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## Ag Swimmer Holds Monopoly on Records

By ART HOWARD

Danny Green holds more records, pool and conference, than any other swimmer in the Southwest.

He has broken so many marks that he has trouble remembering them all.

Among his laurels are conference records in the 50, and 100 yd. free style races.

Last year Green swam the 220 yd. free style in 2:16.9, lowering old pool record set by Bob Taylor of A&M by 2.5 seconds.

He also broke another of Taylor's pool records in the 440 yd. swim with a spectacular time of 4:59.5, as compared with the old mark of 5:10.4.

At this rate, Green averaged 68 seconds for 100 yds., which is faster than many swimmers can make it in a sprint.

Green is also a member of the 400 yd. relay team which holds the pool record of 3:43.7, against the conference mark of 3:50 set by a Texas U. Team in 1939.

With all of these records, Green holds every individual mark except the backstroke and breaststroke events.

Danny is swimming for the Dallas Athletic Club when he was only 14 years old. Even then he was fast, and his pool records set there in the 100, 220, and 440 still stand.

Last month Green set new records at Kansas U. in the 50 and 100 yd. distances, and at Oklahoma University he broke pool records in the 50 and 100. These records were the same ones which he had set there two years previously when he was attending O. U. while in the Navy.

It may be monotonous listening to the long list of his records, but Green's resume sounds western A. U. records, indoor and outdoor, in the 100, 200, and 440 races are especially noteworthy.

Green also came in third in the Intercollegiate 150 and fourth in the 440 in 1942 when he was only 16 years old.

Coach Art Adamson's only regret is that he can't use Danny in only three events, or four in an emergency, without burning him out. If Green had his way, he would probably swim in every free style event.

In an intra-squad meet last Wednesday, Danny was the anchor man on the 440 yd. relay. He was five yards behind the other anchor man by the time his team member hit the edge of the pool. This was

## Button Trails Swiss In Champion Race

DAVOS PLAZ, SWITZERLAND, Feb. 13 — (AP) — Hans Gerschwiller of Switzerland, defending champion, defeated Dick Button of Englewood, N. J., today in the compulsory figures division of the world figure skating championship. Button, the Olympic winner, is favored in the free skating, that will conclude the competition tomorrow.

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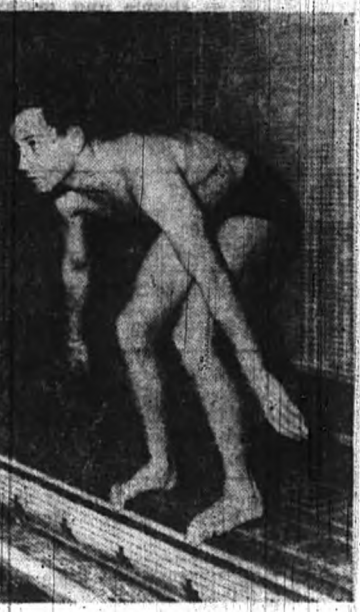
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DANNY GREEN only 3 or 4 events . . .

probably the furthest Green had ever been behind, and he swam his best in spite of a cut thumb.

Although he lost by one foot at the finish, his time, 51.4, was the lowest on record in the Southwest.

Coach Adamson has pictures in his office of famous A&M swimmers, with their pool and conference records under them . . . It will be a long time before anyone moves a record from below Danny's picture.

Green is a Junior, majoring in Industrial Education, and he has one year of eligibility left.

## 5 Former Champs Lead in Ft. Worth Golden Gloves

FORT WORTH, Feb. 13 — (AP) — Five former champions paced the 12th annual state golden gloves tournament into its second round of action last night.

The five ex-titlists scored decisive wins before an opening audience of 4,707 persons.

Henry Kakaway of Houston, flyweight champion in 1946, registered the only knockout among the five, eliminating Royce Smith of Waco in 1:38 of the first round.

The other former champions winning were:

Charles Simmons, defending heavyweight champion from Dallas by a decision over Don Thompson of Odessa.

Bill Henderson, defending featherweight titlist from Lubbock, outpointed Cleve Steed of Wichita Falls.

Tom Adams, defending light heavyweight champion from Abilene, had a hard time defeating Cliff Bradley of Amarillo.

Herbert May, Middleweight champion in 1946 from Houston, easily won over Don Orville of Brownwood.

Twenty regional centers are competing in the tournament. Fighters who did not see action last night will fight tonight. Some will be in the ring for the second consecutive night.

The tournament will run tonight and Saturday with the semi-finals and finals Monday night.

State champions will represent Texas in the national tournament at Chicago February 23-25.

The 1940 census showed 18.45 percent of all gainfully employed Americans to be in agriculture with 24.3 percent in manufacturing.

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## Mural Sports To Start When Weather Clears

By CLIFF ACKERMAN

The spring semester intramural program was officially started Wednesday with team handball leading off. Scheduling of the matches has been completed and should now be in the hands of the competing teams. In the scheduling, to make things come out even, a few of the handball matches have been scheduled for 9 p. m.

Only as a last resort was this late hour arrived at.

Following handball will be horseshoes which is scheduled to start Monday, providing the weather gives the program a fighting chance.

The month of March will see the program in full swing with softball, boxing, wrestling, and the open tournaments taking the spotlight.

Senior Managers and Junior assistants for the first part of the spring program are as follows:

Bill Rippeote is in charge of handball with Tommie Splitzgerber helping.

Horseshoes is being handled by Bryan Crouch with Frank Bogus and Jack England assisting.

Herb Carter will have charge of all open tournaments along with the assistance of Billy Hightower and Doug Benefield.

## Tulane Student Shoots Sub-Par One-Club Golf

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 — (AP) — Wilson Shirley, 19 year old Tulane U. student, probably never will make the college golf team, but he's at least one up on the stars when it comes to saving on clubs and caddy fees.

Shirley plays the regulation 18-hole course with only one club — a putter. . . what's more he often breaks 90, drives up to 190 yards and says his best shot is a blast out of a trap.

Some golfers we know can't do any of those things with a full set of matched woods and irons.

Other Schools, Too? . . .

Now that they've acquired Eddie Miller, the Phillies have at least five shortstops on their list, Miller, Ralph Lapointe, Jackie (\$40,000) Albright, Gran Hamner (up from \$100,000) and Grady Wilson (rescued via draft from the Cardinal chain).

Pats are beginning to dream about trades that would make the Phils a first-division club.

One applicant for the Virginia Tech football coaching job, which Jimmy Kitts quit, is Jimmy Price, an alumnus, who wrote:

"Of course, I know absolutely nothing about coaching football, but that seems of little importance anyhow, and I should be even better qualified to please the vets and alumni."

## Wrong Way Corigan . . .

Penn State's Bob Higgins, known as "wrong way Higgins" since he went to Clairton, Pa., for a banquet instead of Clarion, sent his regrets to a Pittsburgh affair recently when he was snowbound only to find out the dinner wasn't until two weeks later . . .

Bob merely moaned: "Not only are my ulcers kicking up, now my mind's wandering."

Joe Louis plans to box 78 rounds in 26 days during his visit to England this spring.

Leighton, Pa., high school finally has ended a 44-game losing streak in basketball, stretching over three years.

When Tom Underwood, the celebrated editor and humorist of Lexington, Ky., was asked to predict the 1948 "Horse of the year," he replied: "I'll take a ticket on Ben Jones." . . . why not a parlay on Ben and Ted Atkinson?

The hamburger is first recorded in 780 A.D. when Italian physicians prescribed chopped beef fried with onions as a cure for colds and coughs.

United States "greenbacks" reached a low of 49 cents in terms of gold in 1864 and rose nearly par in 1878.

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## Aggs Clash With Rice Tonight; Fish Meet Bolts

### Farmer Chances for Victory Drops With Baty in Hospital

By JAMES DeANDA

With their sights set on fourth place in the Southwest Conference race, the Texas Aggie basketball squad host to the Rice Owls here tonight at 8 o'clock in the second game of a twin bill.

Coach Johnnie Frankie's crack Fish-Bee aggregation meets the Rice Blue Bolts in the first tilt of the doubleheader at 6 o'clock.

This contest will mark the second meeting between the two clubs. The Junior Aggies lost their first tilt earlier this season by a score of 43-42. Two points from the free throw line by Blue Bolt forward Rex Proctor in the waning seconds of the game proved the difference in a very close tilt.

Coach Frankie's pupils have looked impressive this year. The Fish-Bees have won five and lost four while averaging fifty points per tilt. Truett Mobley leads the Junior Aggie point-makers with a total of 49. Jim Kirkland is in the runner-up slot with 48 followed closely by John DeWitt who has tallied 44 counters.

The Fish-Bee starting line-up will probably be Truett Mobley and newcomer Jewell McDowell at forwards; John DeWitt, six-foot four inch cager from Waco at center; Marvin Martin and Wallace Moon will be at the guard positions.

Students whose last names begin with the letters P through Z will be admitted to the game first tonight.

Height, the factor which has hurt the Cadets all season, will give the Owls a tremendous advantage. The kingly Owl starting quintet averages almost six-feet, four inches.

Aggie chances of a win were given a hard jolt when it was announced that Bill Baty, starting Farmer guard will probably be out of action tonight, Baty, who ranks third in season scoring in the conference fell victim to the flu.

Baty's loss will be keenly felt by the Cadet squad. In addition to leading the Farmers in scoring, the ailing cager has demonstrated deadly accuracy from the foul line.

He has hit 41 out of 52 attempts to rank near the top in the nation in this department.

Baty was instrumental in the A & M upset victory over SMU when he scored eight points in less than a minute and a half. The eight point surge iced the contest for the Aggies.

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### Wind, Rain, Cold Hamper Golf Pro Tournament in Harlingen

HARLINGEN, TEX., Feb. 13 — (AP) — The \$10,000 lower Rio Grande Valley open started yesterday with veterans of the tournament trail saying you can pick any one of a dozen players as favorite. Golf has become that close, they declare, and the 1948 record bears them out.

Six tournaments have been held this year and six different men have won them — Ben Hogan, Lloyd Mangrum, E. J. Harrison, Bobby Locke, Skip Alexander and Sam Snead.

If anyone is to be established as the general favorite here it is Johnny Palmer, the rapidly rising young man from Baden, N. C. It's because of his putting.

The Harlingen municipal course is short — just 6,045 yards — giving the edge to the top man on the greens. Palmer stars at putting along with a very sound all-around game. Another well-rated man is Bobby Locke, the Johannesburg, South Africa, invader who also excels on the carpets.

All of the top men of golf except Sam Snead and Lew Worsham, the 1947 National Open Champion, are in the field of 181 moving out today in the first 18 holes.

Snead, winner of the Texas Open at San Antonio last week-end, has quit the tour for a time. Worsham has a leg infection that is due to keep him out of action here.

The crack shots of gold who laughed at rain and cold at San Antonio where par figures were given their greatest battering are feeling none too good about conditions at the Valley Open. Winds of 28 to 38 miles per hour are causing general headshaking.

However, they have been trimming par 35-36 — 71 figures pretty consistently in warm-up rounds. Several 65's have been recorded.

The field will be trimmed to 100 with today's round. Tomorrow some 40 more will be lopped from the list. The low 60, and ties of the first 36 holes will play 18 holes Saturday and 18 more Sunday in the battle for the \$2,000 first money.

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## Baylor Beats TU 48-39

It was all Baylor in the Southwest Conference basketball race today.

The Bears knocked defending champion Texas out of the undefeated ranks and a share of the lead last night, 68-49, to move within three games of a perfect conference season and the championship.

Don Heathington's deadly shooting accounted for exactly half of Baylor's score, while Texas' speedy sharp-shooter Slater Martin was held to eight and Tom Hamilton garnered only nine. Al Madsen paced Texas' scoring with 11 points.

The result left the Bears with nine straight conference victories, put Texas in second place with a five and one record and shoved Arkansas into third.

Baylor held the lead most of the first half, but Texas deadlocked the score just before the intermission. A crisp shot by Heathington gave Baylor a 22-20 lead at the half.

Arkansas is host to Texas Christian at Fayetteville, Ark., in the first of a two-game series and Rice plays Texas A&M at College Station.

The race is practically over for Baylor. It has only three games left to play. One is against Texas Christian and another with Southern Methodist both out of the running for the title. The third game is the most important. This is with Texas.

In road play the league's round ball streamliners have fared as follows: Kansas State 2-1, Missouri 2-1, Nebraska 2-2, Kansas 1-0, Iowa State 1-2, Colorado 1-3 and Oklahoma 0-2.

### FISH-BEES TO PLAY TYLER JUNIOR COLLEGE

Saturday night, February 21, at 7:30 the Aggie Fish-Bees will meet the Tyler Junior College Cagers in a game in DeWitt Field House.

### Bertelli Ice Coach

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — (AP) — Angelo Bertelli, former Notre Dame football star, is coaching the Springfield Hokies, members of the Atlantic Hockey League. A local resident, Bertelli is a member of the Chicago Rockets of the All-America Football Conference.



Coming down the court is Aggie Guard Gene Schrickel, one of the most improved men on the A&M squad. Gene will be one of the big guns in the A&M attack against Rice tonight.

### Brother Cousin

TULSA — (AP) — Norm McAtee, Tulsa, forward, doesn't know whether he should call his brother Phil (Red) McAtee, Fort Worth goalie, "brother" or "cousin." Norm has scored the winning goal against brother Phil in two games this season.

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### Cager Uses Head

NEW YORK — (AP) — George Nostrand, ex-Wyoming basketball star now with the Providence Steamrollers of the Basketball Association of America, got credit for 27 points against the New York Knickerbockers in a recent league game — but he only threw in 25 of them. The other two points came on a basket scored when a ball caromed off his head into the hoop.

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