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Game, how did I hate thee? Let me count the ways ...

Scott

Wudel

last Saturday the Aggies shellacked the Ragin' Cajuns of outhwestern Louisiana. Sure, it was a great win for

he team, there were ome great plays and some great performances, but the environment at Kyle Field left something to be desired.

Thus I feel the need to whine, but in n organized manner. Here goes ... Scott Wudel's Top 10 Complaints bout the Texas A&M-Southwestern

10. Parking: I parked so far away I would have ridden the Amtrak coach to he game and arrived sooner. And to ose guys in the old Camaro without he muffler that slowly sneaked up on ny friends and I as we rambled through he neighborhood streets next to campus no thank you, I'm not in the market

for a cheap gold watch.

9. Seats: It's nice to be a senior and be oprivileged to draw Section 228, Row -those nice shady seats under the hird deck that capture the sweat fumes ising from the 35 rows below. I also would like to thank the cordial Aggie atrons next to my seats for scooting own and giving my group of four the spaces we squeezed into

8. The new scoreboard: Do we really need to sell more hot dogs and nachos at he game? Has Kyle Field lost its raditional identity to a more fashionable Disneyland-style environment?

7. Yell leaders: Outclassed by the coreboard. It looks like you have competition now. Where were you guys? can't tell you how fun it was to play along with the scoreboard. "Whoop ... &M's student ceived an \$80 onsors of the lub Night. whoop ... whoop ... whoop," I gleefully yelled all evening. Maybe I was just too far away. Maybe I got lost in the the chance to hump it, but I did enjoy

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Hogs' departure opens scheduling

SWC athletic directors decide '91 football fate

DALLAS (AP) - Arkansas is willing to remain a football-playing member of the Southwest Conference in 1991, athletic di-rector Frank Broyles told his Southwest Conference colleagues Wednesday.

Other SWC athletic directors, some of whom had advocated not playing Arkansas at all after it leaves the league, said they would give Broyles

an answer today. "We're willing to do whatever the conference wants us to do," said Broyles after he attended a meeting of SWC athletic directors. The two-day meeting ends today.

Arkansas recently

SWC on July 1 and join the Southeastern Conference beginning with the 1992 sea-son. The Razorbacks had indicated they

would play as independents in 1991.

Arkansas plays a full schedule in all sports in the SWC in 1990.

Under Broyles' proposal on Wednesday, the Razorbacks would pursue an independent schedule in other roots for 1991. dent schedule in other sports for 1991-92, but would agree for their football team to be a part of the SWC next season. Broyles said Arkansas would be willing to work with

the league in revenue distribution for those games in 1991. Arkansas would have to find eight new teams on its schedule if all SWC teams drop

Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds said he has no problem with Arkansas remaining in the conference for football.

"I wouldn't object to playing Arkansas in 1991," Dodds said. "And I think most of the conference members would agree to some-

Texas Christian University athletic director Frank Windegger said he wouldn't mind playing the Razorbacks in 1991 and



Battalion file photo by J. Janner

The University of Arkansas is headed for the Southeastern Conference in 1992, but Southwest Conference officials may want to drop the Razorbacks from their schedules as early as next year.

added, "I think they should compete for the championship and revenue sharing." SWC president Fred Jacoby said, "The

athletic directors will make a recommendation on Thursday to the SWC presidents, and the presidents will meet in Dallas on Oct. 7 to decide whether to continue playing with Arkansas in 1991 and come to a conclusion on other matters.

Another item discussed at the athletic directors' meeting was a proposed foreign tour to Finland and Russia by an SWC all-

star basketball team.

Also, the SWC gave tentative approval to its basketball schedule, which was not released but reportedly includes its championship game being televised by ABC instead of ESPN. The SWC athletic directors also were dis-

cussing the possibility of an alliance with other conferences, scheduling flexibility, and finding new members for the league, which would drop to eight schools once Arkansas is gone.

"We have an advantage with weather and lights down here," Jacoby said. "There is some thought to stretching the 11-game schedule over a 14-week period.
"We need to emphasize that we're not

making any decisions at this meeting. We're ust making recommendations to the presi-

dents when they meet."
However, Jacoby added that he felt good about Broyles' attitude.

"It gives the conference more flexibility, and we'll decide something about that on Thursday.

Conference officials arranging games to boost exposure

LUBBOCK (AP) — Despite criticism by athletic directors, Southwest Conference schools are scheduling non-conference games with distant schools to beef up their exposure — and paydays.

Athletic directors criticize the practice

Athletic directors criticize the practice of arranging the games far in advance. But they continue the trend.

"It's a big problem," Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds said. "Everybody's out there about 10 years down the road. Athletic directors all agree to cut back, but we're all nervous and wonder what the other guy is doing."

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Recently, Baylor earned more than \$300,000 for its trip to Nebraska and \$350,000 for its trip to Nebraska and \$350,000 for a game at Arizona State. The Bears lost both games. "I'd play Ohio State on the road every day of the week," said Baylor Coach

Grant Teaff.

Next fall, Arkansas and Miami will each realize \$1 million and have expenses paid for a traveling party of 500 each when they play in the British Bowl at Manchester, England, officials said.

A charter plane to take 146 passengers in the Texas Tech traveling party to Ohio State a week ago set the school back about \$50,000. Feeding and housing the team in Columbus cost about \$10,000.

But when Texas Tech scheduled Ohio State, officials said, it was all but assured of a ranked opponent, a sellout crowd and a guarantee of about \$300,000. The payoff eased the pain of a 17-10 loss. Part of the impetus to travel is the SWC's weakness in television revenue

and gate receipts. Among other findings, the SWC-commissioned McKinsey Report recently said the league is seventh among seven major conferences in its ability to fill sta-

SWC athletic directors have been trying to determine what changes in the league to recommend to the league's presidents in the wake of Arkansas' defection to the Southeastern Conference.

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