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INDIVIDUALS

MAKE UP THE FIFTH WHEEL!

A&M's top running back the past two seasons, is one of the key concerns during the Aggies' spring football drills these days.

Winning an offensive halfback's berth is the top concern for Clifford Thomas, a six-foot, 190-pound battler from Tahoka out in West Texas.

Clifford, better known as "Little Cliff" around Aggieland to distinguish him from Clifton "Big Cliff" Thomas, a 6-5, 234pound linebacker from Tidehaven, was a great all-around athlete at Tahoka High.

He played halfback and linebacker and made all-district and

all-South Plains both ways. He also played basketball and ran in the intermediate hurdles and broad jumped in track.

When he came to A&M, he specialized as a linebacker on the 1968 Fish team that went unbeaten. He started out last spring at the same position but was later shifted to offense and played both tailback and fullback. This spring he is concentrating on the right halfback spot.

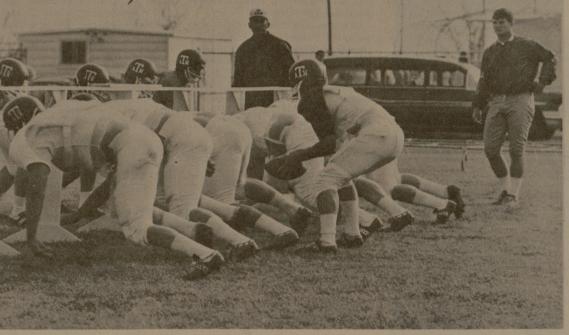
Little Cliff can run the 100 in 10-flat and he moves with balance and power when he has the football. He's known as a fierce competitor and that's what it'll take to eventually win the

starting halfback slots this coming season.

The son of Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Thomas of Tahoka, Cliff had a high school grade average of 91, was a member of the National Honor Society and president of the student council. He is a prevet medicine major at A&M and plans to become a veterinarian.

He only carried the football four times last season and gained nine yards while earning his letter as a sophomore.

But, with two more varsity seasons ahead, you can look for Little Cliff to make his presence felt in the Aggies' offensive back-



HARD-CHARGING LINE—Line coach Charlie Bradshaw (back left) and student assistant Harvey Aschenbeck check the firepower of the Aggie Maroon offensive line in the Wednesday session of the second week of spring training. The Aggies have a scrimmage tentatively scheduled for Saturday afternoon on Kyle Field. (Photo by Mike

Mural Track On The Move

Field event finals in Class A and 440 relay. and C and qualifying heats in the 120-yard low hurdles and 880yard relay will be held today at Kyle Field as the intramural track meet speeds into the back

Championships for all track events will be run Monday, April

Qualifiers have been determined in the 100, 400, and 880 dashes

Bob McGee and Tom Van Horne led all qualifiers in the 100 with 10.4 times. Class B leader in the century dash was James Kelly of Company F-1 in 10.8. In the 440, Bill Larson clocked at 54.5 but three others ran it in 54.6 to indicate a close race in the finals. Dan Gear of Squadron 3 hit the quarter tape in 54.2 to lead Class B.

Law and Legett Halls posted the best 440 relay times, 45.8 and 46.3, respectively. Company E-2 was next with 47.4. In Class B, Squadron 3 turned in a 46 flat

Champions in all Class B field

Shot put, Odis Anthony, Squadron 10, 44-11; high jump, (tie) Russell McInturff, Squadron 1, and Paul Rider, Squadron 6, 5-9 (one miss each), and long jump, Tom Harper, Squadron 11, 19-0.

Company F-2 won the Class B softball championship by defeating Squadron 2. Squadron 3 and Company I-1 tied for third.

In overall Class B standings, Company K-1 holds a five-point lead over Squadron 3 and Company F-1, with only track and swimming incomplete.

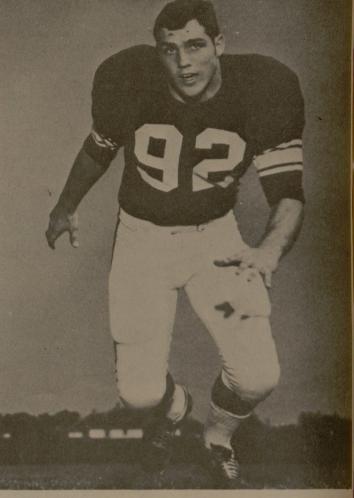
WEATHER

Friday - Cloudy in morning, partly cloudy in afternoon. Southerly winds 10-15 mph. High 84



degrees, low 70 degrees.





LITTLE CLIFF—Clifford Thomas is one of the top candidates in the Texas A&M spring drills for one of the starting halfback slots. He carried but four times last season but could see a lot more action when the Aggies open with Wishits State in the fall Wichita State in the fall.

Track Talent Will Abound

Track fans are in for a big night at Kyle Field Saturday when the Aggies entertain Rice, TCU and Arkansas in a quadrangular track and field meet.

The Southwest Conference's top sprinters, hurdlers, pole vaulters and relay teams will be on display in the meet that gets under way with field events at 6 p.m. and running events at

The 100-yard dash, for example, will feature four runners who have been clocked at 9.6 this season. That foursome includes A&M's Marvin Mills and Rockie Woods and TCU's James Lester and Carl Mills.

The 120-yard high hurdles also will have a star-studded field. TCU's Larry McBryde has the season's top time of 14.0 but he'll be pushed by A&M's Rockie Woods, David Prince and Donny Rogers and Rice's Jack Faubion and Greg Gilliland.

Fans who like the pole vault should be elated about this meet as Rice has three who have cleared 16 feet. Dickie Phillips has made 16-71/4 while Dave Roberts and Larry Curtis have cleared

The Aggies have a couple of 6-9 high jumpers in Marvin Taylor and Ben Greathouse. TCU's David Quisenberry and A&M's of drinking water. John Taylor have made 6-7.

going all-out Saturday night for Rockie Woods will be in four

and 440 relay.

and legs on both the 440 and mile mand ship, which had become relay teams. Curtis Mills will essentially a bedroom, had turned run the 440 and on both relays. Donny Rogers will run the 100,

Prince will run both hurds races. Don Kellar the top 4 hurdler in the SWC will run! specialty and also the mile lay. Harold McMahan will p vault and run on the mile rela and Scotty Hendricks will run 100, 220 and the opening leg of the 440 relay.

An added attraction will be "Masters Mile," just before the mile relay. There will be tw divisions for men, one for the 25 to 35 years of age and other for those over 35. There w be one division for females wit no age limits. The runners a must predict their time for th mile before running. The one wh comes nearest to his predicte time will be the winner.

Admission for the meet will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents in students of high school age an under. A&M students will be ad mitted on activity cards.

Apollo 13

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The astronauts had a 30-how Coach Charlie Thomas has an- margin in the lunar module oxy nounced that the Aggies will be gen supply and about 500 ext ampere hours in the lunar module electrical supply.

The spacemen had turned off events, the 100, 220, high hurdles most lights and they grope through the two darkened space Marvin Mills will run the 100 ships with flashlights. The comcold, with temperatures as low a 35 degrees.

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