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Red-Hot Aggies Incinerate Arkansas, 108-8

By KEVIN COFFEY When you're hot you're hot and

the Texas Aggies were on fire as they blew Arkansas out of G. Rollie White Coliseum Saturday afternoon, 108-82.

No one could remember a finer performance by an Aggie basketball team and the 5,154 fans and regional television audience saw just how this year's club is capable of playing.

The entire game could not have been much different if coach Shelby Metcalf had written the script himself. At points it seemed like A&M could do no wrong as shots kept falling in,,

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Aggies' arms and Aggie after Aggie found himself open on fast break opportunities.

Individual stars were too numerous to mention but consider these performances:

• Randy Knowles, shooting from what seemed like the third row of the bleachers, hit 20 of 30 shots and 2 of 3 charity tosses for 42 points. His 20 field goals represent an A&M record in that category and his 42 tallies is the most ever scored by an Aggie player in G. Rollie White. He also led both teams in rebounding with

Mario Brown, who controlled the game like he invented it, scored 20 points while tossing eight assists and helped lead a

devastating A&M fast break. Mike Floyd, who helped Brown control the game and lead the fast break, scored 12 points, tossed five assists and picked up four rebounds and numerous loose

• Jerry Mercer, who started the game in place of Cedric Joseph, held Arkansas' inside threat of Dean Tolson to eight first-half points, and just 11 for the game and totally frustrated the Arkan-

sas big boy tying him up at every

opportunity. Mercer also contrib-

uted six points. • Jeff Overhouse hit 16 points while gathering in 15 rebounds and tossing four assists.

The rebounding of Mercer, Overhouse and Knowles, and later Joseph's started the fast break that Arkansas just couldn't handle. A&M got the ball off the boards and down the court to set up three-on-two and four-on-two drives to the basket throughout the game

Even though A&M scored its season high total in the game, it was the tight defense, coupled with the fast break, that broke the game wide open.

ors and paired with Bauer for

Galvin was the top individual

scorer in men's bowling. He and

Ocker were also the ACUI region

doubles champion. The TAMU

team of Galvin, Ocker, Mike Ste-

wart, Bill Kettler and Galvan

Childress and Hobart tied for

first in team chess standings. In

third place for teams was David

Lewis and James Bell of A&M.

Childress and Lewis tied for third

TAMU's women's bridge team

of Sherry Hinds and K. M. A.

Rahman placed third. Alan Fin-

kelstein and James Cermin were

Deb Arcement took sixth and

The men's table tennis team of

Tom Wilson seventh in billiards.

Timothy Choy and James Zum-

walt placed fourth and Betty

Goode was seventh in the wom-

TAMU teams were arranged

through competitions set up by the MSC Recreation Committee,

chaired by James K. Goode.

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fourth in doubles.

A&M started defending the tal-

ented Hog duo of Tolson and Martin Terry with a zone and switched from man-to-man and back to the zone throughout the contest. Mario Brown ball hawked Terry all over the court and held the frustrated scoreless for the first

nine minutes of the game. Arkansas led in the game only twice, at 0-1 and 2-3 but found themselves down by 10 with less than five minutes gone off the scoreboard clock.

Knowles once dribbled between his defenders legs and laid it in .-Floyd tossed it over his head on a drive and it fell in. Overhouse's sweeping hook found the mark and Bob Gobin hit a 21-footer at the buzzer to put the rallying Ags up 51-31 at intermission.

The Aggies defense held Terry to just six points in the opening stanza and forced Arkansas into

The Razorbacks cut the lead to 15 early in the second half as Terry began to find the range on short jumpers but the Aggies offense found high gear again as Brown and Floyd broke the Arkansas press and the game

A&M led by 21 with 16:11 remaining and stretched it to 28 with 7:55 left, mainly on Knowles cashing in on some good passes.

Webb Williams put the Ags over the century mark with a pair of charity tosses with 2:35 remaining and the score 100-78.

Knowles left the game with 1:10 remaining and 38 points to his credit but Metcalf returned his sharpshooting forward to the line-up so he could break the record. Knowles promptly responded with two lay-ups on passes from Mercer and Williams for the last points of the ball game.

Knowles' performance was particularly gratifying as his father made the trip from Geneva, Ohio to watch the game.

All-in-all, the Aggies hit 49 of 87 for a blistering 56.3 per cent and a school record for field goals and cashed in on 10 of 14 free shots for 71.4 per cent. Arkansas could find the range

on only 28 of 73 against the tough A&M defense for 38.3 per cent but the Hogs got 20 more free shots than the Aggies and cashed in on 26 of 34 for 76.5 per cent. Needless to say, Aggies mentor Shelby Metcalf was pleased with

ly since they are out of contention in the SWC title race. "Everything was just going well for us," Metcalf said. "We

the effort of his Aggies, especial-

were just hot. "That was the best I've ever

#### Bulletin Board

TUESDAY

Society of Automotive Engineers will meet in Room 203 of the Zachry Engineering Center at 7:30 p.m. to hear Frank Robinson give a talk on a new concept in aircraft design.

Rio Grande Valley Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 in the Birch Room of the Memorial Student Center.

American Society of Agricultural Engineers will hear a talk by John Sweeten in the Lecture Room of the Agricultural Engineering Building at 7:30 p.m.

A&M Dairy Science Club will meet in Room 112 of Heep Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Freshman Class Council will have a mandatory meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Room 305 of the Physics Building.

Bio-Medical Science Club will meet in the Social Room of the Memorial Student Center at 7:30 WEDNESDAY

A&M Sailing Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 107 of the Military Science Building to see Computer Science Wives Club

will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Robert Haldeman, . 1502 Dominec St. MSC Bridge Committee will

meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Student Center. El Paso Hometown Club will

meet in Lounge B of the Corps area at 7:30 p.m. Dewitt-Lavaca County Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Room 203 of the Academic

Building. Management Society will hear a speaker at 7:30 p.m. in Room 202 of Francis Hall.

A&M Sports Car Club will see a film on Le Mans at 7:30 p.m. in the Mimosa Room of the old City Hall, 101 Church Ave.

have to give a lot of Mercer because he didn't son intimidate him."

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Metcalf had nothing bu for the play of Brown and as well as Knowles. "Mike ting better every game and just played a great ball This is the first time won on TV since Mario here and I am glad the got to see what kind o outstanding player he is. Knowles, he is the type be you love to have. He

and dedicated to the gam The Aggies face a tough on the road as they Waco tonight to meet Ba Austin on Saturday to m as in another televised

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A&M teams in chess, bridge, Ponzio won first individual honbilliards, bowling and table tennis took first place overall among 20 colleges and universities at the Association of College Unions-International Region XII games

Chess players Carl Childress and Steve Hobart and bowlers Bernie Ponzio, Larry Galvin and Doug Ocker shared or won outright regional championships.

TAMU scored 84 points to lead all institutions, from Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana. The University of Houston was second with 83 and West Texas State, the host university, scored 70 overall.

Dr. Dennis Driscoll, chief advisor to the Memorial Student Center Recreation Committee, labelled it a major accomplishment.

"We have been winning in men's bowling and chess several years," he noted, "but winning first overall at Canyon was a major accomplishment. Our people contributed exceptional effort to win the award, especially the newer groups such as table tennis, bridge, billiards and the women's

In women's bowling, the TAMU team of Ponzio, Carole Bauer, Sheila Murphy, Lisa Macias and Cindy Rosenbaum placed fourth.

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