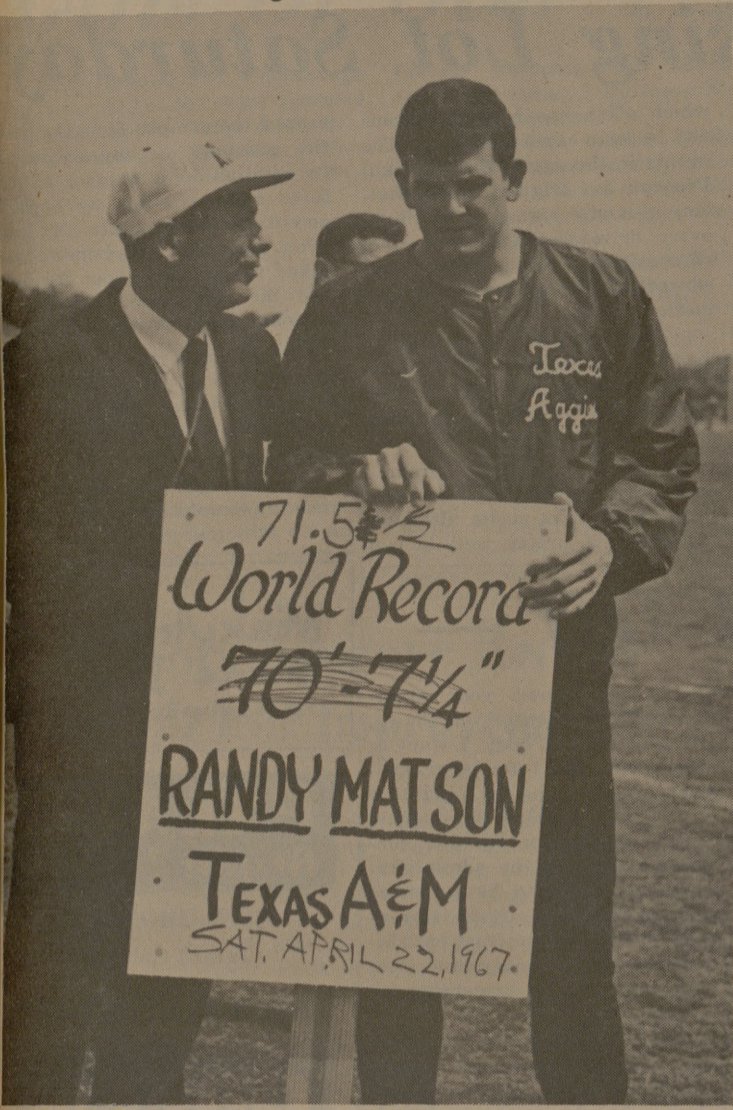


Randy Is Grateful For 'Matson Day' Reception Here



OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW
Track Coach Charlie Thomas and Randy Matson look over the "corrected" sign proclaiming Randy's new record.

By JERRY GRISHAM
Randy Matson, the Texas Aggie shot put king, thanked the 3,000 fans who gathered to honor him on "Randy Matson Day" in Kyle Field Saturday the best way possible by lofting the 16-pound ball to a new world record of 71 feet 5 1/2 inches.

In the triangular meet with Baylor and Texas Tech the master of the iron sphere topped his previous record of 70-7 1/4, which he set here in 1965 during the Southwest Conference meet by 10 1/4 inches.

Each of the spectators who filled the north horseshoe of the Aggie stadium came to see Mat-

son in his final performance in Kyle Field and each hoped that today just might be the day he would surpass the world mark he has been coming so close to in the last few weeks.

When Matson's practice throws thumped down 68 and 69 feet from the shot put ring the crowd grew tense with expectation. The Aggie giant was the first contestant in the event and when he entered the ring all eyes first traveled to the yellow line across the field which marked the world record and then back to the Maroon-clad figure who was already poised for the throw.

Matson then uncoiled and sent

the shot flying with his customary grunt which always causes bystanders to gasp in sympathy with his effort.

The first throw arched up and came down with a thud well beyond the yellow barrier. It had to be measured to be official but to the Aggies in the stands there was no doubt at all as they screamed and shouted their approval.

The next five throws were 68-11 3/4, 69-7 1/2, 68-1 3/4, 68-7 1/2 and 67-5, far short of any new record but no one cared. Randy Matson Day was already a stunning success.

"I really didn't feel that good

or that strong," Matson said afterwards. "In practice this week I didn't do too well. The best I did one day was 64 feet and 67 on another."

"I experienced more pressure going into this meet than at any time since the Olympics," Matson said.

After the shot put event Bryan, College Station and A&M dignitaries lauded Matson for his representation of A&M throughout the world the last four years.

County Judge Bill Davis read a proclamation calling Matson the greatest athlete in his field and one of the greatest trackmen in the world.

A&M President Earl Rudder, College Station Mayor D. A. Anderson and B-CS Chamber of Commerce President Dick Harvey all joined in praising Matson.

Rudder presented Matson a plaque praising his "superior athletic achievement and distinguished academic performance."

A&M student body president Barney Fudge also presented Matson a plaque on behalf of the students.

Aggie track coach Charlie Thomas and A&M Athletic Director Bones Irwin also praised their famous student.

After being presented a por-

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Administration Calls For Increase In Room, Board

Two Major Departments Divided In Other Action

A \$20 increase per semester in combined room, board and laundry fees for Texas A&M students has been approved by the university's board of directors, effective this fall.

The directors also adopted a policy requiring all dormitory students to pay board. Board fees are currently required for cadets residing in dormitories but are optional for on-campus civilian students.

EFFECTIVE SEPT. 1, the combined room, board and laundry fee will be \$286 per regular semester, with an additional \$45 charge for an air-conditioned room. Rates for veterinary medicine students will be \$286 per trimester, plus an optional \$40 for air-conditioning.

University officials explained the \$20 hike is a direct result of increased food service and laundry expenses stemming from the new minimum wage requirements. They pointed out that higher labor costs in these two areas are adding approximately \$75,000 to the budget for the current fiscal year ending Aug. 31.

These additional expenses, note

the officials, are now being absorbed by the university but must be reflected in fees for the next school year.

SPECIFICALLY, the rates for boarding are being raised \$18 and laundry \$2.

Even with the increase, the new Texas A&M rates are still well below those of most other leading institutions, according to a university survey.

The officials said the policy requiring all dormitory students to pay board is being taken as a matter of equity and to provide a basis for better food service planning.

More than 1,000 civilian students residing in dormitories last fall did not pay board, the officials point out, and several hundred who paid the first installment failed to make the second and third payments.

THE NEW POLICY includes provisions for refunds to students who have off-campus jobs and are unable to attend certain meals.

New room and board rates also were adopted for Prairie View A&M, effective Sept. 1.

Room rent is being increased \$10 per semester, to \$100 for standard dormitories and \$145 and air-conditioned facilities. The new boarding rates will be \$45 per month, an increase of \$9.

In other business the board authorized the division of two

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Marine General Addresses Muster

Dedicated leadership is needed to face the greatest problems in world history, a Marine general told thousands of Aggie comrades at the University's memorial muster Friday.

"We must develop leaders who have their feet on the ground and who can by words and actions inspire others to return to the virtues which have made our nation great," declared Maj. Gen. Raymond L. Murray, inspector general of the Marine Corps. "Leaders must explain and make sense out of the complexities that face us."

The 1935 graduate of Texas A&M whose military career includes heroic action in the Pacific during World War II spoke to an estimated 5,000 persons on the University campus.

"The requirement for civilian leadership is no less compelling," Murray continued after citing the military leadership gap. "I am seriously disturbed about certain manifestations that I see in our country. The apparent growing disregard of respect for the law, the apparent growing dependence of people in all walks of life on government and its agencies to

take care of them . . . and the apparent diminution of desire on the part of individuals to make their own mark in the world."

General Murray was introduced by A&M President Earl Rudder who recalled the speaker won both military and distinguished academic honors at Aggie land.

Tessie Garners Sweetheart Title At Civilian Ball

Toney Medley, a junior at Texas Woman's University, is Texas A&M's 1967 Civilian Sweetheart.

The 21-year-old brunette was crowned Saturday night at a Memorial Student Center ball climaxing the university's Civilian Weekend activities.

Miss Medley was escorted by A. T. DeWitt, a senior from Raymondville.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Medley of Raymondville.

Miss Medley was one of 12 finalists in Civilian Sweetheart competition.

Runners-up were Eleanor Zabick, a sophomore at East Texas State; Sarah Montgomery of San Angelo; Regina Brink of Waco; Sandra Summers, a freshman at Stephen F. Austin; Judy Pope, a North Texas State sophomore, and Glynda Cheverere, a LaMarque High School senior.

Also Bethany Donnell, a freshman at the University of Texas; Lee Curtis, a Baylor freshman; Linda Sue Day, a North Texas State freshman; Shirley Gabler, a senior at Schulenberg High School; and Vicki Hamlett of Fort Worth; were entered in the contest.



TONEY MEDLEY, NEW CIVILIAN SWEETHEART
Toney, a 21-year-old junior at Texas Women's University, was crowned Civilian Sweetheart at the Civilian Ball here Saturday night.

Drill Team Shows Form At LSU

By LEE MORENO
Battalion Managing Editor

"It was a spring game like all spring games, the band was off key, fans blase, the weather hot and humid and the football good, bad and indifferent.

"The sharpest thing on the field was the Texas Aggie Freshman Drill Team that performed at half-time," wrote a reporter for one of Baton Rouge's Sunday newspapers last weekend.

THE COMMENT was prompted by the team's near flawless exhibition at Louisiana State University's Gold - Purple intrasquad benefit game Saturday night.

LSU's athletic department extended the half-time entertainment invitation to the top teams in Saturday's 9th Annual Southern Invitational Drill Meet sponsored by LSU's ROTC detachments.

As the competition progressed Saturday afternoon, the Aggies continued to hold the lead. After the freshmen's last performance in company fancy drill, the other team sponsors conceded that the "fish" should be the ones to accept the halftime bill.

THE "FISH" swept over a field of 11 other teams to walk off with four first place trophies. The team took first place overall, first place platoon basic drill, first place squad basic drill and first place company fancy drill.

Drawing cheers of "Gig 'em Aggies," and Give 'em hell from the crowd at the meet, the drill team tallied 1,535 points to Texas

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A&I's 1,470. A&I took second place overall.

DURING SATURDAY night's show before 20,000 LSU football fans, the applause was so loud and genuinely spontaneous that some of the team members had to relay Justo "Gus" Gonzalez's commands. Gonzalez is the team commander and at several points he even delayed his commands in order to be heard.

The freshman rifle unit was accompanied to Baton Rouge by Majors Calvin Reese, AF Fes., and Gerald J. Harber, USA, two of the team's military advisors. Maj. L. J. Magers, USAF, is the third military advisor.

ALSO ON THE trip were the team's seven upperclassmen advisors as well as Richard Rowe, the president of the Association of Former Fish Drill Team Members. The upperclassmen sponsors are Dick Grossenbacher, senior; juniors Mitch Woodard and Jim Vogas; sophomores Richard Calvert, Roy Lewis, Mike Casey and Don Kilfoyle.

While in Baton Rouge, the team attended Muster with the Baton Rouge A&M Club. Mrs. LeRoy W. Edwards and her son Billy hosted the team with a dinner Friday night.

MRS. EDWARDS' husband was a member of the class of '39 and even though faced with the death of her husband and the burning of her place of business, she has not given up—any more than a good Aggie never quits. She now has her catering service housed in the converted garage of her home.

Billy was a member of the team last year, but is not attending A&M this semester. His being married could have something to do with this.

SATURDAY'S lunch was prepared by Mrs. Edwards and paid for by the local A&M club.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce W. Lane and the Baton Rouge Aggies hosted the team and sponsors to a hamburger supper after the half-time performance.

Upon returning to the cam-

pus, the team was greeted by Col. D. L. Baker.

"YOU GENTLEMAN never cease to surprise me," Col. Baker said. "You surprised me in Washington and once again this weekend," the commandant continued. He congratulated the team on its excellent showing and wished them continued success.

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Corpus Christi Graphic Students Dominate Meet

Seven of 12 1967 All-State engineering graphics winners are from Corpus Christi.

Results of the annual drawing competition sponsored by the Texas A&M Engineering Graphics Department were announced by Dr. James H. Earle, department head.

The four-division contest awards plaques to the top three winners in each category, designed to accommodate the high school student by number of years drawing experience.

Alfredo Garcia and Roy Garcia of Corpus' Roy Miller High were double winners in the 25th competition involving 10,102 students from 153 state high schools. Billy Fricks, Miller engineering drawing teacher, had four other student winners in the top 12.

Weather

WEDNESDAY—Cloudy, heavy rain showers early morning, light rain showers in afternoon. Winds southerly 15 to 30 m.p.h. High 86. Low 71.

THURSDAY — Partly cloudy, few light rain showers late afternoon, winds southwesterly 15 to 25 m.p.h. High 91. Low 64.

the outside world

VIETNAM

Carrier-based U. S. Navy fliers reported today that they shot down two Communist MIGs during the first raids on MIG airfields near Hanoi yesterday.

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court will hear arguments on where Texas' coastline should be measured, it said Monday, in an effort to settle the state's fight with the federal government over rich oil land under the Gulf of Mexico.

Officials of the Catholic University in Washington reversed themselves and reinstated a popular theology instructor whose dismissal last week brought on a faculty-student boycott that closed the school.

The Defense Department conceded that it may have underestimated Vietnam fighting costs this year, but far from the amount last year which brought congressional criticism.

The U. S. strikes against North Vietnamese MIG airfields represent perhaps the most significant and potentially the most sensitive military move against Hanoi this year, Pentagon sources said.

NATIONAL

Mary Gibson, the wealthy divorcee for whom the state claims Dr. Carl Coppelino killed his first wife, was called by the state as a "hostile witness" Monday.

TEXAS

Senators finally passed an election code bill Monday after removing, on a 14-13 vote, a provision permitting county commissioners to install electronic voting machines.



IN LSU'S TIGER STADIUM
The Fish Drill Team goes through its routine at an intrasquad game at the invitation of the LSU athletic department last weekend.