
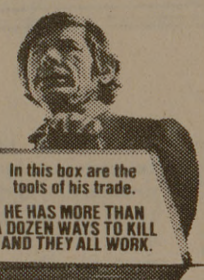


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Tuesday A&M was involved in another brawl on the basketball court. So far the blame has rested on two individuals, Bob Gobin, senior co-captain of the Aggies, and SMU coach Bob Prewitt, depending on who you favor. I dare say that others were involved in the senseless confrontation on the floor of SMU's Moody Coliseum. The SMU fans and the officials should shoulder quite a bit of the blame for acts they committed before the encounter. From the outset, the officials did not control the game or the players. I am the first one for allowing players to play aggressively, but the officials are paid to control the game and to detect rule violation—neither of which was done Tuesday night. The fans did their share of damage by disrupting the playing of the game throwing numerous cups of ice on to the court. Their mischief, along with the officials' ineptitude, was fuel for the fire in the tense contest. Gobin and Prewitt do not come out of this smelling like a rose, don't misunderstand that. They both were to blame, immensely to blame. For Gobin, it is pure instinct that should have been utilized on the Astro-turf of Kyle Field, and for Prewitt, it is pure stupidity. Coaches that direct young men should have enough self-discipline not to lose control of their senses. Now, let's go through all the events in that short span of time and see what should have been done. It all started when A&M had the ball out-of-bounds with four seconds remaining and down by one, 63-62. The ball was thrown into Jeff Overhouse but he was clobbered by Ira Terrell from the back and Thiel Zack Thiel from the side and Thiel got possession. A foul should have been called here, sending Overhouse to the line to decide the outcome. But no foul was called. Thiel started to dribble down court but was intentionally fouled, unnecessarily hard, by Gobin. Okay there is the foul and Gobin was ejected. Prewitt, at the very instant Thiel hit the floor, head first, stormed on to the court grabbing Gobin followed by his team, both benches and the floor-level stands. No question, a technical foul should have been called on Prewitt, but again, it wasn't. When a coach steps on to the playing floor, a flagrant two-shot technical is automatic; not just a judgment call by the official. A coach cannot come on to the court. Well, the game is over and the results are history. But the repercussions that are to follow will do much to even more tarnish the career of Bob Gobin and to

hurt Bob Prewitt's reputation. "Prewitt called Wednesday morning and apologized especially to Bob and Jeff," Metcalf said at his Wednesday press conference. "He took the full blame and said that he just lost his head. "He was under no pressure to do that and I still think he's a fine man." For Bob Gobin, however, apologies will not carry much weight due to his past record. What's sad is that the Bob Gobin on the floor is much different than the one walking around campus. There just seems to be a little black cloud over his head and when something happens on the court, he's near. Anyone could have been standing where Gobin was Tuesday night and would have tried to foul Thiel trying to stop the clock in hopes of getting the ball back. It wasn't anyone else, it was Gobin. Against TCU last week Gobin was in a minor incident that only could have happened to him. He was fouled and knocked to the floor and when he got up, he bumped 6-11 Bill Bozeat. Bozeat, thinking something might happen, shoved Gobin and was ejected while the other players kept the two from causing even greater problems. Bob's life's ambition is to be a coach and a great one he'll be if his shaky past does not interfere. He's a competitor, a student of athletics and a leader that will

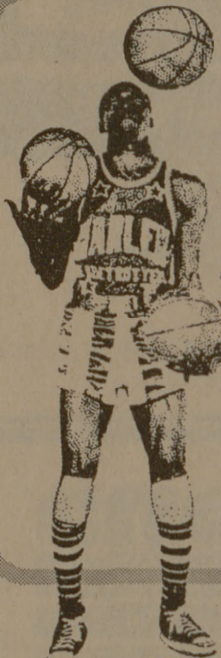
always be remembered here. But how will he be remembered? If you have any intentions of going to Waco Tuesday for the game against Baylor, forget it because you'll never get in the gate. The facility Baylor plays basketball in now holds less than 3,000 fans and the athletic department lets its students in first—just like we do. It won't do any good to get there early like you do here, either, unless you have a Baylor ID. Twenty football prospects are scheduled to be introduced Saturday at halftime of the A&M-Arkansas basketball game including the state's most sought after player, Jeff Burgeron of Port Neches-Groves. Coach Emory Belard and his staff have been well received so far and a big part of A&M's recruiting success is due to the spirit of you, the student body, at basketball games. Keep up the good work and it looks like there'll be more to cheer than just prospects in the near future.

Rugby Teams Gain Victory
Both the Maroon and White units of A&M's rugby team opened season's action with smashing victories. The White team, behind the balanced scoring of seven different players, blanked San Antonio 26-0. The Aggies totally dominated the contest from start to finish as San Antonio mounted only one scoring threat. The attack of the Maroon team was just as devastating as they swamped the Fort Worth Line 19-4. This Saturday the rugby teams entertain the Black and Gold units of the Austin Rugby Club. The Austin Gold team was the only team to beat the Aggies outside of tournament competition last year. Game time is 2:30 p. m. on the A&M drill field.


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