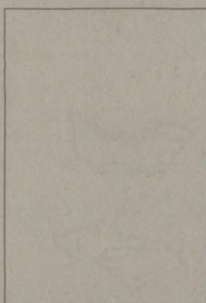


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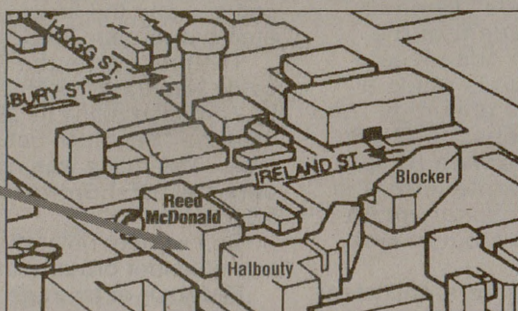
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Aggie catcher **Shawn Schumacher** applies the tag on a University of Texas at Arlington player during game at Olsen Field.

Baseball opens Big 12 play

Aggies host Oklahoma State University in three-game series

BY AARON COHAN
The Battalion

The eighth-ranked Texas A&M Baseball Team will face its toughest challenge of the early season this weekend when they host 19th-ranked Oklahoma State University. This series has always been close since these two teams usually mirror each other.

Oklahoma State comes into the series riding a five game winning streak with an 8-1 record. They bring in a team that combines a mixture of strong hitting and pitching.

Game one of the series will see a pitching duel between two of the top pitchers in the country. OSU will hurl their staff ace Matt Smith against A&M's lefty ace, Casey Fossum. Smith, a sophomore from Nevada, boasts a 3-0 record with an ERA under one. Fossum is 2-1 and has already struck out 25 batters in 20 innings of work.

"I feel pretty good about carrying over what I did last week to this series," Fossum said. "I just go out

there and try to do my best every time."

This duel dates back to last year

**A&M Baseball
vs Oklahoma St.
Feb. 26-28**

PITCHING

Friday:
A&M - Casey Fossum
OSU - Matt Smith

Saturday:
A&M - Chance Caple
OSU - Thom Dreier

Sunday:
To be announced

when A&M visited the confines of OSU and lost a heartbreaker in the bottom of the ninth.

Game two will feature another

pitching duel as junior ace Chance Caple will face Thom Dreier from Missouri.

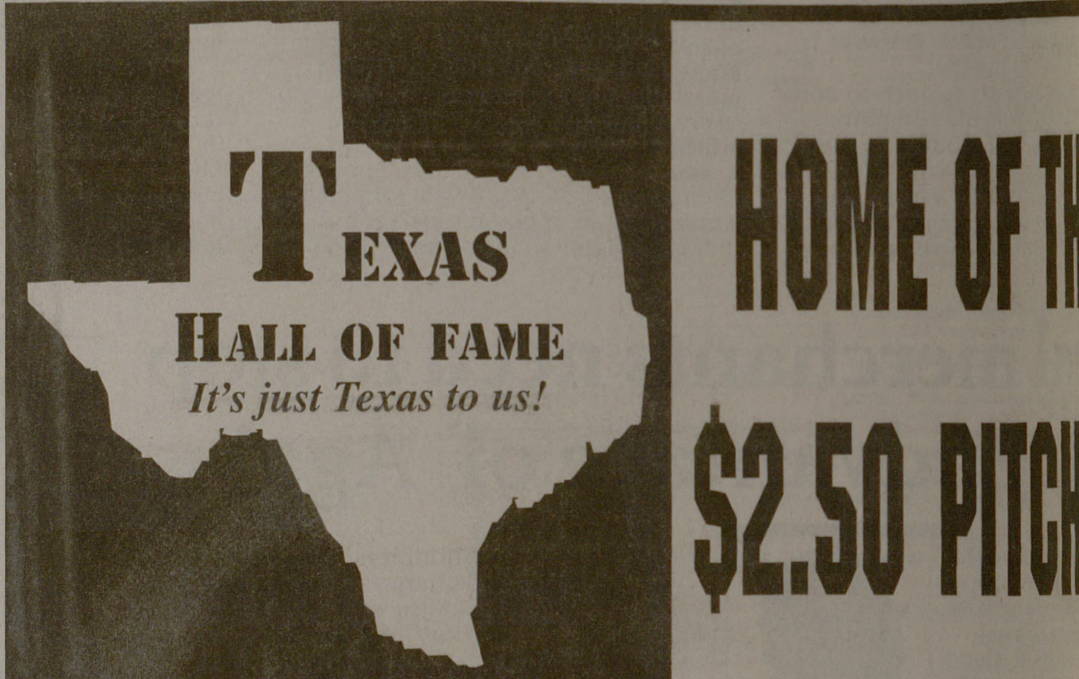
Caple has posted the lowest ERA with a 1.74 in 14 innings of work he has put up. He will be tough since the right-hander has not given up an earned run this season.

The pitching in the final game has yet to be determined. Whoever it is, coach Mark Johnson thinks that the team must win.

"It doesn't matter who pitches as long as we elevate our game in the tough situations," he said.

Besides the pitching, the Aggies will put forth one of the best teams in the Big 12. Lead first baseman John Schesch leads the team with a .474 average, the Aggies will have their team average of .380 and put up their season high of 10 runs per game.

"We're going to come out with force," third baseman Dreier said. "We should come out if we play our game."



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