

SWC Cagers Fared Badly In Last Week's Intersectional Play

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The Southwest Conference's head not only is bloody but bowed in the three weeks of the basketball campaign.

Intersectionally, the Southwest is a big washout. The boys haven't played each other yet but the results against outside opposition indicate there isn't a strong team in the flock.

Last week they lost nine intersectional games while winning only three. That brought the record for the season to date to seven wins against twenty defeats. That's not even mediocre.

Humiliating

And some of the lickings absorbed were quite humiliating. For instance Baylor, one of the conference favorites, was whammed by Kansas State, 30 to 78. Arkansas, 53 to 65, and Indiana, 50 to 75. Texas Christian, which hadn't lost a game until last week, was swamped by Bradley, 49 to 85. Southern Methodist was tumbled by Colorado, 48 to 71, and Texas Christian was licked by St. Louis, 53

to 80.

It will be a relief when the conference games start and the quintets can quit worrying about protection of life and limb.

The only intersectional wins registered last week were Texas' 58-to-50 decision over Arizona, Texas Christian's 37-to-35 victory over Missouri and Rice's 60-to-40 trimming of Southwestern Louisiana Institute.

Texas and Rice showed the most improvement, Rice previously had lost to SLI, 26 to 42. Texas not only whipped Arizona, which beat Texas A&M, 58 to 50, but went all out in an 84-to-37 rout of Trinity University.

McDowell Second

It enabled Tom Hamilton, big Texas forward, to take over the scoring leadership. He came all the way from sixth to the top with his 114 points. Jewell McDowell, Texas A&M guard, forged from fifth to second place with 112.

Southern Methodist plays another game with Colorado at Boulder Monday night. Tuesday night Baylor goes against Tulane at San Antonio and Texas Christian plays Wichita at Wichita, Kan.

Wednesday and Thursday Rice tries Colorado at Boulder, Southern Methodist plays Missouri at Dallas Friday and Saturday, and Arkansas engages Oklahoma A&M at Little Rock Thursday.

Other games find Texas A&M taking on North Texas State at College Station, and Texas Christian vs. Wichita at Wichita, Kan.

Wednesday—Rice vs. Colorado at Boulder.

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Friday—Southern Methodist vs. Missouri at Dallas.

Nebraska 69, Baylor 55.
Texas 84, Trinity 37.
Colorado 71, Southern Methodist 48.
Arizona 56, Texas A&M 50.

This Week's Schedule

Tuesday—Baylor vs. Tulane at San Antonio, Texas A&M vs. North Texas State at College Station, Texas vs. University of Houston at Austin, Texas Christian vs. Wichita at Wichita, Kan.

Wednesday—Rice vs. Colorado at Boulder.

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Last Week's Results

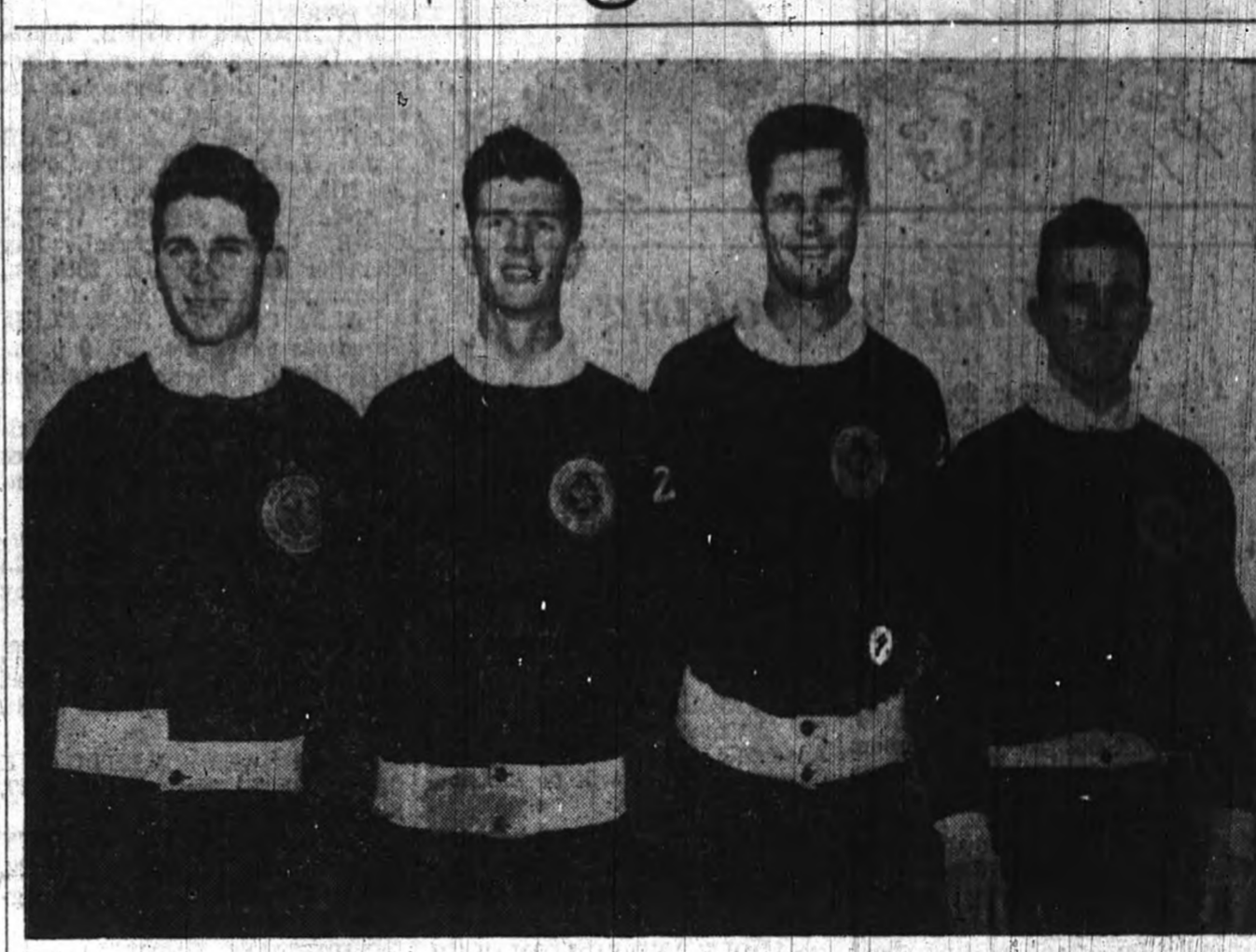
Texas A&M 66-73, Abilene Christian College 45-38.
Texas Christian 37-45, Missouri 35-54.
Baylor 52, Texas Wesleyan 51.
Rice 68, Sam Houston State 48.
West Texas State 46, Texas 42.
Howard Payne, 57, Southern Methodist 56.
Illinois 65, Arkansas 53.
Indiana 75, Arkansas 50.
Bradley 85, Texas Christian 49.
Kansas State 78, Baylor 30.
Texas 58, Arizona 50.
Rice 60, Southwestern Louisiana Institute 40.
Texas A&M 67, Trinity 49.

Leading Scorers

Player	G	F	TP
Hamilton, Texas F	41	32	114
McDowell, A&M, G	39	34	112
McDermott, Rice, C	40	26	106
Davis, A&M, C	38	28	104
Brown, SMU, F	38	23	99
Hudspeth, Ark. F	39	12	90
Reynolds, TCU, F	30	24	84
DeWitt, TCU, G	29	18	76
Freeman, SMU, F	29	10	68

Ag Cagers Meet NTSC Eagles Here Tonight

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Pictured above are a group of the outstanding candidates who are competing for berths on the Aggie mile relay team. From left to right, Don Mitchell, James McCarty, Benton Terry, and Robert Atkins.

A&M's varsity cage team takes to the hardwoods in DeWare Field House tonight to meet the cage team from North Texas State College at 8. This is the third home appearance for the Aggies this season and is their final one here until after Christmas holidays.

Ticket Manager Howard Nelson of the Athletic Department said yesterday that beginning with this game, and continuing throughout the rest of the season, students will be admitted on the first come-first served basis. He said that the alphabetical procedure used for student admission had been discarded permanently. Nelson also added that there were no restrictions on non-students attending games. Admission for non-students is 50¢ and 25¢.

The Eagles from North Texas to date have met teams from Austin College, Baylor, Texas, West Texas State, Central Oklahoma State, and Southwest Texas State. Of the teams named above, only the Austin College five has met defeat at the hands of the Eagles up to yesterday.

Six Lettermen

Eagle Coach Pete Shands has six lettermen returning to his fold from the 1948-49 team. From these six will come tonight's starting lineup. This year's co-captains, Bennie Rutherford and Ed Kelly, are certain starters for tonight's tilt as is Don Deardorff, three-year letterman from Illinois.

The other two starters will come from Dick Wall, Tom Edwards, and Charles Johnson, a six foot, six incher.

Coach Marty Karow's Aggie cagers will play in their final home appearance of the year tonight. They will play on the west coast during the Christmas holidays.

Starters

The starting five for the Aggies tonight is expected to be John DeWitt and Bill Turnbow at forwards, Buddy Davis at center, and Jewell McDowell and Wally Moon at the guards.

Also expected to see service for A&M tonight are Marvin Martih, Glenn Williams, and Sydon Hrachovy at forward, Ken Sutton at center, and Mike Garcia, Woody Walker, Bobby Farmer, and Eddie Houser at the guard positions.

On their trip west during the holidays, the Aggies will meet Arizona in Tucson on Dec. 27, the University of California on Dec. 29 in San Francisco, and Stanford University on Dec. 30 in San Francisco.

Mile Relay Team to Compete In Sugar Bowl Track Meet

Texas A&M College, king bee in Southwest Conference track and cross-country circles for the past two years, will send five athletes to the Sugar Bowl track meet at New Orleans later this month.

Ray Holbrook, present holder of the SWC 440-yard dash record and a member of the Aggies' crack mile relay team last spring, will enter the half-mile event. The sturdy-legged, Baytown product will be wearing the Aggie spangles for the last time since he will not be eligible for varsity competition next spring.

Quartermiler

Although Holbrook is best known as a quarter-miler, he once competed as a half-miler and placed in that event at the Sugar Bowl soon after being discharged from the service three years ago. He has been impressive in recent time trials.

Coaches Frank Anderson and Ray Putnam also will take the new version of the Aggie mile relay team. The Cadets won this event last Sugar Bowl meet, but only Donald Mitchell is back from last season's fast foursome. The fiery little competitor from Deer Park will run the anchor lap.

Hot Battle

Robert Atkins and Don Englehart have made two of the other three positions on the team and the third will be known today. Bernard Pace, Benton Terry, and James McCarty are waging a hot battle for the third berth.

Mexia - Littlefield Game Dec. 26 To Close Schoolboy Grid Race

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Texas schoolboy football, which figured to wind up the 1949 season this week, now must wait until the day after Christmas to call it a year.

Football teams of Mexia and Littlefield agreed Sunday to meet at Fair Pair stadium in Abilene on Monday, Dec. 26, to decide the Class A championship of Texas.

Pass defense helped Wichita Falls roll over Highland Park. The Coyotes intercepted five passes and two intercepted set up Wichita Falls' touchdowns.

Wichita Falls will meet Austin for the Class AA crown at Fort Worth's TCU stadium at 2 p. m. Friday.

Austin upset Port Arthur, 20 to 14, last week to advance to the finals.

Wichita Falls blanked Highland Park (Dallas), 21 to 0; Littlefield whipped Garland, 27 to 13, and Mexia edged Uvalde, 7 to 6.

Grid Power

The finals will match exponents of power football.

Wichita Falls has a terrific ground game, while Austin has used little else in running over twelve of thirteen opponents this year. Wichita Falls is undefeated and untied, as is Mexia.

Littlefield's ground game has been spectacular and it is this fact that makes the South Plains eleven a favorite over Mexia.

Both Wichita Falls and Austin have won state titles before, but this is the first time that Littlefield and Mexia have been this far in the Class A race, playing to a state championship for the second season.

Bobby Warren and John Salyer combined to rip Port Arthur's rugged line to bits. They carry the backfield punch for Johnny Kitchen's Maroons.

Jimmy Self, Tommy Fields and Bill Waggoner are the backfield ace of Wichita Falls.

Biggest Threat

Littlefield's biggest backfield threat is Tommy Bailes, while Mexia has Derrell Carlile to spark its scoring.

It is no surprise that Wichita Falls and Littlefield are in the finals of their respective races. But Mexia and Austin are definite surprises.

Mexia had to knock out the pre-season Class A favorite, New Braunfels, in the playoff and Austin ran up against Port Arthur, the team sportswriters had tagged the best in the state.

Eagles Win 2nd Straight Title

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 20 — (AP) — The Philadelphia Eagles marched through mud and sailed through the air Sunday to crush the L. A. Rams, 14 to 0, and win the National Football League championship for the second straight year.

Biggest disappointment was the weather and the crowd—only 22,245 fans braved the pelting rain to see the battle of the mud.

The Eagles, masters in every important department of play, left no room for doubt that they (See EAGLES, Page 4)

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