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Handball team finishes third

The Texas A&M University handball team finished third in the national championships last weekend in Boulder, Colo. Aggie junior Sue Oakleaf

dominated a field of 23 women from across the nation Saturday and Sunday to win her second consecutive national intercollegiate championship. Jill MacAluso and Beth Rowley also contributed important team points by advancing to the quarterfinals.

The men on the handball team were: John Welch, Tim Feickert, Richard Harrison, Matt Pokryfki, Bill Moore and Raymond Walkup. Feickert lost to the eventual champion, Kevin Novak from

Memphis State, in the quarterfinals.

Harrison and Moore also lost close matches in the quarterfinals. Welch, Pokryfki and Walkup all performed well in the consolation bracket.

Lance Lowy, coach of the handball team, expressed satisfaction and optimism because of the team results. The experience gained, Lowy said, will help all the players.

The University of Texas and

Lake Forest College of Chicago tied for first in the team standings while Memphis State took second. Texas A&M beat out such handball powers as the University of Cincinnati, California-Berkeley and Montana for third place.

The Handball Club will send 40 to 50 players to Austin March 27-29 for the Southwest Divisional Handball Tournament. The tournament will draw top players from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Dallas wins 2nd straight

United Press International DALLAS — Tom LaGarde made a three-point play with three seconds remaining to give the Dallas Mavericks a 120-118 hard fought victory Thursday night over the Golden State Warriors.

Dallas, in winning its second straight game for the second time in the team's short NBA history, held off a furious Golden State fourth quarter rally.

Purvis Short, who fouled out with seven minutes to go, left the game with a career high 45 points as the Warriors battled back from a 111-103 deficit with 4:28 to go in the game.

Rookie Larry Smith took up the slack with six quick points in leading the Warriors on a 142 spurt to regain the lead at 117-113 with 52 seconds left.

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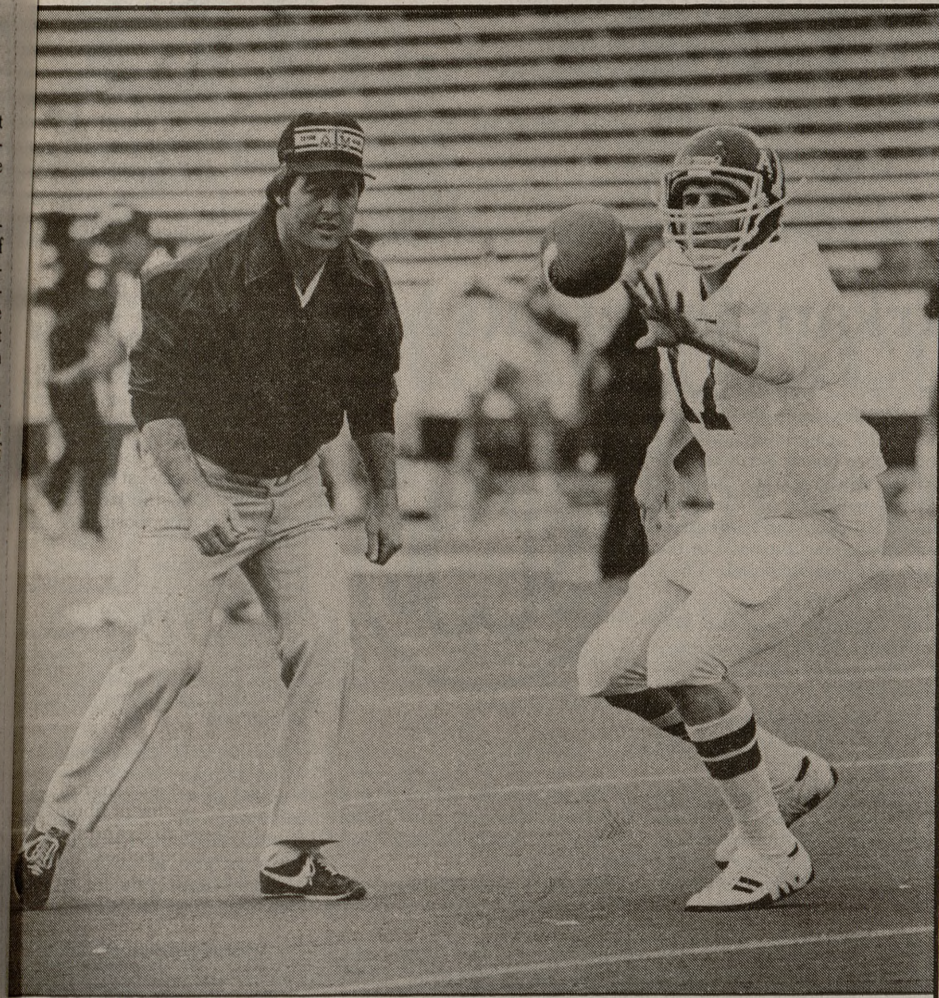
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Here's the pitch

Texas A&M quarterback coach Greg Davis watches Aggie John Elkins execute a pitch-out during practice Tuesday at Kyle Field. Spring training will cease over spring

break, but will resume when classes continue. The Aggies have had two scrimmages thus far, and coaches are pleased with the results.

Rice pitching heads team effort

By CAROLYN BARNES
Battalion Staff
The surprising Rice Owls have started strongly this season. Earlier this season they finished the Cameron Tournament in a tie for first with Lamar University.

The outfield returns John O'Keeffe (.203) and Mark Luetge (.244), with senior Mike McGee (.217) and junior Pat Devine (.209) looking to see some action in an

outfield spot. The Owls will meet the Texas A&M Aggies on their home ground today at 3 p.m. and Saturday for a doubleheader at noon.

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