

# Baseballers Lose, But Netters Win

It was a rainy weekend. One which looked like only indoor sports could be played. But the Texas Aggie netters, baseballers

and footballers did manage to squeeze in their contests and when the final count was taken it should have rained more at

the Kyle Field diamond. The Aggie baseballers were drenched twice by the Texas Christian Horned Frogs and lost

their top spot in the Southwest Conference race and possibly a spot in the nation's top ten. The Aggies are currently ranked as the No. 2 team in the nation.

TCU's weekend series proved one thing. You cannot win a ball game with press clippings. The Aggies lacked everything good they have showed all season long. They did not get the clutch hitting. The pitching was erratic. The fielding was worse.

As it turned out, TCU won the first game, 10-6, and the second, 5-3. A&M is now in third place in the conference with a 6-4-1 record compared to Texas' 7-4 and TCU's 7-3-1. A&M has four games remaining — two with Baylor and two with Texas. They must win all of them to remain in contention for the title.

But it wasn't a bad weekend for all. The Aggie netters can vouch for that.

Coach Omar Smith's netters brushed a good Baylor team, 6-0, to take a giant step toward the first SWC net title in the school's history.

A&M will go to Rice Tuesday and will need only a 3-3 split with the Owls to take the title. The Aggies are now 29-1 for the season.

The victory was the 11th in a row for the Aggies and their fifth consecutive shutout. Their overall record now stands at

16-5. With the exception of the No. 3 singles, the Aggies won every match in straight sets and only one set went overtime.

In the football scrimmage held Saturday, coach Gen Stallings said there was a big improvement in the defensive play over Wednesday's scrimmage and added that the offense improved some.

The Maroons beat the White, 24-0, as Lloyd Curington scored two touchdowns and Ken Caffey and Ronnie Lindsey added another apiece. The scrimmage was the second of the spring drills and seventh workout for the Aggies.

Harry Ledbetter directed the first touchdown drive while sophomores Ed Hargett and Charlie Riggs guided the others. Hargett quarterbacked the middle two.

"We're a long way from being a good football team because we don't have enough players who know what it takes to be good players. We're working toward that, though," Stallings said.

The Aggies will hold their eighth workout of the spring at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the practice field behind Kyle Field.

The track meet which A&M entered at Lubbock was rained out.

# Huffstetler Signs With Cagers

Waxahachie's Harvey Huffstetler, 6-7 all-state center, was signed Saturday by Texas Aggie coach Shelby Metcalf to a pre-enrollment application to attend A&M on a basketball scholarship.

Huffstetler hit on 81 per cent of his free throws and 68 per cent of his field goals attempts last year when he led his team to a 26-5 record. As a junior Huffstetler led the team to the finals of the state tournament.

"We are thrilled to get Harvey," Metcalf said. "He was our number one choice in the state. He's a big boy who can jump and shoot and who can play either inside or out."

The three-time all-district performer, twice unanimous choice, averaged 29 points per game last season. Because of his outstanding play, he has been picked to play in the all-star basketball game this summer at the state coaching school.

Huffstetler is slender at 180 pounds for his 6-7 frame, but Metcalf believes "he will put on

some weight, and he's through growing yet. He may add another couple of inches

Huffstetler is currently sitting .447 as a shortstop on Waxahachie baseball team which is leading the district. He plans to play both sports at A&M. Aggie baseball coach Tom Chaler indicated that Huffstetler should be tried out at first base. Huffstetler is also an all-star in baseball.

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## Aggie Jumpers Place 3rd In Parachute Competition

The Texas A&M Parachute team placed third behind Southern Illinois and Alabama this weekend at Hearne as the 1966 National Collegiate Parachute Meet held competition despite the foul weather conditions.

Although the Aggies placed only third overall, they captured six of 10 top places in the individual events.

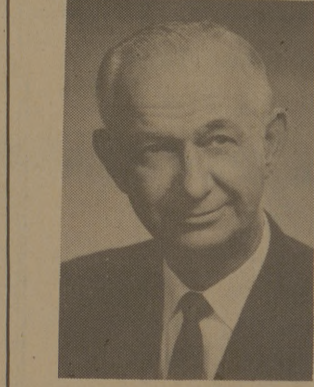
In the advanced class accuracy event Skip Heard of A&M placed first followed by Aggie David Decker, second, and Mike Linz, fifth.

Three of the first five places

in novice accuracy were also Aggies. Joe Evridge placed second, Mike Haynes, third, and Mac Kendrick, fifth.

Four teams cancelled before the meet began including West Point, The Citadel, East Texas State and the University of Montana. Even so, 64 sport parachutists stuck out the bad weather.

Friday the meet was cancelled and reset many times and competition finally began about 2 p.m. Saturday. The Sunday competition was also delayed until afternoon when the weather cleared.



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