

Norman Sparks A&M Rally

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"It took a lot of guts to drive that lane," Tim Timmerman described Ken Norman's play Saturday night. Norman drove the lane three times for crucial buckets that enabled the Aggies to overcome a big Arkansas lead and beat the Razorbacks 72-64.

It took a lot of guts on the part of all the Cadets as the Hogs held an 11-point bulge, 56-45, with 9:33 left to play.

BENNIE LENOX started the

rally with a nine-foot jump shot from the right side. Paul Timmins hit a 12-footer to cut the margin to seven and Norman took over.

The tall junior college transfer sank a driving layup and added a free throw to bring the Ags within four. John Beasley tipped in a missed Norman charity toss and A&M trailed by two. Arkan-

sas' J. D. McConnell dropped in a free shot to add one to the deficit.

THAN JUST TWO minutes after the Porkers' biggest lead Norman gunned in a four-footer and was fouled. He lofted it in and the game was tied.

With 2:08 left to play, Norman added a tip-in for a 10-point A&M lead, 71-61. Timmins looked up

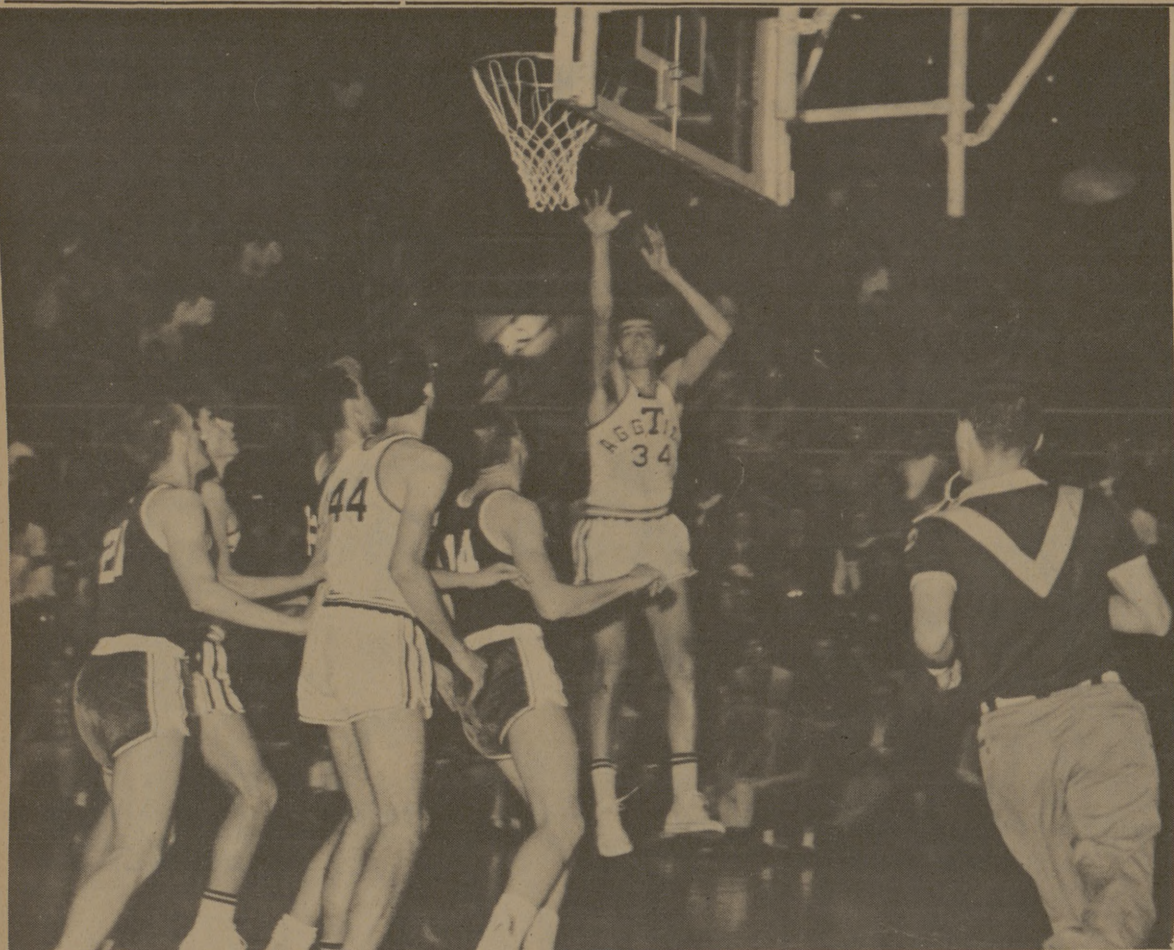
at the clock and shook his head in disbelief.

FOUR CADETS hit in the figures with Lenox tops with 16 points and six rebounds. Bill Robinette had his best with 16 points and six rebounds. Norman scored 14 points for season high and pulled down 14 rebounds.

Beasley led all backboarders with 16, another season for Beasley and the Aggies. Cadets out-rebounded Arkansas 50-43.

WARREN VOGEL topped for the Hogs with 16 and his team in rebounds with 44.

The victory brought the Southwest Conference record 6-1 and dropped Arkansas contention with a 3-3 slate. Aggies are 11-5 for the season.



CLOSED GAP

John Beasley (34) drops in shot that cut Arkansas lead to two.

Aggies Face Sellout Crowd Against Raiders In Lubbock

A sellout at Texas Tech? So What? It happens almost every time the Red Raiders play ball in Lubbock. Not only has Tech's 10,600 seat coliseum been sold out for a month and a half, but a private firm is hooking up a closed circuit TV rig and 3,000 tickets for that are gone.

That is the title fever the Aggies will face when they take the floor against Texas Tech Tuesday night. And if that isn't enough to scare the daylight out of any normal team, the Matadors were on regional TV Saturday afternoon and edged SMU 85-83 in Dal-

las to keep them one thin game behind the league leading Cadets. Tech is 5-1, the Aggies are 6-0.

BUT SHELBY Metcalf's crew remains unbothered by the odds stacked against them. After all, a full house saw them beat Texas 65-60 in Austin and Rice 74-70 in Houston. So pressure is nothing new.

Tech boasts balance, which Rice approached, and speed, which neither team had. Tech's five starters are all averaging in double figures.

STARTERS FOR Tech will be talented soph Dub Malaise and

balancing Glenn Hallum at guards, Norman Reuther and Tom Patty at forwards and Harold Denney on the post. Malaise, a 5-11 flash, tops Tech in scoring with a 19 point average.

Though in Metcalf's book the next game is always the biggest, Tuesday night's encounter in the Hub City has overtones which could make it the turning point in the SWC race. A win for the Red Raiders would give them a tie with the Aggies. A win for the Maroon would put them two full games in front facing a pre-fect second round schedule.

Metcalf Gives Norman Credit

When the Aggies were 11 points behind the Arkansas Razorbacks with 9:33 left in the game, Coach Shelby Metcalf said he was very nervous. But Ken Norman came to the rescue, eased the coach's tension and paid for his scholarship in about two minutes.

"Norman sparked the drive that put us ahead of Arkansas," Metcalf said after the game, "and deserves credit for the win. He paid for his scholarship in this one."

"But you have to admit, my boys have a lot of character to come back in the closing minutes. I hope I never see another game like it."

Were the Aggies looking over the Hogs' to Texas Tech?

"I don't think they were," Metcalf said, "I give them credit for being smart enough to play each game as it comes."

Speaking of Tech, the first year mentor said: "I saw them play SMU on television and both teams look good and improved."

"Texas Tech has fine personnel for the type of game it plays. And they play tough. But, this is a tough league."

Just how tough the Red Raiders was typified when Metcalf said: "I hate to go to Lubbock to play Tech."

Shot Record Falls As Matson Tosses

Randy Matson is an 18-year-old freshman at A&M who wants to make good. The first impression he gave to the 7,000 fans in Ft. Worth Saturday night was just like the proverb—it was the one that counted.

Matson picked up the 16-pound shot and on his first effort threw it 61 feet, 6 3/4 inches to win the event and in the process set a Will Rogers Indoor Games record as well as better his own state mark. Matson is the only Texan to better the 60-foot barrier in the shot put.

Matson surpassed 60 feet in two of his following five tries but his first one remained his best. The record toss bettered the mark he set last June by more than a foot.

The A&M weightman's performance overshadowed the running of SMU's Billy Foster who last week tied the world 60-yard dash mark of 6 seconds flat. Foster made the distance in 6.1 Saturday.

The next stop for Matson as he warms up for the Olympic trials will be the Dallas Indoor Invitational next Saturday. A&M's other shot putter, Danny Roberts, who held the records Matson has been breaking, will enter the Dallas meet also.

Bowling Tourney Closes Saturday

The school-wide bowling tournament sponsored by the Memorial Student Center Bowling Committee is in its final week with Saturday as the closing date for entries.

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