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### Texas Longhorns Possess Much Weaker Team Than of Past Years; Aggie Hitting Improves

That this baseball conference will be a mad dogfight before it is over is clearly indicated by the early league standings of the teams. Not one team, with the exception of Rice, can claim a spotless record, and the Owls haven't as yet played a game.

T.C.U. and S.M.U. split a couple of hectic games, while the Texas Aggies put a deep dent in Texas' championship hopes by grabbing a 4-1 decision.

Incidentally, speaking of that particular game, it looks as if Uncle Billy Disch, the former Longhorn coach was right when he made the statement that Texas would have one of the weakest teams in its history. Against the Aggies Tuesday afternoon, it was a different team that strode up to the plate and attempted to hit the ball. No longer were there resounding balls bouncing off the left or center field fence. No long-

er were there pitchers who could keep the hitters from getting any sound base knocks. The team has changed quite a bit, and should it win half of its games, it would be a definite surprise.

Of course there is still the possibility that the other teams in the conference are just as weak, but that remains to be seen.

In their past three games, the Aggies have looked far better than their opponents. Even in their losing Baylor game the boys wearing the Maroon and White were a much smoother looking outfit than their Waco foes.

Their hitting problem was partially solved against Texas, but still Coach Lil Dimmitt will have to find some hitting power somewhere in the outfield. The infielders, the catchers, and the pitchers won't always be able to carry the brunt of the attack, and that's where the outfield may be needed.

### Sports Squibs From Here and There; Labus Pulls Muscle to Add Blok to Track Squad

Emerick Labus, specialist in the 100 and 200 yard dashes pulled a muscle in his leg recently to add more dismay to the already injury-stricken tracksters... Labus also served as anchor man in most of Coach Dough Rollins' relay events... Previously, Jimmy Knight, a relay star for the thinny clads, suffered a similar injury... A note from Charlie Babecek, who is, incidentally attending night school at the University of Houston, states that Coach Cecil Griggs, Rice Owl baseball nine is looking great in its workouts... "The infield has been especially looking good the past few days," Babecek states... Among the leading hitters on the team was Bert Selman, who was seen poling that ball far and wide... Coach Art Adamson and two of his ace tankers, Bobby Taylor and

Bob Cowling, were unable to make the trip to Cambridge Massachusetts for the National Swimming Tournament held at Harvard due unforeseen circumstances... Could be that Danny Green, ace Dallas Athletic Club swimmer who's beaten Taylor a few times, is entered in the meet... John Scoggin and Les Peden lead the Aggies in runs batted in with 6 apiece... Scoggin, however, also leads the club in the most errors made with 5 so far... Four of these have been overthrows... Cullen Rogers raised his average in the Texas game to .167... A few more hits and he'll be hitting his weight.

### KKK Plans Second Yearly Cheese Sale

The Kream and Kow Klub is sponsoring its second annual cheese sale and exhibit which will be held at the creamery April 4. The sale is to help raise funds for their two judging teams.

The cheese sale last Ag Day was a popular event, so it is repeated this year at the request of the many persons who are interested in quality cheese and who have expressed their desire to assist the judging teams sponsored by the Kream and Kow Klub.

Practically all of the American varieties of cheese will be on hand, although it is impossible to secure any of the foreign types.



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# Texas Relays Scheduled Today

## Ags Hit Road for SMU, TCU Tilts

### Austin To Be Site Of Nat'l Meet

#### Bucek and Strong Fish Team Expected To Shine for Cadets

The Texas Aggie tracksters face what will probably be their stiffest competition of the current season when they compete in the fifteenth annual Texas Relays being held in Austin this week-end. Coach J. W. "Dough" Rollins left yesterday morning with sixteen Aggie trackmen who will compete in the meet.

#### Outstanding Event

The Texas Relays are one of the country's outstanding track and field events, and attract schools from all over the country to take part. Several of the outstanding performers in college competition are expected to be on hand for the event. Preliminary were run off yesterday, with the feature attraction scheduled to take place today.

The meet is expected to be a fight between the Aggies and the Longhorns for the first place, with plenty of fireworks on tap in all departments. The Aggies have met the Longhorns twice this season, at the Border Olympics held at Laredo and the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and Exposition meet. In both of these previous encounters the Longhorns triumphed but each time by a very small margin, and the Aggies hope to turn the tables this week-end.

#### Bucek Faces Stiff Competition

Captain Roy Bucek of the Aggies, high point man of last year's meet, will be facing some stiff competition in the 120 yard high hurdles in the university class. Against him are arrayed Ralph Tate of Oklahoma A. & M., and Doug Jacques of Texas, both of whom are excellent performers in this event.

Don Boydston of Oklahoma A. & M., who holds the meet record in the high jump of 6 feet 7 7/8 inches, set in last year's relays and will be on hand for this event to compete with Pete Watkins and

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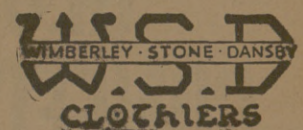


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### Cadets Face Ponies Monday; Play Frogs Thurs

Coach Lil Dimmitt's baseball nine, elated over their recent 4-1 triumph over the Texas Longhorns, will take off for Dallas Sunday afternoon in preparation for their two game series with the S.M.U. Mustangs Monday and Tuesday.

Following that series, the Aggies go to Fort Worth to meet the T.C.U. Horned Frogs in a one game stand Thursday afternoon.

S.M.U. and T.C.U. Split

The Mustangs and the Frogs, incidentally, split a two game series this past week, both being wild affairs. S.M.U. won the first one, 13-9, in a ten-inning event with the Frogs triumphant the following day in a hectic 17-16 fracas.

So far the Aggies have won five of their seven starts dropping only to Oklahoma university and Baylor while winning two from Sheppard Field, one each from Oklahoma, Baylor and Texas.

Stevenson to Pitch Twice  
Charlie Stevenson, no longer over-stuffed, will be Coach Dimmitt's (See CADET FACE, Page 4)

### Murals in War Time!

## Intramurals Move Into First Place With Strong Emphasis on Personal Participation

By Dub Oxford

Intramurals are important.

They have been increasing in importance and scope since the war as exemplified by the fact that the Army and Navy have now hired many physical education instructors to train the members of our armed forces. The formal program of calisthenics is being carried out per usual, but there is a strong emphasis on intramural athletics.

#### Defense Work

Physical fitness is the basis of all defense work. It is every man's obligation to be as physically fit as possible. Physical fitness does not only mean exercise every day, but it also takes into consideration nutrition, immunization against disease, rest, and attitude.

It is every Aggie's obligation to himself to get in some form of exercise every day. This exercise does not mean supervised games, but some form of physical exertion. This may be accomplished

either by going to the gym or by merely playing a game.

#### Builder of Men

Athletics has been a builder of men for centuries, and it is from that source that the United States is drawing its fine fighting men.

However, the athletics one usually thinks about is not the athletics I am speaking of, I am not speaking of inter-collegiate athletics; those organizations are too few. Intramural athletics has been the builder of the men of the United States.

#### Intramurals On Rise

Intramurals are usually designed for the fellows who are not good enough for the varsity, but who, nevertheless, take part in sports. Since the war intramurals have been on the upward scale with all schools making a greater effort to conduct a better and larger program of their own weak intramurals.

Here at A. & M., intramurals have been running at full blast, and there is really no place for

an increase unless increased facilities are obtained.

Intramural athletics have always been popular at A. & M. As Aggie land is the home of the largest male college in the United States, the men in the Intramural Department have an enormous job in taking care of the thousands of sports loving Aggies on the campus. Regardless of the versatility of the man, he is given a chance to do what he can in the line of sports. While many of the intramural participants are not polished athletes, they are doing their part for Uncle Sam by keeping themselves in the "pink of condition."

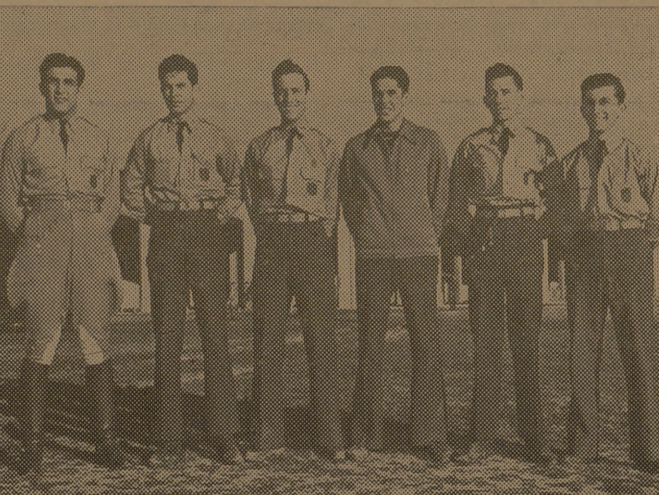
The next time you think of athletics, don't think merely of inter-collegiate sports activities. Give a little thought to the intramural program. The program here at A. & M. houses many more students than does inter-collegiate athletics and has a much larger following. And don't forget—YOU GOTTA BE FIT TO FIGHT.

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## Class A Basketball Champs



Above are pictured the Class Intramural basketball champions—A Field Artillery. Shown left to right are "Soup" Ogdee, Al Ramirez, Bob Weinberger, Kenny Moore, K. E. Schmidt, and Ivan Schwing. —Photo by Howard Berry

## INTRAMURALS

By DUB OXFORD

Intramural boxing is receiving a hearty welcome by the cadets. The big gym is usually filled to capacity every night there is a match and if one listens to the roars and whistles that float out from DeWane Field house, one might almost believe Texas A. & M. owns another Madison Square Garden.



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The boxing matches are very fast and interesting. Some of the fighters use "science" but the most of them merely put on the big gloves and swing—with the hope of hitting their opponent. Some of the wild blows connect and some of them don't. But when they do, oh boy!

An interesting study in human nature and tactics occurred last night. A boxer in blue trunks was "whaling the tar" out of his white-trunked opponent. And white-trunks could take it. But he took enough of it. Stepping back with his arms to his side as if he were going to "throw in the towel," the white-trunked waited for the blue-trunked boxer. As was expected, of blue-trunks lowered his guard. Then Wham! Wham! White-trunks let fly with two flooring haymakers and they connected. And I do mean connected.

Needless to say, blue-trunks was gently picked up from the floor of the ring to shake hands with the winner of the match, white-trunks.

#### Volleyball Finals

These past afternoons have seen class A volleyball players in one-eighth finals playoff matches. A C.W.S. beat B Infantry 2-0 in a man for the Ags, followed closely by Porter and Peden with two apiece. The seven Texas' blows were evenly divided among the Longhorn team.

Aggies (4)	AB	R	H	E
Ballou, ss	4	0	0	0
Rogers, lf	3	1	1	0
Glass, 2b	4	0	0	1
Scoggin, c	4	2	3	0
Porter, lb	4	0	2	1
Peden, 3b	4	1	2	0
Stevenson, p	4	0	1	0
Black, cf	3	0	0	0
Smith, rf	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	33	4	9	2

Score by innings:	R	H	E			
Texas	000	000	100-1	7	3	2
A&M	011	100	010-4	9	2	2
Texas (1)	AB	R	H	E		
Grell, cf	5	0	0	0		
Hector, 3b, rf	4	0	1	2		
Hutton, ss	4	0	1	0		
Stone, 2b	4	0	1	0		
Houpt, lb	4	0	1	1		
Harkins, rf, lf	4	0	1	0		
Reeves, lf	2	0	1	0		
O'Reagan, c	2	0	0	0		
Randerson, c, 3b	4	0	1	0		
Collins, p	1	0	0	0		
*Pierce	1	0	0	0		
Dumke, p	0	1	0	0		
Tankersley, p	1	0	0	0		
TOTALS	36	1	7	3		

\*Pierce batted for Collins in 4th

## Stephenson's Pitching and Scoggin's Hitting Give Ags 4-1 Win Over TU Tuesday

Led by the bounding bat of John Stephenson and the hurling masterpiece of Charlie Stevenson, the Texas Aggies pounded out a 4-1 victory over the Texas Longhorns

here Tuesday afternoon. The game was played in an intermittent drizzle throughout, and for a time, there was a question of whether the game would be played or not.

Stevenson, never in trouble but in two innings, duplicated his great performance against Baylor as he held the Steers to seven scattered hits. Some great fielding by his hits saved him possibly a run or two, but nevertheless his fast curve ball baffled Texas throughout the game. Cecil Ballou, Aggie shortstop, played a great defensive game, coming up with almost miraculous stops.

The Aggies lost no time in hitting the offerings of Jim Collins, Texas' starting pitcher. Scoggin led off with a single in the second inning. He went to second as Collins' attempt to catch him off first was dropped by Speedy Houpt.

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Sam Porter followed with a single to score Scoggin.

With one down in the third, Rogers was hit by the pitcher. He was advanced to second by Glass' grounder and score on Scoggin's second single. The Ags added another run in the fourth on Les Peden's single, a wild pitch, and an error by the third baseman.

Texas, however, threatened seriously in the fourth inning. Houpt opened with a single to center. Harkins followed with a single to left. O'Reagan struck out. Randerson then slapped a grounder past second which was seemingly headed for right field. However, Ira Glass made a nice stab to stop the blow and keep the bases loaded. Stevenson then tightened up and made Pinch-hitter Pierce put up to Peden and Grell to ground out for the last out.

The Longhorns finally broke Stevenson's scoreless streak at 16 innings by scoring in the seventh. With one down, Dumke walked. Grell struck out, but Hector singled to send the Texas' pitcher to second base. Grady Hatton then followed with a line single to center to score Dumke. Stone popped up to Porter.

John Scoggin's line homer over the left center field wall accounted for the final Aggie run in the eighth inning. Scoggin with three hits was top

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