

BASKETBALL

The 1942—43 basketball season started with only three lettermen from the conference co-championship team of 1942: Captain Harris Peterson, Maynard Skeie, and Theodore Kroulik.

Practice started November 20, and the first game of the season was with Climax on the Aggie floor on December 7. This game proved to be a thriller with the Aggies commanding an early lead but losing to Climax in the final quarter 30 to 24.

December 8 saw the poorest game of the season. Playing St. James of Grand Forks, the Aggies were downed by the Jimmies 37 to 17. For the first time, hundreds of students and alumni were able to listen to a broadcast of an Aggie basketball game, for a play-by-play description of the game was on the air from station K I L O.

The first meeting of the Red Lake Falls and Aggie teams on December 15 brought the "Little Gophers" their first victory of the season. It was a close game all the way, but the Aggies took them 21 to 20.

On December 18, the Fisher team played the Aggies on our floor. This game brought many thrills to the fans as the Aggies turned in their second win by a score of 33 to 22.

The last game before Christmas was played at Stephen on December 21. It took two over-time periods for Stephen to gain a 20 to 18 victory. This was the last game in which "Curly" Kroulik played for the Aggies.

The first game of the second term was at Climax January 7, in which the Vikings tipped the Aggies by a score of 32 to 17. This game saw several new faces in the Aggie line up.

The first game between the Aggies and Crookston High School was played on our floor January 16. The Aggies controlled the floor play and held the Pirates scoreless from the field in the first half only to let them win 20 to 13 in the final minutes of play.

January 19 saw the Aggies tramp over Fisher on their floor 44 to 26. Many men saw action for the first time in this game.

Stephen played their return game here on January 22. It was another close thrilling game although the Aggie team was badly weakened by illness and went down fighting by a score of 23 to 21.

On January 25 the Aggies in one of their finest floor playing games downed the previously undefeated Mentor team by a score of 28 to 21.

The return game with Crookston on February 1 was a repetition of the first games of this series. The Aggies dominated the play throughout the game but were not able to hold off the Pirates' fourth quarter rally. The score was 20 to 18.

The Aggies dropped another game on February 5 to Red Lake Falls. The foul shooting jinx which had followed the team on all close games still held. The Aggies could not master the last minute rally and dropped a heartbreaker 26 to 20.