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Thurmond pitches shutout

Ags, Wildcats split double-header

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The Texas Aggie baseball team played the role of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde in its two-game split with the Arizona Wildcats Tuesday afternoon, winning the first game 2-0 and losing the second 9-3.

In the first game, the Aggies showed their Mr. Hyde side led by Mark Thurmond's eight-hit shutout here.

Thurmond worked his way out of a couple of tight spots aided by some solid Aggie defense and upped his season record to a perfect 4-0.

"I'm really happy with the win against a team like Arizona," Thurmond said. "They are a good hitting team and play in a tough conference."

Thurmond was speaking of the Pac-10 which includes USC, Arizona State, Stanford and UCLA.

"I was especially pleased with my pitching today because I didn't give up any walks. It saved me from giv-

ing up any runs. I was having some trouble with control in Florida but I feel a lot better now."

The first game was close the whole way, with the Aggies scoring one run in the second inning after designated hitter Gary Bryant knocked in Shelton McMath. The Aggies scored their second and final run in the fourth inning when, with the bases loaded, Wildcat pitcher, Jeff Morrif walked Randy Woodruff and McMath came in from third.

The two runs were all the Aggs needed from then on as Thurmond took control of the Arizona batters giving him his eleventh career shutout.

"They were waiting on my breaking stuff all day," Thurmond said. "They have a very smart team and of course, they have been a big power for many years. I am just glad to get the win."

The second game of the afternoon showed the Dr. Jekyll side of the Aggies as their bats were suddenly silenced, their defense became shaky and the pitching was not what it had been in the first game.

Randy McDonald, who had a good showing for the Aggies in Florida, was the starting pitcher but soon fell victim to the Wildcat bats, giving up five hits and four runs in two and two-thirds innings.

But McDonald was not alone in his pitching problems as freshman Steve Davis relieved him in the third inning and finished the game giving up five runs on eight hits.

"Randy and Steve just fell behind the batters too much," Aggie coach Tom Chandler said. "When you get behind in the count you just have to put it across the plate and when you do that against a team like Arizona, they're going to hit the ball."

One Wildcat in particular did most of the damage to the Aggies in the second game. Freshman Dwight Taylor collected three hits and two stolen bases to lead Arizona past the Aggs.

While Taylor and the rest of the Wildcats provided the offense, Arizona pitcher, Craig Lefferts stifled the Aggie bats through six innings and gave up only eight hits the entire game.

The Wildcats cushioned their lead in the seventh and final inning getting four runs on five hits and one Aggie error.

Down by eight runs in the bottom of the seventh, the Aggies started their mini-rally with Rodney Hodde hitting a single. Woodruff drove Hodde in with a triple and Bryant followed with a single, knocking in Woodruff. Gary Francis sacrificed Bryant to second, but the Ags fell short as Bryan Little popped out and Simon Glenn hit to the first baseman who flipped the ball to Lefferts, the Wildcat pitcher, for the final out.

"We kind of got our bats started a little late," Chandler said. "We just had too little too late. But Arizona has a fine ball club. They are as tough as anyone we'll play this year."

"I thought Randy (McDonald) would do well because he did so well in Florida but he got in trouble early. It was really tough for Steve (Davis) to come in as a freshman against a tough team like Arizona. But it's good experience for him."

Rodney Hodde will be the starting pitcher for the Aggies today against Minnesota at 1 p.m. while Bobby Taylor will start the second game against Arizona. On Thursday, Minnesota and Arizona will play at 12 p.m. with the Aggies playing Minnesota in the second game.



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Texas A&M's Rodney Hodde stretches to make a play at first base in time to retire Arizona's

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