

SPORTS SHOTS

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Today and tomorrow will mark probably the busiest week-end that Frog athletic teams have had in many months. The Purple baseballers are playing host to those terrible Steers from Austin today and tomorrow while Texas tracksters are returning the compliment to our thinly-clad at the 12th annual Texas Relays. Then, on the Purple courts, the Horned Frog tennis team will meet the strong Oklahoma U. netters tomorrow afternoon. The golf team, after two victories over Trinity University this week, will remain idle over the week-end.

Speaking of the golf team, as the weeks pass Coach Tom Prouse's niblick swingers continue on their merry way of winning. Undeclared as the season progresses, the Frogs are rapidly increasing their lead over the other conference linksmen that they are going to be tough at the conference tournament in Austin the last of May. Texas, defending champs, and Rice are rated as the teams to beat, but a Purple victory would not be surprising. Not since 1927, when Jimmy Walkup won individual honors, has T. C. U. come up with the title.

The very position that had Baseball Coach Walter Roach worried before the season started has proved to be the strongest spot on his ball club. This is the pitching staff. After the two S. M. U. games, Roach was elated over the work of his two young hurlers, Preston Thompson and Ross Vanderkolk. Both hurled five ball and deserved to win had their mates gathered their share of base hits or if the Frogs infield had been able to handle the easy rollers that they allowed to go through for hits. Vanderkolk, who hurled his first game for T. C. U. Saturday, (he

was an infielder for the past two years), was especially effective, allowing only four hits and no earned runs. The stocky little Milwaukee senior struck out six and walked only four. Thompson, while a little wild in the early innings, settled down and should have won his game also. If these lads are in good form and the infield can plug up those gaps, the highly touted Steers are in for rough sledding today and tomorrow.

The proposed departmental softball league is just a little slow in taking shape, but two or three teams have shown enough interest to enter squads. The biology and geology department has entered a team that, according to Coach Willis Hewatt, will have no trouble winning the title. Those fugitives from the pulpit, the Parsons, are always ready to play anybody at any time. They are working out under the direction of Herman ("Now I'm Married") Pitman. The struggling journalists may have to fill up some of their lineup with girls, but we will be in there fighting. If your department hasn't yet entered, get busy and do so, because the league should get under way as soon as possible.

Frogs Look Good!

Dutch Meyer Is Optimistic As Spring Training Closes

"We'll win our share of the games," was Coach Dutch Meyer's optimistic comment at the close of the spring training session last Saturday.

The Dutchman didn't say just how many he considered "our share," but from the showing made in the past 20 days, it should be considerable more than in 1940.

The new Frog offense is especially pleasing to the Dutchman. The rule changes have enabled Meyer to build up a new offense even more deceptive than the old system. Even the usually gloomy Athletic Director Grubbs came down from his figures in the Stadium and spread a cheery smile around as the Frogs closed the session with a final practice game Saturday.

The star of Saturday's fracas was the fellow who is likely to deal Frog opponents plenty of trouble next season—Kyle Gillespie.

The bespectacled Kyle scored three times as the Frogs wound up their drills. He made them the hard way. He returned a kickoff 85 yards for one, scampered back 45 yards on a punt return with another and passed for the third.

There were also other near-great performances in this "regulation" game with one-hour quarters. Bounding Beecher Montgomery was throttled on the ground for the first time this season. But the Beechnut took the aerial route and connected with several long ones to Nolan Sparks.

Sparks made one touch on a 27-yard smash around end. Frank Kring, who has been ill for most of the drills, turned in his best performance.

T. C. U. Tennis Team To Tilt Sooners

The Frog tennis team will meet the University of Oklahoma netters on the varsity courts at 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Coach Tom Prouse's hapless netters have dropped their first two encounters.

In a surprise match at College Station Wednesday, the Aggies downed the Frogs by a 4-to-2 score. Capt. Jack Billingsley won a point as he defeated Ralph Eads of the Aggies, 5-7, 6-3 and 10-8.

The other point was won by the No. 1 doubles combination of Edgar Shults and Bob Glaze, the latter playing in the place of Joe Russo. Shults and Glaze beat the Aggies' ace doubles team of Capt. Jimmie Giles and Al Krezdown. The count was 4-6, 6-3 and 6-1.

Dick Vickery dropped a torrid 3-set match to Xavier Fernandez, 10-8, 4-6, 4-6.

Frog Nine to Tussle Texas

Steers Seek 20th Pennant This Season

Those mighty warriors of the diamond, the Texas University Longhorns, will be in town today and tomorrow for a two-game series with the Frogs, who are looking for their first victory of the new season.

The Steers, long since considered to have the best college nine in the country, are gunning for their 20th conference title this spring, and are favored by authorities to succeed. For the first time in more than 25 years, the Longhorns are beginning a campaign without their veteran coach, Uncle Billy Ditch, who has been confined to the sidelines by ill health. Ditch, former big league star, is now at the helm of the Texas squad.

Heading the Steers are Melvin Dautsch, all-conference hurler; Pete Layden, star footballer who patrols the left field and contributes with some mighty slugging; Endell Moore, pitcher and first baseman, and others. Dautsch is slated to start on the mound this afternoon, with Moore or Bill Dumke, tall lefthander, due to go tomorrow.

Frog Coach Walter Roach has announced that he will send either Preston Thompson or Rose Vanderkolk to the hill today, with the other working in the second tilt. Both these boys turned in fine performances last weekend against S. M. U. but their support was terrible. Only one or two changes in the Purple's lineup is expected. Rusty Cowart ace shortstop who missed the first two games because of sickness, will be back at his post. Gus Bierman has been shifted to right field, to capitalize on his hitting.

Faulty fielding and failure to hit in the clutches cost the Frogs both games against the Mustangs. In the first encounter, the Purple players were unable to solve the slants of Brooks Atchison, star righthander of the Ponies. Atchison set the Frogs down with three hits to win 8 to 2, while his mates were finding Thompson for 10 blows. It was not the hits that beat the Frogs. It was sloppy fielding in the clinches.

Only three errors were charged against T. C. U., but no less than eight chances went through the Frog infield that should have been turned into outs. Gus Bierman, Ralph Tankersley and Thompson were the only players to gather hits off Atchison. In the eighth inning, with the Ponies leading 3 to 2, the leaky Purple infield blew up behind Thompson and allowed five runs on two base hits.

It was the same story the next afternoon. Vanderkolk limited the Ponies to four scattered blows and passed off only four, but five errors by the Purple infield proved too much even for the courageous Milwaukee boy.

The Frogs did some better on the offensive side by gathering six hits off the offerings of Timmerland, Mustang right hander. Gus Bierman paced the attack with two singles, while Ralph Tankersley, Ronnie Brumbaugh, Vanderkolk and Paul Sorrells each gathered one each. The final tally was S. M. U. 7, T. C. U. 1.

Dean Colby D. Hall has been absent from his office for several days because of illness.

Texas Relays, Baylor Duel Keep Cindermen on Run

The Texas Relays tomorrow and a dual meet with the Baylor Bears here Wednesday will keep Frog trackmen on the run for the next few days.

Coach Pox Clark is entering five contestants in the Texas Relays meet. Capt. P. C. Taylor, top two-miler in the conference right now; Howard Pope, sprinter and broad jumper; Robert Groselose, hurdler; Frank Kring, javelin hurler, and Raymond Neill, high jump artist, will wear the Purple and White in Austin tomorrow. Taylor will run the 3000-meter event.

Wednesday, Baylor's thinly clad will come to Fort Worth to take on both the varsity and freshman tracksters. Both squads are about evenly matched. The Bears have a slight advantage in the weights, and the Frogs should take honors in the running events. The Bears won the meet in Waco last year by just a few points, and this year's squad hasn't forgotten that.

Two other track meets will be held on the Frog cinder path this season. A triangular tilt with S. M. U. and Baylor April 26, and a dual meet with S. M. U. May 3.

Win in Ping-Pong Tourney, Get Intramural Medal

With spring and spring fever comes the intramural ping-pong tournament.

All Frogs who have a good eye for the little white ball should sign up immediately at the Gymnasium. The tournament will get under way next week, and a medal will be awarded the winner. Everyone gets points toward an intramural jacket.

Psychology Classes Tour State Hospital for Insane

Mrs. Hazel Tucker is taking her classes in "Psychology of the Abnormal" and "Mental Hygiene" on a tour of the Wichita Falls State Hospital today.

They went on the invitation of Dr. A. T. Henretta, assistant superintendent.

Frog Golf Stars To Meet Ponies

The undefeated Frog golfers will get their first real test of the season Wednesday when they meet the Southern Methodist swingers on the windy slopes of the Worth Hills course.

The Mustangs always have a potent golf team. The Frogs, winners in four previous matches, will be out to defend their unblemished record. This year's Pony squad is headed by Grantham Eubanks, veteran Dallas player.

The Frogs were unscored on in match play competition until Wednesday's match with Trinity University, when Capt. Bob Sikes' erring putter caused him to drop a decision to Miles Hastings, Jr., Tiger ace.

However, Biscuit Bob was well backed by his teammates and the Frogs downed the Tigers 4 to 1 on their home course at Waxahachie.

Ed Revercomb beat Warren Brown, 5-4. Kyle Gillespie downed Claude Nichols, 7-5. Benton Beasley won easily over John King, 5-3, and Brents Wooten beat Jack Morris, 5-4.

The Frogs will return the S. M. U. match in Dallas April 17. The next home match is April 14 with Texas Tech.

Gresham to Hold Easter Services

The Rev. Perry E. Gresham will return from his study at Columbia University to conduct services on Palm Sunday and Easter.

Following the traditional "procession of the palms" by the children in the church school, the Rev. Mr. Gresham will preach a sermon to the children. This will be followed by the regular church service.

The morning message will be "Drama of Triumph" Melvin Dacus will sing "The Palms," by Faure.

At Evensong the minister will speak concerning "The Gifts of Life." "Oh, Lamb of God," by Bizet, will be sung by Mrs. Oscar Vogel, with violin obligato by her son, Philip.

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