

# Statistics in SWC Nine Race Running Similar to Football

By FRANK MANITZAS  
(Editor's Note: The individual team hitting and fielding statistics are only for conference games played before April 15.)

It's beginning to look like the football season on the statistical level in the SWC baseball race; that is, that individual or team statistics don't win ball games or conference crowns.

Looking at the race, the leaders—Texas University—with a 6-1 record at the present, do not have a team hitting average over .235, are not in the top three fielding teams in the conference, and their heaviest hitter—Ray Sechrist—is connecting at a .411 clip which puts him in the ninth position among the conference heavy hitters.

Three of the Longhorns pitchers—Murray Wall, Charlie Gorin and Ben Ehler—hold positions among the winners in the conference. Wall hurled for the Texans when the Austinites defeated the Aggies, 12-2, earlier in the season.

Southern Methodist, on the other hand, has the highest hitting average in conference games with a .310 average and have three of their hitters in the top four of the conference. SMU is also holding the collar position in the conference with four consecutive losses.

**Averages Favor Ags**

The Aggies seem to have the averages more in their favor while holding the runner-up slot in the diamond race. Their hitting holds third place with .285, their fielding is third at .845, two pitchers—Sid Goodloe and Pat Hubert—are among the top three, and Wally Moon together with Shug McPherson are among the top ten hitters in the conference.

Moon is connecting with the sphere at a .464 rate while McPherson is hitting the pill at .416.

Although the conference race seems to have narrowed down to

only two teams—A&M and Texas—no one can yet prophecy the outcome.

**TCU Games Important**

Emphasis should be placed on the fact that the Aggies have not yet played the TCU Frogs, who gave the Longhorns such a rough time at the beginning of the season.

There, in Austin, the Frogs had the Longhorns sweating out their jinx of not having lost a game on Clark Field since 1937 (when the Aggies beat the Steers). Texas won in both games by the score of 5-4.

The Cadets have played only four conference games, but should they defeat the Frogs in all three games this weekend, they would definitely be in the running.

Baylor lost out last week when it garnered its third defeat in eight games, but remained in third place behind the Cadets. The Baptists are in second place on the team hitting with an average of .286 and claim two heavy hitters in the top ten of the conference—Adrian Burk and Bill Isbell—together with three hurlers among the top ten.

**Frogs Fourth**

TCU maintains the fourth spot in the race having won 4 games while dropping 3.

The Rice Owls haven't fared very well this season, losing six

of their seven conference games, although they hold the second spot on the team fielding list. The Owls only victory came when they defeated the third place Baylor Bruins, 11-9, in Houston.

## Corbett Still Suspended

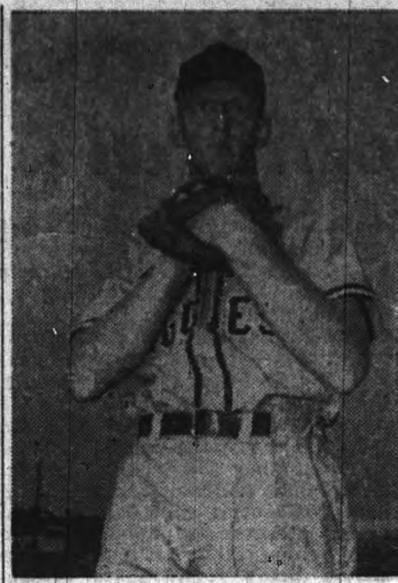
Columbus, O., April 25—(AP)—Jack Corbett, president of the El Paso club of the Class C Arizona-Texas League, was still under suspension today.

And George Trautman, the president of the National Association of Professional baseball leagues (the minors), who suspended Corbett, said:

"If there is any statement on the Corbett case at this moment, Mr. Corbett should make it. He is under suspension."

Corbett's indefinite suspension came last Wednesday. Trautman said Corbett used an ineligible player, Ventura Morales, in El Paso's opening game. The club also was fined \$1,000.

Then Corbett said he completed purchase of Morales, who played with the Mexican League last year, about 10 hours before the game began.



Blanton Taylor

Taylor was the winning pitcher in Saturday's rather freakish 4-3 A&M victory over Sam Houston.

## Ag Bowlers Defeated By U of H, 8-4

A&M's bowlers lost to the University of Houston keglers, 4-8, last weekend in the YMCA alleys. The Cadet first string tied the Houstonians, 3-3, but the second string of the Cougars overpowered the Aggies second best, 5-1.

Bartling of the visitors squad bowled the highest line with a score of 178 points while Aggie John Geiger and Cougar Halliday tied for the second spot with 176.

The Cadet's first string was made up of Emmett Trant, Harris Cox, Clem England, Major Lunceford, and Geiger. Arlen Reese, Bob Weaver, Burr Layne, Jack Fullerton, and Lowell Holmes formed the second team of the losers.

Three more matches are on tap for the Cadet keglers—two with TSCW and one with the University of Texas.

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## Local Tankers Are 5th in Dallas Meet

A&M's Consolidated's swimming trio of Gayle Klipple, Dickie Weick and Bobby Karow took fifth place in the Southwestern High School Meet held in Dallas last weekend.

Highland Park of Dallas won the meet which included teams from Oklahoma City, Houston, Austin, and Ft. Worth, as well as Dallas and College Station.

Klipple took second place in the 100-yard freestyle event, Weick gained fourth place in the breast-stroke, and Karow, who was representing Lamar Jr. High of Bryan, placed fourth in the back-stroke and fifth in the diving.

Most extra points kicked by any National Football League in 1949 were 45 by Pat Harder of the Chicago Cardinals.

## Mikan Stars; Lakers Win

Minneapolis, April 25—(AP)—The mighty Minneapolis Lakers were fresh out of worlds to conquer today with third championship in a third different league in the last three years.

As gigantic George Mikan carved himself a deeper niche in basketball immortality by hooping 40 points, the Lakers captured the National Basketball Assn. title Sunday night by defeating Syracuse, 110 to 95, thus taking the final series, four games to two.

Last year it was the Basketball Assn. of America crown that the Lakers wore and the year before that it was the National Bas-

ketball League's. Both of those leagues now are out of business.

Mikan, of course, was the whole show in the windup game just as he has been all season. The varsity star wasted little time settling the outcome of the game, scoring 14 points in the first period for a 25-17 lead and adding 14 more in the second for a 51-39 halftime lead. That was it.

Red Pollard was Mikan's chief scoring assistant with 18 points, while Herb Schaefer had 12.

Forward Dolph Schayes was the Nationals' leading scorer with 23 points, 11 of them on free throws, and John Macknowski had 17.

## Ag Court Team Meets Abilene

The Aggie tennis team, which was blanked by Rice, 6-0, last Saturday, meets Abilene Christian College today on the boards of DeWare Field House. The matches were scheduled to start at 8:30 p.m.

The young Aggies, three of whom are only sophomores, found the competition too keen at Rice, where experience is at its best.

**Rice-A&M Results**  
Singles  
Chick Harris defeated R. G. DeBerry, 6-0, 6-2.  
Jack Turpin defeated Bobby Duncan, 6-2, 6-4.  
Bob Foley defeated Royce Tate, 6-2, 6-2.  
Bill Fithian defeated Allan Aaronson, 6-4, 6-4.  
Doubles  
Harris and Turpin defeated DeBerry and Tate, 6-2, 6-3.  
Foley and Fithian defeated Duncan and Aaronson, 6-3, 6-2.

## Mural News

# Team Diving Championships Tonight in Natatorium at 7:30

By NICK MANITZAS

Tonight at 7:30 in the natatorium, the annual intramural diving meet will take place, according to Intramural Director Barney Welch. All divers should check in at or before 7:30, Welch said.

Over thirty entries have been received in what should be one of the best spectator sports of the year, Welch concluded.

**Softball**

In the softball played last Thursday, Dorm 14 defeated Walton, 10-8; Ray Carrol pitched Puryear to a 5-2 win over Law; Dorm 17 throttled Dorm 15, 14-4, with Bill Turnbow on the mound; TCVV continued its winning streak down-

ing Mitchell, 4-3, with Williams Air Force.

Some of the forfeits can be blamed on the non-participation of the individuals in the group, but the athletic official in each group should see that the individuals are notified as to the playing time of games.

The military league played only three games last Thursday with Leeman pitching A Engineers to a 13-1 victory over D Infantry; A Chem Warfare sunk A Coast, 9-3; and C Infantry defeated the B Quartermaster team, 10-7, with Anderson pitching for the winning team.

**"Forfeit Doghouse"**

It grows and grows—the "Forfeit Doghouse", that is. Ten organizations that joined the long list included A Signal, C Field, A Athletics, Hillel Club, A Coast, Dorm 14, Galveston Club, Baptist Student Union, A Composite, E

Proctor concluded.

After two forfeits, a team is dropped from the sport in which it is entered and automatically loses a sure fifty points. If games can not be played when scheduled, other arrangements can usually be made by contacting the intramural office, DAK Proctor of the intramural staff announced.

In yesterday's games, a mix-up occurred and all games that were not played have been re-scheduled, Proctor concluded.

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He then joined a coated paper mill firm as research and control man. Pearl Harbor changed all that—Paul went to Maxwell Field to begin Aviation Cadet training.

An outstanding Cadet, 2nd Lt. Paul Buskey was held over as an instructor after graduation. Then he was assigned as a pilot in the Air Transport Command.

Back home, after accepting a Regular Air Force Commission, Captain Buskey went to Air Tactical school, was there rated an outstanding student, and won assignment to Command and Staff school.

Today, Captain Buskey is an Air Intelligence Officer on MATS Headquarters Staff at Andrews Air Force Base near Washington, D. C. He looks forward to a rewarding future in the U. S. Air Force.

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