

Aggie basketball squad adds talented junior college crop

By PAUL McGRATH
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Head coach Shelby Metcalf added some talented newcomers to his 1974 basketball squad.
Five of the players are junior college transfers and one is a freshman. Although practice sessions do not begin until October 15, both Metcalf and assistant coach Norm Reuther, are already impressed with what the new blood has to offer. "We feel we have added speed and offensive punch to the team," said Reuther.

Parker from Mineral Area Junior College where he was a two-time All-America. "He is a gifted offensive player," says Reuther, "but he needs some polish defensively."
Florida Junior College sends the Aggies a small package in the form of 5-9 Gates Erwin. And the Aggies expect big things from him. "Gates has a lot of hustle and is very aggressive. He is a smart defensive player and an overall highly intelligent basketball player."

These are the newcomers Metcalf and Reuther will be counting on to be of the most help. The only negative remark in reference to them was a need for improved defensive play. "It's good to put the ball in the hoop, but you have to keep the other guy from putting it in your hoop also," said Reuther.
Despite the needed polish on defense, the addition of these players should make the Aggie attack as potent as ever.

Batt sports



SONNY PARKER goes high in the air to grab a rebound as Aggie basketball players have a friendly game in G. Rollie White Coliseum. Looking on are John Thornton (foreground) and Steve Jones (background).

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The soccer team will travel to Austin this Saturday to play unbeaten Texas. The Ags are fresh off a 5-2 pasting of Baylor. The Ags are now 1-0-2.
Texas beat Baylor also, 6-3. The game will begin at 3 p.m. on the UT soccer field. There will not be a second team game.
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