Aggies' fine liter, has an infecn't run for time hile Dick Morton t in a week.

a good running rson, "And Texas eld team is ready at this time of mers will be well

etter relay teams eeks and with a ll have about five then, too. Our nd broad jumpers better than they id we've got three lters in Winton Clark and Herb

re almost as good spite the loss of Bobby Jack Gross although the loss through ineligibilne in the javelin."

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Lather .65 ORONTO

A cold, stiff breeze blew from the north, providing wintry-like spring training weather for the A&M baseball club, as they continued in the second week of workouts on

The Aggies, fifth-place finishers in the Southwest Conference last year with a 5-9 record, open with the University of Houston Cougars at 2 p.m. behind the plate and in the out-Saturday, beginning a 24- field.

game season. Strong on pitching, the Aggies "We haven't been able to workout enough to know who is going to play Saturday with all this bad weather," stated Coach son batting average of .212, which Beau Bell. "We're used to bad dropped to .191 in conference last weather when baseball practice year.

mound for opposing squads.

Lettermen returning, led by captain and two-year letterman Dick Munday, are: pitchers Paul Lang, Doug Mullins, and Toby Newton; In an informal intrasquad game catcher Louis Nelson; infielders yesterday Behn Hubbard crashed out a home run over the right field outfielders Hubbard and James Smotherman. Wayne Scharper starting on the

Expecting to improve on a 10-13 Roy Robertson, Colorado College season last year, A&M returns football coach, took part in footnine lettermen, but must receive ball, basketball and track at Mc help from sophomores, particularly Pherson College in Kansas.

## Aggie Nine Opens GriddersOpenPractice With Cougars Here As 104 Greet Spring

By BOB CLENDENNEN (Ed's. note: This is the first in a series of articles by Bob Clendennen, a two-year letterman at tackle for the Aggies and now a student-coach during Spring training along with

Autumn-like weather and a host

the other nine graduating

Conference crown. "fundamentals" means nothing an earlier interview. more or less than stance, starts, one-on-one blocks, and timing. Along with the new coaches came

some new ideas for getting the

turned around and replied, "We ond.

around and quieted his tormentors the process.

game for A&M, picked up the first vances.

n't long before Coach Ken Loeff- The outnumbered Aggie follow-

ler began his well-known frantic ers felt victory when the maroon

antics along the sideline, hopping and white pulled ahead, and later

from the bench to shout instruc- when the pride of Texas, Ray

tions or to rebuke a player sound- Downs, fouled out. They filled the

ly for a mistake. His actions be- heavy air with yells when the

came more and more pronounced game ended in a display of wild

At one point a Texas lassie ask- a roar, both of anguish and de-

ed an Aggie in front of her light, arose when big Jim Mc-

"Don't you all hate him for the Nichol, high scorer for the even-

way he carries on?" The Aggie ing, was fouled in the closing sec-

Texas fans soon began riding line, surrounded by friends and

Loeffler. They too became loud- foes. Amidst urges from the

er and louder, declaring that the friends and bitter challanges from

by saying, "You better beat us to- Filing to the dressing room

from the "40 Acres" questioned a aggressor pulled one player from

foul called against the Steers, and the rank, but before he could let

the barrage of coins began. Ted loose with the ensuing blow, the

Harrod, playing his next-to- last Cadet's flying fists stopped his ad-

missile that landed and handed it to an Aggie bystander, ordering bruises welling up under his eyes.

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as the game progressed.

love him!"

| most from the 18-day practice ses-| drill and wind up the session sion. Coach Carney Laslie, (lately from West Point), brought with him a new type of agility drill for linemen which should improve their pursuit and help eliminate their losing sight of the ball during a

The squad divided into five teams yesterday, with regulars and hopeof new faces on the coaching staff fuls alike battling to move up, or Tuesday greeted the returning Ag- in some cases, to stay where they worked on the Aggies' pass degie championship team out to find were put after a preliminary fense. There were several "holes"

The 104-man group wasted no each other in small groups for 40 season ended. To offset this time in getting down to the stuff minutes, then joined together for potential liability, Bryant has alfrom which more champions are work on running plays up the ready begun to instill in his pass made — fundamentals. To Coach middle — an area which Bryant defenders a burning desire to Paul "Bear" Bryant, the word had expressed concern about in INTERCEPT.

> The final 40 minutes of a two-hour workout saw two teams, orange and blue, exchange blows in a pass offense

ball tossing and wild shots. And

McNichol toed the free-throw

with a snappy scrimmage which gave up-coming sophs their first chance to taste varsity linemen. The former freshmen gave good account of themselves, while the offensive-minded blue team ground up good yardage on options and wide sweeps.

All last season, opponents had ways to defend their Southwest evaluation by the coaching staff. in the defensive patterns, and it Interior linemen worked against became a sore spot before the

"We only intercepted 20 passes last fall" said Bryant. "We should have had 30."

Many changes will take place, but the primary one will be in the heart and desire of the defenders. Bryant has always maintained that the best defense is a good him to "hold this for me; I want offense, but from the look of to keep it, by God." Then he things to come, he isn't counting After the game started it was- calmly sank the two free throws. on touchdowns alone.

Bryant's philosophy and guiding goal from now on is to develop all the players possible to their finest. He would like to have four teams capable of being on the field at any time. To do this, each player will have to improve his speed, agility, and reactions. Team speed will be of even greater importance next fall, and "The Bear" intends to have everyone on the squad at his best for next year, THE BIG YEAR AT A&M.

The players seemed to enjoy the workout. They left the field at a Aggies had no chance of winning. the foes, he nonchalantly dropped A little bald spot on Loeffler's both post-game shots through the fast run without any windsprints head was already red from the ex- net. Then he was engulfed by or laps.

A soph halfback summed it up citement, but it grew redder. Af-ter a particularly resounding quip to the dressing room, cutting thru aimed at him, the little coach spun mobs of glaring T.U. students in a ride back to the dorm. He said, "We didn't have a very hard workout. Did we?" He was assured night, because you won't do it came the Aggie subs who had kept that there was more and better their vigil on the bench through- things to come; the advice which Late in the final period the fans out the game. A would-be Texas I now pass on to you.

BEHN HUBBARD — the Aggies returning right fielder who did not play in 1955. Hubbard lettered in

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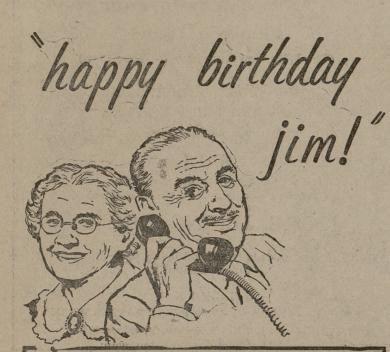


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