

QUICK PASS

Sonny Benefield (13), A&M's senior guard from Sweeney, is framed by Texas Tech's Jerry Turner (34) and the Aggies' Steve Niles (52) as he passes off to a teammate in A&M's 85-84 victory Tuesday night. The Aggies travel to Arkansas Saturday to battle the Hogs in a 2 p. m. SWC match. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Pistol Pete Still Tops In Scoring

NEW YORK (AP)-Pete Maravich of Lousiana State, who again leads the nation's big colleges in scoring, is shooting less often ahead of Calvin Murphy of Nithan last year but hitting more often and so may smash his 1967-68 basketball scoring record.

averaged 46.3 points a game, compared to 43.8 the previous season, which set a major college

However, the 6-5 junior, at 180, ten pounds heavier than a year ago, has averaged only 37.1 field games for a 31.8 average.

goal attempts a game as compared to 39.3 last season. His total points of 417 put him well agara, who has 342 also in nine games for a 38.0 average. Rick Mount of Purdue, who

In nine games so far he has has 350 in 11 games for a 31.8 average, 15 is tied for third with Spencer Haywood of Detroit, the sensation of the victorious United States basketball team at the recent Mexico City Olympics. Haywood has 318 points in 10

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It will be showdown time in the Ozarks Saturday as the Aggies and Arkansas Razorbacks duel with the winner retaining partial possession of first place in the Southwest Conference cage

Both the Aggies and the Hogs took opening-round victories Tuesday night to share the early conference lead with Baylor and Texas at 1-0. While A&M was disposing of Texas Tech in College Station 85-84, Arkansas was the Aggies would have to come

Despite the win, the Aggies' performance against Tech was disappointing in several areas as A&M lost 17 of an 18-point lead in the last seven minutes and committed a total of 17 turnovers. Aggie Coach Shelby Metcalf described the game as the "hardest fought come from ahead victory" his team has had in quite awhile.

The Aggie head coach said that

Hargett, Maxwell, Krueger In Bowl

By RICHARD CAMPBELL

Three Texas A&M football players will play their last collegiate game and also their first paying ball game when they compete for the South squad in Saturday's 20th Annual Senior Bowl in Mo-

Edd Hargett, Tommy Maxwell, and Rolf Krueger will all be in the South line-up when the teams take the field in Ladd Stadium before 40,646 spectators. This will be the third post-season game for Hargett who played in both the Blue-Gray game and the American Bowl earlier.

Hargett, chosen by his teammates as a co-captain, is expected to get the starting nod at quarterback while Krueger and Maxwell will also plenty of action. Hargett, after a phenomenal three years with the Aggies, owns 19 A&M records and six Southwest Conference marks. He finished fifth in all-time NCAA total offense, third in pass completions, and



ROLF KRUEGER

third in passing yardage. The follow-up quarterback will be Loran Carter of Auburn.

Hargett will be throwing to a fine group of receivers including Ron Sellers of Florida State and Jerry Levias of SMU, both of whom made many All-America teams in 1968. Other Southerners include Paul Gipson and Johnny Peacock of Houston, Kenny Vinyard of Texas Tech, and Joe Greene of North Texas State.

edging past the Rice Owls in up with a much better effort if they are to defeat the Razorbacks in the 2 p.m. Saturday feature. The Razorbacks, who return all

five of their starters from a year ago, have reeled off seven straight

"One characteristic of Arkansas every year is that you have got to beat them because they are not going to beat themselves." Coach Metcalf said of the Duddy Waller coached Hogs.

A&M has won their last three games while compiling a 6-4 season record but the Aggies have had a history of trouble against Arkansas in Fayetteville.

The last time the Aggies defeated the Hogs on their home grounds was in 1965 as Arkansas has taken three straight from A&M in Fayetteville since then. The teams split their two games last season with Arkansas winning in Fayetteville 75-70 and the Aggies prevailing at College Sta-

Among the Hogs' five returning starters are three juniors and two seniors. The seniors are guard Benton Cone (5-11) and forward Gary Stephens (6-5) while the juniors are guard Ricky Tanne-

berger (6-4), forward Robert Mc- aged 13.5 while Mike He Kenzie (6-4) and center James is at 11.1. Eldridge (6-5).

Cone, who has been among the top free throw shooters in the nation the past two years, is described as being a "tremendous guard" by Coach Metcalf.

All of Arkansas' starters with the exception of Tanneberger averaged in double figures last season. Eldridge was the team's top point producer with a 16.6 average while McKenzie averaged 15, Cone average 13, Stephens averaged 10.3 and Tanneberger averaged 4.4.

Ronnie Peret, the Aggies' 6-9 senior from Plainview, has taken over the A&M lead in scoring for the first time this season with a 17.2 average. Billy Bob Barnett, the leader since the first game, has dropped to second with a 16.8. Sonny Benefield has aver-

Hary Bostic, a 6-6 seni sparked the A&M win over with a 21-point performance 7.4 while 7-foot sophomor Niles is averaging 6 point contest.

Peret is also A&M's bounder with a 9.5 average Barnett is averaging 7.9 tic has pulled down 7.6 pe

In other SWC action S Rice and Texas Tech b the 1:15 televised feature Texas plays Southern M in an 8 p.m. contest. Bay Texas Christian battle in

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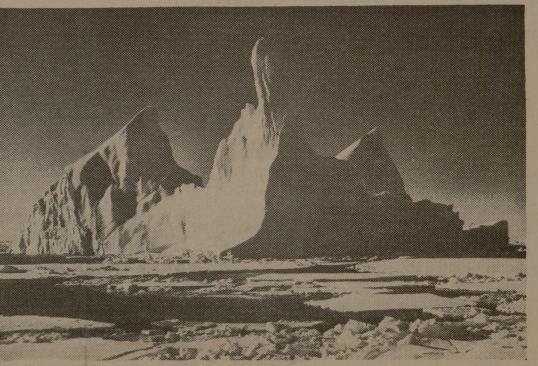
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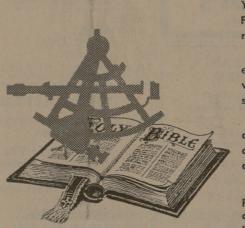
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