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Trackmen open at Fort Worth

By CLIFFORD BROYLES
Battalion Sports Editor

The Texas Aggie track team makes its first appearance in a meet in over two months this weekend as the rigorous track slate actually gets its beginning at the Fort Worth Coaches Indoor Games at the Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort Worth tonight and Saturday night.

The feature of the meet this weekend will be several things, with Tom Von Ruden in the mile and Bob Seagren and John Pennell in the pole vault, but the Aggies will share the spotlight from both the standpoint of past and of present.

In the 60-yard dash, Curtis and Marvin Mills will be running for one of the few times against each other. That, however, depends on whether they make the finals. They're listed in different heats for the preliminaries tonight.

Also in that race will be the highly publicized sprinters, Gene and Joe Pouncy, who'll be running for SMU.

Although the SMU entries for the mile relay were unavailable, the Pouncys and Mills could meet again in that event, as Aggie Assistant Ted Nelson feels that three freshmen, the Pouncy twins and Tom Broderick will run on that relay. Skelly Strong and

Don Kellar will run with the Mills brothers for A&M.

The Aggies will be putting a lot of emphasis on the relays at the meet and they have scratched Pat Bradley from the 100-yard run, Willie Blackmon from the 880 and Frank Ybarbo from the mile to have them fresh for the distance medley relay on Saturday night.

In the two mile relay which will have finals tonight, Dennis O'Brien, Bradley, Ybarbo and Blackmon all running 880's.

Finals in all other events are slated for Saturday with the exception of the shot put, which pits former A&M weightman Randy Matson opposing Al Feurbach.

Star sprinter Rockie Woods will not participate in the meet because of sore and strained hamstring.

In the high jump, Dick Fosbury will be there with the Fosbury flop, but Coach Nelson feels that Aggie high jumper Ben Greathouse, the defending SWC champion, and Marvin Taylor, who won second here last year, and Oklahoma Freshman Johnny Blakeney, who won a meet last week with a height of 6-10, are all contenders.

Other A&M meet entries will be:
60-yard high hurdles — Gary West and Donny Rogers.
600-yard run — Harold Vagtborg.
400-yard dash — David Morris.
Pole vault — Harold McMahon.

Tennis team meets exes

It'll be the Texas Aggies vs. the Aggie exes Saturday as the Aggie tennis team gets a tough test before opening its season against the University of Houston next week.

Seven former Texas A&M tennis players will face the current Aggie netters in a match that is slated for 1:30 p.m. Saturday on varsity courts.

The number one match will feature Jon Ragland, who was red shirted last year, against Richard Barker, who won the Southwest Conference doubles championship in 1966. Ragland teamed with Pete Faust to win the doubles title in 1968, so that should be a top-notch battle. His partner in 1964, during his sophomore season, Ricky Williams, will play the number two match against Dickie Fikes, who was the Aggies' number one player last year.

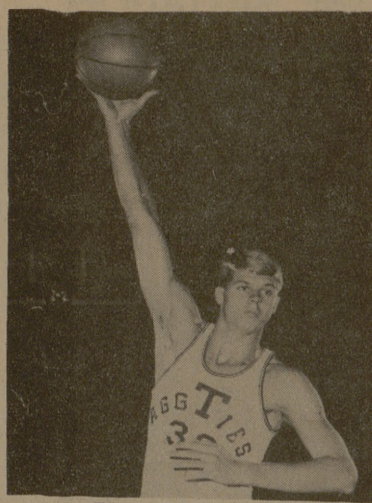
Richard Halter, who was the Aggies' number one player for two years in the early 1960's, will be the number three man and will oppose Mike Hickey.

Joe Tillerson, doubles runner-up in 1967, will play the number four match against Tommy Connell.

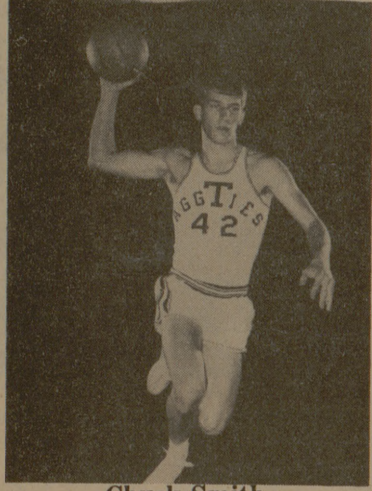
The number five match will have Jeff Foster, who is now coaching tennis at Lake Jackson, against Lawton Park.

The singles matches will be followed by three doubles matches involving the same players and another Aggie ex, Albert Aldrich, will play the doubles.

Coach Smith said that in case of bad weather the match would be moved inside and be played on the main floor of G. Rollie White Coliseum.



Rick Duplantis



Chuck Smith

Ags journey to the hills

By CLIFFORD BROYLES

The front of the University of Arkansas press guide has a picture of new coach Lanny Vint Eman and what is being billed this season as "The Runnin' Razorbacks."

And that's just what they are as they're averaging 88.8 points per game while displaying a new style of run and shoot basketball. The Texas Aggies will have to overcome this new style in order to snap out of their current two-game losing streak and avoid tying themselves with the Hogs for last place in the conference, when they meet Saturday afternoon at 3:30 at Barnhill field-house in Fayetteville.

In recent years, the Razorbacks have displayed a well disciplined offense to counteract their lack of talent. Although they lost just as they've done this year they are scoring more and giving quite a few headaches. In three of the five conference losses, Arkansas was beaten by only two points.

With the new style of cage action, four Arkansas scorers are hitting in double figures and a fifth is averaging nine points a game.

The future looks brighter for the Hogs who, including their 0-5 league record to date, have won only 15 of 47 games and finished last two of the last three years.

The Arkansas freshman team is undefeated in eight games this season and is averaging 108 points a game while outscoring their opponents by 37 points.

They're led by 6-8 Dean Tolson from Kansas City, Mo., who's scoring at a 28.4 clip and rebounding at a 22.4 mark.

The Hogs have the good outside shooters and with a good big man inside like Tolson, will probably make them contenders next year.

The Aggies will have a considerable height advantage over the Razorbacks with a lineup of 7-0 Steve Niles, 6-7 Rick Duplantis and 6-5 Chuck Smith starting on the front line, while the Hogs will have a 6-8 Bobby Vint, 6-6 Vernon Murphy and either 6-6 Donnie Watts or 6-5 John Searles doing their rebounding bulk.

"They're just about the same as SMU. They do a lot of free-lancing instead of plays to get their open shots from the outside. We should have about the same rebound advantage that we had over the SMU," Coach Shelby Metcalf said of the Hogs.

"They're playing some good basketball right now. They've lost two tough ones in a row. One on the road by two and then TCU

is playing real well and they beat Arkansas by two at Fayetteville."

Watts has been a big presence. The junior from Hot Springs, Ark. is shooting at better than 50 per cent from the field, averaging 17.1 per game. He averaged last year with an injury, averaging 5.4 as a sophomore.

Almer Lee, the conference sophomore of the year last year is scoring at 16.8 clip after averaging 17 last year.

Vernon Murphy and Bobby Searles provide the big muscle for Arkansas. Murphy was dismissed from the squad last year for disciplinary reasons but is back as the team's leading rebounder while averaging 17 points a game. Vint is averaging 13.6 and top front court sub, John Searles is averaging 9 a game.

Coach Metcalf said he is pleased with the SMU game except for the 2:33 and the time period—and that's before the Aggies lost their point lead.

He was so pleased with the play of Duplantis and Smith, he probably will start both Saturday. Both came off the bench Tuesday night and between them counted 37 points in 19 minutes. Bill Cooksey and Charlie Lee will start in the backcourt.

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UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN	(Missouri Synod) 9:30 A.M.—Bible Class 10:45 A.M.—Divine Worship 7:35 P.M.—Wednesday Vespers 5:30 P.M.—Worship Celebration Sunday Evening
UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP	305 Old Highway 6, South 10:00 A.M.—Sunday Service 7:00 P.M.—Adult Service 305 Old College Road South
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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE	9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship 6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service 7:00 P.M.—Preaching Service
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY	9:30 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Sunday Service 11:00 A.M.—2 P.M.—Tues. Reading Rm. 7:00-8:00 P.M.—Wed., Reading Room 8:00 P.M.—Wed. Evening Worship
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SECOND BAPTIST	710 Eisenhower 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 11:00 A.M.—Church Service 6:30 P.M.—Training Union 7:30 P.M.—Church Service
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GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH	2505 S. College Ave., Bryan An Independent Bible Church 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School 10:50 A.M.—Morning Worship 7:00 P.M.—Prayer and Bible Study
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