



FOOTBALL ARMY OF WALKING WOUNDED

Holy Cross' ill-luck football squad's trainer Bill Samko left rear, assembles his patients outside the medical room and appropriately bedecked them with Red Cross jerseys. Players, left to right, front row: Dennis Dwyer, White Plains, N. Y.; Tom Lavery, Closter, N. Y.; Mike Quinn, Charlestown, Mass.; Tom Foley, Douglaston, N. Y.; Conrad Ekert, New York City; Tom Kiley, Elmont, N. Y.; John Warren, St. Paul, Minn.; Bob Nobel, Bronxville, N. Y.; John Vronis, Larchmont, N. Y.; (rear) Samko; Al O'Donovan, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Jack Lentz, Baltimore, Md.; John Bachini, Haverhill, Mass., and Charles Hinkle, Haverton, Pa. Roger Pelletier, Wiscasset, Me., didn't get in picture—he's still hospitalized. (AP Wire-photo)



FROM THE
Sidelines

By Larry R. Jerden

The Aggies' football reputation took a slight dip Tuesday when the AP and UPI polls were released. While it's a great honor and challenge to play the number one team, there seems to be a little less glamour associated with playing the number 2 (AP) or number 3 (UPI) squad.

Anyway, the Razorbacks are no longer number one. But this is not half the injustice as that skinny cow in the number nine spot. That the T-sips should even be in the top ten is ridiculous! First the Hogs knocked them out of number one, then unranked Rice sapped whatever air was left in the TU balloon of glory the very next week! Why should Alabama, 4-1-1, be ranked behind a team that's lost two in a row? And Slippery Rock is still undefeated!

What's done is done, and there is little time to weep over the shellacking the Aggies received from Baylor. The contest in Little Rock should be enough diversion for any team trying to forget the past. And there will be a contest! Not just a going-through-the-motion—because we have to sort of game.

No Sir!
The Aggies intend to give those overstuffed pigs something to think about. As Gene Stallings has pointed out, our folks are little and slow. And as revealed in his weekly press conference Tuesday, the whole squad is mighty banged up. So they'll be a little bit slower. But morale is high, the team is eager, and it looks like rebound time is here.

They're isn't much you can say when your team has been down

and about to play a power like Arkansas. But what could be said, Stallings said it.

"I think we can contain them, and we can move the ball against them," he declared.

Now, if one team on the field can contain the other's offense, and can consistently move the ball, then sooner or later that movement is going to cross the opponent's goal line. And the containment should prohibit the rival from crossing your's.

So, we should win.
Stallings didn't elaborate on how he intended to stop the Hogs offense, or what new principles were to be applied to move against their offense, but he did say,

"We've got plans."
When asked about injuries, Stallings asked if his feelings would count. He went on to say that Jack Pyburn is out for the season, but that Dan Westfield might be back, starting on defense.

Stallings has used the spy-in-the-sky TV outfit for the last two games, and admits there must be some advantage to the equipment.

"Yes, TV's got its advantages, I just don't know what they are yet," quipped the Aggie mentor. Sipping on a Coke, he explained, "When that ball is snapped, I just gotta watch the field. I can't watch that TV."

Just for the record the Aggies haven't outscored the Hogs since 1957, the year before Frank Broyles took over. That year the Ags took a squeaker 7-6 in Fayetteville to spoil the Arkansas homecoming.

Michigan State Nabs No. 1

Michigan State's victory over highly rated Purdue sent the Big Ten Spartans ahead of Arkansas today in a close vote for the No. 1 position in The Associated Press college football poll.

The undefeated Spartans supplanted the Razorbacks by the narrowest of margins — seven points, less than the total of one first-place vote.

Arkansas, 55-20 winner over North Texas State, even outscored Michigan State in first-place votes, 23 to 19, but fell off in the second and third positions. Ten points are given for a first-place nomination, nine for second and on down the line. Michigan State drew 473 points from the panel of 51 sports writers and broadcasters while Arkansas, which went to the top last week for the first time in history, collected 466.

Nebraska, like the Spartans and Razorbacks unbeaten and untied in six games, held to its No. 3 place with 424 points, including nine first-place votes.

Notre Dame, on the basis of its impressive 28-7 rout of Southern California on national television, surged from seventh to fourth, followed by Louisiana State, No. 5; Purdue, No. 6; Florida, No. 7; Southern California, No. 8; Texas, No. 9, and Alabama, No. 10.

Alabama, the defending national champion, replaced Georgia, which lost to Kentucky 28-0. All other teams in the Top Ten are returnees, although shaken up in position.

The Top Ten with first-place votes in parentheses, season records and total points:

1. Mich. State (19) 6-0 473
2. Arkansas (23) 6-0 466
3. Nebraska (9) 6-0 424
4. Notre Dame 4-1 346
5. La. State 5-1 230
6. Purdue 4-1-1 201
7. Florida 4-1 200
8. So. Calif. 4-1-1 93
9. Texas 4-2 68
10. Alabama 4-1-1 62

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Norton, Bell, Mahan, Davis, Hooper Elected To Athletic Hall Of Fame

The coach of the 1939 National Champions football team; a half-back star of the 1910-14 era; a great fullback and 1920 Olympic team member; and two other two-sport Aggie "greats" comprise the five Aggie immortals of the past who will be inducted into the Texas A&M Athletic Hall of Fame at the annual banquet here the eve of the Thanksgiving Day game with the University of Texas.

Homer Hill Norton, late of College Station, is the coach; Tyree L. Bell, Dallas, is the half-back; the late Jack Mahan, Gatesville, is the fullback-Olympian; Walt "Buddy" Davis, Nederland, Olympic high jump record breaker and basketball center; and Darrow Hooper, Dallas, Olympic shot putter and football kicking specialist, are the men selected by Aggie lettermen to be so honored.

Norton served as head coach and athletic director from 1934 through 1947 to establish a tenure record. In his time the Aggies won the Number 1 title in 1939 and took the Southwest Conference crown in 1939 tied with SMU in 1940 and won it again in 1941. In 1939-40 they

set a record of 19 consecutive victories which still stands although now threatened by Arkansas.

Bell was an outstanding back in the days of Uncle Charley Moran and the only Aggie ever twice elected captain. He made All-Southern in 1912 and All-TIAA in 1912 and 1914.

Mahan was a crashing full-back in the D. X. Bible days 1917-20. In his three years of play only seven points were scored against his teams but that seven came in a 3-7 loss to Texas and cost A&M the title in 1920. He made the Olympic team as a javelin thrower and finished fifth.

Davis won the 1952 Olympic gold medal with a record 6 feet, 8 3/4 inch high jump and added a world mark with a leap of 6 feet, 11 1/2 inches. In basketball he was an All-Conference center and won District 6 NCAA All-America Honors.

Hooper finished second to Perry Brien in the 1952 Olympic shot put losing by 3/4 inch. He held the SWC records in both shot and discus for three years. In football he was the conversion and field goal specialist.

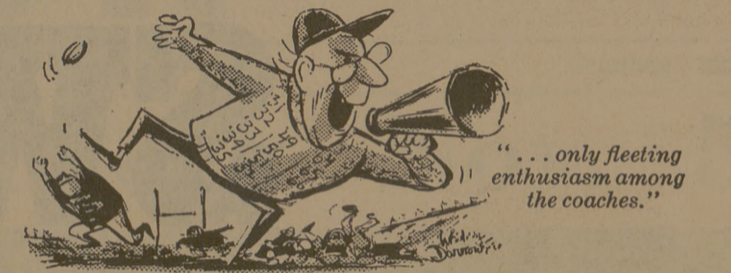
On Campus with Max Shulman
(By the author of "Rally Round the Flag, Boys!", "Dobie Gillis," etc.)

TWELVE IS A MANY-SPLENDORED THING

Today I begin my twelfth year of writing this column in your campus newspaper.

These dozen years have passed like a dozen minutes. In fact, I would not believe so much time has gone by except that I have my wife nearby as a handy reference. When I started this column, she was a mere slip of a girl—supple as a willow bough and fair as the morn. Today she is gnarled, lumpy, and given to biting the postman. Still, I count myself lucky. Most of my friends who were married at the same time have wives who chase cars all day. I myself have never had this trouble, and I attribute my good fortune to the fact that I have never struck my wife with my hand. I have always used a folded newspaper, even during the prolonged newspaper strike of 1961 in New York. During this journalistic period I had the airmail edition of the *Manchester Guardian* flown in daily from England. I must admit, however, that it was not entirely satisfactory. The airmail edition of the *Guardian* is printed on paper so light and flimsy that it makes very little impression when one smacks one's wife. Mine, in fact, thought it was some kind of game and tore several pairs of my trousers.

But I digress. For twelve years, I say, I have been writing this column. That is a fact, and here is another: I have every morning with Personna Stainless Steel Blades. I bring up Personna Stainless Steel Blades because this column is sponsored by the makers of Personna and they are inclined to brood if I omit to mention their products.



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But I digress. For twelve years, I say, this column has been discussing, forthrightly and fearlessly, such burning campus questions as "Should students be allowed to attend first-hour classes in pajamas?" and "Should deans be retired at age 25?" and "Should foreign exchange students be held for ransom?"

Today, continuing the tradition, we take up the thorniest academic problem of all: the high cost of tuition. Let me tell you how one student, Lintel Sigafos by name, solved this problem.

Lintel, while still a boy in Straitened Circumstances, Idaho, had his heart set on college, but, alas, he couldn't afford the tuition. He applied for a Regents Scholarship but, alas, his reading speed was not very rapid—only two words an hour—and before he finished even the first page of his exam, the Regents had closed their briefcases crossly and gone home. Lintel then applied for an athletic scholarship, but he had, alas, only a single athletic skill—balancing an ice cream cone on his chin—and this, alas, aroused only fleeting enthusiasm among the coaches.

And then he found the answer: he would get a student loan! Of course, he would have to pay it back after graduation, but clever Lintel solved that, too: he kept changing his major, never accumulating enough credits to graduate until he was 65 years old. Then he repaid the loan out of his Social Security.

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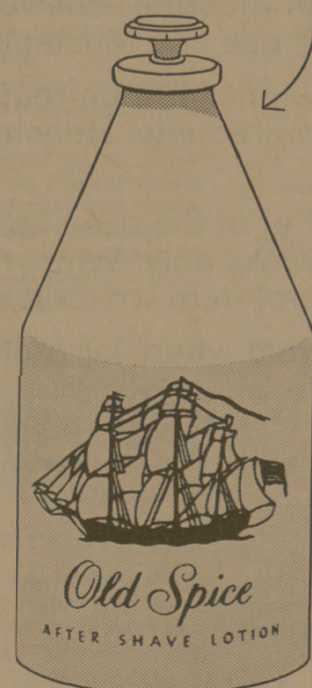
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