

Aggies Open Title Defense Tomorrow

Tigers Meet Rattlers In District Opener

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CHS Sports Correspondent

Tonight the Tigers of A&M Consolidated venture to Navasota to engage the Rattlers of that city. This will be the opening District 23AA tilt for both of the schools.

For the game, Coach Dick Gardema is taking a squad of only 22 boys, the smallest Tiger crew of the season, in number.

Although the group from Navasota has lost six in a row, they have improved steadily since the beginning of the season, and would like very much to break the losing habit tonight.

Probable starters for the Tigers will be as follows: Kenneth Cooner, left end; Pete Rodriguez, left tackle; Bennie Jackson, left guard; David McNeely, center; Junius Clark, right guard; Lyndon Harper, right tackle; Don Avera, right end; Edgar Feldman, quarterback; Dee Smith, left half; Alton Arnold, right half and Steadman Davis moves from his regular center post to the fullback slot.

By GARY ROLLINS
Battalion Sports Editor

Sunshine once again greeted the Cadets as they held their final workout in pads yesterday on Kyle Field. Bryant's eager crew of grid-ders will hold one more light workout in sweat clothes this afternoon, and then depart for Fort Worth to meet the TCU Horned Frogs.

The week began slowly for the Aggies, as rain forced them to workout in G. Rollie White Coliseum for the first two days. Finally, the rain clouds rolled away and were replaced by some badly-needed sunshine, and the squad did have some very light contact work.

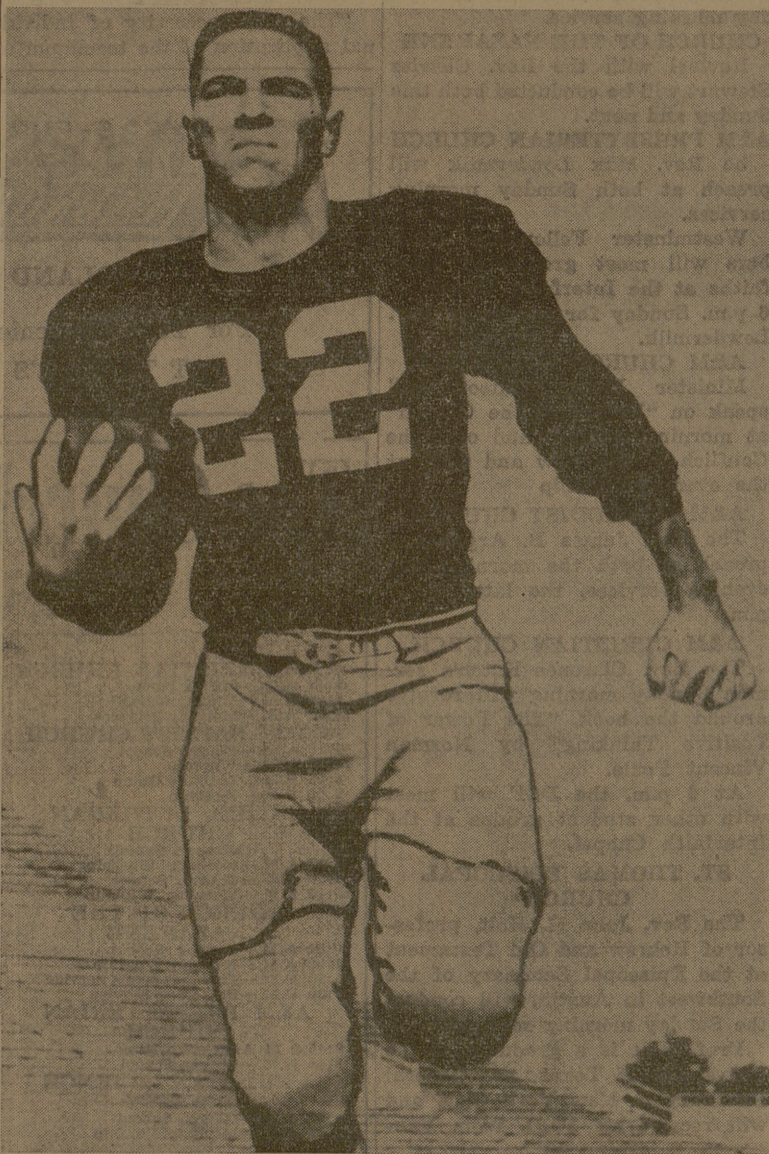
The downpour caused indefinite postponement of the Fish-Cub tilt, and the officials were forced to seek another date when the two teams could meet. However, their full schedules may not permit them to play, and the game may be cancelled completely.

The Farmer starting lineup is only slightly changed, with a shift in the guard personnel. Darrell Brown, senior from Dayton, has moved to the first unit right guard

slot and either Tommy Howard or Carl Luna will open the game at the other spot.

The other doubtful players for the Ags are Roddy Osborne, who injured his knee in the Cougar fray and Carlos Esquivel.

Abe Martin's Froggies are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the Southwest Conference Champs, and for the first time since the season opener against Kansas, senior full-back Buddy Dike will return to action.



Top Ball Carrier In SWC

Left halfback Jim Shofner, a 6-1, 185-pounder senior from Ft. Worth leads the Southwest Conference in rushing and is currently the top backfield man for the Texas Christian Horned Frogs. He has gained 343 yards on 54 carries for an average of 6.4. He is also tops in punt returns with an average of 25.6 per return.

Sooners, Spartans, Aggies Fight for Top Team Spot

The Associated Press

Purdue's Jack Mollenkopf, Chuck Mather of Kansas and Abe Martin of Texas Christian may be in for a long, chilly afternoon Saturday even though the weather usually isn't cold at this stage of the football season.

Their teams face the top three in the national ratings and now that the experts have shown they don't automatically award Oklahoma the No. 1 spot, the competition is terrific.

Oklahoma, displaced from the top for only the third time in two years, likely will make the Kansas game a sort of crusade to get back, just as the Sooners did last year when they yielded to Michigan State for just one week. Michigan State will be scrapping just as head against Purdue to retain its top rating.

TCU takes on third-ranked Texas A&M and Coach Martin's reply to the suggestion his team might pull an upset was: "The Aggies are better than Oklahoma." That might inspire the Aggies to try to prove it.

Michigan State's Spartans went to the top of the heap by routing Michigan 35-6 last Saturday. On the records, Purdue hardly looks like a match even though the Boilermakers gave Minnesota its closest game so far. Kansas, which won by a point over Colorado and tied TCU, doesn't appear to be in Oklahoma's class, either.

But that's what was said about Texas last week and the mighty Sooners had a hard time winning 21-7.

Most of the teams ranked in the top ten have difficult assignments. Minnesota, No. 4, visits Illinois, which always is dangerous at homecoming time. Illinois Coach Ray Ehot figures little errors were responsible for defeats by UCLA and Ohio State.

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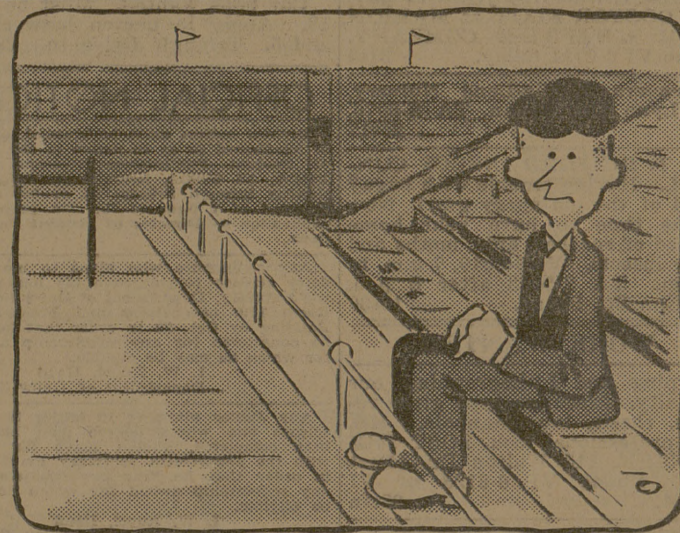
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