

ational Federation meet

Aggies fail to pick up points

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A&M's track team revisited Loma City this weekend and reaped almost the same results as their first visit.

The Aggies failed to place a single man in any of the 14 events comprising the National Federation Indoor Track and Field meet held in Loma City with a ninth place finish out of 10 teams.

The Pacific Coast Track Club defeated the Aggies with a score of 32 1/2 points. Kansas was second with 25 marks.

The PCC team took firsts in the

440-yard dash, high jump, shot put and mile relay events. Jim Bolding, one of the United States' top intermediate hurdlers, won the quarter with a 47.8 effort, setting a meet record.

Al Fuerbach, one of the best in his field, tossed the shot 66-11 3/4 to take another victory and the PCC mile relay foursome dashed to a 3:14.0 win.

Roy Kotinek of PCC outjumped some headline performers in the high jump with a leap of 7-3. World record holder Dwight Stones was one of Kotinek's victims. Former A&M jumper Marvin Taylor tied for fifth with a jump of 6-10.

Stellar long jumper Kingsley Adams of the Colorado Track Club won that event by covering 24-8. Bill Collins of the Gulf Coast Track Club, formerly of TCU, won the 300-yard dash with a time of 30.3.

Although not scoring any team points, the Aggies set a school record in the pole vault. Brad Blair crossed the high bar at 16-0, bettering by six inches the old mark.

With three days remaining until the Southwest Conference indoor championships, the Ags are still without hurdler Craig MacPhail. MacPhail's junior college transcripts have been tardy in reaching A&M

officials.

Shifton Baker has been hospitalized with the flu and is indefinite for the conference meet. His loss would severely hurt the Aggies' chances to place in the top three. Polevaulter Pat Ruehle is already unavailable due to an injured leg.

Thanks to the recent SWC ruling, A&M can carry a travel squad of 24 men to the meet, an increase of two over the previous limit.

Baylor is the early favorite with the prelims starting at 2 p.m. Friday and concluding with the finals that night.

SWC changes travel squad limitation, academic needs

Changes in home and travel squad limitations in all Southwest Conference sports were a prime topic in a special meeting of the SWC Commission.

The nine-man governing body

changed the football limits of 60 players able to suit up for home games and 48 on the road to 55 players total for both situations.

Also, all senior football players with no remaining eligibility may suit up for the last game of the year.

For baseball the limits are 33 at home and 22 on the road. Golf and tennis are allowed to take six and seven athletes respectively for home and road competition.

Under the new ruling, athletes needing less than 12 hours to complete their degree programs need only register for those remaining hours and can still be listed as eligible for athletic competition.

Previously, athletes were forced to enroll for a minimum of 12 hours in order to remain eligible.

Girl cagers travel to meet Houston

The University of Houston will host the Texas A&M women's basketball team tonight with the tipoff at 5:15 p.m.

The Aggies have already defeated UH women in a previous contest at College Station.

Over the weekend, the Aggies participated in a Houston tournament, winning two of their four games.

The University of Mississippi for women, the eventual tournament champion, defeated the Ags by a score of 79-69. The Aggies were charged with 26 turnovers to only 10 by their opponents. Mississippi defeated Baylor 102-96 to take the title.

Conference basketball limits were set at 15 on home sites and 12 on the road. This is a change from 12 and 10 for home and road games.

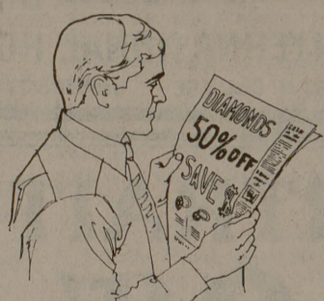
Track limits were placed at 24 and 24 for indoor competition and 28 and 28 for outdoors.

The commission also limited the number of official visits a conference school may finance for athletes visiting a school for recruiting purposes.

The ruling calls for 95 visits for football and 18 for basketball. All other sports are limited to eight visits by recruited athletes.

Another ruling changed the amount of academic hours that athletes nearing graduation must take.

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In the consolation match, Lamar led out a two-point victory in the second as the Aggies fell 54-52. This was the women's third game of the day and they held a 10 point lead before slipping at the finish. Gough and A&M with 16 points.

Gough also was the tourney winner in the women's free throw contest. Morisse was named to the all-tournament second team, the only Aggie to receive tourney honors.

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