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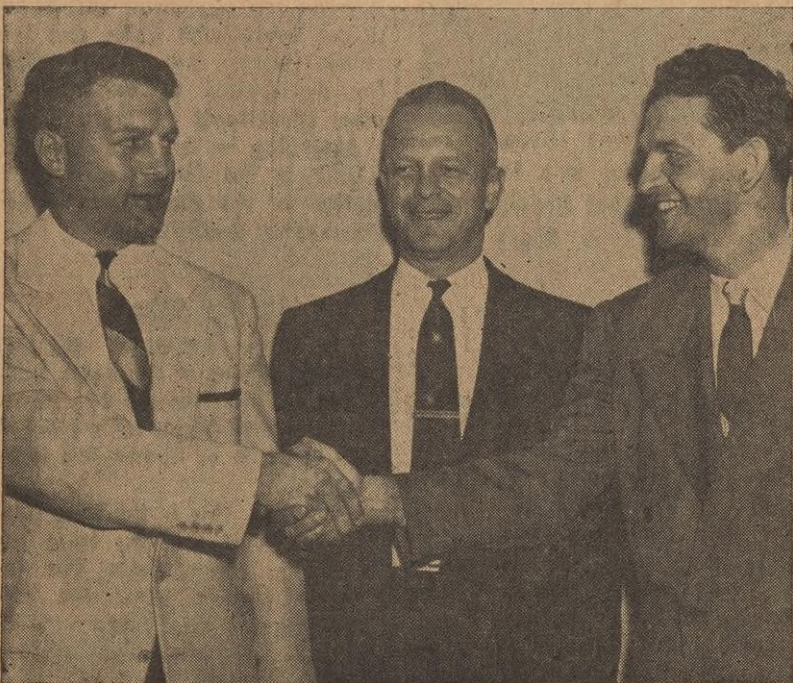
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EXES TO ELECT NINE OFFICERS



Extending the glad hand to new Head Coach Bill Meek is UH Athletics Director Harry Fouke. Looking on is John Cudmore, Meek's No. 1 assistant.

Meek, Assistants To Open Spring Training March 1

An entirely new coaching regime takes over March 1 when spring football practice opens at the University.

Thirty-three-year-old Bill Meek, who brought Kansas State out of the gridiron doldrums in four years of coaching, will try to sort out the new faces and install his system of play during the month-long session.

Board Gives OK To National Frats, Sororities At UH

Prospects for the establishment of national fraternities and sororities on campus were brightened February 15 when the University's Board of Regents OK'ed the move.

Dean of Men J. E. Williamson said nationalizing should begin organizing on campus by next September. He said tentative plans already have been set up.

Mrs. Theo M. Temple, dean of women, said sororities also have been making arrangements for the move to national status and have worked out definite ideas in this respect.

"We plan to install nine national sororities, the number of locals now on campus, on Feb. 4, 1956," Mrs. Temple said. Representatives from 38 national groups have visited the campus since September to observe the UH chapters.

Campus sororities will hold no social activities until October 2, according to Mrs. Temple. This will give the girls a chance to further formulate plans which will aid them in their bid to go national.

"We trust the University can be a laboratory for the most effective techniques of converting local fraternities into the national scheme," she said.

The staff is brand new all down the line. Chief assistant is John Cudmore, 42, who played his college ball at Stetson. He's been with Meek since 1946. Jim LaRue and Royal Price are the other varsity assistants.

Clyde Van Sickle, oldest of the newcomers at 47, takes over the freshman team. A standout college performer at the University of Arkansas, Van Sickle later played professionally for the Green Bay Packers.

Meek, a blocking back at Tennessee during his playing days, started his coaching career in service football at Fort Benning, Ga. He originally intended to become a lawyer, but, after his army discharge, he took an assistant coaching spot at Maryland under Jim Tatum. And he's been at it ever since.

After four years as Tatum's right-hand man at Maryland, Meek was offered the head coaching job at Kansas State. State was having football troubles at the time, with a record of only 15 victories in its previous ten years of competition. And only one of those wins was a conference game.

Meek's rebuilding program paid off for the Wildcats. After a couple of so-so seasons, the team jelled in 1953, finishing just behind Oklahoma's man-eaters in the Big Seven race.

The '54 season was even better for K-State. The Wildcats ran up a 7-3 slate and broke most of the school's records in the process. All attendance figures went by the

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CORRAL DAY NOTICE

Plans for the big spring reunion are gathering speed, says Corral Day Chairman Hal Collins. Everything is free, including the barbecue beef dinner. Don't forget the date:

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Engineers Occupy \$225,000 Building

University engineering students moved into their new building early this semester. The \$225,000 structure, which houses ten classrooms and offices for engineering faculty members, was completed late in January.

A glass-walled display room, student and faculty lounges and an intercommunications system are top features of the building, a two-story affair with 19,700 square feet of floor space. Two electronics laboratories also are included.

Similar in structure and design to the Architecture and Psychology buildings, the engineers' new home is located on the north side of the campus.

A novel idea in design has been incorporated in the building. There are only two halls in the entire building, which lead to the lounges and rest rooms. Classroom entrances lead directly from the outside.

"This system alleviates the problem of crowded hallways and makes it easier for students to get to and from classes," Engineering Dean M. L. Ray said.

"The new building fills a long-felt need for expanded engineering facilities," Ray continued, "and figures prominently in the future plans of the college."

Attic's Latest 'Peer Gynt,' Mar. 9

Henrik Ibsen's "Peer Gynt," the story of a man's desire to be himself, will open March 9 in Cullen Auditorium.

Rehearsals for the drama department production, under the direction of Tom Boyd, started last week.

Don Fruechte will portray Peer, who finds himself unable to "be himself" because of the conflicting desires of other people and by the very nature of the universe.

Other important parts in the cast are Button Moulder, played by Dale Mikelenka; Mother Aase, played by Pat Davis; Solveig portrayed by Joyce Weisenbaker; Woman in Green, Pat Crowder; Anitra, Rosemary Gallagly; and Ingrid, played by Lillian Walker.

The play will be part of the University's annual Spring Fine Arts Series which also will include performances by the University Chorus, Concert Band, Stage Band, Dance Group, the Houston Trio, the Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Houston, University Opera Workshop, Houston Symphony Orchestra and Sigma Alpha Iota.

President, Vice - President, Secretary To Be Chosen

"In every organization, sooner or later, there comes a rumbling from the membership that a clique is running the show. And there is strong basis in fact for these sentiments. Investigations always reveal, however, that the clique is made up of members who have met election requirements, worked hard to get elected and continued to work after election."

The call is out for new blood on the Alumni Association Board of directors. Nine positions will be open in the Spring elections, including the presidential chair. The other vacancies will be vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and five director positions.

As established in the Constitution, the annual general meeting will be held on the second Wednesday in

April. At this meeting (April 13) any contributing member may be nominated by voice, from the floor, for any open position. The final slate of candidates will be resolved and closed at this meeting, with ballots mailed to all contributing members as soon as possible.

Winners will be announced at the traditional Corral Day ceremonies, April 30.

Outgoing president Sherwood Crane points out, "We have twice as many eligible voters this year as ever before. The first step in developing an association that reflects the thinking of our alumni is for these eligible exes to attend this April 13 meeting and let their wishes be known."

In order to permit as many exes as possible to become eligible to vote or to be nominated, contributions will be accepted up to and including the April 13 meeting.

Changes in the Constitution or By-laws also are open for discussion at this meeting. Recommendations passed by the assemblage will be placed on the ballot for voters decisions.

While a nominations committee from the board of directors will submit a slate including at least two candidates for each post, nominations from the floor are equally valid, as provided by the constitution. Last year only two of the committee's nominations were elected to office, with the remainder of

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UH Dormitories Named Jan. 17

University dormitories got names Jan. 17 when the Board of Regents voted to accept titles suggested by the University's Student Assembly.

Formerly designated as "B," "C," "D," and "E," the residence halls now are named after benefactors of the school.

"B" Dorm now is Taub Hall, named in memory of the parents of Ben Taub. Taub donated 35 acres of the original 112-acre campus.

Bates Hall is the new designation for "C" Dorm. The title is in honor of Col. W. B. Bates, vice-chairman of the Board of Regents.

"D" Dorm has been re-named Law Hall, after F. M. Law, another member of the Board.

Settegast Hall, formerly "E" Dorm, was named after J. J. Settegast, donor of 75 acres of land to the original campus.

Could Cost \$400,000

University Junior College Aid May Be Cut By Legislature

A bill which may cut the University's share of junior college aid as much as \$400,000 yearly has been introduced into the Texas Legislature. The bill would take money from the University's junior college program for distribution among other junior colleges throughout the state. The University would be forced to raise tuition for students presently receiving state help during their first two years in college.

No other Texas educational institution would be affected to any appreciable degree if the law were to be passed.

Under the present system junior colleges are subsidized by the state on the basis of \$230 for the first 250 students enrolled under the program, and \$189 per student for all others.

The new proposal would allow \$230 for the first 250 and \$189 for the next 350 students. But beyond this point the state would allow only \$50 per student.

"The students are being hit below the belt," President A. D. Bruce commented when he heard of the bill. "Many will be prevented from continuing their educations. They are the ones who will suffer the most, not the University as a whole."

"It should be clarified that the proposal of the legislative budget board does not give the small institutions (junior colleges) any larger appropriations than they have received previously. It does, however, severely penalize the larger institutions by reducing their junior college aid to a mere fraction of previous appropriations."

BILLBOARD

Whoop boy! If this February Billboard doesn't get itself written quick its going to be the March BB. Much ado, and to do, in the A-office, what with Elections, Frontier Fiesta Corral Day, Spring Banquet, Red & White Football Game, etc., in the offing. Natheless (that's a Pogo word) Billboard must go on.

The Army tells us that Lt. Col. James W. Smith is serving as inspector general for the 5th Division in Augsburg, Germany. Billboard thinks James holds the highest army rank of any UH grad yet reported. Right?

A long, windy and sarcastic letter, signed "Aluminumously yours, Carl Raia," indicates that Carl would like more mail at his current address in France. We'll forward all mail, or you can have his address if you'll call.

Stanolind Oil grabbed another of our grads. This time its Raymond J. Watkins, now a junior petroleum engineer in the producing office, Alvin.

Glen and Barbara (Ganant) McIlwain have a new heiress. Named Janice Marie, she greeted the world Jan. 28, at Methodist.

It may be small comfort, but if you ever face the Houston police lie-detector, it will be operated by an Ex, Leo Hatcher, '51. Leo has averaged two tests per day on the polygraph since completion of studies at Keeler Polygraph Institute. Wife Juanita (Lansford), is a '48 grad, and they have three young'uns.

Mrs. John S. (Elsie) Hamilton, '51, sends a note that daughter, Suzie, is soon to graduate from Lamar. Elsie has reserved the UH swimming pool for a party when that event takes place. That may give others some ideas.

'54 grad Neil C. Whittle is now a 2nd lieutenant of infantry, having completed his studies at Fort Benning, Ga.

A recent Chronicle Roto magazine featured Jim Whisenant in the "My Job is Different" column. Jim is a news reporter for KTRK, covering his beat with a movie camera. Another grad, Bob Gray, has been doing the same for KPRC-TV for some time now.

Did you see Albert Cecil on the Post's front page? Al was a POW during the war, and the German who saved his life is now touring the US.

Lawyer D. B. Mauzy, '50, in Billboard last month, is back again by virtue of the fact that he has sent in his contribution to the 1955 fund drive which hasn't even started yet. Thanks, D. B.—also for the information that William C. Terry, '53, has left Celanese to join Lubrizol in Deer Park. Bill has two future Cougars, Gene 2½, and Linda, 9 mo.

Barbara (McMenemy) Denardo, '53, another early contributor, wants to know if we can put her name on our mailing list. Billboard said it before (and will again)—if you are and Ex and are not on our mailing list, it is simply because we don't know where you live. We want you.

Joe Smith, '53, just back from Korea. Joe feels he can build up the Extra's advertising sales, and has taken over as Ad Mgr. Most of us remember Joe best playing the part of Dr. W. W. Kemmerer in the Varsity Varieties "I Want to be the President" skit.

Ben Noble Jr. points out that the UH boxing team, currently hailed as the school's first, really is not. Ben claims that Arthur James Slattery, Jr., an Ex killed overseas, was one member of a team which fought around '39-'40 for the UH. Can you furnish any more information on this?

Everything happens to me Dept.: Alumni secretary Dorothy Newman now is Mrs. William Boucher. He's a captain and test pilot at Ellington. Alumni Clerks Sylvia Wagnon pinned by a Gan Bey, Barbara Lee by a Cavalier and Barbara Hicks wears her brand-new Delta Sig pin.

Don't call Johnny Goyen "pipsqueak." That's a name Percy Foreman hung on the traffic court clerk. Seems like Johnny thought Percy ought to pay his tickets like everyone else does, and Percy no like.

Milton W. Jennings has just completed an advanced training course in modern sales techniques for the Johns-Manville corporation. Milt is located in Amarillo with his wife and two heirs.



Two generations of Stewarts work their way through registration lines. Mrs. Greta Williams, foreground, is a freshman psychology major, while her mother, Mrs. Mabel Stewart, is a senior in journalism. Helping them register is Mary Lynn Eslinger, right.

Mother And Daughter Attending UH; Mom's A Senior, Daughter's A Frosh

"Grandma" Mabel Stewart, whose by-lines have appeared several times in the EXtra, waited until she had passed her fortieth birthday to fulfill her lifelong ambition to attend college. She wanted to catch up on the education she had

missed 20 years earlier.

Her daughter, Mrs. Greta Williams, had a different reason.

"I just had to enter the University, because my six-year-old daughter, Melody, was getting smarter than me," she says.

Anyhow, the Stewarts, senior and junior, constitute one of the few mother-daughter duos presently enrolled here.

Mrs. Stewart is a senior journalism major who recently was named one of the schools ten outstanding students, while Mrs. Williams, just starting out as a freshman, is majoring in psychology.

There's ever more to the story of the Stewart class. "Grandma's" son-in-law, L. M. Williams Jr., soon will receive his degree in chemical engineering. And two of Mrs. Stewart's sons, Douglas and Clint, are ex-students.

But the jump from the present to the future will be a long one. Melody isn't expected here till about 1966.

Six Lettermen Return

Pitching Biggest Need As 1955 Season Opens

Baseball Coach Lovette Hill faces the problem of rebuilding his pitching staff and replacing three other lettermen before the season opener March 5 against Texas A&M.

Six lettermen and four promising frosh return to a team which lost three pitchers, a shortstop, a catcher and an outfielder to graduation and the pros.

Bobby Clatterbuck, Jack Schulte and Ken Lillie, mainstays of the Cougar mound corps last year, have finished up their careers and Coach Hill will have to depend on Letter-

man Ronnie Zeller and sophomores Jim Shindler and James Ledbetter to carry the pitching load.

Shortstop Carlton Hanta, an all-America choice last season, has returned to his native Hawaii. Hill is depending on Soph Don Price, former Reagan High star, to fill the void.

Others lost from last year's outfit include Catcher Claude Arrington and long-ball hitting Allen Shipley.

Lettermen returning, besides Zeller, include infielders Doug Osburn, Billy Vickers and Wayne Tucker and outfielders John Dean and Ken Langford.

Osburn, a third-baseman last season, may be put to work behind the plate unless Hill can come up with a capable replacement for Arrington, a steady defensive hand.

Sophomore Dick Arnold and Bobby Rankin, a service returnee, will fight for the outfield berth vacated by Shipley.

After the season-opener at College Station, Houston comes home March 11-12 for games with the Baylor Bears. A return game with the Aggies and contests with Minnesota and Nebraska are other highlights of early-season action.

KUHT To Expand Filming Facilities

The \$34,500 grant given KUHT early in February will be used to purchase kinescope and film equipment for the station, according to Dr. John C. Schwarzwalder, station manager.

The award was presented by the Fund for Adult Education.

"This new equipment will enable our station to further serve the community and the nation by preserving in permanent form programs of educational value," Dr. Schwarzwalder said.

Films of KUHT programs, made with the new equipment, will be sent to the Educational Radio and Television Center, Ann Arbor, Mich., for distribution to the country's other educational TV stations.

According to Dr. Schwarzwalder, KUHT is the first and only TV station in the Southwest to have kinescoping facilities.

Correction

A story appearing in last month's edition of the Extra said: "For the first time in two years, a University debate team reached the finals in an elimination tournament."

Actually, this is the first time in five years that the team has failed to reach finals. The debaters already have won two tournaments this year.

Ex-Students Eligible To Have Auto Repairs, Painting Done Here

Ex-students, as well as faculty members and students, are eligible to have automobile paint and body repairs done by the University automotive repairs division.

There is no cost for labor, done by students under faculty supervision. The only charge is for materials used in the repair work.

However, a faculty member in the department said the waiting list is long and those people wanting work done on their cars will be forced to wait their turns.

Yearbook Beauties Selected Feb. 14; Names Kept Secret

Yearbook Vanity Fair beauties were chosen Feb. 14 from a group of 24 coeds.

Names of the top ten will be kept secret until the Houstonian is issued late this semester.

The girls were judged by a committee composed of Harris Johnston, local commercial photographer; Bertie Gelles, Gelles Advertising Agency; Johnny Mason, campus vending machine representative; Bill Wagner, KTRK; Betty Fruche, Mary Beth McDonald modeling school; and Murry Getz, Kamin Advertising Agency. Finalists included Mary Alice Kight, Angie Branch, Carol Stevenson, Dalila Stevenson, Nadie Fea, Betsy Blackhall, Joy Chambers, Mary Ann Florian, Carolyn Walkup and Mary Appleby.

Also Joyce Alford, Jenna Coy Huddleston, Sharlene Gibbs, Norma Brady, Callie Jo Bouldin, Barbara Lou Hicks, Juanita Hartwell, Mary Kay Murphy, Marie Covington, Dot Tidwell, Janie Morris, Carolyn Maddox, Gwen Johnson and Nancy Geoemets.

NOTICE

You've gotta contribute to vote. That's right, alums. Only contributors to the Alumni Association are eligible to vote in alumni elections

Just drop your contributions, large or small, into the mail, addressed to the Alumni Association, U. of H., Houston. And do it now!

Helen Moore Snoddy New PLC President

Helen Moore Snoddy has been elected president of the Pi Lambda Chi Alumni group for 1955.

Her election was announced at a banquet Jan. 19. Installation was held Feb. 7.

Other officers named are Betty Hale, vice-president and social chairman; Hazel Ault Lazzell, recording secretary; Carolyn Traylor, corresponding secretary; Mary Jane Housh, treasurer; Toddy Fried Gardner, sergeant-at-arms; and Moppy Jones Jacobsen, parliamentarian.

LETTERS

Dear Mr. Poling:

May I express my wholehearted appreciation for your selecting me as one of the recipients of your scholarship awards.

I am very grateful and indebted to you and the members of the Association for your consideration and help. The \$100 awarded me was applied to tuition for the spring semester, 1955.

It is my wish that, upon completion of school, I might be able to help someone as you have helped me.

Sincerely,
Roy R. Vann

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Committee Names Ten Top Students

Names of the University's ten outstanding students, as chosen by a student-faculty committee, were announced Feb. 16.

Six Films Remain On Spring Series

Six foreign films comprise the remainder of the spring film series sponsored by the University modern languages division.

Two French, two German, one Italian and one Spanish movie are on the series schedule, which ends April 11.

"Paris 1900," French, is set for 8:15 p.m. Feb. 28. Others will include "The Original Sin," German March 7; "Drole de Drame," French, March 21; "Kameradschaft," German, March 28; "Rigoletto," Italian, April 4; and "Rebozo de Soledad," Spanish, April 11.

Four journalism majors, three law students and single representatives of art, Radio-TV, philosophy and physical education were chosen.

Those elected include: Jane Rutherford, 21, senior journalism major and president of the Student Assembly;

Mabel Stewart, 46, senior journalism major and former editor of the Harvest, University literary magazine;

Firuz Makulu, 30, from Istanbul, Turkey, junior journalism major and photo editor for The Cougar and the Houstonian;

Mike Ferguson, 20, junior journalism major and former editor of The Cougar;

Richard Haynes, 27, senior law student and president of the Student Association;

Howard Bollock, 34, senior law student and national president of the American Law Students' Association;

Tom Kirtley, 28, senior law student and president of the Student Bar Assn.;

Nancie Sweeton, 21, junior art major and editor of the Houstonian;

Bernie Ray Burrus, 22, senior philosophy student and one of the most outstanding debaters in the history of the University speech department;

Sara Weinberg, 23, senior physical education major, active in Frontier Fiesta and Houstonian work and former co-ordinator of Varsity Varieties.

New EXtra Staff

The EXtra has a new staff this semester. Mike Ferguson, '56, a former Cougar editor, has taken over the editor's chair. Joe Smith, '53, is the advertising manager.

The paper will remain under the supervision of Alumni Director Ralph Poling. "Our Exes deserve a better newspaper than I have been able to produce in the limited time I have had to give it," Poling said. These new men should do much to give us the bigger and better EXtra we want."

Business Booming, Say Researchers

1953, widely acclaimed the best business year in Houston history, took a back seat to 1954, according to a study completed by the University Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

Not all kinds of retail stores fared so well, however, Bureau Director Alan D. Carey said. Stores selling apparel experienced a sales drop of about six per cent and food markets lost about one per cent. Auto dealers felt a three per cent lag.

The study predicted a steady outlook for employment during the next two months. Minor variations are expected in transportation, retail trade, ordinance and government jobs. Furniture, machinery, chemicals and apparel manufacturers can expect an upswing during the two-month period.

Banking deposits were up more than \$100 million in 1954, a 6.1 increase over the total for Dec. 31, 1954. The 1954 year-end deposit figure of some \$1.8 billion is the highest recorded for Houston banks.

MEEK ASSIST—

(Continued from Page 1) boards as joyous students and alumni, pleased with a winner after so many unhappy years, flocked to see the K-Staters in action.

Meek, although a protege of Gen. Bob Neyland and the single-wing at Tennessee, now is a split-T devotee. He's interested in developing a strong offensive outfit here, with plenty of passing to go with a hard-driving ground game.

Meek's wife, the former Beverly Fischer of Knoxville, Tenn., is nearly as wrapped up in football as is her husband. And it's a lucky thing she's understanding for Meek has been unable to spend much time at home with Beverly and the children, Philip 11, Gary 9, and Forrest Marie 5. Football just takes too much time.

EXES TO ELECT

(Continued from Page 1) the successful candidates being nominated from the floor.

President Crane said, "It is to the best interest of the Association, and the school, to have as many exes as possible interested in our affairs. I hope that the tremendous increase in response to the fund drive will be reflected, even amplified, in our election returns this year."

Texans May Get Brand-New Brag

Texans may have a new "brag" if University agriculture grass planting experiments pan out.

Members of the department's faculty believe that Coastal Bermuda Grass can give Texas something to talk about when Kentucky boasts about its Blue Grass.

And they've set out to prove it by going whole hog in planning for the second annual Coastal Bermuda Grass Day, March 15-17, at the University's experimental farm near Pasadena.

Purpose of Bermuda Grass Day is to encourage Texas cattlemen to plant their pastures with the lush, carpet-like stuff. Heart of the Bermuda grass country is Tifton, Ga., destination of three planes that will carry local agriculture experts for an on-the-spot look.

The trip is sponsored by the agriculture department. On the return trip the planes will load up with Bermuda sod for sprigging demonstrations during Bermuda Grass Day festivities, which won't be all work, since a repeat of last year's barbecue is planned.

Those interested in planting Coastal Bermuda should attend the meet, department faculty members advised.

The grass will be distributed during activities at the farm.

Faculty 'Old Timers' Form '20-Years Club'

The University hasn't yet reached its 21st birthday, but faculty members already are reminiscing about the "good ol' days."

A "20-Years Club," composed of male faculty members who have been with the school since 1934, has been organized. Membership now numbers 12.

Eleven of the 12 attended an annual meeting of the club Feb. 11. Jules Vern presided with the assistance of C. F. McElhinney and L. Standlee Mitchell.

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Basketball Roundup

Cougars' Record Best Since Entering MVC

Five wins in its last six outings have insured Houston its finest basketball record since entering the Missouri Valley Conference in 1950. The Cougars started with a 60-58 breath-taker over Oklahoma A&M and grabbed decisions from Texas 59-52, Murray State (Ky.) 91-65, Bradley 64-55 and Wichita 82-79. Oklahoma City wouldn't co-operate, however, smacking the Big Red 65-49 in Houston's worst showing of the season.

Long Don Boldebeck continued to

be the big gun in the Cougars' attack. Through the first 21 games the lanky Nebraskan had totaled 519 points, good for a 24.7 average.

Remaining Valley encounters with Tulsa and St. Louis give Boldebeck a chance to set a new MVC scoring record. Bob Kurland, the Oklahoma A&M all-American of the late forties, holds the mark with 254 points over a 12-game league schedule.

Since each team now plays a ten-game league slate, Boldebeck has two fewer games in which to erase Kurland's mark. Through the first

seven, "Bolde" hit 162.

But even if he misses the 12-game total, the Houston center is almost sure to break the ten-game league mark of 217 set by Bob Mattick, another Aggie great.

The other half of Houston's one-two scoring punch, Junior Forward Jack Foster, also is hitting the hoop consistently. The swift Californian has plunked in 317 points in 21 games for a 15.1 average. His percentage was helped considerably by the 20 points he scored as the Red and White edged Wichita 82-79 Feb. 12.

Meet The Coaches

Four Aides Join Meek On UH Coaching Staff

"Experience" is the key word in describing the four assistants who joined Head Coach Bill Meek in making the jump from Kansas State to the UH.

Young in years, the staff nevertheless has had an aggregate of almost 40 years in the coaching profession.

Chief assistant in the new set-up is John Cudmore, 42, who's been Meek's "first lieutenant" since 1951. A native of Virginia, Minn., Cudmore graduated from Stetson U. in 1937, then coached high school athletics for a while at Palmetto, Fla., High School. He also squeezed in a year of semi-pro football before entering the service in 1941.

Successful as a coach at Ft. Benning, Ga., Cudmore joined Jim Tatum at the University of Maryland in '47. After a four-year stay there, he answered Meek's call to K-State in '51.

Married and the father of two daughters—"a cheerleader and a majorette," he says—Cudmore holds a masters degree in education from Stetson.

New line coach is Royal Price, better known as "Sharky." A stand-out guard at the University of Tennessee during his playing days, he was one of the big reasons for the rapid improvement of Kansas State's grid fortunes.

Houston line-men can look forward to plenty of hard work during spring practice

with Price cracking the whip. His lines have been respected for their solid blocking and tackling.

A Pennsylvania native, Price is married and the father of a nine-months-old daughter.

Backfield coach in the new scheme of things is Jim LaRue, 29, who during his playing days managed to be a starter on three winning bowl teams.

Born in Clinton, Okla., LaRue joined the Navy's V-12 program and was sent to college. After a year at Carson-Newman College in 1943, he went to Duke for the '44 and '45 seasons. His first bowl game was the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1, 1946, when Duke edged Alabama 29-26.

Out of the service in '46, LaRue still wanted more football, and his playing days in college under V-12 didn't count against his eligibility. So with three fresh years in front of him, he enrolled at Maryland in '47 and got into two Gator Bowl games, with the Terrapins winning both times.

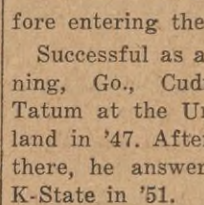
Like Cudmore, LaRue joined Meek at Kansas State in 1951. And again like Cudmore, LaRue also has a masters degree.

Clyde Van Sickle is a name familiar to a lot of football fans throughout the Southwest. The new freshman coach was a guard and tackle for the Arkansas Razorbacks in 1927-8-9, then coached high school teams in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas and got in three years of pro ball.

From '41-'51 he was freshman coach and scout for his alma mater, moving to Kansas State to join Meek in '51.

Van Sickle is credited with playing a major part in the giant rebuilding job accomplished at the Kansas school during his four years there.

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