

Third In SWC Scoring

# 'Spider' Helping A&M Spin Wins

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George (Spider) Mehafeff, the wild Irishman of A&M, stands third in Southwest Conference scoring with 88 points, but "is his own worst enemy," according to Coach Ken Loeffler.

"There's only one thing worse than a wild Irishman," smiled Loeffler, "and that's three calm Dutchmen," referring to Mehafeff's occasional bursts of wild, uncontrolled basketball.

"George is quick and fast and gets better every day," says Coach Loeffler of his 6-4 point-maker. "He's lasting longer in games too—he used to foul out on defense, now we've got him so he just fouls out on offense."

Mehafeff, dubbed "Spider" by his teammates, currently leads the Aggies in the scoring department in both the conference and season rankings. His 186 points places him ninth in the SWC season totals for a 13.3 average. Although not a skyscraper in height, George has

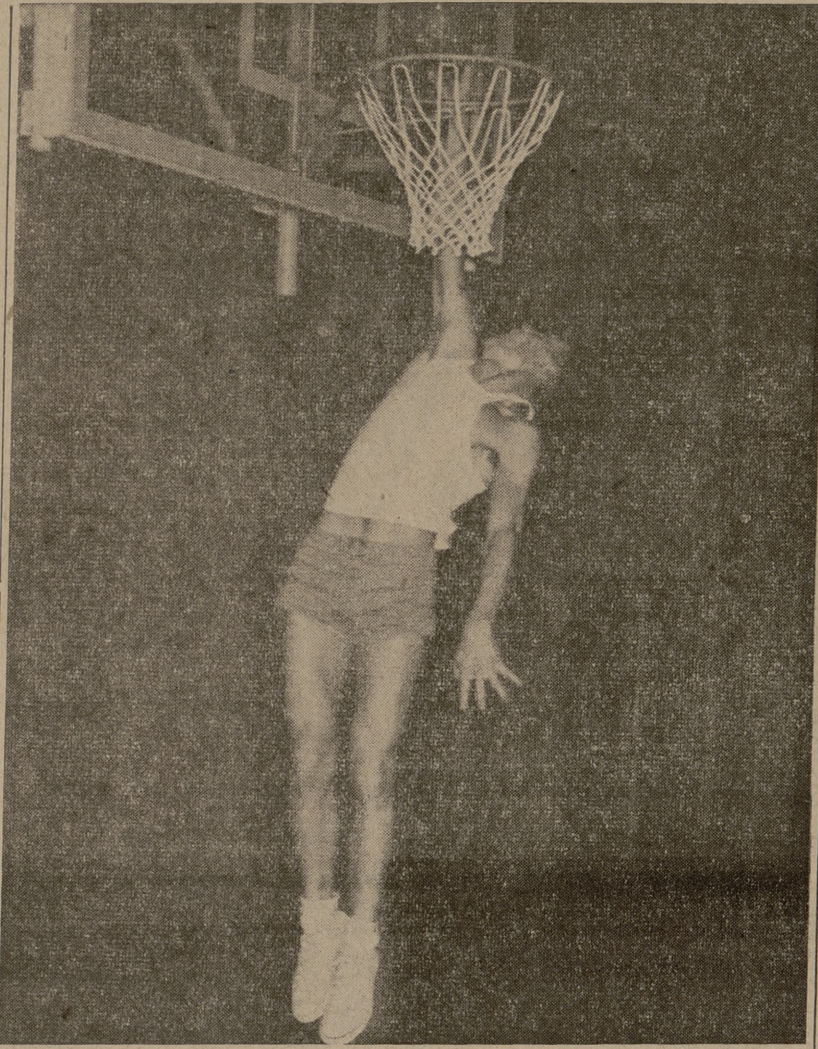
plucked 53 important rebounds off the boards to pace A&M in that department through five conference games.

Mehafeff's 28 points in the Aggies' 77-89 loss to the Rice Owls stands as his personal high on the season and his 35 points in the pre-conference tournament won him second-team all-tourney honors in Houston.

"Mehafeff has all the reactions of a good basketball player," says Loeffler, "and only needs to control his natural wildness to become a really fine player."

The Houston Junior, a graduate of St. Thomas High where he earned a berth on the Catholic all-state quintet his senior year, Mehafeff meshed 156 points last year to take second place among A&M scorers with a 13-point average. On the season George dunked 268 points through the hoop to stand third among the Aggies.

Wild or not, it's a fact that George Mehafeff is one of the outstanding hardwood performers in the SWC.



GEORGE (SPIDER) MEHAFFEY is currently third among Southwest Conference scorers with 88 points in five games, an average of nearly 18 points per game. He also paces the Cadet point makers in season scoring with 186.

# Ags, Sam Houston Vie Here Tonight at 8 p.m.

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Favored for the first time this season, the Aggies collide with Sam Houston's stubborn Bearkats tonight in White Coliseum.

The 8 p.m. game finds the Cadets meeting their oldest cage foe. A&M and Sam Houston first met on the basketball court in 1913, the Aggies' first season, with the Bearkats absorbing a 72-9 beating.

Taking time out from the hotly-contested Southwest Conference race, A&M enters tonight's battle with a 2-3 record against loop teams. Over the season the Cadets have registered four wins while losing 10. A&M is fourth in SWC standings, one game back of Rice's Owls.

"We'll start with George Mehafeff, Fritzie Connally, Ken Hutto, Roger Harvey, Bill Brophy—and a prayer tonight," grinned Aggie mentor Ken Loeffler.

Though Sam Houston's 3-11 season record is not impressive, the Bearkats have not been badly beaten in any game so far. Last Tuesday night—the Kats lost to a strong East Texas State quint, 51-66, to suffer their sixth straight Lone Star Conference setback.

The Huntsville Kats will probably pit a starting five of Al Adams, Monte Driskell, Lawrence Richards, Carl Davis and Glenn Jochee against the Aggies tonight.

In the 63 game series between the two schools A&M has managed

## Aggie Gridders To Open Drills February 20th

February 20th is the date set for the opening of A&M's annual football spring training. The drills will be staged earlier this year than in the past to enable some of the players to participate in track and baseball.

The Aggies, boasting 24 returning lettermen, have possibly been hurt less by graduation than any Southwest Conference school. The entire first-team returns intact for the 1956 grid season.

"We'll use the split-T formation again next year, but with a little more variation," said Coach Paul Bear Bryant.

Of the returning lettermen three were named to first-unit all-SWC teams across the state, and at least five others were placed on the second team.

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## Arkansas Five Leading SWC Cage Teams

Arkansas' battling Razorbacks, who a month ago would have been conceded little chance of stepping into the first division, leaped into the top spot of the Southwest Conference cage race this week.

The Hogs won their fourth straight SWC victory without defeat last Monday night against A&M, 98-66. SMU's co-favored Mustangs hold down the No. 2 position with a perfect 3-0 slate. Highly-rated Rice is third with 3-2.

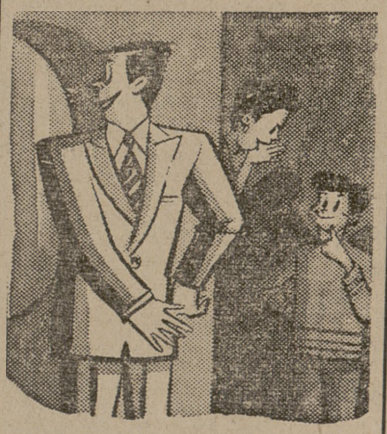
Team	W	L	Pct.	P.L.	Op.
Arkansas	4	0	1.000	337	267
So. Methodist	3	0	1.000	250	267
Rice	3	2	.600	387	306
Texas A&M	2	3	.400	376	428
Texas Christian	1	2	.333	208	230
Baylor	1	2	.333	217	250
Texas	0	5	.000	329	367

Team	W	L	Pct.	P.L.	Op.
So. Methodist	13	2	.867	1147	973
Rice	13	3	.813	1272	1046
Texas	9	4	.692	1066	1008
Arkansas	5	8	.385	884	850
Texas A&M	4	10	.286	960	1099
Baylor	4	10	.286	859	951
Texas Christian	3	12	.200	932	1130

Player	Team	TP
Temple Tucker	Rice	110
Raymond Downs	Texas	101
George Mehafeff	A&M	88
Kenneth Hutto	A&M	75
Joe Durrenberger	Rice	74
Manniel Whitley	Ark.	72
Bill Brophy	A&M	71
Norman Hooten	Texas	68
Larry Showalter	SMU	62
Dick O'Neal	TCU	60

Player	Team	TP
Temple Tucker	Rice	334
Raymond Downs	Texas	358
Dick O'Neal	TCU	344
Jim Krebs	SMU	258
Manniel Whitley	Ark.	222
Joe Durrenberger	Rice	217
Louis Estes	Baylor	206
Norman Hooten	Texas	188
George Mehafeff	A&M	186
Larry Showalter	SMU	179

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