so eminently qualified to assume the duties as head of our petroleum engineering department," said Dean of Engineering H. W. Barlow. "Mr. Stevens' previous education, his industrial contacts, and his knowledge of the industry are exceeded by very few engineering educators."

Stevens holds a BS degree in petroleum engineering from the University of California and a MS from the University of Southern California. He has been employed by the Gypsy Oil Company and the University of Southern California.

In 1941 he entered the army as a captain and was discharged in 1945 as a lieutenant colonel. He served as chief of the construction division of the Military Pipeline Service.

He is now serving as consultant to the Corps of Engineers on special pipeline projects.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens live at 1005 Puryear in College Station. They have a son, Albert, and a daughter, Nancy, who is a freshman at the University of Texas.

Two County Roads To Be Improved

The state highway department has authorized the improvement of two Brazos County roads. The roads will be given a two-lane surface and designated Farm-to-Market roads.

Improvement will be made on the following roads:

From State Highway 21 from near the Navasota River northwest for 6.7 miles to Edge.

From State Highway 21 at Kurten northwest for 5.6 miles to County Road.

WEATHER TODAY: Clear with a few scattered clouds. The temperature this morning was 41.