

McDowell And Davis Picked Unanimously For All-SWC

Jewell McDowell, the Aggies magical handballer, has again been a unanimous choice for All-Southwest Conference basketball honors.

The basketball honor roll, which was chosen by the conference coaches, picked two of the six players unanimously; both were Aggies; one was McDowell and the other was Walter "Buddy" Davis.

When there was a tie for one of the forward positions, the team turned out to be a sextet. Ralph Johnson of Baylor was a five-vote forward pick while Jack Brown of Southern Methodist and Harvey Fromme of Texas Christian tied for the other forward position.

The other guard was D. L. Miller of Arkansas.

Nothing New

This is not the first time that the 5' 9" McDowell—who was the shortest man among the choice six—has been thus decorated. Last year he was unanimously selected on the AP (Coaches) and Collegiate Sports Writers' All-SWC fives.

While an equally popular selection for LOOK's and COLLIER's All-District 6 (NCAA) teams, McDowell was also named by the United Press to their All-American Honorable Mention staff.

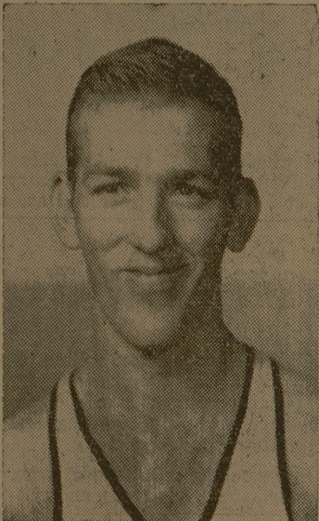
Locally, he won the basketball's Most Valuable Player Award for 1950.

Points

Even though somewhat restricted to scoring under A&M's new ball control style, McDowell has nevertheless still been able to drop through 267 points over seasonal play to be the 8th ranked scorer in the conference.

In conference competition alone, McDowell has been able to garner 129 points to stand 7th among the top ten in the SWC.

Last year, the speedy guard meshed 325 markers during A&M's 24-game schedule, an average of 12 points per game.



McDowell



Davis

A&M's six feet and eight inches of basketball terror, Walter "Buddy" Davis, has been unanimously named to All-Southwest Conference honors by the basketball coaches of the loop.

Picked with Jewell McDowell as the only unanimous choice, the big Aggie center has at last "arrived." Mythically acknowledged throughout the season as the best center in the conference, Davis' ability has now been given the verbal nod by seven coaches.

Voting on the team were Coaches John Floyd of Texas A&M, Byron Brannon of TCU, Bill Henderson of Baylor, E. O. Hayes of SMU, Presley Askew of Arkansas and Don Suman of Rice.

The towering junior is the tallest man on the team which boosts the SWC sextet to an average of six feet two inches.

Defensive - Offensive Star
Davis, who has developed into a defensive star as well as an offensive maniac, has yet to be outplayed on the backboards by a conference opponent, and while yet a big man, his height only serves as a blind to his skillful ball-handling.

With 279 points scored in seasonal play, Davis is tied with Texas' Jim Dowies ranks as the Conference's No. 5 scorer, while the 143 tallies in conference competition rates him the 4th position among scoring leaders.

Last year Davis, as A&M's only starting soph, scored 237 points during the full season and 108 in loop play to gain for himself Honorable Mention on both the Collegiate Sports Writers' All-SWC and COLLIER's All-District 6 (NCAA) teams.

2nd All-SWC Team

The second team—as picked by the Coaches—was made up of forwards Joe McDermott of Rice and Jim Dowies of Texas; George McLeod, TCU, center; George Sealing, Texas, and Fred Freeman, SMU, guards.

Fish Lose To Owlets; Meet Shorthorns Next

By JIM ASHLOCK
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Recovering from a 53-40 defeat at the hand of the Rice Owlets in Houston Saturday, A&M's freshman cagers prepare to meet the Texas University Shorthorns at Austin tomorrow night.

In Saturday's game they at times exhibited slight improvement over their showings in previous contests, yet the moments of coolness and teamwork were too few in number to aid the fish, who trailed continually throughout the entire game.

The victory for the Owlets enabled them to close out their season with a record of five wins against seven losses, with the

majority of the wins coming late in the season.

Ronnie Dwyer, speedy fish guard, was the games leading scorer with 20 points, all on field goals. Dwyer's 14 buckets, coupled with James Addison 13 tallies, was the chief factor which kept the fish in the game.

Stepping onto the hardwood for the last time this season, the fish will engage the TU Shorthorns Tuesday night at Austin in a preliminary to the varsity tilt.

Powell Leads

Led by their 18-year old center, Billy Powell, the Shorthorns humbled the fish 49-30 only one week ago. In this, their final game, the Frosh will attempt to close with only one defeat to mar their record, this being handed them by Schriner Institute.

Eight Down...

Aggies (45)	fg	ft	pf	tp
DeWitt, f.....	1	1	5	3
Farmer, f.....	0	0	0	0
Martin, f.....	1	1	5	3
Miksch, f.....	1	0	3	2
Davis, c.....	5	2	5	12
Walker, g.....	2	2	1	6
Heft, g.....	0	0	0	0
McDowell, g.....	5	9	3	19
Totals.....	15	15	23	45

Rice (42)	fg	ft	pf	tp
White, f.....	0	1	1	1
Dickens, f.....	1	4	5	6
Gerhardt, f.....	4	4	4	12
Grawunder, f.....	0	1	4	1
McDermott, c.....	8	3	3	19
Teague, g.....	0	0	5	0
Tighe, g.....	1	1	2	3
Childs, g.....	0	0	5	0
Bellamy, g.....	0	0	4	0
Totals.....	14	14	33	42

Free Throws Missed—Grawunder 2, Gerhardt 6, McDermott, Dickens, DeWitt 3, McDowell 2, Davis, Walker, Miksch.
Halftime Score—A&M 26, Rice 15.

Aggie Netters Rally for Tie With SE Okla.

The A&M tennis team came from behind twice Friday in DeWare Field House to gain a 3-3 tie with the South-eastern Oklahoma netters.

Playing their first home match of the season, the Aggies fell behind at the start when Eugene Letsos, playing the No. 2 singles, lost to Southeastern's Harlow Binning 6-4; 6-2.

Royce Tate, No. 3 singles man for A&M, won a close match from Bruce Blake, 4-6; 7-5; 7-5 to tie the team match up at one match each.

The Aggies fell behind again when Dick Hardin, playing in the No. 4 singles slot, lost in straight sets to Oklahoman Kenneth Lewis, 6-1; 6-4.

The match was evened up at 2-2 when Aggie Ray DeBerry, No. 1 singles player, won a hard match from Rick Green, 6-1; 6-8; 6-1.

The No. 1 doubles duo of Tate and DeBerry downed Binning and Blake of Southeastern, 6-4; 6-8; 6-4. This match was probably the closest and most interesting of the day.

Hardin and Letsos, the No. 2 Aggie Doubles combination, dropped the final to Green and Lewis, 6-8; 4-6; 6-3.

Tie Cinched At A&M; May End Tied By 3

The last week of the Southwest Conference basketball race arrives with A&M certain of a tie for the championship and just one game away from an undisputed title.

It has been a long, long time—28 years to be exact—since A&M gained any cage glory. That was the last championship won by the Aggies. They haven't even shared a crown since then.

But it's no lead pipe cinch that the Aggies will get more than a piece of the championship this time. The last A&M game is with Texas, that bitter rival, and it's on Texas' home court.

Play-off Maybe

Should A&M lose, two more teams could tie the Aggies for the title. Texas would be one of them and either Texas Christian or Arkansas could be the other. Arkansas has the toughest row to hoe. The Razorbacks must beat both TCU and Rice. But those games are in the Arkansas balliwick and the Porkers right now are the hottest team in the conference.

If A&M wins the title it will play in the Western Regional NCAA tournament at Kansas City. If there is a tie for the title, there will be a play-off to determine the Kansas City representative. It will not be to decide the conference championship, however.

Austin, Rice vs. Southern Methodist at Dallas.

Thursday—Rice vs. Arkansas at Little Rock.

Friday—Texas A&M vs. University of Houston at College Station.

Leading Scorers (Conference)

Player	Fg	Ft	Tp
Johnson, Baylor, f.....	67	42	176
Sealing, Texas, g.....	50	54	154
Davis, A&M, c.....	50	43	143
McDermott, Rice, c.....	51	38	140
Brown, SMU, f.....	48	39	135
McLeod, TCU, c.....	48	33	129
McDowell, A&M, g.....	48	33	129
Dowies, Texas, f.....	46	34	126
Fromme, TCU, f.....	47	31	125

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TU Last Step To First Aggie Title Since 1923

By FRED WALKER
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The tough Texas Longhorns, a team which could prove to be poisoned earth to the Aggie's bed of roses, will be the last door that A&M must open before a Southwest Conference championship can be rolled into College Station since '23.

Only this one basketball opponent, the Texas Steer, is the only possible thwart to a 28-year-old A&M dream.

For the first time in almost two decades the Aggies have had at least a chew from this section's basketball clover, and if the formidable Longhorn can be roped and hogtied, A&M can have the patch down to the last leaf.

Aggs Won First Game

When these two teams had their initial meeting this season, the Aggies handed Texas its first conference loss of the year, and slapped the Steers into a three-way tie with TCU and themselves.

A&M won that game 32-29 by "controlling" Texas as if they had a leash on the Longhorns and keep-

ing the scoreboard clear of a tally for over ten minutes.

As usual, though, the so-called Texas "jinx" needs to be cleaned up. Back in 1934 A&M went over to Austin and kicked Texas in the seat of the pants. Ever since, the Steers have been bouncing the basketball off the Aggies like a yo-yo, for that was the last Maroon and White basketball victory in Austin for 16 years.

Aggie fans are again saying "This is the year!" but as long as Texas can field men like George Sealing and Jim Dowies, the bags can't be packed for a Kansas City trip.

Sealing-Dowies Lead

With 154 points, Sealing, a 5' 11" sophomore flash, is the No. 2 man in the conference scoring, while his seasonal total of 257 rates him

the No. 7 position. One of the fastest players in the conference, Sealing has been righteously called "the most promising player in the Southwest."

Dowies, with a 126 conference points to his credit, is the 8th ranking man in that division. He is tied with A&M's Walt Davis for the No. 6 spot in seasonal totals with 279. The 6' 3" forward, along with Sealing, was named to the All-SWC team this year.

In the last A&M-TU meeting, Sealing led Texas scoring with nine and Dowies was second with six.

Completing the starting line-up will probably be 5' 10" Frank Womack at the other guard position, 6' 6" Don Klein at center and 6' 5 1/2" Joe Ed Falk on the other forward post.

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