osdick 'Coach of the Year'

Ag swim team finishes surprising third at SWC meet

Doug Meaden, perhaps one of

Meaden also set A&M records

the best distance freestylers to

come to A&M in years, grabbed

A&M's lone first place in the

4:50.6 to beat teammate Eric

Wolff's claim to it by over eight

seconds; and the 200 yard free-

style with a time of 1:45.5, also

an event in which Wolff held the

record time of 17:05.3.

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for the first time in nine years tion of third place or above the Southwest Conference as nationals.

ind conference champion SMU

fifth in pre-meet evaluations, Coach Dennis Fosdick's tankmen Aggie swim team rose to a set nine school records and quali-

res Tech and Arkansas out of conference by coaches after the third place honors to follow three-day affair had ended.

"Our swimmers did fantasticteam spirit was outstanding. twelfths.

Picked to place no higher than Many of the boys clipped five to ten seconds from their best personal times and for the first time in two years we had contenders fied four men to go to the NCAA for the top places in nearly all 1650 yard freestyle with a school swimming events.'

result of competition held last
As another result of the Aggies
Although lack of depth hurt
swimming so well, Fosdick was
The A&M swimmers shocked
As another result of the Aggies
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voted "Coach of the Year" in the away from the meet with one swimming so well, Fosdick was the Aggies, the team walked in the 500-yard freestyle with a first place, six seconds, one third, four fourths, one fifth, one sixth, three sevenths, three eighths, two second place finisher Univer- ally well," Fosdick said. "The ninths, three elevenths and four

Bill McEdwan defeated Park and

The Aggies will return to ac-

sity in a 1:30 p.m. contest at

Connell, 7-6, 7-5.

Varsity Courts.

The other school marks were set by Steve Prentice in the 100 yard backstroke with 53.8 and 200 yard backstroke in 1:58.6; Lester Hamann, 2:01 in the 200 yard butterfly; and Wolff with a time of 42.8 in the 100 yard free-

Two other records were set by the 400 yard medley relay team of Doug Carson, Prentice, Hamann, and Wolff by two-tenths of a second over the old record of tion here again Thursday when 3:39.0 and the 800 yard free relay team of Meaden, Hamann, Prentice and Wolff with a time of 7:12.9.

ord setting for the Aggies is that five of those that set records in the meet will be returning for next season's competition.

In addition, Prentice, Wolff, Meaden and Hamann have quali- lay. fied for the nationals, Prentice



Doug Meaden

A bright aspect of all this rec- in the 100 and 200 yard backstroke and 800 free style relay; Wolff in the 200 yard freestyle and 800 free relay; and Meaden in the 200, 500 and 1,650 yard freestyle events and 800 free re-

Also, Hamann qualified in the 200 yard freestyle and 800 yard freestyle events.

Other finishers in the top six for the Aggie swimmers were Hamann, ninth in the 500 yard freestyle and fourth in the 100 yard butterfly; Prentice, second in the 200 individual medley; and Dan Sonnenberg, sixth in the 100 yard backstroke.

Finishers in the second six were Hamann in the 500 yard free; Mike Hicks, seventh in the 200 and 400 vard individual medlevs and eighth in the 200 yard back-

Also, Kent Berryman placed twelfth in the 400 yard individual medley; Scott Jones, ninth in the 100 yard backstroke; Steve Sonnenberg twelfth in the 100 yard breaststroke; Dan Sonnenberg

eleventh in the 200 yard backstroke; and Carson eighth in the 100 yard breaststroke.

In diving, Duncan Cooper finished eleventh in the one meter and twelfth in the three meter events while Greg Rippey finished twelfth in the one meter.



Steve Prentice

Vetters host Michigan, play A&I here Thursday

Ten champion, Michigan, on :30 p.m. in a dual tennis

he Aggies are returning from y lost to the nation's number (Trinity) and five (Corpus isti) ranked teams in the coun-Against Trinity, they lost of Coand against UCC, 5-2. This 6-4. pped A&M's record to 5-4 afstanding in at 3-0 through first three meets.

Today's match will be the first ne appearance for A&M in er a month when they played to Houston, February 5. Ifelt we could have done much

er against Corpus than we " assistant coach Richard ker said. "But we did just as against Trinity as expected. ey are really strong in tennis." the first through fourth rated ity players are returning Allricans from last year's secranked NCAA team while

shed

Against UCC, Dickie Fikes of and Walthall defeated Wright and A&M lost to Jorge Andrew of Hoover, 6-2, 6-5, while Butt and sty Courts today beginning UCC, 6-3, 6-4; Danny Courson of A&M lost to Roberto Chavez of UCC, 7-6, 6-3; Bill Wright of A&M lost to Ken Konning of uccessful road trip in which UCC, 6-2, 6-4, and in the final they take on Texas A&I Universingles match before UCC had to forfeit the number five round; Billy Hoover lost to Carlos Goffi of Corpus in split sets, 6-1, 4-6,

> In doubles, Fikes and Courson lost to Andrew and Chavez, 7-5, 6-3, while Wright and Hoover defeated Konning and Goffi, 6-1,

In San Antonio against Trinity, Brian Gottfried defeated Fikes, 6-2, 7-5; Dick Stockton defeated Courson, 6-2, 6-3; Paul Gerken defeated Wright, 6-4, 6-2; Bob McKinley defeated Hoover, 6-1, 6-0; Pancho Walthall defeated Lawton Park, 6-1, 6-3, and Howard Butt defeated Tommy Connell, 6-2, 6-4.

In doubles competition, Gerken remaining two are returning and Gottfried defeated Fikes and Courson, 6-2, 6-2; John Burrman

Kangers are not yet Texans, MA still seem out of place

OMPANO BEACH, Fla. (AP)_ the Texas Rangers, but there n't Texans. en't been any major converts not even Manager Ted Wil-

Sure, I've got a 10-gallon hat," liams said. "I've got two. They e sent to me."

Is he going to wear them? Heck, no," Williams replied. e only member of the Senators ho has moved to Texas? "I feel a little out of place some

ne," said Cox. "There's not too

any people down there with long What about the things that go Texas—a 10-gallon hat or

No 10-gallon hat, no boots," x answered. "None of that stuff

imbledon champ esitant to play

OALLAS (AP)—Wimbledon tenchampion Evonne Goolagong Australia said Monday she y not participate in this year's h African Federation Cup is tournament in Johannes-

"I am not sure I am going," 20-year-old athlete said in an rview after she received The ociated Press award as Woan Athlete of the Year. The ard was presented by George

The reason for her indecision ortedly was an announcement Johannesburg that all black yers participating in the tournent this year will have to ar a badge making them onorary whites." Miss Goolang is one-eighth aborigine.

She declined to make any coments on the Johannesburg anincement itself and said the sion is up to her manager, ctor Edwards.

That's the way it is at the Washington Senators now Rangers' camp. Texans who are-

Of the 40 players in the Rangers' camp, only Cox is living in Texas, and he has moved right into Arlington, the site of the Rangers' new stadium.

The site itself has caused people who used to chuckle about the way the Senators played to What about pitcher Casey Cox, chuckle about where the Rangers will be playing. Arlington is a city between Dallas and Fort Worth best known for its family entertainment attractions.

> Along a six-mile stretch of turnpike are Six Flags Over Texas, an amusement park, The Way, a religious attraction, and Lion Country Safari, an African-style animal park.

There are those who suggest Williams now has three options -he can laugh at his Rangers, pray for them or watch them eaten alive.

The Senators built such a brilliant reputation for ineptness in Washington, as a matter of fact, that when the club decided to use the nickname Rangers it felt compelled to see if Texas' most famous organization would object.

"We consulted them," said the one club official, "to make sure they wouldn't be insulted." They weren't, and the club was ecstatic.

"It's the best name any team could have in Texas," Williams emphasized. "You think of Texas, you think of Rangers. "And they never lose."

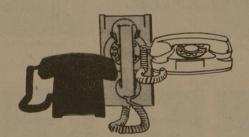
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