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who will look for peak performances, Coach Abe Brown said. 'Our jumpers will have an ex-

cellent chance to score very high in the conference meet and qualify for the NCAA Outdoor Championships," Brown said. Kendrick Smith, who was fifth

in the SWC indoor triple jump, Phillip Madkins, Eric Hopkins, and Reggie Tennyson round out the list of jumpers.

The iron men of the team, the decathletes, participate in ten track and field events trying to get the best combined score in all the events. Heath Brewer, Ryan Theriault, Travis Maher and Richard Harrison will lead the group that will rank among the conference's

Other A&M field events are also expecting quality results from their members.

•Ty Sevin, last year's second place conference finisher and NCAA qualifier in the javelin, will use his international experience that he gained as a member of the U.S. Developmental Team to take him to the top of the conference.

• Ted Reynolds and Larry Taylor will take up the load left to them by the departure of Scott Paulson and Aaron Echternacht and give the Aggies muscle in the weight events (the shot put and

•Mark Mullins, who took fifth in the pole vault at the indoor meet, expects to soar higher at the SWC outdoors.

· Will Hickman, Yasin Ishaq and Jermaine Gist will look to make their mark by trying leap into the conference's top six in the

Despite the loss of key members, Kiley Anglin, Gerry Woodberry and Tracy Bryant, the Aggie sprint crew hopes to keep the success of prior years in the sprints

Move

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basketball teams and this enthusi-

asm should rub off on the Texas

newcomers. When good teams

come to town, people will show

up. A&M proved this when a

near-capacity crowd came to see

will almost certainly help recruit-

ing as well. Now, instead of try-

ing to sell an 18-year-old the bene-

fits of playing before thousands of empty seats in the SWC, this same

kid can be told that he'll get to play the likes of Kansas, Okla-

homa and Missouri in sold-out

arenas with millions watching on

national television. Granted,

A&M will take its lumps for a

time, but that's the only way to

find out where you stand.

The one sport in which the

Texas schools bring a lot to the

table is baseball. Three of the four

SWC defectors made the NCAA

field, with Texas and Texas A&M

The new conference alignment



THE BATTALION

Dante Bolder (right), practice the mens' mile relay on Tuesday afternoon at Anderson Track and Field Complex.

•The Aggies 4X400 relay will ngain be among the nation's best. Dante Bolden and Mike Miller will join Danny McCray and Stacy Zamzow in what should be the

Aggies' top sprint event.

The sprint relay, 4X100-meters, is an event that has Coach Nelson looking for help to fill the shoes of last year's SWC Championship team. Kevin Dozier, Bolden and McCray will have to wait to see who will be the fourth man of the team.

• The individual events will feature Bolden and Dozier running the 100-meter dash. McCray will join the duo in the 200-meters as well as sharing the responsibility of the 400-meters with Jenohn

· Davis, Zamzow and Miller will also compete in the men's 800

The long distance races will be solid point producers for the A&M team. Many returnees and some upstarts should produce results that could make the difference if the Aggies are to make a

going to the College World Series. Combined with the existing Big

Eight, the new conference would

have accounted for half of the

eight teams at the CWS. Okla-

homa State and Kansas are the

flagship teams, but the rest of the

conference is mediocre. The Big Eight needed a boost in baseball

and that's precisely what they

ties. The athletically competitive

Texas schools got their fondest wish and bolted from the mori-

bund SWC. The Big Eight was looking to expand and found four eager suitors.

this new conference (Big 12? Tornadoes 'R' Us?) and to find a

commissioner, maybe someone

in the mold of Jackie Sherrill or

Barry Switzer (just kidding).

1996 marks a new beginning in A&M athletics and we can only

hope that the rampant lawless-

ness seen in both conferences

gets left in the history books.

So, all that's left is to name

All things considered, this marriage seems to benefit all parrun at the title.

•The 1,500-meter run will feature Scott Garvin who placed second in last year's outdoor meet and should battle the SWC's best for the title this year.

• The 5,000-meters will see Matt Priest and Jerry Snider try to establish themselves in the

•In the the 10,000-meters, Ross Stooksberry will look to improve on his sixth-place finish

•The men's 3,000 steeplechase will see Jason Reed and Donnie Bodron, who finished fourth and fifth respectively last year, chal-

lenge the conference's best and bring the Aggies valuable points. The Aggie men will run in

College Station three times this spring on the way towards the SWC Championships: at the Colege Station Relays on March 17-19, on March 31 when A&M hosts Rice and Harvard in a triangular meet and on April 16th for the Texas A&M Relays, which is annually one of the top meets in the southwest.

Coaches

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in the college game. From a basketball perspective, I'm not sure it's going to help. But from an athletic department perspective, it had to help because of the football television dollars out there. I did

want us to be proactive."

"Personally, I think it's really a
good move," said Tubbs of Oklahoma, adding that it's "a nice change" to be located in the geo-graphic middle of his conference.
"It adds to the excitement,"
Tubbs said. "There's a lot of good

positives out there. Tubbs figures his Texas re-

cruiting will be enhanced, a point upon which he and Williams are sharply divided.

"It doubles our conference population," Tubbs said. "That means more players in your conference area, and more players will want to play in this league than just wanted to play in the Big Eight. We'll benefit greatly.'

3-12 shots.

Going into the final minute regulation play, the Aggies le 73. However, they could n put it away as junior forward lo that could have given A&Ma four-point lead at 77-73 with §

Wednesday, March 2, 199

Aggies

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Over the next nine and a ha

minutes, Baylor went on a 21

run to tie the game at 70 at the

3:19 mark. During that time t

Aggies shot an anemic 25 perce

from the field, converting on ju

seconds to go.
Instead, Baylor tied the game at 75 on a jumper by Lamber with 33 seconds remaining.

"I thought we lost our comp sure a little bit in terms of shots lection," Barone said. "We fell apart at the foul line when we thought we had a chance to win

the game."
The Aggies played for the game's final shot but were unable to win it as senior point-guan David Edwards missed a jumpe with five ticks left on the clock.

Baylor guard Nelson Haggert said he was proud that his team was able to battle back and fore the overtime.

We showed a lot of heart, Haggerty said. "We played hard on defense and contained an contested every shot they pr

After A&M sophomore fo ward Lance Broderson put the Aggies up 77-75 to start the first overtime, Wilbert missed two more free throws that could have given A&M an early four-point

advantage.
Two made free-throws by A&M junior forward Tony McGinnis did give A&M a fourpoint lead at the 2:46 mark before Baylor finally got on the board a minute later with a dunk by Lambert to cut the lead to two. In that span, Wilbert joined Murry on the bench as the second of four Aggies to foul-out of the game.

After missing a three-pointer down the stretch, Edwards converted on only one of two free throws with 22 seconds left, to

give the Aggies an 80-77 lead. Haggerty connected on a three-pointer six seconds later to tie it at 80 and force the second and decisive overtime.

A&M came out flat to begin the final stanza of play, allowing Baylor to build an 86-80 lead be fore Edwards was able to convert two free-throws and cut the Baylor lead to four.

However, the Bears proved to be too much down the stretch as the Aggies were unable to come out victorious for the second time from

in 48 hours. Barone said his team hopes to end their skid Saturday at home against TexasTech in order to build momentum for the SWC tournament next week in Dallas.

approach now," Barone said. "It (the loss) is tough for the kids, tough for me, tough for the program but we'll bounce back."



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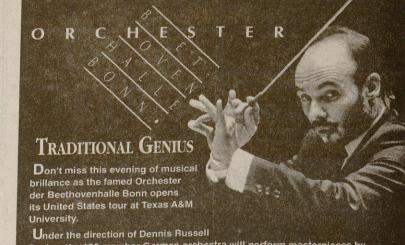


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