

Ag Track, Golf, Tennis Teams Journey To Fayetteville, Waco for SWC Meets

A&M Golfers, Netters Enter SWC Meets

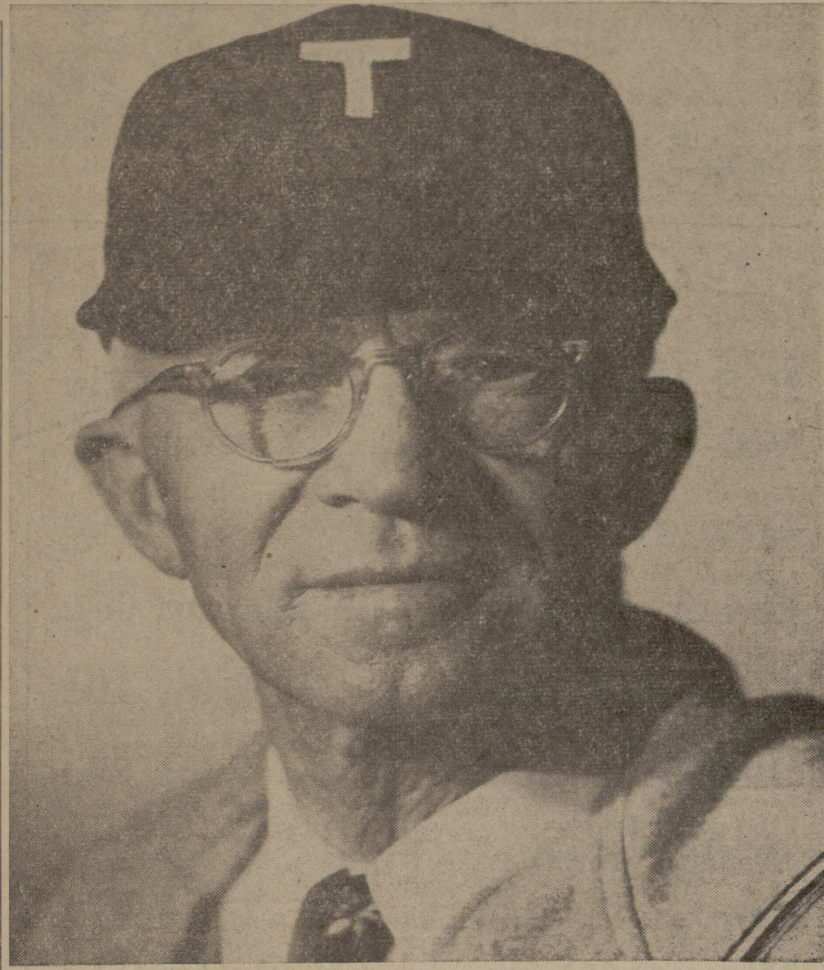
Four members of the A&M golf team, runners-up in the conference title race, journey to Fayetteville, Ark. today to represent the Aggies in the annual Southwest Conference tournament.

David Vandervoort, Jerry Durbin, Bobby Nichols and Marcelino Moreno will accompany Coach Joe Fagan to the Fayetteville meet, which begins tomorrow.

The foursome will try to get in a practice round before the 72-hole medal play tourney gets underway on the Fayetteville Country Club course. Under SWC rules, the first and second place finishers in the conference standings are allowed to send four players to the meet.

Meanwhile, Coach W. M. Dowell's tennis team battles SWC competition today at Waco. The meet was scheduled for Waco because of Arkansas' lack of clay courts. Both doubles and singles matches are scheduled for the three-day tournament.

Texas' Longhorns, running true to form, won the SWC tennis crown with ease. The Cadets wound up their league activities in fifth place.



Frank G. (Colonel Andy) Anderson

Coaching Champions Easy For College's 'Col. Andy'

By RONNIE GREATHOUSE
 When a coach wins six championships in nine years, and does it with a host of previously unknown athletes, he deserves a place among the profession's immortals.

Frank G. "Colonel Andy" Anderson, A&M's head track coach is just such a genius. The amiable 65-year-old mentor climaxes his

36th year at Aggieland this weekend at Fayetteville, Ark., when his Cadets hit the cinders in the Southwest Conference Track and Field championships.

A&M has dominated the SWC track scene since 1947 when it wrestled the leadership from its arch rival, the University of Texas. Anderson, along with his equi-

ally proficient assistant, Ray Putnam, has coached the Aggies to nine conference titles and five straight Border Olympic championships.

His 1951 team was second in the nation only to powerful Southern California on the strength of an undefeated season. A&M lost only one meet in the three years from 1950-53. Anderson's teams, when not winning championships, have never placed lower than third in the conference meet.

Anderson took over as head track coach in 1946, after giving up that post in 1936 to become commandant of the A&M Corps of Cadets. He was retired from the army in 1944, and immediately joined the Aggie physical education department, soon afterward transferring to the athletic department.

THE VETERAN TUTOR first came to A&M in 1920 from Mississippi State, and held football and track coaching jobs until he became commandant. At Mississippi State he was a football student of D. X. Bible, A&M's great coach of the early 20's.

A hard worker, Anderson is noted for his ability to make champions and steady performers out of unknowns. He has coached close to 50 athletes who have come away from the Southwest Conference meet as champions. Three of these performers set marks which still stand as conference records, at least two more were unanimous all-Americans, and one holds a world's record.

"The greatest feeling I have ever had in all my years of coaching was watching Buddy Davis step onto the platform of champions at the Olympics," beamed Anderson.

Thinlyclads Due to Battle Rice for Runner-up Spot

By BARRY HART

It'll be a battle for second between A&M and Rice with Texas a strong favorite to win the 41st running of the Southwest Conference track meet Friday and Saturday in Fayetteville.

The Longhorns have won the crown 23 times as compared to A&M's 11. Rice has won the title four times and Oklahoma in 1918-19, before they dropped out, for the only other teams to ever cop the championship.

Texas edged the Aggies in 1955, 78½ to 76½ with Rice a far third at 54, SMU 22, Baylor 17, Arkansas 16 and TCU 6.

"It looks like another second for us," said head track coach Frank (Colonel Andy) Anderson. "In fact, we've got a better chance to take third than we do first."

At least six records may be broken before the dust settles Saturday night. Four marks already have been bettered this year—in the century, sprint relay, mile relay and discus—with the 220 being tied.

The Steers, of course, are heavy in the sprints with A&M holding all but one of the best performances in the field events.

Texas' Bobby Whilden has bettered the 100 mark with a 9.4 and his 20.3 220 tied the old record. Whilden also anchors the Longhorns' world-record sprint relay foursome, which has circled the oval in 40.1.

Texas owns a record-bettering mile relay of 3:12.4 and A&M's Bobby Jack Gross has sailed the discus 170-2, two inches better than Darrow Hooper's standing mark.

Both Emmett Smallwood and

'Mural Supper Fetes Officers

More than two hundred attended the annual Intramural barbeque at the Grove last night where awards were presented to athletic officers and intramural managers.

Corps and civilian athletic officers were presented intramural tie clasps by Barney Welch, director of A&M's Intramural program. Welch lauded this year's officers and labeled the position of athletic officer or sergeant as a vital position in any organization.

Sweaters for fifty-one junior and sophomore Intramural managers will be presented at the next meeting of the group in appreciation for their work in directing the mechanics of this year's Intramural athletics.

Tony Bolner, senior manager received a gold watch for co-ordinating the managerial work for the year. Ben Rawls who graduated in January also received a watch.

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SPORTS SLANTS

By BARRY HART
 Battalion Sports Editor

All eyes are on Fayetteville these next two days as the Southwest Conference holds what might be one of its most important meetings in history.

Top on the list of business, and the subject which the whole State of Texas is watching and holding its breath, is whether or not Texas Tech will at long last be admitted to the SWC.

Tech has been trying to obtain entrance to the conference for 30 years, and this may be their year. The West Texas school needs five votes of the seven for admittance and they may have them if A&M, Texas, Baylor, TCU and SMU vote as they have indicated they might, should the motion come up.

Whether or not an actual vote comes up will probably be Tech's biggest problem. They've been shelved before and could easily be put back again. It is thought by many around the conference that the Red Raiders will make it this year and I, for one, would like to see them in.

From Waco comes word that Baylor will once more submit the University of Houston for consideration on admittance. There is little support for the Cougars, and at the last meeting no one even saw fit to second Baylor's motion, thus killing the Houston bid.

I can't see any intelligent thought behind even considering Houston for admittance. As far as I'm concerned neither their teams nor the (See SPORT SLANTS, Page 4)



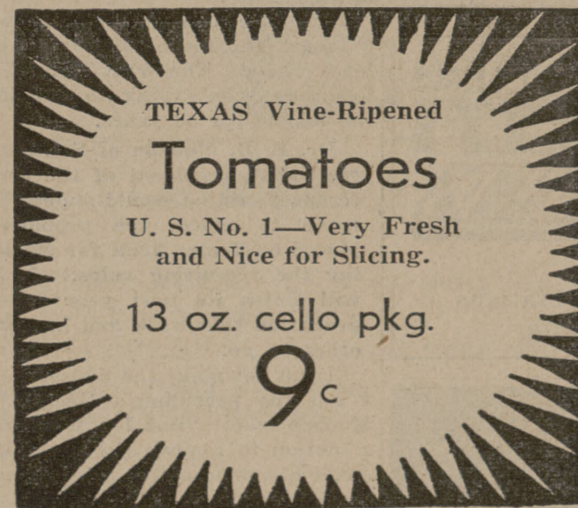
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