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Aggies Meet Raiders Saturday In Telecast Tilt at Lubbock

The Texas Aggies will make their 1959 basketball television debut Saturday night as they meet the Texas Tech Red Raiders at Lubbock in a clash that can do no less than decide the current third place in conference play. A&M and Tech are now tied for the third place slot with a 3-2 record. But A&M carries the best season record in the conference (12-3) and a previous season win over Tech into the contest. A&M

defeated Tech 66-58 in the opening round of the SWC pre-season tournament at Houston.

The Aggies also hold a 2-1 series record over the Raiders since Tech joined the conference. Last year the Ags split with the Raiders, losing the first at home 57-55 and then trouncing the Lubbock cagers there 79-63.

Saturday's 2 p.m. telecast will be the first chance for local viewers to see the boys from home on their TV screens, although it is the second television appearance for the maroon and white. Last year they were on a regional telecast from Columbus, Ohio, when the Aggies played Ohio State

there. But the video signals didn't carry this far south.

Saturday's game will be brought to the locality by KBTX-TV with Jerry Doggett giving the play-by-play.

Possibly a helping hand came to the Aggies this week when two top Raider centers were dropped from the roster because of poor grades. Pat Noakes and Harold Hudgens, both 6-9, are out for the rest of the year.

Noakes, junior from Fort Worth, has started most of Tech's games and averaged 6 points per game for a season total of 90 points. He alternated with Hudgens, sophomore from Ballinger, who had a 3.1 average.

Coach Polk Robison said he would probably shift James Wiley, who has started at center in Tech's last two games, to forward and move Pod Hill, a 6-6 senior with a 17.3 average to the center spot. Despite the loss of two men, Tech should still prove themselves a dangerous opponent for the battle-scarred Ags. Tech owns the third best season record in the conference with a 10-5 mark for the year. And the impressive part

of their statistical record is the points-per-game average. The Raiders have averaged 66.9 points per game to lead the conference in this department, topping the Aggies by about half a percentage point.

However, in conference play, A&M has averaged 63.0 points per game while holding their opposition to a 56.0 average. Tech has averaged 61.8 per game, while allowing a 60.6 average in their five conference games.

With the other conference head-knocking Saturday night, more than a third place might hinge on the Ag-Tech tilt. League-leading Texas Christian, leading the conference with a 4-1 mark, hosts the Southern Methodist Mustangs, defending co-champions with a 2-2 record. Second place Baylor will meet the Arkansas Razorbacks at Waco. Baylor is 4-2, while Arkansas holds a 2-2 record.

Only cellar-dwelling Rice and Texas are idle this weekend, and there could likely be a drastic shakeup in conference standings if upsets continue to plague the SWC as they have thus far this season.

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Ags Drop Houston, 71-64, in Overtime

The Texas Aggies went into a 5-minute overtime period "hot to trot" against the University of Houston Cougars Saturday night in Houston and came out with a 71-64 victory.

With five seconds to go in the regular game and the scoreboard reading 58-58, Neil Swisher missed the hoop by inches, throwing the game into overtime.

Only a few seconds before had the Cougars' Bryan Schisler tied the game with a gift shot from the line. The Aggies had been ahead since the clock showed one minute deep in the ball game.

The victory marked the Aggies' 12th win in season play with only three losses.

In a game earlier this season, A&M's Cagers dropped the Cougars by a score of 57-45 in G. Rolie White Coliseum.

Coach Bob Rogers' Aggies are riding on the best season record since 1951.

Houston first heated the net with a free throw during the early sec-

onds of play, but never again got close to the fired-up Aggies from College Station, until the final 48 seconds of play.

With Jim McNichol keeping the net warm with 20 points for the night, the Aggies built a 58.5 per cent accuracy figure. Following close behind McNichol were Wayne Lawrence with 19 points and Archie Carroll accumulating 18.

Sophomore Gary Phillips, Cougar forward who was hot in the second half, took high point honors for the night with 21 precious points.

Table with columns: Player, FG, FT, PF, TP. Lists stats for Aggies and Cougars players.

SPORT SLANT S

By GAYLE McNUTT
As the SWC basketball race nears the halfway mark the faithful crystal ball reveals perhaps even a more murky picture than at the beginning of conference play. With each team having from eight to eleven games left to play, the crown still belongs to anyone.

The current standings are: 1st—Texas Christian (4-1); 2nd—Baylor (4-2); 3rd—A&M and Texas Tech (tie 3-2); 4th—Arkansas and Southern Methodist (tie 2-2); (tie 1-4); 6th—Texas (1-5).

Only to Rice and Texas does all hope seem lost. And they still loom as a threat ready to knock the wind out of any contender on a given night. Even the reckless guesser hesitates to single out a team for the championship, including nationally-ranked TCU. This year's race has been a series of upsets down the line. And about the only thing statistics have to offer is a headache.

A&M began the season as a complete dark horse, expected to go into the middle or possibly the lower half of the SWC heap. Now they own the best season record with a 12-3 mark, and possess the pre-conference tournament trophy.

The Aggies appear to be well on the way to one of the most successful years of basketball in the history of A&M. Only through excellent coaching, high spirit and team effort can a winning team be formed—and even more difficult is keeping that combination functioning once it is built, so that it puts forth its greatest effort when the chips are down.

Perhaps the greatest reason for A&M's present record is the team effort put forth this season. No one individual can be marked as outstanding. Neil Swisher has attracted more notice than others with consistently good performances, but when he has a bad night, there is someone there to fill the gap.

Coach Bob Rogers has found his winning combination and with Keny Chapman to begin pounding the harwood against TCU next week, it may be just that extra power needed to land A&M on their first undisputed basketball throne since 1923 and the D. X. Bibie era.

We'll just wait for the crystal ball to clear.

Aggie Statistics

Table with columns: Player, G, FG, FT, REB, PF, TD, AVE. Lists statistics for Texas Aggie Varsity through 14 games.



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