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Horns rope and tie Aggies

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It was a comedy of errors. The Texas Aggie basketball team missed the ball over 27 times, shot 30 percent from the field and committed 22 fouls. They also lost to the University of Texas 90-66.

"We played a poor ball game," coach Shelby Metcalf said. "We committed 17 turnovers in the first half that's entirely too many. Our players are tired. In six days we've played three games. I haven't played a minute and I'm exhausted."

The Longhorns, on the other hand, haven't played in six days, and they looked anything but exhausted. Texas shot 46 percent from the field and connected on 24 of 29 free throw attempts. They ran A&M out of the gym before the Ags had time to warm up.

"Texas is a great ball club," Metcalf said. "They may be better than Arkansas. Abe has got some great outside shooters. They would be unbeatable if they had a big center. Texas' hot-shooting guards ac-

counted for 50 of the Horns' 90 points. Jim Krivacs had 34 points, while John Moore had 16.

"Krivacs is a great guard," Metcalf said. "Texas has the luxury of two good guards, that is something we don't have. Moore brings the ball up, Krivacs gets open for the shots."

Open he was. Krivacs scored on the same play 13 times in the contest. Texas used a simple double pick, freeing Krivacs for the jump shot. It was a play A&M never figured out how to stop.

Something A&M needs to stop are the fouls. The Aggies have lost their last four ball games because of the silly foul. A&M is known for its physical play. But enough is enough. Physical play is one thing; pushing, shoving and elbowing is something else again.

Coach Gerald Meyers of Texas Tech has filed a protest against A&M for its physical play. Kent

Williams caught an elbow from A&M forward Willie Foreman last Saturday night and received a broken jaw. Meyers said that it was thrown intentionally.

Foreman saw it another way. "His jaw is broken?" Foreman asked in obvious surprise. "When it happened I didn't know anything about it."

Metcalf declined to comment because of not seeing the film. He did say that he had talked with Meyers and had written a letter to Williams wishing him a speedy recovery.

The Aggies have earned a reputation for being a tough ball club this season. Texas coach Abe Lemmons had this to say about last night's game.

"It was like a prize fight out there on the court," Lemmons said. "From the stands you can't see it. But from ring-side where we sit, you can see all the punches."

The refs have seen the punches

all season. The Ags have been out-scored from the foul line in every conference game this year. In a few games A&M can claim the refs favored the opponents. But that's impossible to say in 14 games.

Another problem that has finally caught up with the Ags is the lack of depth at point-guard. Dave Goff is worn out. And there is no one who can replace him.

"We've killed Goff this season," Metcalf said. "The guy has courage, but he's worn out. One thing we

proved against Texas tonight is that you can't win with one point-guard. We're going to have to recruit someone to help him out."

But that won't help this season. The Ags next game is tomorrow night against TCU. If the Ags can quit the fouling and spell Goff a few minutes, then they should avenge the Ft. Worth loss.

The comedy of errors needs to stop. Losing to TCU twice in one season would be anything but funny.

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Arkansas	(7) 23-1	316
UCLA	(2) 18-2	258
New Mexico	(1) 19-2	156
Kansas	20-3	155
Michigan St.	18-3	140
North Carolina	20-5	107
Notre Dame	16-4	103
DePaul	20-2	99
Louisville	16-3	95
Florida St.	18-3	36
Providence	18-4	30
Texas	19-3	19
Georgetown	17-4	12
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