

Aggie Baseballers Face Crucial Test

By JOHN PLATZER
 Coach Tom Chandler is hoping his Aggie baseballers can regain their early season form this weekend as they host Texas Tech in a crucial Southwest Conference series on Kyle Field.
 The Aggies and Tech, who will collide in a 1:30 doubleheader Friday and come back with a single game Saturday, are currently tied for second in the conference with 4-2 marks. Texas is out front in the race with a 9-0 record.
 "The break at the semester hurt us," Coach Chandler said yesterday. "Our performances in

San Antonio were disappointing but we worked hard in practice today and I think we'll come back."
 A&M split Monday and Tuesday games in San Antonio beating St. Mary's 3-1 and losing to Notre Dame 5-2.
 In assessing the SWC race, Coach Chandler said that "somebody has got to head off Texas University."

The Aggie head coach said that in order for the Aggies to do it they will have to improve their defensive play.
 "Our pitching has to improve along with our defense," Chandler said. "We are giving away too many runs and you can't get away with that."
 Tech, which finished with a 2-15 record last season, is paced by second baseman Jerry Hag-

gard and shortstop Jim Montgomery. Haggard hit .333 last year to earn a first team all-SWC spot while Montgomery was a second team selection with a .328 average.
 Doug Rau and Dave Benesh are expected to start on the mound for the Aggies Friday while Coach Chandler is still undecided on his Saturday starter. Rau and Benesh have posted a combined 7-0 mark thus far this season.

Tech is expected to counter with the pitching duo of Gary Washington and Jack Pierce. Washington, a junior, has defeat-

ed Baylor and SMU this year while Pierce, a freshman, has a win over SMU.

Coach Chandler is expected to go with basically his regular lineup of Billy Hodge catching, Boyd Hadaway on first, Pete Maida at second, Eddie Vaughn or Mike DeNiro at third and Jim Raley on short. Hodge, a Bryan product, is substituting for the injured Larry Stelley.

The outfield will consist of Dave Elmendorf, Bob Long and Bob Arnold.

A&M's next action will be Tuesday against the University of Houston at Kyle Field.



MOVING UP

Chris Sans, Aggie first baseman, moves in for a bunt in a game against TCU last weekend. The runner for the Horned Frogs is catcher Bill Ferguson. The Aggies host the Texas Tech Red Raiders in a battle for second place this weekend. The teams meet in a doubleheader Friday afternoon and come back for a single contest Saturday. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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ABA Officials Accuse NBA Of Foul Play

MIAMI (AP)—The National Basketball Association has been signing collegiate stars to lucrative contracts and filling in the name of the team later, the Miami News said Wednesday.
 The News attributed its report to Max Williams, general manager of the Dallas Chaparals, and Jim Pollard, coach of the Miami Floridians, both of the rival American Basketball Association. Carl Scheer, assistant to the NBA commissioner, has been signing top flight collegians such as Jo Jo White of Kansas for several months, Williams and Pollard said.
 Williams said when he talked contract in February with White, Dallas' choice in what was called the ABA "secret" draft, the Kansas star was driving a new car paid for with a fat NBA bonus check.
 Monday White was tapped by the Boston Celtics in the official NBA draft.

Consol Sweeps District Golf

A&M Consolidated took the District 10-AAA golf championship with a 36-hole score of 624 on the A&M University Course.
 Humble was second in the tournament with a 662 followed by Brenham with a 672 and La Grange with a 674. Other schools in the district are Huntsville, Cypress-Fairbanks, Navasota and Houston Furr. A&M Consolidated and Humble will be certified to go on to regional play at a later date.
 A trio of Consolidated players placed one, two, three in medalist play.
 Clay Dozier (76-73-149) was first, Doyle Sebesta (80-72-152) was second and Paul Dieckert (80-77-152) was third.

CAN-AM SERIES SET
 RACINE, Wis. (AP)—The Sport Car Club of America has set the dates for its 10-race schedule for the 1969 Canadian-American Challenge Cup.

The first speed tests are scheduled for June 1 at Bowmanville, Ontario. The other races are set for June 29 at St. Jovite, Quebec; July 13 at Watkins Glen, N.Y.; July 27 at Edmonton, Alberta; Aug. 17 at Lexington, Ohio; Sept. 14 at Bridgehampton, N. Y.; Oct. 12 at Monterey, Calif.; Oct. 26 at Riverside, Calif.; and Nov. 9 at Las Vegas, Nev.

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