Aggies try to start anew

Now that it has finally happened to the Aggies — a loss, that is — the idea is to keep it from happening

And Texas A&M will be favored tonight to end its losing streak at one game. The Aggies, who now find themselves tied for first place in the Southwest Conference race with Arkansas, host Southern Methodist in one of the two games on the league

'We just didn't play like we have been playing against Texas Tech," A&M coach Shelby Metcalf said in reference to the Aggies' 10-point loss Monday night. "We will just have to regroup at home

Tonight's other conference game has the Texas Longhorns hosting TCU. The Horned Frogs are coming off a 27-point loss to Arkansas in one of the most one-sided games played by an SWC team this season.

On Thursday Arkansas will visit
Baylor and Texas Tech will be at
Rice. the inside game," Tech coach Gerald
Myers said. "It took a great team
effort and that's what we got." tinct possibility of finishing last in
this year's campaign.
TCU coach Jim Killingsworth can

SMU, in the midst of a disappointing conference campaign, defeated Baylor Monday to boost its league record to 4-7. In whipping the Bears, SMU played some of its best defense in weeks and employed a three-guard attack in an attempt to use the talents of freshman Dave Piehler.

The Mustangs could get away with such a ploy against Baylor because the Bears have the shortest team in the league. But Texas A&M's front line, headed by 6-11 center Rudy Woods, will probably create a change of strategy in SMU.

Tech defeated Texas A&M by ffectively leaving the hell area.

effectively keeping the ball away from the Aggies' big men, something every team tries to do and very few

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While Arkansas and Texas A&M are tied for the lead, Texas Tech (7-4) goes into the midweek games with third place all to itself. The Raiders will be trying to hold onto that position in order to ensure themselves of a bye in the first round of the SWC's post-season tournament

Texas, meanwhile, will be trying to put pressure on the Raiders with a victory over TCU. The mysterious Longhorns led by 22 at the half Monday against Houston and then had to hold on in the final moments to preserve a two-point victory

The Horned Frogs have sagged lately following an early season showing that produced two straight conference wins and some close calls. TCU now stands at 2-9, alone in the SWC cellar, and faces the dis-

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this year's campaign.
TCU coach Jim Killingsworth can only dream of a turnaround next year and serve as an observer for this

"Arkansas and Texas A&M are both great ball clubs," Killingsworth said earlier this week. "If they both get into the NCAA tournament they have as good a chance as anyone to advance to the final four. And once you get to the final four you certainly have as good a chance as anybody to win it all."

The Aggies will more than likely be starting the same five that have opened since mid-December. At the guard positions that will be seniors Dave Goff and David Britton. "The Wall" will carry the rest of the load in the opening minuites of the game.

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Freshman Claude Riley, seen here in early SWC action, was one bright spot in the Aggies' 63-53 loss to Texas Tech Monday. Riley scored 10 points while substituting for various starters in the game. The Ags try to start a new winning streak tonight when they host SMU at 8 p.m. in G. Rollie White Coliseum. Staff Photo by Lee Roy Leschper

The Texas A&M men'ss suffered a heartbreaking! day to the Penn State Ni but had no trouble in beat ple University in a pair meets. Penn State won its with the Aggies, 57-56, and in was on the lower end of a the meet was Penn State, on ranked fifth on the east oast had scored an upset over house Maryland earlier in the Coach Mel Nash was awared would take to beat Penn Sta

> "They surprised me actimes," Nash said. "PSUg and second in the 50-yard and second in the 500-yard These were the two events pected us to do better in. The Aggies, however, m surprised Penn State by takes

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PSU took the opening ev 400-yard medley relay, and a 7-0 lead, but Texas AtM charging back in the next eve 100-yard freestyle, to tie the 8-8. Tom Ingram and Matt H finished first and second

Texas A&M suffered a seth the ensuing event when Brown recorded his career by the 50-yard freestyle but finished third.

The lead continued to a hands until the penultimate. With Texas A&M trailing i PSU finished first and third 200-yard breastroke, with the settling for second. Those po the meet out of reach for th

The Aggies, however, to place in the 400-yard freest with a time of 3:13.11. The placed in every event in the against PSU except diving. Nash said, "I'm more plea

displeased. A lot of kids had meet, especially Kevin Weave Mike Shader. They were or outstanding performers. When you have two en

matched teams it is a shame of to win and the other lose. You come this far, lose by one pol have to travel all the way Nash summed it up.

The Aggie swimmers w improve their 4-3 record this? at 7 p.m. in a key match against Texas Tech Red Raiders at Downs Natatorium

All-star Gervin fails to show up for Spurs game

SAN ANTONIO — George vin, who indicated he wanted to open his contract with the San A nio Spurs prior to winning MV in Sunday's NBA all-

did not appear Tuesday nighti game with the New Jersey New Gervin, missing since the or the All-Star break called in sickli day to trainer Bernie LaRue. had been speculation in local m all day that Gervin might boycott game to force the team to renegotiations on his contract and reported \$350,000 a year salar.

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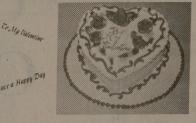
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