

SPORTS SHORTS

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Ken Loeffler, A&M's new basketball coach who is also teacher, pianist, author, poet, and a noted after-dinner speaker, took his first look yesterday at his next basketball team and came away impressed but not discouraged with the size of the tremendous rebuilding job facing him.

Arriving here at 2:30 a.m. after the College All-Stars-Harlem Globetrotters exhibition in Houston Monday night, Loeffler (pronounced LEFF-ler) spent the day getting squared away, meeting people, hunting a house and getting acquainted with his 1955 squad.

Athletic Director Paul Bryant introduced the slightly balding man whose LaSalle teams have become a by-word in national tournaments the past six seasons as the "best basketball coach in the country."

Then Loeffler gave the 34-man squad (Bill Brophy, a starter last season, had not returned from Easter vacation) a 30-minute chalk talk and a 45-minute workout. He plans to stay here until Sunday, then return to LaSalle to finish his teaching contract, which runs until June 15.

He planned to turn over spring drills to an assistant, who would stress the fundamentals of Loeffler's "flash-pivot" offense. Indications now are that the assistant will be either Jerry Claiborne, a member of Bryant's football staff, or baseball pitcher Joe Hardgrove, who helped John DeWitt with last season's freshmen.

In yesterday's workout, Loeffler put 6-6 sophomore Jeff Penfield, out last year with a broken ankle,

6-4 junior George Mehaffey, 6-2½ senior John Fortenberry, 5-11 junior Lee Smith and 6-0 junior Ted Harrod on offense.

On defense were Bob Gattis, John Henry, Connley Phipps and Don Bilbrey, all on last year's varsity, and Channing Williams, a 1953 freshman who didn't play in '54. Using them, Loeffler unveiled his fundamental offensive pattern to his team.

He will hold another workout at 5 p.m. today in DeWare field house.

TO S. AMERICA, GERMANY

In late June, Loeffler goes to South America to hold a series of State department-sponsored basketball clinics. Tom Gola, the four time all-America, considered one of the finest cagers in the history of the game, will go with him.

After that, Loeffler will hold another series of clinics in Nuremberg, Germany.

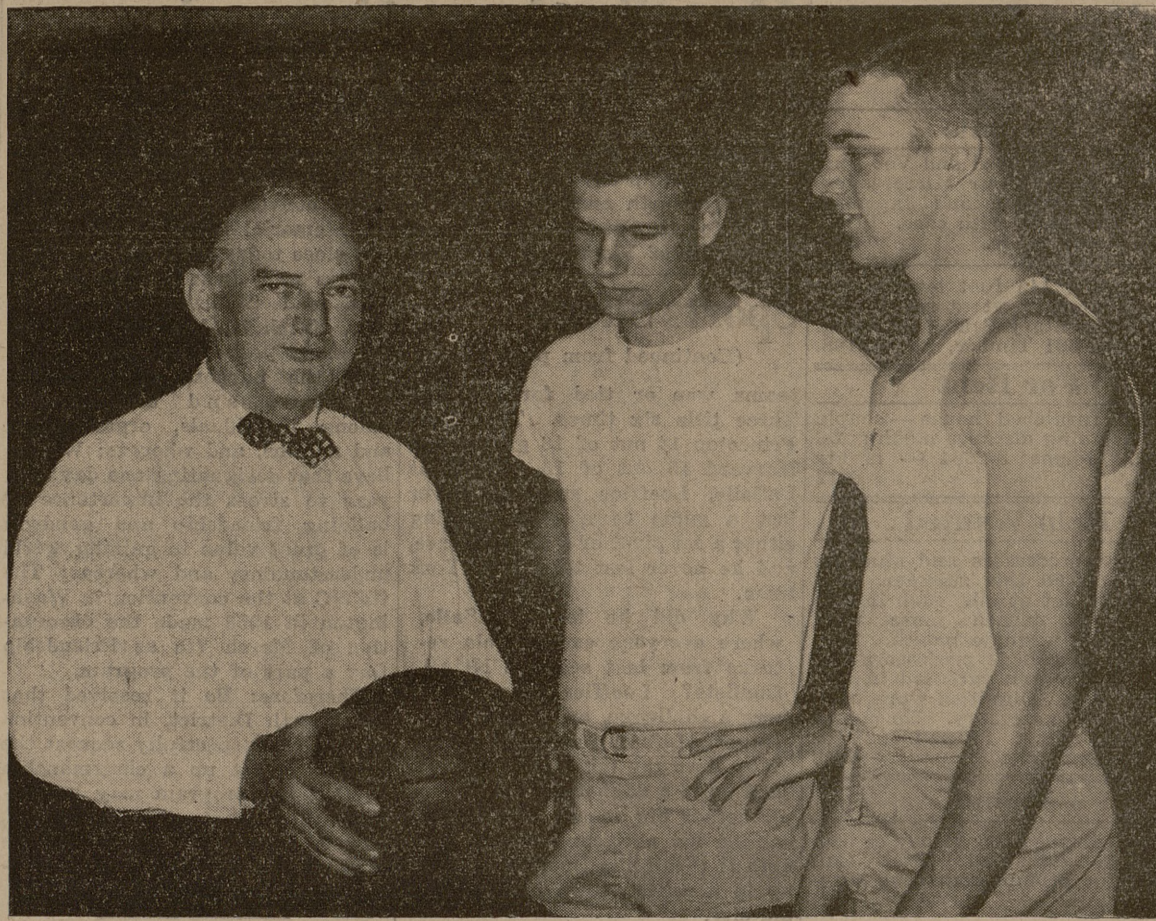
In the future Aggie offense, "everybody does everything," as Loeffler puts it. Each man screens twice, but there are no set pivots and no set screens. "Five quarterbacks" is probably as good a way as any to describe it. Each player has a chance to play the post, passing and sliding out if he doesn't have a shot.

"Everybody gets into the game," says Loeffler. He likes to compare his style to a "five man backfield" in football. "We might try an 'end run,' 'go up the middle,' or drive around the 'weak side.'"

"The fellows seemed to take to the five-man weave and screen pretty well," he said. "We'll probably use two sets of 'ponies' and two big men."

LOEFFLER RECORDS

In eight years at Yale, Loeffler's (See SPORTS SHORTS, page 4)



THE START—Basketball Coach Ken Loeffler starts the job of rebuilding Aggie cage fortunes. Here he talks to John Fortenberry and George Mehaffey (right), two of last year's starters.

'Mural Highlights

Jim Clay pitched no-hit softball, but his inability to get the ball across the plate and two errors in the first inning let across two runs for B armor.

B armor went on to slide past A transportation, 2-1, in upperclassmen play yesterday.

The A transportation freshmen avenged their upperclassmen's loss, scoring 11 runs in the first to paste an 11-2 shellacking on B armor's first-year men. Ten walks aided the transportation cause.

Tuesday's heavy rain left most playing surfaces too wet for competition with Mitchell hall edging Puryear, 2-1, in the only other softball action. A infantry downed squadron 13, 2-1, in freshmen volleyball.

Paducah Gridders To Enroll Here

Two football players from 1-A semifinalist Paducah, quarterback Hal Sandefur and end Jack Powell, plan to enroll at A&M next fall.

Sandefur, an all-stater, gained 1,603 yards rushing in 14 games. Powell, who has run the 100 in 9.8 seconds, caught 18 passes for 335 yards and scored 96 points.

Ags Meet UT, SMU Contest Is Postponed

A&M renews its Southwest conference diamond activities against Texas here Friday and Saturday after being forced to postpone yesterday's crucial tilt with SMU at Dallas because of bad weather.

The Aggies currently share the conference lead with SMU. Both have 3-0 records in conference play. Lefty Joe Hardgrove, slated to start against the Mustangs, will probably be Coach Beau Bell's choice in the opener against the Longhorns. Hardgrove brings a perfect 3-0 season mark into the series.

The Longhorns are giving TCU a close fight for the loop cellar at present, but always turn in their best performances against the Aggies.

Rice's 3-1 win over the Longhorns last week gave Texas a 1-3 league record and a 4-7 season mark. So far this has been the most disappointing season in Texas' history.

This is probably the first time that Texas has dropped three games in the first two weeks of conference action.

Owls Bop Frogs 8-4 Behind Arhos

FORT WORTH, April 12—(AP)—Rice laced TCU for 13 hits and an 8-4 Southwest conference baseball victory Tuesday.

While the Owls were unloading against Bob McDaniel, Billy Arhos was putting down the Frogs with five hits.

Arhos gave up four of the hits and four runs in the first two innings, then settled down to retire the side in order in the third, fourth, fifth and eighth innings.



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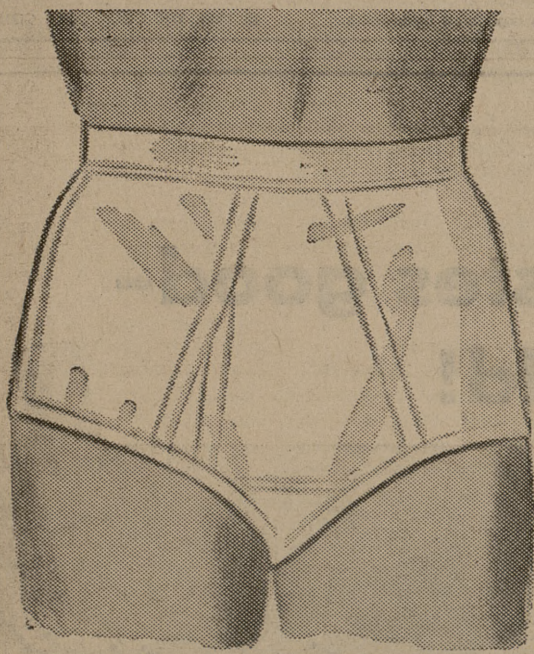
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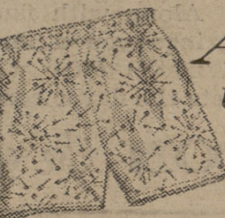
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