

# Do-Or-Die For Aggies In Austin

Coach Tom Chandler's Texas Aggies have already posted their best season ever, but even that kind of showing may not be enough to carry them to the Southwest Conference title.

A&M, winner of 24, loser of 7, is in Austin today and tomorrow needing to beat the powerful Tex-

as Longhorns all three games for the SWC pennant. A shocking double-shutout loss to TCU last weekend dropped A&M to 12-2 in conference play while Texas is 12-0.

Junior lefty Doug Rau and senior righthander Dave Benesh carry A&M hopes in today's

doubleheader. Rau, 8-1 with an 0.26 earned run average, started the seven-inning opener while Benesh, 6-3 and 1.55, will start the 9-inning second game. The third game starter will come from Charles Kelley, Bruce Katt or Hardy Frazier.

Frazier went the distance in a 10-inning 3-2 win over TCU Saturday in his first SWC start. Katt has been bothered by a sore elbow after winning his first two

outings, one a 19 strikeout performance against SMU. Kelley has worked only in relief, but has not given up an earned run in 13½ innings while walking four and striking out 19.

The starting lineup for A&M, with batting averages:

Butch Ghutzman (.267), 2b; R. J. Englert (.400), lf; Dave Elmendorf (.270), cf; Billy Hodge (.359), c; Boyd Hadaway (.277), rf; Chris Sans (.312), 1b; Jim

Raley (.207), ss; Danny Ragland (.242), 3b.

The series is the last of the regular season for both teams. If Texas wins at least one of the three games, it will represent the conference in the NCAA play-offs.

The first game of the series will probably match the league's two top hurlers in Rau and UT's James Street. Burt Hooten will probably go against Benesh in the second game.

## Company E-2, Hart Hall Win Intramural Sports Crowns

Company E-2 sacked the softball championship and Hart Hall kicked water in everyone's faces in dominating Class A and C swimming in intramural action this week.

E-2 came from a 7-4 deficit to defeat Squadron 8, 10-9, in the championship game. Bob Dietz knocked in the lead run and eventual winning margin in the seventh inning. Pitcher Collier Watson put down opposing batters in order in the bottom of the frame to secure the championship.

By winning the softball title, E-2 finished fourth in Class A intramural standings, behind champion Squadron 9 and Company B-1 and Squadron 1, tied for second.

Hart Hall dominated Class A and C swimming by scoring 68 points. Company H-1 placed second with 32, Milner Hall third and Squadron 6 fourth. C-2 finished on top in Class B competition with 46 team points, followed by G-1 with 33 and B-2 with 32.

Individual winners of Classes A and C were Wayne Lutz in the backstroke; Tony Meyer, breaststroke; Dave Patrick, freestyle; George Moreng, butterfly; H-1, freestyle relay, and Hart Hall, medley relay.

## 1970 Spring Game Marks End Of Era

Some 10,000 and upwards of football fans are expected at Kyle Field Saturday afternoon for the Texas A&M Maroon-White spring football contest that will mark the end of an era.

It will be the final football game ever played on natural turf in the storied stadium on A&M's campus.

Next Monday, work is scheduled to commence for the installation of astroturf on the football field, surrounded by a tartan track.

The football game itself shapes up as a close, hard-hitting contest with the Maroons favored slightly.

There isn't a whole lot to choose from between the two squads. Both have good offensive lines,

tough defensive fronts and quick secondaries.

All of the starters on both units are in the running for starting positions when the Aggies open fall play against Wichita State here next Sept. 12.

An added attraction at half-time will be a marching performance by the Fish Drill Team, a precision marching unit that has won three straight national championships.

Also, the famed Aggie Band will be in the stands and will play at intervals during the afternoon.

The kickoff is at 2:30 p.m.

Admission will be \$2.50 for reserve seats and \$1.50 general admission.

## Rugby Letters

The Rugby Club of A&M made its annual presentation of letter awards to outstanding individuals on the team last week.

Those who received second year awards were: John Hines, Dale Odum, Dave Lee, Greg Schwei, Jon Farmer, Andy Scott, and Tony King.

First year awards were presented to: Ron Cole, Ron Nizer, Steve Johnson, Bill Scherle, Steve Sturman, Phil Tybor, Jim Robertson, Mic Newman, Mike Jaynes, John Rayton, Butch Preston, Mark Fischer, Gary Junot, Frank Kazmiersky, Mike Brants, Dick Reno, Stan Wiek, Steve Fincher, Leo Tomic, Ron Neblett, Jerry Holsworth, and Bob Schain.

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# Longhorns May Leave SWC

AUSTIN (AP)—The University of Texas indicated Wednesday it may quit the Southwest Conference because of a series of incidents capped by the conference's reprimand of football-baseball star James Street.

Withdrawal of Texas from the conference of eight state and church schools would be a tremendous blow to the league's prestige.

Texas won the 1969 national championship in college football, its second title in seven years, and appears to be bidding for national recognition for its entire athletic program at a time when some conference schools are having athletic budget problems.

If the Longhorns withdraw, possibly to join a "super conference," it would remove an important source of financing of sports in the conference. The confer-

ence's other schools have gained \$2 million in the past 13 years from television payments of Texas games. Schools share such income.

Because of the Street incident, "the question of withdrawal has again been raised. It is more likely now than in the past, although it is certainly not imminent," said J. Neils Thompson, an engineering professor who is chairman of the university's athletic council.

Street, unbeaten in 20 straight games as Texas' quarterback, was reprimanded and publicly censured by the conference Monday for what the conference called "regrettable misconduct and undisciplined behavior" at an April 18 baseball game against Baylor University.

Street, also undefeated this year, as a pitcher, collided with Baylor baseball coach Dutch Schroeder following a rundown between third and home plate on an unsuccessful squeeze play by Baylor. Schroeder, coaching at third base, was rushing to pro-

test a strong tag by Texas catcher Tommy Harmon on the Baylor runner.

Harmon also was reprimanded and censured.

Street maintained that he did not "intentionally go after the coach. I was standing there and felt he saw me. It really shocked me when the collision occurred."

Athletic director Darrell Royal said he thought the censure was too strong, but he had no comment on the possibility of Texas leaving the conference.

"We, Texas, have always been fighting a one-man battle in the conference," Thompson said. "As a result, there has been a tendency for this withdrawal to come up again and again. We take everything into consideration—restrictions on number of scholarships, for example. There is not just one thing involved here."

University athletic officials were upset by the decision of the conference faculty representatives to change the method of deciding golf champions from stroke play to match play.

Also unsettling was the ap-

pointment of a special committee to study a 25-year-old rule which permitted Street to withdraw from school prior to mid-year final exams and return this semester without wiping out his eligibility to play baseball.

"It would have gone unnoticed this time had the incident involved only a third-string guard," one conference official said.

The super conference was mentioned after Texas, national football champion in 1963, was put on probation in 1964 for a series of recruiting violations. University officials felt the school was penalized as a side effect of a two-year probation, with sanctions, against Southern Methodist University at the same meeting.

Frank C. Erwin Jr., chairman of a regents committee selected in September 1968 to consider Texas' relations with the SWC. That group replaced a 1964 committee which looked into the question of a super conference that might include Oklahoma, Alabama, Texas A&M, Houston, Arkansas, Louisiana State and Texas Tech.

The committee never made any public recommendations.

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In an effort to determine the interests of the students, the Great Issues Committee asks that you fill out this form and deposit it in one of the collection boxes that will be located in the Academic Building and MSC lobby Thursday and Friday of this week. These forms will be used in conjunction with planning for next year's programs.

The list below is a list of topics that will be considered for Great Issues programs for next year. Please circle the topics that you would like to see as programs.

- changes in Christianity
- abortion
- inter-racial marriage
- legalized pot
- birth control
- overpopulation
- the peace movement
- the draft
- pollution
- urban affairs
- life in 21st century
- conservation
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- voting age
- student rights
- supreme court
- prison reform
- military waste
- SALT talks

U. S.-communist containment policy U. S.-Latin Amermerica peace talks Sino-Soviet split Others:.....

What do you believe is the most serious and pressing problem in the United States today?

What type of speakers would you like to hear speak at A&M? Please list any speakers you might have in mind.

How many Great Issues programs did you attend this past year?.....

What is your personal evaluation of the programs you attended? (circle one)

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What can be done to improve these programs?

General Comments: