

Recreation, Military Skills Practiced By Judo Group

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The stated purpose of the A&M Judo Club, according to faculty sponsor Maj. F. F. Drake, is to encourage the development of the sport, the physical fitness of the members, and to prepare for tournaments.

Maj. Drake described judo as "clean, recreational sport, conducive to physical well-being, with a direct application to military skills." He said he felt it was a way in which a student at A&M could add to his military training, as it is usable in combat. The sport is required knowledge for SAC combat crews.

While judo is both a sport and a weapon, the club stresses the gentlemanly aspects, making it a serious offense for a member to brag of his prowess, or to use his skill outside of the gym. To an untrained observer, the sport seems to be a dangerous one, but Maj. Drake said there had been no injuries in the history of the club. Club membership is limited to

40 members, and membership is closed for this semester. When admission is open, the club is open to any student of A&M. At the present time there are six "brown belts" among the members. There are four grades of belt colors: white, green, brown and black, in ascending order of skill.

Upgrading above the brown belt is limited to the approval of another black belt, so at the present the club is limited to promotions during tournaments. Promotions are tightly regulated by the Judo Black Belt Federation.

The club is divided into two teams, the "maroon" and "white" squads. The two teams compete against each other in intracub competition to determine who will represent the school in tournaments. When the club competes, it does so as the Texas A&M Judo Team.

The Maroon team is captained by Troy Myer and the White squad by Bill Picavance. Both are brown belts.

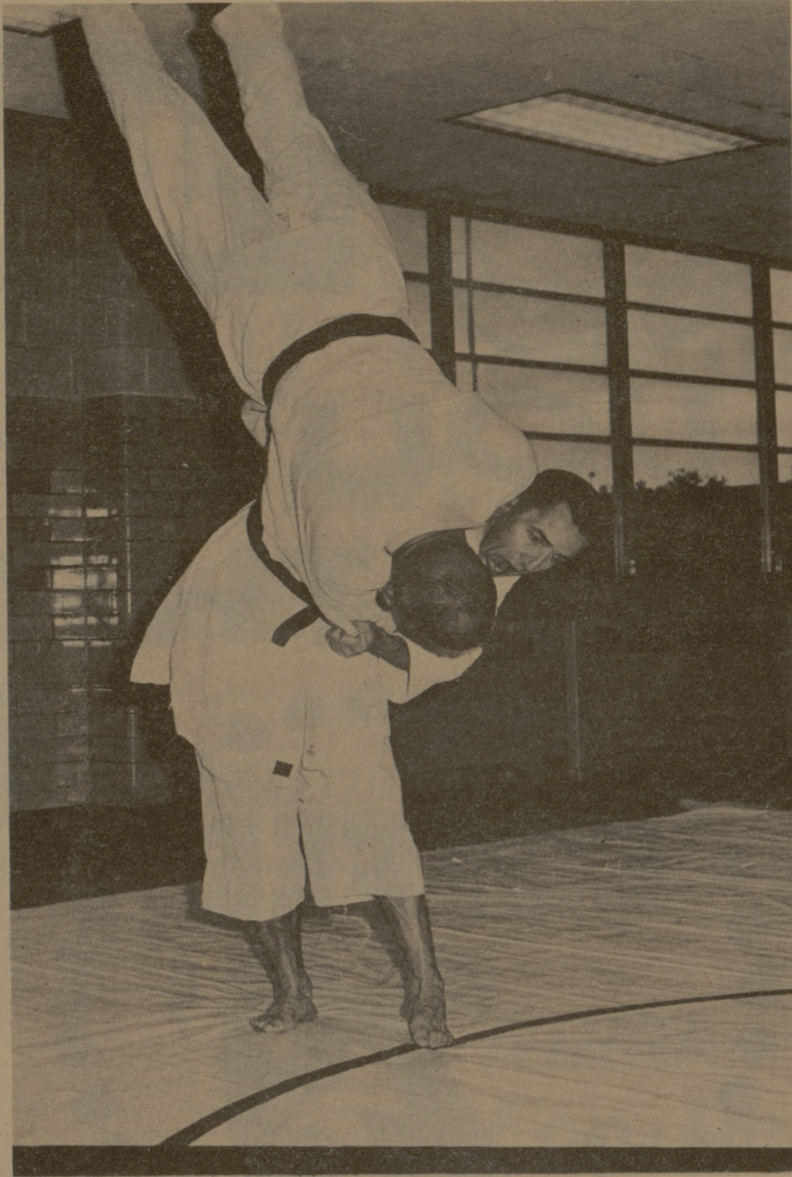
This weekend the team will travel to Denton to compete in the JBBF State Championship Tournament. Also scheduled this semester is a tournament in San Antonio, one with the Tamuri Judo Institute in Dallas, and a third with the James Connally AFB team.

Last semester the team competed in two tournaments with excellent results. One was in San Antonio and the other was with James Connally.

In the San Antonio match, the A&M Club brought home the team championship. Larry Stephens took first place in the unlimited division, and Greg Mann defeated the instructor of the San Antonio team, a black belt, to take the 180-pound class. Tom Post placed third in the 135-pound category while Troy Myers claimed second spot in the 165-pound class.

At the James Connally tournament, Maj. Drake earned a third place prize in the 180-pound division. Steve Chupik gained second spot in the 135-pound class and Richard Crosby came in third in the 165-pound division.

Budget limitations restrict the team now to in-state tournaments, and even so the team members pay part of their own way. The club is planning to award letters to qualifying members, and this step is now awaiting approval of Hank Foldberg, A&M Athletic Director.



JUDO CLUB WORKOUT
... Maj. Drake flips club member during demonstration.

Houston To NCAA, Villanova To NIT

NEW YORK (AP) — The spirited bidding between major post-season college basketball tournaments for leading independent teams resulted Wednesday in the awarding of the coveted Villanova bid by the National Invitation tournament.

The announcement of Villanova's willingness to play in the 14-team New York tournament, plus acceptance from Boston College and DePaul, came shortly after the Wildcats had rejected a bid extended by the National Collegiate Athletic association tournament officials.

The NCAA, however, received acceptance from six teams. They were Providence, 19-1; Dayton, 16-6; DePaul, 16-6; Penn State, 17-6; Houston, 18-7; and Colorado State, 13-6. Detroit also was invited as a replacement for Villanova, but the Titans already had accepted the NIT offer.

The NCAA, with two at-large members to fill in the East and West, had more in other sections, had a one-hour head start on the NIT under an agreement effective this year.

Villanova, which ended Providence's unbeaten streak at 19 games Tuesday night, declined the NCAA invitation because it was asked to play in the Mid-East regionals at Western Kentucky starting March 9.

Art Mahan, Villanova's athletic director, pointed out that six school bids for the tournament would be much for the players to lose.

In the NIT, the players will be able to commute between classes and competition.

"We would have taken the NCAA bid if we had been assigned to the regionals in Philadelphia," said Jack Kraft, the Wildcat's coach. "We're very pleased with the NIT invitation and I feel this is a reward for our record."

The Wildcat's victory over Providence, ranked fourth in the latest Associated Press poll, was their 18th in 22 games. They are led by Bill Melchioni, a 6-foot junior who is averaging 19 points a game.

Clay To Put On Demonstration Before Black Muslims

CHICAGO (AP) — A boxing exhibition by heavyweight champion Cassius Clay during a Black Muslim convention Saturday was approved by the Illinois State Athletic Commission in an hour's closed session Wednesday.

The action came as Ernie Terrell and Eddie Machen waited outside for a commission briefing on their bout for the World Boxing Association's version of the heavyweight title March 5.

With two staff members of the Illinois attorney general's office and Clay's lawyer present, the commission gave final sanction to Clay's afternoon — evening sparring bouts at the police-guarded Coliseum.

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Because of the number of new students who wish to have their portraits made for the "Aggieland '65", and because of the demand by some other students there will be a FINAL MAKE-UP TIME from February 15 to February 26. This schedule is for All Students except Corps Juniors and Sophomores since their schedule by outfits is currently running.

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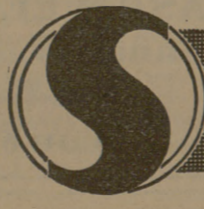
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FROM THE Sidelines By LANI PRESSWOOD

Two weekend sports attractions have become victims of circumstance.

The A&M-Baylor dual track meet slated here Saturday afternoon has been called off because of the icy weather conditions. Unless the meet is re-scheduled, the Aggie cindermen won't make another home appearance until April 10, when a quadrangular with Texas, SMU, and Baylor will be run.

The other sporting event affected is the classic A&M-TU basketball duel in Austin. The clash has been moved to an 8 p.m. tipoff time in place of the original 2 p.m. starting hour. A television contract that fell through for lack of sponsorship was the cause of the earlier afternoon scheduling.

Last season's Austin engagement ended in a 65-60 Aggie victory which started people thinking of a possible A&M championship. Their intuition was borne out a few weeks later.

On the final night of conference play last season the Cadets pulled out a 65-63 triumph which no one hereabouts will soon forget. And again this season it took the full forty minutes for these two quintets to reach a final decision. This time the scoreboard favored Texas, by that same 65-63 score.

Unfortunately, this contest has been more famous in recent seasons for the post-game show than for the actual ball game. The event was beamed via the airways last year, when it was held in the daytime. For this and other reasons the action was restricted to the playing court.

Without a doubt this was the best thing for all parties concerned.

The unofficial melee two years ago produced sports page headlines and action pictures all across the nation. It cast an adverse light on the two schools and created several injuries on both sides.

What was an injury yesterday could become a fatality today. Anything can happen when a brawl breaks out in a packed gym. And you can bet on Gregory Gym being packed.

This event is one of the genuine highlights of the A&M year and every Aggie that can possibly make it should be there. It is virtually the only basketball game of the Southwest Conference season which has sizeable representation from both schools.

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