



Texas Aggie second baseman Bryan Little throws to first base in an unsuccessful double-play attempt during Tuesday's victory over Lubbock Christian College.
Staff photo by Lee Roy Leschper Jr.

Baseball team sweeps LCC

BY MIKE BURRICHTER
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The Texas Aggie baseball team made it eight victories in a row Tuesday, sweeping Lubbock Christian College in an afternoon doubleheader at Olsen Field.

The Ags had their biggest scare in the first game, going into the bottom of the seventh inning in a 1-1 deadlock. Senior second baseman Randy Woodruff won it for the Aggies when he hit the first home run of his college career, a solo shot over the left field wall.

Junior Perry Kilgo picked up his first win in that one, pitching in relief of Robert Slavens. Slavens, a freshman, pitched six innings, giving up four hits and

one run before relinquishing to Kilgo.

The Ags breezed to an 8-3 victory in the second game. Junior Harry Francis, a third baseman, hit a three-run homer in the second inning to spot the Aggies an early lead.

Three freshmen pitchers combined to hold the Chaparrals to three runs on eight hits. Jack Miska started the game and gave way to Charlie Guinn who picked up the win, after 2 2/3 innings.

The 8-0 Ags open their South-west Conference season this weekend when they travel to Waco for a three-game series with the Baylor Bears.

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Tennis team in action

By RICHARD OLIVER
Staff Writer

The Texas A&M University tennis team, off to what Coach David Kent terms as "the best start we've had in years," takes on Louisiana Tech today in a 1:30 p.m. home match.

The match, to be played at the varsity courts, features a Texas A&M team which has played remarkably well this season. Admission is free.

Over the weekend, the team defeated Lamar University in Beaumont, Louisiana State in Baton Rouge and Southeast Louisiana in Lafayette to raise its season record to 7-2, and Kent is excited.

"We have some very good players," he said. "Alberto Jimenez has never lost against any Louisiana team, and Trey Schutz will be back

after injuring his hand (against Trinity)."

Kent was also impressed with the play of junior Reid Freeman, freshman walk-on Tom Judson, and freshman sensation Brian Joelson, who lost for the first time this season Saturday against LSU.

"Freeman has been playing outstanding tennis and absolutely phenomenal doubles," he said. "Tom Judson is a walk-on and he's playing outstanding tennis. It's very unusual to have a walk-on make the team,

much less play regularly. He just keeps on playing."

One of the more interesting matches of the weekend pitted Texas A&M's Boyd Bryan against his brother Bill, who plays for Southeast Louisiana. Boyd won the match 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Kent said Jimenez would be seeded first against Louisiana Tech, followed by Schutz, second; Freeman, third; Max King, fourth; Brian Joelson, fifth; and Judson, sixth.

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Aggies bound into Top 20

NEW YORK—For the first time since the Feb. 4 loss to Texas Tech, the Texas A&M University basketball team moved into the UPI Top 20 announced Tuesday. The Southwest Conference champion Aggies will go to the postseason tournament ranked as the 18th best team in the nation, according to UPI's board of college coaches.

Ray Meyer's DePaul squad, which ranked LaSalle, Wagner and Loyola (Ill.) to extend its perfect record to 25-0, repeated as a runaway choice for the top ranking. The Blue Demons collected 39-of-40 first-place votes and 599 points to stay all ahead of Syracuse, whose 24-4 record was rewarded with 505 points.

Diana once again claimed the remaining No. 1 vote. Kentucky, 26-4 after triumphs over Mississippi State and Louisiana State, garnered 502 points to climb to third while Louisville fell to No. 4 after being upset by Iowa, 77-60. Louisville, 26-3, received 410 points.

Oregon State remained in fifth with 384 points, after a victory over the 10 rival Stanford boosted its record to 24-3, followed for the second time in a row by Louisiana State and Maryland. No. 6 LSU, which beat Mississippi but lost to Kentucky 76-74 in overtime, has a 25-5 mark and 354 points while the South-rated Terps, winners of the

Atlantic Coast Conference regular season title, were just five points back at 349.

The United Press International weekly Board of Coaches top 20 college basketball ratings with first-place votes and records through games of Monday in parentheses: (13th week)

1. DePaul (39) (25-0) 599
2. Syracuse (24-2) 505
3. Kentucky (26-4) 502
4. Louisville (26-3) 410
5. Oregon St. (24-3) 384
6. Louisiana St. (21-5) 354
7. Maryland (21-5) 349
8. St. John's (23-3) 238
9. (tie) Missouri (22-4) 221
9. (tie) N. Carolina (20-6) 221
11. Ohio St. (19-6) 209
12. Indiana (1) (18-7) 104
13. Brigham Young (22-4) 104
14. Arizona St. (20-5) 86
15. Notre Dame (20-5) 85
16. Weber St. (24-2) 81
17. NC State (20-6) 40
18. Texas A&M (22-7) 33
19. Clemson (19-7) 32
20. (tie) Georgetown (21-5) 25
20. (tie) Iona (N.Y.) (25-4) 25

Note: By agreement with the American Basketball Coaches Association, teams on probation by the NCAA are ineligible for top 20, and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those teams currently on probation for 1979 are: Alaska-Anchorage, Auburn, Cincinnati, East Carolina, Memphis State, Oral Roberts, San Francisco.

Stringer may go to Canada

HOUSTON—Houston Oilers backer Art Stringer says he has considered switching to the Canadian Football League if he is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the Oilers.

"We have talked with Toronto and Montreal," Stringer said Monday. "I want to be in Houston and play for the Oilers next season. I'm not necessarily interested in Canada, but I am interested in money."

Next season will be Stringer's fifth in an injury-plagued professional football career.

"The average career is 4.5 years. So if I'm going to get into the money, this is the right time," Stringer said.

Stringer, 25, who was on injured reserve in 1976 and 1978 and hurt a knee in 1979, earned an estimated \$35,000 last year, a salary believed to be lower than that paid Houston's other six linebackers.

The Oilers reportedly have offered him \$45,000-\$50,000 next year. The average NFL salary next year reportedly will be about \$60,000.

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