



GEORGE WOODARD

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Aggie notes . . .

ABC-TV will have a feature on SWC kickers (A&M's Franklin, Arkansas' Little and Texas' Erxleben) on its evening news segment scheduled for airing on Friday, Nov. 25, on the eve of the Aggie-Longhorn game at Kyle Field. . . . Senior center Mark Dennard is A&M's nominee for the Kern Tips award. . . . "Winning would be nice," Mark says, "but I consider it a tremendous honor just to be nominated for that award."

A&M's basketball team will be featured in two prime-time TV games from G. Rollie White Coliseum this season. The A&M-Houston game will be at 8 p.m., January 12 and the Arkansas-A&M game will be at 8 p.m., February 9. The latter was moved from February 7. Both TV contests will be Thursday night affairs.

Texas A&M nudged the University of Texas, 42 to 44, here Saturday to win the Southwest American Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (IAAW) regional cross-country meet, a 5,000-meter event run over the Texas A&M University golf course.

Karen Bridges of Oklahoma State won the event in 17:32 while Julia Campbell of Texas was second at 18:14 and Marsha Sartain of Texas Tech was fourth at 18:21.

A&M, Texas and Texas Women's University were the qualifying teams for the national meet. Individuals, in addition to the qualifying team members, who qualified for national, included Bridges of Oklahoma State, Navarro of Texas Tech, and Sugar of Oklahoma University; Joy Coch of Houston; Merlene Flores of East Texas State and Sharon Nelson of UT-Arlington.

In addition to Sartain, A&M runners included Hena Hocking, 7th; Kim Mallory, 12th; Cindy Crockett, 14; Cathy Coker, 15th; Susan Johnston, 21st; Keress Hawkins, 25th; Jo Ellen Ronan, 35th and Marty McGraw, 38th.

A&M Coach David Williams, pleased with his team's performance, said: "We had a number of girls injured and ill nearly all week and it was a gutsy race by many of them."

Cindy Cremlion swept all four events and all-around honors Saturday in a three-school women's gymnastic meet hosted by Texas A&M.

She won the vault, balance beam, floor exercise, uneven parallel bars and all-around with a total of 31.40 points. Her nearest competitor scored 25.55. Tarleton State was second and Texas Women's University was third.

A six-man Texas A&M golf team will compete in the 21-team Harvey Penick Invitational Monday through Wednesday at the Morris Williams course in Austin.

Coach Bob Ellis announced that his qualifiers for this three-day, 54-hole meet will be Dave Ogrin,

Doug Ward, Mark Taylor, Biff Alexander, Dale Carlise and Ricky Jamison.

The low five players for the 54-hole meet will determine the team title. In addition, there will be a team low-ball prize as well as individual medalist.

Among the top teams in the field will be Oklahoma State, Houston, University of Oklahoma, Oral Roberts, LSU, New Mexico State and University of New Mexico.

All of the SWC schools except Rice, Baylor and Texas Tech will be in the field.

Plans are being formulated to have close-circuit TV of the Aggie-Texas football game in G. Rollie White Coliseum on Nov. 26.

Since the game long since has been a sellout at Kyle Field, with some 6,000 folding chairs on the track added to the 49,700-seat capacity, the close-circuit TV could add another 6,000 fans in the basketball coliseum.

An announcement of advance ticket sales likely will come later this week. Prices will be \$5.00 for students, dates and general public.

Kevin Monk, Texas A&M senior linebacker from Seguin, is among 11 outstanding college seniors who have been named National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar-Athletes for 1977.

Monk, a Civil Engineering major with a 3.85 grade point average, is lettering for the fourth year in football at Texas A&M this season.

Two of the oldest records held by one of the greatest players in A&M football history likely will be broken this season. Fullback George Woodard needs just one touchdown to tie the career record of 30 by Joel Hunt in 1925-27. Hunt's career scoring mark of 224 points probably will fall to junior kicker Tony Franklin. The barefoot booter has 199 points with four games left. He is averaging 7.9 points per game this season and ranks 11th in the nation in scoring. . . . Franklin added a new record against SMU. He now has 85 extra point attempts, erasing the mark of 83 by Darrow Hooper in 1950-52. Hooper made 62 of his attempts while Franklin has hit 79. The team also tied a school record with 29 first downs against SMU. . . . That total was reached against Baylor in 1926 and SMU in 1968. . . . Emory Bellard players now hold or share 21 school records and his teams hold or share 27 more.

Soph punter David Appleby also has a shot at the school season record. He is averaging 43.6 yards per kick, the same as Phil Scoggin in 1965. . . . A&M is certain of setting new home attendance figure. The record is 50,545 average for five home games last year. A&M averaged 52,700 for its first two home games and is assured of from 53,000 to 56,000 for its final three against Arkansas, Texas and Houston. That's in a 49,700-seat stadium and one can see why plans are under way to expand the capacity.

It's bowl time again

By MARK PATTERSON
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It's getting to be bowl time again around the country. Two of the major candidates to fill one of the post season positions will meet in Kyle Field Saturday afternoon.

The Arkansas Razorbacks, 4-1 in conference play and 7-1 on the year, are invading College Station after an impressive 35-9 victory over the Baylor Bears last Saturday.

Although the Hogs scored 35 points in the game, their Heisman Trophy candidate Ben Cowens was held to 32 yards rushing, his lowest total in three years.

When Cowens was stopped on the ground, Arkansas went to the air with quarterback Ron Calcagni at the controls. Calcagni pierced the Baylor secondary for 228 yards and two touchdowns in the game.

Cowens and Calcagni are two of the main reasons the Razorbacks are ranked 9th nationally in scoring of-

fense with a 33.5 points per game average. But the offense hasn't had to work so hard this year to assure the Hogs of a victory. The Arkansas defense is ranked 1st nationally in scoring defense, yielding only 6.8 points per game.

The tough Hog defense will have to contend with a "new" George Woodard on Saturday. Woodard has lost 20 pounds since last week's SMU game. Weighing 266 Tuesday, the A&M coaches hope Woodard can be down to 260 by gametime. At any weight, Arkansas defensive end Jerry Saxton thinks Woodard will be tough on the Hogs.

"A&M is very physical ball club," said Saxton. "Woodard will present a problem to us. We'll have to gang tackle him and tackle better than we have been all year if we hope to stop him."

"And this is the first time we'll face a wishbone team this year," added Saxton.

Yet quarterback Calcagni has a

different view of the game this weekend.

"Playing there (Kyle) is tough but no one is going to shoot at us from the stands," said Calcagni. "Plus there are only 22 players on the field and 11 of them will be ours."

The Razorbacks have an equalizer to the Aggies' Tony Franklin. Arkansas placekicker-punter Steve Little is as much a scoring threat as is the Arkansas backfield. Little has kicked 14 field goals and 30 PATs this year for a 9-point per game average. He is only three field goals away from the NCAA career record, with 48 career field goals.

Included in his 48 are eight from beyond the fifty yard line. Little currently shares the NCAA record field goal of 67 yards with Russell Erleben of Texas.

Little's 43.9 per punt average ranks him 13th nationally and second in the SWC.

Saturday's game marks the 51st meeting between the two schools. Arkansas holds a 28-19-3 overall record against the Aggies. In last year's game, the Aggies overcame a 3-0 first quarter deficit with a 24-point second quarter rally to bury the Hogs 31-10 in Little Rock.

But this year it's a new contest. The Razorbacks and the Aggies are national powers and the bowl people are aware of this game's sig-

nificance to the national rankings.

Representatives from the Orange, Cotton, Sugar, Sun, Fiesta, Liberty, Bluebonnet and Gator Bowls will all be in attendance for Saturday's game. Though Saturday's winner isn't assured of the conference championship, in all likelihood it will bring in the new year practicing for one of the above mentioned bowls.

And that's incentive enough for the Aggies and Razorbacks on Saturday.

Top 20

Team	Points
1. Texas (38) 8-0	398
2. Alabama (1) 8-1	334
3. Oklahoma 8-1	304
4. Ohio St. 8-1	263
5. Notre Dame (1) 7-1	210
6. Michigan 8-1	199
7. Arkansas 7-1	132
8. Penn St. 8-1	119
9. Pittsburgh 7-1-1	63
10. Nebraska 7-2	57
11. Texas A&M 6-1	46
12. Brigham Young 7-1	10
13. Arizona St. 7-1	8
14. Southern Calif. 6-3	7
15. Colorado 6-2-1	4
16. Florida St. 7-1	3
17. Clemson 7-1-1	3
18. No. Texas St. 8-2	2

Ag volleyball team wins championship

The Aggie men's undergraduate volleyball team won the championship in its division of the Texas A&M University Men's Collegiate Volleyball League Collegiate Club Open held in G. Rollie White Coliseum last Saturday.

In the undergraduate division, Texas A&M defeated Texas Lutheran College, Rice University, the University of Texas and the University of Texas at Arlington on its way to the championship.

The Aggies lost only one game (to Rice), and they won all of their matches in the round robin tournament. A game is won by the first team to score 15 points and the team that wins two games wins a match.

The key to the undergraduates' victory was their ability to block opposing teams' spikes.

The Aggies proved they deserved the championship with impressive wins in the Texas match. A&M beat the Longhorns 15-7 and 15-8. The match was highlighted by the Aggies' ability to serve and spike. They also blocked more than 10 Longhorn spikes during the match.

The A&M-UTA match was mar-

red by arguing between the teams, but the Aggie undergraduates went on to defeat UTA in two games and win the tournament championship.

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