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Aggies garner 15 firsts at A&M Relay Re

By Ken Sury Assistant Sports Editor

The sun shone brightly Saturday afternoon at Texas A&M's Frank Anderson Track Complex, and so did the Aggies.

	captured 15 fir
place finishes at the Texas A&M	Track
Relays, and had	and Field
national re-	

cords set in the triple and long jump

competition. A&M's Ian James returned from a four-week layoff with a bruised heel to leap 26 feet, 3³/₄ inches (8.02 meters) in the long jump to win the event and set a new Canadian mark.

James, a junior transfer from Seneca College in Toronto, said the jump enabled him to achieve one of

two goals he had set for himself. The first was to break the Ca-nadian mark of 7.91 meters by Jim Buchannon at the 1976 Olympics.

"I've been chasing that 'ghost' (Buchannon, who died in a car accident in 1977) for a long time," James said. "My coach in Canada was also his coach.

His second goal is to jump 27 feet, which is why he came to A&M.

"It was good for me to come down here," James said. "I get to train in the warm weather and this is the best jumping conference in the nation." There's one more incentive for

James. "It's a major inspiration in that the 10.64 seconds.

rest of team's doing well," James said. "You don't want to be the guy to do bad.

The other national record set by an Aggie was Francisco Olivares' 54-0¼ leap in the triple jump for a new Mexican mark. Olivares was a double winner Saturday as he also took first in the javelin with a throw of 196-11

In the women's javelin competi-tion, A&M's Lisa Coley set a personal best in winning the event with a 142-7 throw.

The Aggies were next to unstop-pable in the relay events as the men won all five relays and the women's team of Lisa Langston, Novaita Samuels, Judy Williams and Alexis Russell won the 400-meter and sprint

medley relays. The A&M women finished second in the 800-meter relay as Texas Southern's Moslyn Soneye, Linda Eseim, Mary Onyali and Maria Usifo set a national collegiate record with a time of 1:33.17.

The Aggies took the top three spots in the women's 5,000-meter run as Esther Dedrick led the way with a time of 18:08.60. She was followed by Kathy Craig and Michelle Rosyneck

The closest finish on the afternoon came in 100-meter dash finals. A&M's Floyd Heard beat teammate Stanley Kerr to the tape by a mere .01 seconds with a time of



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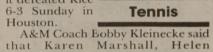
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A&M's Gloria Vecera, left, and Carmen Richardson finished second and fourth in the 800-meter run at Saturday's Texas A&M Relays.

A&M beats Rice to remain in tight SWC race

By Ken Sury Assistant Sports Editor

The Texas A&M women's tennis team slid back, but only a bit, in the Southwest Conference tennis race as it defeated Rice



Christiaanse, Laura Liong and Kellie Dorman played good tennis at the Nos. 3 through 6 singles spots to

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Forward Mike Mitchell scored 40 points, in-

of the game, to lead the San Antonio

Spurs to a 123-118 season-ending

win over the Portland Trailblazers

The Spurs finished the year 35-47

and face the Los Angeles Lakers in

the first round of the playoffs. Port-land ended the year 40-42 and will

Having squandered large leads twice and leading only 99-97 midway

through the last quarter, Mitchell

and forward Steve Johnson took

control for the Spurs and scored

eight straight points.

play Denver in the opening round.

make up for the absence of usual No. 3 player Gaye Lynne Gensler, who is sidelined with strained leg muscles.

The singles' losses for the 18thranked Aggies came at the No. 1 and 2 positions as Rice's Wendy Wood, No. 13 in the nation, beat Vanne Akagi 6-4, 6-3, and Allison Culver defeated Kim Labuschagne 7-6, 1-6, 6-3

The Aggies have 39 match-win points in the SWC race, while SMU,

The streak gave San Antonio

Portland was led by 28 points of

Kiki Vandeweghe and the 23 of Clyde Drexler. But the Trailblazers

two all-stars were held in check dur-

ing the crucial fourth quarter streak,

scoring only four points between

Spurs point guard Wes Matthews, known for his sporadic play, dished

out a season-high 17 assists to go

with his 20 points but Matthews also

committed a game-high six turn-

some breathing room and a lead it

points until the last seconds of the

Spurs burn Blazers, close regular season

cluding 10 in the last eight minutes didn't allow to drop below nine

contest

overs.

match than A&M, has 46. Texas leads the SWC with 50 points, but has finished conference play.

while, ran into brick walls in the forms of No. 1 SMU and No. 9 Arkansas this weekend.

said of the matches. SMU led the 24th-ranked Aggies

pus Christi prior to the SWC le Championships April 25-27. The A&M men's team, mean-

"SMU and Arkansas were just too tough," A&M Coach David Kent

6-1 Friday before rain stopped play. The uncompleted No. 2 and 3 doubles matches will be finished in Cor-

NBA Roundup

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The solitary win for A&M w big one, as Kimmo Alkio beat St John Ross, the No. 3 player in nation, 6-2, 6-7, 7-6. But Alkio and the Aggies of

turn things around in Arkans they lost 8-1. The No. 28 Alia to No. 7 Bobby Blair 6-3, 74 lone win for the Aggies camean

No. 3 doubles spot as Dean Jo and Dean Goldfine beat Brad liams and Simon Robinson 7-6,14

A&M sweeps South Carolin Picked up Alan V

COLUMBIA, S.C. - No. 4Ta Lacy si A&M swept a double-header South Carolina Sunday, 7-3 and him to Lacy sto ond, the

compliment the Softball pitching of Shawn Andaya, 14-4, who struc 10 en route to a three-hitter.

Julie Carpenter shut down Gamecocks in game two, record three strikeouts and allowing in hits. Liz Mizera singled and so the winning run for the Aggies. A&M, which improved to

overall, split with South Carolini double-header Saturday,

A&M racked up seven hits in first game to

e kicked laught's The R nd inn laught led and when Pe Gary Wa Baltim he sever with a gro ween O'

which has played one more dual

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