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# Longhorns take two of three from Ags

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The Texas Longhorns virtually wrapped up the Southwest Conference baseball crown this weekend when they took two of three games from second-place Texas A&M.

The Longhorns won the first game Friday night, 5-1, took the first game of Saturday's double-header 4-1, and looked like they were going to sweep the Aggies when they led the final game, 4-1, after seven innings. But the Ags rallied to score three runs in the eighth and went on to win, 5-4, in 12 innings.

Centerfielder Mike Zatopek's three RBI's in Friday night's game accounted for the Texas

win. Pitcher Keith Creel raised his season record to 11-1 for the Horns. Aggie freshman David Flores took the loss and dropped to 2-2.

In Saturday's opener, Rick Luecken tossed a four-hitter for the Aggies, but walked four batters to set up the Horns' victory.

He and Longhorn Jim Acker had a pitcher's duel going through four innings before the Ags scored in the fifth to make it 1-0.

In that inning, Twig Little singled in Simon Glenn to give the Aggies their short-lived lead.

In the bottom of the fifth, Luecken walked two batters and gave up a single and an RBI groundout which sent the Lon-

ghorns into a 2-1 lead.

Texas scored two more in the sixth to give them their winning margin.

Luecken, who pitched five innings before being replaced by Bobby Taylor, took the loss and dropped to 8-3. Acker is now 8-1.

The Aggies won the last game on a throwing error by Longhorn second baseman Dean David. Twig Little, who scored the winning run, started things off in the twelfth with a bunt single. Mike Hurdle followed with a walk. Rodney Hodde then hit a possible double play-ball to third base. Hurdle was forced at second, but when David's throw to first ended up in the dugout, Little waltzed in with the winning run.

# Ags dominate Waco meet

The Texas A&M men's track team dominated another track meet this weekend as the Aggies captured the major events at the Baylor Invitational at Waco Friday and Saturday.

Texas A&M was voted the outstanding team in the meet, which featured some of the top schools in the region.

Tim Scott won both the shot put (64-2) and the discus (192-0) over the University of Texas' Oskar Jakobsson.

"That was a great performance for him to beat that Texas boy," said Texas A&M track coach Charlie Thomas.

Curtis Dickey won the 100-meter dash in a disputed time — the timekeepers originally clocked him at a lightning 10.04, but later changed it to a rather slow 10.4.

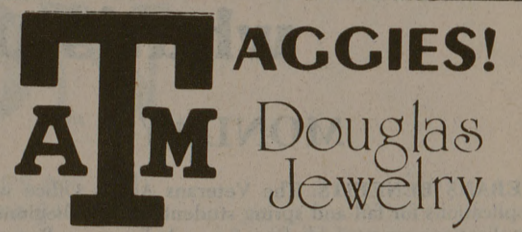
"We thought he was ran pretty fast," Thomas said. "I'm pretty sure it

was faster than that."

The Texas A&M relay teams won the 1600- and the 400-meter relays. The 400-meter team — Leslie Kerr, Vernon Pittman, Steve Willis and Dickey — clocked a 39.7.

Randy Hall, the NCAA and Southwest Conference Indoor champion, won the pole vault at 17-6.

High jumper Jim Howard, injured for most of the season, won the jump at 7-0, and Billy Busch won the 400-meter hurdles in 51 seconds.



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# Maroon whips White, 27-0

By JON HEIDTKE  
Sports Reporter

A 27-0 victory by the Maroon first-stringers before 7,000 sun-soaked fans climaxed Texas A&M's injury-prone spring season and gave head coach Tom Wilson something to smile about.

"The best thing we didn't get anybody hurt. And that was a good way to end the spring," Wilson said about Saturday afternoon's game.

Wilson, who is considering eliminating the spring game, told a group of reporters that he would like to see a regular game in the spring, instead of the intra-squad scrimmage.

"Playing an LSU during the spring would bring added revenue to the Athletic Department and bolster the ongoing interest in the spring game," he said.

"It would be a chance to renew old rivalries," he said. "For example, we could get to play LSU again. Whether it would be at our stadium or theirs, the place would be full, and I would not have to count toward the season. It would just be a game to play in the spring, a pride sort of thing."

Wilson has discussed it with other Southwest Conference coaches and has received some favorable response. "I don't expect it to pass this year, but maybe it will come about in the next four or five," he said. "It could also have to be NCAA-sanctioned."

But for now, Wilson was pleased to find that his offense was much further ahead of last year's team, at the same point. "The biggest improvement has been in the offensive line," he said. "They are much smarter and more aggressive."

Quarterback Mike Mosley has also had an exceptional spring. "He (Mosley) has really matured in running the offense this spring," Wilson said.

Mosley directed the Maroon team to a 14-0 halftime lead before giving way to David Beal.

The senior-to-be from Humble completed six of 10 passes for 91 yards and one interception, and also picked up 34 yards rushing on eight carries.

In the second half, Beal led the Maroon squad to two more touchdowns.

Beal hit five of seven passes for 32 yards and a touchdown, and rushed for 22 yards on six carries, including a one-yard touchdown run.

Starting fullback Elvis Waller was injured early, allowing Wilson to experiment with a split-backfield of Earnest Jackson and Johnny Hector.

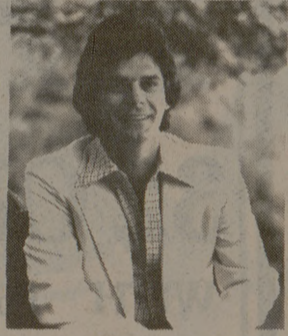
Jackson piled up 73 yards on 16 carries, including a pair of one-yard touchdown plunges in the first half. The all-stater from Lamar Consolidated also had a 75-yard run wiped out by a penalty.

Hector, who worked out for the first time in two weeks because of a bruised shoulder, added 78 yards on seven carries. "Hector has the quickest feet I've ever seen," Wilson said.

The White team, which never got a ground game established, relied on quarterbacks Gary Kubiak and Mark McQueen to move the offense. The two combined to complete three of 10 passes for 42 yards, with split end Don Jones being on the receiving end of all three completions.

Facing one of the toughest schedules in the country next season, with away games at Ole Miss, Georgia, Houston, SMU, Arkansas and Texas, and then hosting Penn State, Wilson is depending on immediate freshman help.

"We need immediate help at tight end, and depth at defensive end, tackle, and linebacker," Wilson said. Next year's punting will also be handled by the freshmen, he said.



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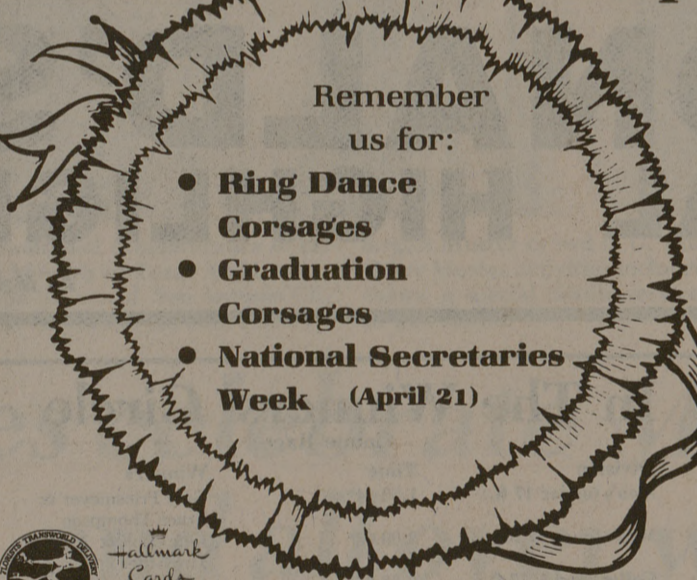
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