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The Texas A&M men's lacrosse team sent the Texas Longhorns home Sunday with 20-2 thrashing at the main drill field. Leading scorers for the Aggies were Carl Hayes and Al Adler, both with five goals for the afternoon. Ken Foultz also scored for the Ags, connecting three times.

Men's lacrosse

Men's golf The Texas A&M men's golf team returned from the Houston All-America Intercollegiate golf tournament with an eighth place

Oklahoma State captured the tourney, held at the Masters Course at Bear Creek Golf World, for the fifth time in six years with a score

Texas A&M, finishing in eighth at 1,206, was paced by Richard Cromwell and Brad Jones who both posted a tournament total of

Danny Briggs shot an even 300 and Bart Cobb finished with 310 in the four-day tourney. The Aggies are idle this weekend, preparing for the Southwest Conference championships in Tyler, April 17.

Saturday, the Aggies defeated Sam Houston 13-7. The team, now 8-3 for the season, returns to action in Dallas this

weekend when they play the Trinity Lacrosse Club, on Saturday, and the Dallas Lacrosse Club, on Sunday. The Aggies will close out their season April 24-25 when they host Houston and Baylor.

Pistol team

The Texas A&M pistol team was in Cambridge, Mass. Saturday competing in the National Intercollegiate Pistol Match where they finished as the sixth-ranked team in the nation. Four team members and one individual competed for the Aggies in the match: Edward Koester, Chip Miles, Lee Alexander, Bud

Sullivan and Bill Little.

Little, competing individually, finished in the 28th position.

Spring sports special

A special ticket bargain, sponsored by the athletic department, enabling fans to see all university-related games this weekend is on sale at the athletic ticket office.

The ticket, selling for \$5, would enable the ticketholder to save \$8 on the general admission charge.

The ticket is good for the three-game baseball series with Arkan-sas; the Arkansas-A&M tennis match; the women's softball tourna-ment and the Maroon-White football game.

Pictures needed

The Texas A&M Athletic Department is trying to find some good football and basketball pictures from this past season for publication. Any interested photographers should contact Fred Battenfield in the Sports Information office.

Virdon chooses starting pitchers

United Press International HOUSTON — Manager Bill Virdon has selected veterans Joe Niekro, Don Sutton and Nolan Ryan to pitch the Houston Astros' opening series at Los Angeles and form the basis for his rotation this season.

said, "and maybe that comes with gaining a little respect around the league

He added that in each of his last two spring performances he felt strong enough to pitch nine innings



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Vern Ruhle and Bob Knepper will share duty as Virdon's fourth starter, and Joaquin Andujar and rookie Bobby Sprowl are to be the Astros early-inning relievers, Vir-

don said from Sun City, Ariz. The defending National League West champions played exhibition games Monday and Tuesday in Arizona before traveling Wednesday to Los Angeles in preparation for their Thursday

The initial pitching matchup features the Dodgers Jerry Reuss vs. the knuckleballing Niekro, who has never before started a season opener despite a 136-120 lifetime record and 41 wins the past two seasons.

"I think I'm a more confident pitcher now than ever," Niekro

Disabled pitcher J.R. Richard has been the Astros opening day starter for the past five years, and he will accompany the Astros to Los Angeles. He continues to rehabilitate from a July 30 stroke. An off-day Friday gives Sutton,

a Dodger for 15 seasons, a Satur-day assignment against his ex-teammates. The Astros signed Sutton after last season as a free agent

Ryan will pitch Sunday. The Astros first three starters have 44 Major League seasons be-tween them. Niekro is 36 years old, Sutton is 36 and Ryan is 34. Ruhle, 30, was the mainstay of Houston's division-title drive last September in the absence of Richard, and he will start the Astros home opener Monday against Atlanta.

Leonard, Hearns schedule fall bout

Council champion Sugar Ray Leonard and World Boxing Association title holder Thomas Hearns have signed for a welter-weight championship showdown this fall that could be the richest

fight in boxing history. Leonard, 29-1, and Hearns, 30-0 with 28 knockouts, will battle for the unified title in late September or early October. No site has been set but the leading cities under consideration are Houston, New Orleans and Las Vegas.

Leonard will receive a guaranteed purse of \$10 million plus a share of the ancillary rights. Hearns will get \$5 million plus a percentage of the rights. The fight quite easily could surpass the record \$30 million gross set last November when Leonard re-gained his title against Roberto Duran in New Orleans.

Mike Trainer, Leonard's attor-ney, and Emanuel Steward, who handles Hearns' business matters,

United Press International NEW YORK — World Boxing ouncil champion Sugar Ray econard and World Boxing Asso-The group includes rock promoter Shelly Finkel, who has put on concerts for noted stars such as Billy Joel and Olivia Newton-John, and Dan Duva, who runs a successful fight program in Totowa, N.J.

Trainer and Steward met with Finkel last Friday morning at the Syracuse Airport to finalize the deal. Hearns, who had previously demanded the same amount of money as Leonard, finally signed on Thursday and Leonard agreed the following day.

Leonard is scheduled to fight unbeaten champion Ayub Kalule, a Ugandan now fighting out of De-nmark, for the WBA junior mid-dleweight championship in June. Kalule is 36-0.

Hearns will defend his title on April 25 against Randy Shields in Phoenix.