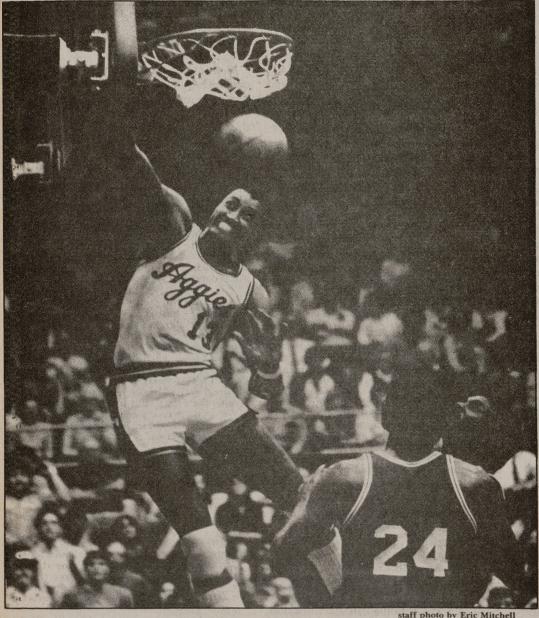
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Texas A&M forward Claude Riley slams a dunk through over TCU's Darrell Browder (right) during the Aggies' 83-74 victory Tuesday night. With the victory, Texas

A&M remains tied with the Houston

Aggies use 'Killer' instinct to dispose of TCU, 83-74

by Frank L. Christlieb Sports Editor Shelby Metcalf watched as TCU guard Darrell Browder prepared to shoot the front end of a one-and-one after being fouled by Texas A&M center Rudy Woods. The Aggies had an 83-72 lead with only five seconds left in Tuesday night's game in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Before Browder shot the first free throw, Metcalf picked up a towel and wiped his forehead.

But Metcalf wasn't just wiping sweat from his brow. That towel soaked up gallons of relief from the 19th-year Texas A&M coach.

Metcalf put the towel back on the floor and glanced up as Browder made the first free throw. The Aggie coach reacted little as Browder missed the second free throw and but put the rebound in to account for the

Horned Frogs' final points of the night. But Metcalf had a great deal to be re-lieved about on this night. His team fought lieved about on this night. His team fought back from a seven-point deficit to defeat as any team I've coached," Metcalf said.

TCU 83-74 and remain tied with the Houston Cougars for second place in the South-

west Conference. Houston, 19-6 for the season, defeated the Rice Owls 75-69 Tuesday night to raise its conference record to 10-5. The Aggies, who play the Cougars Saturday at 2:10 p.m.

in Houston, have a 17-8 overall record. If Texas A&M defeats the Cougars, it will finish second and receive a bye into the SWC tournament semifinals. However, a Houston victory coupled with a Baylor defeat of TCU Saturday could drop the Aggies into fourth place.

The third-place team receives a bye into the quarterfinals of the tourney, whereas the fourth-place team must play at home in

the opening round Monday night. Metcalf, whose team took its first lead of the game at the 17:33 mark of the second half, said the Aggies continued to show that one of their greatest assets is an ability to stay together.

"They all get along well and they really the jersey around out there. An doesn't enjoy watching this team just like basketball. They're really excim

"TCU has an outstanding b team. They played us just as hard as body in the conference. Our young were just tremendous tonight. Then lot of energy spent in the second half there.

"I'm going to enjoy this one now and ry about Houston tomorrow," Metal "We'll go down there as the underdog hope that we play well enough to stay game.

Claude Riley, who had been in the of a shooting slump since scoring 38 against the Cougars Feb. 1, led the with 23 points and nine rebound. T Naulls followed with 15 points, and Woods and Milton Woodley had 14 Reggie Roberts was the fifth double-

scorer with 12 points. TCU had five players in double in See AGGIES page 15

compliments from the I coach following the Aggin tory, as he made a further

concerning the bad officia "(Rudy) Woods is playing

better for them than he he the past," Killingsworth s "and (Claude) Riley hit the

in the lane all night long added, showing his display

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'The officials let them po

ket well."

Killingsworth: Bad officiating, sloppy play cause TCU defea

by Bill Robinson

Battalion Staff The words "Killer's Frogs" are

The cover picture shows bas-ketball coach Jim "Killer" Kil-lingsworth and three of his top players dressed as Prohibitionera gangsters, mean and ready

up with the Texas Aggies, and left the encounter with the game's officials on his hit list. They were the three worst

officials ever let on a basketball court," he said. "I've never seen

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three blinder guys." The officials were frequently the object of verbal barrages from Killingsworth as he stalked up and down courtside gestur-

ing at the referees. On one occasion he threw his arms into the air to demonstrate his disapproval of a called foul and to make it clear what he thought should have been called.

When he was not nervously pacing the floor, he was perched on the edge of his chair looking sullen and tense, anxiously awaiting the opportunity to spring into action.

Killingsworth was off the bench in an instant, sending in a

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new player to replace junior guard Joe Stephen when he was charged with a technical foul for Texas A&M did receiver hanging on the rim on a dunk.

Although the first-half action was intense enough to merit the removal of Killingsworth's jacket, the real brow-wiping did not begin until the Killer Frogs' lead began to slip away after intermission.

Killingsworth winced and wiped his forehead following each of his team's second-half mistakes

"We didn't play very smart," he said of his team's perform-ance in the second-half.

Junior center Brian Christen- trol. sen agreed.

"We played good in the first half," he said. "It just didn't go right in the second half. "There was a lack of concen-

tration. We got in a hurry, and didn't do what we should have done.

But Christensen didn't think the officiating was bad. "It didn't bother me," he said.

"I tried to play one game, my





Cougars for second place in the Southwest to tangle with anything. Conference. Tuesday night, "Killer" and his TCU Horned Frogs mixed it

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