

Ags Look To Rice After 23-0 Setback

The Aggies engaged in short signal drills and listened to scouting reports Monday as they began preparations for the Saturday clash with the Rice Owls in Houston.

Elwood Kettler remained on the doubtful player list as Louis Capt returned to action and the Cadets came out of the SMU encounter without additional injuries.

Commenting on the forthcoming game with Rice, Coach Ray George said the Aggies will put out with everything they have.

"I always think we've got a pretty good chance. We'll go right after them," George said.

Rain, Cold and Ponies

In the 23-0 SMU victory over the Aggies Saturday, it was simply a case of too much cold, too much rain, and too much Mustang line.

The Aggies took the opening kickoff in the end zone and killed the ball there. On the second play from scrimmage, Don Kachtik fumbled on the Aggie 20 and Gunlock recovered for the Ponies.

From the 17, SMU quarterback Nutt passed twice incomplete to Ed Bernet, then hit him in the end zone for the counter. Bernet's try for the point was wide to the left, and the Mustangs led 6-0 less than three minutes deep in the game.

Kept bottled up deep in their own territory for most of the first half, the Aggies started a drive late in the second period, only to have time run out with the ball on the Mustang 24.

The wet ball prevented either

Faulk Auto Supply Leading All-Stars

Faulk's Auto Supply, sporting a record of 18 wins against 6 losses, is top team in All-Star Bowling League competition at mid-season.

Ken Kennedy, bowling for his own team, Kennedy's is the league's individual leader with a 259 high game score and a 626 over-all series record.

Conway Company is close behind Faulk's in team competition with a 17 won, 7 lost record. Conway's leads the league in team high game score with a 905 and also leads in high series with a 2657 team total.

Other teams and their won-lost records are Student Co-Op, 16-8; Coca Cola, 13-11, Riverside, 11-13; Carroll's, 9-15; Kennedy's, 6-18 and Schulman, 6-18.

A&M Rifle Team Wins Third Match

The A&M rifle squad took its third straight win in the Southwest association matches here Saturday over Southern Methodist University, 1386-1281.

Sophomore Guy Andrews was high man for the match with 280 out of a possible 300 points.

Howard Mims and Alfred Williams of A&M tied for second with 278 points.

Sidney Ferrell of A&M was high man for the standing position with a 91 out of a possible 100 points.

The Aggies will travel to Houston to meet the Rice Owls this weekend.

Ellis Second, Third In Offense, Passing

Don Ellis, A&M's versatile quarterback, now ranks second in Southwest conference total offense and third in passing.

Ellis has gained 801 yards on 229 rushing and passing plays to trail Lamar McHan by 241 yards in total offense. He has completed 58 or 129 passes for 706 yards.

Writers Ignore Ags; 'What a Day for Rain'

By JERRY WIZIG Associate Sports Editor

A&M's football team, after a great start, is now finding out what Arkansas and TCU discovered earlier in the season: It takes a winner to get a big play on the Sunday and Monday sports pages.

A great start in which they won four and tied one of their first five games caused the Aggies to emerge as one of the surprises of the 1953 season. But now that they have lost three in a row, the out-of-town papers have greatly sliced their coverage of Aggie games.

For instance, after the SMU game, only one out-of-town reporter covered the Aggie dressing room, which was covered by five or six reporters during the Cadet winning streak.

Yes, it's great to be a winner.

Naturally, there was little shouting in the Aggie dressing room after the 23-0 defeat Saturday. The players quietly went about the dreary business of taking off their rain-soaked uniforms.

Rain Hurts

"The rain seemed to hurt our passing," said tackle Larry Winkler. "I think we'll come back against Rice," he added.

"That danged Eidom was always around," said back Billy Pete Huddleston.

"The Aggies stack up way below Texas," said SMU quarterback Duane Nutt. "There is no comparison between the two lines. Broussard did a good job, and Magouirk played a good game. Boring's kicking kept us in the hole a lot of the time," he said.

Eidom Won't Compare

Frank Eidom said, "I hate to compare Texas against A&M. The mud hurt the Aggies a lot. Magouirk played hard and ran hard, and Boring kicked some beautiful punts."

"The Texas line is a little better," said tackle Lou Miller. The Texas backs ran harder, and Texas had a better ball club," he added. "Tate was pretty fair and was fast."

Mustang coach Woody Woodard said, "A&M isn't quite as big as Texas. The Aggies have a good line, but it's not quite as powerful as the Texas line."

Woodard singled out Durwood Scott and Don Kachtik as top Cadet players.

Blaine Again Breaks Record

Barrel-chested James Blaine strode over the 2.6 mile course in 11:36 to set a course record and lead A&M to a 27-28 cross-country win over Oklahoma A&M yesterday.

Blaine had set a course record of 11:41 last week against SMU. It was the fifth straight victory for the Aggies in an undefeated season.

Oklahoma A&M's Frederick Eckhoff, of Norway, was second with a time of 11:44. Aggie Verlon Westmoreland was third, Sture Landquist, Swedish Olympic runner, was fourth and Frank Whitwell was fifth.

Blaine finished about 20 yards ahead of Eckhoff. He trailed Eckhoff by 30 yards at the one mile mark and by 20 yards at the two mile mark, finally drawing even as they started the last half-mile.

Eckhoff traveled the first mile in 4:24 and ran the first two miles in

8:56. The Cadets will meet University of Texas here Friday in their second meeting of the week. A freshman meet will be held at 3:40 p.m. with the varsity meeting at 4.

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'A' Field Wins 6-0 Over Squadron 10

A field artillery used six plays to end a 40-yard scoring drive and squeeze past squadron 10, 6-0 in intramural football yesterday.

In the first half Bob Sanders of A field pitched to Andy Beakey for 15 yards. Gene Andrews took the handoff from Sanders and went around his left end for 12 more yards.

Sanders passed to Beakey in the end zone for the sole tally. Sanders point after touchdown was no good.

Fuzz Patterson received the ball on squadron 10's goal line and ran out to the 15 before being stopped. Tom Skrabanek of squadron 10 was caught from behind and thrown for a five yard loss. On the next play Skrabanek tossed to Doug Scott for a 30 yard gain.

Skrabanek scampered his left end down to A field's 10-yard line as the half ended.

In the second half Patterson brought the kick-off back to his own 15-yard line.

On the final play of the ball game, Skrabanek crossed the 50-yard line to be stopped on A field's 30-yard line.

The Physical Education club took a 13-7 win over the Range and Forestry club only to forfeit the game afterwards.

The P. E. club did not make known the fact of an ineligible player until the end of the game. Their reason was that they wished to have enjoyment of playing the game before conceding.

Basketball

A signal's Chuck Brooks scored five points to help his unit sneak past B Field artillery, 15-8.

R. N. Hayes was high point man for B field with six points.

Rollins Rubsamen and Ronnie Averitte each scored seven points to help A armor beat squadron 5, 19-7.

Squadron 13's Stan Baker dropped nine points to help his unit outscore A transportation corps, 22-14.

Fred Galley was high man for A transportation with five points.

B infantry's Ken Wood scored 14 points to give his unit a 20-10 margin over ASA. Sid Pitzer was high man for ASA with six points.

Bowling

A field artillery's Jack Rowe, Ben K. Trector and Bill Utzman romped over squadron 4's Frank Willis, Jerry D. Chalmers and David Clark, 502-388.

Clark was high man for squad-

ron 4 while Rowe and Utzman tied for high honors.

Hal Wallace, Doc Hrncir and Taylor Wong of A quartermaster slipped past squadron 2's Dick Reynolds, Max Cook and Gene Miller, 457-440.

Reynolds was high man for squadron 2 while Wong was top man for A quartermaster.

An ordnance's J. T. Long, E. L. Smith and Bob Schverak beat Graham Bacon, John Jones and Stanley Brand of squadron 14, 457-396.

Graham topped squadron 14 with 143 points while Smith was high man for A ordnance with 193.

An engineer's Jim Monical, Jim Bullock and Tom Wheatley were defeated by Frank O'Donnell, C. H. Jochen and L. J. Sebesta of squadron 5, 487-442.

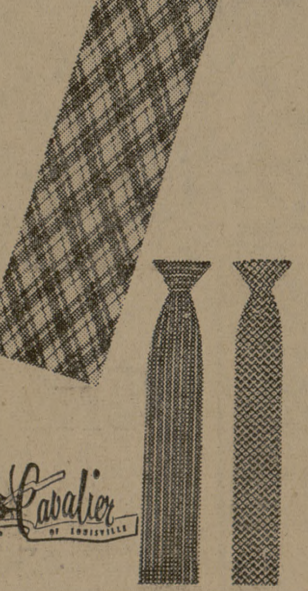
Wheatley was high man for A engineers with 177 while Jochen was high man for squadron 5 with 171.

Intramural officials and referees are not always right but should be given the full consideration of all players and persons not playing on the field said Barney Welch, director of intramural athletics.

More stress should be made on the fact that players are not to tackle, shove or illegally use their hands but only with intention of getting hold of the ball or flag said Welch.

He said that there will be a closer watch for rule violations during this intramural football season.

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