

# Aggies Blast Past Houston Cougars

Houston's Cougars started out like they came to play basketball, but after seven minutes gone in the first half, the Aggies regained the lead and won going away, 64-49.

Both teams were anything but impressive in the first 20 minutes as the Aggies hit 26.1% from the field while the Cougars were getting only 24%.

Sophomore playmaker Bennie Lenox led A&M in scoring with 20 points and Carroll Broussard, who is bothered with a back injury, dropped in 12. Jack Thompson led the losers with 16 points.

Ron Durbon led the Cadets in rebounds with eight and Lyle Harger grabbed 11 for Houston.

Houston jumped off to a quick lead and lead at one time, 12-7, but Lenox dropped in a long jump shot with 13:59 left and the Ags were ahead to stay.

Fouls marred the game as the Aggies got 25 and Houston 19. At times it was sloppy contest with football-type pile-ups which involved up to four players and two goal tending penalties; one against each team.

At the half the Aggies left the floor with a 25-22 lead and Lewis Qualls had four fouls. Qualls and Lee Walker fouled out for A&M

and Dick Thurman got the limit for Houston.

In the second half the Aggies were a different team as they hit on 50% of their field goal attempts to average out for the night with 39.2%. Houston finished with 32%.

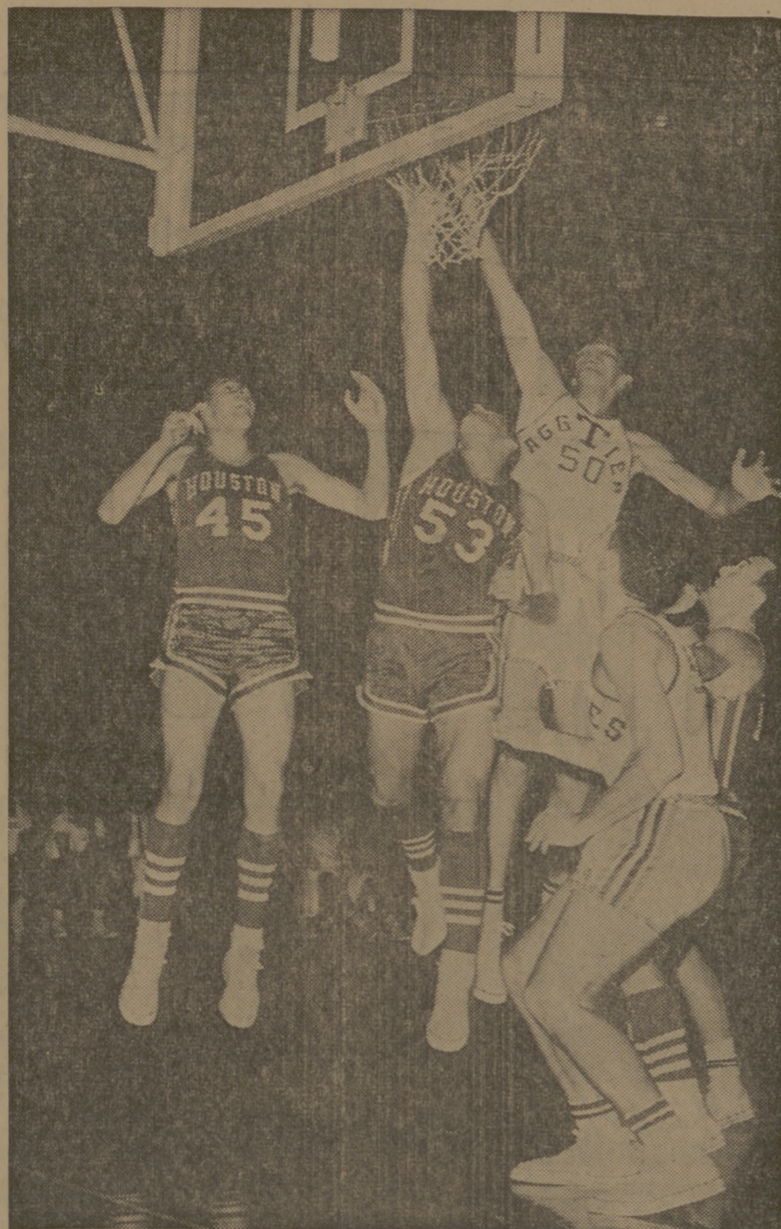
Several "newcomers" played for the Ags and did impressive jobs. David Johnson, Benny Johnston and Robinette played fine games in their first home appearance on the varsity. Benny, a junior college transfer, dropped in six points in his short visit to the floor.

The Aggies are off the rest of the week and finally get back into action against Memphis State in Tennessee on Dec. 11.

A crowd of 4,700 witness the first home game of the season at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Mickey Mantle fanned 114 times in 152 American League games last season. Bill Skowron struck out 108 times in 150 games. Clete Boyer fanned 82 times and Roger Maris went down swinging 80 times.

Bob Grove, Hall of Fame pitcher who won 300 victories, turned in 33 shutouts during his career.



### Big Lew After Rebounds

Lewis Qualls (50) fights off Houston's Pete Petrou (45) and Dick Thurman (53) for a rebound in the game at G. Rollie White Coliseum last night. Ags won, 64-49. (Photo by Jim Hamilton)

## Craig Punt Champ

DALLAS (AP)—Lance Alworth of Arkansas and Babe Craig of Texas A&M were the only Southwest Conference football players to retain their statistical championships.

Craig won the punting title again while Alworth continued to lead the league in punt returns.

Craig averaged 38.9 yards per kick and won the title by three-tenths of a yard over sophomore Garry Thomas of Texas Christian, who in turn edged Bob Wayt of Rice by one-tenth.

Alworth had a 12-yard average on punt returns. This was well under his national championship figure of 17.1 last year.

Baylor's Ronnie Bull relinquished his scoring and touchdown titles. Rice's Butch Blume racked up 74 points for a 20-point margin

over Bull's 1960 mark for the highest total by a Southwest Conference player since 1955 when Jim Swink of TCU counted 125.

Bull's nine-touchdown production of last season was matched this year by both James Saxton and Jerry Cook of Texas.

A college-size player, Saxton led the conference with a pro-size record 846 yards which ranked as the highest figure attained in the league since Swink's 1,283 in 199 carries. Coolidge Hunt, the 1960 leader, finished fifth.

Blume won the field goal title with a record six, and shared two other 1961 crowns, tying Baylor's Carl Choate in most points scored by kicking 38 and matching two others—Cook and Travis Reagan titles. Rice's Butch Blume racked up 74 points for a 20-point margin

# Free Throws Help Fish Win, 76-72

The fish jumped off to an early lead and never relinquished it last night, defeating the Kilgore Rangers 76-72 in G. Rollie White Coliseum for their first win of the season.

With Guard Paul Timmons of Clear Creek dropping in two swift field goals, the Fish quickly moved into an 8-0 lead. Kilgore did not score until three minutes deep in the game, when Bonds made a free throw.

Woodard followed Bonds' one-pointer with a quick layup to make the score 8-3. The Cadet freshmen tallied with a 11-point splurge before allowing Kilgore to score again.

Aggressive board work by the Aggies' Tim Timmerman of Houston Austin and Tommy Bantle of Dallas Jesuit enabled the Fish to build a 23-9 lead with 9:44 left in the half. Timmerman and Bantle led both teams in rebounding, each picking off 13 for the game.

Leading by 19 points, Coach Shelby Metcalf sent in his reserves for a little game action. Playing against the reserves, the Rangers rallied to within five points of the Fish, trailing 28-33 with two minutes left in the half. Back came the Fish first stringers and at the half it was the Fish, 40-32.

Kilgore started second half scoring with a quick two points by Woodard, their number one forward. Fish Forward Jay Baker of Aldine retaliated for the Aggies with an easy crisp shot.

Playing catch up ball, the Rangers forced the Fish into mistakes and capitalized on them to pull within three points with 7:26 left in the ballgame. At that point the Aggies began playing ball control. Trying to gain possession, Kilgore was forced to press and A&M picked up valuable points from the free throw line.

The Fish made more points from the free throw line in the last seven minutes than from the field.

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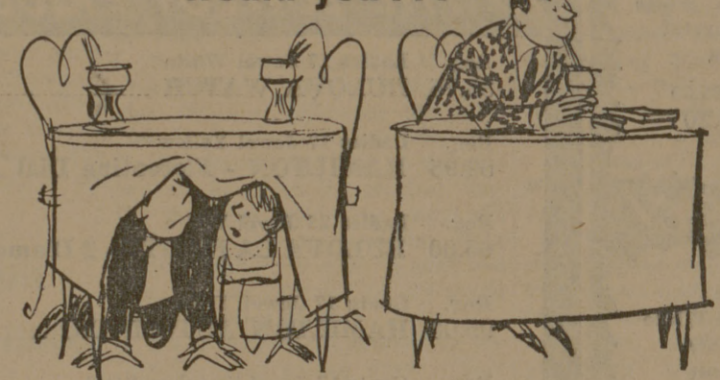
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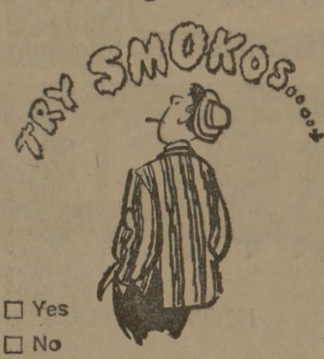
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- tell and not meet her?

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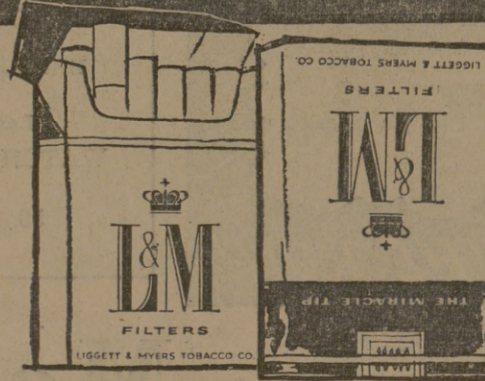
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