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**SWC tourney anyone's ballgame**

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claims, backed into a tie for the championship, and did it by losing. The Longhorns were the surprise team of the conference this season. But when their chances arrived to snag the title, UT choked, losing its last two games to TCU and Tech by a combined two points. Weltlich says the 'Horns are the

best team in the league, which isn't saying a lot since the SWC is one of the weakest conferences in the nation. Texas did play seven one-point games this season and lost six of them. Maybe the 'Horns are the best team in the league. The SWC coaches think Texas at least has the best players.

They voted UT's John Brownlee as Offensive Player of the Year and Karl Willock as the Defensive Player of the Year. But as a team, the Longhorns have proven all talk and no action so far. Houston (8-8, 14-13) is the mystery team of the tournament. They have three of the best players in the league in Alvin Franklin, Greg Anderson and Rickie Winslow, but can't get the right chemistry together. The Cougars are losing their coach, Guy V. Lewis, at the end of the tourney and would like nothing better than to obtain one last NCAA appearance for him. The incentive has been there all season, however, and little has been accomplished. The Cougars lost three of their last four games. But Lewis is probably in the lab now, brewing up another winning formula, while Texas does it Weltlich's way — by losing.

Prediction: UH by 2.

**SWC Men's Postseason Classic**  
(At Reunion Arena — Dallas)

**Friday, March 7 — Quarterfinals**  
SMU (18-9) vs. Texas Tech (14-13), 12:08 p.m.  
TCU (20-7) vs. Rice (9-18), 2:38 p.m.  
Texas A&M (18-10) vs. Arkansas (12-15), 6:08 p.m.  
Texas (17-10) vs. Houston (14-13), 8:38 p.m.

**Saturday, March 8 — Semifinals**  
SMU-Texas Tech winner vs. TCU-Rice winner, 12:08 p.m.  
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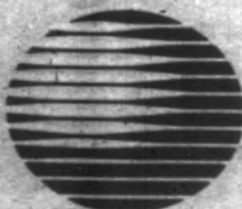
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