NOW 0-2 IN conference play, oach Tom Chandler's charges ill be hoping to break the 20ning scoreless draught that overs their last three games. In he last 27 innings the Aggies ave just managed one run. Peraps an old baseball superstition an be applied to the Aggie run

Some old baseball fans will tell eir first Southwest Conference you that if you score too many runs in one game you will take hey host the Rice Owls at Travis away some of the runs in future games. The Maroon and White scored 18 in its first game.

Regardless of fate or lack of it, the Aggies have to get back on the winning trail if they are to have a chance in this year's conference race.

AS THE SWC shapes up now, Texas Christian is 2-0 and Rice, along with Southern Methodist.



Sports Aplenty

### **Matson Drafted** By NFL Falcons

By GARY SHERER

The college football player draft by the National and merican Football Leagues started Tuesday and there e some interesting developments.

An interesting draft pick as far as Texas A&M is concerned was the selection of Randy Matson by the Atlanta Falcons. Matson revealed that he had talked to the Atlanta people before the draft was conducted, but the Falcons drafted the 6-6 shotputter.

Matson told them he wanted a gold medal in the Dlympics before he would consider anything else. Atlanta owners understood the situation, but they drafted the Pampa strongman because he has expressed an interest

impa strongman because he has expressed an interest playing pro football.

He last played football in high school. Even though of playing while at A&M, it probably would not be too ard for the 260-pound athlete to learn the pro game. certainly is big enough.

In the draft, Arkansas' Loyd Phillips was the only outhwest Conference player picked in the first round. he All-America tackle from Longview was drafted by

Aggie tackle Jack Pyburn was selected by the Miami phins. He was one of 23 Texas football players to be rafted in Wednesday's proceedings.

Other SWC players picked were: Frank Horak-Texas Christian (Los Angeles); Ronnie Pack-Texas Tech (New Orleans); Ron Medlen-Southern Methodist (Boston); George Gaiser-SMU (Buffalo); David Conway-Texas (San Diego); Jerry Griffin-SMU (Chicago); Gene Bledsoe and John Elliott-Texas (New York Jets).

Probably the most frustrated team representatives were the group from the New York Giants. They were forced to wait until the fourth round before they could make a selection. This meant that 81 players were selected before the Giants got a choice.

This situation was brought about by the Giants trading their first three draft choice to the Minnesota Vikings for quarterback Fran Tarkenton.

ATTENTION ATHLETES: Randy Matson was by the Batt office today and asked the paper to run an an-nouncement concerning his weight belt. Someone appar-ently has it and Randy would like it back right away.

Baylor and Texas, are tied at 1-1 and the Aggies are 0-2. Texas Tech and Arkansas don't compete in the SWC baseball race.

Rice is now 9-1 on the season. They suffered their first loss of the year Tuesday afternoon at Waco as Baylor's George Bevil shutout the Owls, 1-0.

The Owls, like the Aggies don't have an exceptionally hard-hitting attack, but Rice probably has the best pitching staff in the SWC. The ace of the staff is lefthander Ray Hooten and he will probably get the starting call from Rice Coach Doug Osburn for Friday's game.

SHORTSTOP Billy Costa is the Owl's leading hitter, along with first baseman Frank Mandola and second baseman Lynn Berry. One pro scout says of Costa, "He will beat you to death with his hustle." This is a fine compliment, as the Houston product is just a sophomore.

Chandler is undecided about his starting pitcher for the 3 p.m. game. It just may be workhorse Rocky Thompson.

Now 4-3 after Tuesday's loss to Texas, the Aggies have a .267 batting average, which isn't too bad, but the statistic that hurts is 69 left on base. This is an average of nine per game and you can't leave nine men on base every game and still win.

CATCHER JOE Staples leads the team in hitting with a .455 mark. Shortstop Mike Arrington, at .333 is the only other starter over the .300 mark. Pete Maida and Ricky Schwartz are close with .296 and .294 averages.

Maida is the biggest run producer, with eight runs-batted-in and also leads in home runs, with

The Aggies will take the weekend off following the Rice game.

### **Baylor Defeats** Texas Lutheran

WACO, Tex. (AP) - Tommy Lloyd pitched a three-hitter as Baylor beat Texas Lutheran 8-1 in baseball Wednesday.

Baylor used five hits, including doubles by David Boone and Jack Compton, a triple by Robert Black and a home run by Rusty

Lloyd struck out six and allowed only three balls to be hit out of the infield.



Steve Vandenberg of Duke University appears determined to see this thing through—either get the ball from Clarence Smith of Southern Illinois, or get a ride. He wound up with a foul called against him, however, in National Invitation Tournament basketball action in New York City. In background, right, is Creston Whitaker of Southern Illinois. Southern Illinois won, 72 to 63 to advance to semi-finals.

# Fish Baseballers Visit Rice Friday

Still seeking their first win of the baseball season, the A&M Fish go to Houston Friday afternoon to try and erase, at the expense of the Rice Owlets, the goose egg which has been in their victory column for the first three

Dave Benesh will be the starting pitcher for the Aggies in the 2:30 p.m. game. Benesh's record so far is 0-2, although he has given up only two runs.

Benesh, a graduate of St. Thomas High School in Houston, will be pitching before a home town crowd.

Top hitter for the Fish is Larry Stelley who has seven hits out of 11 trips to the plate. Two of his hits were home runs.

Saturday the Fish return to Travis Park in Bryan to play the Tyler Junior College Apaches in a 2 p.m. game.

The Fish complete the first half of their season Monday as they host the Wharton Junior College squad in a 3 p.m. contest at Trav-

After the game with Wharton, the Fish will be out of action until April 8. The Rice Owlets will again be the opposition in a game played at Travis Park.





### Karate Team In Competition

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The Texas A&M Karate Comtion Team will compete in the 967 Texas University Invitational Carate Championships on the Texas campus Saturday.

Twenty schools will be re ted, including all the schools n the Southwest Conference, and rom as far away as Maryland. noon Rhee, a 6th Degree Black elt will be the chief official.

A&M's team will consist of Jeff Vieland in the Brown Belt diviion, Harry Polly, Walter Cloyd, on Earnst, Fred Guffin, David Ward and Joe Greenslade in the reen Belt division and Harriet Gell and Betty Melcher in the Jomen's division.

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