

Aggie Ladies' efforts fall shy again, 63-55

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Much like a road-weary traveler who finds he must stop for R&R lest he collapse from fatigue, the Aggie Ladies couldn't wait to return to the confines of G. Rollie White Coliseum.

After playing four of the previous five games on the road — and losing those four to Texas Tech, Baylor, Arkansas and to Texas by a score of 88-51 on Saturday — Coach Cherri Rapp's squad bounded onto the coliseum floor late Monday afternoon with high hopes of upsetting the Texas Tech Lady Red Raiders.

But alas, the visitors had no intentions of being friendly to the hosts, as the talented Raiders escaped with a 63-55 victory over the Aggie Ladies. Texas Tech now has a 13-5 overall re-

cord and is 2-1 in the Southwest Conference.

After falling behind by as many as 17 points early in the game, Texas A&M never crept closer than the eight-point final margin. Rapp, whose squad now has a 9-11 overall record and a 1-4 record in the SWC, says she has a tired bunch of players on her hands at this point.

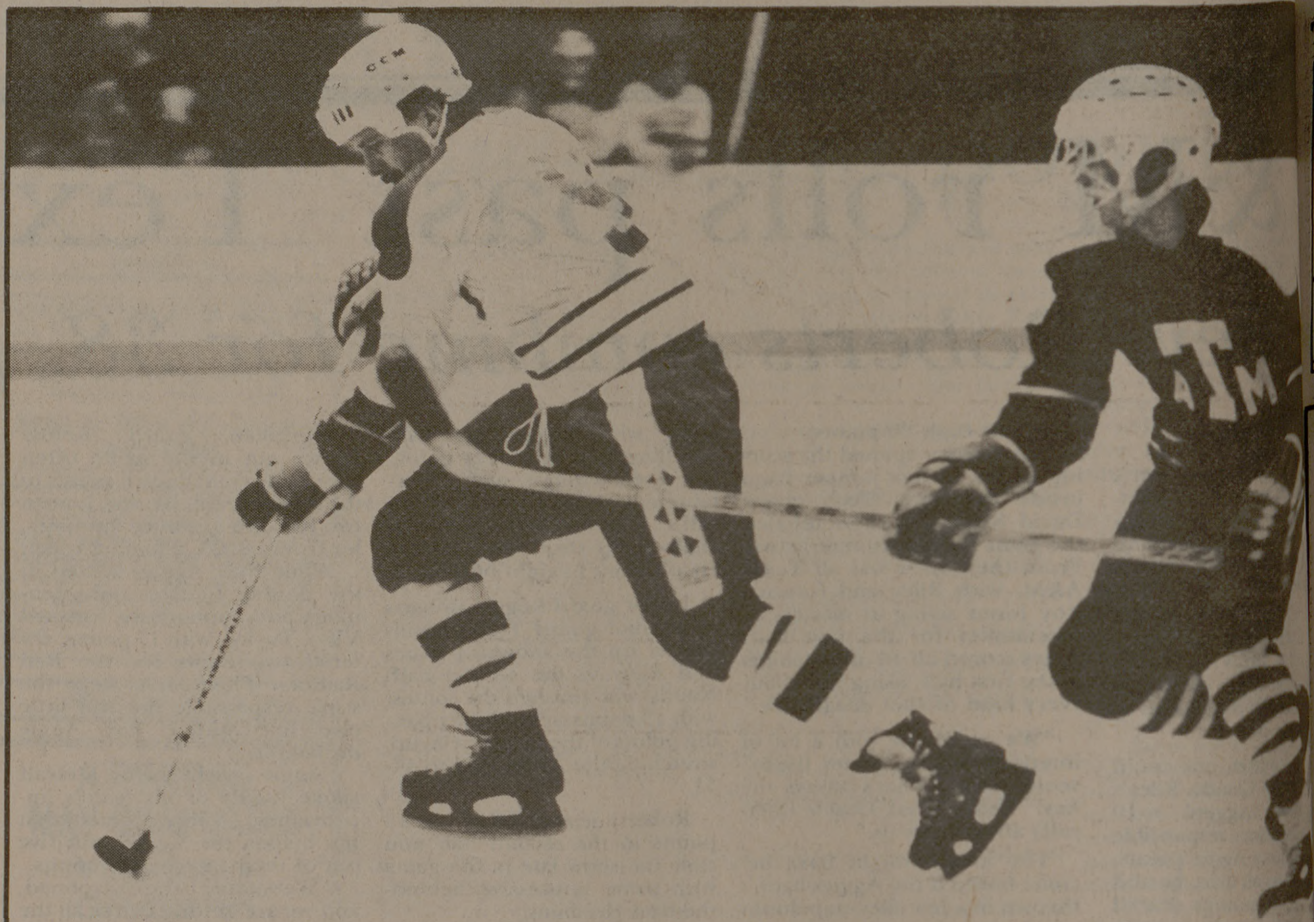
"I think tonight a lot of it had to do with the fact that we were just so tired from the Texas game," Rapp said. "It really took a lot out of us. Our timing was off on our shooting, and we just couldn't hit. The players really work hard at it, that's for sure. One of these days — I don't know if it'll be this year or next year, but we'll get there."

The Aggie Ladies fought back from the early deficit to trail 39-27 at halftime, but Texas Tech jumped from a 12-point

lead to one of 15 points, 50-35, with 11 minutes left. With 9:12 to go, the Red Raiders led 54-38 after a top-of-the-key jumper by Janet Mears.

Between the 5:10 mark and the 2:58 mark, Texas Tech bounced from an 11-point lead to a 12-point lead and back to a 10-point lead again. The Aggie Ladies still trailed 61-51 with 2:58 left, but neither team scored until 1:16 remained. Kelley Richardson sank a free throw to boost the lead to 62-51, and a layup by Texas A&M's Felice Lewis made the score 62-53. Michell Tatum finished the scoring with a layup after winning a jump ball.

Tatum had 18 points and 13 rebounds to lead the Aggie Ladies and Jenni Edgar had seven points. Kelli Harned finished the game with eight re-



In hot pursuit

Jody Leidolf, a freshman from Wichita, Kan., chases an SMU player down the ice in the Aggies' 4-0 loss to the Mustangs on Saturday. Texas Tech plays NTSU Saturday at Spenco Ice Rink in W.

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Shooter gun down opponent

by Tracey Taylor

The Texas A&M Rifle Team won the 31st Annual Invitational Rifle Match at the University of Texas, Paso this weekend.

The Aggies shot 2,211 a possible 2,400 points in the University of Alaska. The University of Texas came in third with 2,135 points. Individually, team captain Todd Woodard was high individual, shooting 564 out of possible 600 points. In place went to John Penz with 559 and third went to Bruce Murray, also of UT.

Woodard tied for first with a 200 out of 200 but lost the tiebreaker. Woodard and Kurt Nauck, brother of Texas A&M, tied for second place in standing with a score of 200. Nauck losing the tiebreaker.

Team members for the Aggies were Woodard, Nauck, Glenn Park and Fedun.

The first team Aggie won two air rifle matches the weekend, one against the other against the New Mexico Military Institute. Nauck led all Texas A&M shooters both days, shooting out of 400 on Friday and out of 400 on Saturday.

Final team scores were Texas A&M 1,456, UTEP 1,300, Texas A&M 1,473, Eastern Mexico 1,427.

Suits kicked two guards from squad

HOUSTON — Rice basketball coach Tommy Suits encourages guards Washington and Tedderson, who have been kicked off the team, to rejoin the team.

Suits kicked the two off the team Monday for "bad behavior" problems.

"Our coaching staff feels sure of our season and they have not been able to contribute in the best interest of the basketball team," Suits said.

"We feel that it is in the best interests of our basketball team if they do not come on our team for the remainder of the 1982-83 season."

He did not disclose the nature of the problem.

Washington of Key Fla., and Johnson of Indianapolis, Ind., were the only experienced guards on the Rice team. Washington was averaging 14.2 points and Johnson averaged 4.2 points. Each had earned letters at Rice.

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