

McMahan, Black, medley relay set school marks at Kansas

The advance publicity said that the Texas Aggies were going to run at the Kansas Relays, and that they did, setting two new meet records and three school marks.

It was relay time again, and the strength of A&M was shown, as Coach Charlie Thomas' trackmen prepared for the Southwest

Conference meet two weeks away. The foursome of Donny Rogers, Rockie Woods, Marvin Mills, and Curtis Mills joined together a year ago to run the 880 relay faster than anyone else in the world had before. This past weekend they were but four-tenths of a second slower, finishing first in 1:22.1. This was one of the new meet records.

The other new mark came in the 440 yard relay. Coming off of injuries to key personnel, the quartet of Steve Barre, the Mills brothers, and Woods sprinted to their best time of the year. The Aggies won the race in 39.9, and they still lead the conference in this event.

The sprint medley relay unit of Alan Swagerty, Marvin and Curtis, and Willie Blackmon set a new school record, breaking the old mark by three and a half seconds. This race consists of a pair of 220s, followed by a 440 and an 880. Although these four placed

fourth, they ran a 3:17.8, bettering the 3:21.3 run by George Tedford, Ed Williams, Curtis Roberts, and Thad Crooks in Des Moines nine years ago.

Another school record was Marc Black's javelin throw of 236-0 for third place. The old mark was 234-10 by Dan Meadows in 1965. This puts the football fullback 10 inches behind Texas' Walt Chamberlain in the SWC race.

Harold McMahan pole vaulted 16-6 to break Henry Rollins' record of 16-1½ set here in 1968. McMahan tied Rollins' mark earlier in the year in a dual meet with Abilene Christian College. He finished third at Lawrence with this vault.

The mile relay was fifth, just slower than their best time, 3:08, run in Baton Rouge. The load of the other three relays causes this to be the "sacrifice" event, if such a performance can be labeled as a shortcoming.

In the open division of the shot put, Aggie Randy Matson won with a heave of 68-3½. His series consisted of throws of 67-8, 68-3½, 67-6½, 67-2, 66-11½, and 67-6½. He has held the world record of 71-5½ since 1967.

With the Kansas performances, this year's team, who will defend their conference crown at Kyle Field, has set six new school records this season. Of 20 outdoor events, this team holds 11 of them.

At this point, A&M thinclads lead the conference outright in five events and are close behind in several others. The competition will come from Rice and Texas, both of whom dominate several events also.

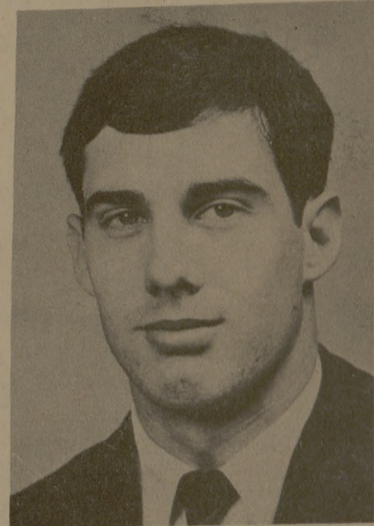
At the Baylor Invitational this past weekend, members of the A&M team who did not make the trip to Lawrence competed with similar squads. Edgar Harvey won the 120 yard high hurdles in 14.6, while James Johnson took

the long jump, leaping 22-7. Both marks are the best of the year for the two athletes.

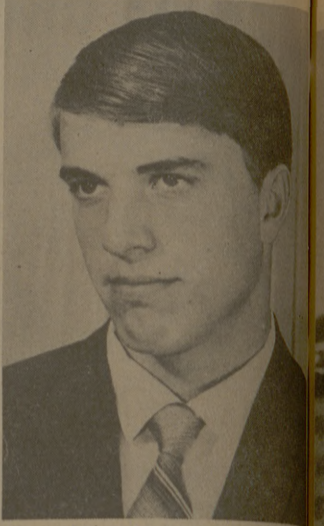
Friday, the Aggies go to the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa, where they set the world record last year in the 880 yard relay. In addition, they came away with some beautiful hardware, which is displayed in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Events in which the Aggies should be strong at Drake are the 440, 880, shuttle hurdle, sprint medley, and mile relays, plus the javelin, pole vault, and high jump. Also expected to place are Frank Ybaro in the mile and David Morris and David Prince in the 440 yard hurdles.

The shuttle hurdle relay is an event in which the four team members run 480 total yards up and down the track over hurdles. The foursome of Harvey, Gary West, Rogers, and Woods, with Prince as an alternate, should push a record in this race.



Marc Black



Harold McMahan

Host Austin Saturday A&M Rugby team wins Austin meet

By MICHAEL RICE
Battalion Sports Writer

Rallying behind the scoring of Donnie Robertson and John Rayton, the Texas A&M Rugby Club came away from the Austin Invitational Rugby Tournament Sunday carrying the championship honors.

The Aggies downed the Austin Rugby club 9-0 in the championship round of the tournament, which saw nine teams competing from Dallas, Houston, Austin, LSU, and A&M.

While on the way to defeating Austin, the Ags demolished the team from NASA, 34-6, and downed the tough Houston team for the second time this season, 16-9.

This gives the A&M team an outstanding 7-0 record thus far in the season with a clean slate of 4-0 in division play.

Austin, which had been undefeated for the past two years, will still have a chance to come away with the division pennant if it beats A&M this Saturday. If A&M wins over Austin, though the Aggies will have to win their next two games to stay in the lead as Austin will have finished

its season with the game against A&M.

"The score doesn't say what really fine game it was," commented Coach Roger Boos. "The game was really pretty even matched, as it will be this Saturday. The only difference will be that Austin will be coming here with blood in their eyes, so we really have to be up for them. We're in pretty good shape, just hope we don't have any injuries before the game Saturday."

The Aggies will be without the services of Randy Harju, who received a broken jaw in the game against Austin. He was scheduled to come out of the hospital today.

It should also be noted that the team still has not had any points scored against it in regular play. The scores against the Ags have come from penalty kicks. A&M is the only team in the division that has been scored upon by penalty kicks only.

The A&M II squad is scheduled to meet the Austin second team at 1 p.m., Saturday, and the showdown between the number one teams is slated to begin at 3 p.m.

Netters blank Frogs seek third place

The Texas Aggie tennis team defeated Texas Christian University 7-0 on varsity courts Monday to inch closer to third place in the Southwest Conference standings.

The Aggies swept all seven sets in the match with straight set victories to bring their league record to 22-13 with only a crucial match with the University of Texas at Austin left on the schedule.

That match on the Longhorns' home grounds will in all probability decide third place in the standings. UT-Austin has a 21-7 mark but must play league-leading Rice Thursday in Houston and barring a major upset will come away with six or seven losses. That would mean a showdown with the Aggies Saturday

afternoon in Austin for third place. With Rice and SMU, who have virtually sewed up the top two spots.

Results of the TCU match are:

Singles:
Dickie Fikes, A&M, defeated Juan Carminas, TCU, 6-2, 6-2.
Jon Ragland, A&M, defeated Ned James, TCU, 6-2, 6-2.
Mike Hickey, A&M, defeated John Fletcher, TCU, 6-2, 6-2.
Tommy Connell, A&M, defeated John Kritser, TCU, 6-3, 6-4.
Lawton Park, A&M, defeated John Matzilevich, 6-3, 6-1.

Doubles:

Fikes and Ragland, A&M, defeated Carominas and James, TCU, 6-1, 6-4.
Hickey and Dan Courson, A&M, defeated Kritser and Fletcher, TCU, 6-0, 6-2.

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Offense scores 5 times in scrimmage

By CLIFFORD BROYLES
Battalion Sports Editor

Quarterbacked by senior Joe Mac King from Mineola, sophomores Tim Trimmier of San Antonio and Mark Green of Odessa, the Texas Aggies' first-team offense scored five times Saturday night while the defense checked the opposition to only six first downs on 43 plays and also intercepted four passes in a controlled intrasquad scrimmage on Kyle Field.

The Aggies spent most of their third weekend scrimmage working on their running game as King did not attempt a pass and Trimmier missed on his only attempt.

But second unit quarterbacks Green, Kyle, Gary and Mike Riggsby were the victims of a hard pass rush from sophomore Bud Trammell, senior Van Odom and juniors Max Bird, James Dubcak and Kent Finley in the first defensive line, and passes intercepted by Odom, linebacker Steve Luebbehusen, free safety Lee Hitt and cornerback Ed Ebrum.

The first offense started slow in the scrimmage moving deep against the second defense but fumbling, but after moving the ball back to the thirty, King guided them into the end zone, with Dusek scoring from the 4. King had a run of 26 yards in the series and later in the eve-

ning had a 30 yard scamper. Sophomore to be Bobby Merren from Nederland, who was injured most of last year and so only limited action for the Fish broke away for a 23 yard run.

Merren running well for the second team was given a promotion to run with the first unit and finished the night with 82 yards on 12 carries.

Trimmier's first try at quarterback ended a smoothly operated touchdown march climaxed by a six yard sweep by Burks.

King then took over the next two offensive scoring possessions and marched the team down for scores with Dusek scoring from the 10 and the 2.

Green took over the final series and took over for a 20 yard run on his first play and then passed for 26 yards on the second to wing back Joey Herr. Green finished the touchdown drive with a nine yard run.

Currently lining up for the first team offensively are: split end, Johnny Gardner; left tackle, Buster Calloway; left guard, Todd Christopher; center, Skip Kuehn and Robert Gerasimovic; right guard, Leonard Forey; right tackle, Ralph Sacra; tight end, Homer May; quarterback, Joe Mac King and Tim Trimmier; tailback, Steve Burks and Mark Green; fullback, Brad Dusek and Doug Neill; wingback, Joey Herr.

Defensively: left end, Max Bird; left tackle, Bud Trammell; middle guard, Van Odom; right tackle, James Dubeak; right end, Kent Finley; linebacker, Grady Hoermann and Steve Luebbehusen; cornerbacks, Ed Ebrum and Bland Smith; free safety, Lee Hitt; strong safety, David Hoot.



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