A five-run eighth-inning rally

by the University of Houston

wiped out a good hitting perform-

ance by the Aggies yesterday as

the Cougars recorded a 10-7 vic-

The Aggies, who have had

trouble scoring runs all season,

Jim Sparkman, who pitched the

last five innings in relief for

Houston, narrowed the margin to

5-3 with a three-run homer in

the mound by Charles Kelley in

the fifth, slammed his second

homerun of the game in the

fourth to give A&M a 6-3 lead.

Mural Track

**Finals Today** 

The field events for the Intra-

mural track meet were completed

Monday afternoon. The finals in

The record for Class B high

jump was broken by Marvin Tay-

lor of D-1. The previous record

was 6'1" set back in 1940 and Taylor cleared 6'2". Jeff Watkins

of Squadron 14 and John Kenagy

of Squadron 14 placed second and

Davis-Gary Hall dominated

Michael Hensley of G-2 beat

Richard Green of Squadron 9 with

fewer misses when they each

could not get over 5'6", in Class A

In the shot put Richard Greene

once again placed with a put of

48'2" to beat the nearest com-

petitor by 2 feet in Class A com-

In Class R, Robert Picard of

Frank Eckels of Keathley beat

Robert Oliphint of Moore by 2

inches with a put of 47'8" to win

In the broad jump James Perry

of Squadron 6 jumped 1/2 further

than Frank Farnsworth of Squad-

ron 14 to win in Class B, with a

championship by defeating Squad-

ron 4. Their three doubles teams

included Orpha Thomas and Carl

Hanson, Bruce Baxter and Rich-

ard Love, and Richard Oates and

title with a jump of 20'6".

A-2 won with a toss of 47'2".

ond with a 5'6" jump.

petition.

the Class C title.

jump of 20'11/2"

all the running events will begin

Benesh, who was relieved on

tory in Houston.

shot by Bob Long.

the third.

at 5:00 today.



## Atlanta Edges Astros, Again

ATLANTA (A) - Pitcher Milt Pappas drove in the deciding run with a fourth inning single and relief ace Cecil Upshaw pitched out of a bases-loaded jam in the eighth as the Atlanta Braves edged the luckless Houston Astros 2-1 Tuesday night.

Pappas' single off left-hander Denny Lemaster in the fourth scored Clete Boyer, who had walked and taken second on a ground out, giving the Braves a 2-0 lead.

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## The Baseball Interview Game

by John Platzer

In cities throughout the country, baseball managers are now being interviewed to let the "homefolk" know what kind of team they will be supporting this year.

Unfortunately, what a baseball manager says is usually as similar to what he means as Phyllis Diller is to Raquel Welch. The words or materials remain the same but the interpretation is strikingly different.

The following is an interview with Steady Loser, the manager of the Boosville Bombers. Included with the standard questions and answers is a translation of what Steady really means.

Q-Well, Steady, the season is only a week away. Do you have any final thoughts on last year before the new one begins?

A-It's true that we got off to a slow start last season but we were real encouraged over the way it ended.

T-Last year we lost 14 of our first 15 games and then we went into a slump. Of course, we were fortunate enough to have our last eight games rained out.

Q-We have noticed many new faces around the Bombers' camp this spring. Can we expect them to be in your starting lineup on A-Every position on this club is still wide open. No one will be

given anything. I will say, however, that we do have an unusually large number of "promising" rookies.

T-We really don't have anyone good enough to start and the raffle for opening day positions won't be held until Thursday. Our rookies have been going around promising to make bedcheck, promising to lay off the booze, promising to make the workouts but frankly we don't have much faith in them.

Q-What about the Bombers style of play? Any changes from last

A-We are going to put more "go" into our offense this year. We will run whenever the opportunity presents itself.

T-Listen, as lousy as this team is we will be running a lot. After every road trip we will have to run from the plane to the bus and from the bus to the hotel just to stay alive. We figure if we hit the ground, spread out and keep running the fans won't be able to get us all with

Q-What about Boosville's best hitter, 'ol Eza Sureoutman? A-Eza's timing has been off thus far but we expect him to come

T-Are you kidding? He keeps missing practice because he can't remember the time. Of course, he will come around at 3:03 Friday to

Q-I guess Hitter Delight is still the ace of your pitching staff? A-Hitter has had shoulder trouble this spring and we are still

T-Hitter caught a policeman's billie-club between the shoulderblades after tearing up a bar last night and now we have to wait on the trial to see if he can play.

Q-The owner of the Bombers, Muchos Dinero, has made all of your exhibition games and is awaiting the opener. He is some fan, isn't

A-I can't say enough about our whole front office. We couldn't be where we are without them.

T-I have enough against our front office to convict them of fraud but I can't say anything. If it weren't for them we would battle for the pennant each year instead of being down here in the stupid

With the above as a guide you are now ready to tackle the task of interpreting baseball managers. Just turn on the television, wait for an interview and go to work.

The Battalion's all-time award for the most unappreciated man of this year or any other year goes to the member of the Aggie Rodeo Association who ties that \$100 bill to the bull's horn. (See Story Page

Of course, in order to earn the award the tying must take place in the middle of the arena and not in some cow(ardly) stall.

## Merrell Richardson. Montreal Leads Stanley Cup Playoff, 2-0

power - laden Canadiens ripped through St. Louis 3-1 Tuesday night and raced into a 2-0 lead

Tonight

League Stanley Cup finals.

Goals by Ralph Backstrom, Dick Duff and Yvan Cournoyer keyed the machine - like Montreal attack as the Canadiens stretched their two-year unbeated streak against St. Louis to 16 games—six in the playoffs.

The Canadiens turned the pressure on the Blues and completely dominated play after a sluggish

Then, a record-breaking penalty barrage by Montreal's John Ferguson with 10 seconds left in the opening period seemed to ignite the Canadiens and they swarmed in on St. Louis goalie Glen Hall in the middle period.

Backstrom had put Montreal on top with less than three minutes left in the opening period when he lifted a rebound of J. C. Tremblay's slap shot past Hall.

Then Ferguson drew a double minor penalty and a misconduct. That meant the Canadiens had to play shorthanded for almost four minutes at the start of the second period.

A strike of wildness on the other pair and Rose scored on part of Aggie pitchers Kelley and Doug Rau gave the Cougars a pair of runs in the fifth to narrow the score to 6-5.

Coach Tom Chandler's baseballers increased their lead to 7-5 in the seventh when Mike DeNiro singled home Dave Elmendorf.

broke fast with three runs in the first and two more in the second In the five run eighth for Housfor a quick 5-0 lead. A&M was ton, Sparkman had the key hit, staked to the early lead on a a two-run double. A single and first inning homerun by pitcher a triple by Phil Rose added an-Dave Benesh and a second inning

Rau picked up the loss for the Aggies while Sparkman was

credited with the win. The Aggies finish up the seaso

this weekend with a three game series in Kyle Field against

The two teams will play doubleheader Friday and com back with a single game Satur-

## Ags Up Golf Lead, **End Season Friday**

The Texas Aggies defeated and Ellis won the foursome low Baylor, 5½ to ½, here Tuesday ball, 1-up. to maintain their Southwest Conference golf lead.

A&M now has a SWC record of 30-6 with one match remaining, against TCU in Fort Worth Fri-

Duke Butler of A&M and Allen Weston of Baylor halved their singles match for Baylor's 1/2 point. Richard Ellis of A&M beat Bill Munguia, 5 and 4 and Butler

## **Ags Workout Minus Pads**

In an unusual move for spring training, Coach Gene Stallings sent his Texas Aggies through Tuesday's workout in sweat suits.

Class C high jump with Bill Carter winning first clearing 5'8" The Aggie coach said there and Stephen Mutshink taking sec-

Jimmy Sheffield, junior from

The Aggies will be back in pads of the spring.

BOSTON (AP)—Sam Jones hit a clutch 15-foot jump shot with one second remaining, lifting the Boston Celtics to a dramatic 89-88 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers Tuesday night, evening the best-of-7 series at two games apiece for the National Basket-

Jones, the 36-year-old veteran retiring after the playoffs, shook off a close guard, took a pass from John Havlicek and connected from the free throw line. A crowd of 15,128, the largest

pro basketball turnout in Boston Garden history, went into near hysteria as Boston's old pros, accustomed to the pressure-cooker, registered a second straight victory over the Lakers in a bid for their 11th NBA title in 13 years. The Celtics had failed to score

nected.

The Lakers led 88-86 before Boston's Emmette Bryant cashed a free throw with 15 seconds remaining.

Reggie Majors of A&M beat Don Brown, 1-up, and Bill Water of A&M beat Ben Hagins, 5 am 4. Majors and Wade won their foursome low-ball, also 1-up.

Ellis was the day's medalis with an even-par round. Butler, one-down going in the final hole, won it with a p to get even with Weston in the match. Majors went 1-up of Brown on the 17th and halve

the 18th to gain his narrow wi Other Aggie scores: Wade at Butler both were two over and Majors was four over.

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were a lot of minor injuries on the squad and, "besides we needed a learning day so we took them out of pads and practiced in sweats." Stallings also said he wanted to add a new wrinkle or two to his attack and the players needed a session devoted to learn-

Houston, was the only quarterback in a Maroon shirt Tuesday, the first time this spring that the Maroons have had only one quarterback. Junior squadman Robert Stansberry and redshirt sophomore Rocky Self alternated at quarterbacking the White unit, which is the second offensive

Wednesday for their 10th workout

#### In Class A, Lee McFadden of Celtics Edge LA A-2 won with a jump of 20'10" and Rowe of the Lutheran Stu-To Even Series dent Association won the Class C F-1 won the Class A tennis

from the floor for more than four minutes before Jones con-



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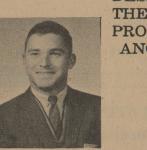
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