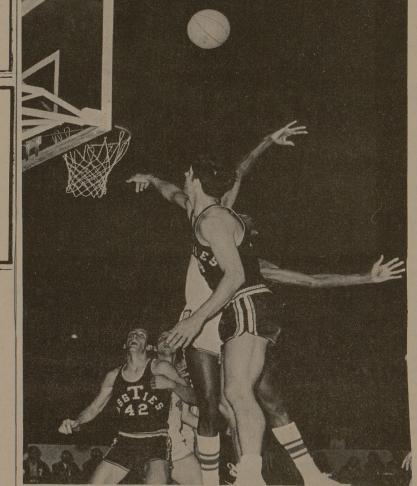


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**UP AND AWAY** Ronnie Peret gets off a shot over the outstretched arms of Baylor's Tommy Bowman in the second half of last night's game in Waco's Heart O'Texas Coliseum. Peret scored 18 points for the Aggies but Baylor won the game 66-65. (Photo by Mike Wright)

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**BU Upends Ags, 66-6** 

## **By JOHN PLATZER**

"The Strange Case of the Silent Clock" was performed before a packed house in Waco's Heart O' Texas Coliseum last night with the Texas Aggies getting knocked from the ranks of the unbeaten 66-65 by the Baylor Bears.

The loss by the Aggies threw the Southwest Conference cage chase into a two-way deadlock for the number one spot between A&M and Baylor, both with 5-1 marks.

With A&M leading 65-64 and 22 seconds remaining to be played, Steve Niles fouled the Bears' Larry Gatewood to set the usual chain of events in motion. Gatewood missed his foul shot, a flurry of activity resulted with the Bears getting off no less than four shots from the floor before the dust settled and a foul was called on Mike Heitmann.

Gatewood again stepped to the foul line for Baylor and 22 seconds again were left in the game. A heated argument ensued between the Aggie coaches and the officials while 3 seconds were run off the clock to "balance" it. The 6-5 junior calmly sank both ends of his one-and-one to give the Bears their margin of victory. At first the referees explained that time out had been called before Gatewood took his first free shot and thus what had happened after the miss was not

really part of the game and that 15 points and hauled d he was really fouled just once. They changed their minds after the game, however, and said that there really were two separate plays with two separate fouls.

A&M came out strong to open the second half and soon enjoyed a 43-30 lead with 17:48 remaining to be played.

Baylor threw up a full court press that forced the Aggies into numerous turnovers and eventually cost them the game.

"They killed our momentum with that half court trap," Coach Shelby Metcalf said after the game. "It's a good press and they did a good job with it."

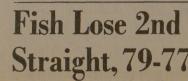
A&M had the better of all the statistics in the game except turnovers and the score. The Aggies outshot their opponents from the floor 44.2-41.5, outshot Baylor from the foul stripe 81.8-75 and outrebounded them 40-32 but they also committed 25 turnovers while the Baptists had only 9.

The turning point in the game may have come with 5:31 remaining to be played when Billy Bob Barnett was called for charging for his fifth personal foul. The call changed a three point play for A&M into a two point play for Baylor to give the Bears a 62-59 lead. Even more important, however, the Aggies lost the services of their top scorer and second leading rebounder for the remainder of the evening.

The game, which was played before the largest crowd in the history of the Heart O'Texas Coliseum (8,500), threw the SWC race into a mad scramble with only one game remaining before the mid-point.

Ronnie Peret and Heitmann shared high-point honors for the Aggies in the game with 18 while Barnett contributed 16, Benefield had 8 and Niles had 5. Peret also led A&M in rebounding with 14 while Niles picked off 8 and Barnett had 6.

Gatewood led the Baylor attack with 24 points and 11 rebounds while Tommy Bowman tossed in



Strong outside shooting by the Baylor Cubs spelled defeat for the Aggie Fish last night as the Baptists eased to a 79-77 win.

The loss was the second in a row for Coach Jim Culpepper's cagers and gives them a 4-2 mark on the year.

Skip Carleton led the Aggies' scoring with 26 points followed by Jeff Watkins with 20 and Rick Duplantis with 16. Watkins led A&M's rebounders with 13 while Duplantis pulled off 10.

The Baylor freshmen were paced by Pat Fees with 21 points while Tom Stanton had 20 and Scott McDaniel had 16.

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Phones rang repeatedly in the Redskins' offices and fans buzzed. A season ticket holder said, "How do I feel about Lombardi? How do you feel about God?"

The Redskins have tabbed Lombardi to be executive vice president, general manager, coach and part-owner of the club.

But the inauguration-or perhaps coronation — was delayed at least two more days while Packer officials debated whether to bind Lombardi to a legal commitment not to become a coach for any other team through 1974. The Packers called a full board meeting in Green Bay for Wednesday night.

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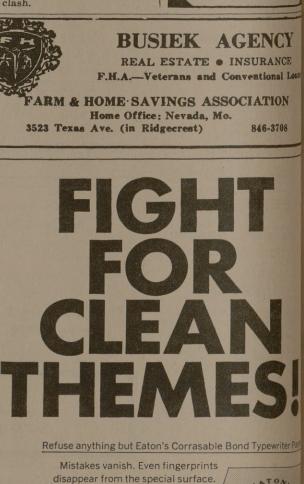
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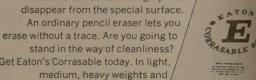
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