

Moon Leaves TL To Bolster Omaha

By HAROLD GANN

The St. Louis Cardinal brain-trust has moved All-SWC outfielder Wally Moon from the Houston Buffs to Omaha in the Western League. Any way you look at it, the shift will be of benefit to A&M's ex-center-fielder.

Moon saw little action with the last-place Texas League entry after he signed a pro contract June 2 for a reported \$6,000 dollars—\$4,200 for applying his signature and \$1,800 for one year's salary.

Wally's booming bat, which had carved out seven home runs and a batting mark of .404 during the collegiate campaign, had been silenced by inactivity while representing the Houston team, an apparent terminal post in the Cardinal chain.

He joined the Herd with Cal Stephenson, another college player fresh from the Oklahoma Sooners. Moon hit safely twice in six trips to the plate, hit into two double plays, misjudged an outfield fly, allowing two runs, and was scuttled to the bench.

Moving to first-place Omaha, Wally will have a fine chance of holding a starting position, since the Class A team's regular centerfielder has been placed on the disabled list. Houston is well-fortified with such outfielders as Kress, Westcott, Harrington, and Blatnik.

Moon will be crossing bats with TU's Tom Hamilton, who signed after the basketball season and was moved to Lincoln, also in the Western League.



WALLY MOON

Baseball Tutors Include Texans On All-America

East Lansing, Mich., July 3

(AP)—The 1950 All-American college baseball team, chosen by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, included Murray Wall, Bob Brock, and Charles Gorn of Texas and Gerald Jensen of SMU.

The association selection listed the first team as: Fred Taylor, Ohio State, first base.

Charles Teague, Wake Forest, second base.

William Killinger, Lafayette, third base.

John Hrasch, Ohio University, shortstop.

Jay Roundy, Southern California, outfield.

Ray Van Cleaf, Rutgers, outfield.

Robert Cox, Nebraska, outfield.

Robert Murray, Arizona, catcher.

Murray Wall, Texas, pitcher.

Thomas Casey, New York University, pitcher.

Tremendous batting power is the outstanding characteristic of the dream team. The first-string lineup, exclusive of pitchers, has a collective batting average of .371.

The team's slugging percentage, figured by dividing the total bases by times at bat, is a staggering .625.

The only repeaters from last year's team are Teague and Wall.

Wall has been the bellwether of the Texans, who have now won two straight NCAA championships.

Texas was the only school to place three men on the three-team squad named. Pitcher Charles Gorn and outfielder Bob Brock made the second team.

Arizona, the team Texas defeated to travel to the national, placed two men on the squads, Murray and third string first baseman Tony Morales. SMU's Gerald Jensen, who signed a pro contract after the college season, gained an outfielder's berth on the third team.

No other Southwestern made the squad.



Pam Wilson

Ann Copeland

These two College Station beauties helped the College Station swimming team attain fourth place in the State AAU Women's swimming meet which was held in Houston last weekend. Miss Wilson swam on the medley relay B team which placed 4th while Miss Copeland paced the 3rd place medley relay A team, swam on the 3rd place freestyle relay, and was third in the 100 meter backstroke.

College Station Mermaid Team Places Fourth In AAU Meet

The women's portion of the College Station swimming team attained fourth place in the Senior Women's State AAU swimming meet which was held at the Shamrock pool in Houston last Friday.

All but one of the 13 girls that entered the meet from the local area gained entrance into the finals. Completely dominating the diving and synchronized swimming events, the Cork Club won the team championship with 91 points. San Antonio's Aquatic Club was second with 79 points, Tyler third with 34, and the College Station squad fourth with 28 points.

Patsy Bonnen, Ann Copeland, and Nancy Hale were the main counterparts of the young College Station team which took one second place, three third places, four fourth positions, and two fifth places.

Patsy Bonnen, second in the 800 meter freestyle and fourth in the 400 meter freestyle; Ann Copeland

third in the 100 meter back stroke; Nancy Hale, fourth in the individual medley and Martha Ergle, fifth in the 100 meter breaststroke; and Ann O'Bannon, fourth in the 200 meter freestyle.

Kay Parrish, fifth in the 400 meter freestyle; the freestyle relay team composed of Patsy Bonnen, Ann O'Bannon, Ann Copeland, and Nancy Hale, placed third; Team A medley relay made-up of Ann

Copeland, Martha Ergle, and Nancy Hale attained third place, and Team B medley relay with Pam Wilson, Linda Potts, and Ann O'Bannon took fourth place.



Nancy Hale

Miss Hale was one of the top College Station swimmers in the recent State AAU swimming meet. She swam on the third place medley relay team, third place freestyle relay team, and gained a fourth position in the individual medley.

Battalion SPORTS

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Major League Moguls May Curtail Slugging

Many baseball authorities are saying that the extreme overproduction of Major League home runs this year is due to the hipped up rabbit ball. A test was made recently in St. Louis concerning whether or not the ball has been given extra vitality.

After stringing baseballs of the different types used during the past five seasons against a steel plate and testing the bounce of each by means of electric frequency testers, testers said that there was no considerable difference between the present ball and others.

This might mean that the balls are given an additional boost by the post-war bats. Nowadays, top batsmen have liberal quantities of ash on hand, and they give their products extra whip by aging them for months in storage vaults.

After a shortage of timber during the war years, in which they had to take what they could get, modern manufacturers might be blamed this year for causing 36 runs in a single game, 30 homers in a single day, and 11 homers in a single epic.

This year the home run and the big lining have reached a point bordering on the ridiculous. But one can't be certain what the moguls will do to curtail the excessive slugging. As a matter of fact, the home run saved the national sport after the Black Sox Scandal of 1919, and circuit hitting spearheaded by Babe Ruth in the 20's tremendously increased box-office sales.

Perhaps though, the czars will de-liver the ball and bat, shorten the pitching distance, or reduce the home plate—anything to restore baseball to a game of speed, skill, and sharp thinking instead of a game of frequent home-busting.

Did Williams Send McCarthy Home?

Why did Joe McCarthy relinquish the reins of the Red Sox, retiring to his Buffalo, N. Y. farm? Was it because of his monumental health, his failure of not producing a league winner for three seasons, or was it because of Ted Williams?

Before McCarthy joined the Boston club, many predicted he would trade the *Thumper*, *Mac*, or *Doc*.

The splitter has never harmonized with the Boston bleachers since a few weeks ago he repeated by *Mac* a rude gesture to a crowd of boogies. There have been stories of Williams' *business* toward *Mac* Wall Droop, whose batting mark is 20 points higher than Ted's.

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CS Legion Team Plays Caldwell

College Station's American Legion Junior baseball team swings into action this afternoon on Kyle Field, playing Caldwell.

The two teams will vie for sole possession of fourth place in District 19's section of the state-wide program. A game scheduled with Sealey last Saturday was postponed until Tuesday.

Twenty-eight players are in the junior division. Most of them have played in the three scrimmage games with ladies' teams from College Station and Bryan. Each time they have scrimmaged, over twenty of the boys have played in the games of which they won the first.

Tied the second, 13-13, and won the third game Wednesday evening, 16-8, Wilkins added.

Junior softballers are between 14 and fourteen years of age. Practice is held on the lighted softball diamond south of the Grove on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 5:30 until 7 p. m.

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