

Game is at 4:00 p.m.

Aggies set to burn Mississippi

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After 286 days off it's time for the Texas Aggies to get back to the wars of college football.

Coach Emory Bellard begins his fourth season as Aggie boss Saturday afternoon when he leads the farmers against the Ole Miss Rebels.

It's been a long wait since that cold, dark day in Austin and it seems as though everyone wants to get in the act of getting the bad taste out of their mouths. Athletic department officials announced last night that only 700 tickets remain for the contest.

The crowd will be the largest non-conference crowd since the

Army game in 1972. It will also be the largest home opener crowd.

The Aggies virtually wrapped up pre-game preparations Thursday as they went through a brisk one hour workout. Everyone is healthy except coach Paul Register whose leg is still in a cast from a practice accident earlier this season.

The Rebels on the other hand have two casualties from last week's 20-10 loss to the Baylor Bears in Waco.

Tight end Curtis Weathers and safety Brad Pittman are both on the shelf. Weathers cracked a bone in his left wrist and Pittman sprained an ankle. Pittman is the son of former TCU coach Jim Pittman.

The meeting of the Ags and Rebs

will be the third time that the two schools have played. The Aggies won a 17-0 contest in 1911 in College Station and gained a 14-7 decision at Beaumont in 1914.

Rebel coach Ken Cooper has spent the week trying to improve the consistency of the offense and tightening up the middle of the Rebel defense.

"Working out of the Wishbone, a massive outfit, we know that A&M is strong enough to roll over most football teams. We'll have to do a better job against their handoff attack," Cooper said.

"Also," he added, "we've simply got to be more proficient on offense, run the ball more effectively and thereby set up our passing game."

The defense needs more rest than we were able to give them last Saturday night."

Baylor limited the Rebs to 85 rushing yards and 107 in the air. The only real plus was George Plasketes passing. He completed nine of 13 passes for 108 yards.

Plasketes passing will get a test Saturday when he goes against last year's number two pass defense in the nation.

The eighth ranked Aggies will have a decided weight advantage against the Rebels. The Ole Miss offensive line averages 234 pounds per man while the Aggie defensive line averages 250. The Rebel defensive line averages 228 against the Aggie offensive line at 245 per man.

Bellard expressed concern earlier in the week about the Rebel offense. "They employed a number of different offensive formations last year, last spring and against Baylor last Saturday night. We're at a loss as to just exactly what they'll use against us. In the past they've run the Veer, the I, pro set and wing-T."

Bellard also added that he thought the Aggies had accomplished a lot during workouts but that it was time for the workouts to stop and the games to start.

He won't have to wait long now, just about 24 hours. That seems like a long time, but it's not nearly as long as 286 days.

AGGIE-OLE MISS STARTING LINEUPS

TEXAS A&M OFFENSE
SE-1 Carl Roaches, 5-8, 165, Sr-3L
LT-74 Glenn Bujnoch, 6-5, 253, Sr-2L
LG-65 Bruce Welch, 6-4, 260, Sr-2L
C-51 Henry Tracy, 6-2, 227, Sr-3L
RG-61 Craig Glendenning, 6-3, 244, Jr-2L
RT-67 Dennis Swilley, 6-4, 256, Jr-2L
TE-83 Richard Osborne, 6-5, 228, Sr-3L
QB-25 David Shipman, 6-1, 210, Jr-1L
LB-44 Bubba Bean, 6-0, 198, Sr-3L
RB-32 Skip Walker, 5-10, 194, Sr-3L
FB-23 Ronnie Hubby, 5-10, 201, Sr-3L

TEXAS A&M DEFENSE
LE-86 Tank Marshall, 6-5, 258, Jr-2L
LT-90 Edgar Fields, 6-3, 250, Jr-1L
RT-72 Jimmy Dean, 6-5, 261, Jr-2L
RE-88 Blake Schwarz, 6-2, 233, Sr-3L
LLB-77 Ed Simolini, 6-0, 230, Sr-3L
MLB-80 Grady Wilkerson, 6-3, 222, Jr-2L
RLB-71 Garth Ten Napel, 6-2, 216, Sr-2L
LC-28 Pat Thomas, 5-9, 180, Sr-3L
RC-17 William Thompson, 5-10, 180, Jr-2L
LS-82 Lester Hayes, 6-2, 208, Jr-2L
RS-20 Jackie Williams, 5-11, 179, Sr-2L

AGGIE SPECIALISTS
Punters-2 Mark Stanley, 6-2, 200, Sr-2L
Placements-94 Tony Franklin, 5-10, 169, Frosh
Center-54 Matt Freeman, 5-11, 200, Jr-1L

OLE MISS OFFENSE
SE-82 Bill Small, 6-1, 185, Sr-2L
ST-70 Dick Lawrence, 6-3, 236, Sr-2L
SG-66 Robert Henry, 6-0, 243, Jr
C-60 John MacNeill, 6-1, 228, Sr-2L
TG-66 Chuck Kota, 6-3, 240, Jr
TT-71 James Hickman, 6-2, 232, Sr-2L
TE-83 Wade Griffin, 6-5, 227, Jr-1L
QB-14 George Plasketes, 6-2, 202, Soph
TB-25 James Reed, 6-0, 205, Sr-2L
FB-36 Paul Hofer, 5-11, 186, Sr-3L
FLK-35 Rick Kimbrough, 5-10, 177, Sr-2L

OLE MISS DEFENSE
LE-92 Bill Farris, 6-3, 205, Sr-2L
LT-65 Lawrence Johnson, 6-3, 248, So-1L
MC-61 Richard Clippard, 6-2, 236, Sr-2L

RT-74 Ben Williams, 6-3, 253, Sr-3L
RE-88 Gary Turner, 6-4, 212, Jr-2L
SLB-43 Kem Coleman, 6-3, 235, So-1L
WLB-91 George Stuart, 6-0, 205, Jr-1L
SS-6Rickey Hicks, 6-0, 180, So.
LC-27 George Nasif, 6-0, 182, Jr-1L
RC-8 Charlie Moss, 5-10, 175, Jr-1L
FS-7 Gary Jones, 6-3, 197, So

OLE MISS SPECIALISTS
Punter-92 Bill Farris, 6-3, 205, Sr-2L
Placements-17 Steve Lavinghouze, 5-9, 173, Sr-3L

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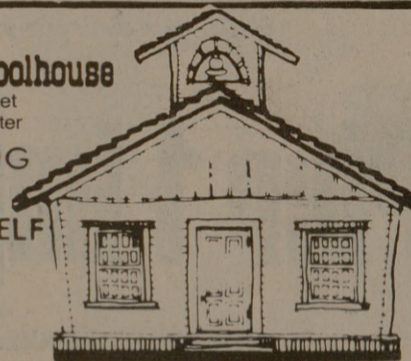
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Crow among honorees

Included among seven candidates for the two running back positions on the All-Time Texas pro football team are three former Aggie standouts.

Heisman trophy winner John David Crow, Dick Todd and Bob Goode all ended their careers at Aggie and carried their talents into the pro ranks. Also listed as choices for the two positions are SMU's Doak Walker, Texas Tech's Donny Anderson, North Texas State's

Abner Haynes and Prairie View's Clem Daniels.

Crow stayed in the pros 11 years with both the San Francisco 49ers and the St. Louis Cardinals. He was known for his versatility, rushing for nearly 5,000 yards and making 258 receptions to go along with his 444 points scored. He played in four Pro Bowls.

Todd was with the Washington Redskins a total of eight years, four before WWII and four after. He

played both on offense and on defense. A more than adequate rusher and receiver, he scored 206 points for the 'Skins. He excelled in returning punts with a 13.3 yard average on 39 returns.

Goode followed Todd on the Washington roster, playing four years in the Capitol City and then went to Philadelphia. His finest year as a pro was in 1951 when he gained 951 yards rushing and finished second in the NFL in that

category. Goode appeared in two Pro Bowls in his five year career.

The contest is sponsored by Seven-Eleven stores across the state and ballots may be obtained at any Seven-Eleven location.

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