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F O R T W O R T H ---Three 1976 Olympians and a sprinter who recently beat another Olympian head the individual cast in the fourth annual Southwest Conference indoor track and field championships scheduled Friday, Feb. 4, in the Tarrant County Convention Center.

Texas will be trying to regain the team title it won the first two years before being edged by Baylor last year. Texas A&M could provide the biggest test for the Longhorns with Houston and Baylor also fielding strong teams. Just behind the big four in pre-meet potential are Rice, Texas Tech and Arkansas as the SWC indoor meet may show the best team balance in its short history.

A high-school division will be held in conjunction with the SWC meet with preliminaries and a few finals starting at 1:30 p.m. and the evening portion starting at 6:30 p.m. The meet is sponsored by the Tarrant County Coaches Association.

The most celebrated individuals in the SWC meet are Johnny (Lam) Jones, the Texas halfback-sprinter who won an Olympic Games gold medal on the U.S. 400-meter relay team last summer just after graduating from Lampasas High School; Arkansas' Niall O'Shaughnessy, owner of the fastest outdoor mile in SWC history and a member of Ireland's Olympic team who recently ran the second-fastest indoor 1,000-yard run (2:05.5) ever; and Texas middle-distance man Paul Craig, who passed up collegiate competition last spring to win a spot on Canada's Olympics team.

And one of the most interesting performers will be Houston sprinter Greg Edmonds, who last week defeated Auburn's Olympic gold medal sprinter Harvey Glance in the 60-yard dash at Baton Rouge.

Only two individual winners and one relay team return from last year's meet, which saw records broken in ten of the 15 events.

Baylor junior Mark Collins, winner of both the indoor and outdoor 440 championships last year, joins teammate Kevin DeLorey in a bid to retain titles. DeLorey set the high-jump record last year.

Collins has had outstanding workouts this winter and could be a threat in the quarter, 600 or half mile. He also anchored Baylor's record-setting mile relay team in last year's indoor meet.

Texas Tech returns last year's record-setting distance medley relay team--half miler Ricky McCormick, quarter-miler Luther Mays and distance men Terrell Pendleton and Mark Freeman.

Time schedule for the SWC Indoor Championships:

PRELIMINARIES

2 p.m.--mile run; 2:30 p.m.--440 dash; 2:45 p.m.--600 dash; 3 p.m.--880 run; 3:15 p.m.--1,000 run; 4 p.m.--60 hurdles; 4:10 p.m.--60 dash; 4:15 p.m.--60 hurdles semifinals if necessary; 4:25 p.m.--60 dash semifinals if necessary.

FINALS

3:20 p.m.--distance medley relay; 6:20 p.m.--pole vault; 6:55 p.m.--60 hurdles; 7:10 p.m.--60 dash; 7:25 p.m.--shot put; 7:45 p.m.--1,000 run; 8 p.m.--mile run and long jump; 8:15 p.m.--440 dash; 8:35 p.m.--600 dash and high jump; 9:10 p.m.--two-mile relay; 9:25 p.m.--880 run; 9:45 p.m.--two-mile run; 10:15 p.m.--one-mile relay.

S.W.C. INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS RECORDS  
Through 1976 Meet

Distance Medley Relay.....	Texas Tech, 1976.....	10:01.74
	(Ricky McCormick 1:55.8, Luther Mays 49.2, Terrell Pendleton 3:03.1, Mark Freeman 4:13.2)	
60-Yard High Hurdles.....	Floyd Cavitt, Houston, 1976.....	7.12
60-Yard Dash.....	Lorenzo Ashford, TCU, 1976.....	6.01
1,000-Yard Run.....	Paul Craig, Texas, 1974.....	2:11.6
One-Mile Run.....	Reed Fischer, Texas, 1975.....	4:09.6
440-Yard Dash.....	Don Sturgal, Texas, 1974.....	49.2
600-Yard Dash.....	Michael Carter, Baylor, 1976.....	1:09.76
Two-Mile Relay.....	Baylor, 1976.....	7:46.11
	(John Hoover 1:58.9, Arthur Nious 1:56.0, Mark Lawless 1:55.8, Walker Lea 1:55.4)	
880-Yard Run.....	Niall O'Shaughnessy, Arkansas, 1975.....	1:51.7
Two-Mile Run.....	Randy Melancon, Arkansas, 1976.....	8:56.75
One-Mile Relay.....	Baylor, 1976.....	3:16.30
	(Steve Lang 49.4, Tim Son 48.6, Michael Carter 48.6, Mark Collins 49.7)	
Long Jump.....	Ricky Thompson, Baylor, 1975.....	24-7 3/4
High Jump.....	Kevin DeLorey, Baylor, 1976.....	7-1 1/4
Pole Vault.....	David Shepherd, Texas, 1976.....	16-6 1/4
Shot Put.....	Dana LeDuc, Texas, 1976.....	64-6 3/4