

SIX STARTERS INCLUDED

U of H Returns Twenty-Four From Last Season's Squad

When the University of Houston Cougars come filing into Kyle Field this Saturday night for their contest with the Aggies, 24 of the 33 of them who took part in last year's game which saw them whip the Cadets 17-0 will be back.

Six starters and all of the backs and ends who accounted for Houston's total offense in that game are among the returnees.

Coach Harold Lahar's winged-T offense will be directed by quarterback Don Sessions, a senior from Springhill, La. Sessions, who completed eight of 13 passes in last fall's Aggie game and then went on to set an all-time UH completion record of 65, has been outstanding in practices to date.

Left half Ken Bolin, another senior who gained more yards running than any major college back in Texas in 1960, figures to be Houston's big ground threat.

The 165-pound tri-captain led both teams in ground gaining a year ago with 63 yards. Included in that total was a 28-yard dash that set up Houston's first touchdown. He averaged 7.2 yards per carry in '60.

UH Has Never Beaten Aggies On Kyle Field

A University of Houston football team has never beaten a Texas A&M football team at College Station. The best UH team showing there was a 14-14 tie in 1953.

The last time a University of Houston football team opened the season against the Texas Aggies was in 1958. Houston won 39-7 in Houston.

Teams of Harold Lahar of Houston and Jim Meyers of Texas A&M have split four games since these two coaches took over the duties at their respective schools. The overall series is 4-3-2 in favor of the Aggies.

Filmed highlights of the University of Houston-Texas A & M football game will be shown on the Harold Lahar television program this Sunday at 3:30 p.m. The first of an eleven week series, Lahar's show is sponsored by the Tenneco Oil Company and will originate in the studios of KTRK-TV, channel 13, Houston.

University of Houston defensive backfield coach Don Watson was a Texas A&M halfback star in the mid-fifties.

Texas A&M has won the freshman games of each of the three classes that will be represented on the varsity squads in Saturday's game with the University of Houston. The Aggie seniors won as freshmen 12-0. The juniors took the frosh tilt in 1959, 20-6. Last year's freshman score was 21-7 for A&M.

University of Houston halfback Eddie Mitchamore takes a string of 11 straight successful extra point kicks into Saturday night's opener with Texas A & M. The Reagan High grad booted two extra points and a 21-yard field goal in last year's 17-0 Cougar win.

Seniors Charlie Rieves, a hard-driving 200-pound fullback, and Larry Lindsey, a quarterback moved to right halfback, will round out the starting UH backfield, should Lindsey be ready to play. Out with a shoulder separation for the past two weeks, Lindsey's replacement will be either sophomore Bill McMillan or senior Eddie Mitchamore.

Four seniors, two juniors, and one sophomore will probably start in the line.

The seniors are: Bob Barnett, left end, 185 (Fairy); Danny Birdwell, center, 220 (Big Spring); Joe Bob Isbell, right tackle, 220 (Little Cypress); and Dick Kirtley, right guard, 200 (Houston-St. Thomas).

The two juniors are: Buddy Hodges, right end, 195 (Henderson), and Richard Elliott, left guard, 200 (Richmond).

Pete Nikirk, a 225-pound left tackle, will be the lone soph starter. He hails from Alford.

Pro Tennis Champ Says He's Retiring

LONDON (AP) — Professional tennis champion Pancho Gonzalez Wednesday night announced he is retiring from big time professional tennis next month.

"I'm retiring just as soon as my contract with Jack Kramer's professional troupe runs out Oct. 31," he said in an interview.

"I was offered a job playing tennis by Huntington Hartford at the club he is building on Paradise Island in the Bahamas. I understand the club will be completed in February and that is when I'll start working down there.

"In addition, I plan to go into the real estate business in Los Angeles and I can combine the two."



Danny Birdwell ... U of H Center

Rog Almost Did It

By The Associated Press BALTIMORE — Roger Maris hit his 59th home run Wednesday night, in the third inning, but missed No. 60 when a long drive to right went foul in the seventh and failed to tie Babe Ruth's 60-homer record while the New York Yankees clinched their 26th American League pennant.

Battling to tie or surpass Ruth's 1927 record — the greatest of all baseball prizes — Maris tagged Milt Pappas' 2-1 pitch in the third inning for No. 59, the line drive carrying into the stands over the 380-foot marker.

The homer sent the Yankees into a 2-0 lead and the New Yorkers never relinquished the edge as they beat the Baltimore Orioles 4-2 and clinched their 11th pennant in the last 13 years, their first under rookie Manager Ralph Houk.

Maris came up for the second time after homer No. 59 in the seventh inning and took a called strike from reliever Dick Hall before sending a long shot to right that had the crowd on its feet. The shot hooked foul by about 25 feet.

Hall then got Maris to hit a

towering fly to deep right center that chased right fielder Earl Robinson back before he camped under it for the out, 20 feet short of the wall.

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Ken Bolin ... Cougar star halfback

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