

Mile Relay Team, Hurdler Bob Hall Flying to Coliseum Meet

Typewriter Sportsman . . .

Waco Writer Wants to Discard Track As A College And High School Sport

Aggie Track Coach Frank Anderson is wondering just what his thinly clad team must do to be called the Southwest Conference Track Champions. Statistics show that the Cadets did score more points than any other team in the conference meet and the records show that the Farmers have lost only one meet this season. However, according to Jinx Tucker, it took a combination of the Aggies, Arkansas, and a lot of luck to beat the Texas Longhorns.

Tucker, aging sports editor of the Waco News Tribune, has been writing sports for many years, and he has spent most of that time in everyone's hair.

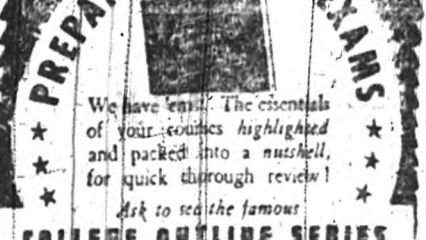
The Waco writer was a little upset because Baylor failed to scratch in the conference meet, so upset that he can see no reason why track should be continued on such a large scale.

He stated that the fans would be very pleased if all the field events were abolished. Father Time also claims that track does not pay off in the box office and is therefore a dead loss to most of the schools.

According to Tucker, the track situation is worse in high schools than in colleges. Once again, he harps on the money angle. Jinx states that the interscholastic league is discriminating against football by restricting spring training in that sport to one month while placing no time limits on the time that tracksters may work out.

In answer to Tucker's attack on track, Colonel Anderson stated that if everyone measured the value of sport by the amount of money it brought in, then it is true that track and many other sports would be "a dead loss." But fortunately for sports, most people do not share Mr. Tucker's commercialized view points.

Tucker, blinded by the Yankee dollar, does not pause to consider other factors. Track is the only sport in which relatively large numbers of students can participate. For many boys who are unable to participate in the more specialized games like football and baseball, track serves as a character builder as well as a competitive sport.



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Champs to Vie For Honors At National Open

By WILL GRIMSLEY
NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—Ten champions—ranging from present title holder Lew Worsham to amateur Charles (Chick) Evans, Jr., who prevailed 32 years ago—will seek to repeat in the National Open Golf Tournament at Los Angeles next month.

They are listed in the all-time record field of 140 who filed entry for the event at the swank Riviera Country Club June 10-12. Other past champions entered are Gene Sarazen (1922-23), Tommy Armour (1927), Olin Dutra (1940), Craig Wood (1941) and Lloyd Mangrum (1946). Evans, still a crack golfer, won in 1916.

These specialists are exempt from qualifying along with 19 players who finished in the first twenty last year behind Worsham; National Amateur Champion Robert H. (Skeet) Riverol and the host professional, Willie Hunter, former British amateur king.

The other 140 places in the 271 man field will be determined in 19 sectional qualifying tests. All but two of these (tryouts will be staged June 1. The exceptions are Honolulu, May 25, and Los Angeles, May 27-28.

Joe Dey, executive secretary of the United States Golf Association who announced the close of entries yesterday, said the number of places to be allotted each section would be determined later.

He said the 140 entry list surpassed the previous high mark for the fixture that dates back to 1895. The largest entry before this one was 1,102 in 1937.

One of the most important preliminary trials will take place at Fort Worth, Texas.

The nation's touring professionals will play in the Colonial Country Club invitation which closes on the eve of the June 1 tests. Many of the pros have announced they'll stay over and try to qualify at Fort Worth rather than return to their own sections. This has the approval of the U.S.G.A.

Another large qualifying field is expected at Los Angeles where two days have been set aside for the shootoffs.

Exams Announced By Civil Service
The Civil Service Commission will hold examinations for filling vacancies in the positions of fleet captains, fleet electricians, engine shipkeepers and assistant shipkeepers, and deck shipkeepers, according to C. E. Savage, executive secretary of the commission.

The salary for these positions range from \$4149.60 to \$5905.20. Employment will be with the U. S. Maritime Commission in Beaumont.

Examinations will also be held for the position of junior professional librarian at \$2644.80 per year. Savage said, adding that the maximum age limit for the librarian has been changed from 35 to 32 years, and applications will now be accepted from persons over 35 but under 62.

Application forms or additional information may be obtained from the local Post Office, or from the Regional Director, 14th U. S. Civil Service Region, 210 South Harwood Street, Dallas 1, Texas.

Always Victorious
SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)—Since Walter Langford, present tennis mentor at Notre Dame, took over coaching duties in 1940, his squads have won 57 matches and dropped but nine. That is a winning percentage of .864. His 1942, 1944 and 1947 tennis teams were undefeated.



Pictured above is Aggie hurdler BOB FRETZ whose side arm delivery won three conference titles for the Farmers this season. The Cadet right hurdler's only loss was a heartbreaker to the University of Texas, despite limiting the hard-hitting Steers to five safeties.

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Boston Braves—The Club To Watch in National League

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—They may rave about the wonderful St. Louis Cardinal pitching staff. They may gape in awe at the New York Giants' devastating power. They may admire and envy Brooklyn's depth with its youth and speed. The solid team in the National League, however, is the Boston Braves.

Boston is not in first place. The Cards hold that spot and the Giants are second. The Braves are third, but only because they got off to a miserable start. They dropped six of their first seven games.

Since then Boston has won 11 and lost four, the best record by far, in the circuit for the period. Billy Southworth's men haven't lost since May 9.

They open a 11-game home stand tonight, boasting the league's No. 1 pitcher in Bill Voisard. No. 2 batter in Tommy Holmes, the best fielding percentage of any club in the circuit and a four-game winning streak.

The Braves ended a successful road trip by crushing the Dodgers in Brooklyn, 12-3. It marked their fourth straight win over Brooklyn without a setback. It also gave them a record of eight victories in 11 road games.

The STANDINGS
TEXAS LEAGUE (Standings Through Monday)

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Fort Worth	23	10	.697	—
Houston	17	15	.531	5 1/2
San Antonio	16	15	.516	6
Dallas	16	17	.485	7
Tulsa	15	17	.469	7 1/2
Oklahoma City	11	17	.452	8 1/2
Beaumont	11	18	.388	9
Shreveport	12	18	.400	9 1/2

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Tulsa 5, Dallas 4.
San Antonio 5, Shreveport 3.
Oklahoma City at Fort Worth, postponed, rain.
Houston at Beaumont, postponed, rain.

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Harnden, Holbrook Also To Run in 400 Meter Event

By SACK SPOEDE
A&M's outstanding mile relay team left for Los Angeles by plane this afternoon where they will enter the Coliseum Relays this weekend. Bob Hall, outstanding Aggie low hurdler, was a last minute addition to the squad. The speedy Dallas sophomore has been beaten only once this year in his event. The Aggie relayers have defeated every team that they have met this year. They suffered one defeat at the very start of the season to the Oklahoma Aggies at the Sugar Bowl when a baton was dropped. The Aggies downed the Oklahoma boys repeatedly in subsequent meets. The Cowboy team was the Missouri Valley winner. The Southeastern Conference Champions, the LSU Tigers, have also been downed by the Farmers several times this year.

E Field Takes First Game Of Corps Playoff

By BILL THORNTON
E Field won the first game of the College Intramural Corps Finals by defeating White Band 4-2. E Field was the first to bat and Hartman led off by beating out a out. Facett then forced Hartman at second. Hartgraves doubled and Facett scored. The next two batters popped out.

White Band came to bat and Ulmer the lead off man doubled. Lawler they grounded out to the pitcher. Vaughn came to bat and got a double when the center fielder dropped the ball.

Ulmer tried to score but was called out at home when McMillan threw a strike from center field. Mangold tied the game up when he drove a single to score Vaughn and that was all the runs for the first inning.

Both sides were retired in the second three up three down. E Field broke the tie in the third when Hartman, the lead off man, beat out a bunt and the next two batters, Facett and Hartgraves, did likewise. Norman hit a fly to the outfield but the ball was not handled, and two runs came in to put E Field ahead 3-1. E Field then scored again in the fifth to bring their total to 4 runs.

White Band started a rally in the sixth but it netted only one run which left their total at two. Hartman was the winning pitcher and gave up seven hits. Martin gave up eight hits while being credited with the loss.

The leading batter of the game for E Field was Hartman with three for four. The leading batter for White Band was Mangold with two hits and a walk out of three times at bat.

Mustangs Defeat Horned Frogs, 2-0

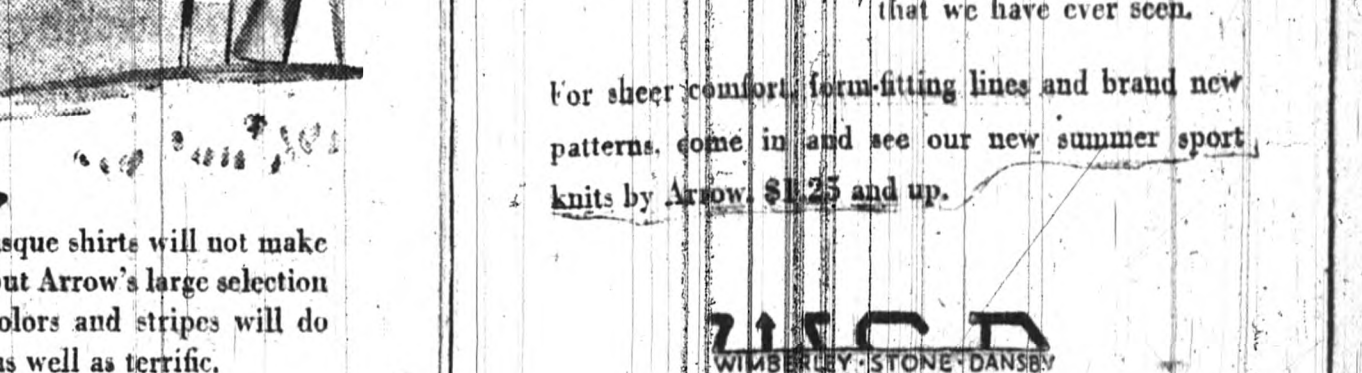
Irwin Kay pitched the SMU Mustangs to a three-hit, 2 to 0 win over TCU in Dallas yesterday. Kay stretched three singles over the nine frames and struck out seven Horned Frog batters.

The Mustang batters did not help their pitcher out until the eighth inning, when they gave him a two-run margin of safety. James Burnett then relieved the starting TCU pitcher, David Choate, in the eighth frame with two outs. But the damage was done, and the Mustangs held the visitors scoreless in the ninth frame.

Jim Busby of TCU, the conference batting champ, went to the plate four times without getting a hit off of Kay.

More sports writers are needed for the Battalion this summer. Anyone interested see Art Howard in the Battalion office, Goodwin Hall.

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