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New season for Ags

By WAYNE NELSON
Long before the thousands of fans begin to file into Kyle Field next fall, the Texas Aggie football team is quietly beginning spring workouts here tomorrow in preparation for what many consider to be one of the best A&M schedules ever.

The Aggies will host five teams next fall which include Kansas, the University of Houston, the University of Texas, Arkansas and SMU.

The other half of the 1977 schedule finds the Aggies playing Michigan, Virginia Tech, Texas Tech, TCU, and Rice on the road. Just how well the 1977 season turns out will depend greatly on how well the team progresses during spring drills, and according to head coach Emory Ballard this year's team going into spring drills looks very strong.

"We have a lot of new faces that we hope will be making their way into the starting lineups this year," Ballard said. "The people that are going to be starters next year will most likely be the ones who assert themselves during spring training."

Ballard, who is in his sixth year as head football coach and athletic di-

rector, likes the workouts that spring training provide.

"We will be working out two times a day, Monday through Saturday, with Saturday being a day not necessarily for hard workout, but for teamwork type work," he said.

"We have a lot of teaching to do to all our young players, and the biggest problem right now will be replacing the players that we lost on defense," Ballard noted, "but I have the highest confidence in our defensive coaching staff to bring together another strong unit," he added.

The offense will be nearly identical to last year's with the exception of minor changes in the offensive line and the move of punt return specialist Darrell Smith to split end.

"We plan to try Darrell at split end along with Doug Teague," Ballard said. "We will also make a couple of changes later on in the spring that will hopefully develop more continuity throughout the squad."

A problem mentioned by Ballard this spring will be at quarterback where the Aggies return only one starter in David Walker.

"We've got to have somebody come along this spring or next summer that will give us the needed depth at quarterback," Ballard noted. "The young men that come in this fall as freshman will have a very good chance to give us help in this area immediately."

Ballard also said that the freshmen will face a unique problem; the time element.

"We are unfortunately faced with a very short time in which to develop our younger and more inexperienced players into the condition that we would like to have them for next year," Ballard said.

For those interested in seeing the Aggies workout the practices will be open to the public and are free of charge.

The spring workouts will conclude with the annual Maroon and White football game which will be played Saturday night, April 23.

Weight lifters win national championship

By DEBBY KRENEK
Battalion News Editor

Stan Peters set three national records and led the Texas A&M weight lifting club to its second national championship in three years at the National Collegiate Powerlifting Championships in Stillwater, Okla.

Peters, who has been in the club three years, took first place in the 123-pound class with a national record squat lift of 350 pounds and a bench lift of 250. A squat lift is done in a squatting position with the barbell placed across the back. A bench lift is done in a reclining position with the barbell being pushed off the chest.

The Aggies, who had six men returning from the 1975 championship team, won the meet with 53 points followed by Nebraska University with 51 points. The University of Texas placed fourth with 32 points.

A&M and Texas were the only two schools in the meet whose clubs are not sanctioned by the university. All of the eastern schools competing have full-time paid coaches and team members are recruited on scholarships. Larry Cozart, club president, said. The Aggie club was organized by Cozart four years ago and he serves as coach of the team.

One of the reasons cited by team members for the team's outstanding performance over the years is that only the people who are genuinely interested in the sport join the team. The club members are there because they want to be, not because they have to be, Cozart said.

The Aggies tied for second place at nationals last year with North Carolina State behind first place Montclair State. During the last four years the Aggies have won four state, three regional and two national championships. Individuals in the club have broken over 80 state records and six national records.

Other A&M winners in national competition were: 114-pound class — Bruce Campbell, fourth and Harold Sackett, fifth; 123-pound class — Larry O'Flinn, fifth; 132-pound class — Jerry Pennington, eighth and Mike Kolker, 12th; 145-pound class — Cozart, fifth and Doug Wood, sixth; 181-pound class — Brian Welker, eighth; and 220-pound class — Alfred Guidry, sixth.

Mustangs stop

Ag fem golfers

Led by LeAnn Cassaday, Kyle O'Brien and Theresa Hession, who finished one-two-three in the individual standings, SMU beat second-place Texas A&M by 19 strokes in the 54-hole Texas A&M Women's Invitational golf tournament that ended here today.

SMU finished with a 955 total to A&M's 974. Behind them came Lamar 984, Oklahoma State 999, Oklahoma 1030, TCU 1048, Temple JC 1085, Texas Tech 1117, S. F. Austin 1127, Sam Houston 1228 and Midland College 1269.

Cassaday won the individual title with a 224 on rounds of 74-76-74 over the par-70 A&M University course. O'Brien finished with a 228 and Hession had 230. A&M's Brenda Goldsmith was fourth at 232.

Love at early age for some Italians

MILAN, Italy (UPI) — Love Italian style blossoms at an early age. A poll of 25,000 young Italians has shown that 43 per cent of the respondents had their first sexual experience between the ages of 16 and 18.

Thirty per cent said their first experience with sex came before the 16th birthday.

The poll, conducted by the Sociopraxis organization for the youth magazine Due Piu, also said 33 per cent of them replied that their first sexual experience took place in an automobile. Two per cent responded it took place in a hotel.

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