

UT honors former coaches

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—The Texas Longhorns' new 2.5 million baseball park will be named Disch-Falk field if University of Texas regents agree.

It will be necessary for the regents to waive a rule prohibiting naming a university facility after a living person—Bibb Falk, who coached Longhorn baseball teams in 1940-42 and 1946-67 before retiring.

Disch is the late William J. "Billy"

Disch, who coached Longhorn teams for 29 years.

The new park will seat 5,000 and will be covered with artificial turf. It replaces Clark Field, known by most for the limestone cliff that runs through part of the outfield.

A center for the performing arts will be built on the site of Clark field, which was named in honor of James B. Clark, a member of the first board of regents at UT.

Legends highlight 1921-40 athletic

Bones Irvin, D.X. Bible come to Aggieland

Editor's note. This is the second in a series covering the history of organized athletics at A&M.

By JERRY JOHNSON

In the period 1921-1940, the Aggie sports legends got their names on the book. The list includes E. King Gill, the original twelfth man, Bones Irvin, A&M athletic director emeritus, Homer Norton and John Kimbrough.

The start of the roaring twenties rolled into A&M with Coach D. X. Bible's second of four straight basketball championships. After the 1920 championship, the Aggies won

consecutively in 1921, 1922, and 1923. The captain of the 1922 team was Aggie Hall of Famer Tiny Keen.

The year 1922 also brought a new track coach to the campus. Andy Anderson took over the program and won the conference championship in his first year. That was his first of what was to become nine Southwest Conference championships.

E. King Gill is the original twelfth man from his response to the call from Coach D. X. Bible at the Dixie Classic football game on January 2, 1922. The Aggies were pitted against Centre College and had no

substitutes left when Coach Bible sent word into the stands for Gill. He suited up but didn't get to play. Gill has been inducted into the Aggie Hall.

Bones Irvin was an All-Southwest Conference tackle on the championship team of 1925. He later held the athletic director post from 1949

until 1954 and again from 1965 until his retirement in February 1968.

Golf won its first A&M conference championship in 1926.

Another SWC football championship came A&M's way in 1927. Aggie Hall members Tommy Mills and Joel Hunt played that year for Coach Bible. Hunt still holds the SWC scoring record for one season. He set it in 1927 with 128 points.

The year 1931 produced a conference baseball championship for the Aggies. Beau Bell played in the outfield that year and was selected to the All-America team. He was the first Aggie ever to be picked to that team.

The 1931 football team didn't win the championship but one of the lettermen was James Earl Rudder. He went on to be the President of the University from 1959 to 1970. His Aggie Hall plaque calls him "a truly great Texas Aggie."

Three years later, Homer Norton took over the post of head football coach. By the time he had finished his fourteen years at the office, he had taken the Aggies to the Sugar Bowl, the Cotton Bowl twice and the Orange Bowl. His 1939 team won the National Championship.

Swimming became an outstanding sport at A&M with the hiring of Art Adamson in 1935. He produced five All-Americans in his 34 years on the A&M campus. Adamson is a member of the Aggie Hall and his tenure stands as school coaching re-

cord.

One year later, the Aggie team's first football All-American, Rountt was also named to the national and Aggie Hall of Fame.

Dick Todd is another name on Aggie Hall list. He captained the 1938 football team and has been led the greatest broken field runner ever at A&M.

Then came 1939 and the great football team in Aggie history. Coach Homer Norton took them to the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans where they beat Tulane 14-0 and claim the national championship.

All-Americans John Kimbrough and Joe Boyd led that team to straight victories. During the season, they defeated Villanova, who was riding on the string of straight wins, and TCU, the national champs of 1935.

In addition to Kimbrough, Boyd, the other stars of that team were Walemon "Cotton" France, quarterbacked and captained the team, Herb Smith, who was a conference end selection that year, Jim Thomason, who played the 600 minutes possible in blocking back. All are members of the Aggie Hall except France.

Although it would be hard to say the previous season, the Aggie 1940 did almost as well. They only to t.u. (0-7) and represented the conference in the Cotton Bowl against Fordham.

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Air Force grads

Graduates serving in the U. S. Air Force were recently decorated.

Col. Mike DeLeon of Houston received the Meritorious Service Medal at Randolph AFB. The 1949 A&M graduate was cited for service at Pacific Air Force headquarters, Hickam AFB, Hawaii.

He was in the current operations division and also was engineering director. At Randolph, Col. DeLeon is organization and maintenance director with Air Training Command headquarters. He studied civil engineering here.

Capt. Ralph M. Crow of Texarkana was decorated with his third award of the Distinguished Flying Cross. He is an F-4 Phantom weapon systems officer with the 92nd Tactical Fighter Squadron that flies out of Bentwaters RAF Station, England. Crow was cited for a Southeast Asia mission.

A finance major, he was in Squadron 8 and graduated in 1969.

State rugby set Saturday

The Texas Rugby Union playoffs will be held here Saturday and Sunday with the defending champion.

A&M meets Permian Basin at Odessa Saturday and Fort Worth and Houston clash in the other match. The winners advance to Sunday's championship game.

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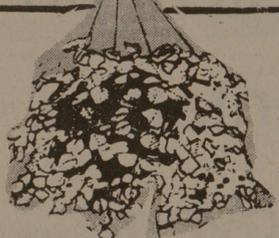
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