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# Roberts adds fuel to fire

By DAVID WALKER  
Staff Sports Writer

Shelby Metcalf recruited Ray Roberts when he was a senior at Garland High School but he wasn't successful as Roberts eventually signed with Oklahoma State University.

Now, four years later, Roberts is a vital part of the Texas Aggie team that is making a strong bid for the 1975 Southwest Conference Championship.

Things turned in the Aggies favor when Roberts decided to transfer from OSU after his freshman year. "I didn't really have anything against the school but I wasn't satisfied with the other players attitude," said Roberts. "They were mostly young players so I decided to leave. I didn't know where I was going. I just knew I was leaving. I called Coach Metcalf to see if he still wanted me and here I am."

Roberts sat out a year after he transferred to establish eligibility. Asked if he thought the year he was out hurt him Roberts replied, "No, I don't think it really hurt me, I just got used to not playing. After I played a couple of games last year I was OK. I guess it really helped me more than it hurt me."

Roberts, while not a starter, is the third leading scorer for the Ags in SWC play. His 33 of 54 from the field gives him the best field goal

percentage of any Aggie. His 14 of 18 free throws (.778 per cent) is second only to Mike Floyd.

Coming off the bench doesn't bother Roberts. "It really doesn't bother me not to be a starter, just as long as I know I'm going to play," he said. "I do a couple of knee bends every now and then just to keep ready."

Roberts really doesn't need the knee bends as he has logged more playing time than one Aggie starter and has played only two minutes less than two other starters. In Tuesday's game against Baylor he played more than four starters.

Roberts credits his recent rash of publicity to the fact that he has shot

more this year than last year. "I'm shooting more this year and people notice you more when you shoot more. It's really funny how people give credit to the people who shoot. Jerry Mercer is one of our most valuable players and a good game for him is eight rebounds, four points and four or five fouls."

Like Metcalf, Roberts believes the secret to this year's success lies in the Aggie's ability to stay healthy and keep their mental attitude. "I don't think we will have any attitude problem with this team because it's the most unselfish team you will find anywhere."

The biggest game of the year comes up for Super-Sub Roberts and his teammates as they host co-leader Arkansas Saturday night.

"Yes, it's a big game," said Roberts. "Usually after a game you replay the game over in your mind but after the Baylor game I didn't replay it. I just started thinking about Arkansas."

## Batt sports

### Backlashes

## Fishing fever worse than current flu bug

By BRUCE L. SUBLETT  
Columnist

The papers this time of year are always full of news about flu epidemics. They leave out news of a more dangerous disease that also strikes in the early spring: **FISHING FEVER.**

Flu lasts a couple of weeks at the most, but fishing fever can last for months. It usually strikes during the first stretch of warm weather after a bleak winter. The symptoms of this devastating disease are easy to spot. The first sign is nervousness when inside on a sunny day. The victim usually has a vacant stare and is inattentive.

At night, the stricken angler pulls out an array of rods and reels, tearing each apart and overhauling it. He sits for hours turning reel handles and listening intently for any sound of malfunction.

The victim is drawn to sporting goods stores where he buys two or three of every new bait on the shelf.

Many anglers who contract fishing fever develop a monofilament line fetish. They strip hundreds of yards of line from their reels, only to replace it with new, strong line.

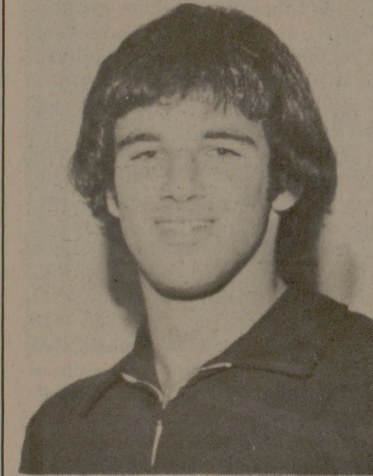
Tacklebox inspection is a sure sign the disease is gaining strength. Baits are taken out, inspected for rusted fittings and chipped paint then the hooks are sharpened and the bait is replaced neatly in its own compartment.

A fisherman with a serious case of the fever is often seen around his boat. He charges batteries, inspects the hull, cleans carburetors, changes spark plugs and looks at trailer tires, lights and wheel bearings.

Terminal cases often buy new headgear. Last year's cap, the one with sweat stains up to the little button on its limp crown, is replaced with a crisp new one bearing the name of a tackle company the fisherman probably doesn't patronize.

There is no cure for fishing fever. The sufferer can be relieved a bit by frequent trips to the fishing hole, but these trips also inflame the fever.

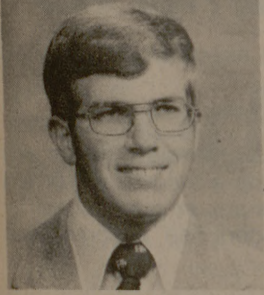
You folks will have to excuse me now. My reels need oiling and I'll have to run to the store to get some oil. I'll probably pick up a new bait or two on the way. I might even get a new cap.



RAY ROBERTS

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## Gymnastics team sees action today

The Texas A&M's women's gymnastics team, coached by Barbara Landphair, will compete in a dual meet against North Texas State in Denton Thursday. The team will compete Friday in a triangular meet with Texas and Tarleton State in Stephenville.

Last Saturday the Aggie women finished four in the Southwest Texas Invitational in San Marcos. Joan Marshall, a freshman from Arlington, earned second place in the all-around category. She took second place on the balance beam, vaulting and uneven parallel bars and third place in the floor exercise. There were 11 teams in the meet.

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