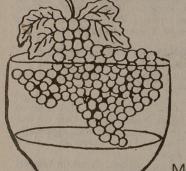
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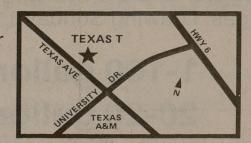
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## New coaches in spotlight; SWC hoops season nears

DALLAS (AP) — Texas' Tom Penders and Southern Methodist's ohn Shumate, new coaches on the Southwest Conference basketball olock, drew most of the attention on

the league's media day.

Penders, who came to the Long-horns from the University of Rhode Island, promised a run-and-gun offense, saying "I think a high-risk offense is too many passes. If you have too many passes you have too many chances to kick the ball out the

Rhode Island averaged 90 points per game last year.

Every team we played tried to beery team we played then to hold the ball against us but we still got our points," he said. "I disagree with the conclusion that you can't run and play defense. We will play an aggressive, gambling defense."

Penders replaced Bob Weltlich who was fired after producing me

who was fired after producing methodical, mediocre teams that drew an average of less than 4,000 fans to

Texas' home games.

Shumate, who was an assistant under Digger Phelps at Notre Dame, inherited a well-stocked SWC champion from Dave Bliss, who went to

"We'll try to be a running team because with the athletes we have in the backcourt (Kato Armstrong and Todd Alexander) it would do an injustice to walk the ball up," Shumate said. "I'm can adjust my style of play to the talent on hand. I'm comfortable doing what it takes to win.'

Shumate gets an early test. The Mustangs play Wyoming in Laramie on Friday night in a nationally televised (10 p.m. ESPN) first round game of the Big Apple NIT.

"There's some great talent in the Southwest Conference this year," Shumate said. "I wouldn't be surprised if the league had two teams in the Top 20 and four teams in the NCAA playoffs.'

There was a general consensus among the SWC coaches that the conference could have the best

guard play in the nation.

"The guards in this league comparable to any on the outsid said Houston coach Pat Foster." lege basketball is becoming a gu game. You will see a lot of going to three-guard offens There are few great centers, and three-point shot can offset them."

Arkansas coach Nolan Richard said, "The really good guards fr the three-point line can offset th inside aircraft carriers. And could have the best guards of a league in the country in this country Those guards out there can may you or break you."

There will be one brand

Ferrell Center at Baylor. It replans antiquated Heart O' Texas Stadium "It's really nice," said Baylor coa Gene Iba. "It's nice not to go to pratice and see a tractor pull going of It's as good a place to play basketh as there is in our part of the world?"

# Dallas Carter eligible again for high school grid playoffs

AUSTIN (AP) — After a one-day delay, the Texas Education Agency ruled Wednesday that Dallas Carter is eligible to continue its pursuit of a Class 5A state high school football ti-

Carter, however, did receive oneyear probation and a public reprimand from the University Interscholastic League state executive committee for failing to report the changed grade of player Ramon Wright to a UIL district committee.

Carter, 8-0-1, was ranked No. 6 in the final 5A poll of the Associated Press. The Cowboys will meet Dallas Samuell in the second round of the state playoffs Friday at the Cotton 21-7 in the first round of the playoffs last Friday.

Officials from the TEA and the UIL earlier had found that star running back Gary Edwards, who scored the final two touchdowns in the victory over Plano East, was ineli-

But new evidence presented Tuesday showed that the teacher may have miscalculated the player's

gible because of an apparent failing grade in an algebra class.

After hearing six hours of testi-mony Tuesday, UIL officials decided that the matter was not within their jurisdiction and referred the matter to the education agency. The

The Cowboys defeated Plano East TEA then made its ruling Wedness

David Thompson, general counsel for the TEA, said that Carter was found not to be in violation of a pm vision in the Texas Education ( that deals with student eligibility for extracurricular activities.

"Our first investigation was quit thorough," Thompson said. "The information was quite correct." "But after meeting this morning

with the school's representatives at hearing all the new evidence, whave concluded that they are not violation," he said.

Thompson said, however, that the TEA encouraged the school to i prove its record-keeping proo

#### Smith

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the sequence of events that would put Smith in the A&M record book. Late in the Rice game, (a 57-24 Aggie win) Smith, Armstrong and

cat-quick sophomore quarterback Keith Baker got to play, though nothing spectacular happened. A slow start against SMU kept the reserves on the bench most of the

day, but once starting quarterback David Walker, Dickey, Woodard and Franklin had opened up a 29-0 fourth-quarter lead, Smith and crew entered the fray.

touchdown, which he scored with less than 30 seconds to play on a 13yard run.

out the clock, but jumped into the right corner of the end zone in the

hills to decimate Arkansas 31-10, getting a little measure of revenge for the earlier loss.

Again, though the Ags had rolled to an early 24-3 lead, their failure to blow the game open kept the super subs on the pine during the snowy afternoon. But the next Saturday - Nov. 20,

1976 — before a crowd of 44,055, the Ags totally dominated the TCU Horned Frogs from start to finish, defeating the Frogs 59-10.

Led by Walker, the smooth junior

OB from Louisiana, A&M scored on five of its six first-half possessions, taking a 35-3 lead into the locker

This was also a game of individual firsts for young Aggie offensive players, as Brothers, Armstrong and Smith all scored their initial A&M

Brothers' score came on a 4-yard run following Hayes' interception of a Jimmy Dan Elzner pass at the TCU 44 in the third quarter.

Smith began what turned into his best rushing day at A&M with a nifty 53-yard touchdown run off the option with 1:38 to play in the third

On the play, Baker had run to the right side of his offensive line, then cut down the field for a few yards before pitching out to the trailing

Once Smith caught the ball, he had clear sailing into the south end zone at Kyle Field.

TCU spent most of the afternoon at turtle-like offensive speed, rushing for 89 yards on 33 carries and passing for 163 yards (17 completions in 43 attempts with three interceptions).

The Frogs' touchdown in the fourth quarter seemed to inflame the Aggies, who produced their final touchdown in a record-setting man-

ner. With 3:51 left in the game, A&M

from its own 10 yard line following a clipping penalty against them on the ensuing Frog kickoff.

Baker again took the snap and game that A&M won 38-31 after clipping penalty against them on the ensuing Frog kickoff.

Baker again took the snap and headed to his right (toward the stu-

dent seats on the east side of the sta-

Though the Frogs had already been suckered once on the play, they fell for it again because, just as he was hit, Baker simply flicked the ball into Smith's waiting hands — and he was off to the races again. This time he was in the clear so

much that he raised a hand high Houston a week later, and Smit over his head at midfield to let his aided the win with consecutive kick Baker drove A&M for a final teammates know that he was going to score (and not to block and get a His 90-yard run was second only Aggie history to Bean's 94-yard

run against Texas Tech in 1975 in turnaround in the second half, out Lubbock and was the longest ever at

going out of bounds.

Smith was the trailing halfback on the play, but an alert Mustang had him covered up.

The Aggies continued to roll over SWC opponents, returning to the trailing to the specific properties.

Type Field.

For the game, Smith rushed four times for 147 yards and the two touchdowns, the fewest carries an Aggie has had while running for 100 yards.

"We had the game under control early," Bellard said. "I was very pleased with our starting unit. They

Certainly Darrell Smith wasn't a legend in Aggie football lore, but he was one of the few players that played — and played well - at three different positions on either side of the

took control of the game and then we were able to play some of our younger players and they did a real

Indeed they had. For the Aggies rushed for 518 yards on 61 carries, second in school history to the 526 yards they gained rushing against

Rice earlier in the year.

"Our game plan was to run straight at them, and that's exactly what we did," A&M center Mark Dennard said. "We just stuck to that he is game plan."

basic game plan."

The battered Frog defenders acknowledged the Aggies' outstanding performance, especially defensive end Marshall Harris, who said, "A&M is a good offensive team. Woodard is just like trying to stop a freight train. Their running backs are outstanding.
"Their second unit is almost as

good as their first one. They play smart football. They're sure not dumb Aggies.

The 59 points was the most A&M had scored since it shut out North Texas AC 61-0 in 1944. NTAC later became the University of Texas at

The win propelled A&M into the Sun Bowl, where the Aggies pounded Florida, 37-14.

Smith moved to wide receiver in the 1987 Texas game at Kyle Field

put the ball in play from scrimmage 1977 and had some important mo

once leading 35-7 late in the second Smith's initial score came on an syard pass from Walker in the first quarter. Then he caught a 61-yard pass from Walker on which the quarter.

terback faked out the Bear secon ary so bad that Smith was easily yards behind the nearest defende A&M defeated the Owls 28-14i

off returns of 51 and 39 yards. At Kyle Field on October 29 (and

after five consecutive road games the Aggies fell behind SMU 21-7 at scoring the Ponies 31-0 and winnin Smith scored the lone first-half

A&M touchdown on a 25-yard pass from Walker. The pair combined on a 34-yard touchdown pass during the Agrally, which culminated with Mike

Mosley's 11-yard touchdown run & the clock expired. Smith returned to his hometown on November 19 and again played

part in yet another Aggie offensiv explosion against the Frogs. The Aggies rushed for a schol-record 606 yards, second in SWI history to the 611 yards the Univer-sity of Texas gained against SMU

The A&M rushing game was successful, particularly to the right side, that Smith was able to some unscathed on a 31-yard end around

in the second quarter.
On the play Mosley had bobble the snap, but was able to pick the up and toss it to Smith before h knees touched the turf.

Again, Smith was so open that not only again raised his hand to h teammates, but was also the player on the left side of the t heading north) at Amon Carter St

As a senior in 1977, Smith moved to defensive back and helped A&M post another 8-4 record. Defensi coordinator Melvin Robertson ma good use of Smith's outstanding

speed and quickness.

"We needed Darrell in the offensive backfield because that had been a weakness the previous sea son," Robertson said in 1981. "All us knew that he was a tough kid wh could handle the pressure bac there, and he did."

Certainly Darrell Smith wasn't legend in Aggie football lore, but it was one of the few players the played — and played well — at the different positions on either side of the ball.

And, on the list of long Aggie carries, you will find his TCU carry set ond (and now tied with Keith Woo side, who rushed 90 yards for touchdown in the second quarter

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