

Regional Meet To Be Held In Coliseum

G. Rollie White Coliseum will see again be the scene of the annual high school regional basketball tournament to be held on Saturday, March 1, as regional winners vie for further state prep honors. Four teams each in conference

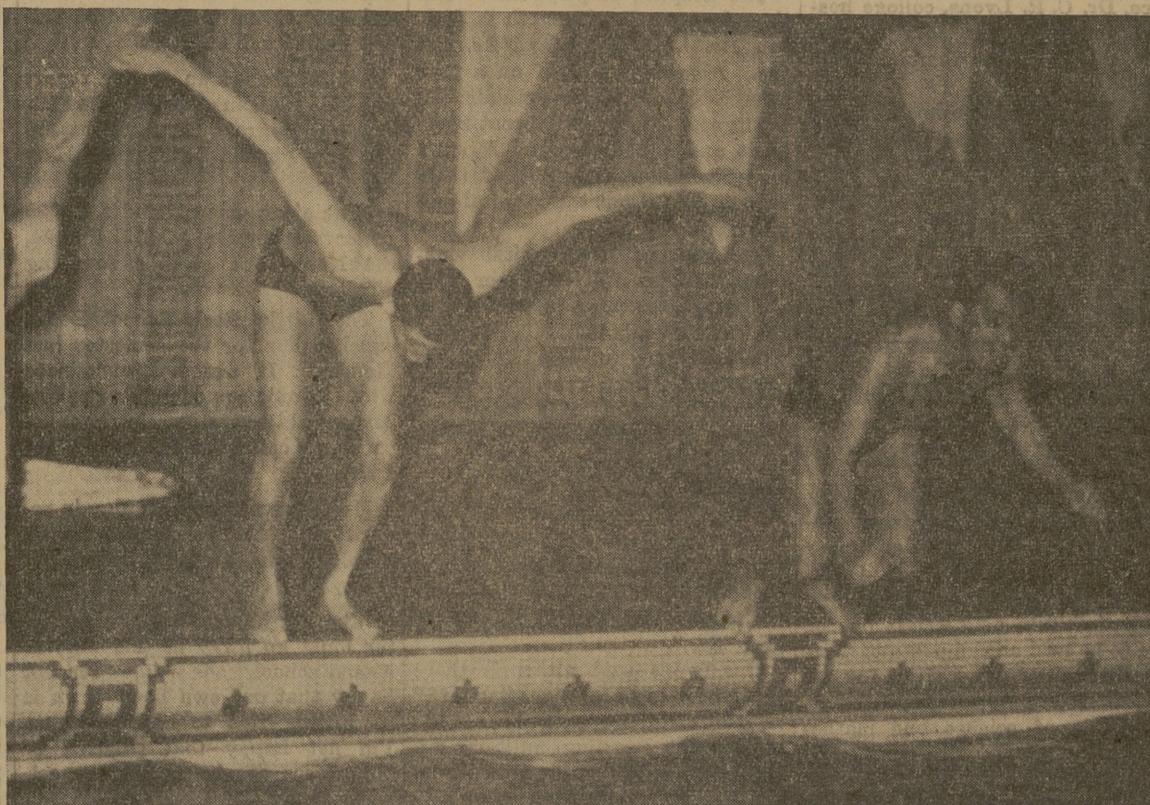
A and AA will play during the one-day tourney. The winners will play in the state meet in Austin the following Saturday.

Large crowds enjoyed watching Smiley take the regional tournament last year. The excellent facilities of White Coliseum added to

the crowd's enjoyment of the hard-fought game.

Heliopolis, one of the country's leading stallions, has provided two Selmina winners at Laurel in Athens (1945) and Aunt Jinny (1950).

Ags Take On SMU Tankers In Conference Preview Meet



Cadet Tankers Prepare

Members of Coach Art Adamson's fine swimming squad are shown sharpening up for the coming meet with conference-favorite Southern Methodist this Friday.

By BOB WEEKLEY
Coach Art Adamson's swimmers, unbeaten in three matches to date, play host to the double-tough SMU tankmen Friday at 4 p. m. in what may prove to be a preview of the '58 Southwest Conference championships.

The Mustangs, '57 champions, have already taken on the Aggies once in the SWC Relays in December, squeezing past the second place Cadets 116 points to 110.

Tetsuo Okamoto, the All-American swimmer from Sao Paulo, Brazil, will lead the Farmers in their bid for an upset over the Ponies.

The stocky Brazilian captured three first places and set one new record to lead the Aggies' drive for second place in the 27th annual SWC swimming championship at Houston last year. Okamoto has received an All-American swimmer nomination for two consecutive years.

Depth, or rather the lack of it, is the big problem Adamson faces in trying to build a championship team. That was the problem the team faced last year, and it hasn't improved since then. Only four men are returning from the team that placed runner-ups to the champion Mustangs.

Besides Okamoto, there will be Charles Cook, backstroke ace from Dallas; Jerry Mount, freestyle and breaststroke man from San Antonio; and Walter "Dubby" Godfrey, diver from Brownsville.

Orlando Cossani heads the list of those swimmers up from the freshman team. This season, the young swimmer has posted the time of 1:02.5 in the 100 yard butterfly event, a time that would have won first place in conference competition last year.

Adamson also expects Nick Kuich, sophomore from Houston, to provide the team with much-needed depth.

The Aggies will take on the Tech Red Raiders Saturday afternoon in P. L. Downs Natatorium for one of the easier contests the Cadets have faced this year.

The Raiders aren't expected to display much this season, but since they did not compete in the December tournament they will be something of an unknown quality.

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Venturi Favored In Classic

Ken Venturi, the lone double-winner on the winter tour, and two hometown idols, Jimmy Demaret and Jack Burke Jr., are the top favorites today for copping the \$30,000 Houston Classic Golf Tournament.

Venturi, winner of the Palm Springs Thunderbird and the Phoenix Open, has had sub-par scores while inspecting the Memorial Park Course, longest on the winter tour, since arriving here last Friday. Demaret and Burke have been playing the 7,200-yard, par 72 layout

for years.

Ranked behind the three favorites are Arnold Palmer, the defending champion, and another hometown product, Dave Marr. Palmer won \$7,500 here a year ago with a 72-hole 279, nine under par. Marr, the leader through 54 holes in last week's Texas Open at San Antonio, studied golf several years under Robie Williams, the head pro at Memorial, before turning professional five years ago.

Others drawing high rankings by the oddsmakers included Rob-

erto de Vicenzo, the long-driving Argentine now playing out of Mexico City.

Dick Mayer, National Open champion and golf's leading money last year, was missing yesterday as a field of 134 players took final practice rounds. Tournament officials, however, were still hopeful Mayer would report before the first threesome had moved out this morning.

THROWN FOR A LOSS

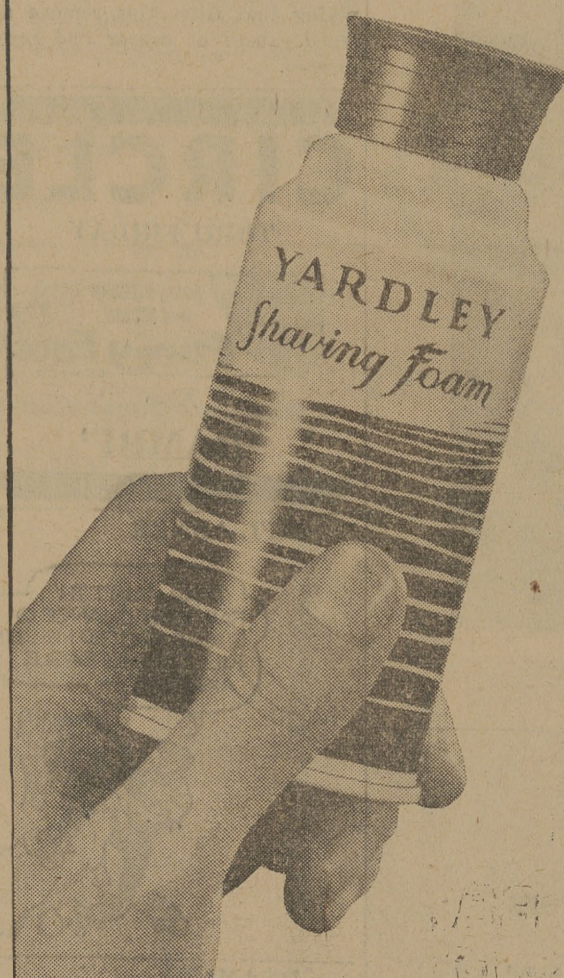
OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Everything except the locale resembled a football game when a 16-year-old Fort Worth, Tex., youth snatched a woman's purse.

Police said he tucked the purse under his arm and started running. Three men threw flying tackles at the youth as he passed, knocking him down. Then they sat on the squirming suspect until the police arrived.

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INTRAMURALS

Puryear won the class C football championship yesterday by defeating Dorm 16 in the dreary weather and on a water-soaked field by a close score of 6-0.

It was a game highlighted by good defensive play as neither offense could seem to click in the humid 40-degree weather.

The play that spelled the difference in the game was a 60-yard pass play from Pete McKinney to Richard Peacock. After that well-executed play, the scoring was over for the day and Puryear walked away with the victory.

Squadron 1 defeated Squadron 14 in class A handball by a narrow margin, 2-1. Ronald Ruth and Ben Williams won the first match for Squadron 1 and Ray Morris and Robert Brown won the second. Al Zambrano and Hubert Oxford were the winners for Squadron 14.

Squadron 1 is now tied with three other teams for the lead in class A handball.

"B" Infantry defeated "A" Ordnance in class B volleyball, 2-0. The members of the winning team were Pat Henry, Jake Avant, Mickey Burke, John Meyer, Ralph Christ, and Gordon Montgomery.

"A" AAA defeated Squadron 5 by the same score, 2-0. Norman Ayers, Sebrow, Richard Hoff, Ross Leidy, Pat Wright, and James Wylie were members of the winning team.

"A" Chemical squeezed by "B" FA by a score of 2-1. The members of the winning team were Robert Isaacs, Paul Lokey, James Klehm, Ellis Waller, William Crockett, and James Jackson.

"C" Engineers defeated "B" Armor, 2-0. The winning team was composed of Marty Herzik, Mickey Crawford, Emil Pawlik, Pete Hamel, Ralph Hendricks, and John Pogue.

Squadron 20 edged White Band by a score of 2-0. Charles Daviddoff, George Hamilton, Edward Gregg, Jack Burns, Charles Cole, and Jesse Pate were the winners.

In other games, "B" Composite edged "A" Signal in a close one by a score of 2-1. "C" FA defeated Squadron 7, 2-0, and "A" FA defeated Squadron 18 by the same score, 2-0.

More wrestling took place last night. The sweating in the cold gym was evidence enough of the spirit of the grapplers.

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