

Aggies upset Owls with gutty comeback

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You can mark this one up to guts.

That's what it took for the Texas Aggies to pull out their 74-73 win over the Rice Owls at Antry Court in Houston Tuesday night, picking up their first Southwest Conference win against two defeats while knocking down one of the two unbeaten teams in the league.

TCU, to whom the Aggies succumbed Saturday, 64-59, kept its chart intact after three games with a 93-85 home court victory over Southern Methodist Tuesday night. The University of Texas at Austin improved the league's conference record to 49-44 with a 89-81 win over Southern Illinois in Carbondale.

The Aggies had their backs to the wall many times in this one. They realized what a loss meant. It would mean being 0-3 in the league with two teams at 3-0 and both of the teams that were undefeated would have already beaten the Aggs once each.

But the Aggies wouldn't let it that way. Even if the Owls did shoot 56.2 per cent on their home court, the Aggies won.

Even though they were down by 14 points, 58-44, with a quarter of the final half already gone.

They also did it with 7-0 Steve Niles watching the final 10:47 from the bench after drawing his fifth foul. Before he left, the senior from San Antonio had left his mark with eight of 12 field goals, 17 points and 10 rebounds.

It took some sterling defense in the final half to pull this one out and the Aggs added some of their best balanced scoring of the year.

Bill O'Brien came off the bench for a season high of nine, including seven straight from the foul line, and Bobby Threadgill contributed four and some outstanding defense. Rick Duplantis had eight points and seven rebounds and pressure cooker foul shooting late.

During the Aggie comeback it was sophomore Charlie Jenkins and senior Bill Cooksey that laid the groundwork for the Aggs who shot 50.2 per cent from the floor, and Jeff Overhouse was superb on the rebounding end.

All-Southwest conference guard

Marquette romps

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Top-ranked Marquette unleashed its power against outmanned Northern Michigan Tuesday to grab a 106-57 college basketball victory.

Dean Meminger, the all-American guard candidate, led the balanced Warrior scoring with 20 points as Marquette had its easiest game of the season.

Gary Reist nearly put on a one-man show for the Owls by hitting on 10 of his first 11 shots, but the last two he took didn't drop and for that reason the Aggs were winners.

Reist tried twice in the final 23 seconds to put the Owls into the lead but neither was good and the second try—with six seconds left—was a ten-foot banker from the side that went in and rolled back out.

Rice shot a sizzling 63 per cent in the opening half but only a late surge helped by Aggie errors helped them lead by six at the half, 44-38.

Two free throws each by O'Brien and Duplantis and a 25 foot jumper by Cooksey tied the game for A&M at 38 with 1:18 to play but Tom Myer ripped through a 25-footer and Don Snyder and Myer chipped in lay-ups after turnovers to give Rice their halftime cushion.

The Owls stretched the lead at the outset of the half with everybody shooting well, and with 16:32 left in the game Coach Shelby Metcalf called for time after Steve Emshoff tossed in a driving hook to give Rice a 52-42 lead.

It took the red hot Owls only 43 more seconds to have Metcalf call for another break when Reist

and Myer hit from outside 20 feet to open the lead to 14 as the Owls were hitting just about everything they threw.

The Aggs then started their comeback as they nibbled away for about four minutes before running off eight straight points.

Niles got four before he fouled out and Jenkins swished a 20-footer to cut the lead to seven. Threadgill notched a long jumper and Jenkins added a lay-up as the Ag comeback narrowed the margin to three.

Rice upped the lead back to six but O'Brien came through with a foul shot and then Cooksey scorched the cords from the baseline to put the Aggs within one. Snyder found the opposite base-

line home on the Rice end and the Owls went back up by three with six and a half minutes to play.

Jenkins then fed Overhouse for a layup that put the Aggs within a point after the two teams had zipped up the court frantically looking for an opening.

Snyder then broke the Aggs press but his bounce pass in the lane went loose and Overhouse picked it up for the Aggs.

Jenkins again fed the big man inside and Duplantis was hacked by Ted Melady. He tied and 14 seconds later returned to make the go-ahead free throw after Emshoff climbed his back while battling for a rebound.

The Aggies then pulled a defensive gem when Overhouse batted a pass away and Jenkins was there to pick it up with still 1:40 left.

A&M worked the ball around for nearly a minute until Myer intentionally fouled Cooksey with 43 seconds left. Cooksey sank both and the Aggs were sitting on a 74-71 lead with that amount of time left.

But the Owls were not through. Terry Timmerman tipped in a missed shot eight seconds later and the Aggies' lead was one and they still had to face the Rice press.

Cooksey got cornered on the baseline and his pass downcourt rolled out of bounds with 23 seconds remaining.

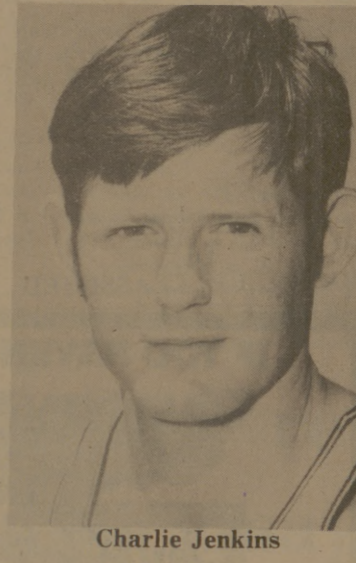
Reist then tried his banker with

six seconds left but the ball squirted in and out twice, once out of the bucket and then out of the hands of two Aggs battling for it under the basket.

This gave Rice an ends play with three seconds remaining but the shot didn't fall as Myer tried a long one and the Aggies found themselves back in the SWC race.

Scoring in the A&M-Rice game: A&M—Charlie Jenkins 8, Bill Cooksey 10, Bob Gobin 5, Jeff Overhouse 13, Steve Niles 17, Rick Duplantis 8, Bobby Threadgill 4, Bill O'Brien 9.

Rice—Gary Reist 22, Tom Myer 19, Ted Melady 3, Mark Wehrle 3, Steve Emshoff 9, Terry Timmerman 6, Bert Schmidt 5, Don Snyder 6.



Charlie Jenkins

Horned Frogs beat Mustangs for SWC lead

FORT WORTH (AP)—Texas Christian remained undefeated in Southwest Conference play Tuesday night with a 93-85 victory over rallying Southern Methodist.

The Horned Frogs jumped to a 15-point first half lead, but SMU closed the gap to three points with four minutes to play after TCU's Eugene Kennedy got into foul trouble.

Clutch second half shooting by Simpson Degrate kept the Horned Frogs ahead. Degrate, high point for the night with 28, scored 20 points in the final half.

Gene Phillips was high for SMU with 27 while Larry Delzell added 22.

Kennedy scored 15 for the Horned Frogs and grabbed 17 rebounds despite sitting out half the final 20 minutes.

Ricky Hall had 21 for TCU and Jim Ferguson got 13, and James Williams 10 as all five starters hit in double figures.

TCU, which never trailed in the game, hit 57 per cent from the field in the first half but ended up with a 49.3 field goal percentage overall. SMU hit at a 47.8 clip.

The Horned Frogs outrebounded the visitors 48-35. TCU is now 3-0 in SWC play and SMU is 1-2.

SWC Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.
Rice	10	5	.667
Baylor	10	5	.667
SMU	9	6	.600
Tech	9	6	.600
UT-Austin	7	6	.538
TCU	7	8	.467
A&M	5	10	.333
Arkansas	4	10	.286

Team	W	L	Pct.
TCU	3	0	1.000
Rice	2	1	.667
Baylor	2	1	.667
Tech	2	1	.667
A&M	1	2	.333
SMU	1	2	.333
UT-Austin	1	2	.333
Arkansas	0	3	.000

Tuesday's results: A&M 74, Rice 73; TCU 93, SMU 85; UT-Austin 89, Southern Illinois 81.

Thursday's schedule: Washburn at Arkansas.

Saturday's schedule: Tech at A&M; Arkansas at SMU; Rice at Baylor; TCU at UT-Austin.

Ag bowlers take second in league

The Texas Aggie bowling team rolled its way into second place in the Texas Intercollegiate Bowling Conference standings last weekend when they scored 12 straight wins in a meet at West Texas State University in Canyon.

Larry Brill and Ray Keefe starred for the Aggie bowlers, who jumped from third to second with four wins over Rice, Houston and South Texas Junior College.

The Aggies now have a 33-15 record and trail only Southwest Texas State in the league standings. SWTSU has a 38-10 record.

Brill had a nine-game total 1,722 pins for nine games and raised his average for the year to 187. He shot a 663 for one set of three games.

Keefe had a nine-game total of 1,698 and had the highest single game for A&M with a 257. He is also averaging 187 pins.

Howard Creek has a 180 average, Don Rockwell 178 and Alan Gibbs 178 for the Aggs.

Currently third in the league standing is Houston, one of the teams the Aggies swept, with a 30-18 mark.

West Texas State has a 29-19 mark for fourth. The University of Texas at Austin and Texas Tech are next with 25-23 records. South Texas Junior College has a 9-39 record and Rice is last with a 3-45 record.

The Aggie bowlers' next meet will be Feb. 23 when league-leading Southwest Texas hosts the circuit in San Marcos.

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