

Fisticuffs Highlight Fish Loss

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The hefty Fish cagers held their own in a brief fist exchange, but fell short in the point department, dropping a 65-61 decision to the TU Shorthorns Tuesday night.

Gregory Gym was the scene of an unscheduled one-round bout which climaxed a tension-packed first half. The Fish performed well in fist action but hit a scoreless dead spot in the second stanza.

"Our inability to hit in the last few seconds, plus our sloppy ball-handling, contributed to the loss," commented Fish Coach Jim Culpepper. "We lost the ball too many times without getting a shot."

The frosh squads played share-and-share-alike for 15 minutes after Fish forward Ronnie Peret swished a 20-foot jumper to begin scoreboard action. But the Yearlings hit a warm spell with five-and-one-half minutes remaining in the first period and center Bill Brosseau netted two from the left corner to erect a six-point lead, 27-21.

After a Fish bucket cut the advantage to 27-23, Peret, 6-9, and Brosseau, 6-6, squared off in the main event after a mad scramble for a loose ball resulted in eight bodies hitting the hardwoods. Peace was declared quickly and the Fish shaved the TU lead to knot the score, 27-27.

But Sip guard Larry Smith waded through the Fish pond with two slick layups and a some zipping passes for a 35-31 intermission lead.

The effects of first-half combat cleared from Yearling sculls as a three-point lead suddenly became ten, 48-38, with 14:11 to play. Then the mail train switched directions as the Fish caught fire with guard Curley Hallman flashing in two field goals for a 57-54 lead with 7:56 left.

Then the blow torch became an iceberg for seven minutes and nineteen seconds as the Fish failed to scratch the scoreboard. TU hit nine points for a 63-57 bulge before Fish guard Billy Bob Barnett and Hallman aced two charity tosses each for a 63-61 deficit with 36 seconds left. But the scoreboard stayed silent Aggie-wise and two Shorthorn freethrows formed the final margin.

Barnett proved tops again in the basket and on the boards with 24 points and 18 rebounds. Culpepper singled out Peret, a swift big man with 12 points and

pepper, "and Hallman really showed it." "It takes courage to play well here (in Austin)," stated Cul- 13 rebounds, and Hallman as bright spots in a losing cause.



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