

# Aggie Club—athlete's helping hand

## 'New' campus member supplies athletic scholarships

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Who supplies the scholarships about 50 per cent of the student athletes at A&M?

If you said the Association of Former Students, try again. It is the Aggie Club which provides these scholarships, and, according to Executive Vice President John Hopkins, it is this misunderstanding which has prompted the club to move on campus.

TAMU President Jack Williams pushed the idea of moving the club on campus and committee members agreed.

"One of our main reasons for moving on campus is to get more public exposure," said Hopkins, adding that people will begin to identify with the new building on out Boulevard. The club's new home is between DeWare Fieldhouse and G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The Aggie Club was chartered on April 5, 1950 by a small group of Aggie alumni. Its primary goal was to provide educational expenses for student athletes at A&M.

Among the chartering group were local businessmen Hershel Burgess and W. N. Colson and former College Station Mayor J. J. Hervey.

The first president, A. E. Foerster, and his group started the

club which has seen 24 years of growth and presently provides education for about 100 athletes.

Presently serving on the executive committee are recently re-elected president R. I. Bernath and Hopkins. Other committee members include vice presidents Douglas Forshagen of Fort Worth

and Cyrus Johnston of Dallas, and members Bill Stephens, Gus Mijalis, Charles Wiseman and Joe Richardson.

The club accepts scholarship donations from alumni and interested parties. The money is turned over to the athletic department for distribution among athletes.

Donations range from \$25 associate memberships through \$1,500 partial scholarships up to \$1,500 12th Man scholarships. All donations are tax deductible.

The Aggie Club is sending out a new monthly for all scholarship donors. The publication, Aggie Sports/Club News, was introduced in January. The News will replace the occasional newsletter, Sportsgram. Club news and information about the TAMU athletic program will be featured.

Until Jan. 2 of this year the Aggie Club has been located off campus and this has led to some confusion.

"Very few people understand the difference between the Association of Former Students, A&M hometown clubs and the Aggie Club, Hopkins said. "We are specifically related to athletics."

The Association of Former Students provides academic aid. The NCAA in its annual meeting voted to restrict athletic departments to about 200 scholarships.

Hopkins notes, "our long range goal is to provide a scholarship for every student athlete at A&M. We are a little over halfway there and hope to reach our goal in three to four years."

## Rice debuts SWC girl diver

**HOUSTON (AP)**—A girl athlete competed Monday for a Southwest Conference varsity team for the first time under recently revised SWC rules, a Rice University spokesman said.

Mary Sharpe, a Rice freshman from Farmington, N.M., represented Rice in the diving competition in a varsity swimming meet involving Rice, Midwestern University and Texas Southern University.

There were only two entries in the diving competition and McDuff Thompson of TSU scored 138 points to Miss Sharpe's 108.

In the overall competition TSU defeated Rice, 67-36 after Rice had defeated Midwestern 67-26.

Recently revised SWC rules permit participation by a "student" in any sport.

Rice coach Fred Breckwoldt said that Miss Sharpe was one

of six coeds working out with the all-volunteer Owl squad but she was the first to compete in an official meet.

## Texas blasts Rice; Bears, Hogs win

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**HOUSTON**—Larry Robinson scored 32 points last night as the Texas Longhorns came from behind in the second half to defeat Rice, 82-71, in Southwest Conference basketball action.

Reserve guard James Price added 15 for Texas, 13 during the Longhorn's second half rally.

Robinson, a senior who was bothered with knee trouble in early season, hit 13 of 23 field goal attempts and six of seven free throws as the Longhorns hiked their conference mark to 3-0. Rice fell to 1-2.

Rice led at the half, 38-34, on the strong team play of Scott Fisher and Tim Moriarty but Texas came back to take the lead 51-50 on a 20-foot shot by Price with 12:10 left.

The Owls led in rebounds 41-40 but Robinson had 14 to lead all players.

Fisher, Moriarty and Danny Carroll led Rice scorers, each with 12 points.

**WACO**—The Baylor Bears overcame an early eight-point deficit and posted an easy 75-57 Southwest Conference basketball victory over Texas Christian Tuesday night as Lee Griffin and Charley McKinney each scored 21 points.

Baylor is now 2-1 in the SWC while the Horned Frogs are 1-2.

TCU started quickly and had the Bears down 17-9 with 10:30 to play in the first half. The Horned Frogs appeared well on their way to pulling off a second straight SWC upset.

Baylor's pressing defense chilled the Frogs and TCU went six minutes without scoring a point. Meanwhile, the Bears pulled into a 23-17 lead and were never headed.

Steve Dallas of Baylor contributed 12 points.

James Hudson led the TCU scoring with 14 points as the Frogs shot only 37.9 per cent from the field.

**FAYETTEVILLE**—The Razorbacks Dean Tolson scored 29 points and pulled down 12 rebounds to lead Arkansas to its first Southwest Conference win, 89-88, Tuesday night over Southern Methodist University at Barnhill Fieldhouse here.

The loss kept the Ponies winless in conference play.

The Razorbacks overcame a seven point halftime deficit, 46-39, to win the game. Arkansas trailed by nine points with 5:25 remaining in the game, 80-71.

Rickey Medlock made both ends of a one-and-one as the Razorbacks scored 10 unanswered points to go ahead by one, 81-80, with 3:24 remaining.

The Ponies turned around and Oscar Roan hit a 12-foot jumper to put them out ahead 82-81. Arkansas could not regain the lead until freshman Mike Puccio hit two free throws to go ahead 87-86.

A layup by SMU's Ira Terrell gave the Mustangs the lead again at 88-87. Then Dennis White hit a 12-foot jumper for Arkansas to give the Hogs their final lead 89-88 with 20 seconds remaining.

SMU's attempt to set up a final winning spot was broken by Puccio who stole the ball from Bill Marcellus.

SMU is now 5-10 for the season and 0-3 in the conference. Arkansas is 5-10 also for the season and 1-2 in conference standings.

## Schramm sees WFL failure

**DALLAS (AP)**—Tex Schramm, president of the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League, said Tuesday the World Football League will have a harder time being a success than the old American Football League.

Schramm said when the AFL was organized there were only 12 teams in the NFL.

"Now, there are 26," Schramm said.

He added, "On the other hand the country has grown a bit. Of course, it's going to be much more expensive. When you start out in a venture like this you're going to have losses and the losses will be more than the AFL experienced."

The WFL held its first draft Tuesday, but the player the Cowboys are expected to pick as the No. 1 selection in the NFL draft next Tuesday was chosen in the third round—Ed Too Tall Jones, a defensive end from Tennessee State. The Detroit franchise of the WFL selected Jones.

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