

Luecken, Salinas to start

Aggies host Sooners today

The Texas Aggie baseball team, 21-8 for the season and 3-5 in the Southwest Conference, hosts the Oklahoma Sooners in a double-header today at 5:30 at Olsen Field.

Coach Tom Chandler says the team's pitching staff, which gave up 20 runs to the TCU Horned Frogs in three games over the weekend, must be more consistent.

"We're experiencing a little difficulty pitching-wise," Chandler said. "Our eight position players have been playing well. They've made a few errors, but they've done a good job. We're scoring runs — it's just

that the pitchers need to hold them."

The Sooners, who defeated Hawaii three of five games earlier in the season when the Rainbows were ranked No. 3 in the nation, have a 16-9 record.

"They've got traditionally an outstanding college baseball club," Chandler said. "We're expecting one of our biggest crowds of the season."

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Cincinnati defeats Astros in six-hitter

United Press International
TAMPA, Fla. — Frank Pastore, Tom Hume and Jim Kern

teamed to limit the Houston Astros to six hits Monday in pitching the Cincinnati Reds to a 2-0 exhibition victory.

A single by Dan Driessen, Paul Householder's infield out and Clint Hurdle's single to center field gave the Reds a 1-0 lead off loser Don Sutton in the second inning. They added their second run in the eighth inning when rookie outfielder Eddie Milner doubled to left and scored on Dave Concepcion's single.

Pastore went the first six innings for the victory, the Reds' 11th against nine losses.

Kern survived a scare in the ninth inning when the Astros put runners on second and third with none out. But Householder made a diving catch of Art Howe's blooping fly ball to right field, with the runners holding. Kern then struck out pinch hitter Harry Spilman and retired Luis Pujols on a ground ball to end the game.

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Aggie second baseman Brad Hisle gets set to throw a runner out in Sunday's double-header split with TCU. Texas

A&M, 21-8 for the season, plays Oklahoma today at 5:30 in Olsen Field. OU has a 16-9 record this season.

Aggie gymnasts second in TGC championships

by Bill Robinson

Battalion Staff
The Texas A&M gymnastics team placed second in the conference championship meet Saturday in Lubbock, finishing with a 202.95 score.

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Texas Tech won the Texas Gymnastics Conference Championships with a 229.9, ending Texas' three-year domination of the meet.

Texas finished third with 194.35 and UTA was fourth with 191.5.

"We feel real good about the finish," team co-captain Mark Hartwell said. "It was a big change-up this season and we finished better than we ever had before."

David Semon led the team, placing sixth in the all-around competition. A hand injury forced him to withdraw from parallel bar and high bar competition.

petition. Hartwell placed second in the floor exercises and vault and fifth on the rings and parallel bars. Ray Moltz took fourth place honors on the pommel horse and Jim Foght was sixth on the rings.

The team selected freshman Marty Hardell as its gymnast of the meet because of his contributions to the team, although he did not place in the finals.

Hardell qualified for the finals in the floor exercises and the vault, though, and co-captain Jim Gill earned a berth on the parallel bars.

The Aggies end the season with three first-place finishes and three second-place finishes in competition.

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