

# U.S. team finishes second in tournament

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Following what can be safely called the longest road trip of their young careers, the United States World Tournament team returns home today after winning the silver medal for second place at the World Amateur Baseball Championship Tournament in Italy.

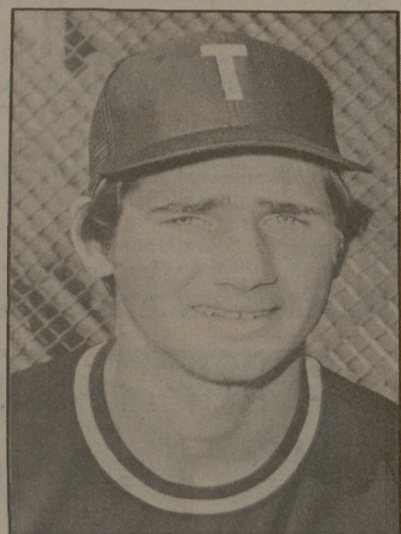
The tournament began Aug. 25 and ended Wednesday with the U.S. posting a 9-1 record. Their only loss came at the hands of gold medalist Cuba, who finished the tourney 10-0.

Korea took the bronze medal for third place with an 8-2 slate.

Tom Chandler of Texas A&M was the head coach of the United States team, his first position as coach of an American team in international competition.

Mark Thurmond was one of five Aggies who played for the U.S. team and the senior lefthander from Houston Spring Branch has much to show for his efforts.

Thurmond was named the Most Valuable Pitcher of the World Tournament, having posted a 3-0 record



Mark Thurmond

and turned in the lowest earned-run-average of any hurler in the tournament with a perfect 0.00. He hurled one shutout against Korea,

allowed one unearned run against Mexico and pitched seven shutout innings against Australia in his last outing. Thurmond also struck out 25 batters in 25 innings of pitching.

Junior outfielder Mike Hurdle of A&M also played well during the tournament, collecting eight hits, including a three-run homerun in a win over Holland.

Senior pitcher Mark Ross made two appearances, both in relief roles. He hurled a total of five innings and allowed four hits.

Senior first baseman Kyle Hawthorne collected four hits, three of them in one game against Belgium.

Senior catcher Buster Turner did not see any action until the U.S. final game against Nicaragua when he went 0-1.

First baseman Tim Wallach of Cal State Fullerton was named the Most Valuable Player of the tournament. Wallach led all batters in runs scored (13), hits (15), and RBI's (15). He was second in homeruns with four and batted .424 for the tournament.

Final ceremonies for the tournament were held Wednesday night in Bologna, Italy before a crowd of 12,000.

The U.S. team is scheduled to arrive in New York City at 5 p.m. (CDT) today. Chandler and the five Aggie players will arrive at Houston's Intercontinental Airport around 9 p.m. tonight.



It's good!

Senior place-kicker Tony Franklin (No. 1) indicates that he was successful in this field goal attempt last year. David Beal (No. 12) and David Brothers celebrate along with Franklin. Franklin made 16 of 28 field goal attempts last year and led

the Aggies in scoring with 86 points. He will continue Saturday as Texas A&M plays Kansas in Lawrence, Kan. 1:30 p.m.

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## Akers leans toward McEachern

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 AUSTIN — Texas Coach Fred Akers indicated Wednesday Randy McEachern had won the starting quarterback job with Mark McEachern close behind him.

The Longhorns open against the Rice Owls Sept. 16 and Akers said last year's quarterback, Jon Aune,

still had not fully recovered from knee surgery.

"Jon Aune is going through a conditioning and strength program and we're not preparing him for the Rice game," Akers said. "Although we cannot look ahead a week, as of right now Randy McEachern is our No. 1 quarterback."

The Longhorns held their last

public scrimmage Wednesday, concentrating on the play by play. Beginning today, workouts will be closed.

DALLAS — Southern Methodist Coach Ron Meyer said Wednesday he was having difficulty for the TCU Horned Frogs Saturday's opener at the Cotton Bowl because TCU's team is enhanced by many junior transfers.

"We've had to prepare a game without really knowing anything we'd like to about TCU," Meyer said. "Every time we see them or get a new scouting report, it's in a different formation or the different people playing."

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech coach Rex Dockery Wednesday named senior Tres Adams as the starting quarterback in the Red Raiders' season opener at USC Saturday.

Dockery said, however, Adams and junior Mark Johnson were still close in the quarterback race and that both would see action.

Adams is known as the better runner while Johnson is considered the better passer.

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