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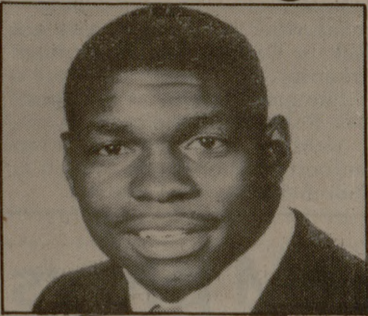
Aggies face Baylor in SWC action tonight

The Texas A&M men's basketball team, coming off a 58-53 upset of Southern Methodist last week, will try to stay on the winning track against Baylor tonight at 7:30 in the Heart of Texas Coliseum in Waco.

The Aggies, 9-6 overall and 1-0 in Southwest Conference play, will return home to G. Rolie White Coliseum for a 1 p.m. game against Arkansas Saturday. The game will be regionally televised by Raycom.

Last year's first meeting between the Bears and Aggies in College Station was marred by a fight that cleared the benches during the last seconds of the game. Baylor won 51-48 on a last-second shot by guard Michael Williams.

The Aggies lost again in Waco, but massacred the Bears 71-46 in the finals of the SWC Tournament in Dallas.



Donald Thompson

Darryl McDonald is A&M's top scorer, averaging 18.9 points a game. He also leads the Aggies with 77 assists, 50 steals and 7 blocked shots. Donald Thompson is the Aggies' No. 1 rebounder with 8.3 a game.

Baylor is led by senior center Darryl Middleton, who is averaging 19.6 points per game and 8.4 rebounds.

NCAA convention says no to playoff

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — College fans failed to get a football playoff from the NCAA convention Tuesday, but needy players picked up \$500 each in funding.

Division I-A officials, as expected, overwhelmingly reaffirmed their opposition even to further discussion of a football championship — for now.

"The time is not right, the place is not right and the circumstances are just not right," Duke Athletic Director Tom Butters said.

Butters prepared a playoff study for the College Football Association which helped sink any chance the resolution ever had.

"A time is coming when everything will be right," Butters said, declining specifics. "The resolution is dead. The issue is not."

Division I schools spent much of Tuesday afternoon's session debating a touchy proposal to give more federal entitlement money to ath-

letes from poor backgrounds.

Students who qualify are eligible for as much as \$2,100 each year in Pell Grant money. But NCAA schools have voted at previous conventions to limit scholarship athletes to \$900 in Pell Grant money each year.

That was raised to \$1,400 after Tuesday after Vanderbilt athletic director Roy Cramer helped defeat a move to refer the proposal to next year.

"If they qualify for \$1,400, let's get the financial aid officer to award that, so that that young man and young woman that I look in the face, I don't have to say, 'I'm sorry, we're going to refer.'"

"That means a lot to a person who has nothing in his pocket, I'll tell you. If they're entitled to it, they ought to receive it."

Supporters of the move also argued the extra money might keep

players from taking illegal payments from agents.

"This will have an affect on the agent problem, a little bit," said Gene Corrigan, commissioner of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

"This, along with education and the other things people are working on. Whether it will have a dramatic affect, I don't know."

"But none of us wanted to go back to our campuses and say to the kids, 'I'm sorry, but we weren't able to help you again this year. We have to do a study.'"

By a vote of 98-13, with one abstention, Division I-A passed the resolution ordering the Postseason Football Subcommittee to "discontinue its consideration" of a one-game playoff.

"This means we will not discuss a I-A championship in the immediate future," said DeLoss Dodds, Texas athletic director and chairman of the subcommittee.

The vote was a major victory for the postseason bowl games, who face another possible crisis Wednesday when schools vote on doing away with the rule that says bowl bids cannot be offered or accepted until late-November.

Earlier in the morning session, the major football schools compromised among each other on whether to move the one-year limit on football scholarships back to 30.

A reduction to 25 was due to take effect during this current recruiting year. But the Big Eight Conference, abandoning its effort to restore the 30 limit permanently, pushed through an amendment delaying the cut to 25 until next year.

"It's not exactly what we wanted, but this gives us another year under the status quo and I'm sure there'll be another measure at next year's convention," Big Eight Commissioner Carl James said.

Graf, Mandlikova advance in Australian play

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Top-seeded Steffi Graf and defending champion Hana Mandlikova both scored rapid victories Tuesday to advance to the second round of the women's singles of the \$1.9 million Australian Open Tennis Championships.

Graf recorded a 6-3, 6-1 Center Court triumph over Amy Jonsson of Norway, who is ranked 176th in the world.

Mandlikova, a native of Czechoslovakia who took out Australian citizenship three weeks ago, romped past former French Open champion Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia 6-4, 6-1 on an outside court.

Graf, 18, said she was feeling no pressure going into the first Grand Slam event of the year defending her No. 1 ranking.

"You get used to being No. 1 fairly quickly," she said.

Graf said she had been determined not to underestimate the little-known Jonsson.

"I take every match very seriously. Today wasn't easy. She was left-

handed and her serve gave me some problems," the West German said.

Graf dominated Jonsson with some blistering groundstrokes, particularly on the forehand.

The match was interrupted by rain at 2-0 in the second set, but resumed after a delay of 15 minutes.

Graf criticized the newly-introduced South Korean-made Nassau balls, which she said were heavy.

The fifth-seeded Mandlikova, playing her first major event as an Australian, was watched by only a handful of fans on an outside court.

"Don't ask me how it feels to be playing as an Australian. Ask me after I've played my next match," she said.

Other seeds advancing in the women's singles Tuesday included No. 6 Helena Sukova of Czechoslovakia, who defeated American Jamie Golder 6-2, 6-2, and Lori McNeil, who stopped fellow American Dee Ann Hansel 6-2, 6-1.

But Heather Ludloff of Foster City, Calif., surprised 16th-seeded

Elizabeth Smylie of Australia 6-1, 6-3.

Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert, seeded second and third, won their opening matches on Monday, the first day of the two-week tournament, the first to be played at the new \$60 million National Tennis Center on synthetic Rebound Ace hardcourts.

In men's singles action Tuesday, No. 7 Henri Leconte of France, No. 14 Jonas B. Svensson of Sweden and No. 16 Wally Masur of Australia all advanced.

Temperatures approached 100 degrees fahrenheit early in the day, but clouds cooled the temperature and it rained briefly midway through the afternoon.

Leconte defeated Australian Peter Carter 6-1, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; Svensson crushed Bruce Derlin of New Zealand 6-0, 6-1, 6-0, while Masur beat Thomas Hogstedt of Sweden 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1.

Australian Brod Dyke upset

ninth-seeded Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

"It's always good to beat a seed, but the hot weather favored me because my fitness became a factor," Dyke said.

Dyke is ranked 103rd in the world to Hlasek's 24th.

Other first-round men's singles winners Tuesday included American Jim Pugh, Nigerian Tony Mmoh and Australian veteran Paul McNamee.

Pugh eased past Australian Brad Drewett 6-4, 6-2, 7-5; Mmoh ousted American Bud Cox 6-3, 6-3, 6-3; and McNamee cruised to a 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 triumph over Texan Bill Scanlon.

A two-time Wimbledon doubles champion, McNamee, 33, is playing in his final Nabisco Grand Prix tournament before retiring.

Among Monday's winners in the men's singles were top-seeded Ivan Lendl and Wimbledon champion Pat Cash.

Pokes begin efforts to trade Tony Dorsett

IRVING (AP) — Coach Tom Landry ruled out getting a first-round draft pick for Tony Dorsett but said Tuesday he hopes the Dallas Cowboys can get a solid, journeyman player when they put their 33-year-old running back on the trading block soon.

Landry told Dorsett on Monday he will try to work out a trade for the 11-year veteran who lost his starting tailback job to Herschel Walker.

"We'll test the trade market and see what is best for Tony and what is best for the team," Landry said. "Obviously, we won't get a first-round pick because of Tony's age. Maybe we can trade for a player. Maybe there is a player out there who can help us. We need help in a lot of positions."

Landry said Dorsett's age "will be a very critical thing. It elimi-

nates so many teams because they are rebuilding. However, there are some teams that just missed the playoffs that might need help. Tony could go a couple of years. He is in remarkable shape."

Dorsett has a two-year contract at \$500,000 a year and a \$2.4 million annuity. Club President Tex Schramm said any club getting Dorsett would have to pick up the base salary and fund the annuity.

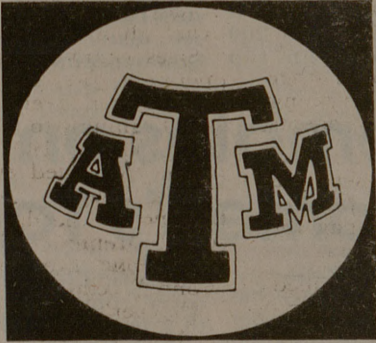
"It would be a gamble for another team," Landry said. "Of course, other top backs are getting what Tony is getting."

Dorsett told Landry in a half-hour meeting he would like to go to Denver, San Francisco or the Los Angeles Rams.

"Tony said he doesn't want to finish his career on the bench," Landry said. "He would still get a lot of playing time with us behind Herschel but we'll try to honor his wishes."

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