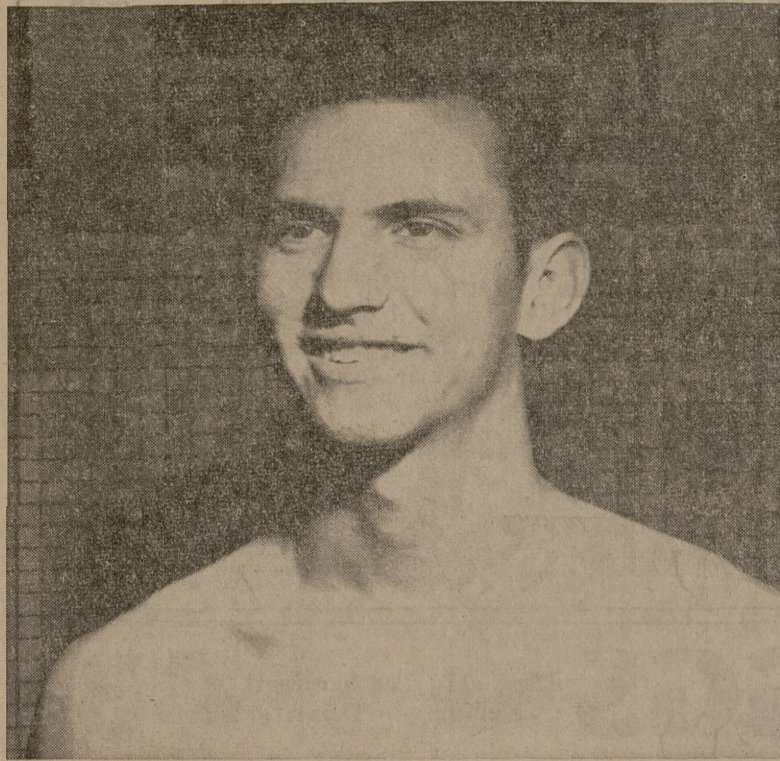


# Aggie Swimmers Defend SWC Relays Title Saturday



Dick Hunkler

## A&M, SMU, Texas Renew Old Rivalry

By BARRY HART

A&M's defending Southwest Conference swimming champions move into competition for the first time this season in the eighth annual SWC relays Saturday in Austin.

Undefeated in 1956, Coach Art Adamson's Aggies marched through 10 meets on their way to the league crown where they ran up the biggest point total in conference history. A year ago the Cadets captured their first relays victory with a thrilling two-point win over Texas. A&M scored 66 to the Steers' 64 and SMU's 62 in 1956 while the host team Rice Owls managed only 30.

"I think we'll do all right Saturday," smiled Adamson. "But you never can tell about these relays."

Both A&M and SMU will be without the services of their ace splashers, Tetsuo Okamoto and Pedro Galvao. Both are not in school this semester, having been candidates for the 1956 Olympic team in their South American home countries.

"Both SMU and we will be somewhat weakened," said Coach Adamson, "and only Texas will be at full strength, but Rice will be better this year, too."

The history of the relays has been one of domination by the three great swimming rivals. Texas took their only titles in the first year, 1950, with A&M second and the pair finished identically in 1951. The Mustangs of SMU took over for four straight years with A&M finishing third behind Texas until 1955 when the Cadets moved to second. The closeness of the three-way race was typified in '55 with two points separating the three teams.

"This year, as usual, will be a three-team battle—right down to the line," observed the veteran Aggie coach. Returning from last year's championship team are such mainstays as Dick Hunkler, Jose Merino, Rip Woodard and Jerry Mount, who will be the nucleus of this season's splashers.

Varsity Schedule  
Jan. 12—SWC Relays at Austin  
Feb. 6—Florida State at College Station  
Feb. 9—SMU at Dallas  
Feb. 16—NW Louisiana at College Station  
Feb. 23—Texas at Austin  
Mar. 2—Rice at College Station  
Mar. 9—Texas Tech at College Station  
Mar. 14-16—SWC meet at Houston

## Football, Cross Country Teams Feted Saturday

An expected 500 persons will be on hand to honor A&M's football and cross country teams in Sbis Hall Saturday at 7 p.m.

Morris Frank, nationally known emcee and writer for the Houston Chronicle, will be the master of ceremonies with former football coach Bo Rowland, now in public relations for Reynolds Aluminum in Washington, D. C., handling the major address of the evening.

Charlie Krueger, unanimous all-Southwest Conference tackle, will be presented the International News Service All-American certificate by INS Sports Editor Shelby Seales and Jack Pardee, all-SWC and Look Magazine's All-American fullback, will receive the Houston Post Award for the conference's outstanding back from Sports Editor Clark Nealon.

Other awards include the Burt Pfaff trophy for the best blockers in the line and the backfield; the Herb Smith award for the best little man, to be presented by A. O. Nicholson of Dallas; and the A. M. Waldrop award for the best lineman. The winners of these have not yet been announced.

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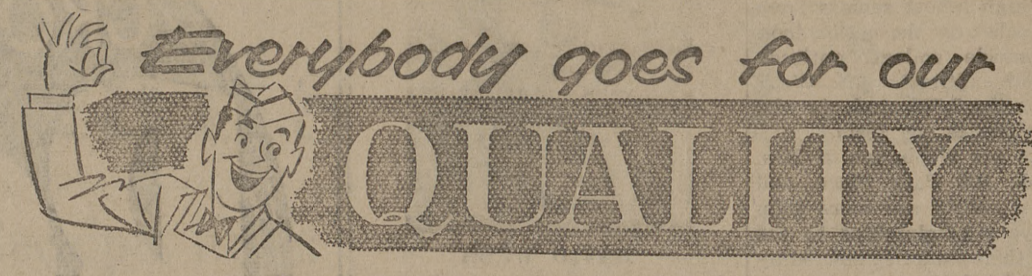
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