### **Fractures skull** Cage recruit injured on visit

**By DAVID WALKER Staff Sports Writer** A top Texas high school basket-



ing his visit to A&M.

John Schlicher from Ft. Worth Paschel was riding a horse when the horse ran into a tree. The force of impact caused a skull fracture and a broken arm.

The accident occurred Saturday around 3:30. He was rushed to St. were super," said Tate. "The crew Joseph Hospital and then was flown at St. Joseph Hospital did just a to Houston for surgery.

The three hour surgery was termed a success to repair a dam-aged artery and removal of a blood

ball player and Texas A&M recruit intensive care unit at Methodist 3:30 and he was in Houston at 5:30," was seriously injured Saturday dur- Hospital in Houston in fair condi-

> TAMU associate athletic director Marvin Tate expressed concern for the Schlicher family Monday and also praised local medical workers who were so helpful Saturday.

"The people who helped out here great job.

'The Athletic Department did everything possible to take care of clot. Schlicher remains in the neural John. The accident happened at

Tate said

Schlicher is considered to be one of the best college prospects in the state.

The father of the 18-year-old, John H. Schlicher, said his son suffered internal bleeding that has been stopped. The father quoted doctors as saying the youth would be in intensive care "for several

"He's quite active, but no real alert and that's of some concern," said Schlicher. "His arm was

smashed up pretty bad and they worked on it, but they'll have to do an awful lot more.

Schlicher is ranked fourth on the state's "blue chip" list. His father said it was not known as yet how the youth's injuries would affect his playing future.

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## Metcalf signs Swanson on cage letter-of-intent

Editor's Note: Watch Batt for four games for a 37.3 average. interview with Swanson this week.

Lyndon Swanson, a 6-8 forwardcenter from Martinton, Ill., has signed a basketball letter-of-intent with Texas A&M, according to coach Shelby Metcalf.

Swanson, who was named to the all-state team by both the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Daily News, was contacted by more than 150 colleges. He narrowed his choices down to A&M and Memphis State before signing with the Aggies.

'Swanson's the best big man shooter I've seen since John Beasley," A&M assistant coach Norman Reuther said. "He has all the qualities you are looking for - character, intelligence, competitiveness and ability. We're extremely pleased that he chose A&M."

Swanson led Watseka High School to third place in the Illinois State Tournament in which he was the leading scorer and rebounder. This season he averaged 30 points per game while shooting 53 percent from the field and 80 percent from the free throw line.

In 88 career games, Swanson scored in double figures 83 times and had more than 20 points 63 times. He is in the top quarter of his class, was all-state in football, played pitcher and firstbase in baseball, and threw the shot and discus in track.

Swanson's list of honors is long. He made all-county, all-conference and all-area for three years. He was named to the 50-year Golden Anniversary team in Iroquois County and the Associated Press all-state tournament team. He set five records in the big Danville Holiday Tournament including 149 points in

"He is very strong fundamen-

tally," Reuther said. "His coach Keith Baldwin has done a fine job.'



Lyndon Swanson inks an A&M letter as his high school coach Keith Baldwin and his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swanson look on.

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The Texas A&M Handball Club ompeted this weekend in the Alamo Open as hosts of the San Antonio Handball Club.

Mark Geiseke won first in the novice category while fourteenyear-old Todd Worrell took second in the novice singles. Jack Gressett, the club president, captured second in the B doubles. Gressett described Worrell as a "definite champion of the future," as he teamed with the youngster for a second place in class B doubles.

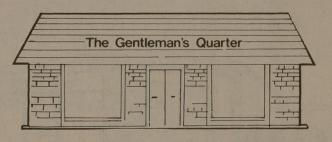
John Arizpe also competed for A&M in the B singles but didn't place. A&M competed against clubs from all over the state, including San Antonio, Dallas, Houston, Waco and Odessa.



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