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## Aggies Host Wayland Baptist

# Basketball Season Begins Tonight

By BILL HENRY

Coach Shelby Metcalf enters his tenth season as head basketball coach here tonight when he and his Aggies take on Wayland Baptist College beginning at 7:30 p.m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Metcalf feels his team could be one of the best to play here. His high hopes are based on the return of the top three scorers and top two rebounders from last year's 16-10 club that missed taking the Southwest Conference crown by one game.

He also has two good junior college transfers and a talented group of sophomores back from last year's conference championship freshman team.

Leading the way are a pair of seniors that kept the fans buzz-

ing last season.

Jeff Overhouse, 6-7, was the team's leading scorer with 17.2 points per game and leading rebounder with 10 per contest. He should rank among A&M's all-time greats in these two categories when this season is over.

This year's co-captain Mario Brown, 6-3, made an amazing adjustment last season from junior college to SWC basketball and led the Aggies in conference scoring with 16.9 points per game and assists with 11.5.

Another returning starter for Metcalf this season will be 6-6 junior Randy Knowles. His rapid improvement and aggressive play last year was a large factor in A&M's being in contention for the league championship. Despite

not breaking into the starting lineup into the 20th game, Knowles finished third in conference scoring with a 10.5 average and led the team in conference rebounding with 14.7.

Starting at the low post will be sophomore Jerry Mercer, 6-9, who just broke into Metcalf's starting lineup. He had been scheduled to be red-shirted this year, but his fanatical play underneath the basket has enabled him to earn a starting berth.

On the wing opposite Knowles will be JC transfer Chuck Tone, 6-7, from Fort Dodge, Iowa. His exceptional shooting ability has given the Aggies a lethal weapon of which to attack a zone defense which has hurt them in the past. A&M will have good reserve

strength at all positions with such stellar performers as co-captain Bob Gobin, Wayne Howard, JC transfer C. W. Guthrie and sophomores Mike Floyd, Cedric Joseph and Webb Williams.

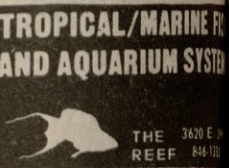
"I feel better at the start of this season than I have in a long while," Metcalf said. "We are farther along in workouts and have a lot more experience to work with."

"We shouldn't have any glaring weakness. We have adequate size, speed and shooting ability. We'll go back to our multiple defense after playing mostly man-to-man last season."

Fans will be interested to know that Metcalf will have his team fast-breaking this season with the abundance of speed and quickness in this year's group.

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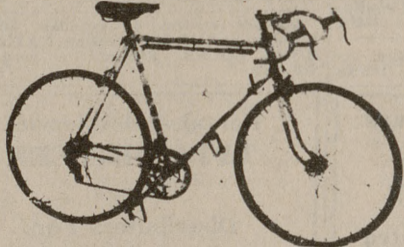
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## Hoermann, Murski Picked On All-SWC First Team

Seniors Grady Hoermann and Robert Murski were named Monday to the Associated Press All-Southwest Conference football team.

Hoermann was a three-year starter at middle linebacker while serving as one of the Aggie captains this year. He led the team in tackles while intercepting two enemy passes.

Murski led A&M in interceptions as well as handling the punting chores.

Aggies named to the second team were defensive tackle Boice Best and tight end Homer May, both seniors.

Champion Texas landed seven players with fullback Roosevelt Leaks of the Longhorns taking Player of the Year honors.

Besides being named Player of the Year by the SWC coaches who voted in the poll, Leaks was named Offensive Player of the Year and Newcomer of the Year. The sophomore fullback from Brenham, Tex., helped lead Texas

to a 9-1 record with his powerhouse runs and the 'Horns fifth consecutive SWC title and trip to the Cotton Bowl.

Other Longhorn first teamers included quarterback Alan Lowry, offensive tackle Jerry Sisemore, offensive guard Travis Roach, defensive end Malcolm Minnick, and linebackers Randy Braband and Glen Gaspard.

Texas also had four players on the second team.

Besides Leaks and Lowry—Texas' L&L boys—Arkansas' Dickey Morton and Mike Luttrell joined them in the backfield—in this year of the runner in the SWC.

Rice had four players named to the first team, including wide receiver Ed Collins, tight end Gary Butler, offensive tackle Ron Wademon and defensive back Bruce Henley.

Other first team offensive performers included offensive guard Guy Morriss of Texas Christian, and center Russell Ingram of Texas Tech.

Roger Goree, Baylor's tremen-

dous defensive end, was named Defensive Player of the Year and anchored the defense. Other defensive first teamers not previously mentioned included tackles Louis Kelcher of SMU and Charlie Davis of TCU, noseguard Donald Rives of Texas Tech, and backs Robert Popelka of SMU and Lyle Blackwood of TCU. Twelve players were named to the first team defensive unit.

Newcomer Grant Teaff, who brought respectability to Baylor football and more victories than the Bears had enjoyed in three years, was named Coach of the Year by his fellow critics, narrowly edging Darrell Royal of Texas.

Quarterback Joe Barnes, who led Texas Tech to an 8-3 season and a berth in the Sun Bowl, headed the second team backfield that included Baylor's Gary Lacy and SMU's Alvin Maxson and Wayne Morris.

Leaks and Kelcher were the only sophomores on the first unit.

## First Quarter Effort Useless As Ags Fall To Horns, 38-3

By BILL HENRY

It began as a comedy of errors with five fumbles in the first 13 plays, but when the final gun sounded, the only laughter heard was from the Texas dressing room.

A national television audience and a paying crowd of 68,000 suffered through a terribly dismal Thanksgiving evening of cold, rain and three quarters of boring football as Texas finished its fifth straight conference winning season unblemished, 38-3.

For the Texas Aggies, it was "thank goodness this season is over." A&M finished 3-8 on the

year and sewed up at least a tie for the conference cellar with a 2-5 mark.

For one quarter of Thursday's game, A&M did an outstanding job holding the Longhorns to but 14 yards total offense while picking up 82 of their own and five first downs. The punch line to this situation is that A&M's offense could not score.

Early in the second quarter, Pat McDermott finally put three points on the board, but against a team with the power, poise, determination and winning tradition of Texas, three points weren't going to win the game.

After Texas woke up from its first period doldrums, it scored two second period touchdowns on drives of 69 and 82 yards.

From that point on, A&M never had a chance to catch up. No matter how well the defense played the Aggie offense did not have the explosiveness needed to score.

During that dimly bleak third quarter, the football never went past A&M's 47-yard line. With great field position, Texas hammered home 10 points on a touchdown drive of 47 yards and a field goal, following a drive initiated at the A&M 29.

With the score at 24-3, the temperature dropped to 39 degrees and the people who remained had to be crazy, frozen or sadistic as the fourth quarter produced another 14 Longhorn points and the Aggies tried to run out the clock.



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