

Aggie notes

Gericke goes home

Texas A&M's men's track squad suffered another cruel blow earlier this week when freshman distance runner Henning Gericke of South Africa unexpectedly left for home. "We didn't know he was unhappy," Coach Charlie Thomas said. "And we didn't know he was leaving until he had already packed and left." Gericke had run a 4:03 mile as a high schooler in South Africa. Earlier in the year, Texas A&M had been weakened by the losses of Mike Mosley and Arthur Williams. Mosley is passing up track this spring to concentrate on football and

Williams gave up track and transferred to North Texas to concentrate on basketball. The Aggies lost a dual meet to Rice last Saturday, 74-62, but competed without Curtis Dickey who had tied for fourth in the national AAU 60-yard dash in New York the night before. This week the Aggies will be in the Border Olympics in Laredo. Rice is the defending meet champion and the Aggies came in second last year. Thomas said that ace quarter-miler Leslie Kerr will run the 220 this week instead of the 440.

"We think Steve Willis can win the 440 so we're going to try to score high in the 220 with Kerr," the Aggie coach said. "Dickey will run the 100-yard dash and on the 440 relay." The 440 relay will have Willis, Kerr, Vernon Pittman and Dickey, in that order, with Emerson Brown as top alternate. The mile relay will have Ron Wilson, Pittman, Kerr and Willis, with Karl Figgs as top alternate.

Swim meet begins

United Press International AUSTIN — The Southern Methodist University Mustangs, with perhaps the strongest team in its generation-long domination of outwest Conference swimming, began its 23rd consecutive league title beginning tonight in the SWC swimming championships. SMU is undefeated in dual meet competition this year and upset powerful teams from Indiana and southern California to earn consideration as perhaps one of the top five teams in the country. As usual, the Mustangs strongest competition will come from the Texas Longhorns, who will host the meet in one of the world's finest swimming facilities. SMU whipped Texas earlier this year in a dual meet.

The Mustangs roster is loaded with talent that could produce points in the NCAA meet. Greg Kraus holds the conference's best time in the 200-yard freestyle while SMU's Ken Brenton, Bart Day and Kim Davis are the swimmers to beat in the backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly competition. The Mustangs will be heavy favorites to win all three relay events and should be dominant in the diving as well. Davis should also be a key factor in the short freestyle races, but Arkansas' Jerry Spencer will probably challenge in both the 50 and 100-yard freestyles. Competition will run through Saturday at the Texas Swimming Center.

Astros for sale?

United Press International SAN ANTONIO — B.J. "Red" McCombs, a local automobile dealer and chairman of the NBA San Antonio Spurs, confirmed Wednesday he is negotiating to purchase the Houston Astros baseball team and is accompanying 28-year-old leasee of the Astrodome. McCombs, who boasts the largest Ford dealership in Texas, revealed he has been "in discussions" for about 10 days with the present Astros owners, Ford Motor Credit Corp. and several Houston banks. "It will be a heck of a thing if it

comes together," McCombs told the San Antonio Light, but he declined to provide any specifics because the talks are progressing "on a day-to-day basis." McCombs, a principal owner of the Spurs, is credited with being the prime mover in obtaining an NBA franchise for the nation's 10th largest city. McCombs indicated he was not the only party interested in buying the Astros but said he does not know the identities of the other prospective buyers. "Anytime you've got a major league baseball team, and anything as exciting as a leasehold on the operation of the Astrodome, people are going to be interested in it," McCombs said.

Golf

Coach Bob Ellis and the Texas A&M men's golf team will also be in Laredo this weekend competing in the Border Olympics tournament, which will take place Saturday and Sunday. The Aggies have made strong showings in three tournaments thus far: the Jim Deaton Intercollegiate at Houston, the Pan-American Invitational at Monterrey, Mexico and the Lamar Intercollegiate at Beaumont.

Tennis

Now sporting a dual-match record of 5-1, Coach David Kent's Texas A&M men's tennis squad competes in the Corpus Christi Invitational tournament this week. The meet runs from Thursday through Saturday. Last week, the Aggies won two home matches, beating Southwest Texas State, 6-3, and Southwest Louisiana, 8-1.

Rodeo

The Texas A&M rodeo club will travel to Kingsville this weekend to compete in the Texas A&I intercollegiate rodeo. Last week, the Aggies competed in the Southwest Texas State rodeo in San Marcos. The men's team placed third overall in the competition. Mark Ivy lassoed the Aggies' only first place finish with a win in the calf roping competition.

Rugby

Despite the mud and the cold, the Texas A&M women's rugby team took third place in the 12th annual Mardi Gras Rugby Tournament in Hammond, La., last weekend. Saturday, the team will try to improve on its 18-1 season record when it hosts Sam Houston at 10:30 a.m. on the polo field.

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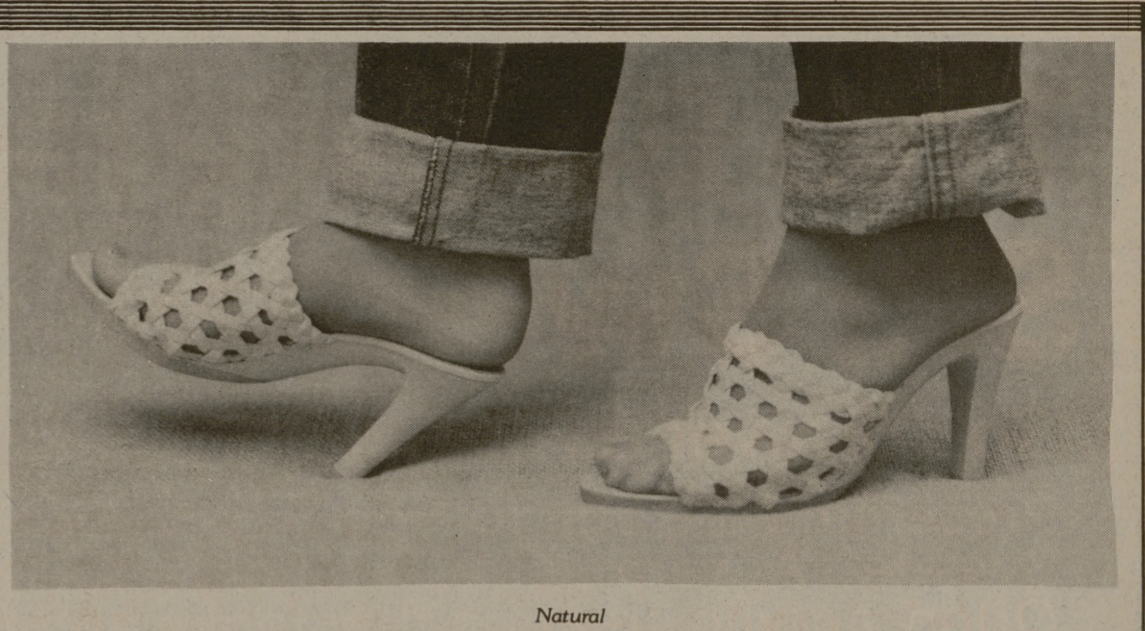
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