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SWC Leaders Tangle With UH Tuesday At Delmar

By JOHN PLATZER

their Southwest Conference wars Tuesday night to challenge archrival University of Houston at Delmar Gym in Houston.

The Aggies increased their ing 72-71 come-from-behind vic-

Texas Christian Saturday night half for 24.1 percent and went to Coach Shelby Metcalf's Aggie at G. Rollie White. Mike Heit- the dressing room trailing 42-31. basketballers take time out from mann connected from the corner with only five seconds left in the game to give A&M the Cinderella victory

a huge crowd (6,936) was on SWC lead to one full game over hand to cheer the Aggies. This the Baylor Bears with a hair rais- seemed to send A&M into a state of shock as they could connect tory over defending champion on only 7 of 29 shots in the first

In the second half the Aggies quickly narrowed the margin to

5 points before the Frogs quickly increased it back to 13. The For the first time this season, Aggies started chipping away at the lead then until Heitmann's last second shot sent them ahead for the first time since the first three minutes in the contest.

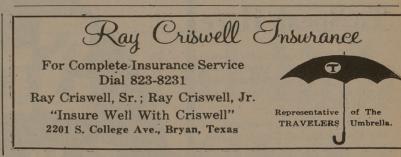
Billy Bob Barnett and Ronnie

Peret paced A&M's scoring with ing sophomore from San An-16 points apiece while Heitmann tonio, turned in one of his better had 15 and Harry Bostic contributed 12. Bostic hurt his ankle while scoring a basket in the second half and is not expected to see action Tuesday.

The win left A&M with a 4-0 SWC record and a 9-4 season mark. Baylor has posted a 2-0 SWC record thus far for a second place standing.

efforts of the season against TCU and it is hoped that he can take up some of the slack created by the absence of Bostic.

Four Aggies are currently averaging in double figures for the season with Barnett leading the way with 18.3 while Peret is at 16.8, Benefield at 12.8 and Heitmann at 11.8.



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Aggie Cage Stats

Player		G	FG-FGA	Pct.	FT-FTA	Pct.	Miss	Reb-Avg.	PF-D	Pts.	Avg.	
Billy Bob Barnett		13	85-156	54.6	68-91	-74.8	94	109-8.4	41-1	238	18.3	
Ronnie Peret		13	81-137	59.2	56-99	56.7	99	121-9.3	48-4	218	16.8	
Sonny Benefield		13	71-141	50.4	25-34	73.5	79	34-2.6	32-0	167	12.8	
Mike Heitmann		13	50-103	48.5	54-78	69.3	77	48-3.7	41-2	154	11.8	
Harry Bostic		11	35-78	44.8	12-17	70.6	48	75-6.8	26-0	82	7.5	
Steve Niles		13	20-51	39.2	22-31	71.0	40	65-5.0	34-3	62	4.8	
Bill Cooksey		13	22-62	35.5	13-22	59.1	49	32-2.4	17-0	57	4.4	
Chuck Smith		12	10-25	40.0	8-18	44.5	25	26-2.2	13-0	28	2.3	
Bill Brown		7	3-8	37.5	5-8	62.5	8	3-0.4	5-0	11	1.6	
Roddy McAlpine		4	1-5	20.0	4-5	80.0	5 5 1	4-1.0	5.0	6	1.5	
Ross Brupbacher		3	2-8	28.6	0-0	00.0	5	4-1.3	3-0	4	1.3	
Oliver B	iggers	1	0-1	00.0	0-0	00.0	1	3-1.5	1-0	0		
Team Rebounds												
Totals	A&M	13	380-774	49.2	267-403	66.3	530	607-46.7	266-10	1027.	79.0	
	FOES	13	386-894	43.1	257-360	71.4	611	534-41.1	293-15	1029	79.1	
SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE (Won 4, Lost 0)												
Player		G	FG-FGA		FT-FTA	Pct.	Miss	Reb-Avg.	PF-D	Pts.	Avg.	
Billy Bob Barnett		4	30-49	61.3	17-20	85.0	22	34-8.3	11-0	77	19.2	
Ronnie Peret		4	25-40	62.5	16-33	48.5	32	36-9.0	14-1	66	16.5	
Mike Heitmann		4	17-36	47.2	19-28	67.8	28	14-3.5	15-2	53	13.3	
Sonny Benefield		4	18-37	48.7	8-12	66.7	23	18-4.5	12-0	44	11.0	
Harry Bostic		4	18-33	54.5	8-11	72.8	18	31-7.9	12-0	44	11.0	
Bill Cooksey		4	3-14	21.4	5-10	50.0	16	11-2.8	5-0	11	2.8	
Steve Niles		4	2-7	28.6	2-5	40.0	8	11-2.8	7-0	6	1.5	
Bill Brown		2	0-4	00.0	2-2	100.0	4	0-0.0	2-0	2	1.0	
Chuck Smith		4	0-2	00.0	3-6	50.0	5	2-0.5	4-0	3	0.8	
Team Rebounds												
Totals	A&M	4	113-222	40.9	80-127	63.0	156	185-46.3	82-3	306	76.5	
	FOES	4	116-291	39.5	66-102	64.7	211	182-45.5	107-6	298	74.5	
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The mythical state championship among major universities could be on the line Tuesday when the Cougars and Aggies clash. Houston won the national championship last season in the final poll by both wire service polls before the NCAA playoffs while the Aggies are currently the top rated major college team in the state this season.

A&M is rated among the "others" by both the AP and UPI this week while Baylor is ranked among the "others" in the AP poll only. Houston is not ranked in either poll.

Houston, which is currently in a two game losing streak while A&M has won its last six games, has posted a 10-7 mark thus far. Despite the loss of all-time great Elvin Hayes, the Cougars still pack a potent wallop with such proven performers as Ken Spain (6-9), Theodis Lee (6-8), George Reynolds (6-4), Billy Bane (6-2) and Ollie Taylor (6-2). Taylor was the nation's leading junior college scorer the past two seasons at national champion San Jacinto.

Talk about an arch-rival and the Aggies and the conversation

naturally turns to the Texas

Longhorns. The Longhorns will

be A&M's next conference op-

ponent on Feb. 1 in Austin. Re-

Fish Travel To Austin To Test Texas Yearlings

By RICHARD CAMPBELL The Texas Aggie Fish will put their four-game winning streak m the line Saturday, Feb. 1, when they tackle the Texas Yearlings n their first game since the holi-

In their first four encounters of he young season, the Fish have chumped Wharton County, 72-68; the TCU Wogs, 81-59; Henderson County JC, 70-64; and Lon Morris, 82-69. The Henderson County win was the only loss inflicted n the Athens, Tex., crew and in their last game they beat highlytouted Tyler Junior College.

Jeff Watkins, a 6'-4" jumping ack from Moselle, Miss., continues to lead the Fish in both coring and rebounding with 23.5 and 12.5 norms respectively. Skip Carelton, another 6' 4"

The high game for Watkins this season was 31 markers against hooter is second in the scoring Henderson County. He also pull-CASA CHAPULTEPEC OPEN 11:00 A. M. CLOSE 10:00 P. M. 1315 COLLEGE AVENUE - PHONE 822-9872 SPECIALS GOOD THUR., FRI, SAT. & Sun. EANS - RICE BEANS - RICE mm

parade with a 17.5 average and ed down 15 rebounds. Watkins is 12.8 average and second in re-The other starter in double figures is Robert Threadgill with an 11.5 norm and 8.8 rebounds per

contest. The last starter is Frank Farnsworth with a 7-0 big gun for the season so far has point output and 5.3 rebounds. The big edge for the Fish this former Aggie great Bennie Lenyear has been their strength on

scoring 65 points in each contest.

the boards dragging down an average of 53 per contest. Their shooting percentage is 44 per cent from the floor while averaging 76.2 points per outing. Their four opponents have hit only 39

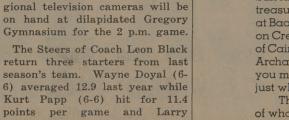
5.3 rebounding norm. Rick Du- hitting 65 percent of his shots plantis is third in scoring with a from the floor and also has connected on 83 percent of his free bounding with 10.8 per game. throws to lead the Fish in both categories. The Yearlings are also unde-

feated for the year averaging over 90 points per game. Their been Scooter Lenox, brother of ox, who has been burning the nets at a 25 points per game pace.

The Fish game will follow the varsity contest between the Longhorns and Aggies.

four opponents have hit only 39 per cent from the floor while May Owners **Seek Coach**

DURHAM, N. C. (AP) - The head of a sports organization which has bought the Houston franchise in the American Basketball Association says a new coach will be named at the end of the season, and that Press Maravich, McGuire



Smith (5-10) averaged 7.7. The Aggies are expected to start a fivesome of Barnett (6-5), Peret (6-9), Steve Niles (7-0), and and the second second the second and the second Mike Heitmann (6-4) and Sonny Benefield (6-1). Niles, a promis-

beehive tombs of Mycenae. The royal apartments of the Sun King. Tutankhamen's treasure. The Temple of Venus at Baalbek. The Labyrinth on Crete. The teeming bazaars of Cairo. The Blarney Stone. Archaeologists who tell you more about a ruin than just who ruined it.

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Maravich is head coach at Louisiana State, McGuire coaches at the University of South Carolina, and McKinney, an official with the North Carolina Department of Corrections, formerly coached Wake Forest University. Jim Gardner, president of

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