HOW WET IT IS

Coach Shelby Metcalf gave his wash-and-wear suit a real workout Tuesday night as his Aggie basketballers took him for a little victory trip to the showers following their clinching of the SWC championship by beating the Arkansas Razorbacks, 79-66. (Photo by Mike Wright)



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Frogs Down Bruins To Give A&M Title

tian overcame a 12-point halftime deficit to defeat the Baylor Bears 70-66 Tuesday night and dash the Bears' Southwest Conference basketball championship hopes.

The Horned Frog attack was led by the offensive punch of Bill Swanson, who scored 16 of his 19 points in the final period, and TCU's famed all-court press.

Baylor committed 13 costly errors as a result of the TCU press. Baylor is now 8-4 in SWC play and TCU is 4-8. Tom Swift and Swanson were TCU's top scorers

with 19 each and James Cash added 14. Baylor was led by Tommy Bowman's 20 points. Larry Gate-

wood had 18, Richard Scallorn 14 and Randy Thompson 10. Bowman was the game's lead-

Tech Thumps Owls While Ponies Rack Faltering 'Horns

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas Tech jumped to a big lead and then held off the Rice Owls in the final seconds Tuesday night for an 84-83 Southwest Conference basketball victory.

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)-Lynn Phillips hit a short jump shot with seven seconds remaining to give Southern Methodist a 71-69 Southwest Conference basketball victory over Texas Tuesday night.

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WACO, Tex. (AP)-Texas Chris- ing rebounder with 21. However, TCU outrebounded the Bears 45-43.

Baylor outshot TCU from the field with 49 per cent on 23 of 47 to 35 per cent on 27 of 77.

AGS WIN

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by Benefield to raise the margin to 69-56. Benefield and Barnett then made two free throws apiece to put the game out of reach and give the Aggies their biggest lead of the night at 73-56. Coach Shelby Metcalf then rested his starters in the remaining three minutes as the reserves got in some playing time. The last bucket for the Aggies was a layup by Harry Bostic with 0:39 left to move the score to 79-64. Ricky Tanneberger hit a 25-footer with five seconds left to end the scornig at 79-66.

Behind Barnett in the scoring column for the Aggies were Cooksey with 15, Benefield with 12, Peret and Heitmann with nine apiece, Smith with seven, Niles with four and Bostic with two.

THE AGGIES finished the game hitting 29 of 64 shots from the floor for 45.3 per cent while the Razorbacks were not far behind with 27 of 62 for 43.5. The real difference in the game was the accuracy of the Aggies at the free throw line, a sore spot for most of the season. They hit 21 of 25 as the shorter Hogs were forced to foul more when they fell behind. The leading scorer for the Razorbacks was Cone. who finished with 13 and for one of the rare times this season, the opposition led the Ags in turnovers, 16 to 14.

The next game for A&M will be Friday night at 8 when they tangle with SMU in G. Rollie

relaxed in his office after his team had clinched the Southwest Conference basketball championship, he was suddenly asked to the 1964 Aggie title-holders. "I knew someone was going to ask that question and I have

given it some thought," the A&M cage boss replied, "but I honestly can't come up with an answer." "I just don't know which was

the better team. I believe they are both good ballclubs." The similarities between the

two championship squads are striking. The 1964 club posted a 13-1 SWC record, lost its only game on the road to Texas Tech

by one point and its losing game As Aggie Coach Shelby Metcalf was marked with a dispute over the clock. The 1969 team has posted an 11-1 mark with two games remaining, has lost its only game on the road to Baylor by compare the 1969 champions with one point and in the losing effort

YOU'RE DOWN!

A man-for-man comparison of the two teams with the 1964 player listed first would be John Beasley-Steve Niles, Bill Gasway-Ronnie Peret, Bill Robinette-Billy Bob Barnett, Bennie Lenox-Mike Heitmann and Paul Timmins-Sonny Benefield.

"I guess without a doubt Beasley is the greatest player to ever play here," Metcalf said. "But then Peret is a great one too."

Referee Ken Guerin of Squadron 2 watches eventual heavyweight winner Darren Pa of AYI work Bruce Krueger of F-1 to the mat in the championship match Thursday in Metcalf Says 1969 Champ

Comparable To 1964 Creu In comparing Barnett to inette, the Aggie coach sai the 1964 cager is the "sma player" ever to play here an

Barnett is the "guttiest."

"Lenox was just treme with the ball. He was the ran up against a malfunctioning est in a one-on-one that leader. We clock.

ever seen," Metcalf said Heitmann from this year's is a great all-around playe

According to Metcalf, Bers and Timmins are more all players than any of the other the two championship teams

This year's team consist such reserves as Harry Bill Brown, Chuck Smith at Cooksey while the 1964 tear such players as Tim Timm Dick Stringfellow and Ken man on the bench.

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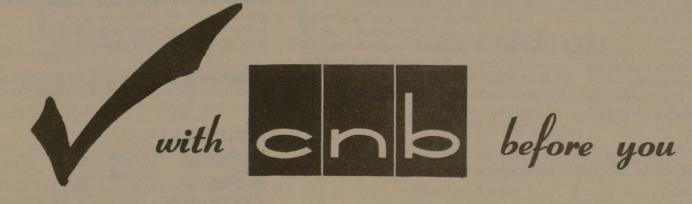
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