

Reggie Grob Loses Battle, Becomes Third Heat Victim

DALLAS (AP) — Reggie Grob, 19, sophomore guard on the University of Texas football squad, died Tuesday as the result of complications from a heat stroke suffered on the opening day of practice.

His was the third football death in Texas this season and the second in Southwest Conference history. Mike Kelsey, Southern Methodist University center, died from a heat stroke the day after fall practice opened Sept. 1.

A high school boy, 16-year-old Raul Rodriguez, died Aug. 31 after collapsing during a workout at Del Rio.

Grob, who was in Brackenridge Hospital at Austin for 17 days, was flown here Monday and taken to Parkland Hospital where a three-hour operation was performed Monday night. He died at 3 p.m. without ever regaining consciousness.

DOCTORS AT AUSTIN said the boy who lived at Spring Branch, Tex., apparently had recovered from the heat stroke when kidney complications arose.

When he was brought here Monday in a plane owned by John Holmes, member of the University of Texas athletic council, he was reported suffering from progressive liver failure, kidney failure and bleeding complications.

"He put up a great fight," said a spokesman at Parkland Hospital. "He was a strong boy but he could not overcome the many things working against him."

Emergency surgery was performed on Grob at Austin Saturday and an artificial kidney was affixed.

He was brought to Dallas because officials at Brackenridge

Hospital said there was more equipment for use of an artificial kidney and also so he could benefit from consultants at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School — next door to Parkland Hospital.

A NUMBER OF specialists were called in on the case. A Dallas specialist had made two trips to Austin to treat the boy.

Grob died only four days before the opening of the football season in the Southwest Conference — when he could have played his first varsity game. Texas opens the season Saturday night against Oregon at Austin.

Kelsey, a 20-year-old 200-pound junior from Corpus Christi, Tex., died in Baylor Hospital without regaining consciousness following his collapse the day before as Southern Methodist started fall training.

His temperature shot to 110 degrees and death was attributed to a heat stroke although the foot-

ball practice was conducted in 77-degree weather. The temperature was 95 degrees at Austin when Grob suffered his stroke.

PARKLAND HOSPITAL said there would be no autopsy. The boy had been unconscious for five days.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Grob, were here when he died. They went into seclusion at a Dallas hotel.

The body was taken to the Marrs-Mundy-Quill Funeral Home here but was to be flown to Houston Tuesday night to the Walker Funeral Home. Services have not been set.

Surviving besides the boy's parents are a brother, Charles of Houston, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Eubanks of South Fort Mitchell, Ky.

At Austin Chancellor Harry Ransom of the University of Texas said "The whole university community is deeply distressed at the loss of an outstanding student who was as accomplished personally as he was athletically."



REGGIE GROB ... dies of heat stroke

48th Conference Race Begins, Steers Favored As Usual

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF Associated Press Sports Writer
The forty-eighth Southwest Conference football race starts this week with Texas favored, as usual. The Longhorns aren't picked every year but since 1941 they have been selected 10 times, which is an average of every other year.

That's more than three times as much as any other school. Texas didn't come through half the time but the fact that the Longhorns did win six titles in that period of 21 years shows that they are the safest bet.

WHILE TEXAS is officially credited with only eight championships and three ties over the 47 seasons, there were two years when it should have been awarded the title. For instance, in 1916 Texas had a 5-1 record, Baylor 3-1, Oklahoma 2-1 and Texas A&M 2-1, yet the conference did not designate a champion and it is left vacant in conference annals. In those it seems they paid no attention to the percentage but just picked somebody if they thought the team deserving.

In 1918, when the country was at war, there again was no champion although Texas had a 4-0 record in the conference and was undefeated and untied for the season. Texas only played five collegiate games, meeting service teams in the other four. But since all the college games were with conference teams, it seems this should have given Texas the championship.

Baylor is listed as champion in 1915—the first year of the conference—although it is commonly

known that the Bears forfeited the title when it was found that the Baylor quarterback, Thomas Stonerod, had played a season with Carnegie Tech before becoming a "freshman" at Baylor.

IF THE CONFERENCE operated as it does now, Oklahoma would have been champion. That season Oklahoma was in the conference and was undefeated and untied, winning just as many conference games as Baylor although the teams didn't meet each other. Baylor lost a nonconference tilt to Sewanee.

There have been only two instances of ineligibility of players. Stonerod was one, but the conference apparently never paid any attention to it. The other came in 1933 when Arkansas won what it thought was its first championship. A lad named Ulysses Schlueter, who played only 10 minutes the entire season, was found to be ineligible because he had spent a year at Nebraska but neglected to tell the Razorbacks about it. The conference fathers couldn't name a champion that year because Baylor and Texas Christian, which tied for second, had identical 4-2 records and Arkansas had beaten them both, so there was just no way around it.

There have been 10 undefeated, untied teams and eight that were undefeated but tied. In the case of the 1929 Southern Methodist team, it seems a little far-fetched to call in an undefeated outfit although technically it was. That outfit tied four out of ten.

The last undefeated team was Bear Bryant's 1956 Texas Aggies.



Qualifies For All-SWC Academic Team
Quarterback Jim Keller, a one-year letterman from Terrell, was one of 36 Southwest Conference football players to qualify for the All-SWC Academic Team and a shot at All-America brain squad. A 6-4, 190-pounder, Keller will also be a help to Coach Bob Rogers' basketball team.

SWC Grid Stars Qualify For '62 Academic Eleven

(Special to The Battalion)
DALLAS — Thirty-six football players have qualified academically for the 1962 All-Southwest Conference Academic Football team sponsored by the College Sports Information Directors of America, Lester Jordan of the co-ordinator of the project, announced Saturday.

The official all-conference academic team will be selected at the end of the season by a committee of sports writers on the basis of the gridder's performance during the 1962 season. Those making the team will automatically be inducted for the All-America academic team.

Intramural

Organization athletic and all persons interested in intramural athletics program meet at 5 p.m. Wednesday in Room 202 of the YMCA Building. The purpose of the gathering is to plan this school year's intramural activities. Swimming will be the first in this semester's program. The event will kickoff Monday, Oct. 1.

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