

BIG BAT LEAVING—Bobby (Tex) Farmer, one of the leading hitters on the Aggie baseball team this spring, took his last college swing at a baseball Monday in the double-header at Kyle Field against the Texas Longhorns.



James Blaine



AND THEN THERE WAS ONE—Members of the mile relay team which finished second in the conference meet Saturday in Fort Worth are, left to right, Frank Norris, Gerald Stull, Carol Libby, and James Baker.

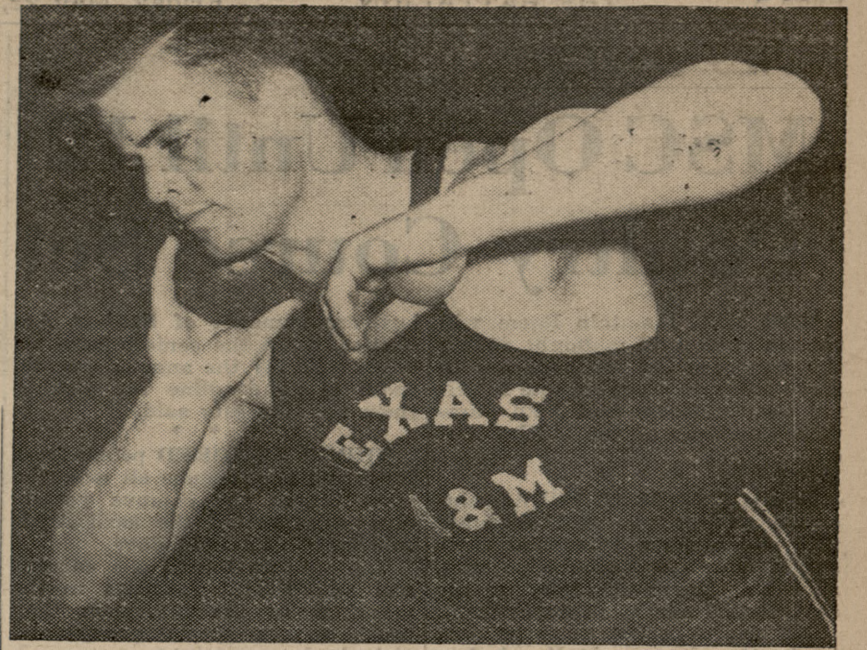
Mile Relay Team Shattered; Only Norris Returns In '54

The mile relay team which represented A&M in the SWC track and field meet Saturday in Fort Worth will be riddled by graduation.

Always one of the favorite track events with Col. Anderson, Aggie track coach, the Aggie entry next year will find only Frank Norris returning to form a base around which Anderson must start building in order to come up with

another strong team in the event. However, it often turns out that in races where Anderson seems to be most completely stripped that he shows up with a dark horse runner or field eventer to make his track team formidable in almost every event.

Writers who are already hanging the crepe for the Aggie track team next season may be a little premature. The Cadets would like very much to add another track title to their record, and they figure that next year is as good as any to do it.



OUTSTANDING SOPH—Bobby Jack Gross will move into the favorite's spot next spring in both the shot put and discus on the strength of his work during the past season in those events. Gross consistently put the shot around 50 feet during the season, and tossed the discus over 140 feet in several meets, making him tops in the conference as far as next year's prospects are concerned. Under Col. Anderson's expert coaching, Gross showed remarkable development in the two events, and figures to better distances next season with the added experience.

Texas Chosen For Playoffs

Texas moved right into the region 6 playoffs with the double victory over the Aggies Monday on Kyle Field.

Finishing the conference race in a tie with SMU with 12 wins and three losses, Texas was chosen by the NCAA selection committee to represent the SWC on the strength of Texas having scored two wins over SMU during season play.

Pete Jones, Baylor baseball coach, who is chairman of the selection committee, said the committee knew at the time it picked Texas, that a conference faculty committee had ordered a playoff between Texas and SMU.

Jones said the committee is authorized to select the Southwest Conference representative and chose Texas without waiting for the playoff because of Texas' two wins over SMU in conference play.

He said this followed a precedent established in 1946 when Arkansas was picked to play in the Cotton Bowl game after Arkansas had beaten Rice during the season. He added the same practice was followed on different occasions in basketball and baseball.

Texas now must meet Arizona, the Border Conference champion, in a playoff to determine the region 6 representative in the NCAA tournament in Omaha, Neb., June 11.

Blaine Will Return; May Also Try Mile

James Blaine was very surprised Saturday when conference officials insisted on holding the conference meet in a downpour when only a small portion of the entire track was above water.

Denied a fair chance to break the conference record in his specialty, the two mile run, Blaine is already looking forward to another chance in next year's conference meet, although he expects to compete in both the mile and two mile events.

Running in water which obscured the track and made it impossible to go after the record, Blaine splashed around the oval eight times to win the two mile event in 9:39.9, breaking the tape many yards ahead of the other runners.

Newman's Elect Uptmore President

Ted Uptmore, ag ed. major from West, was elected 1953-54 president of the Newman Club Wednesday recently.

Ted succeeds his brother Jim as president of the club. Billy Cichersi was elected vice - president and Frank Urbanic is the new secretary. John Petter and Frank Adameik were elected treasurer and reporter, respectively.

Hooper Elected 'T' Club President

Darrow Hooper was elected president last night of the "T" Club at a special called meeting of the letterman's club.

Hooper, an Olympic track star and three year letterman on the Aggie football team, will continue work here next year in graduate school.

Vice-president of the "T" club for next year is Jim Blaine. Blaine is a junior trackman, who runs the two mile event and is a cross-country specialist.

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Y-YO SHORE IS!! TO THE CODE O' THE HILLS - EF AH KISSES YO, WE IS ENGAGED -
HOPELESSLY ENGAGED - AN' THEN ME AN' UGH! - YO GOTTA GIT MARRIED!!
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