

# Cindermen Host Rice, Texas in 3-Way-Meet

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Quite an aggregation of track talent will be on hand for all sports followers tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 on Kyle Field, as the undefeated Aggie thin-clad play host to both Texas and Rice in a SWC triangular meet.

In the last three-way meet which was held in Houston, A&M came out the big winner with 82 points to 68 for Texas and 18 for Rice.

Three field men and a quartet of relayers are the cream of the Aggie stars to perform Saturday if past efforts are any indication. Two of these outstanding boys, Darrow Hooper, giant shot putter, and Buddy Davis, a lanky towering high jumper, provided the thrills for the crowd at the Texas Relays last Saturday as they led the Ags to victory and established new records in their favorite events.

Hooper tossed the shot 53' 1" to wipe out Kansas Elmer Hackney's 12-year old record of 52' 3/4". Hooper also came back later to win the discus with a 148' 9 3/4" throw to become the meets' only double winner and take home the trophy for the Relay's outstanding performer.

### Davis Spectacular

In the most spectacular doings of the hot afternoon, Buddy Davis propelled his long 6' 8" frame over the high jump bar at 6' 9" for a new relay record. The old record was held by Jack Razzito of San Diego State and Virgil Severns of Kansas State at 6' 8 1/4" set last year. Severns was second this year.

as Davis looked unbeatable in his straight forward, unorthodox form. Ag thin-clad captain Jack Simpson is the third outstanding field star to be seen Saturday in his favorite event, the pole vault. Simpson is undefeated in five meets this year, having vaulted at least 13' 6" in every meet. His best meet vault is 14' which he cleared at Beaumont in a dual meet with LSU. Simpson added more laurels Saturday at Texas Relays as he vaulted 13' 9" to tie for first with Lemon of OU and Faulkner of ACC.

### Mile Relay Undefeated

The Aggie quartet which accounted for A&M's only track victory in the undefeated mile relay team of Bernie Place, Bob Mays, Fuston McCarty, and Don Mitchell. They have won five races in five meets this year including their win last Saturday when they edged out OU in 3:17.0. Their best time this year is 3:16.0 that they ran at Houston in the first tri-meet.

Some other outstanding Aggie stars due to appear Saturday on Kyle Field is Ed Wilmsen, soph 880 ace, who will be the target of SWC champion and record holder Otha Byrd of Rice. Wilmsen has beat Byrd twice this year turning in 1:56.1 in the Houston meet for the Southwest's best time. He has lost only one race this year which teammate Robert Allen won.

John Garmany and Julian Herring will battle in the mile and are expected to finish one, two for the Aggies as are Charlie Gabriel and Charles Hudgins in the 2-mile. A&M's 440 relay will attempt to regain their mastery over Texas and Rice after a bad day in Austin where they failed to gain the finals. The team is composed of Place, Bill Bless, Bobby Ragsdale and Bill Stalter, who is the Aggie strong 100 and 220 entry, a likely favorite in the latter.

Texas stars are Ralph Person, the favorite in the 100 yard dash and the low hurdles; Ray Marek, the SWC leading javelin thrower;

and Charlie Weeks, SWC champion in the broad jump and winner at last week's Texas Relays.

A&M's Bless and Ragsdale are pointing to upset Person in the low hurdles and a good day on Kyle Field may turn the trick. The Steer's Ray Womack and Aggie Don Graves have been leading high jump aspirants until Davis made his spectacular jump last week. So it looks like Graves and Womack will be battling it out for second, as the 6' 8" basketballer is the favorite in this event. Graves doubles as the Aggie No. 2 pole vaulter.

From Rice comes Bill Howton, who seems to be the Owls best bet for first place in the high hurdles. However, SWC champion Paul Leming will be seeking revenge for two straight defeats at the hands of Howton.

Top conference quartermiler, Mitchell will be seeking to lower his 440 time below 48.6 seconds, which is his best to date.



Bobby Ragsdale Paul Leming Bill Bless

## Hopes for Hurdlers

## Kyle Field Is Scene Of Baseball Clinic

A baseball clinic for all boys of high school age will be held Saturday morning on the Kyle Field diamond with both former and present Texas Aggie baseball greats serving as instructors.

The clinic is being sponsored by Bill McPherson and Blanton Taylor, two physical education majors who also are members of this year's Cadet nine. They have acquired R. C. "Beau" Bell, Wally Moon and Joe Ecrette as special instructors for the school.

### All Time Great

Bell, the new Aggie baseball coach, is one of A&M's all-time greats in that sport. He also played professional ball for many years, including time with the St. Louis Browns, the Cleveland Indians and the Detroit Tigers. Bell led the American League in total number of base hits during one season.

Moon currently is coaching the Fish squad while finishing his academic requirements for a degree. He is on a leave of absence from the St. Louis Cardinals with whom he signed a contract last summer. Moon was a star out-fielder for Omaha of the Class A Western League last year and was due to report to Columbus of the Class AAA American Association this Spring.

Ecrette, like McPherson and Taylor, is still playing college baseball. The San Antonio junior has been the regular second baseman for the Aggies for the last two years.

The clinic is scheduled to begin at 9 o'clock with the first hour being devoted to infield play and pitching and the second hour to outfield play and hitting. A movie C. "Beau" Bell, Wally Moon and Joe Ecrette as special instructors for the school.

## Gottlob, Mayes Lead Ag Foilers to Victory

A&M's fencing team got back on the victory road last week-end as the Cadet foil men won the college bracket in an Amateur Fencing

## Cadet Linksmen Meet Baylor In Waco Today

With four wins and one tie to their credit, the Texas Aggie golf foursome appears to be one of the current leaders in coming Southwest Conference play.

Making up the team are two seniors and two sophomores. The seniors are Bob Dohoney of Hillsboro and Tony Guerrero of Mission and the sophomores are Johnny Barrett of San Antonio and Billy Baker of Houston.

Their victories this Spring have been a pair over the University of Houston, and one each over Hardin-Simmons and St. Edwards of Austin. In their last outing they tied Rice on the Bryan Country Club course 3-3.

Aggie Coach Gayther Nowell is having the team work out on the Bryan course while workmen repair the Aggies' new 18-hole course for the SWC meet which will be held here May 11-12. "Several greens have been dug up and other work done that should have it in top shape for the meet," said Joe Fagan, course pro.

Next in line on the Aggie schedule will be the Baylor Bears in Waco Friday.

The Aggies switch places in the No. 1 through No. 4 positions almost weekly. The team is so well balanced that Coach Nowell never knows for sure who the No. 1 man will be until just prior to their next match.

Each man on the team has won his share of trophies in amateur tournaments throughout the Southwest. Probably the most notable record of the foursome was made in 1949 when little Johnny Barrett was runner-up in the National Caddy Meet.

## Wood Allows 1 Hit; B AF Tops W Band

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Lou Wood was the complete master of the White Band as the lanky, dark-headed righthander allowed but one hit and fanned seven while his B AF teammates were busy scoring seven runs to defeat the bandsmen 7-1.

The airman tallied a single run in the first inning on a walk and two hits. The bandsmen also scored their lone run in the first frame.

### Gets First Victim

Jordan opened the Band half of the first by biting the dust on

strikes as Wood claimed his first knockout victim. Don Greany, Band shortfielder, took three strikes but gained life on first as the AF catcher dropped the third strike and Greany beat the throw to the first sack.

The next hitter grounded out to the shortstop but an error allowed Greany to cross the plate with the tying run.

In the bottom of the second the airman gave Wood two more runs to work with on three hits and a walk.

### Wood Displays Prowess

Two errors put the Bandsmen on base in the second but Wood quickly retired the side on two strike-out victims and a grounder to second base.

In the top of the third Wood again displayed his prowess as a hurler by fanning two and yielding the lone hit the Band collected in the contest. The hit was wasted however as the fourth batter of the inning, Jenkins, grounded out to shortstop.

### K AF Edges A Vets

Reyes of A Vets and Rand of K AF engaged in a hurling duel for three innings before the game was called because of the 6 p. m. curfew for all Mural softball games. The final score read K AF 2, A Vets 1.

Rand retired the Vets in the first frame after facing four hitters one of whom reached first on a free pass from the airman hurler. A doubleplay and a fly to left field retired K AF in the first inning.

Rand allowed the Vet company a hit and a walk in the second but finally retired the side before any damage was done.

The airman gained their winning margin in the second on two errors and a hit.

Again in the third Rand allowed the Vets a hit and a free ticket to first but this time the veterans managed to send a run across the plate.

### E AF Wins

E AF edged C Infantry in a close contest, 2-1. The artillerymen gained their inning on a walk to Marlowe and a circuit clout by Lewis.

The infantrymen scored their lone run in the final inning with Jim Gorman crossing the plate with the single run.

## Ag Diamond Squad Favored in Rice Tilt

A&M will play host to the Rice Owl baseball team tomorrow afternoon on Kyle Field. This will be the initial meeting for both nines. A&M goes into the fray with a 2-2 seasonal record in conference play. The Aggies won a pair of games from SMU, but dropped singles to Baylor and TCU.

Rice has one win to four conference defeats to date, with their single victory taken from TCU. The Owls lost their three games to the Aggies last season by scores of 9-12, 0-14, and 2-12.

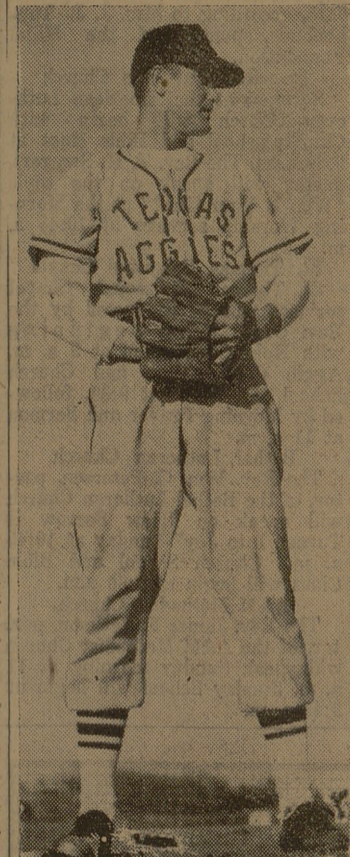
Starting for the Aggies will be Al Ogletree, catcher; Yale Lary, first; Joe Ecrette, second; Henry Candelari, third; team captain Guy Wallace, short; John DeWitt, left field; Hollis Baker, center field; and Bill McPherson, right field.

Aggie Skipper Beau Bell will call on the services of All-SWC hurler Pat Hubert, who hurled a no hit game earlier this season and should be in fine form for tomorrow's game.

In the Owl camp Coach Harold Stockridge will probably work lefty Roger Edwards on the mound with Dick Leeder in the bull pen if things get to hot for Edwards to handle.

The remainder of the lineup should find Willie Hitt at second base, Doyle Beard at shortstop, Vernon Glass in left field, Rex Procter in center field, Parke Davis at third base, Dave Devine at first base, Bill Wright in right field, and Bill Golbart completing the battery with Edwards.

The Owls lost earlier this week to the Mustangs of Southern Methodist, who, with the strong arm of passing star Fred Benners, checked the Institutemen 9 and 3.



Pat Hubert

... top man on the Ag hurling staff, will probably start tomorrow against the University of Houston Cougars on the Kyle Field diamond. Hubert, who tossed a no-hit game against Minnesota early in the season, is expected to be a big contender for All-Conference honors.

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