

Players Honored At Banquet

Morris Frank, the humorous columnist for the Houston Chronicle and toastmaster for the Aggie spring sports barbecue, was at his best last night as his jokes kept the crowd in a constant laughter. The barbecue is an annual affair put on by the A&M Athletic Council and the Brazos County

A&M Club in honor of the participants in spring sports—basketball, tennis, swimming, golf and baseball. Frank congratulated all the coaches for their success this past season in their various sports and added that things are looking good next spring in all the sports.

Awards were given to the captains in every spring sport and most valuable trophies were awarded in track, basketball and baseball. In the most valuable awards, Thad Crooks, the junior trackster from Hooks, took the giant trophy. Crooks, who is also co-captain of

the track team, has set two school records this spring in the 880-yard run and the mile run.

Carroll Broussard, the All-American from Port Arthur, took the most valuable basketball award for the second consecutive year. Broussard, who is only a junior, was recently named to the first team All-American squad by the Coach and Athlete magazine. He was also cited as the most valuable player in the Southwest.

The tall, lanky first sacker, Dick Hickerson, took the awards for being the most valuable player on the baseball team this spring. Hickerson, a senior from College Station, was also co-captain along with Byron Barber.

A handsome desk set was given to the captains of each spring sport.

In track, Crooks and Jim Brewer, the senior javelin thrower from Clovis, N. M., were awarded the set for being co-captains.

Richard Halter, junior from Baytown, and Jerry Foster, also a junior from Baytown, were awarded for being co-captains of the tennis team.

John Harrington, senior from College Station, took two awards in swimming. He and Ronnie Reitz, senior from Pittsburg, were given desk sets for being co-captains. Harrington received a large gold trophy for being an outstanding student, swimmer and military cadet.

The Stanley twins, Pat and Don from Buna, were awarded as co-captains of the basketball team.

Billy Martindale, senior from Jacksonville, received an award as captain of the Southwest Conference champion golf team.

Hickerson and Barber received a desk set for being co-captains of the 1961 baseball team.

Baseballers Boast Impressive Marks

Even though the Aggie baseballers failed to break even in the last half of the season, they managed to come up with an outstanding team batting average for the season with .294 and in conference play, a .319 average.

The Aggies held the opponents to a .245 batting average for the season and .267 in SWC competition.

Terry Cobb, the sophomore second baseman from Beaumont, was the leading batter for the season with .388 and was on top in the conference batting with a tremendous .414 average.

The big slugger from Dallas, Byron Barber, led the Cadets in three departments and tied for the lead in another. His 31 runs scored, nine home runs, and 70 total bases were tops, while he deadlocked Jack Singley for the most runs-batted-in with 27. Barber had a .364 batting average for the season and .365 for the conference.

Ray Hall, a sophomore from Fort Worth, led the club in times at bat with 112, number of hits with 40, and number of doubles with six. Hall had a .357 batting average for the season and .379 in the SWC.

The most valuable man on the team, Dick Hickerson, led the Cadets in walks with 17 and triples with four. He had a .330 batting average for the season and .311 for the conference.

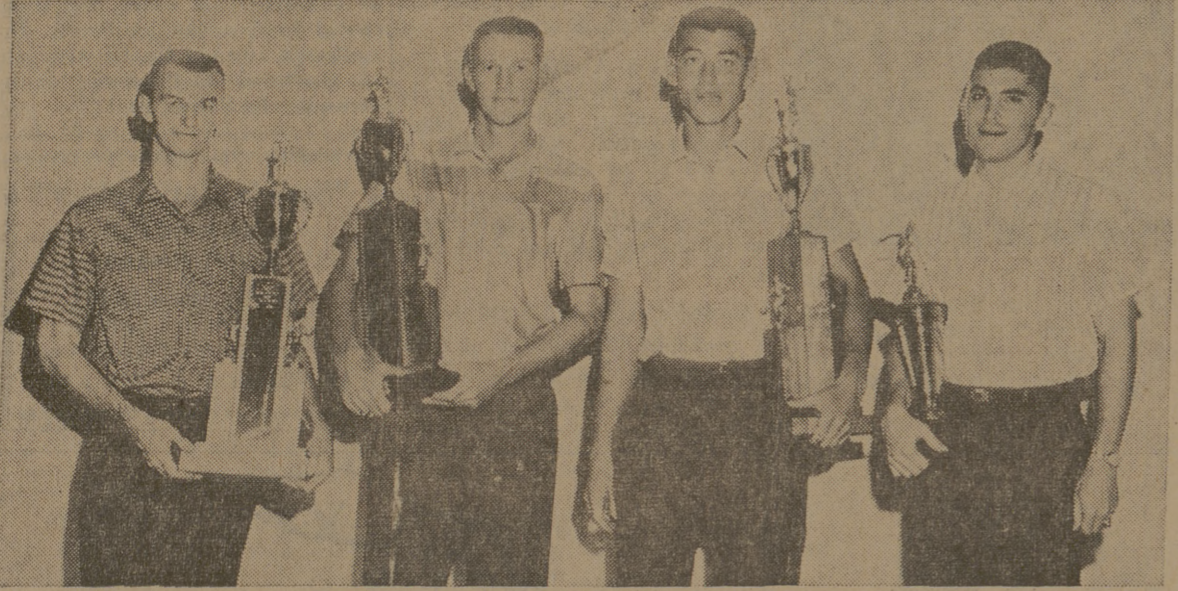
Bill Puckett, a sophomore catcher, managed to get himself in front of opposing pitches enough to lead in the number of times hit with three. Puckett had a .294 batting average for the season and a .365 mark in the SWC.

After missing four games due to an shoulder injury, Stuffy Davis still managed to lead the Aggies in stolen bases with 11. He

had a .370 average for the season and .339 in conference play.

In the pitching department, Bob Collins, the big right-hander from Dallas, led the team in wins as he compiled a 5-3 record for the season and a 2-3 mark in conference play. Collins also led in strikeouts with 61 and had the best earned run average with a 4.77 mark.

Jerry Warren and Collins were the only Ag pitchers to go the distance this season. Warren against St. Mary's and Collins against SMU.



Most Valuable Players
... Crooks, Hickerson, Broussard, Harrington

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H. L. Heaton
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