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# Ag Ladies win one, lose one in AIAW hoop tournament

By JON HEIDTKE

Sports Reporter
The Texas A&M women's basketcall team won one and lost one in the
Association for the Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) Southvest Regional Tournament held in Baton Rouge, La., March 6-8. The Aggie Ladies' win was a satis-

ying 71-65 victory over Houston, d the loss came at the hands of ghly ranked Louisana Tech, 80-57. The opening-round win over the Cougars gave the Aggies the season eries edge, 2-1 and avenged a disinting state tournament loss. e Ags had defeated the Cougars in heir first meeting earlier in the reg-

'We were emotionally ready to said Aggie Ladies' coach Cherri Rapp, "because we had a core to settle." And settle it they

The Aggies were in control

By MIKE BURRICHTER

For the third straight weekend,

he Texas A&M baseball team drop-

ed the first game of a league series

ut swept the double-header to ome out ahead in the three-game

This time the Aggies victimized

ne SMU Mustangs, who won the rst game on Friday 10-9, but who

an into a couple of tough Aggie reshman pitchers Saturday in losing

oth ends of the twinbill, 3-1 and

The Ags jumped off to a 4-0 lead

ter two innings in the Friday const. The Ponies scored four in the

urth to tie it up and followed with

our more in the fifth to take a 8-4 ad. In the top of the seventh the

five runs and take a 9-8 lead.

and gs hit three doubles, a pair of singwere aided by a Pony error to

Aggies top Ponies,

up record to 19-4

throughout most of the game, never falling behind by more than four, with that occurring only once. The Aggies led by four at the half, 35-31, and after hitting a cold spell early in the second period, began to get untracked. Senior Lisa Hughes' outside shooting moved the Aggies to an 11-point advantage, 68-57, with five mi-

nutes to go and the Aggies were able

to coast to the final six-point margin The Aggies who have had trouble getting outside scoring all year, were led in scoring by Hughes and Trigg Crawford, who both hit for 16 points Hughes hit six of nine shots, mostly from the 20-to-25-foot range and was a perfect four-for-four from the free

The next night, however, the Aggies weren't so fortunate. The Lady Techsters, seeded No. 1 in the tournament, put on a clinic in the 2-3 zone defense. The zone was so effective that it limited post players Peggy

But SMU scored single runs in the seventh and eighth innings to win

sweep the Ponies behind the pitch-

ing of freshmen Rick Luecken and

Robert Slavens. Both pitchers went

the distance, both struck out six

SMU batters, and both upped their season records to 5-0.

second to the 6-0 Texas Longhorns,

who were idle over the weekend. On

the year, the Aggies have a 19-4 re-

cord and have won nine of their last

The Ags will play their next official

games Friday and Saturday at Olsen

Field against Texas Tech. On Wednesday, the Texas A&M "B"

team will play the St. Francis Col-

lege of Illinois "B" team in an exhib-

ition double-header at Olsen Field.

The Ags are now 6-3 in SWC play,

On Saturday the Ags rebounded to

the game.

The Aggies stayed close behind the shooting of Hughes, and trailed only 19-15 with ten minutes left in the first period. But Hughes went cold and the Lady Techsters rolled to a 43-27 halftime advantage and were never seriously threatened the rest

Hughes, who had an outstanding last two games as an Aggie, hit for 14 points and led the team in rebound-

Pope and Lori Foreman to a total of four points and one rebound. ing with eight. Crawford, a junior, topped all Aggie scorers with 16.

Five seniors, Hughes, Pope, Lola Baker, Pat Weaver, and Susan Kimbro played their last games for the

maroon and white in that game. The Aggies Ladies finished the season with a 19-12 record in Rapp's first year as head basketball coach. Sophomore Lori Foreman led the Ladie Aggies this season with a scor-

ing average of 16 points per game. She also led the team in rebounds,



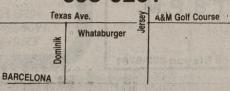
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# Virdon changes third base coach

United Press International
COCOA, Fla. — Manager Bill
Virdon says he probably will use Don Leppert as the Houston Astros' third base coach this season instead of Bob Lillis, who has held the job for the past six years, despite criticism from

Virdon said he wanted to remove Lillis from the hot seat. 'Bob Lillis is too valuable a coach

to be put in that position all the time," Virdon said. "Lillis does too said. many good things to not be put in a good light in the city of Houston."

Lillis has received criticism for waving runners home and for holding them at third base when fans be-lieved he should have done the

opposite.
"It's not that Bob can't handle all the fans, but I think Don might be

Leppert was hired by the Astros after coaching at third base for the Toronto Blue Jays last season.

Leppert has been handling third base coaching chores for the Astros so far this spring.

"If Leppert wants it, I may move

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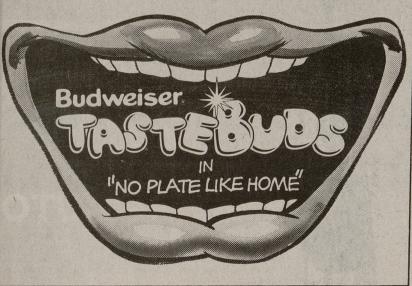
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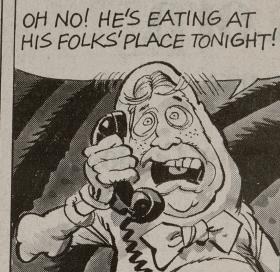
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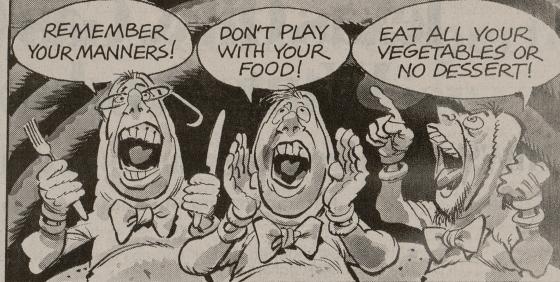


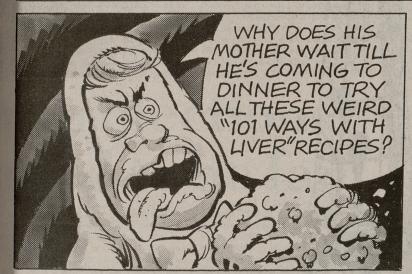
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