

# Farmer Leads Aggie Hitters Over Season and SWC Play

Tex Farmer continues to lead Aggie hitters, both over the full season and in conference play. His batting average for the first 15 games of the season is .269, while his average for six league contests is .278.

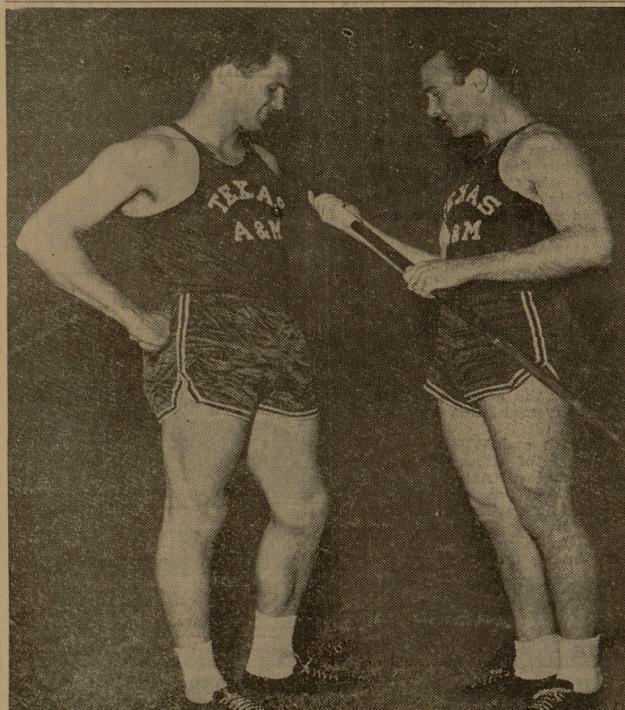
Don Heft is the only other regular hitting over .200 in the 15 games, posting a .238 average. Farmer is the lone batter in the .200 class in conference games.

The Aggie team batting average through 15 games is .163, and the opponent average for the same contests is .219 against Aggie pitching. The team batting average for the six conference games is .103, while conference opponents have compiled a .218 hitting average.

Leading the Farmer pitchers for the season is Ed Hennig, who has won one game and has no losses for the record. However, Melvin Work and Jerry Nelson both own a two won, two lost record. Work leads Aggie pitchers in the earned run department, permitting but 1.3 earned runs per game.

The Cadets have scored 41 runs and have watched 61 runners spike home plate for the opposition. They have gathered 79 hits in 15 contests and have given up 115 safe blows.

Lester Byrd, Aggie left fielder, has a perfect fielding average for 15 games, handling 22 chances without error. Eric Miller, in 13 games, is also errorless, making nine putouts without a bobble.



Roy Dollar and Pete Mayeaux Throwing for one-two placing

A&M HITTING 15 GAMES									
PLAYER	AB	R	H	TB	RBI	PCT.			
Farmer, cf	52	2	14	19	2	.269			
Heft, ss	21	2	5	7	0	.238			
Farrish, 2b	17	2	4	4	0	.235			
Hardgrove, p	9	0	2	2	1	.222			
Work, p	9	2	2	5	3	.222			
Lustelock, 3b	47	1	9	11	3	.191			
Leisner, 2b	53	2	10	11	5	.189			
Miller, rf	50	3	9	11	5	.180			
Hennig, p	7	0	1	1	1	.143			
Nelson, p	7	0	1	1	0	.143			
Williams, c	39	5	5	5	0	.128			
Verble, rf	8	0	1	1	0	.125			
Byrd, lf	44	5	5	5	1	.113			
Ellis, ss	30	7	3	5	1	.100			
Munsterlyn, 1b	51	4	5	5	3	.098			
Robnett, c	15	2	1	4	5	.071			
Little, p	5	0	0	0	0	.000			
Rowland, 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.000			
Alton, rf	2	1	0	0	0	.000			
Fuchs, lf	2	0	0	0	0	.000			
Pollard, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	.000			
Blipert, ph	1	0	0	0	0	.000			
Northrup, ss	0	0	0	0	0	.000			
Dropped	8	0	3	3	0	.375			
A&M Totals	455	41	79	98	31	.163			
Opp Totals	525	61	115	140	46	.218			

## First 1953-54 Tilt Set Against Lamar

The A&M cagers will open the 1953-54 season December 1 in Beaumont against Lamar College, Athletic Director Barlow Irvin recently announced.

The complete Aggie basketball schedule has not been released. First game in the new 8,500-seat physical education building will be Dec. 5 with Oklahoma A&M. The new fieldhouse will be dedicated at that time.

Details of the dedication game Dec. 5 have not been completed.

## Pistol Team To Meet OU; Rifle Squad Fires Saturday

The Texas A&M Pistol Team will fire a return shoulder-to-shoulder match against the University of Oklahoma, Saturday.

The Aggies defeated the Sooners in their previous shoulder-to-shoulder match at Norman, Oklahoma, by 6 points.

Members of the team firing for A&M are Team Captain Doug Benson, James Beaver, Frank Norvell, Ed Anderson, Don Anderson, Toby

Chandler, David Fagg, David McCane, Gene Dayhoff, Winfield Massie, Robert Booker, James Cook, Tommy Kelly, and Mark Nash.

The match will be fired beginning at 2 p. m. at the Aggie pistol range.

The Sooners team will arrive Friday and remain until Sunday, and will be housed and fed with the Aggie Cadets.

Any one interested is cordially invited to attend the match.

The Aggie Rifle Team will meet Virginia Poly Inst. at Blackbury, Va. Saturday.

The rifle match will be a shoulder-to-shoulder meet. Each man will have 10 shots from four positions, prone, kneeling, squatting and standing.

Members of the rifle team are Ross Bruce, Harry Gaydon, Carl Schlinke, Fred Williams, Howard Mims, and Fred Galley. Schlinke is the team captain.

# Hooper Out for 3rd Drake Aggies Meet Rice, SMU

Darrow Hooper will be trying to break his fourth record of the year at the Drake Relays today. Hooper and three distance runners will lead 400 tracksters in an assault on the records.

Hooper will compete in the shot and discus with a good chance of breaking the shot put record. The Drake shot put record is 55 feet, 1 1/2 inches set by Jack Torrance of LSU in 1934. Hooper has put the shot 56 feet, 2 3/4 inches in the Texas Relays and 55 feet, 6 1/2 inches at Kansas.

Running for Kansas will be Wes Santee, the sensation of the Texas Relays. Santee will anchor the four-mile relay team in its fight with Georgetown, the favorite.

### Hooper's Last Year

This will be Hooper's last year as a weight man for the Cadets. But he will keep his amateur rating in order to participate in the 1956 Olympics.

While Hooper is competing at Drake, his team mates will be meeting Rice and SMU on Kyle Field Saturday. The Aggies are heavy favorites to thrash the Owls and Mustangs in a warm up for the conference meet at Fort Worth.

Record-holding Malcolm Marks and team captain Bobby Ragsdale in the field and James Blaine and James Baker on the cinder path will be the big guns for A&M.

Marks holds the all-time Aggie record in the pole vault with 14 feet, two and a half inches. Ragsdale has jumped 25 feet this year, something no other Southwestern Conference trackster has done.

### Blaine Leads Distance Runners

Blaine will be main distance runner for the Ags. He will battle Lenroy Lowe, last year's SWC champion, for the two-mile crown.

Leading A&M in the shorter races will be Baker in the quarter-mile, while Ragsdale has a chance in the century dash.

The closest match will be between the Rice, SMU, and Aggie Freshmen. The Fish have improved and should put up a good battle for the title. Rice and SMU both have strong teams. In the Aggie Freshmen's last outing they took a triangular meet from Victoria Junior College and John Tarleton.

## MSC Bowlers Meet Brenham Saturday

The MSC bowling group will take two teams to Brenham Saturday to meet the Brenham Elks Club.

Bowling will start at 1:30 p.m. The teams have not been completed as yet, said John Geiger, manager of the MSC bowling alleys.

The teams will represent the different leagues now bowling in the MSC. Team members do not have to be students.

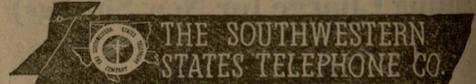


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