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# Baseball team splits with Razorbacks over weekend

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The Texas A&M baseball team split a double-header with the Arkansas Razorbacks Friday in a two-game series. Kenny Rogers' two-run homer in the fourth inning of the opening game led the Razorbacks to a 4-2 victory. The Ags, trailing 4-0 after two innings, came back to win the second game 8-5. Freshman pitcher Rick Luecken made his first game this season in the opener, giving up only five hits in six innings. However, two unearned Razorback runs in the first inning and Roger's shot broke up the pitcher's duel. Arkansas pitcher Scott Tabor allowed only five Aggie hits and one earned run to pick up his first win of the season. Tabor is now 2-2 while Luecken dropped to 6-1. The Ags cut the Hogs' lead to 2-1 in the third when Randy Woodruff walked, stole second and scored on a big Little single. Harry Francis led the game up in the fourth when he scored from third on an error. Francis struck out but reached first on a passed ball, moved to second on Rodney Hodde's single and then reached third on a double play to set the tying run. Freshman Robert Slavens became the winningest pitcher in the Southwest Conference when he pushed his record to 7-0 in the nightcap. Slavens was hit hard in the early going and it looked as if the Razorbacks might sweep the double-header. Kevin McReynold hit a three-run homer to spot the Hogs to a 3-0 lead after one inning.



The Ags rallied the rest of the way and finally took the lead in the seventh when they scored three runs to move ahead, 6-5. Freshman catcher Joe Szekely's two-run dou-

ble tied the score at 5-5 in the seventh and Joe Paul Bramhall's single scored Hodde to put the Ags in the lead.

The third game was called off because of rain and won't be made up. The Ags are now 10-4 in SWC play while the Hogs are 6-5.

# Couples wins tourney

United Press International  
AUSTIN — Fred Couples shot a final-round 4-under-par 68 Sunday to lead the Houston Cougars to the team championship in the 14th Mirris Williams Intercollegiate Golf Tournament.

Houston's team total for the three-day, 54-hole tourney was a 2-over-par 866.

Houston entered the final round with a one-shot edge over defending champion Oklahoma State, but held off the Cowboys all afternoon.

Oklahoma State finished second at 872, passing up Oral Roberts, which came in third at 878 behind Joe Rasett's finalround 66.

Couples ended the day in fifth place at even-par and two shots behind Rod Nuckolls of Wichita State, Cougar teammate Terry Snodgrass, and Texas A&M's David Ogrin.

Nuckolls and Snodgrass faded on the final 18 holes and Couples' 68 was enough to overtake Ogrin. Couples, the low amateur at last year's U.S. Open, won the individual title with a 4-under 212; Ogrin closed

with a 71 and was runnerup at 213. Walker Cup holder Hal Sutton of Centenary was another shot back at 214.

The win by Houston broke Oklahoma State's hold on the tourney. The Cowboys had won the past two Morris Williams titles and had captured three of the last four. Houston had taken it 1977.

## Two Ag fullbacks injured

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Second team fullback Ronnie James and third stringer Roger Wiley both went down with injuries Saturday in Texas A&M's football scrimmage.

James broke a bone in his left leg and dislocated his left ankle. Wiley damaged ligaments in his right knee and likely will have to undergo surgery.

"It was an expensive day," said coach Tom Wilson. "We went from a position where we had depth and quality down to one player and this was just the first week of spring practice."

The only healthy fullback remaining on the Aggies is starter David Hill.

The standout of the scrimmage was quarterback Mike Mosley, who ran for 49 yards and completed 15 passes for 163 yards and two touchdowns.

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# Men's track team gets good times in Dallas

By KATHLEEN McELROY  
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The Texas A&M University men's track team and a gusty wind combined to blow away the other schools competing in the Dallas Invitational last Saturday. The Aggies — who won seven events and finished second in three — were led by junior Leslie Kerr and senior Curtis Dickey, who were named the meet's most valuable performers. "It was our best meet, probably the best," said Texas A&M head coach Charles Thomas. "We had the real fine performances. We were voted the outstanding team," Thomas continued. "Some of our writers started calling it the Texas A&M Invitational meet." The Aggies also did well in their meet in the McAllen City of the Stars event, winning almost all the events. But in the Dallas meet Texas A&M dominated the track events. "It's hard to explain," Thomas said. Kerr, who won the Southwest

Conference 400-meter event last May, set a meet record in the 400-meter race when he finished in 45.98, beating the record in 46.6. Dickey, three-time NCAA indoor 60-yard dash champion, won the special invitational 100-meter in 10.1 seconds in spite of 20 mph winds. Dickey, winning his first 100-meter dash all season, streaked by Jerome Deal and Harvey Glance, both former NCAA sprint champions. While Dickey and Kerr have been winning all season long, Thomas said two Aggies were pleasant surprise winners. Freshman Mike Claspie won the 110-meter high hurdles (13.95), and junior Billy Busch won the 400-meter hurdles in 51.81. The Aggie relay teams, who have had an outstanding season so far, again topped their competitors. The Texas A&M team of sophomore Steve Willis, junior Vernon Pittman, Kerr and Dickey won the 440-meter with a time of 40.29. The mile relay team — Willis, Pittman, Kerr and freshman James Washington — ran in 3:11.24 to capture that event. The Aggies didn't do too shabbily

in the field events either. Chuck Perry won the high jump with a 7-0. Texas A&M finished second in three events — senior Mike Newsom in the javelin (221-2), and senior Tim Scott in the shot put (62-0) and the discus. The meet was a good warm-up for the prestigious Texas Relays Friday and Saturday in Austin's Memorial Stadium. However, the Aggies will face stiffer competition since many of the outstanding teams in the region were attending the Louisiana State Meet last weekend. "The Texas Relays will be tougher," Thomas said of the meet in which about 200 schools will compete. "The competition is the best we'll face until the NCAA meet." The NCAA outdoor championships will also be held at Memorial Stadium in early June. The Aggies will be in good shape for the Austin meet — the one exception being senior runner Philip Steen who pulled a leg muscle and will be out for two to three weeks.

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