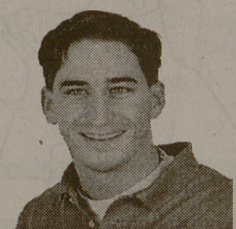


## Alabama still in position for national title

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The race for the national championship starts this weekend at the annual Iron Bowl between Alabama and Auburn.

Nebraska or Penn State are the two teams getting the consideration that goes to teams worthy of such praise while a lowly team from the South has gone undefeated.

This weekend fourth-ranked Alabama is starting the murderous part of its schedule that should give them a national title if they are successful.

The Crimson Tide have played practically no one significant going into last week's game with the Mississippi State Bulldogs. This is not the part that deserves attention. Last week's win over the ranked Bulldogs in Starkville has started something that could be the feat of the season that no team can match.

This week's game versus sixth-ranked Auburn in Birmingham, the conference title game versus third-ranked Florida in December and the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans versus another top-ranked team will mark three games against top ten teams at neutral sites. No one else can match that. Throw in Alabama's win over Mississippi State, and it could be four wins over four ranked opponents.

With the argument that today's teams need to go through a playoff to determine a national champion, this set of victories would meet the criteria. The Tide will have beaten the top teams at neutral sites and in successive games.

Now Nebraska, if they win out (and they probably will), will have victories over the Colorado Buffaloes, Kansas State and Washington. Those victories were spread out over the season and only one was on the road. The Cornhuskers' Orange Bowl match up with the Miami Hurricane does deserve merit, but it just isn't the same.

Penn State is another undefeated team that is feeding off a perfect record against a schedule with quality teams but none that stand out. Michigan, probably the biggest win of the season, looks less glamorous considering the Wolverines are losing left and right. Their bowl game looks like a war with the Ducks of Oregon. No Disney finish in that game, I can assure you.

Will the Tide go undefeated? I won't rule a Gene Stallings' coached team out. Remember what they did to that heavily-favored Miami team in the Sugar Bowl two years ago. The team has a strong defense that is as good as any in the nation. They also possess senior quarterback Jay Barker. Barker is not a great quarterback, but his 31-1-1 record as a starter proves he is a winner. Alabama also has running back Sherman Williams. Not another huge name, but the Crimson Tide are 20-0 when he scores a touchdown and 11-0 when Williams rushes for over 100 yards.

So if Alabama goes undefeated the rest of the way (and that is a big "if") we should have a new number one.

## '95 seniors to play last home game

### Undefeaten season possible

By David Winder  
THE BATTALION



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Senior cornerback Billy Mitchell returns a interception for a score against Texas Tech. The Aggies play TCU Saturday at Kyle Field.

Senior safety Michael Hendricks does not have time to look back over his career at Texas A&M. Right now, he is too busy preparing for his last game against Texas Christian.

"This game is a very special one," Hendricks said. "I think this game marks a lot of hard work that has put in over the last four years."

The game also marks the end of the most successful era in A&M history. The 1995 seniors have won three Southwest Conference titles and if it had not been for NCAA probation would have already clinched a fourth.

They have never lost at Kyle Field, winning 23 consecutive games. A&M's 41-5-1 record over the last four years trails only Alabama (43-4-1) and Florida State (42-5). A win this Saturday would give the Aggies the winningest class in SWC history.

Senior running back Rodney Thomas said Texas A&M has been successful because they play as a team.

"You've got so many people gunning for you," Thomas said. "It's all about chemistry and making it work together. In athletics, there are hills and valleys and as a team you've got to overcome it."

Senior linebacker Antonio Armstrong said the feeling before Saturday's game is different than most.

"It's like closing another chapter in your life," Armstrong said. "To win our last game would mean a lot to us and that's what we would like to do. It would be a shame to leave on a sour note."

A win against TCU would add yet another notch on the 1995 Aggies' belt. A victory would give A&M its first undefeated season since 1956.

"We've done a lot of good for this program, not just winning," Thomas said. "I'm just proud we can finish up on a good note."

Hendricks said that he can not put all of the 1995 seniors' accomplishments into perspective.

"I haven't taken time out to think about it," Hendricks said. "Later in life we'll look back at this and say 'Wow! We really did something.'"

## Lady Aggies compete for SWC championship

By Drew Diener  
THE BATTALION

After nearly winning the Southwest Conference title last year and making the NCAA tournament, one might be surprised to hear that the Texas A&M women's volleyball team is extremely pleased with their third-seed position going into this year's tournament.

"We're riding a big wave of momentum right now," head coach Laurie Corbelli said. "We are playing at our peak, and (the team) is very positive and confident."

After earning the tournament's second seed last season and receiving a first round bye, the Lady Aggies were defeated by third seeded Houston in the second round.

"We need to play as hard as we can," junior setter Suzy Wente said. "Last year we had lots of seniors, and we were pretty confident. This time we know we have to work harder."

The Lady Aggies, 16-11 overall and 6-4

in the SWC, will take on Rice University in the first round of the Southwest Conference Tournament Friday. The Owls are the host team of the entire tournament, with all matches taking place at Autry Court on the Rice campus.

Corbelli said the middle attack is becoming a much stronger part of the Lady Aggies' game, thus opening up the outside. Reaping the benefits of improved play in the middle is senior outside hitter Jennifer Bronner.

"Over the past couple of weeks, Jennifer has been unstoppable," Corbelli said. "She is our MVP."

After averaging 4.4 kills per game last week, and posting a strong .360 hitting percentage, Bronner was named the SWC Player of the Week for the second time this season. Her match-high 21 kills against the University of Houston November 9 helped the Lady Aggies upset the 17th-ranked Lady Cougars.

Wente has continued to be a major contribution to the Lady Aggies' effort,

Corbelli said. The San Antonio Clark product is on pace to break A&M's all-time career assist record in only her third season. Wente, who set A&M's single season assist record last year with 1,554, needs only 65 assists to become the school's career leader.

"We're playing together as a team right now," Wente said. "That makes us more enthusiastic, and everything seems to have fallen into place."

Wente said the team needs to continue doing the things it has done all season to be successful this weekend.

With four consecutive victories already, a win over Rice would give the team its longest winning streak of the season.

Corbelli said this year's team does not feel the pressure that last year's NCAA qualifying squad did.

"Last year we felt like we had to perform," Corbelli said. "This (winning the tournament) is a goal. We'll see how things go, the first contact should determine how we will do."

## Golden State trades Webber

OAKLAND (AP) — The Golden State Warriors traded Chris Webber to the Washington Bullets for Tom Gugliotta and three first-round draft picks Thursday.

The move came hours after the Bullets had signed first-round draft pick Juwan Howard, who teamed with Webber to lead Michigan to the NCAA championship game in 1992 and 1993.

And it came one day after the Warriors re-signed Webber, who exercised his option to terminate a 15-year, \$74 million contract in the offseason and became a free agent. The Warriors had to sign Webber to trade him.

The Warriors will get the Bullets' first-round draft picks in 1996, 1998 and 2000.

Webber was the NBA rookie of the year last season, but said he was unhappy playing for Golden State coach Don Nelson. Those hard feelings intensified during the contract stalemate when Nelson said he'd quit if that would help bring Webber back to the team.

That remark angered Webber, who felt it was an attempt to turn public opinion against him.

The 6-foot-10 forward averaged 17.5 points and 9.1 rebounds and shot 55 percent from the field last season. The contract he signed Wednesday night reportedly was for \$73.14 million over 12 years.

Gugliotta has averaged 15.8 points and 9.5 rebounds since joining the Bullets as their top draft pick in 1992.

"It's devastating," Washington swingman Calbert Cheaney said from New Jersey before the Bullets faced the Nets. "Tom's a great friend, a great guy, a great ballplayer. Losing him is a blow to us, but we're getting excellent guys in return."

### This day in Aggie football ...

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A&M shocks Rice with a 27-0 shutout in Houston that eliminates the Owls from SWC title contention just one week after Rice had knocked off league-leading Arkansas.

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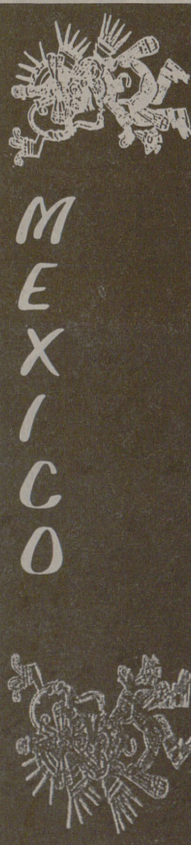
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