



Gaining fame and recognition about as fast as he scampers across the hardwoods, Jewell McDowell, Aggie's all-conference guard candidate, was selected for the second straight week as the Star of the Week by the Batt sports staff.

Starting play on the part of McDowell in the Oklahoma and St. Louis games won him the honor this week.

The little man from Amarillo led his teammates offensively in both contests, scoring 18 points in the St. Louis fray and slipping through the hoop two field goals and four free throws in the game against the Okla. Cowboys.

Oklahoma's All-American candidate Gail McArthur had considerable trouble from the Aggie's 5'8" pack of speed. McArthur was busy with John DeWitt, Aggie forward, in the first half, but was assigned to McDowell in the second period.

"Little Mac" held McArthur to three points during his stay with the Okla. Aggie's best defensive man, while scoring eight himself.

In the St. Louis contest, although not playing his usual brand of defensive ball, McDowell managed to lead the Aggie in the hard fought contest by tallying 18 points.

John DeWitt, the Aggie's 6'6" forward, probably gave McDowell

his toughest competition for the award this week, as the Waco flash in the same two games scored 19 points besides playing a rugged brand of ball under the hoop.

McDowell will probably be A&M's last four-year letterman. Although playing only half a season with the Maroon and White cagers last season, he came through in excellent fashion, winning himself a major varsity letter.

With two and a half seasons of eligibility left, and a freshman numeral of last year, the 20-year-old guard ought to leave Aggie-land in '52 with a varied collection of awards.

Last season McDowell, entering competition in mid-season, managed to collect 62 points in eight games, while being guarded by such defensive aces as Slater Martin, and Bill DeWitt.

Married and majoring in physical education, McDowell is considered the best cage prospect to enter Aggie-land in recent years.

At his present pace, it won't take the shifty cager long to convince sports fans that he is just that. Scoring an average of 12.5 points a game, McDowell has sunk 27 field goals and 25 charities for a total of 79 points to lead all other Aggie basketballers in the scoring bracket.

Paces Harriers



JULIAN HERRING

A&M's Southwest Conference championship cross country team will participate in the Texas AAU meet in Houston tomorrow. Julian Herring is the pre-meet favorite to cop the title won last year by Aggie J. D. Hampton. Herring won the junior crown in '48.

Seven cross country men will be chosen to represent A&M out of a group of eight harriers now competing for the team. Runners include Herring, Robert Allen, Jerry Boanen, John Garmany, Calvin Hubert, Howard Jones, Jim McMahon, and Alexander Ortiz. Charlie Hudgins said Maurice Loraine, top Fish distance man, will also be entered, but will run unattached to the Aggie team.

Arkansas Head Will Announce Porker Coach

Fayetteville, Ark. Dec. 16 (AP)—Dr. Lewis Webster Jones, president of the University of Arkansas, said Thursday a new coach would be named to pilot the Arkansas Razorback football team.

Jones said head coach Barnhill would stay on at the University as athletic director.

Dr. Jones called a meeting of the entire student body at the University. About 4,500 students were on hand in the field house to hear the announcement.

He said the name of the new coach to replace Barnhill would be announced today.

With the signing by Dutch Meyer of a new three-year TCU contract and the settling of difficulties involving Bob Woodruff at Baylor, it appears that the hiring of a new Porker coach will be the only change among Southwest Conference head coaches.

However, Bully Gilstrap of Texas has been switched from a coaching position to a front office job as liaison worker with alumni groups. J. T. King, A&M end coach, is leaving College Station to replace Gilstrap as the Steer end mentor.

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Maroon Cagers Meet Arizona, Trinity in San Antonio Contests

A&M's resurging Maroons left at one this afternoon for San Antonio and an opportunity to raise their season win average to a healthy 500%. The two Aggie opponents who will attempt to thwart the Aggie ambitions are the Trinity Tigers and Arizona Wildcats.

The Cadets will face Arizona tonight in the second game of a double bill schedule for the new

Alamo Stadium Gymnasium. The first tilt of the program will feature Trinity and Texas with the opening whistle at 8 p. m.

Exact time for the Aggie game will depend on when the first game ends, but the contest should start about 9:45. The Cadets were originally assigned the curtain raiser in the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce-sponsored, double header, but travel requirements have caused a probable switch to

the late game spot. Saturday the two Southwest Conference fives change opponents with the Aggies playing Trinity in the first tilt which begins at 8 p. m. Texas will take on the Wildcats in the second game.

Odds Against Two Wins
Chances are that the Cadets will not take two victories in the weekend games as "experts" have already given the win-nod to Arizona in tonight's contest. A & M will be a slight favorite in the second game, however.

Trinity defeated the Maroons, 56-49, last season in the Ags' first game. The Cadets had led until the closing minutes of the clash when the Tigers roared from seven points back to overtake and best the visiting Farmers.

Reports are that the San Antonio club has most of its men back from last year. Some idea of the Tigers' strength can be gathered from the fact that Trinity beat Texas Tech, 65-53, a week ago.

Wildcats Are Champs
The first Ag opponent, Arizona, has been champion of the Border Conference for the past four years. The last two years the Wildcats have been recognized by being asked to participate in playoffs with the SWC winner in order to determine the Southwest representative in the NCAA championship matches.

In '48 the Sunshine Staters fell before the Robinson-paced Bruins, but last winter they turned the tables on the Baptists and defeated them, 55-47. Arkansas, the third member of the victorious SWC triumvirate, took the Wildcats in the final playoff game, however.

The blue-uniformed quintet employs the western wide-open style, fast break offense. Shifting, man-

for-man defense is used by the Arizona team.

Team Is Undeafed
Coach Fred Enke, a Minnesota graduate, has guided his team to four victories without a loss so far this season. Victims of the Wildcats have been the San Diego Naval Air Station, twice, Colyer Stockton College, and California Polytechnic.

Last year the Wildcats won 17 games while dropping only 11. However, most of their wins were within the confines of their conference and they met with little success in inter-sectional competition.

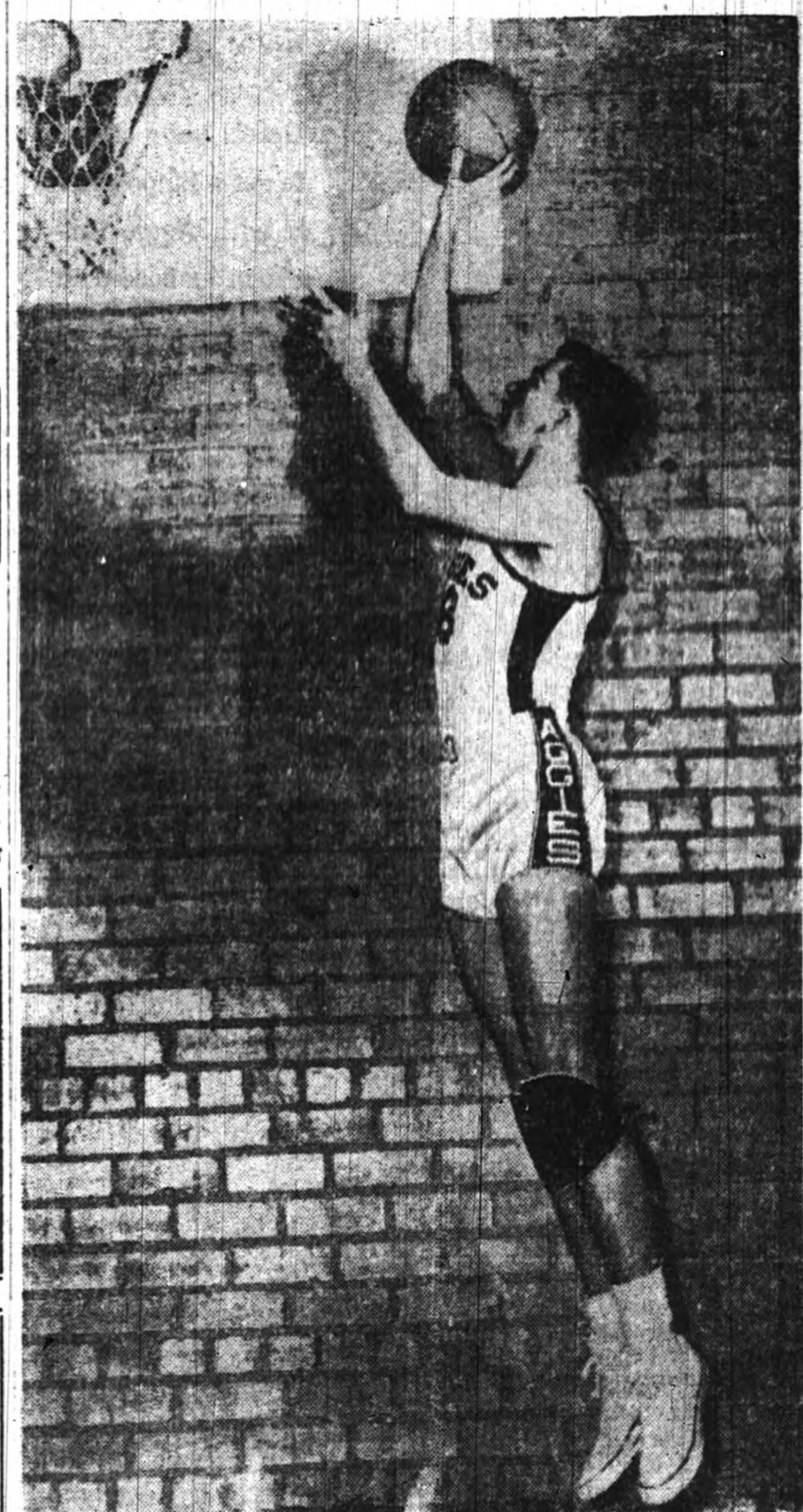
Since Enke took over the coaching reins at the Tucson school, he has won 358 games and lost only 166. Because of his fine record and interesting style of play he has remained a constant idol of the 5,900 students at the Western school.

Three Regular Backs
Although Enke lost his second and third best scorers by graduation, he still has the remaining three top scorers from his '49 squad. Leon Blevins, 6'2" senior who won all-conference honors as a forward last year, paced the 1949 team with a total of 390 points in 28 games for a 13.57 average. He is continuing his pact this year, too.

At the other forward slot is a junior letterman, Bob Henea, who utilized his 6'1" to rack up 406 points for a 5.7 average as a soph last winter. As a freshman the year before Henea averaged 110 points plus in each contest.

Leo Johnson, 6'4" guard was the number five scorer last year after transferring from Gila JC, hit the meshes for 126 points in '49. Teaming with him is 6'3" soph Roger Johnson, who as a freshman led his team with 100 points in 19 games.

Cadets' Top Reserve



Eddie Houser, 6-foot sophomore from Big Spring, is the number one reserve for the Aggie cagers. He, Ken Sutton, Marvin Martin, and Mike Garcia provide the Maroon quintet with a capable reserve of players who can produce good results when called on to replace one of the first string performers. Houser scored 64 points as a forward on the Fish squad last winter. This year he is playing both forward and guard for Marty Karow's team.

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