

sports

Riley

Continued from page 13)
 Are there any teams that expressed more interest in you than others?

The Golden State Warriors, the Detroit Pistons have personally contacted me. The reason it comes from scouts, agents or agents — they've told me that certain teams are interested.

Do you think there was a certain part of the season when you totally recovered from your sickness and started playing better?

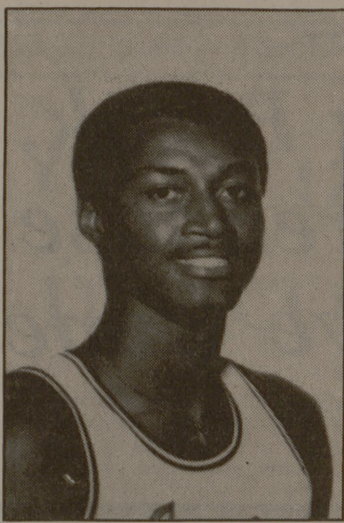
I think when we played here, it was one of my best conference games (14 points, 12 rebounds). From that point on, I will play myself playing better and doubting every game. I felt myself getting stronger and my court game was getting better.

What do you think is the most important thing you've learned here?

I guess one of the most important things I've learned is to be a good follower as well as a leader. When you find yourself being a leader and a lot of people looking up to you, it can be a lot of pressure on you. But it never puts pressure on me. As far as I'm concerned, it was a coaching gig for me all the way through because the pace of the game in basketball and classes was a lot different. But I learned to cope with it. I think I thought it was great for me to be able to make that adjustment.

So you felt no pressure?
 I never really did. The reason is that I always got along with each player on the team and they got close to me. They were always talking to me and that makes it easier on me because they knew that all I should talk about was positive things and things that would make our team be a winner. It makes you feel really confident when they accept you as a leader.

TCU held onto third place most of the season. Was there a certain point during the season when the players decided to make every effort to get to first place and that bye to the



Claude Riley has prediction about NCAA tournament

Dallas part of the tournament?

A. That's the whole idea right there. When we beat TCU here, we realized that we were tied up and when TCU lost the next game, we knew we'd have third to ourselves if we won our last game. We were going to do whatever it took to get to Dallas and keep from having to play that first game.

How did the players feel going into the TCU game in Dallas?

A. As far as I can see, everyone was fired up knowing that great things were going to happen to us. We finally got together and were playing great ball and we were going to be playing Houston in the finals. We were going to knock TCU and Arkansas off and play Houston in the finals. And there's no telling what might have happened then. It was really disappointing when we didn't succeed in that.

Was there any way you guys were looking ahead?

A. I've got to say that we really did look ahead. When we first realized we were going to the tournament, right away we looked to Arkansas because we wanted to beat them. Not to the

point that we totally neglected TCU, but I must say that we did look ahead a little bit too much.

Q. What if you had played Houston?

A. I believe we'd have given Houston one hell of a game, because we would have played great ball during the last few games. I feel like our confidence would have been so high that we'd have been feeling like we were doing everything right. We might have beaten them. I think Houston would have been ... watching out more for us than we would have been for them. At that point, they were number one and we didn't have anything to lose, but they would have. It would have made us look really great to have beaten the number one team.

Q. Who do you think is going to win the NCAA championship?

"My coming in as a freshman and playing with Rynn (Wright) and Vernon (Smith) was an inspiration for me, because they're one of the reasons I came. Being on a championship team and going into the NCAA playoffs really matured me a lot and prepared me for the next seasons too." — Riley.

A. I'll tell you what — I've got all my faith in Houston. I've played against them twice and I know what type of players they are, they're number one and I

want them to go all the way. Just speaking of raw talent, Houston is stacked with it. I feel like if they just keep playing the way they know how to play and just execute with that talent they have, I don't think anyone can beat them. They've got to hit those free throws. They know how to win now and they know how to reach back and get that extra effort they need. I feel like whoever they go up against, Houston will come out victorious.

Q. And what about the Aggies' future? Do you think things are going to look up now that Coach Metcalf has a new contract?

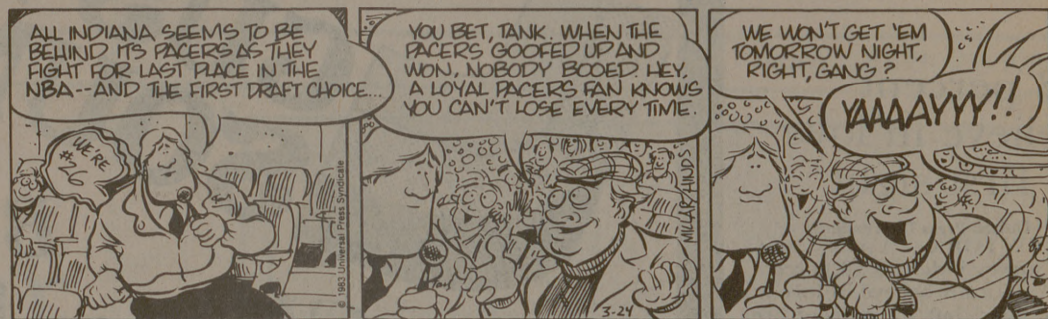
A. I feel that they're going to have an excellent recruiting year because of the guys who are leaving and the positions that are going to be open. I think everyone who comes here should be really confident about their chances of playing. I think the Aggies will really be a powerhouse because of the young talent they still have, like Jimmie (Gilbert), Kenny Brown and Doug Lee. With a good recruiting year, A&M should be a dominant force, because Coach Metcalf knows how to win and he's an excellent coach.

The Battalion

Number One in Aggieland

TANK McNAMARA

by Jeff Millar & Bill Hinds



ALL INDIANA SEEMS TO BE BEHIND ITS PACERS AS THEY FIGHT FOR LAST PLACE IN THE NBA -- AND THE FIRST DRAFT CHOICE...

YOU BET, TANK. WHEN THE PACERS GOODFED UP AND WON, NOBODY BOODED HEY. A LOYAL PACERS FAN KNOWS YOU CAN'T LOSE EVERY TIME.

WE WON'T GET 'EM TOMORROW NIGHT, RIGHT, GANK?

YAAAYYY!!

Texas A&M Flying Club

sponsors in

AVIATION SAFETY SEMINAR

along with regular meeting.

All people interested in flying safety are urged to attend.

March 24 — 7:30 p.m. — Heldenfels #109

Powerlift meet slated

The Texas A&M Powerlifting Seminar will host the 15th National Collegiate Powerlifting Championship this weekend in G. Rol-White Coliseum.

On Friday at 9 a.m., the men's division will compete at 4 that afternoon the 114-, 132- and 148-pound men's weight classes will participate. Saturday's events will feature 165-, 181-, 198-, 220-, 242-

and 275-pound weight classes and the super-heavyweight class.

The Aggies won the championship in 1975 and 1977, but Kutztown University has won it the past two years. The University of Texas won the title in 1979 and 1980.

Competing for Texas A&M will be Ralph Jones, Robert Windsor, Bubba McGough, William D. Adams, Jeff Schmidt,

Steve Lumpee, Steve McGough, John Roberts, Patrick Talley, T. Barnette, David Georges, Larry Kerr and Andy Rettenmaier.

Other schools participating in the annual event are Auburn, Brigham Young, Florida State, Indiana, Memphis State, Ohio State, Purdue, Houston, Minnesota, Illinois, North Carolina, Oklahoma State and Villanova.

Tickets for the event will be available at the door.

SMASHING SAVINGS ON DONNAY

DONNAY Borg All Wood

The racket used by Bjorn Borg to win a remarkable series of tournament championships is still the choice of touring pros and demanding recreational players the world over. With its ash, beech and maple construction it has become the standard for the industry. It's beechwood shoulder overlay and extra-long tapered shaft produce its stiff, stable playing characteristics. It uses a standard hardwood pallet and quality black leather grip.

Reg. 54⁹⁵
 Special Purchase \$34⁹⁵

COMPETITION MID 25 FLEX

This powerful mid-size frame (+25%) is fully faced with multi-directional graphite. It's internal structure is composed of only the finest European Hardwoods to make it the ultimate in precise control for a mid-size racket. It features a molded pallet and a top quality leather grip.

Reg. 94⁹⁵
 Special Purchase \$64⁹⁵

CLOSEOUT RACKETS

Head Legend reg. 199 ⁹⁵ Sale	139 ⁹⁵
Snuawart	
Boronite II reg. 64 ⁹⁵ Sale	25 ⁰⁰
Yamaha YGF20 reg. 44 ⁹⁵ Sale	29 ⁹⁵
Yamaha YGF30 reg. 54 ⁹⁵ Sale	34 ⁹⁵
Head Master reg. 44 ⁹⁵ Sale	33 ⁹⁵



Wilson Tennis Balls
 Can of 3
 Sale 1⁹⁹
 Limit 2 Cans

Tri-State Sports Center

3600 Old College Road

846-4743

846-4743

Take Charge At 22.



In most jobs, at 22 you're near the bottom of the ladder.

In the Navy, at 22 you can be a leader. After just 16 weeks of leadership training, you're an officer. You'll have the kind of job

your education and training prepared you for, and the decision-making authority you need to make the most of it.

As a college graduate and officer candidate, your Navy training is geared to making you a leader. There is no boot camp. Instead, you receive professional training to help you build the technical and management skills you'll need as a Navy officer.

This training is designed to instill confidence by first-hand experience. You learn by doing. On your first sea tour, you're responsible for managing the work of up to 30 men and the

care of sophisticated equipment worth millions of dollars.

It's a bigger challenge and a lot more responsibility than most corporations give you at 22. The rewards are bigger, too. There's

a comprehensive package of benefits, including special duty pay. The starting salary is \$17,000—more than most companies would pay you right out of college. After four years, with regular promotions and pay increases, your salary will have increased to as much as \$31,000.

As a Navy officer, you grow, through new challenges, new tests of your skills,

and new opportunities to advance your education, including the possibility of attending graduate school while you're in the Navy.

Don't just take a job. Become a Navy officer, and take charge. Even at 22.

NAVY OPPORTUNITY INFORMATION CENTER W 200
 P.O. Box 5000, Clifton, NJ 07015

I'm ready to take charge. Tell me more about the Navy's officer programs. (OG)

Name _____ (Please Print) _____
 Address _____ Apt. # _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Age _____ College/University _____
 Year in College _____ GPA _____
 Major/Minor _____
 Phone Number _____ (Area Code) _____ Best Time to Call _____

This is for general recruitment information. You do not have to furnish any of the information requested. Of course, the more we know, the more we can help to determine the kinds of Navy positions for which you qualify. MA 9/82

Navy Officers Get Responsibility Fast.