

# Ags Capture 2nd Straight Border Win

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Early Saturday morning, the entrants of the University Division of the Border Olympics should have heeded the warning as the Aggie War Hymn blared from a communication truck in the middle of the infield. Later that night, the Aggie thinclads swept five first place medals on their way to a first place finish in America's first Outdoor Meet.

A&M led the University Division with 69½ points, as the University of Texas at Austin followed at a distant second with 52½ tallies. Houston with 40 points, Rice with 31, Lamar Tech with 30, TCU with 21, and Texas Tech with 12 rounded out the University category.

The Aggies jumped into the early lead as the 440 yard relay team composed of Scotty Hendricks, Curtis Mills, Marvin Mills, and Donny Rogers turned in a 40.7 timing to break the Border Olympics record of 40.8 set by Rice University in 1967. The next event was the mile run. A&M didn't place in this event and they were also shut out in the 440 yard dash, broad jump, and three mile run.

The Aggies placed two men in the 120 yard high hurdles as Glenn Blahuta placed third with a 15 flat timing and David Prince finished fourth with a 15.15 clocking.

Aggie quartermiler Curtis Mills was scratched from the 440-yard dash favoring a sore ankle. Freshman David Morris competed in the event for A&M but didn't place. Mills' old nemesis, Dave Morton of Texas, won the event with a 47.9 timing.

The 100-yard dash was a point getter for the Aggies as they finished third, fourth, and fifth. Marvin Mills led the Aggie finishers in third with a slow 10.1, Rogers was fourth with 10.2 and Scotty Hendricks was fifth with 10.35. A brisk 20 mile an hour north wind hampered the running of this event and literally made the evening finals uncomfortable for everyone.

Willy Blackmon finished second in the 880 yard run with an 1:54.8 clocking behind the University of Texas' Mike Mosley.

By this time the Aggie hopes of repeating as the Border Champions were beginning to look bad. But the Aggies made their move in the 440 yard high hurdles as Don Keller brought home the bacon to win the event in 52.3. Prince finished a close third with a 53.9 clocking.

Meanwhile in the jumping pits, the Aggies were fighting to grab every place in sight. They succeeded in finishing in the top three spots and tying for fourth. Marvin Taylor gave a steady performance to clear the bar at 6-8. Taylor also won the same event last week in Fort Worth with the same height. Ben Greathouse and Kim Sutton tied for second and third with 6-4 jumps, and John Taylor tied for fourth at 6-2 with Texas' Wyatt Tompkins.

Ronnie Lightfoot of A&M won the shot put with a heave of 57-5 as he edged Texas' Warren Hart at 57-1 on his last throw. Lightfoot also finished third in the discus with a 158 foot toss. Marc Black finished fourth in the javelin with a heave of 185-10.

Larry McIntyre finished second in the pole vault while Harold McMahan tied for third.

The Aggies cinched the meet when they amassed 18 points during the 440 yard hurdles, high jump and shot put, while Rice received none and Texas 4½ points.

For all practical purposes, the Aggies could not have run the mile relay because they had the meet won before the event. However, the team of McMahan, Marvin Mills, Blackmon and Curtis Mills ran a slow 3:13.5 to outdistance their nearest rival by a full second. The University of Houston finished second while Texas finished third. The Texas finish was due to a great anchor leg by Dave Morton as the Horns were far behind the field after the last hand off.

The Aggies won the meet without the services of Rockie Woods who is suffering with a leg injury. Curtis Mills was also not at full speed as he competed in the relays. He had qualified to run in the open quarter Saturday morning, but chose not to run in the finals. The Aggies qualified 12 men in the morning preliminaries to lead the teams in that area.

This weekend the thinclads will host Rice University in a dual meet here at Kyle Field.

### SPORTS SCHEDULE

Tuesday—Baseball at Sam Houston, 1 p.m., doubleheader.  
Wednesday—Baseball: St. Mary's on Kyle Field, 3 p.m.  
Thursday—Tennis: Texas A&I, here; Swimming, at Dallas.  
Friday—Tennis: UT (Arlington), here; Swimming, at Dallas.  
Saturday—Tennis: at Lamar Tech; Swimming at Dallas; and Baseball, at St. Mary's; Track: Rice, here.



BANG—Harold McMahan takes off on the first leg of the mile relay at the Border Olympics last Saturday. The team of McMahan, Marvin Mills, Willie Blackmon, and Curtis Mills won the event in a 3:13.5 clocking. (Photo by Mike Wright)

## Dallas TJ Dumps Memorial, Goes to State Tournament

Dallas Thomas Jefferson upset tournament favorite Houston Memorial at G. Rollie White Coliseum Saturday night to win the Class AAAA Region II championship and advance to the state tournament this weekend in Austin.

Jefferson defeated the region champs 59-55 after squeaking by Ft. Worth Terrell 101-99 in a three-overtime semifinal contest Saturday morning.

Memorial qualified for the title game with a 75-37 romp over Waco Richfield.

Jefferson's hustling style of defense and pressure cooker shooting were the key in the championship drive.

TJ trailed Terrell by 12 points with only seven minutes to go but came back to tie on a bucket by Bill Marcellus at the buzzer. Bob McKey kept the Rebels' hopes alive with a similar act with two seconds to play in the first overtime.

After that the Rebels seemed in control. A desperation shot by Lindell Johnson of Terrell at the final gun sent the game into a

third overtime and then Jefferson scored the first four points in the third overtime and never trailed again.

In other regional play, Carrollton Turner defeated El Paso Austin 79-77 to win the Region I title. Austin Johnston defeated San Antonio Breckenridge 65-63 to take the Region IV crown and Houston Wheatley, bidding for a third straight AAAA crown, dumped Houston Waltrip 80-71 for the Region III throne.

Kerrville Tivy repeated as Class AAA champion last weekend as Classes A, AA, and AAA decided their winners. Tivy swamped Cypress-Fairbanks, 81-68.

Kountze won the AA title by nipping Taft, 75-73, and Kennard finished its season with a 44-41 mark by defeating Clarendon, 72-64, for the championship in Class A.

Class B will also decide its champion this weekend with Henrietta-Midway, Ackerly Sands, La Poyner and Chester vying for the title.

Schedule for this weekend's games are:

Class AAAA—  
Friday—Carrollton Turner vs Austin Johnston, 4:30 p.m., and Houston Wheatley vs Dallas Thomas Jefferson, 8 p.m.

Saturday—AAAA finals at 1 p.m., Class B—Henrietta Midway vs Ackerly Sands, 8:45 a.m., and La Poyner vs Chester, 10 a.m. and finals at 8 p.m.

## Rain-Soaked Baseballers Host Rattlers Wednesday

If the Texas Aggies scheduled a baseball game in Death Valley, it would probably be a lake by gametime. Coach Tom Chandler is being called "The Rainmaker." "Just let us get the bats out..." Chandler says, shaking his head. The Aggies hoped to end their perfect record Tuesday when they bussed to Huntsville for a doubleheader against Sam Houston State. So far A&M has been washed out of games with Pan American and Houston Baptist. The Houston Baptist date has been reset for March 18 at Kyle Field.

The Sam Houston twinbill, starting at 1 p.m., is the first of three Aggie outings this week. St. Mary's comes to Kyle Field for a single game at 3 p.m. Wednesday, then the Aggies go to San Antonio to meet St. Mary's Saturday.

Chandler is anxious to get some playing time in since Southwest Conference play starts March 20 against Baylor, just two weeks away.

The tentative starting lineup for the Aggies Tuesday will have Larry Smith or R. J. Englert in left field, Carroll Lilly at second base, Danny Ragland at third, Boyd Hadaway in right, Dave Elmendorf in center, Jim Sampson of Chris Sans at first base, Billy Hodge behind the plate, Jim Raley or Ronnie Lagrone at short. Lefty Doug Rau will start the first game on the mound with righthander Dave Benesh slated to hurl the nightcap.

### A&M's Best Outdoor Track Marks in 1970

- (Next Meet: A&M vs. Rice at College Station, Sat., March 14)
- 440 Relay: (40.5) Scotty Hendricks, Donny Rogers, Steve Barre, Rockie Woods (2-28, Fort Worth)
- Mile Run: (4:28.3n) Sam Skinner, (2-28, Fort Worth)
- 120 Hurdles: (14.5n) Donny Rogers, (14.8n) David Prince (2-28, Fort Worth)
- 440 Dash: (49.5n) David Morris (2-28, Fort Worth)
- 100 Dash: (9.8) Steve Barre (2-28, Fort Worth)
- 880 Run: (1:54.8n) Willy Blackmon (3-7, Laredo)
- 440 Hurdles: (51.8) Don Keller (new school record; old 52.2) (2-28, Fort Worth); (53.6n) David Prince (2-28, Fort Worth)
- 220 Dash: (21.9n) Donny Rogers (3-7, Laredo); (22.0n) Steve Barre (2-28, Fort Worth);
- (22.0n) Scotty Hendricks (3-7, Laredo)
- 3-Mile Run: (15:08.0n) Bill Johnson (2-28, Fort Worth)
- Mile Relay: (3:13.5) Harold McMahan, Marvin Mills, Willy Blackmon, Curtis Mills (3-7, Laredo)
- Shot Put: (57-5) Ronny Lightfoot (3-7, Laredo)
- Discus: (168-2½) Ronny Lightfoot (2-28, Fort Worth)
- Javelin: (194-11n) Marc Black (2-28, Fort Worth)
- High Jump: (6-8) Marvin Taylor (3-7, Laredo); (6-4n) Kim Sutton (3-7, Laredo) (6-4n) Ben Greathouse (3-7, Laredo) (6-2n) John Taylor (3-7, Laredo)
- Pole Vault: (14-1n) Larry McIntyre (3-7, Laredo); (13-5½n) Harold McMahan (3-7, Laredo)
- Long Jump: no entrants n—non-winning



UP AND AWAY—Marvin Taylor soars to tie the Border Olympics high jump record at 6-8 in winning the event. The Aggies won the meet by outdistancing the University of Texas by 17 points, 69½ to 52½. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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