

Hooper Batters SWC Shot Record as Fish Top Texas

By JIMMY CURTIS

Darrow Hooper, pride of the Fish track team, tossed the 16-pound shot past the Southwest Conference record (varsity) Friday as the Aggie Fish thoroughly outpointed the Texas Shorthorns, 89 to 22.

Hooper's heave measured 50' 2 3/4" while the SWC mark presently stands at 50' 2 1/4". The sport Worth fieldman will not get a chance to break the conference standard this year, however, as freshmen are not eligible for the conference meet.

Bill Stalter, Bobby Ragsdale, and Hooper made fine showings in the last freshman meet of the season by winning two first places apiece. After winning the shot put with his record heave, Hooper easily took the discus first place with a hurl of 139' 8".

Stalter Takes Sprints

Stalter was some seven yards ahead at the finish of the 100-yd. dash, which he won in 9.9 seconds. He won the 220-yd. dash in 22.1 seconds, finishing over ten yards in front of the second-placer.

Ragsdale got a good jump of 22' 9" in the broad jump before he paced the low hurdles to win in 25.0 flat. Ragsdale and Stalter also ran with Erwin Fischer and Joe Gulledge on A&M's sprint relay which beat Texas with a time of 43.1.

Ragsdale and Stalter tied for high point honors with 11-1-4 points each. Hooper made 10 points.

The Aggies proved all too powerful for the Shorthorns as the Fish swept both places in six events and won both relays. The Shorthorns won only the javelin and the mile. The Cadets earned 13 first places and eight second places compared with Texas' two

firsts and four seconds.

Milers Paced By Varsity

Freshman milers ran with the varsity milers, who set a good pace and won in 4:18. The first freshman to finish was a Texas runner whose time was about 4:14. Charles Hudgins of A&M took second. After running 3 1/2 laps of the race, Aggie Paul Hendrix stepped on the curb and did not finish the race.

The Cadet sweep in the shot put occurred when Ralph Sharrock got second place behind Hooper. Bobby Wright, another Cadet freshman, placed second behind Hooper in the discus for still another sweep.

Whitesides of Texas and Cadet

Bob Byer placed one and two, respectively, in the javelin. In the high jump, Jim Demmitt of the Fish jumped 6' 1 1/2" to win as Carson of Texas took second.

Another sweep was scored in the broad jump where Raymond Haas followed Ragsdale with the second place leap.

Marks Vault Wins

A&M received both places in the pole vault as Malcolm Marks cleared the cross bar at 13' 0" and Glen Spradlin was second with 12'. Erwin Fisher placed second in the 100-yd. dash behind winner Stalter to complete another sweep.

In the 120-yd. high hurdles event, Richard Scott won in 17.0. There was no second place in this event as Texas entered only an ineligible man and Conrad Strelau, A&M's entrant, was disqualified for stepping out of his lane.

Jimmy Curtis won the 880-yd. run for the Fish in 2 minutes 34.1 seconds with Whitesides of Texas taking second. Another of the Shorthorns placed second behind

Stalter in the 220-yd. dash. Bobby Brown, A&M's lone entrant in the 440, won in 52.3 with a Shorthorn second. The Fish earned another sweep in the low hurdles when Strelau followed Ragsdale in to take second place.

Ed Wilmsen took a seven-yard lead on the first lap of the mile relay, and the Cadets were never seriously threatened the rest of the race. Carol Libbey gained a larger lead and handed off to John Cox, who stayed well in front before handing off to Brown. Brown finished about four yards ahead with the Aggies being timed at 3:32.

Although he conditions other wise seemed perfect for a track meet, the dust in the air and a slight breeze hampered the runners considerably. The meet was witnessed by several hundred people who were in Austin to see the high school state meet.

Texas Snaps Maroon Victory Streak, 63-59

By RAY HOLBROOK

Texas U spelled the doom of the heretofore undefeated Texas Aggie track team last Friday in Austin by the score of 63-59 in a dual meet.

Leading the Steers to victory was Charles Parker, who won the 100 and 220 and helped win the 440 relay.

Despite the fact that the Aggies garnered 10 firsts to TU's six, the Longhorns gained a winning margin on 11 second places while the Cadets got but three.

By HAROLD GANN

Four-hit hurling by Sam Blanton, an 11-hit bombardment sparked by Shug McPherson, Hank Candelari, and John DeWitt, and four costly Owl bobbles, enabled A&M's hit-happy baseball team to smother Rice, 12-2, here Saturday afternoon.

It was the Ags' second victory in two days and sixth in two years over the Birds, and the conquest kept the Cadets hot on the heels of front-running Texas, who downed SMU, 10-2, Saturday in Dallas.

In nothing his second conference win Blanton employed a fast-sweeping, fast-breaking outside curve, a tricky slow ball, and an occasional fast pitch, as he whiffed six batters and walked three.

Rice Takes Lead

Rice jumped to an early lead, collecting its two runs off starter

Bruce Morris in the first. Finding the plate as elusive as a flying saucer, the tall left-hander loaded the bases on two walks and an infield hit.

After Morris walked a run across the plate, Blanton relieved with one man down. Hank Candelari's error allowed the final Owl run before Blanton retired the side, striking out two Rice men.

The Aggies gained the lead and the ball game in the second, collecting four runs off five hits and one error. John DeWitt started the fireworks with his fourth homer of the flag race—a 375-foot blast over the barrier in left center.

Blanton Aids Cause

Candelari followed with a single and advanced to third on Herschel Maltz's single. Calvert's deep fly to left scored Candelari; then Blanton aided his own cause by slapping a double down the left field foul line.

Maltz, aided by Joe Nevill's fumble, scored all the way from first on the play. Wallace's double was responsible for scoring Blanton for the final marker of the inning.

Candelari added Ag run number five in the third. He singled, advanced to third as Maltz and Jim Calvert drew walks, and automatically tallied when Joe Savarino received free transportation to first.

Salt Game Away

The Cadets strengthened their lead in the fourth, collecting two runs off two infield errors, two bases on balls, and a fielder's choice. McPherson's three run round-tripper highlighted a four-run spurge in the fifth. The Ags coasted the rest of the way.

Blanton notched his second triumph of the conference campaign. Walt Deffin, who was jerked in the first frame of Friday's tilt after allowing two runs, went the route for Rice, allowing nine bases on balls and striking out seven.

A&M entertains Baylor here Thursday and Friday in the next SWC contests.

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Fencers Win Foil, Epee Crowns in SWC Meet

A&M's Fencing Team took Southwest Conference championships in foil and epee Friday and Saturday at the conference meet in Austin.

Rice won the sabre and three-weapon championships. Unlike most sports, there is no single conference champion—four separate championships compose the meet.

Texas, which has had a strong grip on the championships for the past six years, didn't scratch last

A&M Wins 55

In total wins, Rice took 57 bouts, A&M 55, Texas 28, and Baylor 21. A&M was the only entrant to have a clear-cut margin over other opponents. With 27 bouts scheduled against each team, the Cadet fencers took 16 from Rice, 10 from Texas, and 20 from Baylor.

In individual competition, John Gottlob of A&M—undefeated in the meet—took first place honors

in foil with Gus Mistrot, Aggie Captain, placing third. Curtis Wilson placed second in the epee event to give A&M points in that championship.

After defeating sabre winner Horace Platt of Rice in one bout, Mistrot came in third in that event.

Sweep Foil

The meet got underway Friday morning at 9 with the Aggies meeting Texas in the first foil match. A&M took the bouts, 6-3, A&M's second match was a win over Baylor, 8-1.

Hardest match for the Cadets in the foil was a 6-3 victory over the Owls. Monks lost two and Mayes one, but Gottlob and Mistrot won all their bouts.

In epee competition, A&M downed Texas, 6-3, and slipped by Baylor, 5-4. Gottlob saved the day in the Baylor match by winning the last bout, 3-1. The Cadet epee team then took a 7-2 win over Rice, showing their form in the right places.

Sabre Weak

Saturday morning started sabre competition. A&M went down before Rice, 6-3, defeated Baylor, 7-2, and beat Texas 7-2. In Cadet statistics, Gottlob won 19, lost 8; Mistrot, won 14, lost 4; Wilson won 7, lost 2; Mayes won 6, lost 4; Bell won 5, lost 1; Monks won 4, lost 4; Jones won none, lost 3.

Softball, Volleyball Playoff Start; Badminton Underway

Playoffs in the military division of softball and volleyball begin today at 5 p.m., the Intramural Department announced today, while at 7:30 tonight in the DeWitt Field House, the Open Badminton tournament gets underway.

All entries in the badminton tournament and all teams who have not yet received their notices for the playoffs should check by the intramural office before 5 this afternoon, DAK Director of the intramurals added.

Games to be played today in connection with the softball playoffs pit the following teams against each other: White Band meets A Cavalry, G Air Force versus B Coast Artillery, A Chem Warfare takes the diamond against B Composite, and B Field Artillery enters the quarterfinals against B Air Force.

In the volleyball division ASA meets A Transportation, B Field challenges A Flight, while B Transportation and B Quartermaster are pitted against each other.

and K Flight takes the court with D Air Force.

Participants in the open golf and tennis tournaments should check by the intramural office daily, in order that matches can be played off on schedule, which in some cases may prevent double forfeits, the intramural department concluded.

IE Shops to Remain Open for Night Work

The industrial education shops will be open from 6:30 until 9:30 each night until Mother's Day, the Industrial Education Department announced today.

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Amarillo Nabs Track Win; JC Tennis, Golf Titles Split

College Station, Tex., May 8.—Amarillo won the State Junior College track and field meet here Saturday by noosing out Allen-Academy 36 points to 30.

Parola County of Carthage was third with 21. Then came Lon Morris, 14, Decatur Baptist 12, Ranger 11, Cisco 9, Frank Phillips of Houser 8, Odessa 4, San Antonio Junior College 3, and Hillsboro 2.

Jerry Cooke of Ranger captured high point honors. He had firsts in the pole vault and 120-yard high hurdles and ran on two relay teams that finished in the first four.

Individual Records
100-yard dash—Horace Horner, Parola; 3. Inehard Cox, Amarillo; 3. Bill Hurley, Odessa; 4. Lavel Browster, Parola. Time 10 flat.
220-yard dash—Harvard Cox, Amarillo; 2. Guillermo Cordena, Allen Academy; 3. Kenneth Shackelford, Odessa; 4. Burgo Gill, Allen Academy. Time 22.3 seconds.
440-yard dash—Raymond Malphurs, Decatur Baptist; 2. D. L. Orr, Navaro; 3. Bobby Linker, Amarillo; 4. Charley Pirtle, Frank Phillips. Time 51.1 seconds.
880-yard run—Merwyn Pittman, Lon Morris; 2. James Smith, Allen; 3. Kenneth Kolder, Amarillo; 4. Dick Witte, Frank Phillips. Time 2:05.4.
Mile run—Dick Vanderpool, Amarillo; 2. Charles Holmes, Parola; 3. J. W. George, Allen Academy; 4. Ed Costello, Allen Academy. Time 5:07.7.
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Ag Handballers Finish High In AAU Tourney

A&M's top handball players, Jewell McDowell and Burr Layne, finished first and second, respectively, in the consolation bracket of the state A. A. U. handball championship tournament held in Houston April 28 and 29 and reached the quarterfinals of the doubles division. McDowell was beaten in the first round by Henderson of the Dallas Athletic Club, who has won the tournament for the last nine consecutive years, 21-7 and 21-4.

Layne also tasted defeat in the first round of the meet when he was ousted by A. Hoffman of the Houston YMCA, who is Houston's city champ, 21-6 and 21-8. Henderson went on to win the Gulf A. A. U. sponsored tournament, defeating club member Davis in the finals, 21-13 and 21-7.

In the consolation bracket which McDowell won defeating Layne in the finals, 21-7 and 21-8, the SWC basketball star from Amarillo easily dropped Coal of the Houston Y, 21-4 and 21-14, and later disposed of Stamm of the Houston Y, 21-7 and 21-5, on his way to the finals.

Layne's top-notch condition seemed to be the determining factor in his wins, when he defeated Bostick of the Houston Y, 9-21, 21-17, and 21-12, then overcame Yentzen of the Beaumont Y, 21-9, 16-21, and 21-10 before losing to his teammate in the finals.

Simpson Surprises

Another surprise that makes things look better for A&M was Jack Simpson's second in the broad jump with 22' 5". This is the first time this year an Aggie has placed in the broad jump and if Simpson can improve a little, he can be in there for valuable points next week.

And again after being humiliated in broad jumping, the veteran Simpson won the pole vault at 13' 6".

J. D. Hampton was hand pressed in the mile by Don Sparks of Texas but won going away at the finish in 4:18.9. Julian Heiring, who finished a disappointing third in the mile, came back to beat Bobby Whisenand in the two-mile in 9:49.5.

Had Hampton entered the two-mile and won, the Aggies would have had the meet by two points, but due to a slight leg injury he was held out, saving his efforts for next week's conference meet.

Quartermilers Come Through

The maroon and white quartermilers won as expected in the 140, Don Mitchell and Bernard Place finishing in that order in 4:06. But the Ags ran into trouble in the mile relay where Mitchell took the baton even with Bobby Dillon, Texas anchor, and beat him in by only a few yards in 3:17 flat.

Giant George Kadega won the shot and discus to take high point honors for the Aggies. His shot put was 48' 11" for his best heave of the year. He threw the discus 156' 2" to win that event.

Paul Leming won the high hurdles, running into a stiff breeze, in 15.3 and Bob Hall took the (See DUAL MEET, Page 4)

Aggie Sports On Schedule . . .

MAY 8, MONDAY—Intramurals, Softball, Ags vs. Madisonville at 7:30 tonight on lighted softball field. Playoffs begin in military softball and volleyball; Open Badminton Tourney begins tonight at 7:30 in gym.

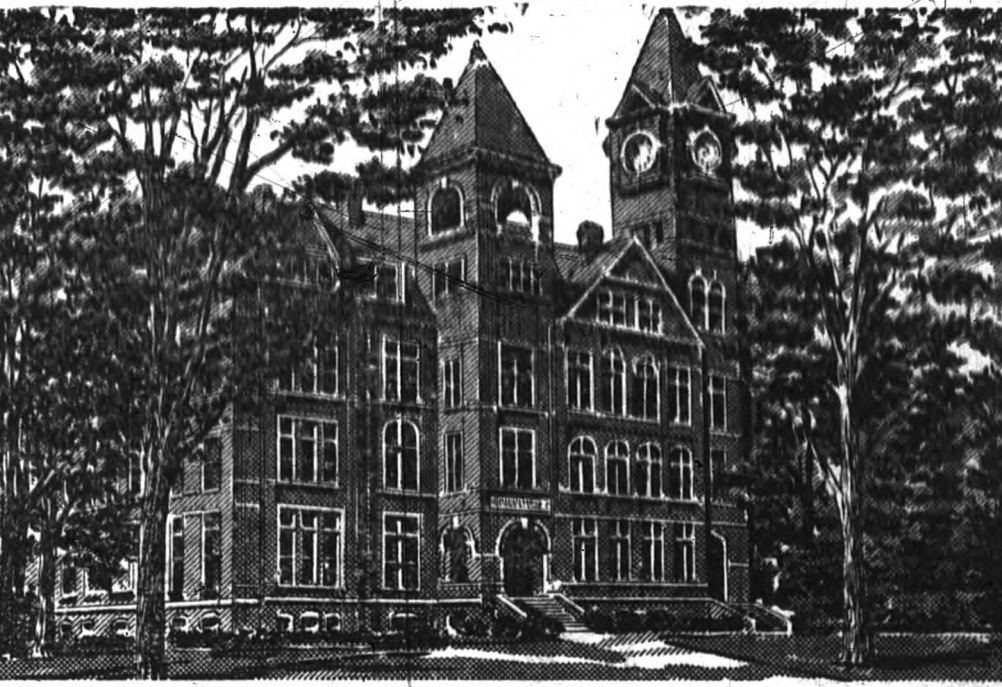
MAY 11, THURSDAY—Baseball, Aggies vs. Baylor, here; Fish tennis, Ags vs. Baylor, here.

MAY 12, FRIDAY—Track, SWC Meet in Austin; baseball, Ags vs. Baylor, here; Freshman baseball, Ags vs. Baylor, in Waco.

MAY 13, SATURDAY—Track, SWC meet in Austin.

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He won his wings and reported to the 36th Fighter Group in Puerto Rico. The group soon returned to the States, giving Adams a chance to marry his college sweetheart.

Within months Adams was overseas, flying "rhubarbs" (missions against enemy transport). He flew 63 P-47 missions within seven months, returned to the States late in 1944 for rest and recuperation.

V-J Day came, and Adams decided to make the service a career. He chose personnel work as his career field, was assigned for training to the Adjutant General's School at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia.

New a regular Air Force Major, he heads a 32-man section at Bolling Air Force Base. He advises his Commanding Officer on selection, assignment and promotion of all officers and airmen in the command.

If you are single, between the ages of 20 and 26 1/2, with at least two years of college, consider the many career opportunities as a pilot or navigator in the U. S. Air Force. Procurement Teams are visiting many colleges and universities to explain these career opportunities. Watch for them. You may also get full details at your nearest Air Force Base or U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force Recruiting Station, or by writing to the Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, Att: Aviation Cadet Branch, Washington 25, D. C.

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