

Maroons Meet Razorbacks In Ozarks Tonight

A trip into the lair of the Arkansas Razorbacks is seldom any fun for a conference cage quintet, and this may be particularly true for the crippled Aggies who play the Porkers tonight at eight on the Fayetteville hardwoods.

Station KORA will broadcast the contest for listeners in this area who are following the basketball fortunes of the Cadets.

When the Maroons entrained for the Ozarks Saturday evening, Jewell McDowell was still bothered by the sore shoulder which has handicapped him during the past two outings of the pennant-seeking Farmers. The remainder of the squad was in good physical condition except for Mike Garcia, who had ankle trouble during the Bruin-Cadet clash Friday night.

The perennial championship threats from the University of Arkansas are currently in a third place tie with the TCU Horned Frogs only a half game back of the Ags, who are in a first spot tie with SMU. A&M has won five, lost three; the Hogs have won four, lost three.

In their eight league tilts to date, the College Station basketballers have averaged 50.5 points while their potent defense has held opponents to 44.3 points. The margin of difference for the Maroons is the best in the loop—6.2 points.

Arkansas, on the other hand, has tallied an average of 51.4 points in each of its seven conference games but has allowed opposing forces a robust 50.3 points per meeting. The Porker's slight .8 margin over opponents is hardly impressive, yet the home floor factor can very well make such statistical advantages vanish—and on its own stomping grounds Arkansas will probably be favored in most quarters.

The usual Ozark quintet is slated to face the Ags at the starting whistle; high scorers Jim Cathcart and Gerald Hudgeth at the forward positions, Jack Hess and D. L. Miller at the guard slots, and 6' 7" Bob Ambler at center. Norman Price, 6' 3" guard, might go into the game for Miller if Porker coach Presley Askew desires to use more height against the tall Farmers.

Ambler was the star of the last Razorback conference win, a 51-37 triumph over Texas at Austin, but he has been bothered the past (See AGGIES MEET, Page 4)

SWC Rankings, Scorers Given

Team	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	OP
TCU	12	7	.632	1027	989
Texas	10	9	.526	945	925
Baylor	9	11	.450	957	1116
Tex A&M	9	11	.450	1061	998
Arkansas	8	11	.421	881	948
S M U	8	11	.421	995	1003
Rice	7	11	.389	990	1040

Team	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Tex A&M	5	3	.625	404	373
S M U	5	3	.625	423	416
TCU	4	3	.571	404	383
Arkansas	4	3	.571	360	354
Baylor	4	4	.500	413	403
Texas	3	4	.429	337	396
Rice	1	6	.143	365	411

Player	FG	FT	TP
McDermott, Rice, C.	111	63	285
Hamilton, Texas, F.	87	83	277
McDowell, A&M, G.	100	61	261
Mitchell, SMU, F.	86	63	235
Brown, SMU, F.	82	66	230
Freeman, SMU, F.	81	43	205
Davis, A&M, C.	78	43	199
Fromme, TCU, F.	81	34	196
Switzer, Rice, F.	76	42	194
Cathcart, Ark., F.	69	47	185

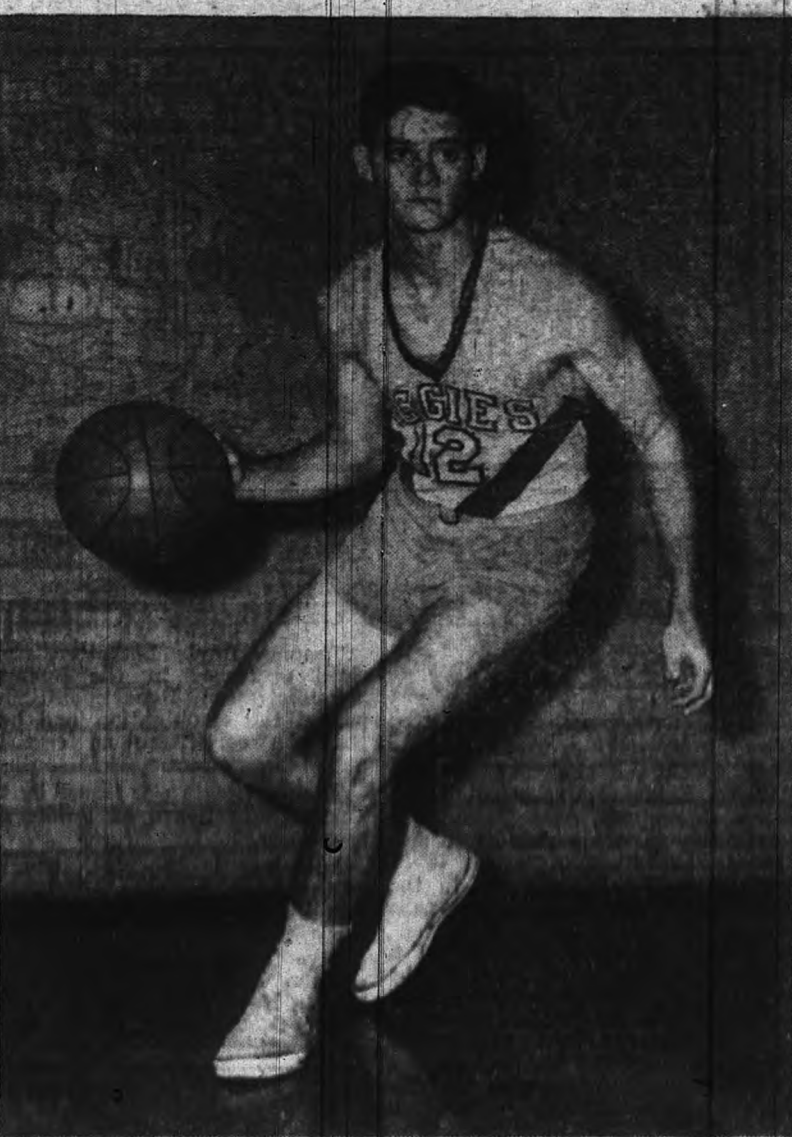
Player	FG	FT	TP
Hamilton, Texas, F.	41	35	117
Mitchell, SMU, C.	41	26	108
McDermott, Rice, C.	42	23	107
McLeod, TCU, C.	41	21	103
Heathington, Bay, F.	35	33	103
McDowell, A&M, G.	36	14	86
Cathcart, Ark., F.	31	19	81
Freeman, SMU, F.	34	13	81
Fromme, TCU, F.	31	18	80

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Max Montegut, posing against the bricks of the interior of DeWare Field House, came through with two vital free throws Friday to edge Baylor; Montegut, a Texas City lad, led the port city to its first state cage title last season topping the Stigarscore scorers. Second in the Fish marker battle, Montegut is expected to be a big help to the varsity next season.

Ag Swimmers Win 38-37 In Finale

By SKIP SIMMEN

What had looked to be an easy triumph for the Ag swimmers turned into a near upset Friday night as the Aggies, coming from behind in the final event, eked out a 38-37 win over the North-westerners of Louisiana in P. L. Downs Natatorium.

Going into the last event of the night, the 400-yard free style relay, the Aggies were behind 31-37. This meant that to win the dual competition the Cadets had to take the closing event. They took it.

It was Gilbert McKinzie who swam the first lap of the 400-yard long race, finishing just a little in front of his bayou state opponent. Then Bill Sargent took over; he gained a little, but the final test was yet to come.

Ellis Comes Through

Ralph Ellis, swimming with all the vigor he could scrape up—and it was just enough—barely finished a body length in front of the pack to win the relay and the meet.

Coach Art Adamson, probably figuring he had a win in the bag, swam his second stringers in the first events. But finally realizing that his team could be beaten, and very decisively in fact, he started sweating and nearly died of heart failure before the final whistle blew.

It was Van Adamson, Bill Sargent and Billy Karow who contributed the most amazing stunt of the night. Before the contest, the three lads got together with Adamson and decided they would try for a new pool record in the 300-yard medley relay.

They Made the Goal

And that was exactly what the three young sophs did. Sargent led off and wound up a body length behind his opponent in the backstroke. It was Karow, swimming the breast stroke, who pulled the Ags ahead and Adamson clinched the record by crawling in at remarkable time.

The trio finished with a 3:06, four-tenths of a second better than the past pool record set by Howland and Spencer, Jimmy Flowers, and Danny Green in '47.

The Louisianians had to go to neighboring Arkansas to find their neighbor swimmer, Nicholas Gunn. The Little Rock product won the 220-free style and finished sec-

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Ags Top Baylor With Field Goal In Final Second

By HAROLD GANN

Four thousand tense DeWare Field House basketball fans turned into a melee of joy Friday night when Jewell McDowell sank a 37-footer in the last second of an overtime period to give the Aggies a vital 56-54 victory over the Baylor Bears.

The spine-tingling SWC battle was truly the sport-spectacle of the season in the eyes of A&M fans, despite inconsistent officiating and a one-sided first half which ended with an eight point Bear lead.

Baylor was definitely at its peak. Having scouted the Ags in Dallas Tuesday, Coach Bill Henderson had carefully geared his team for Maroon maneuvers in long, rugged practice sessions. The Bears hadn't forgotten that 11-point pounding in their own stomping grounds.

Heathington Red Hot

During the first half the Bruins seemed well on their way to a convincing victory and a first-place berth. Crafty Don Heathington, 6'3" forward who amassed 30 points, intentionally drew foul after foul from his guards while breaking under the bucket for short under-handed shots.

Bill Hickman and Bill Snack were continuously screened loose at the free throw line for successful set-shots. Odell Preston and Bill DeWitt, both six feet-three, teamed with Heathington to give Baylor a majority of the rebounds during the first chapter.

It was such a combination that kept Baylor in the lead until the last eight minutes of play.

Ags, Comeback

But it was a more efficient Aggie team that took the floor at the beginning of the second half—a team that was bolstered by Mike Garcia's great all-around game, Buddy Davis' heads-up ball, and Bill Turnbow's defensive backboard grabs.

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Fish Nip Cubs With Two Charity Tosses

By FRANK N. MANITZAS

Coming from behind in the second half, the Aggie Fish defeated the Baylor Bruins, 43-42, last Friday night in the DeWare Field House. Teamwork was the main theme promoted by the Fish as they played their best game of the year and displayed for the fans one of the most thrilling performances in freshman basketball ever to be played in the field house.

Max Montegut, Fish forward from Texas City, cashed in on two charity shots in the last few seconds of play to give the Fish their fifth win of the season against only four losses. On his first free shot, Montegut tied up the ball game, and on the next one he won the tilt.

Don Garrett and Leroy Miksch sparked the Fish under the backboards and received considerable help from Montegut and Jimmy Velvin, who set up a great number of the baskets.

Miksch Leads Fish

Miksch led the Fish scorers with 12 points and Garrett trailed close behind with 10. John Starkey of the Cubs led the field with 17 points.

The Cubs were greatly hampered by the loss of Roland Elledge and their high scorer for the season, Derrel Davis, who saw limited action last Friday. Coach Bill Menefree's team suffered its second loss of the year as the Fish won. The only other loss acquired by

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
Garrett, F.	4	2	2	10
Velvin, F.	1	3	4	5
Elvin, F.	1	0	1	2
Miksch, C.	5	2	5	12
Kolledge, F.	0	1	0	1
Montegut, F.	2	5	1	9
Hett, G.	1	0	1	2
Fooshee, G.	1	0	1	2
Douglas, F.	0	0	1	0
Totals	15	13	16	43

Player	FG	FT	PF	TP
McDonald, F.	3	0	5	6
Quillen, F.	1	0	1	2
Starkey, C.	7	3	2	17
Miles, G.	3	1	4	7
Parker, G.	0	1	0	1
Davis, G.	0	1	0	1
Warburton	1	0	2	2
Totals	15	6	18	42

Half score: Aggie Fish 21, Baylor Cubs 27.
Free throws missed: Fish, 9; Cubs, 11.
Officials: Wilkins and Brazzale.

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Walter "Buddy" Davis is thwarted in an attempt for two vital points in Friday night's narrow victory over the Baylor Bears. Blocking Davis is Odell Preston, while high-scoring Don Heathington, Bruin forward, closes in. On the far right is John DeWitt.

Grid Drill Opened Friday

Spring training began Friday on Kyle Field as Coach Harry Stiteler and his associates put the members of the 1950 football squad through various running, passing, blocking, and tackling drills in preparation for four inter-squad games which will be held during this month.

The first will be held on February 18. The dates of the other games will be announced later. Cadet workouts continued Saturday.

Eighty-one prospects turned out, but missing were three letter-men halfbacks—John Christensen, Gary Anderson, and Robert Schaffer—who are out due to illness or participation in spring varsity sports.



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Ags, SMU Tied For Loop Lead As End Nears

By Associated Press

The next to last week of the Southwest Conference basketball season is on tap and you can still take your choice as the winner.

A&M and Southern Methodist are tied for the top right now, but the confusion can thicken this week when seven conference games will be unreeled.

A four-team tie for the top was broken last week in some wild and wacky action.

A&M kicked Baylor out of a share on Jewell McDowell's final second field goal in an overtime period. The score was 56-54.

Arkansas lost out on the law of averages. The Porkers didn't play a single loop tilt.

Texas polished off Texas Christian, 69-57, but practically eliminated itself from the title race by bowing to Southern Methodist, 34-51.

Texas Christian, however, kept alive its chances with a 64-63 win over Rice.

The standings now have two teams—A&M and SMU—tied for first; Texas Christian and Arkansas deadlocked in third, Baylor fifth, Texas sixth and Rice a dismal last.

The fun starts tomorrow night as the circuit heads for the finish. Texas meets Texas Christian, Arkansas plays A&M, and Rice meets Southern Methodist.

The home team has been the winner in most instances this season and if this holds true, Arkansas may gain an advantage. The Razorbacks catch A&M and Texas Christian on their home court at Fayetteville.

Baylor's only game is on the road, against Rice at Houston, while Southern Methodist has to go to Austin to meet Texas. A&M has one other road game, with Rice at Houston, too.