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ting 18 points and nine rebounds.
But the bulk of his diet came in the But the bulk of his diet came in the
last 15 minutes of the game when he scored 16 points.
Barry Davis was the man the first half coming up with 12 points and
six rebounds. Davis finished with six rebounds. Davis finished
points and eight rebounds.
The Ags mad The Ags made it quite clear. Tues
day that they were for real. SMU day that they were for real. SMU
never led and the Ags were as humnever led and the Ags were as hum-
ble as a tie only twice at $2-2$ and
$16-16$. 16-16. Jeff Swanson, the 'Stangs freshJeff Swanson, the 'Stangs fresh-
man superstar from Westchester, outjumped taller Jerry Mercer at the tip, but it went for nought. The
first SMU shot was errant first SMU shot was errant. Mike
Floyd took the ball down the floor Floyd took the ball down the floor
tossed to Davis who layed the ball upsed to Davis Ahond on the glass was
caught by the referee and goaltendcaught by the referee and goaltend-
ing was call. It was the beginning of ing was call. It was the beginning of
the end. Swanson scored the first the end. Swanson scored the first
two of his 10 points on the next trip
down the court. John Sagehorn and down the court. John Sagehorn and
Joe Swedlund picked up six toJoe Swedlund picked up six to-
gether in the next five minutes while Parker himself picked up six,
John Thornton got four and Mercer,
Floyd and Davis Floyd and Davis each got two. The
game already looked like a aunaway
when SMU called a timeout with A\&M leading 16-8. Four quick baskets by Swanson, Swedlund,
Sagehorn and Rusty Bourquein tied Sagehorn and Rusty Bourquein tied
the game up at 16-all. A very partial
Ag crowd of 6.190 came to its feet and that was all she wrote. The Ags led by 11 at half, $50-39$.
In the first half neither team did In the first half neither team did
well on the offensive boards but weth excelled on the defensive
both boards. Caroms were tied 17 -all at
the half. But turnovers told the difthe half. But turnovers told the dif-
ference. The Ags had five to the ference. The Ags had five to the
Mustangs 14. Floyd came up with Mustangs
four of the Ags seven first half steals.
SMU shot at a torrid SMU shot at a torrid $62.9 \%$ pace
the first half to the Ags 54.5. But the the first half to the Ags 54.5. But the
Aggies took 44 shots to the Ponies Aggies took 44 shots to the Ponies
27 The second half was different.
The Ags were consistent more than The Ags were consistent more than
ever before. The Mustangs acted as though they spent the half in a deep freeze. A\&M hit $53.6 \%$ to SMU's
$38.4 \%$. Clockwork Maroon is the best
way to describe it The way to describe it. The Aggie press
the second half looked Swiss made. It produced eight straight points

Batt sports $\begin{array}{lll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { give A\&M a } 25 \text { point lead. Chuck } \\ \text { Tone did the damage then with }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { point lead. } \\ \text { Swedlund and Sagehorn led } \\ \text { SMebounded SMU 42-38 and out- }\end{array} \\ \text { fouled them too, 26-16. But the Ags }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { three jump shots in a row. } \\ \text { With three and a half minutes left }\end{array} \begin{array}{l}\text { SMU scorers with } 14 \text { each. Swanson } \\ \text { swept the boards clean with } 12 \text { re- }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l}\text { hit just one less free throw than }\end{array}$ |
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