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Brains as important as athleticism

they jump, sports observers say. demically when t As the Southwest Conference riod began Dec. 1.

cern around the SWC because you can't take a kid who doesn't have his grades."

To receive an athletic scholarship in the SWC, a recruit must score a minimum of 700 on the Scholastic 2.0 grade-point average in high school core curriculum. Mile Miller CURENT Aptitude Test or 18 on the Ameri-

Mike Miller of Willowridge, Brian Brown of Grand Prairie, Rodney

cruiters no longer are just interested in how fast a student runs or how far Fite of Waco had yet to qualify academically when the recruiting pe-

The Battalion

pushes for higher test scores for and letic recruits, at least six of the state's received passing test scores. Brown, top 10 high school prospects are in horton and Fite are still considered worth the risk of offering a schol-

"You're going to have to take some guys and then wait," Cassidy said. "You have to do some home-"Obviously, grade problems are a concern for everybody," Texas A&M recruiting coordinator Tim Cassidy said. "There's a bigger conwe're considering taking are either close on their test score or have it close on their core.

Those athletes SWC schools take a chance on have until the first day of the fall semester to achieve a passing test score or core grades.

take as many chances.

"Grade problems are the catalyst Thomas of Groveton, Tommy Pres- that made the people at the (recent)

HOUSTON (AP) - Athletic re- ton of A&M Consolidated, Charles NCAA convention pass a resolution that recruits must present a test score before taking an expense-paid visit to a college," he said. "They want to have some idea that this person can make it at that university.

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Willowridge coach Eddie Brister liked the idea.

'If you've got to have that test score, you might as well take the test as a junior," Brister said. "All of our kids this year would have had a test score to show recruiters before taking a visit. Cassidy agreed.

"If a guy takes his test during his junior year and makes a 16 (on the ACT, for example), we're not wor-ried about that guy," Cassidy said. "It's the guy who hasn't taken it at all that concerns us.

Although there are still some problems with the state's top athletes, Cassidy believes the number of academic troubles among athletes is decreasing in Texas.

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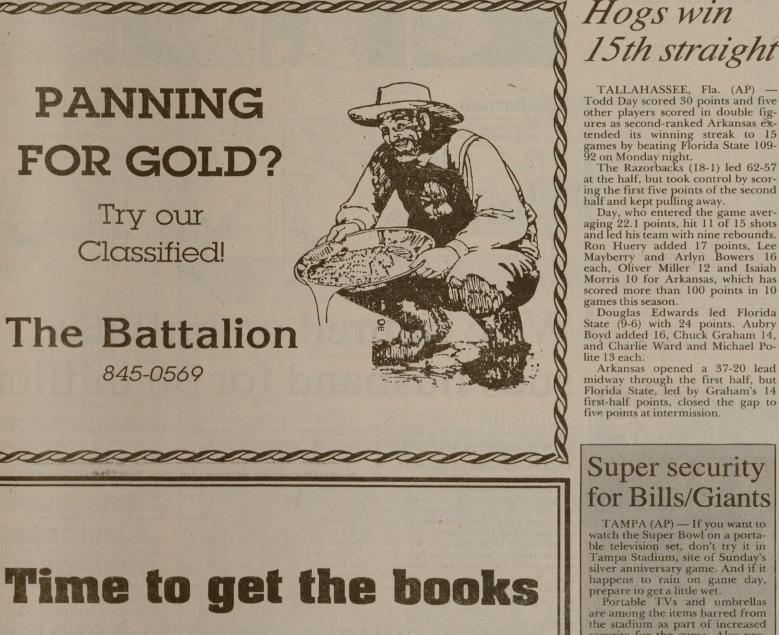
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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Todd Day scored 30 points and five other players scored in double figures as second-ranked Arkansas extended its winning streak to 15 games by beating Florida State 109-92 on Monday night. The Razorbacks (18-1) led 62-57

at the half, but took control by scor-

at the first five points of the second half and kept pulling away. Day, who entered the game aver-aging 22.1 points, hit 11 of 15 shots and led his team with nine rebounds. Ron Huery added 17 points, Lee Mayberry and Arlyn Bowers 16 each, Oliver Miller 12 and Isaiah Morris 10 for Arkansas, which has scored more than 100 points in 10

games this season. Douglas Edwards led Florida State (9-6) with 24 points. Aubry Boyd added 16, Chuck Graham 14, and Charlie Ward and Michael Polite 13 each.

Arkansas opened a 37-20 lead midway through the first half, but Florida State, led by Graham's 14 first-half points, closed the gap to five points at intermission.

Super security

for Bills/Giants

TAMPA (AP) ---- If you want to watch the Super Bowl on a porta-

ble television set, don't try it in Tampa Stadium, site of Sunday's silver anniversary game. And if it happens to rain on game day,

prepare to get a little wet. Portable TVs and umbrellas

are among the items barred from the stadium as part of increased security for the game. Also pro-

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game day and the Federal A ation Administration is be asked to restrict airspace to 10,000 feet for a half-mile and 3,000 feet for five miles around the stadium

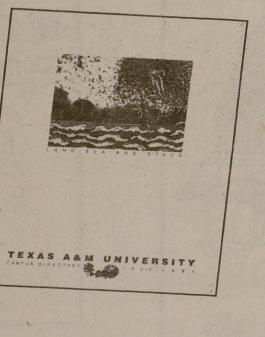
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