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Aquatians to swim in AIAW nationals

The Texas A&M Aquatians, a synchronized swim team coached by Marti Nix, will com-pete for the first time in the AIAW national meet this weekend. The meet is being held at Ohio State University.

Five members of the team will Five members of the team will participate in the competition: Diana Tedder, Elizabeth Embree, Cheryl Stuart, Dawn Payne and Dawn Ruggles. The Texas A&M team became a var-sity squad at the beginning of the semester, qualifying it for the national meet. Although the Aggies do not receive funds Aggies do not receive funds from the Athletic Department, the varsity status enables them to swim in meets like this one.

Synchronized swimming combines dance, gymnastics and swimming skills and includes two types of competition. In one form, figures are executed individually and judged on the de-gree of difficulty. In the other forms, group and solo routines are set to music and performed.

The Aggies won a meet with the University of Texas in Austin earlier in the month, winning the top two places in the senior, junior and novice divi-sions. Tedder, Embree and UT's Terry Allan won the top three spots, and Ruggles and Stuart took the top two places in the junior division the junior division.

In the novice group, Anne Sheppard, Dawn Gaston, Betsy Robison and Maria Giamfor-tune finished in the top four places.

The Aquatians will host their annual watershow April 22-24, with this year's show titled "Aquanotes." The event starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are available in the Memorial Student Center and through any members of the team.

is March 29th.



by Jeff Millar & Bill Hinds



WBA champ wants out

'Forgotten' Weaver a burned out boxer

United Press International NEW YORK — People tend to be best at what they like to do,

but Mike Weaver doesn't like fighting. And he's the World Boxing Association heavyweight champion.

Contending heavyweights hope he doesn't acquire a taste for it

"I don't like to fight," said Weaver, who has signed to de-fend his title against fifth-ranked Randall "Tex" Cobb. "I want to get out of it as soon as I

In fact, Weaver did not put on a pair of gloves until he was 19.

"I was in the Marines at Camp LeJeune and got into a shoving match with this guy," Weaver match with this gly, weaver said. "I hit him once ar. I knock-ed him out. He was the heavyweight champion of the base and the coach there asked me to come to the gym. That's how it all started."

Weaver, who has held the WBA title in virtual anonymity, could have made millions with his half of the title. However, he has been tied up in legal battles with his manager, Don Manuel.

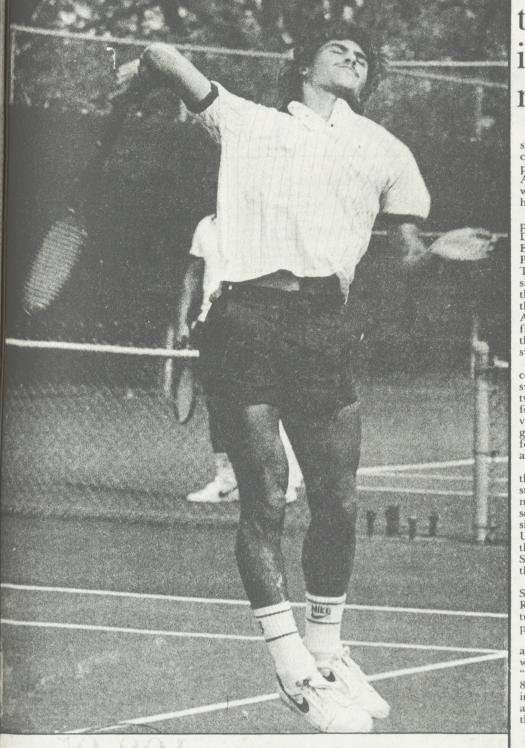
Last year, he was signed to meet Gerry Cooney - who faces World Boxing Council cham-pion Larry Holmes in a \$20 million fight on June 11 - but the WBA threatened to strip him of his title if he didn't meet James taking a unanimous decision "Quick" Tillis. Weaver opted to over Tillis last October. keep his title.

"I'm the forgotten cham-pion," said Weaver, 29. "I don't get the respect and recognition I deserve as a champion. I've had legal problems with my mana-ger. Instead of fighting, I've ger. Instead of figuration been all tied up with those things.

Weaver, who won the title with a 15th-round knockout of John Tate March 31, 1980, has fought only twice since winning it — stopping Gerrie Coetzee in 13 rounds in October 1980, and

Cobb, a 26-year-old native of Abilene, recently suffered a broken arm in a brawl outside a Philadelphia bar. The arm appears to be sound again and Cobb will have a chance to test it against unheralded Jeff Shell-berg April 19 before facing Weaver, either in late May or late June.





staff photo by John Ryan Grand slam

Texas A&M's Brian Joelson returns a the Omar Smith Tennis Center Thurs-

BYU, Florida State win

national tourney games

AMARILLO — Jeannette Weston scored 33 points to lead angham Young University into today's semifinal match against

rst-seed Florida State in the National Women's Invitation Tour-

BYU downed DePaul 72-69 in a quarterfinal basketball game

Florida State coasted to an easy 76-63 quarterfinal win over pperdine behind the 15-point shooting of both Glenda Stokes

In the opening game, Illinois State fell behind 16-4 deficit in the

a quarter, but came back to defeat Temple University, 74-69.

he Redbirds were paced by sophomore forward Dawn Hallett's

Illinois State faces Oregon State in the semifinals today. Oregon State used 18 points by Judy Spoelstra and 16 by Cheryl Cady to own Southern Mississippi 71-65. In the consolation round today, Southern Miss faces Temple

lob by Mike Livshitz of the University of Houston during a singles match at 8-1, with Joelson winning 7-6,7-6.

Gymnastics team to compete in state tourney in Lubbock

The Texas A&M gymnastics am will compete in the Texas nnastics Conference state ampionships Saturday at exas Tech University.

The Aggies open with the m competition at 11 in the ing, with the finals scheled for 7 p.m. Saturday night. The teams in the tournament in-

hursday

nd LeeVan Oliver.

points and junior Debbie Benak's 15.

The championship game will be Saturday.

nd DePaul goes against Pepperdine.

clude Texas A&M, Texas, UTA, Southwest Texas State, Lamar, tion will come from the host Red Texas Tech and North Texas State University.

Foght, Juergen Achtermann, Ray Moltz, Todd Miclette, Esteban Longoria, John Kemp, Marty Hardell, David Semon and Al Arca

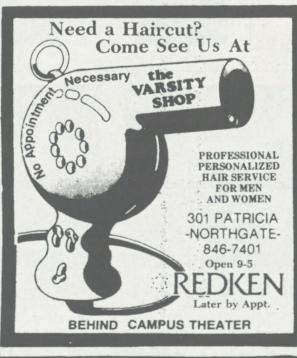
Raiders, UT and UTA. Hartwell, the team captain, has led Competing for the Aggies will the Aggies in most of this year's be Jim Gill, Mark Hartwell, Jim meets.

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