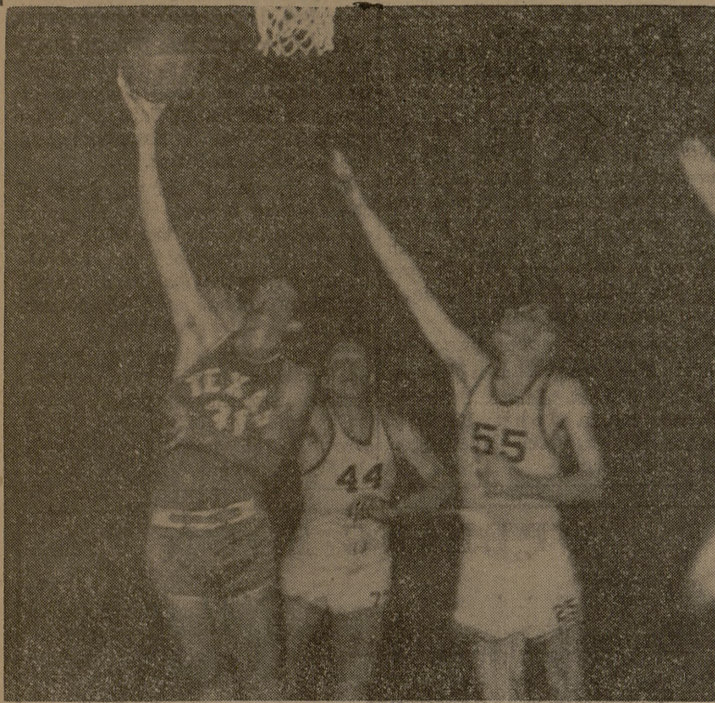


### TU Lay-up Shot



TU forward Gib Ford (31) slips by Aggies' Don Heft (44) and Don Binford (55) for a lay-up shot early in the first period of the conference game in DeWare Field House Saturday. Jimmy Viramontes, (10) Texas guard, is visible in lower right corner.

## Aggies Drop Close Tilt To TU Steers, 38-34

The Aggies dropped a narrow one point lead, 34-33, Saturday night with less than five minutes to go to lose a close 38-34 decision to the Texas Longhorns.

TU staged a five point rally in DeWare Field House for the win that kept the Steers in contention for the SWC crown race.

George Scaling, who was high point man for the Steers, with 13 points, knotted the score at 34 even a charity toss, then hit a long set shot to put the game on ice 36-34 with two minutes left.

A lay-up by Jimmy Viramontes with less than a minute to go, added insurance to the Longhorn lead 38-34, and the final whistle sounded, before the Cadets could get a shot.

#### Steers Take Lead

The Longhorn cagers took a 1-0 lead in the first period on a free throw by Gib Ford, six foot three inch sophomore. Raymond Walker, Aggie guard evaded the count 1-1 on a gift shot moments later.

Scoring three points on a long set shot and a free toss, Viramontes gave the Steers a 4-1 lead.

A lay-up by Eddie Houser and a hook shot by center Walt Davis gave the Aggies the lead for the first time in the game, 5-4.

Goals by Leon Black and Sc-

ing put the Texas quintet out in front 8-5 when the quarter ended.

Davis started the scoring in the second period with a free throw to close the gap, 6-8, and Don Binford sank a lay-up shot to tie things up a 8-8.

A crisp shot by Ford gave the Longhorns the lead, but LeRoy Miksch, hit one from the free throw circle to even the count 10-10 with four minutes left in the first half.

Free shots by Houser and Davis put the Cadets out in front 12-10. Black sank a charity shot but Binford made a short shot to give the Farmers a 14 to 11 lead at halftime.

Two points on gift shots by Black and Scaling and a tip in by center Don Klein put the Steers out in front 15-14 with three minutes gone in the third quarter.

A short shot by Ford increased the Longhorn lead to 17-14. But two free shots by Davis and one by Miksch evened the score 17-17.

#### Scaling Hits Long One

Scaling hit a long set shot and Jim Dowies, tipped Klein's free toss in for a 21-17 lead. Binford made a short one but Scaling hit from the outside again to make the score 23-19.

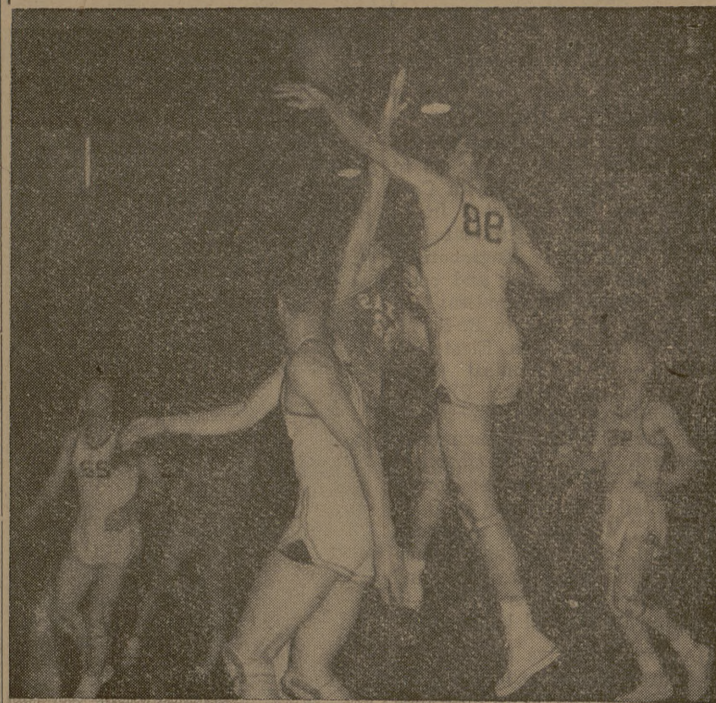
Hitting a shot from the right

corner of the court, Dowies gave the Steers one of their longest lead of the game, 25-19.

Klein fouled Davis for his fourth personal of the game and left with 2 minutes and 45 seconds (See A&M LOSES, Page 4)

Game at a Glance						
A&M (34)	FG	FT	PF	TP		
Miksch, f	1	1	4	3		
Houser, f	1	1	4	3		
Farmer, f	0	0	0	0		
Davis, c	5	5	3	15		
Binford, g	5	0	2	10		
Walker, g	1	1	3	3		
Heft, g	0	0	0	0		
Totals	13	8	16	34		
Texas (38)	FG	FT	PF	TP		
Ford, f	3	1	2	7		
Dowies, f	1	2	0	4		
Klein, c	1	0	5	2		
Price, c	1	1	2	3		
Scaling, g	5	3	1	13		
Viramontes, g	2	1	1	5		
Black, g	1	2	3	4		
Powell, f	0	0	1	0		
Totals	14	10	15	38		
Score at Periods						
Texas	8	3	17	10	38	
A & M	5	9	10	10	34	
Free Throws Missed—Dowies, Ford, Klein, Price, Scaling, Black, Miksch, Davis 5, Walker.						

### Giant Davis Scores



Adding two more points to his record, Buddy Davis (98) leaps high into the air beyond the out-stretched arm of James Dowies (32) to score for the Aggies. LeRoy Miksch (back turned) Binford (55), and Woody Walker (22) form a circle around Davis.

## Baseball Injuries Bother Aggie Nine

By HUGH PHILIPPUS  
Battalion Sports Writer

With less than a week gone since the beginning of baseball practice, the injury list of the varsity diamondmen has taken a sharp increase.

Five of Coach Bell's charges have been added to the list up to date. With the numerous other headaches a varsity coach has at the beginning of a season, Bell has been given a big one early in the season.

#### It All Started

It all started when veteran catcher, Al Ogletree, sprained his ankle while playing basketball at the gym. Then Joe Ecrette, 2nd sack letterman, wrenched his knee in a PE tumbling class. Charley Russell, an infielder, was added to the list with a pulled muscle.

Later, two more diamondmen were reported to have been forced to go to Doc Dayton with injuries. Sharley Leisner, a boy who was a possible replacement for the vacant short-stop spot in the infield, hurt his shoulder, and was told not

to be into to big of a hurry to start working-out again.

Sam McDonald, an outfielder, was the second entrant on the injured list for yesterday, reporting with a sore muscle.

#### Intersquad Games

The last two day's Bell's charges have run through batting practice, and inter-squad games have taken up the rest of the afternoon workouts.

Days roll on and the varsity diamondmen go through their work-outs showing their talents to Coach Bell, who at present has the tune—"Injury Blues"—running through his head.

With the number that the injury list has taken the last few days, Bell might be lucky that he had a large number of boys out for baseball this year.

Of course this high percentage of injuries for so few days, can be connected partially to the bad weather the squad has been forced to work-out in.

Coach Bell didn't like working in the disagreeable weather, but was forced to do so, for the speeding arrival of the opening game March 7, gave him no alternative.

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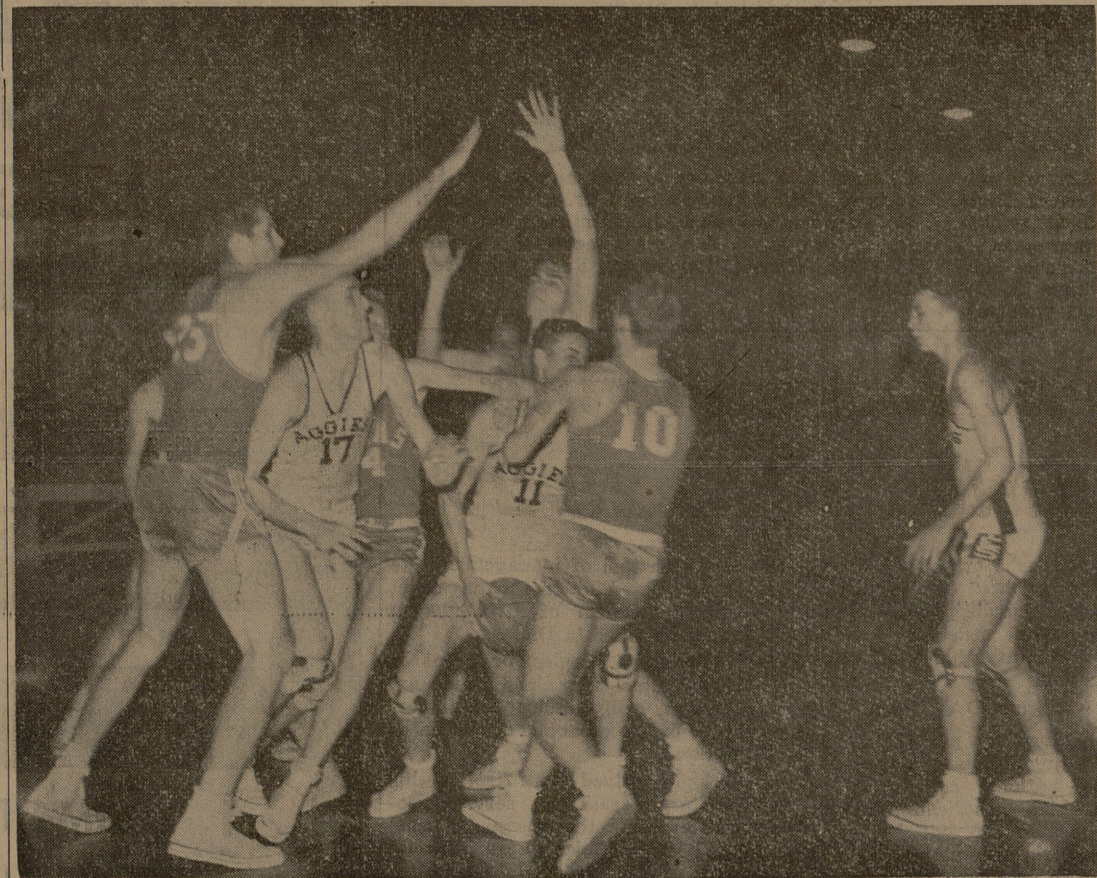
## Tennis Team Opens Season On March 15

With four lettermen back and assistance expected from freshmen of last year, A&M could have its best tennis team in several years, W. M. Dowell, Aggie tennis coach, said recently.

Returning lettermen are R. G. DeBerry, Odessa; Gene Letsos, Galveston; Royce Tate, Corpus Christi; and Tommy West, San Antonio. DeBerry is the lone senior of the four. The other three are juniors.

DeBerry and Letsos combined as doubles partners and finished as runners-up to Southwest Conference champions Julian Oates and Bill Harris of the University of Texas in the 1951 SWC meet.

The netters will open their season March 15 against the University of Houston at College Station and close it in the SWC Meet in Dallas on May 8-9.



All members of both the Aggie Fish and the Texas Shorthorns were caught in this predicament Saturday night. Aggie Dale Fisher (11) has the ball. TU's Jim Magill (25) and Casey Wise (10)

are closing an, and Cecil Neely (17) tries to help teammate Fisher while Aggie Don Moon (far right) is on the out side looking it.

## Fish Win In Last Two Secnods 36-35

Aggie Fish center Cecil Neely, dropped in a free throw in the final two seconds of the game to give the Cadet freshman a 36-35 win over the Texas Shorthorns in DeWare Field House Saturday night.

The thrill-packed Fish game proved to be a good preview for the varsity battle which ended in almost the same manner, except the tables were turned. The Longhorns won the varsity tilt, 38-34.

The low scoring game dragged even slower in the second half af-

ter the Aggies were leading 23-18.

While the Aggies were only scoring three points in the final period the TU fish tossed in 10 to help close the gap.

It was Aggie guard Don Moon that stole the show during the entire clash. Moon seemed to take charge and displayed some dribbling and ball tactics that were sensational.

Moon held the Aggies together, who throughout the game seemed to have complete control over the situation despite the fact that the fans were going crazy.

Game at a Glance				
A & M Fish (36)	FG	FT	F	Pts.
Fisher, f	4	0	3	8
Johnson, g	2	0	2	4
Neely, c	5	2	2	12
Pirtle, f	4	0	4	8
Moon, g	2	0	2	4
Totals	17	2	18	36
Shorthorns (35)	FG	FT	F	Pts.
Wise	3	1	1	7
Scallorn	0	0	0	0
Bradshaw	4	2	1	10
Stewart	1	1	2	3
Magill	2	0	0	4
Hart	0	0	0	0
Gage	3	1	2	7
Kidd	2	0	2	4
Totals	15	5	8	35
Score by quarters:				
A & M	14	9	10	3
Texas	10	8	7	10

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## Zapalac to Take Rebel Coach Post

Willie Zapalac, former A&M football star, was named head coach at Arlington State College Saturday.

Dr. E. F. Hereford, president of Arlington, announced the appointment. He said Zapalac will report March 15, at which time will begin spring training football for the Rebel footballers.

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