

# Aggie Probation Ends SWC Pins on New Rap

By JIM CARRELL

Today for the first time in two long years, A&M finds itself without the yoke of either NCAA or Southwest Conference athletic probation, but finds itself falling on hard times again, this time with the blame being shifted from football to basketball.

A SWC athletic probation period for football recruiting violations, dropped by the conference last May, but continued to its entirety by the NCAA, at last comes to an end.

However, as it ends, another cloud rises on the horizon of Aggie hopes. The SWC in a meeting in Austin brought up changes of new violations, these against basketball and A&M finds itself once more in an unhappy position.

On this occasion, in another apparent case of passing the buck, the SWC faculty committee referred the latest recruiting problems of A&M to the president of the college for his action.

President D. W. Williams of Texas A&M College, yesterday stated, "I have received no official communication from the conference. All I know so far is what I have been able to read in the newspapers."

"I have not met with the Athletic Council and I have no

idea what action will be taken," he continued. "I will not speculate and can't possibly say at this time."

When asked whether he had met or talked with Coach Ken Loeffler, Williams replied in the affirmative, but also said, "We arrived at no decision."

However, Williams said he would "reach a decision prior to the meeting of the NCAA on May 31 in Chicago." It is expected a decision will be reached within the next two or three days.

These most recent rules violations by A&M have been levied at Basketball Coach Ken Loeffler and are three in number.

The charge is violation of a rule prohibiting the tryout of prospective athletes. Secondly, violation of a rule prohibiting excessive financial aid to student athletes and that there were two violations in this instance. One for transportation of a prospective student from Pawtucket, R. I., to College Station to enroll in A&M and the other, the provision of a roundtrip airline ticket for a basketball player by a representative of A&M. The third violation charged was that of "lavish entertainment" of prospective students.

The executive secretary of the SWC was directed to call to the attention of President

Williams of A&M these findings and that he report through his faculty representative to the next meeting of the conference the corrective or disciplinary action he has taken or his reasons for not taking any action.

Dr. Chris H. Groneman, A&M faculty representative to the SWC and chairman of the A&M athletic council, said yesterday that he had talked with Coach Loeffler since coming back from Austin.

On being questioned as to what took place in the conversation between him and Loeffler, Dr. Groneman replied, "We discussed the meeting in Austin and the proceedings that took place." Coach Loeffler was in Austin at the time but was in another meeting.

Dr. Groneman also denied the authenticity of and labeled as incorrect a statement made by one of the state's leading dailies that "the Athletic Council met recently and decided to buy up the remaining year of his (Loeffler) contract." The newspaper also stated that Coach Paul Bryant, A&M athletic director, refused to approve such action, saying that Loeffler was still coach.

However, a reliable source in athletic circles at A&M yesterday maintained the truth of this statement, saying that he had himself heard of this decision made by the Council.

The SWC in passing up the issue at hand for the time being also gave the NCAA first chance to take punitive action for A&M's violation of SWC rules.

Previously the SWC had removed the probation which they had placed against the school after the NCAA had taken a similar position.

Then the NCAA in December refused to lift their probation when a motion to do so was made by Dr. Edwin D. Mouzon, Jr. of SMU and died for lack of second.

## Texas Wins SWC Titles

# Smallwood Leaps To New Record

By J. BARRY HART

Emmett Smallwood and Herman Johnson produced the only Aggie firsts as the Texas teams swept both ends of the 1957 Southwest Conference track and field extravaganza Friday and Saturday in Austin.

Smallwood, the Galena Park junior who had been injured most of the season, leaped 25-1 1/2 in the broadjump to erase the oldest mark in the books. The previous record, 24-9 3/4, was set in 1922 by Rice's Mike Hale.

Johnson came within a foot of Darrow Hooper's discus record—throwing a fine 169 feet. The Aggie senior also captured second in the shot put behind Baylor's Larry Cowart.

Winton Thomas and Texas' John Novey tied for the pole vault title for the second straight year at 13-6 with A&M's James Clark right on the heels up a new point total high with 114 5/6, erasing the old mark set by A&M in 1951—114 with the Aggies taking a poor second at 39. The Shorthorns won the freshmen division, edging Texas Tech by three points. The Aggie Fish were sixth.

SMU's Don Stewart leaped 6-10 7/8 in the high jump, 3/8 of an inch higher than A&M's Walt Davis jumped in 1952.

Smallwood took second behind Roy Thompson, Rice, who ran a fine 22.6 in the 220-yard low hurdles and Eddie Bussa finished behind SMU's John Emmett in the quarter mile.

Shotput—1) Larry Cowart, Baylor, 54 feet 9-1/4 inches; 2) Herman Johnson, Texas A. and M., 52-2 7/8; 3) Paul Schumann, Texas, 51-7; 4) Johnny Warren, Texas, 50-10 3/4; 5) Alex Palmros, Texas, 49-2-7/8.

440-yard dash—1) John Emmett, Southern Methodist, 2) Eddie Bussa, Texas A. and M., 3) Mack Newton, Arkansas; 4) Allen Mayne, Baylor; 5) Ralph Rosenberg, Texas, 47.4 (Wally Wilson, Texas, finished first but was disqualified for running out of lane).

120-yard high hurdles—1) Eddie Southern, Texas; 2) Wesley Hight, Rice; 3) Ike Tension, Baylor; 4) Gent Ellis, Southern Methodist; 5) Austin Palmer, Texas, 34.1.

Broad jump—1) Emmett Smallwood, Texas A. and M., 25 feet 1 1/2 inches (new record—old record 24 feet 9 3/4 inches set by Mike Hale, Rice, in 1922); 2) Pat McGuire, Texas 24-11 1/2; 3) Ronnie White, Texas, 24-2 1/2; 4) Tie between Virgil Miller, Texas Christian and Dale Emore, Texas A. and M., 22.7.

Two-mile run—1) Gordon Rateliff, Texas; 2) Walter McNew, Texas; 3) Tom Oakley, Arkansas; 4) Paul Harrington, Texas A. and M.; 5) Andre Boudard, Texas, 9:34.8.

220-yard low hurdles—1) Roy Thompson, Rice; 2) Emmett Smallwood, Texas A. and M.; 3) Wesley Hight, Rice; 4) Austin Palmer, Texas; 5) Ike Tension, Baylor, 62.6.

### THE SUMMARIES

Discus throw (final) 1) Herman Johnson, Texas A. and M., 159 feet 9 3/4 inches; 2) Paul Schumann, Texas, 156-5 3/4; 3) Jie Irvin, Texas, 156-9 1/2; 4) Robert Means, Arkansas, 159-7; 5) James Chamquist, Rice 154-10 1/4.

440-yard relay—1) Texas (Wally Wilson, Eddie Southern, Hollis Clancy, Bobby Whidden); 2) Baylor; 3) Rice; 4) Southern Methodist; 5) Texas A. and M., 0:40.0 (new record 0:35 set by Texas in 1955).

High jump—1) Don Stewart, Southern Methodist, 6 feet 10-7/8 inches (new record—old record 6 feet 10 1/2 inches set by Walter Davis, Texas A. and M. in 1952); 2) Tie among Lewis Watson, Southern Methodist, Alvin Ashley, Texas, and Bob Billings, Texas, 6-4 1/2; 5) Fred Bentley, Baylor, 6-2 3/4.

1-mile run—1) Joe Villareal, Texas; 2) Milton Soward, Rice; 3) Ed Norton, Arkansas; 4) Jerry Hutson, Texas Christian; 5) Jerry Carter, Arkansas, 4:10.5 (new record—old record 4:17.2 set by J. D. Hampton, Texas A. and M. in 1940).

Pole vault—1) Tie between Winton Thom, Texas A. and M., and John Novey, Texas, 13 feet, 6 inches; 2) James Clark, Texas A. and M., 13-0; 3) Marshall Thompson, Texas, 12-8; 5) Tie among Jerry Burns, Arkansas; James Chamquist, Rice, and Bill Hinkle, Texas, 12-0.

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