

Owls Offer Target For Cadets

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Another big test will face the Aggies as they try to hold on to their Southwest Conference baseball lead when they meet the Rice Owls in a two-game series at Bryan's Travis Park Friday and Saturday.

Due to the Bryan Broncos playing Killeen Friday at 6 p.m. on the same field, Friday's tilt will start at 8 p.m. The Saturday contest is slated for 2 p.m.

Another Cager Chooses A&M

The Aggies added a towering center to their list of basketball recruits this week.

Aggie Coach Shelby Metcalf signed Larry Ditto, 6-8 center, who was a standout for the Breckenridge Buckaroo club this past season.

"He'll be our freshman center next season and we're expecting great things of him when he joins the Aggie varsity," Metcalf declared.

Ditto scored 280 points in 19 games this past season for a 20.0-point average. His high was 32 against Abilene High and his low was 10 against Brownwood.

He was two-time all-district and was an all-tourney selection in the Brownwood meet.

Coached by Doyle Reynolds, Ditto was the top Buckaroo rebounder and was terrific on defense.

THE AGGIES NOW sit on top of the league with a 7-2 mark, just ahead of the Texas Longhorns and the Baylor Bears who each hold 6-2 records.

The Owls have latched on to the cellar bottom with a 1-7 record.

Coach Tom Chandler will post the lineup and batting order for the Friday game consisting of Jerry Ballard, shortstop; Bill Grochett, second base; Alan Koonce, leftfield; Bill Hancock, catcher; Lance Cobb, centerfield; Billy Crain, rightfield; Frank Stark, first base; George Hargett, third base.

CHANDLER SAID senior Chuel McGuire or sophomore Billy Crain will open on the mound for the Aggies in the first game of the series.

Steve Hillhouse, the winningest of Aggie hurlers, is scheduled to open in the Saturday match.

IF MCGUIRE GETS the starting nod Friday, he will be matching his 2-1 conference record against either Wayne McClelland or Tex Spear of the Owls. Hillhouse will

Tennis Team Tries Mustangs In Dallas

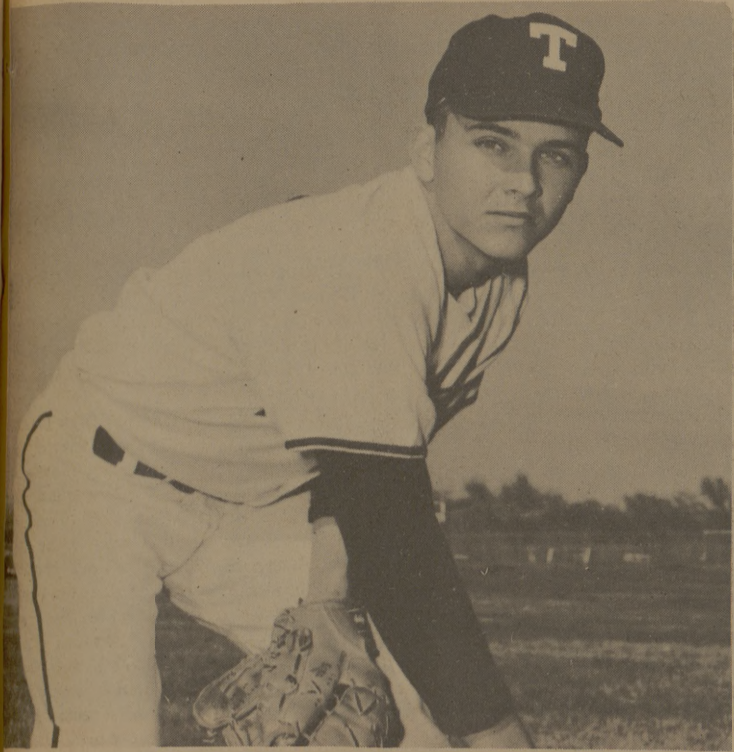
The Aggie tennis team will take its 11-7 record to Dallas Friday for a match with the Southern Methodist Mustangs in hopes of strengthening its third place standing in the Southwest Conference net race. SMU is in last place with a 1-17 mark.

toe the slab with a 4-2 mark to his credit.

In other conference play over the weekend Texas hosts Southern Methodist in Austin for two, and Baylor meets Texas Christian in Bear grounds.

Chandler was asked if the Aggies could expect some help from SMU and TCU with wins over the Longhorns and the Bears.

"We don't worry about anyone else in the Southwest Conference," the diamond mentor said. "We play 'em one at a time."



BULLPEN STANDBY

Johnny Crain is ready to work when Ags face trouble.

Aggie Bats Mean Mighty Numbers

Mighty bats have rung up big numbers for the Aggies in 19 seasons games and nine Southwest Conference tilts.

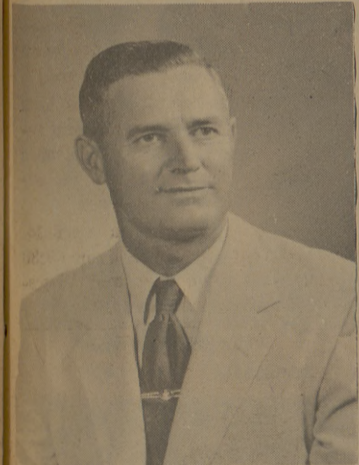
A&M tops all its opponents, league and non league, in every batting department except home runs, which they are tied in conference play. Aggie record is 14-5 and 7-2.

Eight players on the Aggie squad are hitting past the .300 mark in league competition with sophomore Lance Cobb in front of the pack with a .500 average. Another sophomore, Alan Koonce, follows Cobb at .400 while Fred Carlton is next posts a .375. Bill Hancock and George Hargett are close behind with .367 each.

Maroon Linksmen Defeated By Baylor

The Baylor Bears all but eliminated the A&M golf team from the Southwest Conference picture Tuesday with a rain-soaked 4-2 pasting of the Cadets at Waco's Ridgewood Country Club.

The only bright spot for the Aggies was a four under par 66 shot by Mike Higgins which enabled him to defeat Baylor's Joe Pat Rickett 5-4. For A&M's only other point, the Higgins-Jeff Andrick team defeated the Bears' Rickett-Jim Grant team 4-3.



Raymond A. Nolan, seeking reelection as County Commissioner of Precinct One, made a formal statement today in his campaign.

I am a land owner and a taxpayer in the Wellborn Community, having lived in Precinct One of Brazos County 46 years. If re-elected, I will continue to give my undivided attention to the affairs of the County and conduct it in an honest, efficient, economical, and courteous manner as I have tried to do in the past as your Commissioner. Should the people see fit to honor me in returning me to the Commissioner's Office, it will be greatly appreciated and I shall endeavor to perform faithfully the duties of a County Commissioner.

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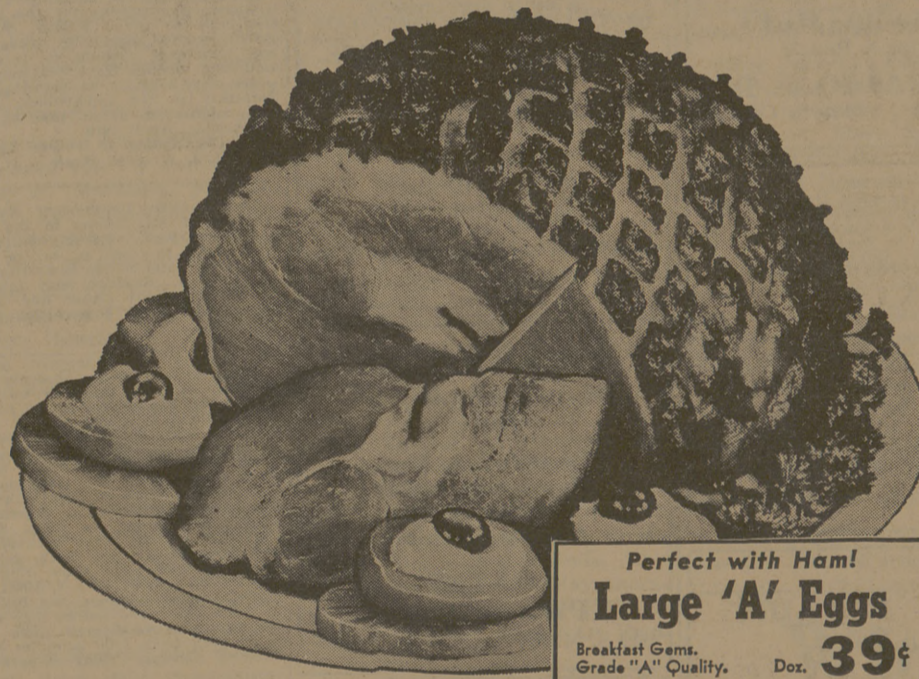
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