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### Penn Relays await A&M track

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on the meet as the men's shuttle hurdle relay team recorded a school-record time of 56.1, which was also the 1991 world-best

During that contest, the Aggies created a legend comparable to A&M football's "12th Man" with their "Fifth Man." Rick Smith, who had walked on the team as a 110-meter high hurdler and had been switched to intermediates, was rushed into action on the relay team after another team member had been suspend-

Smith had not even had time to prepare for the competition, but he brought his team from second place and passed Tennessee to win the race in the record time.

'I went over one hurdle before the race, got in the blocks and went," Smith said. "I really wasn't thinking too much, I just took off. After about three hurdles, I began to get my rhythm back. Once I did, it was a lot smoother. It was just unreal when I crossed the finish line. People were screaming and I was just real excited.'

Freshman Twylana Harrison, who has already qualified for the NCAA Championships at the Texas A&M Invitational with a jump of 42-feet, 1 1/2 inches, will compete against nine of the top 10 triple jumpers in the nation at the relay. Harrison's toughest competition is likely to come from Florida's Leah Kirklin, who won this year's national indoor title and last year's national outdoor title.

Some members of the A&M squads will stay in Texas this weekend to compete in the Stephen F. Austin Invitational in Nacogdoches.

These two meets will be the last before the Southwest Conference Championships next week-end, which will be held at the Anderson Track and Field Complex on the A&M campus.

### Streaking women's softball team hosts UT-San Antonio

The Battalion News Services

The Texas A&M softball team, which has a 39-19 record and one of the nation's best records during the month of April, will host The University of Texas at San Antonio Friday at Lady Aggie Softball Field in a 4 p.m. doubleheader. The Lady Aggies moved their April record to 15-3 Wednesday

by splitting a doubleheader with the University of Texas at Arlington. UTA took the first game, 1-0. The Lady Mavericks' Karen McIntyre held A&M to four hits while striking out two.

The Aggies came back to take the second game by an identical 1-0 score as Ashley Glover knocked in Michelle Mayfield in the fifth

inning for the winning run.

A&M pitcher Dana Mitchell
(16-5) picked up the win in the second game, throwing five in-

nings and giving up only fourly while striking out one.

Before the loss to UTA, Friday Lady Aggies had cakewal through the month of April, lo only to No. 14 Missouri and N 11 Oklahoma State.

Despite the loss to Oklaho State, the Lady Aggies left OSU tournament with a 5-1 rec and a first-place trophy. F man Jennifer Mortensen pi her way to a 3-0 record during tournament, and posted her ond no-hitter this season in match against Southwest Miss

After the matchup with Roadrunners Friday, the Lady A gies will have only one homed remaining. A&M hosts UTA of May 6. The Aggies will then to el to Louisiana Tech on May 9. the final regular season games fore the NCAA regionals, which will be held May 15-17.

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# Bucky starts over

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such a situation. This adds value to players like Richardson, but it still doesn't make any guarantees on draft day

Richardson, who was the SWC Player of the Year in 1991, said going to the NFL will be like starting

"You have to be realistic," Richardson said. "You have to know that you're not going to play football forever. I'm not going to be one of those guys that tries to hang on forever. I'm not going to go to the Canadian football league and then to the World League.

"It's going to be like being a freshman again. You can't put all your marbles in one bag, because it doesn't always work out."

The last time Richardson was making freshman, though, it didn'tte nublic him long to adjust.

In his third game as an Again Air Ac on Sept. 28, 1987, Richardson was put into A&M's game agains Southern Mississippi by heat coach Jackie Sherrill. Richardson and glass and glass are supported by the coach Jackie Sherrill. Richardson was a supported by the coach Jackie Sherrill was a supported by the coach responded with an 82-yard toud But, down run that still ranks as oned that need the longest in A&M history.

Toledo said he's proud tos Richardson, who sat out the 198 change season with an injured knee, gets shot at playing in the NFL.
"I think it's real neat to see enviror

guy like Bucky, who's workedetremely hard and come back from a serious injury, to have the sucess he's had and to remain hum Nations ble like he has," Toledo said. Richardson hopes humin has yet does not come calling on Sunday summit

# NFL draft has steady supply of Aggies

Bucky Richardson's competitive edge gave the Aggies an advantage

over their opponents. He hopes that quality will be noticed by the NFL.

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"We've always had some guys

that got to tag along a little bit Top recruiting classes is where the process begins. A&M brought in Top Five recruiting classes in 1987, 1990, 1991, and again this year. Good recruiting has become one of the newest traditions in Aggieland in the last five years.

'We've been successful, and we have a great university, so we attract good football players," said Bob Toledo, A&M's offensive co-ordinator. "Good football players want to go to good schools and play with the best, and have the chance to win and compete and play to their potential.

A&M Recruiting Coordinator Tim Cassidy said the snowball of good football players goes beyond the location of the University and the number of players in the state

"It's also a tribute to the job the coaches have done," Cassidy said.
"We have turned out a number of great linebackers over the years.

'We've got all the facilities and everything to bring those guys along. We like to think that over the years we've been able to recruit some of the best players.

"It's a selling point for us," he said of Aggies who have gone on

AGGIES IN THE 1991 NFL DRAFT FB - Robert Wilson 3rd Round LB - William Thomas 4th Round C - Mike Arthur 5th Round RB - Darren Lewis 6th Round TE - Dennis Ransom 6th Round DB - Larry Horton 8th Round WR-Shane Garrett 9th Round

to play professionally. "We have somewhere in the Top 10 in the country the number of guys playing NFL football, which in most high school football players is one of their dreams, though not always a realistic one. But it let's them know that we have the coaches, facilities, and technology to put guys in the next league."

John David Crow, the 1957 isman Trophy winner and present athletic director at A&M, said the success of the football program is a credit to the coaching staff's ability to help young athletes grow into football players.

"When the players get here, the great amount of talent is one thing," Crow explained. "But the

way you motivate them and the way you handle them is a direct relation to how the head coach and assistant coaches handle these individuals.

A 17-year-old youngster may

be 6-foot-5 or 6-foot-6 and he may weigh 260 pounds and might have to shave twice a day. But he's still only 17 years old, and he's got the mentality of a 17-year-old."

NFL teams have been anything

but shy when it comes to drafting Southwest Conference players. The often-nicknamed "So What Conference" has given its share of talent to the next level.

Last year, Texas defensive back Stanley Richard and offensive lineman Stan Thomas were first-round selections in the draft. Houston's Andre Ware and Baylor's James Francis were two of the top 10 picks in the 1990 draft.

Webb, a former A&M offensive lineman, was the seventh selection in that draft. In 1980, Dickey was taken by the Baltimore Colts with the fifth pick.

Childress was the third or selection in the 1985 draft and has gone on to an All-Pro career with the Houston Oilers. He said there were many reasons why he was one of the top players drafted.

There was top-level competition," Childress said. "They play a lot of great teams every year in the conference and whoever they play on the schedule.

"They also had a great weight program. All that kind of speaks for itself. A&M's got a lot of players in the pros.

### Aggies face vital stretch in Houston

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Johnson said. "We're hoping we get it together. I think Houston's got a good club in Brya. They're the only ones who of a good have been able to compete mutua with Texas outside of us.

"We've got our hands full and Tex It'll be a tough weekend."

Wins are becoming vital for the Aggies, who have only nine conference games left. Considering the strength of the league this season, Johnson believes that if A&M keeps its hold on second place, it sho receive a tournament bid.

"I feel like we've got a good conference," he said We just beat each other up so bad that our records aren'ts A&M is good. We're playing tough of the p competition every weekend the com Our teams are competing well outside the conference. Whoever finishes second crimina

place ought to, for sure, go to a in a pl regional.

## Lack of funds for women's soccer hurts team, Hickey says ource of

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Hickey said it was unfair for the girls to suffer because of insufficient funding.

Unless we could fund soccer

properly and treat the kids like they should be treated, our hands were tied," she said. Corrigan also felt it would be

detrimental to the players to continue the program.

Hamre said that although women's club soccer will be offered, the girls want to compete at the NCAA level and they are hop-'Instead of doing something ing that their good record will

halfway, it is better not to do it at help in their effort.

"Our coach is writing letters some magazines to let them know the program is being cut," said. "We had a good record 6-2) and we're hoping we can ge some support.'

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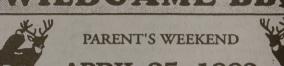
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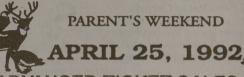
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