

sports

Basketball teams on the road again

By DAVID BOGGAN
Battalion Staff

The year was 1976. The place was TCU's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum in Ft. Worth. The event was a basketball game between the Horned Frogs and the Aggies of Texas A&M.

It was a close contest between a surprisingly strong TCU team that had 4-4 conference record coming into the game and a Texas A&M team that sported such names as Sonny Parker, Barry Davis and Ray Roberts.

The game ended in a photo finish. The score was 64-64 when Aggie freshman Karl Godine released a 25-foot jump shot that swished through the nylon at the buzzer,

giving the victory to the Aggies, who went on to become conference kings that year.

Ironically, in his return appearance in Cowtown tonight, the hero of that 1976 game, Karl Godine, may not see action. If coach Shelby Metcalf plays only his "best nine men" as he did against Texas, neither Godine nor his roommate, Jarvis Williams, will have any game time against the Horned Frogs.

"Right now Karl and Jarvis are not in that nine," Metcalf said. "They are not being punished. We just feel that the nine men that we played (against Texas) are the best we have. I think they proved that fact."

In all probability, Metcalf will use

the same starting five against TCU as he did against Texas; Joey Robinson, Willie Foreman, Rynn Wright, Vernon Smith and Dave Goff.

Robinson led the Aggies' scoring assault on the Longhorns with 23 points. Foreman, with his snake's strike-like dunk shot, tallied 15 points. Freshmen Wright and Smith led A&M's rebounding effort. And Goff, the Aggie field general, played 45 minutes of relentless basketball against the Horns.

"We got 100 percent from everybody who set foot on the floor," the Aggie coach said.

The Aggies also have a good sixth man in junior Wally Swanson. He added 15 points to the Aggies' total against Texas and had a good night on the boards with seven rebounds. "I was surprised at how well Wally played," Metcalf said. "It looks like he is finally coming on."

The Aggies take a 1-5 conference record into tonight's contest. After six conference games, TCU has yet to score a win.

The Horned Frogs, with Tim Somerville in his freshman year as head coach, have a very young team. Six freshmen, three junior college transfers and only two returnees comprise the TCU roster. Junior Steve Scales is the Frogs' leading scorer. He averages 15 points per game.

"Steve is a tremendous all-around player," Somerville said. "He plays all phases of the game equally well."

Other leading players for TCU are Aurdie Evans, a junior and Jim Hund, a freshman.

"Evans is a great defensive player," the Frogs' coach said. "He lacks shooting skills, but don't underestimate him. He can make up for it in other ways."

"Jim Hund may have scratches from his ankles to his hips before the year is over. He will get on the floor for loose balls or take a charge. No price is too great to pay for him. Plus he's one tremendous shooter."

The A&M-TCU throw-in is at 7:30 tonight. While the men's team is in Fort Worth, coach Wanda Bender's Aggie Ladies will play Lamar University in Beaumont.

The women are coming off an upset victory over Texas in which Von Bunn led the come-from-behind effort with 25 points. That game tips off at 7:00 tonight.



Jo Troell eludes a Texas defender as the Aggie Ladies upset the Longhorns 59-52 Monday night in G. Rolie White Coliseum. The wom-

en's team travels to Lamar University tonight, while the men's team plays TCU in Ft. Worth.

Battalion Classified
Call 845-2611

All students appearing in the 1977-78 edition of Who's Who please go by Barker Photography January 23-31 to sign up for your Aggieland picture. If you have any questions call Priscilla 845-2611.

Faith's Exclusives

Now has an outstanding selection of "Gotcha Covered" Jeans, Sizes 5-15.

Decorated "Gotcha Covered" Fashion Design Jeans

with decorated, embroidered pockets and gold trim seams.

Just **\$16⁹⁸** a pair

All proportioned to fit.



Plain "Gotcha Covered" Fashion Design Jeans

Just

\$11⁸⁷ a pair

Fashion T-shirts start at **\$5⁹⁸**

All colors & sizes

"The Best Selection In Town"

209 N. Main Downtown Bryan

"Where you find quality clothes at affordable prices"



Paul Arnett

No fish tale to tell

Opie Taylor was heading out the door, skates tossed over his shoulder, when Andy spoke the ominous words.

"Hold on a minute young man. I reckon I'd better check the calendar first, but I believe today is Saturday."

Opie stood still hoping his father's glance at the calendar would prove him wrong.

"Yep it's Saturday all right. And

what do we do on Saturday?"

"We clean out the garage, Pa."

"Then I reckon you'd better put up those skates and get that garage cleaned out."

"OK, Pa."

I arose from my chair, turned off the television and looked at the clock. It was 12:30 in the afternoon.

In seven hours Texas A&M and Texas were to partake in one of the most important basketball games of the season. And frankly Shelby, I

didn't give a damn.

My enthusiasm for sports reporting was in a 'one-out-of-ten from the field' slump. Two long trips, my girlfriend moving on to bigger and better things, and a car that ran when it wanted to, had much to do with my poor percentage.

The sound of my phone buzzing replaced my Walter Mitty daydreams.

"What are you doing?" a familiar voice drawled over the phone.

"Trying to get enthused about tonight's game," I replied.

"Hey man you know how that's gonna turn out. Let one of your reporters cover the massacre and let's you and me go fishing."

"That sounds great. I'll meet you in an hour."

Actually there ain't nothin' in the world this individual hates more than fishing. But anything was better than basketball. So I delegated my duties to someone else, grabbed my fishing pole and headed for Lake Sommerville.

After a 30-minute trip we arrived at a picturesque marina overlooking the fog-shrouded lake. Flipping open the car door I was greeted by two cats who eyed me like Dracula gazing upon his helpless victim.

I decided to try the Aggie approach. "Howdy kitty, kitty, kitty," I said in my deepest voice.

My companion interrupted my salutations.

"Say man you'd better leave those cats alone. You don't see the driver of this truck do you?"

I glanced at the red pick-up parked next to us and shook my head.

All we had caught was a cold. "Don't that tell you something about those cats?"

We walked carefully around hungry felines and into the stormy marina. A country woman answered our unasked question.

"We ain't got no minnows won't charge you no fee for fishing just about to leave when you drove up. It's been awful slow hope you don't mind if I go home."

"Well I won't have to worry about telling a fish tale," I thought to self. "It's bound to be bad if I don't have any minnows in stock."

We told the woman thank and walked out upon the dock. The air was chilly, but not bad. Winter's afternoon. I grabbed a brew, cast my lure upon the water and waited for a hungry fish strike. All of a sudden the quack was shattered by my friend's voice.

"Quack, quack," was the sound. I looked up and saw what was quacking. Two ducks were ing south. Three more 'quacks' my buddy shut up. I hoped the woman had gone home. It was barrassing to see a grown man like a duck.

After twenty minutes of no cold hands and a runny nose we decided it was time to check it out. We reeled in our lines and discussed plans for the evening.

"Well I guess we might as well go to the Monday night massacre," my companion said. "Not much to do."

"Nope, not much," I replied.

"A light rain began to fall as meandered back to the car. My fishing pole slung over my shoulder, I thought about the afternoon's turn of events.

All we had caught was a cold. "Bad I'd gone skating before I left the garage."

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME?

The United Church of Christ in College Station provides rides to their unique home church service every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m.

Interested? Call Bob Egan (846-4372) or Abe Cyrus (693-0932).

United Church of Christ
College Station, Texas

A people uniting in personal faith and social responsibility
What kind of church is it that . . .

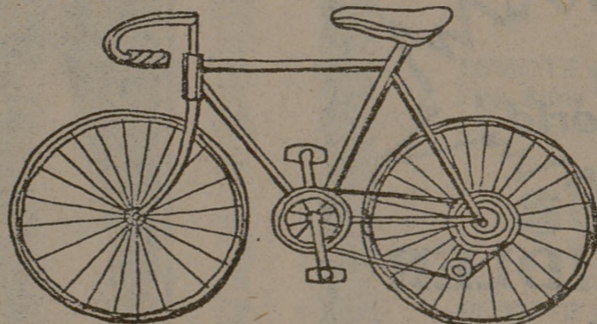
Has its roots in the experience of the Pilgrim Fathers and is unafraid to grapple with the difficult problems of today?

Practices complete equality of men and women?

Sings "Amazing Grace" on Sunday and works for social change on Monday?

Find out for yourself

BICYCLE REPAIR SHOP OPEN HOUSE



THURSDAY, JANUARY 26
7:00-9:00 P.M.

IN THE BICYCLE REPAIR SHOP
(ROOM ADJACENT TO BASEMENT COFFEE HOUSE)

"COME GET ACQUAINTED"
FREE ADVICE CLINIC
COFFEE & DONUTS

PRESENTED BY THE MSC CRAFT SHOP
& THE A&M WHEELMEN

\$1⁰⁰ off Any Large Pizza (except Cheese)
Name _____
Phone _____
Expires: Sun., Jan. 29

. . . PIZZA — Our ingredients are made daily to insure quality and freshness.
. . . FREE DELIVERY — We'll deliver to your door a piping hot Pizza — within 30 minutes!
. . . SAVINGS — and for trying us, we'll give you a Dollar off. Call us . . .

846-7785

319 PATRICIA

