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DALLAS --- Southwest Conference track and field may be headed for a repeat of the Dave Morton-Curtis Mills 440-yard dash spectaculars that highlighted the 1969 through 1972 seasons, with a new cast headed by Texas Olympian Johnny Jones and Baylor potential Olympian Mark Collins.

Collins, the reigning SWC quarter champ, and Longhorn freshman Jones are running distances ranging from 880 yards to the 100, respectively, but they have a couple of opportunities to square off in the one-lap dash before the 1977 season is completed.

Mills and Morton were the SWC's premier quarter miless and their careess coincided exactly. Morton setting the still-existing conference record of 45.5 as a freshman in 1968 and Mills winning the conference title the next three years. Morton passed up the quarter in their senior conference meet to win the 880 in 1:49.7.

That appeared to be the pattern emerging this season as Collins switched to the 880 for a winning performance at Laredo's Border Olympics. Further compounding the factors against an open quarter duel between the two are Jones' blistering dash times -- a 9.21 in the 100 and a winning if unspectacular 21.6 in his only 220 start.

Add in that both also run relay less and the chances of the two standouts soins head to head in the quarter this spring appear slim. Only meets in which both Baylor and Texas are entered for the remainder of the year are the Dallas Invitational March 26, the Texas Relays April 1-2, the Drake Relays April 29, and the SWC meet May 13-14, plus the USTFF and NCAA meets later.

But Baylor coach Clyde Hart said last week that he plans to run the junior redhead from Burleson in both the quarter and 880 through the year, and true to his work, sent Collins out to a winning 4/.2 quarter Saturday in Fort Worth. That's second best for the year among SWC runners to Jones' winning 46.9 in Laredo last week, the meet in which Collins set the SWC seasonal best of 1:51.6 in winning the 880.

Collins also anchored Baylor to a 3:10.9 winning mile relay Saturday in Fort Worth, another best in the conference this season.

Through four weekends of outdoor meets, defending champion Texas has the best marks in five events to four for Baylor, three for Houston, two for Texas A&M and one each for SMU and Rice.

Freshmen are making strong showings, especially in the field events where four are among the top nine shot putters, three each among the top six discus and top nine long jump performers, and two among the top seven javelin throwers. There are also three freshmen among the seven fastest high hurdlers to date.

Baylor boasts two all-time SWC bests, both achieved at the Houston Baptist Relays on Feb. 19. Bill Wimberly became the first SWC high jumper to clear 7-2 on the same day Davy Duncan turned in a 13.4-second 120 high hurdles with an aiding wind over the legal 4.5-mph allowable.

Previous best outdoor marks by SWC trackmen in those events were a 7-1½ high jump by Texas' William Oates in 1972, and 13.5s in the 120 hurdles by Rockie Woods of A&M in 1971 and Scottie Jones of A&H in 1973. Both Woods' and Jones' marks were also windaided, the best legal time being 13.6 shared by three hurdlers in a total of six races.

## TOP SWC OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD MARKS FOR 1977 (Through March 12)

NOTE: Only top mark carried for each performer. Key to symbols and sites: x--mark achieved last week; w--wind-aided; n--non-winning; p--preliminaries; f--freshman; underlined performers and relay teams are 1976 SWC outdoor champions; Aus--Austin; CS--College Station; FW--Fort Worth; Hou--Houston; Lar--Laredo.

	HIGH JUMP		SHOT PUT
7–2	Bill Wimberly, Baylor, Hou, 2-19	59-7½	Randy Coffman, Houston, Hou, 3-5
7-2 7-0n	Kevin Delorey, Baylor, Hou, 2-19	55-8½	Frank West, A&M, CS, 2-19
6-10	Bob Keith, Texas, CS, 2-19	x-55-2n	Mark Baughman, Houston, Hou, 3-12
0-10	and Aus, 2-26	x-53-11	f-Keith Gray, Arkansas, FW, 3-12
6 10		53-8½n	Randy Scott, A&M, Lar, 3-5
6-10	Terry Davenport, Texas, Aus, 2-26	53-7n	Robby Robinson, Texas, CS,2-19
6-9n	Steve Myatt, Baylor, Hou, 2-19	53-7h 53-6n	f-Tim Scott, A&M, CS, 2-19
x-6-8n	Rod Harvey, Texas (3 times)	50-10½n	
x-6-8n	John Jones, Texas, Hou, 3-12		f-David Markert, Baylor, Lar, 3-5
6-8	f-John Solomon, Houston, Hou, 3-5		en f-Jack Faniel, Houston, Hou, 3-5
6-8n	Lynn Byrd, A&M, CS, 2-19	50-2½n	Ted Weems, Baylor, Hou, 2-19
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	LONG JUMP	175 5	DISCUS
24-7w	Gecil Overstreet, Houston, Hou, 3-5	i .	Mark Baughman, Houston, Hou, 3-12
$24 - 0\frac{1}{2}W$	Randy McKee, Baylor, Hou, 2-19	173-10	f-Tim Scott, A&M, Lar, 3-5
23-9w	John Akhile, Texas, CS, 2-19	172-10	Steve Stewart, A&M, CS, 2-19
23-7½	Jim MacAndrew, Tech, Lar, 3-5	x-170-2	f-David Markert, Baylor, FW, 3-12
23-64	f-William Long, Ark, Hou, 3-5	x-166-7n	Randy Coffman, Houston, Hou, 3-12
23-6wn	Curtis Isaiah, Rice, Hou, 2-19	166-3n	f-Rob Gray, SMU, Waco, 2-26
$x-23-4\frac{1}{2}$	Charlie Taylor, Rice, Hou, 3-12	165-7n	Frank West, A&M, CS, 2-19
23 <b>−</b> 2½n	f-Reggie Jameson, A&M, Lar, 3-5	163-7n	Marc Taylor, Tech, Lar, 3-5
23-2wn	f-Philip Steen, A&M, CS, 2-19		
	POLE VAULT		JAVELIN
16-8	Brad Blair, A&M, Lar, 3-5	225-9	Porky Lyons, Texas, Aus, 2-26
x-16-0	Roy Willits, Houston, Hou, 3-12	222-0	Bruce Atkinson, Rice, Hou,2-26
15-6	f-Jerry Strong, A&M (3 times)	x-212-9	John Jeffrey,Baylor, FW,3-12
x-15-6	f-Brett Dames, Houston, Hou,	x-204-9n	Clark Morman, Arkansas, FW, 3-12
	3-5 and 3-12	x-194-6n	Steve Pickert, Ark, FW, 3-12
x-15-6n	Chris Pecheaux, Rice, Hou,	193-9n	f-Alex Knavs, SMU, Waco, 2-26
	2-26 and 3-12	193-8n	f-Mike Newsome, A&M, CS, 2-19
x-15-6n	Marc Herne, Texas, Hou, 3-12		and Lar, 3-5
15-0	Dave Flemming, Baylor, Lar, 3-5	189-8n	Richard Lacombe, Houston, Hou, 3-5
15-0	Blake Burleson, Baylor, Hou, 2-19		
14-8n	f-Andy Cox, Baylor, Hou, 2-19		
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	440-YA	RD RELAY	
x-41.0	Texas (Raymond Clayborn, f-Maurice Beecher, Overton Spence, f-Johnny Jones),		
•	CS, 2-19 and Hou, 3-12		
41.1	Houston (Greg Edmond, Cecil Overstreet, f-Sam Castro, Kevin Nance), Hou, 3-5		

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x-41.0	Texas (Raymond Clayborn, f-Maurice Beecher, Overton Spence, f-Johnny Jones),
	CS, 2-19 and Hou, 3-12
41.1	Houston (Greg Edmond, Cecil Overstreet, f-Sam Castro, Kevin Nance), Hou, 3-5
41.40	Baylor (Davy Duncan, Steve Sims, f-Thomas Saulsberry, Scooter Reed), Waco, 2-26
41.6n	A&M (Chuck Butler, Shifton Baker, f-Philip Steen, Ray Brooks), Lar, 3-5
x-42.0n	TCU (f-Jerome Polk, Alfred McAfee, Phil Delancy, Kendall Weekes), FW, 3-12
42.0n	Arkansas (f-Bobby Inman, f-Ted Bell, f-Kerwin Washington, Barnabas White), Hou, 3-5
42.4n	Tech (Garye Price, William Pierson, f-Charles Green, Jim MacAndrew), Hou, 3-5
	and Lar, 3-5
NT	SMU

46.9 f-Johnny Jones, Texas, Lar, 3-5 x-47.2 Mark Collins, Baylor, FW, 3-12 x-47.2n Geary Harris, Baylor, FW, 3-12 Kevin Nance, Houston, Lar, 3-5 48.1n Sam Waugh, Rice, Lar, 3-5 48.8n f-Ed Newsome, Tech, Lar, 3-5 49.0n Elrick Brown, Houston, Hou, 3-5 49.1n Mark Stephens, Ark, Hou, 3-5	13.4w 13.7w 13.7w Shifton Baker, A&M. CS, 2-19 13.8w 1-Jesse James, Rice, Hou, 2-19 14.0n Doc King, Rice, Hou, 2-19 14.01 Alec Studstill, Texas, Aus, 2-26 14.1wn 14.1wn 14.1wn 15-Thomas Saulsberry, Bay, Hou, 2-19 14.4wn Curtis Isaiah, Rice, Hou, 3-12 14.4wn Jeff Kirk, Texas, CS, 2-19
880-YARD RUN  1:51.6 Mark Collins, Baylor, Lar, 3-5 x-1:52.92 David Beyer, Rice, Hou, 3-12 x-1:52.96n Mark Mason, Texas, Hou, 3-12 1:53.0 Bruce Gingrich, Rice, Hou, 2-26 and Lar, 3-5  1:53.32 Jim Brannen, A&M, CS, 2-19 1:53.37n Tom Glass, A&M, CS, 2-19 x-1:53.5n Phil McLendon, Baylor, FW, 3-12 x-1:53.78n Paul Craig, Texas, Hou, 3-12 1:54.0n Dan Fergus, SMU, Lar, 3-5 1:54.0n Jimmy Strong, Texas, Lar, 3-5	52.3 Shifton Baker, A&M, CS, 2-19 52.9p David Nelson, Texas, Lar, 3-5 x-53.16n f-Jesse James, Rice, Hou, 3-12 x-53.27 Curtis Isaiah, Rice, Hou, 3-12 x-53.65n Alec Studstill, Texas, Hou, 3-12 x-53.77n Blair Korndorffer, Texas, Hou, 3-12 x-53.9n Jeff Shirey, SMU, FW, 3-12 x-54.0n Greg Roberts, TCU, Lar, 3-5 and FW, 3-12 Mark Scott, Arkansas, Hou, 3-5
9.21 f-Johnny Jones, Texas, Aus, 2-26 2-9.4 Cole Doty, SMU, FW, 3-12 9.4w Greg Edmond, Houston, Hou, 3-5 9.60 Scooter Reed, Baylor, Waco, 2-26 9.6wn Barnabas White, Ark, Hou, 3-5 9.67n Overton Spence, Texas, Aus, 2-26 9.75n Phil Delancy, TCU, Lar, 3-5  220-YARD DASH Cole Doty, SMU, FW, 3-12 21.2p Carlton Derrett, Rice, Lar, 3-5 21.2wn Phil Delancy, TCU, FW, 3-12 21.2t Elrick Brown, Houston, Hou, 3-12 Ray Brooks, A&M, CS, 2-19 21.5n Overton Spence, Texas, CS, 2-19 21.5w Barnabas White, Arkansas, Hou, 3-5	ONE-MILE RUN  4:07.5 Paul Craig, Texas, CS, 2-19  4:09.5n Manfred Kohrs, A&M, CS, 2-19  4:09.6n Mark Mason, Texas, Lar, 3-5  4:10.4n Joel Vogt, A&M, Lar, 3-5  4:10.9n Mike Novelli, Rice, Lar, 3-5  4:11.2n Lane Mitchell, A&M, CS, 2-19  x-4:11.7 Jesse Maldonado, Texas, Hou, 3-12  x-4:12.3n Eric Lathrop, Houston, Hou, 3-12  x-4:12.6n Don Waters, Texas, Hou, 3-12  4:12.6 Jeff Thompson, Houston, Hou, 3-5  THREE-MILE RUN  13:45.7 Mike Novelli, Rice, Lar, 3-5  13:46.0n f-Marty Froelick, Rice, Lar, 3-5  13:46.3n Neil Hendry, Texas, Lar, 3-5  13:50.6 Steve Baker, Arkansas, Hou, 3-5  13:57.4n Paul Craig, Texas, Lar, 3-5
21.60 f-Johnny Jones, Texas, Aus, 2-26 21.6pn Scooter Reed, Baylor, Lar, 3-5 21.6pn f-Charles Green, Tech, Lar, 3-5  ONE-MILE  -3:10.9 Baylor (Phil McLendon, f-Larry Day	13:58.8n Stu Penn, Arkansas, Hou, 3-5 14:03.4n Wayne Brennan, Houston, Hou, 3-5 x-14:07.4n Mike Clark, Arkansas, FW, 3-12 14:07.4n f-Greg Lautenslager, Tech, Lar, 3-5 RELAY

x-3:10.9 Baylor (Phil McLendon, f-Larry Davis, Geary Harris, Mark Collins), FW, 3-12 Tech (William Pierson, f-Charles Green, Garye Price, f-Edwin Newsome), Lar, 3-5 3:15.0n Rice (f-Keith Schnelle, Carl Ables, Herb Kinney, Sam Waugh), Lar, 3-5 3:15.8n TCU (Alfred McAfee, f-Jerome Polk, Greg Roberts, Michael Milton), FW, 3-12 x-3:16.4nHouston (f-Ken Seynaeve, Kevin Nance, Gary Davis, Elrick Brown), Hou, 3-5 3:17.4 A&M (f-Karl Figgs, Ron McGonigle, Jim Brannen, f-Ed Dulak), Lar, 3-5 3:18.5n 3:18.7n SMU (runners unavailable), FW, 3-12 Arkansas (Mark Stephens, Kerwin Washington, f-Ted Bell, Clark Morman), Hou, 3-5 3:19.2n

Texas (Raymond Clayborn, Alfred Jackson, Overton Spence, David Nelson), CS, 2-19