Pokémon takes over campus

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It may be over 100 degrees under the blistering sun during the late af
ternoon, but crowds of hunters will be out trying to find a Pokémon to
bug about to the rest of their friends. While some of the headaches vanished
when wind speeds intensified and rain fell from above, some still hudd-
dled under their backpacks because they were in an intense duel.

Instead of going out to the clubs, finding a hot date on a Saturday night or spending the night in with
Netflix and a tub of ice cream, countless Pokémon Go players flood the
front of the UTEP Library in hopes of boosting their level, checking in
at the different Pokéstops or battling against others in the “Gym,” an envi-
ronment where you can battle other Pokémon teams.

The multiutility of Pokémon players
each have one goal in mind—to
catch ’em all.

“Pokémon Go” is an app that is
based on the Pokémon series, which
started more than 20 years ago. In the
"10s, Pokémon made its debut on the
Nintendo Game Boy, and “Pokémon Go” has evolved the classic game into
a whole new realm of gameplay.

In the new spinoff of the classic video game, users seize virtual reality
monsters called Pokémon and use them as the premise of the game.

When a Pokémon is captured by the
player, the game can then care for it,
level it, evolve it, release it for extra points,
or battle it against other players
Pokémon. Along with the playing pro-
cess, the user’s character can level up
with a certain number of points,
gain badges for achievements
and collect more Pokémon.

Now, instead of the usual hurried
walk students usually have to get
to their destinations, people all around campus are attentively walking
and occasionally stopping to catch a Pokémon. In fact, senior crimi-
nal justice major Juan Calvo enjoys
not seeing the typical students, who
would walk around without caring
about anyone else.

“I’ve seen this many people on cam-
pus, but I don’t think I’ve ever noticed
them without headphones on or try-
ing to avoid everyone,” Calvo said.

“It makes UTEP feel a lot friendlier
around campus. Before, you would
walk around campus seeing everyone
with headphones on trying to look

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-Juan Calvo,
senior
criminal justice major

down—it was kind of cold.”

In just a week since its launch, the app increased Nintendo’s stock
market value by approximately $14
billion. According to the Huffington
Post, the estimated amount of money the app makes in a single day
can range up to $16.6 million, and the
average person uses it 33.6 minutes
a day—which is higher than Face-
book (22 minutes) and Snapchat (18
minutes).

Although the game is booming as
of late and roots atop the charts in
the app store, senior political science
major Nicole Mata believes that the
Pokémon craze is just a fad that will
die out soon enough.

“The app will surely live for a short
period, just as everything else does
within the millenial generation,” Mata said. “A new thing will come
along and will distract from the game
until it’s just a memory brought up at
next year’s award show.”

The free app, available on all major
devices, does require the user to ac-

tually venture outside their house to

capture Pokémon. These creatures are
most commonly found in bigger con-
gregation places, such as a big park,
the Don Haskins Center, a commu-
nity place such as San Jacinto Plaza
or a well-known area such as UTEP.

For Calvo, the best spot on campus
for the UTEP Pokémon community
is the library.

“Definitely the library is the best
because you can stay in one spot
and capture four areas or Pokéstops,”
Calvo said. “It’s easy. I would be more
avid on gyms if I had more friends
who played with me. I take over all
the gyms on campus, but within five
minutes, someone has taken it from
me. The gyms are the best because I
get the chance to knock someone out.
Someone spent the time to get it, but I
just took it from him or her. That’s my
favorite team.”

Although he is usually in class all
day for the Law School Preparatory
Institute, Calvo still finds time to play
the game that he has loved ever since
he was a kid. Calvo has captured over
3,000 Pokémon and is on level 17.

“I play every day,” Calvo said. “I
usually come during class. I get to
play usually five hours a day. I got up
playing Pokémon. I learned to read by
playing Pokémon back in 1995.”
Hundreds of thousands have gathered in protest of the brutality they say the police have inflicted on minorities, and millions of people have watched tragedy unfold. It’s a topic everyone seems to have an opinion about.

However, the police force does more than embody the notion of being the brutal arbitrator of a racist justice system. They are the people and by doing so, they change the life of every single person that gets processed into our legal system.

For many of us, when we fill out an application, there is a section that asks a seemingly simple and understandable question. “Have you ever been convicted of a crime?” Most checked no and move on, but for millions of people in the U.S. this isn’t the case for them. The odds of truly starting over diminish the moment they’re released from prison.

It does seem to make sense though. Most people would prefer to know if they’re working with a recently released Ted Bundy. According to the Prison Policy Initiative, out of the 2.3 million people in prison last year, roughly 15,800 are in prison or jail because of a violent crime, which can range from homicide to simple assault. The idea that people who have been in jail or prison are violent maniacs who cannot be trusted is a tautology.

If we put people in prison because they broke the law and they need to be punished, then why does the punishment extend to life after prison? The price someone pays for breaking the law can be years, sometimes decades, of his or her life in society. Former prisoners pay that price, yet we tell them they are not welcome back.

Those who have made a mistake have broken the law, but it is not just the individual who is punished. The kids of those individuals are also punished. Someone who was locked up and can’t find a job still has to feed their children and pay the bills to keep a roof over their head.

They will use desperate measures to make sure there is enough food on the table. You don’t need to pass a background check to sell drugs and you don’t need to check mark a box to steal. Those “jobs” are always available and the money is there.

At this point, it becomes easier to go back to prison than it does to get a stable job and begin to contribute toward society. The quality of life decreases for both the children and the person who supposedly has paid his or her debt to society. This can potentially impact everything from basic nutrition to education. Even their grandchildren’s future is at risk because once the cycle of poverty starts it can be difficult to stop.

It doesn’t take a financial guru to figure out that the more we put people into prison and the more we keep them out of the workforce, the weaker our economy is going to come. The weaker our economy, the fewer jobs are going to be available, and more people will turn to other means to make ends meet.

Our system is a vicious cycle that actively dissuades rehabilitation. To call it a “justice” system is almost oxymoronic at this point. Justice for whom? Is it justice for someone who was caught smoking pot to miss out on an education because they are no longer eligible for financial aid? Is it justice to no longer have a say in our political system because you are a felon who can’t vote? Is it justice to pay a price, and then continue to pay it for the rest of your life? If you can’t vote, can’t get an education, can’t get a job, then are you even a citizen of this country? A country that brags about opportunity, and the so-called government of the people, by the people and for the people?

Of course, all of this assumes that when someone is arrested it is because they are guilty. This all assumes that those who did the time were guilty. That’s a heavy asumption to make. Not to mention that minorities are heavily over-represented in our prison system and in poverty levels. So while all of this has a lasting effect on millions of people of all races, it has a devastating impact on minorities.

I was at work one day, talking with my manager as he looked over applications. He passed over one with that checkbox mark on the “yes” box, chuckle-lipped and said “Uh, no,” and went on to the next one. I wondered if that individual was desperate for a job? Did they have a child they were trying to feed and clothes? Was this going to be the final job they apply for before doing something drastic to make ends meet?

We all get a second chance. When you didn’t get caught smoking pot, when you weren’t pulled over the night you blacked out and somehow drove home, when you got in a fight and nobody called the cops. The ones who weren’t so lucky don’t get that chance. That has to change.

Either we treat the formally incarcerated as human beings who deserve a second chance or we create a society that robs people of the ability to make a mistake.
QUESTION OF THE WEEK
Have you gone out to catch Pokémon this summer?

CESAR HERRERA
Junior electrical engineering major
“Yes, I play because I loved it as a kid, and I love adventure and searching for things.”

JOSHUA ACOSTA
Freshman mechanical engineering major
“No, I don’t feel like it’s as interesting as other people do, just not my kind of thing.”

JOCCELYN TORRES
Junior civil engineering major
“I’ve been playing Pokémon Go. I watched it as a kid and it’s cool to start getting into it again.”

JUAN CARLOS LOPEZ
Graduate student education
“Yes, I don’t play Pokémon Go. I’ve heard about it but I just don’t have time for that game.”

JAIME BLANCARTE
Junior nursing major
“I’ve been playing it. It gets really competitive to get the best Pokémon out of your friends and you get to meet people, it’s fun.”

ANTONIO VACA
Senior mathematics major
“I play ‘Pokémon Go’ because I grew up with Pokémon and doing this now is like a dream come true.”

RENEE ALEXANDRA TREJO
Junior English major
“I’ve barely started playing but I downloaded ‘Pokémon Go’ because it’s popular right now, and in my generation growing up, I always dreamed of catching Pokémon so I think it’s cool that it’s a virtual reality now.”

RENE OCHOA
Junior electrical engineering major
“I play because it’s pretty cool. We’ve been waiting for it for over a year. We wouldn’t wait.”

LAURA HERNANDEZ
Senior education major
“I do not play. I’ve never been a fan of Pokémon.”

LUIS DOMINGUEZ
Junior electrical engineering major
“Yes, because I used to play as a kid and it gives me a very nostalgic feeling when I play.”

EVELYN STAMS
Freshman social work major
“I do play ‘Pokémon Go’, and I play it because I’ve always wanted to play Pokémon, but never had the right system for it, so being able to play it without having to buy an entirely new system is awesome.”

SARAH ESTRADA
Junior kinesiology major
“Yes, I used to play when I was really little, but never stayed up to date with new Pokémon that would come out. Then this app came out and it was a lot more accessible and fun to actually get out and catch them.”

TROY SAVID
Graduate student civil engineering
“I do play ‘Pokémon Go’ because it’s a game that I grew up with when I was a kid. I’m able to play it again and just recreate that old experience.”
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POKÉMON

While Calbo cannot take his eyes off the game, Mata believes there are far too many dangers associated with playing it. For one, in the terms and conditions of the game, the app requires the user to sign into their Gmail accounts, which may frighten individuals about their privacy issues. Also, Mata points out that gamers are mindlessly glued to their phones without a care for their surroundings.

“People are going to extremes to complete all these missions and levels, but are unaware of the danger they are placing themselves in,” Mata said. “Recently, I read an article about a girl who walked into traffic because she had to go catch the rare creature. The young lady blamed the game, but all could clearly see who was at fault.” The question of the player taking the game too far is not even a question; rather, the question is when is it enough? What casualties or issues need to occur before something is said about the danger that accompanies this game?

Mata has experienced some of these dangers firsthand.

“The issue that happened at my house was that there was a man outside at about seven in the evening, and he was attempting to come in through my window, so we called the police, and when they arrived they had asked if any of my siblings and I played ‘Pokémon Go.’” Mata said. “They told us to delete it because people use it as a tracking device for people.”

In the game, throughout the city, there are different stops where gamers can collect different items, such as PokéBalls used to capture Pokémon, potions to heal a injured Pokémon who has been in a battle, and wild berries that lure rare Pokémon to the gamer. However, Mata says that these PokéStops pose a threat and can lead to worsenese happenings.

“Those who have become completely enthralled by the game have gone to extremes to capture a rare Pokémon,” Mata said. “The dangers that this game possesses is that many are unconsciously going into dark areas alone at night to find these coveted game pieces, but they are unaware that predators know that these areas are secluded or also know which people to target.”

Aside from the great monetary aspect that the app has generated or the dangers that the app could have, Calbo believes that the game has a societal impact that overrides all the other arguments.

“I think ‘Pokémon Go’ is helpful to the community,” Calbo said. “You see people walking around, and you see people meeting each other. People will still be strolling around. The other day, I went around looking with people looking for a Pokémon earlier—it helps make friends.”

The app plans to release new updates within the month and improve on the first version. Owners of new Pokémon added, more items and fewer server errors are floating around the nation.
Meal deals for the student wallet

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We’re heading into the back nine of summer and while we’re tanned extra crispy and finally getting that beach bod we planned for in March, the vacation hangover is starting to creep into our wallets. While a $5 trip to Circle K would kill the hunger any day of the week, here is a list of the top meal deals near campus with a little more nourishment to them than a sack of fat or a sugar rush.

SUSHI ZEN
Located in the same shopping center as Dollar General and Starbucks at 2400 North Mesa, Sushi Zen is a contender for sushi any day of the week, but their 11:30 to 3 p.m. lunch special gives the Japanese and Asian-fusion restaurant (self-described, I would have just said sushi) a red shell in its back pocket. Two sushi rolls and an appetizer will normally rack up a bill just north of $15, but the lunch special brings it down to $10.95. Although the special won’t stuff you up, it is enough food to satisfy the midday crash. The swift service and relaxed atmosphere is great for a lunch date—one that doesn’t involve standing in line and staring at an overhead menu.

My recommendation? The crab salad, Amigo and Storm roll combo is probably the most filling combo on the menu.

RIB HUT
Maybe you’re a carnivore and consider sushi an honorary vegan food. No worries, Rib Hut, the 30-year-old barbecue spot located at 2612 North Mesa (east of the Don Haskins Center), serves up a killer $2 rib special every Wednesday. Granted, the short ribs aren’t the hulking bones served in line and staring at an overhead menu, but in the wake of Steve Miller’s acceptance and induction as a solo artist into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last year, Gordy Knudston and Kenny Lee have changed several times over the years, but its current members include Jacob Peterson, Joseph Wooten, Gordy Knudston and Kenny Lee Lewis.

Miller has recently been contributing his time to serving on the welcoming committee of the Department of Musical Instruments of New York’s Metropolitan Museum of Art and as a board member of Jazz at Lincoln Center, where he curates and hosts shows at both institutions, “celebrating the bridge between blues and jazz music and early American music.”

Tickets are available through the UTEP Ticket Center, Ticketmaster.com or by phone at 800-745-3000.

Doors are scheduled to open at 7 p.m. and patrons are asked to arrive early due to security checks and traffic and to not bring alcohol, food and beverages, pets, laser pointers, audio-video recorders, weapons, fireworks, bottles/containers, umbrellas, coolers, music, signs/banners, strollers, helium balloons, drones or professional cameras with detachable lenses.

Glory Road will not be accessible from Mesa Street past the Sun Metro Bus Terminal Parking Garage.

(From left to right) Rib Hut is located at 2612 N. Mesa. A traditional plate of food served at Peking Garden. Drink options at an Asian-fusion restaurant, Sushi Zen.

Steve Miller Band to perform at the Don Haskins Center

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The American rock group, the Steve Miller Band, will perform at the Don Haskins Center on Friday, July 29 as part of the group’s 2016 North American Summer Tour.

The tour, which was confirmed in the wake of Steve Miller’s acceptance and induction as a solo artist into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame last year, kicked off June 17 in Northfield, Ohio.

The band will make its stop in El Paso before concluding their tour in September, along with Santana, Journey and the Doobie Brothers in San Francisco, Calif., at AT&T Park.

Throughout the course of the band’s career they have been both, in the words of a release about the tour, “a psychedelic blues sound that drew from the deepest sources of American roots music” and a “brand of rock ‘n’ roll music that was polished, exciting and irresistible.”

The group is responsible for contributing staples such as “The Joker,” “Livin’ in the USA” and “Take the Money and Run” to the genre.

Steve Miller Band, will perform at the Don Haskins Center on Friday, July 29.

When it comes to deals, Crawdaddy’s Bar and Grill, one of the longstanding establishments on Cincinnati Street, can compete any day of the week. The tacos are available on Mondays, the wings on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and a $2 shrimp cocktail is offered on Tuesdays and Fridays. An order of three tacos is filling enough, but as far as the wings go, and I just as guilty of this, you have to resist ordering a gloriously high pile of wings to make this special work for your wallet. The kicker at Crawdaddy’s however is the daily drink specials, a combination of at least five shots or beers lining up for at most $4. Maybe today’s a day to drink instead of eat. There’s vitamin C in a margarita, right?

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Top 2016 hip-hop mixtapes so far

BY ADRIAN BRODIOUS

Lil Yachty
"Lil Boat"

Lil Yachty is not a rapper; rather, the self-proclaimed 10-year-old prefers the term “artist.” And that is simply what Lil Yachty does on “Lil Boat” — he creates art through hard trap beats mixed with soft vocals. The album sounds like how one would sound if Nintendo ever made a rap album for one of their video games, but is masterful in doing so. His hit, “One Night,” is a slower track with more vocals; however, Yachty has begun to rap on the tracks such as “Good Day,” “Ruck Starring” and “Fucked Over.” After listening to the album, Young Thug actually rap about a lot more than what rappers would say. Overall, the Thug presents the idea of more to go despite obstacles.

Logic
"Bobby Tarantino"

Logic pulled a fast one (Beyonce) on all of us — dropping a mixtape with no announcement prior to the release whatsoever. His first mixtape since “Welcome to Forever” is, as he defines it, “for his fans.” The 11 tracks on the mixtape sound effortless in Logic’s attempt at showcasing his masterful ability to flow. The mixtape also leaves room for more, as heard in “Studio Ambiance at Night:Malihqi,” a song in which Logic previews one of the songs off of his next album. Overall, the mixtape sounds mastered and nearly grandiose at the first listen.

Kamaiyah
“A Good Night in the Ghetto 2016"

Kamaiyah has been one of the hottest rappers in the game this year and she isn’t one to rest. The San Francisco rapper has just dropped the long awaited sequel to her Ghetto mixtape released last year. With Kamaiyah’s style, the mixtape is a bit of a departure from the past, adding an emotional and a more personal touch to the rhymes. The mixtape covers a wide range of topics, from personal experiences to social issues, making it a must-listen for fans of Kamaiyah and hip-hop in general.

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"Lil Uzi Vert vs. The World" includes new songs that are sure to impress. The album is filled with hit songs that listeners cannot stop playing. With his unique style and catchy hooks, Lil Uzi Vert is quickly becoming a fan favorite. The album features collaborations with some of the biggest names in hip-hop, making it a must-listen for anyone who loves the genre. Whether you’re a fan of Lil Uzi Vert or not, this album is sure to leave you impressed and excited for what’s to come.

Kodak Black
"Lil B.I.G. Pac"

Kodak Black, whose real name is Dieuson Octave, has been in the music industry for a few years. He released his first mixtape in 2014 and has been steadily gaining popularity ever since. "Lil B.I.G. Pac" is his latest album and it’s a tribute to his father, who passed away when he was young. The album is a mix of heart-wrenching and uplifting songs, all of which are sure to touch your heart. Kodak Black’s music is a perfect blend of rap and R&B, and his voice is both powerful and soulful. If you’re a fan of hip-hop, you’ll definitely want to check out "Lil B.I.G. Pac" and see why Kodak Black is becoming a name to watch in the music industry.
Amusan leaps to World Championships and seeks Rio

BY ADRIAN BROADDUS

She stagers at the starting line of her second-place finish at the NCAA Tournament, Amusan is not finished yet. She will travel to the IAAF World Under 20 Championships, which will be held in Bydgoszcz, Poland, on July 19-24, followed by the Olympics, where she will represent her home country of Nigeria, and travel to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in late August.

"I want to go a little bit more faster because I feel my body is in a good shape to run more faster," Amusan said. "Racing against some of the top athletes in the U.S. is going to make me run fast. Going into the championship, knowing I got the fastest time in the hurdles, it's going to propel me to run faster. Girls are going to know me as the fast girl from Nigeria, so that will push me harder too."

Despite her excitement, the thought of being alone on the Kidd Track at UTEP still linger in Amusan's head.

"It's really hard training alone—there's no one to push me, but I push myself," Amusan said. "I'm just trying so hard, but I think that is the way I think I can run. I feel I'm training alone and going to the competition alone, so I will block everyone out and do myself. There's no one to tell me, 'Oh, you got this girl.' I'm just her. Coach is the one saying, 'You can do it.'" Amusan's key to combining mental toughness with the physical aspect the sport requires is simply consistency.

"I'm not doing anything different," she said. "It's more of the rest. Like my country used to say: the nine-minute training is not going to make you break the world record. It's what you've been doing and the consistencies of the program and your diet, but other than that, there is not much difference."

The only difference is both of these competitions are going to be entirely different from college races.

"It's a great privilege given to me by God because I never dreamt of this," Amusan said. "It's one of the greatest feelings to represent my country because it's rare for someone to make it to the Olympics, and your country gives you the opportunity to be there."

Amusan, who clocked her best time this year in the 100-meter hurdles at 12.83, is looking to set a new personal record for herself. That is only one of the many different accomplishments Amusan is striving for during this post-season action.

"The Olympics—I'm not saying I want a medal necessarily, but I want to go there, do my best, get a new personal record and breaking the African record," Amusan said. "I know I can do it, but it's one step at a time and anything can happen. But I can't worry about going to the medals table or running faster—anything that happens, glory be to God."

Currently, the Nigerian hurdler is ranked 21st in the world on the senior list and rests among the top Nigerian times for the country's best in the hurdles. However, being in the top 25 in the world has little affect on Amusan.

"I'm not bothered by world ranking," Amusan said. "Like NCAA Finals, I went into the finals as the last qualifier and I got second, so ranking is nothing." The once-little girl from Nigeria never dreamt she could go this high in such little time.

"I used to just go to the track, just like a normal girl, and run," Amusan said. "After going for a major championship and my nationality, I felt like I really need to take this stuff seriously. I thought of training for the Olympics someday, but I was thinking way ahead, like 2020 or past. I wouldn't have thought I would have made it this fast."

Amusan left for Poland from El Paso with her coach on July 16. She will then fly with the Nigerian team to Brazil in late August. However, it is unsure whether she has a spot on the team just yet.

- Tobin Amusan, sophomore

100-meter hurdles

Her coach, Lecena Godding Clarke, and Amusan have both wanted the track standout to reach both tournaments, and Amusan is especially excited about the opportunity to represent her country on one of the grandest stages.
Questions going into football’s summer training camp

BY ADRIAN BROADUS

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UTEP football team will head to summer training camp in El Paso, NM on Aug. 3.

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As August rolls around the corner, the UTEP football team will retreat to the mountains of Buildo and begin their annual training camp on Aug. 3. This camp will allow the squad to zero in on the plans for the season. The Miners will open up season play on Sept. 3 against the UTEP Aggies at home.

As you can see from the photos above, there are some questions to focus on during the upcoming training camp.

1. HOW HEALTHY IS AARON JONES?

After being sidelined for the majority of the season due to a foot injury in the second half against Texas Tech in September 2015, all eyes are on the starting running back Aaron Jones. All the weight and what could have been from last season will transfer over into this season, as the Miners anxiously wait to see if the running back will produce in his most anticipated year yet.

Jones has been serving out since he was injured and now he is back, amid claims he is up to 100 percent. The El Paso native and Burges High School graduate is eighth in UTEP’s history for all-time rushing yards with 2,341 yards and has scored 20 touchdowns in 23 games. He has already received preseason recognition by being featured on the Doak Walker award watch list and the Maxwell award watch list. Jones was also named to Dave Campbell’s All-Texas team as the seventh player in the 50 Most Important College Football Players in Texas.

2. WHO WILL BE THE STARTING QUARTERBACK?

This might be a question that will be asked well after the summer training camp. In fact, it might be a question that is asked leading up to their first game on Sept. 3, Head coach Sean Kugler and offensive coordinator Brent Feese have three different options in Ryan Metz, Kavika Johnson and Fresno State transfer Zack Greenlee. Last year’s starting quarterback, Mack Lettlich, will be sidelined for the entire season due to a shoulder injury.

Throughout spring ball, Metz emerged as a definite front-runner at the quarterback core. He completed big passes and has moved the ball at a rapid pace during the offense’s two-minute drills. However, Metz underperformed during the actual Spring Game, completing 4-of-11 for 55 yards. Metz started in five games of the eight he played. After Lettlich was knocked out of the game against the Aggies, which included completing 3-of-10 passes for 218 total passing yards and the game-winning touchdown.

After Metz had back-to-back poor performances against UTESA and Florida International, Johnson stepped in as the quarterback to eliminate some trouble the team was having in the quarterback spot.

Prior to his play at quarterback, Johnson came into the game in the wildcat package and caused confusion on the team by keeping it on the ground. Throughout the season, Johnson threw for 218 yards on 27-of-53 passes, four total touchdowns and 209 rushing yards. However, Johnson did not have the best spring game either. He completed 10-of-22 for 66 yards in a game dominated by the defense.

Almost immediately after the sub-par performance by Metz and Johnson, the program added Greenlee to the mix. The junior, who has played in California all his life, started five games last season for the Bulldogs and appeared in seven. He led the team with 866 passing yards and completed 74-56 attempts. He totaled 13 touchdowns and six interceptions. The remarkable part about Greenlee is his ability to be dynamic in the pocket, yet escape the pocket and still make a play.

3. WHICH FRESHMAN NEWCOMERS WILL SPARK THE MOST NOISE?

There will be 15 players stepping into their first-ever college training camp this summer. Out of the pack, the one poised to make an immediate impact for many preseason notices, such as being named to the first team All-Texas team by Dave Campbell, and was recognized on the John Mackey award watch list. Through 11 games in 2013, Flinske ranked second on the team in receptions (57) and receiving yards (495). After his dominant season, he was named to a 2015 Conference USA Honorable Mention.

5. DOES ALVIN JONES HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A C-USA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR?

Yes. While the spotlight is on Aaron Jones for his dynamic impact on offense, his twin brother Alvin is a silent killer on the defensive side. The junior linebacker started in all 12 games of the 2015 season and led the team with 93 tackles (48 solo and 45 assisted), 14.5 tackles for loss, 6.5 sacks and two fumble recoveries. He tied for second place in C-USA last year in tackles for loss. He was named last year to the 2015 All-Conference USA Honorable Mention list.

This year, he leads the pack of wides on defense. Jones already has garnered honors from Dave Campbell’s All-Texas players watch list as the number six player to watch in Texas. Alvin brings a whole new unique edge to the linebacker spot—he has speed mixed with strength.

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