

# Handball In Final Stage; Swartzell 1st

Finals for the handball crown will come off Monday night when A Athletics meet E Air Force. The athletic unit reached the final playoff round with wins over B Field Artillery and C Infantry, while the airmen ousted A Quartermaster and the ASA to reach the finals. A Athletics should take their opponents in easy stride with Max Greiner and Carl Molberg forming the top team.

**Volleyball**  
Seven games came off Tuesday in the military class of intramural volleyball competition. A transportation remained undefeated in downing A Composite, 15-6 and 15-12; and B Field Artillery won its third straight volleyball contest of the season in downing E Air Force.

A Quartermaster won two of three games to defeat E Veterans; A Veterans dropped E Infantry; A Air Force continued to be the top team in league H downing B Veterans, 15-7 and 15-12; Chem Warfare won over the White Band; and B Quartermaster continued to lead league D in defeating the Marine Band, 15-7 and 17-5.

**Sofball**  
In military softball F Flight shut out A Coast Artillery, 5-0, with Jerry Waggoner pitching for

the airmen; Bill Rand pitched K Flight to a 5-4 win over B Cavalry; G Air Force—behind the hurling of Byron Dooley—defeated E Field Artillery, 4-1; and Shaake of B Infantry pitched his team to a 6-2 victory over D Veterans.

Non-military softball was sparked yesterday by Bill Turnbow of Dorm 17 who pitched his second no-hitter of the year giving his softballers a 3-1 victory over Milner Hall.  
In other games of the non-military class, Mitchell shut out Dorm 15, 10-0; Law edged Dorm 14, 6-5, with the winners scoring the winning runs in the final inning; TCVV wrapped up the league with its sixth win of the year dropping Puryear Hall, 5-3; and Dorm 16 defeated Walton Hall, 7-3, for its fourth win of the season and the championship of League B.

It was announced yesterday by the intramural department that all games scheduled, and which occur, during inclement weather will be played unless teams are notified differently.

Among the first selected as the top athlete of his field in intramural contests was Monte Swartzell, junior vet major from Cleburne. Swartzell was chosen for his predominance in the field of gymnastics.

Along with his ability on the parallel bars, tumbling, and other related activities, Swartzell has also had time to include three presidencies in his college career. He is president-elect of the AYMA, president of the Johnson Club. Also added to his recent lists of achievements, was his selection as a Who's Who.

This 5' 9", 165-pound, 22 year old Cleburnite, strange as it may seem, has been tumbling and swinging for only three years. He first became interested in the sport, when he took it as a physical education course.

Since that time Swartzell has worked at the bars on his own, along with the help of Jim Hill and other members of the tumbling club, performed between halves at the basketball games in this area.

Swartzell plans to move into general practice at graduation time, but it is a sure bet that he'll never entirely give up his hobby.

## Butts Named Head Coach at Thorndale

Richard N. Butts '50, has been selected as head coach of Thorndale High School in Thorndale, Texas it has been announced by the placement office.

Butts, who is a native of Thorndale, graduated from A&M with a B.S. degree in Physical Education in January.

## Texas Bumps Arkansas, 6-0 To Keep Lead

Based on AP Reports  
Austin, Tex., April 20—(AP)—Texas took a firm hand in the Southwest Conference Golf leadership here yesterday by beating Arkansas 6-0.

Fort Worth, April 20—(AP)—Rice Institute's netmen swept six matches from TCU here Wednesday.

Columbus, O., April 20—(AP)—Jack Corbett, president of the El Paso, Texas, Club of the Arizona-Texas League, was suspended indefinitely yesterday for "conduct detrimental to baseball." In addition, the El Paso Club was fined \$1,000 by George M. Trautman, president of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues (the minors), for using an ineligible player in Tuesday night's opening game.

Hershey, Pa., April 20—(AP)—It's up to Ben Hogan to decide whether he'll continue as playing golf pro for the Hershey Country Club.

"We're leaving it entirely up to Ben," John B. Solenberg, president and general manager of the Hershey Estates said yesterday.

It had been reported that Bantam Ben, 130-pound former caddy from Dublin, Tex., would not renew his contract at the Central Pennsylvania resort town. Hogan succeeded Henry Picard as playing pro in 1941.



Monte Swartzell

Swartzell demonstrates his best on the parallel bars, while looking down at the world. He was chosen as the top athlete in intramural gymnastics this year.

## Battalion SPORTS

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## Fish Athletes Selected As Stars of the Week

Four freshmen athletes have been selected Stars of the Week by the Battalion Sports Staff for excellent performances in last week's flurry of freshmen sporting events.

They are pitcher Jack Brinkley, tennis mainstay Eugene Letsovs, and track stars Darrow Hooper and Bill Slater.

Brinkley, tenacious right hander, is cited for his pitching in Saturday's Fish-Shorthorn tussle. The mound midget hurled 10-hit ball, striking out nine and walking three, while his teammates took a 5-4 decision from their arch-rivals.

Brinkley, Hand Pitted Again  
Opposing Brinkley was Jack Hand, a classy left hander, who whiffed 15 Cadet batters and allowed seven hits while walking four. Both hurlers will square off again when the Fish invade the Shorthorns in Austin Saturday.

Brinkley is a graduate of Austin High School where he also gained honors in basketball. He was voted on the All-Southern American Legion baseball team last year.

"Gene" Letsovs, who advanced to the final round of last year's state-high school tennis tournament, gained distinction for his remarkable showing in the perennially popular River Oaks junior tourney in Houston last week.

Letsovs is Promising.  
Letsovs was turned back by Hamilton Richardson, national boys singles champ, in the semi-finals. He teamed with Don Farmer, another promising Argie Freshman, in the junior doubles phase of the meet, and they went as far as the semi-finals.

A graduate of Ball High in Galveston, Letsovs was an all-around athlete there, lettering in football, basketball, tennis, and baseball. He was a member of the '49-'50

FFA Officer Election  
Slated Monday Night  
The Collegiate FFA Chapter will hold a meeting Monday April 24 for the purpose of electing officers for the fall semester, according to R. Purvis, chairman of nominating committee.

Principal speaker for the evening will be E. R. Alexander, head of the Agricultural Education Department. He will speak on the future of agriculture.



## Best in the Southwest . . .

# Kadera Leads Point-Getters With Shot, Discus Tossing

By RAY HOLBROOK  
For many years, strong events on AggieLand's track, and field team, the weights this year are again considered "belonging" to A&M.

Leading the point-getters for the fourth straight year is giant George Kadera, the Southwest's best shot putter and one of the nation's great discus throwers. So far this spring George has a put of 48' 3" in the shot and has tossed the discus over 165' in five meets to date, only once failing to hit 160' and then missing only by inches.

He is shooting for the conference discus record of 163' and it looks as if this will be his year to exceed the SWC standard. Should he break this record he will hold every discus record in the Southwest outside of the Texas Relays.

The conference shot should go to Kadera again, but it is unlikely that he will break the record of 50' 1/2" set by Boyce "Honk" Irwin while at A&M in 1934. Kadera was upset last year in the shot by George Petrovich of Texas, but aside from that has won every conference event he has entered in three years' competition.

**High Pointer As Fish**  
As a freshman competing on the varsity, George won high point honors along with Jerry Thompson in the '47 Southwest Conference meet, winning the shot, discus, and javelin for a 15-point total.



George Kadera

When a sophomore he won the shot and discus and then last year won the discus for a grand total of 33 points. After this year, he should leave quite a record for other hopefuls to shoot for.

Right behind Kadera in the discus is Ed Hooker, who would be quite a star were he not overshadowed by big George. Ed has finished second in the discus in three meets this year and third in a fourth one.

## TU, Rice Runners to Kansas

Based on AP Report  
Twelve University of Texas track and field men will enter eight events at the Kansas Relays Saturday with a good chance of winning several of the top honors.

Five of the Longhorns performers have enjoyed championships there previously. High jumper Bob Walters, who won with last year's best effort in the world, 6 feet 8 3/16 inches, will be back to defend his title.

Sprinter Charley Parker, winner of the 100-yard dash in 1948, will be shooting for an even better time than his 9.7 to two years ago.

Perry Samuels, out with pneumonia since the Texas Relays, will join Parker in the sprint relays. Both athletes were on the winning 440-yard relay teams of 1947 and 1948.

Dick Brooks and Don Sparks, runners on the distance medley teams in 1947 and 1948, respectively, also will journey to Lawrence, Kan.

Other Texas entries will be Carl

Mayes, Floyd Rogers, Ralph Larson and Bobby Dillon, sprinters; Ray Mark, runner-up in the javelin last year; Lowell Hawkinson and Ed Salling, middle distance men.

**Rice to Take Relay Teams**  
Rice Coach Emil Brunson is taking Tobin Rote, Vern McGrew and two relay teams to the Kansas Relays in Lawrence, Kan., this weekend.

The mile relay team—which Brunson naturally expects to win first place—will have Jim Hoff, Jack Hudgins, Arthur (Red) Brown and Tom Cox running in that order.

The sprint relay team members are Toddy Riggs, Ralph Grawunder, Brown and Cox.

Brunson has switched Riggs from the third position to lead-off, figuring Riggs could operate better from the starting position. He tried it against Texas last Saturday and it helped the Owls win a surprise victory over the Longhorns in that event.

## Cadet-Pony Nine Tilt Postponed By Rain

A&M's baseball team returned home yesterday afternoon, after playing only one of the three scheduled games during its three day visit to north Texas. The Cadet's first encounter which was against the TCU Horned Frogs was rained out as was their last scheduled game with the SMU Mustangs, yesterday afternoon.

Tuesday afternoon, the Aggies walked the Ponys, 9-1, to gain their third SWC win of the season, but still remained in second place, while the highly favored defending champions—Texas University—remained in the leaders roll.

Pat Hubert held the Methodists to five hits, while his Farmer teammates jumped two SMU hurlers—Dick Beadie and Don Canuteason—for seven hits, one of which was Yale Lary's homer in the sixth inning. The Pony pitchers also walked 13 of the Cadet hitters.

Guy Wallace, all-SWC shortstop who was out at the first of the season with a chipped ankle bone, had a perfect day at the plate connecting with two doubles in two trips to the plate. Lary had started at first in place of regular starter Herchel Maltz and, after his four banger yesterday, will probably start in the home teams next game which will be Saturday against Sam Houston State in Huntsville.

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