Arkansas outlasts Aggies in double overtime

Staff Sports Writer
FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — The

Aggies went to the hills, Saturday, and met up with an avalanche. An avalanche of shots, that is from a hot-shooting Arkansas team who squeezed by the Ags 95-89 after two

The Hogs apparently had scouted

Aggie press. According to Arkansas Coach Eddie Sutton, "This was the best game we'ver played all year." It was not for the Aggies as they were outrebounded 41-26

The Razorbacks were in the drivers seat most of the way as they took the lead. The game seesawed for A&M's strong defense to 'em. The

the Ags well for they had little trouble with the normally devastating to a 4-0 advantage before the Ags found the backboards. They led by four until 8-4 when the Ags began a run that would put them up by as much as seven points at 20-13 midway through the first half. Arkansas then called timeout and began to beat their way back to several minutes. Arkansas took a

lock hit an 18-footer and widened that lead to five points which they held at halftime 37-32. A&M never led after that. The Hogs took the wheel again after the half and quickly jumped out to a nine point lead, the biggest of the afternoon.

The lead ranged from 4 to 9 for the next 12 minutes as the Ags tried to fight back. The Ags hit on 13 of 15 free throws to the Razorbacks four of six during the regular second period. But the difference was in the field goals as the Hogs hit on 10 of 12 during the 12 minute period for an 83% reading to the Ags 32 per cent reading for the same period. The Razorbacks finished the regular second half hitting 70 per cent.

The overtimes hurt. Barry Davis first tied the game in the second half when Barry Davis stole the ball and went in for a layup. The final tie of the regular game period came with 40 seconds left when Ray Roberts connected on an eight-foot jump shot. Arkansas called time out. The Hogs worked for the last shot. Robert Birden missed from 14 feet with seven seconds left. A&M rebounded and Thornton missed a long shot at the buzzer. It looked like all Arkansas to start the first overtime, as the Porkers jumped out to a four point lead and held on until 36 seconds left when Ray Roberts laved one in. On the inbounds pass, Charles Terry overthrew Medlock and the Ags regained the ball. Mike Floyd with a driving layup showed form of two years ago before he was injured. That sent the game into a second overtime. Birden again missed the winner as his pressure shot at the buzzer bounced off the rim.

Arkansas owned the second overtime outright as Kent Allison hit off the tip to put the Hogs up 83-81. From there on all the Razorbacks did was go to the free throw line. The Hogs hit 12 for 12 in the final period to the Ags two free throws and three field goals to give the final six point margin.

The Ags outrebounded the Hogs 36-34 but Arkansas took it's toll at the line hitting 27 charity tosses to

Leading scorers for the Ags were Roberts with 20, Floyd with 18 Sonny Parker with 17, and Davis with 15. Leading rebounders were

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Thornton with 5 and Davis with 4. For Arkansas Birden had 22, Allison 21, and Medlock and Schulte with 18 each. Top rebounders were Terry and Daryl Saulsbry with 9

The Ags dropped to 5-1 and a share of the conference lead with Arkansas also 5-1 in conference ped to 13-5 and The Hogs raised

evening followed by a rematel

Ball Sports



Sport's programs ruining America

By ROBERT CESSNA Staff Sports Writer

For Tim Gray, James Daniels, John McCrumbly, Ricky Seeker, Randy Haddox, and Warren Trahan the dream is finally about to be real-

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Your first taste at competition is pee-wee leagues or little league. To be a hero at this level is not hard and

you have been indoctrinated into something that will probably end school level. If we're lucky web bad. The damage is hard to estimate. It's all psychological and not many talk about it.

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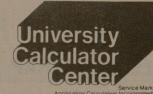
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