

Fourteen Trackmen Journey To Iowa For Drake Relays

Four Mile Relay Team Makes Trip at Last Minute Joins Sprint Relay, Mile Relay Teams, Kadera, Goode

Fourteen members of the A&M Track team were in Des Moines, Iowa, today, competing in preliminaries of the Drake Relays, annual two-day cinder carnival that is one of the spring highlights in track in the midwest. Finals will be held Saturday.

Last minute arrival of the four-mile relay team boosted the total of Maroon and White thinly clad to 14. The Stone and J. D. Hampton, made the trip following hurried eleven hour enroute on the part of the athletic department.

George Kadera, SWC discus champion who did not compete in the Kansas Relays last week, left Wednesday together with the entire sprint relay team of Robert Hall, Webb Jay, Bill Cardon and Warren Wason. The latter four will enter the 800 relay while Kader Goode will substitute for Wason in the 400.

The group joins the five Aggie trackmen who arrived in Des Moines earlier in the week from Kansas where they competed in the Kansas Relays. In addition to this bunch are Bob Goode and the crack mile relay team of Don Cardon, Ervin Blueback, Ray Holbrook and Art Harrison.

Thus, A&M will field three entire relay teams—the sprint, mile, and four mile—plus a weight man and Goode, who will enter the javelin.

It was at Drake last year that the SWC champion mile relay team met its first and only defeat of the year. The Aggies trail second to Michigan in the lightning fast time of 8:14.3.

Since that time, the Aggies have lost only once—in the winter meet in New Orleans—when a dropped baton cost the Aggies 25 yards. They lost that race to L. S. U., whom they have since beaten.

The four-mile quartet is undefeated in its two previous outings, having annexed the Texas relays crown in Austin three weeks ago and the Kansas Relays title last week.

The sprint relay team has been running a consistent record this

season to Texas' unbeaten 440 squad, anchored by Charley Parker.

Kadera, defeated by Minnesota's Fortune Gordon in the discus at the Texas Relays has since beaten Gordon's winning toss and will be shooting for the winners circle at Drake. In practice, Kadera has bettered 170 feet—six feet over the existing SWC record—twice since the Relays. His best toss was 171 feet six inches.

The Aggies will be joined at Drake by an 11-man contingent from Texas U.

New Cooper Battery For Hurrier-less Giants

BUCKNER, Mo., (AP)—The New York Giants could arrange another Cooper battery this season—in a pinch.

Morton, the pitcher, isn't playing this year. But the Giants have waiver as a catcher, and his 8½-year-old daughter, Sara, shows budding talent.

At the recent achievement day program for Jackson county school students, Sarah won the baseball throw for third grade girls with a toss of 68½ feet.

That's enough to carry from the pitcher's mound to home plate, with eight to spare.

GEORGETOWN, Tex., April 23.—Harold "Spot" Collins, one time ace blocking back of the University of Texas, is new head football coach at Southwestern University.

Fish Baseballers Meet Baylor Cubs

By JAMES DeANDA

Riding the crest of a five-game winning streak, Coach Charlie DeWare's freshman nine travels to Waco tomorrow for a tilt with the Baylor Cubs. It will be the second trip for the Cadets this week.

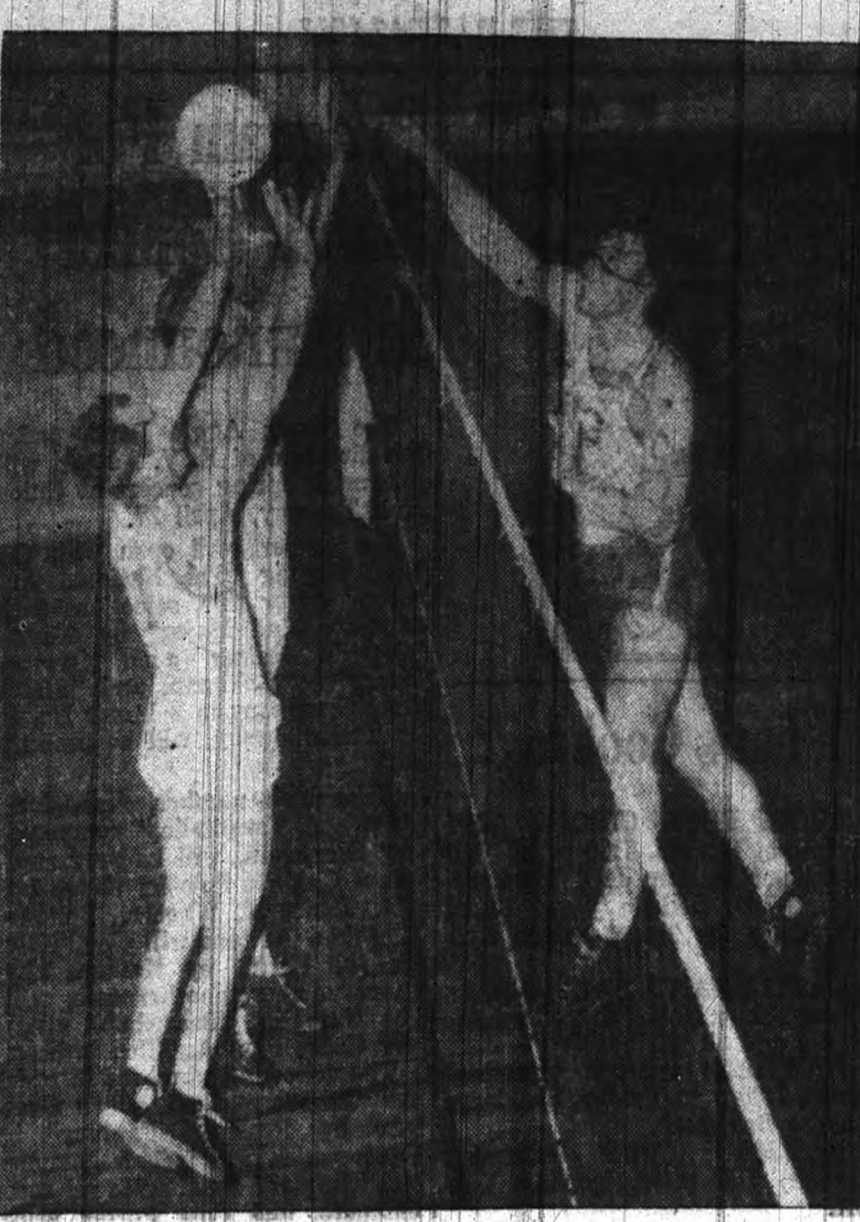
Saturday's game will mark the eleventh time the Fish have trotted out on the diamond and the first-year baseballers will be seeking their tenth win. Only once have the freshmen faltered. That was two weeks ago when they dropped a 7-6 ten-inning game to the Sam Houston State Bearkats.

The Aggies and Bruins have already met once this season. On that occasion DeWare's sluggers clubbed Coach Jim Marino's pitching staff for thirteen base knocks and a 5-3 win.

Baylor moundsmen will have their work cut out for them once again. The Farmer nine's batting mark suffered a big drop Tuesday when the Fish were held to four hits by Blinn Junior College. However, the Cadets still boast a team mark of .337.

There will be at least six Cadets starting tomorrow's game that are currently hitting in the select 300 circle. They are catcher Bob Graham, infielders Bill McPherson, Joe Savarino, Guy Wallace, and Sonny Bollman, and right fielder Bill Warriner.

The left side of the Cadet infield, Guy Wallace and Sonny Bollman, is setting a torrid pace at the plate for the club. Wallace has hit safely nineteen times this season in thirty-five official trips to maintain a .543 mark. Bollman has an average of .487 with eighteen blows in thirty-seven tries.



Shown above spiking the volleyball is FRANK GREGG, ace spiker for the Houston YMCA Volleyball team which will participate in the Gulf AAU Tourney here Saturday. The Houston sextet, former national champions, is seeded number one.

First Gulf AAU Volleyball Tourney Scheduled for DeWare Saturday

A day-long, six team, double-elimination tournament will be held Saturday as the First Gulf AAU Volleyball Meet opens at DeWare Field House.

The tournament, conducted under the sponsorship of the A&M Volleyball Club, will get underway at 10 Saturday morning and continue throughout the day.

Entered in the meet are YMCA squads from Houston, Dallas, Waco, Fort Worth, and two teams from A&M.

The Gulf AAU has made arrangements to award a trophy to the winning team and Student Activities will award medals to the first, second and third place finishers.

The Houston "Y" team, on the basis of its national standing, has been seeded number one in the tourney, with the Waco sextet seeded second. The Houston squad has previously won the national title and placed third last year.

One A&M squad will be composed of Ned Bunsion, Joe Bell, Guy Dawkins, Howard Devaney, Walter Arbuckle and Victor Welle. The other team representing A&M will consist of Curtis Ray, Red Wisenbunt, Gene Reed, Jim Mamacher, Wayne Wimberly, and Bob Miller.

An exhibition match between two championship girl teams will be played Saturday night at 7:00 p. m. bringing together the Temple All-Stars and the Grand Prize team of Houston.

Aggie Team Meets Southwestern Tech Today, Saturday

Baseball resumes its activity on Kyle Field this afternoon as the varsity meets the Southwestern Tech nine from Weatherford, Oklahoma.

Taking a breather from SWC competition, the Aggies face one of the toughest teams in Oklahoma college competition at 3 p. m. today and tomorrow. The Tech men took the crown of the South Central Oklahoma conference last spring and are winners of five out of seven this season.

Earl Beesley, with four wins to his credit and one defeat against him, will be the starting pitcher this afternoon. Earl at the present time has over 55 innings of pitching in conference competition to his credit, more than any other hurler in the circuit.

The Aggies also have two leading batsmen on their roster. Both Fretz Thornton and Bobby Fretz are among the ten leading hitters of the SWC. Each hit homers against SMU last Saturday in Dallas.

In Saturday's game against the Tech nine, coach Marty Karow plans to use either Bobby Fretz or Alvis Nixon. Both have a conference win to their credit. Fretz picked up a game against the Baylor Bears while Nixon went all the way over the SMU Mustangs this past weekend. Fretz has been suffering from a Charlie horse but may see action on the hill this weekend.

After this pair of games, the Aggies rest until Tuesday when they journey to Waco to finish out their games against the Baylor Bears.

There are only two sets of quintuplets alive today—the Dionne sisters born in Canada in 1934 and the Diligent quintuplets born in 1943 in Argentina.

Henderson Boasts Oldest Battery

HENDERSON, Tex., April 23.—The oldest baseball "battery" in Texas history is top open the 1948 season here tonight.

John Crow, 96-year-old native of Rush, will "burn" across the first pitch and his 84-year-old brother, General Crow, will do the backstopping.

Dressing Rooms Near Completion

New athletic dressing rooms and offices for the coaches under the west side stands of Texas A&M College's Kyle Field Stadium will be completed within three weeks, Athletic Director William R. Carmichael announced yesterday. The project will cost approximately \$100,000.

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