

# Four Mile Relay Team To Enter Drake Meet

## Quick Action by Carmichael Insures Trip for Aggie Milers

By DON ENGELKING

Aggie Track fans who are worrying about the champion four mile relay team staying at home this weekend can relax and rejoice.

Webster Stone, Joe McGlothlin, Carrol Hahn and J. D. Hampton will enter the four mile relay event in the Drake Relays this weekend according to an announcement made late yesterday afternoon by Bill Carmichael, A&M Athletic Director.

The Aggie four mile team, champions of their event in both the Texas and Kansas Relays, will be after their third straight victory in the four mile grind.

Joining Bob Goode and the mile relay team, in Des Moines Iowa, the four mile team, the sprint relay team and George Kadera will give the Aggies one of the most powerful entries this school has ever had in the Drake classic.

The sprinters who will leave tonight with Kadera and the four mile team are Webb Jay, Bill Cardon and either Warren Wilson or Robert Hall or both.

The reason for the late announcement concerning the four mile relay team was due to the fact that the team was originally scheduled to go to the Drake Relays, but last week they asked if they could go to the Kansas Relays instead.

Their request for entry in the Kansas Relays was granted and the plans which had been made to send them to the Drake classic were cancelled.

When the team came home from the Kansas Relays victorious, Assistant track coach Ray Putnam and the members of the team immediately requested that they be sent to the Drake Relays.

Carmichael then made the necessary arrangements for the four Aggies to go to Des Moines. The traveling arrangements were completed yesterday afternoon.

Carmichael will take four of the runners to the Relays in his car.

Col. Frank Anderson, who has been in Des Moines, Iowa since Sunday could not be contacted for comment.

## Tennis Team Beats Cougars In Easy Win

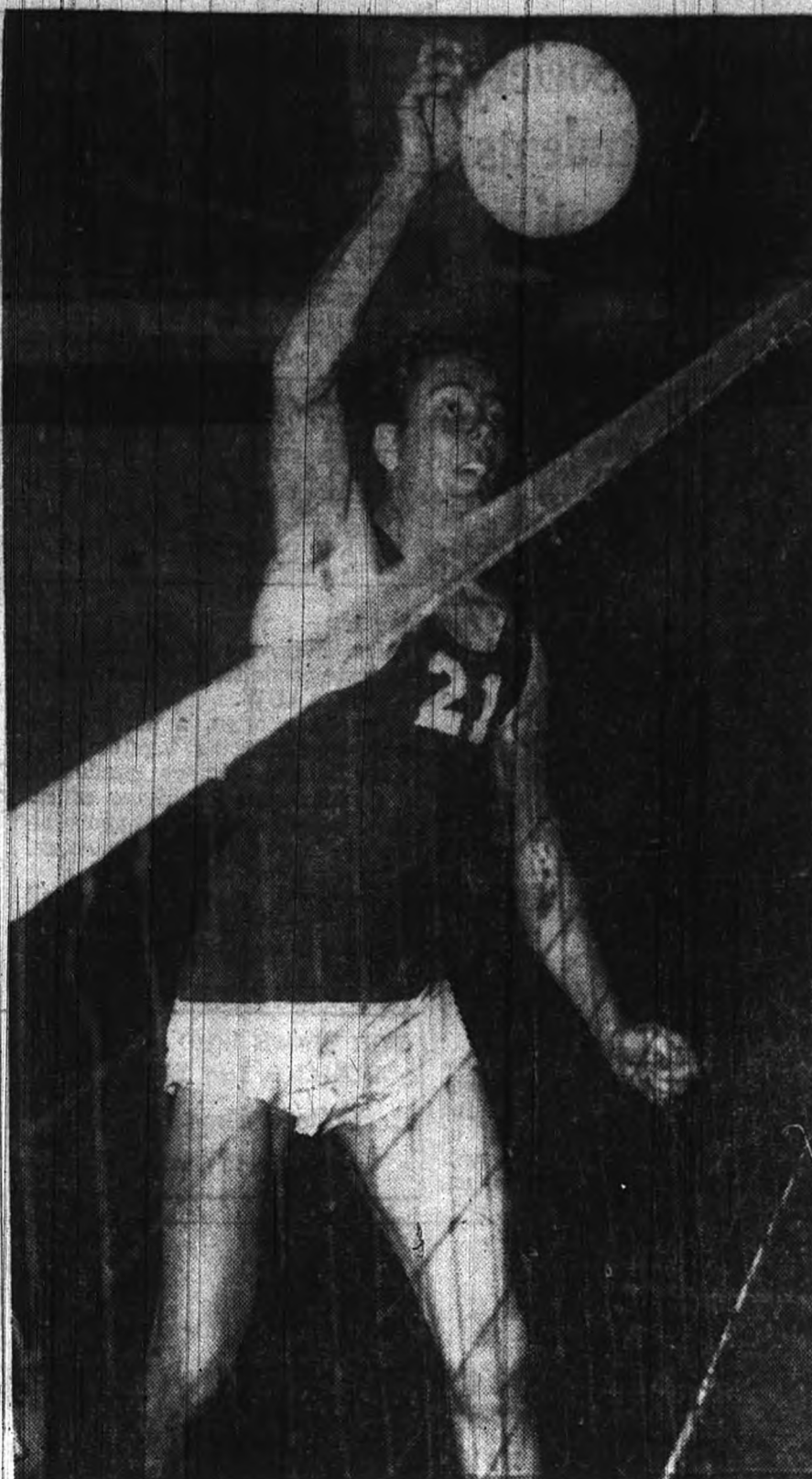
For the second time in as many starts the Texas A&M Tennis team defeated the Sam Houston Cougars Monday afternoon at Navasota. The netmen from Aggieland were masters of the courts all the way and won the match in straight sets with a score of 6-0. The Aggies won their first tilt from the Cougars by the same score.

One of the main reasons for making the trip, said Coach Dowell, was to give the boys practice in playing on asphalt courts. The varsity men haven't played much on asphalt courts and they needed that practice as they will have to play on that type of court when they meet Baylor next Saturday in Waco.

The Aggies took control from the very beginning when Bill Bennett beat Jimmy Mann in the No. 1 singles by a score of 6-4, 8-1.

Benny Stanford followed in Bennett's footsteps and downed Ashford Manning 6-4, 6-0. Then Rodney Sellars humbled B. F. Broyles with a rough 6-0, 6-1, and Duffy Stanley won over lefty M. O. Parker with an equally hard 6-2, 6-0.

The A&M netters dominated the doubles matches also. Bennett teamed with Stanford to defeat the Cougar pair of Manning and Mann 6-0, 6-3, and Sellars and Stanley matched rackets to down Broyles and Parker 6-3, 6-2.



**BJORN J. JOHANSEN**, ace spiker and All-American on Houston's Volleyball team, is shown starting one of his kills. **JOHANSEN** will be here this week-end when his team competes in the Gulf AAU Volleyball playoffs.

## Major League Fans Set New Opening Day Attendance Mark

By JOE REICHLER

About the only thing missing yesterday's and Monday's major league opening games was a no-hitter.

Practically everything else happened, to the delight of 331,783 fans who set a record for opening day attendance.

As for the results themselves, Brooklyn snaked past the Giants 7-6 in New York; the Cards shut out Cincinnati 4-0 in St. Louis; Washington gained revenge for its one-sided defeat by the Yankees Monday, thrashing the world champions 9-1.

Detroit defeated the White Sox in Chicago 5-2 and the Indians sent a record inaugural crowd of 73,163 home happy with a 4-0

triumph over the St. Louis Browns.

In other games, the Philadelphia Phillies had a successful home opener as they whipped the Boston Braves 3-1, and Pittsburgh did likewise with a 3-2 win over the Chicago Cubs. The Red Sox and Philadelphia Athletics were idle.

Here are some of the opening day highlights:

Eighteen home runs were belted yesterday and Monday—not an unusual number, but look what some of them produced:

Stan Spence, Vern Stephens and Bobby Doerr hit theirs in succession in one inning—a record-tying feat—but the Red Sox lost anyway.

George Vico, rookie first baseman of the Tigers, smacked one on the first pitch served him in his first major league game.

Tommy McBride of the Senators slammed one—with the bases loaded in the first inning.

Mike Tresh of the White Sox hit one—his first in 787 games. He had not hit a four bagger since 1940. Previously he had hit only one home run in 10 years in the majors.

The Liverpool (soccer) Football Club will tour the U. S. playing top American soccer squads this year. Beginning in New York on May 16, the booters will play in Philadelphia, Baltimore, Newark, Fall River, Mass., and other cities.

# Freshman Nine Stops Blinn Junior College 7-5 For Ninth Win of Year

## THE BATTALION SPORTS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1948

## Aggie Rifle Team Ends Season With 12 Wins, 1 Loss

The Aggie rifle team finished the 1947-48 season with 12 wins and one loss.

The first team placed second in the William Randolph Hearst trophy match for the senior division in the Fourth Army area.

Thomas H. Rose of Del Rio received a trophy for winning top honors for the individual riflemen in the Fourth Army area.

The first team consists of Rose, Edwin R. Daniels, Corsicana; Geo. S. Kent, Fort Worth; Cloyd Buchanan, Dallas; Clifford A. Taylor, Fort Worth.

Other members of the team are: Nicholas J. Mees, Jr., Marlin; Joseph V. McCullough, San Antonio; Clarence J. Leinweber, Mountain Home; Cornelius Duff, Galveston; Herschel V. Shelby, San Antonio; James A. McCulley, Alexandria, La.; and Robert B. McIlton, Fort Worth.

Major John M. Cook is team manager and M/Sgt. Truman Allen is coach.

## Bombers Take 14-0 Win From Lufkin

Bryan and Tyler had set themselves up today as the teams for everybody to gun for in the Lone Star League baseball race.

Henderson and Longview were the other two targets as a result of last night's season-opener victories, but their modest showings made them less conspicuous.

Bryan swamped Lufkin, 14-0; Tyler pounded Gladewater, 11-2; Henderson came from behind to nip Kilgore, 5-4, and Longview edged Marshall, 5-4.

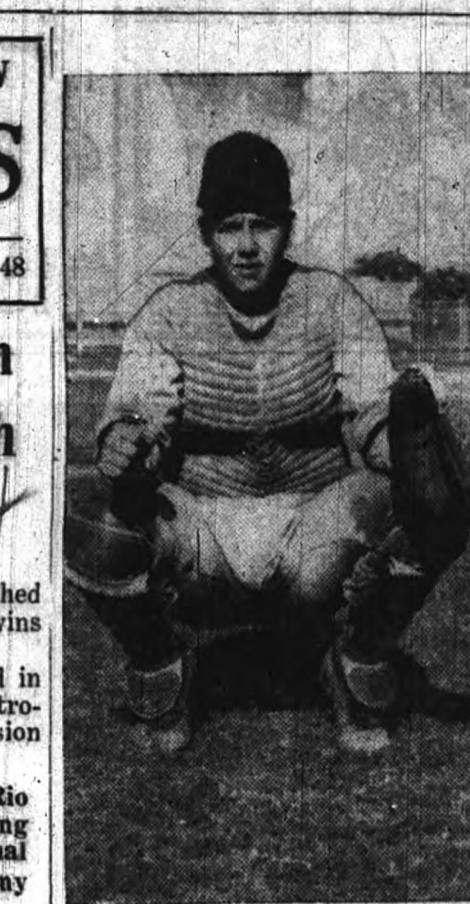
Lefty Gene Bauer hurled fourth ball for Bryan as his Bomber teammates clouted 13 hits, two of them good for extra bases.

Rudy Jones homered in the second and Jim Hardin clouted a three-run roundtripper in the fifth for Tyler. Rudy Briner homered for Gladewater in the fourth.

Henderson earned his decision in the sixth by coming from behind a three-run deficit to score four runs on four hits, one of them a triple by Jack Selby.

Named After Pacer

NEW YORK —(P)—The Little Brown Jug, famed harness racing classic for three-year-old pacers held at Delaware, O.—considered the pacer Kentucky Derby—is named after a famous pacer named Little Brown Jug which raced in the 1880's—not the football series played between Michigan and Minnesota.



Catcher **BOB GRAHAM** batted in the first pair of Fish runs in yesterday's game with Blinn. The Houston Aggie is one of the six freshman starters batting over the .300 mark. He is clouting the ball at a .320 pace.

## Annual "Fite Nite" End Mural Boxing

A&M's annual "Fite Nite" boxing show will get underway tonight in the gym at 7:30. Eight intramural final bouts will be staged, followed by a free-for-all between eight intramural managers.

Two runner-ups from last year's hard to preserve his title against Gus Vietas. Tall lanky Vietas is one of the most colorful fighters in the program.

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## Buc Pitchers Limit Fish To Four Hits But Walk Twelve

By JAMES DeANDA

Aggie bats were silent yesterday afternoon, but a pair of Blinn Junior College hurlers walked Cadets in every inning and Coach Charlie DeWare's freshmen walked to a 7-4 decision over the Buccaneers. It was the fifth straight win for the Fish, and their ninth in ten starts.

The Farmers were too busy ducking the offerings of pitchers Jack Bass and Bill Love to do much hitting. Bass, who started the tilt, pitched four frames and 10-hit, no-run ball but wildness kept him in trouble all the time.

The Blinn tosser went into the fifth stanza with a two-run working margin, but Bob Graham's single produced a pair of tallies and the Farmers were back in the all game. Graham's stock in the field was the first Cadet safety.

Bill Warriner crossed the plate in a ground ball in the same frame to put the Aggies in the lead for the first time.

Another trio of runs in the next frame won the contest for the Fish. Bill McRheron's two-run double was the big blow during the inning, but it was Warriner's long fly to right that counted, hurled Red Wiggins from third with the winning marker.

Successive doubles by Sonny Bollman and Joe Savarino gave the Cadets their seventh run in the final inning.

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