

Curington Ready For Rice

Little Lloyd Curington hopes that "third time is a charm" as the Texas Aggies prepare for Saturday afternoon's SWC football game with the Rice Owls in Houston.

In his sophomore year, Curington had a pretty good afternoon against Rice, returning a kickoff 32 yards, catching a couple of passes and making a few nice runs, but it all was in vain as the Owls won, 19-8. Then last year Curington sat out the Rice game with a pulled leg muscle.

It's important to Curington to play well and beat Rice because the 158-pound speedster is a Houston product. He played for Austin High there and was a third-team all-state star.

Texas wanted him and told him he could be "another Saxton." He

picked A&M instead. He had an older brother in school at Aggieland and, besides, he "didn't want to go somewhere to try to fill someone else's shoes."

In his freshman year at A&M the Fish posted a 4-1 record and Curington led the club in rushing, punt returns, kickoff returns and scoring. He was a regular as a sophomore and led the Aggies in rushing. Then in his junior year he was hurt and missed four games (Baylor, Arkansas, SMU and Rice.)

This was to be his big year but in opener against Georgia Tech he went down on a punt, was blocked and received a deep thigh bruise. He finally returned to action last week but saw only limited duty against SMU. He was in on all kickoff returns

and three or four offensive plays but never touched the football.

The little speedster (he was timed at 9.8 for the 100 in high school) feels that he'll be ready to go at top speed this week.

When he's fit, he can move. He rushed for 287 yards as a sophomore and he netted 100 on 25 carries last year before he was hurt. He ran only one time against Georgia Tech this season and picked up six yards.

Too, there's another personal reason why Curington wants the Aggies back on the winning trail. He has a young son, Stephen, who was born the morning of Oct. 29 and will be two weeks old next Saturday. Since his arrival the Aggies have lost to Arkansas and SMU. "I sure want to help change that," Lloyd says.



BEGINNING OF THE END
SMU's Jerry Levias (23) starts out on his 83-yard punt return for the touchdown that clinched the victory for the Mustangs 21-14. Giving pursuit are Aggies Emil Farr (53) and Gary Kovar.

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BY GARY SHERER

In about a month, the College Basketball season will be upon us. The pros, of course, have been playing for two weeks. The national scene seems to shape up as a one-team affair, namely UCLA.

The reasons for this are an unbeaten freshman team, good lettermen returning, their top scorer back, and most important, Lew Alcindor.

This fellow doesn't need a press agent; when you are 7'1 1/2" tall and still only 19, you speak for yourself.

Coming off a successful year with the freshmen (33.1 points a game and 21 rebounds, his first year of varsity ball is looked on a game and 21 rebounds), his first year of varsity ball is looked on with much speculation by the writers.

It may be of interest to note the kind of players he is playing with last year. UCLA's starting five, including Alcindor, had three boys who were high-

school All-America first team the year before. This would lead one to believe that UCLA did quite a recruiting job.

Other outstanding teams this year should be: Providence and Boston College in the East; Dayton and Michigan State in the Midwest; Kentucky, Duke and Louisville in the South; Texas Western, Houston and SMU in the Southwest; Creighton, Oklahoma City and New Mexico in the Plains and Mountains, and Pacific University and Seattle, along with UCLA, in the West.

Since everyone else will pick a pre-season "All" team, this corner will give it a try also.

- First Team
Pat Riley—Kentucky
Westley Unsell—Louisville
Lew Alcindor—UCLA
Bob Verga—Duke
Jim Walker—Providence
- Second Team
Sonny Dove—St. John's (N.Y.)
Elvin Hayes—Houston
Billy Joe Hill—Texas Western
Louis Dampier—Kentucky

Kicking Has Ups And Downs—Lindsey Is No Exception

Football players who specialize in kicking have their ups and downs and Texas A&M's Glynn Lindsey is no exception.

"My biggest thrill as a kicker?" Lindsey repeated the question. "I guess it would have to be against the University of Houston last year." The Aggies won that one, 10-7, on Lindsey's 26-yard field goal in the third period.

Another top thrill came against Rice in Houston last season. He booted a crucial extra point late in the fourth quarter to provide the Aggies with a come-from-behind 14-13 victory.

"No doubt about the biggest disappointment," Glynn says. "It was when I missed that field goal against LSU this year." The Aggies were on the LSU one-yard line in a 7-7 game but the football was on the right hash mark and Lindsey had a bad angle. His kick was wide to the left.

Lindsey was a quarterback at Mineral Wells High and he practiced kicking then but "we had a soccer-type kicker that we used."

He's in on a lot of tackles after kicking off. In the LSU game this year he received a broken nose when he made the tackle on the opening kickoff. "That wasn't the reason for missing that field goal later, though," Glynn says.

Glynn has been married three years and has a five-month-old daughter, Kelly Lynn.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lindsey of Palo Pinto, Tex., Glynn will get his degree in January and plans to go into the coaching profession.

But, before that he has a

couple more football games for the Aggies, against Rice and Texas and he wants to do a lot of kicking in both.

Aggies Have Share Of Top SWC Sophs

The Southwest Conference has a lot of outstanding sophomores this year and the Texas Aggies have their share.

Against SMU, the Aggies started five on offense and six on defense. On offense were Edd Hargett, quarterback; Bob Long, wingback; Wendell Housley, tailback; Tommy Maxwell, split end and Tom Buckman, strong end. On defense were tackles, Rolf Krueger and Harvey Aschenbeck; linebacker Ivan Jones, rover Joe Wood and safety Curley Hallman.

When they get around to voting for sophomore of the year, Hargett should be one to consider seriously. He has completed 118 of 235 passes this year for 1,387 yards and 10 touchdowns and has displayed the poise of a fifth-year senior.

A&M Coach Gene Stallings doesn't like to brag on sophomores but he says, "The proof is in the pudding and the statistics tell the story. If I were voting I know how I'd cast my ballot."

There is another sophomore on the Aggie squad who is doing an excellent job as a specialist. He is Steve O'Neal, who came from Hearne to A&M on a track scholarship (hurdler) and now carries a 42.4-yard punting average on 52 kicks this season.

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