

Stockton, Vanzura--Had It In Clutch



THEY WON IT—Centerfielder John Stockton (left) and Tex Vanzura played the big roles in yesterday's 4-3 conquest of the Mustangs. Stockton's two-run single in the ninth tied the game, his 11th inning triple won it. Vanzura pitched three scoreless relief innings after taking over for Dick Munday, who also pitched fine ball. It was Vanzura's first win of the year.

SWC Aggie Action May Not Be So Bad

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Aggie students, exes and fans wonder today at the fate of A&M's athletic program following Saturday's action of the Southwest conference faculty committee.

There were some definite indications that things might not be as bad as they appeared. Nothing definite will be known until enrollment time next September, however, since A&M's power to make a binding contract with high school athletes through the letter of intent is gone.

Paul (Bear) Bryant, Aggie head coach and athletic director, has announced that 12 to 15 gridders, freed from Aggie letters of intent, have assured him they will come here despite the action of the faculty committee.

Bryant was out of town yesterday, having gone to Dallas for the A&M-SMU baseball game. He was due to be in Austin today for the game with Texas.

The players include guard Winston LaFleur and back Jackie Hathorn of Port Neches, tackles A. A. Crews of Nederland, James Benoit of Port Arthur Bishop Byrne, John Drake of Houston Lamar, ends Don Usry of Cleburne, David Williams of Houston Lamar and Jodie Watson of Pasadena, and linebacker Dick Goff of Houston Lamar.

LaFleur, Hathorn, Crews, Benoit and Usry made all-state teams. Usry also made the all-American high school eleven.

In addition to much debate on the rights and wrongs of the fac-

ulty committee's decision at Houston, there were published reports that the NCAA might step in for a look of its own.

C. H. Groneman, chairman of the Athletic council, and A&M's member of the faculty committee told The Battalion last night that the committee had received "no official action" from the national body. "There's always supposition," he said.

While specific details of the Bobby Manning and Tom Sestak cases were not revealed at Houston, Groneman told The Battalion that the two had admitted receiv-

ing cash payoffs from ex-students. Affidavits from the boys signed before notary public admitting this were presented at the Houston meeting, said Groneman.

There were unconfirmed reports the affidavits may have been prompted by payoffs from other conference members, Groneman said. "Of course, the assumption is that when a boy turns down an offer from one school to accept that of a second, the second school must have made him a better offer."

"We don't know that until we (See FOOTBALL, Page 5)

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Fish Meet Shorthorns After 2-1 Win

Ace lefthander Toby Newton takes the mound for the Aggie Fish here today as they close out their season with the Texas Shorthorns. The Fish beat Wharton junior college 2-1 Saturday on Jim Wright's one-hitter.

Game time today is 3 p.m. at the varsity diamond. The Yearlings beat the Freshmen 5-0 in Austin earlier in the season.

In previous appearances, Newton has struck out 16, 12 and 14. He was the loser in the first Shorthorn game, but didn't give up an earned run.

Saturday, Wright gave up his (See FISH BASEBALL, Page 5)

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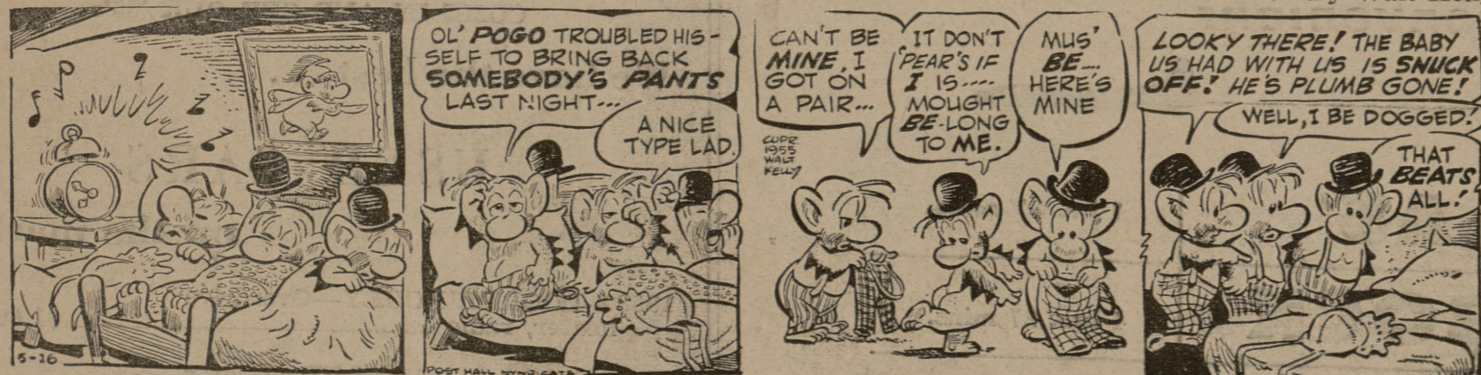
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