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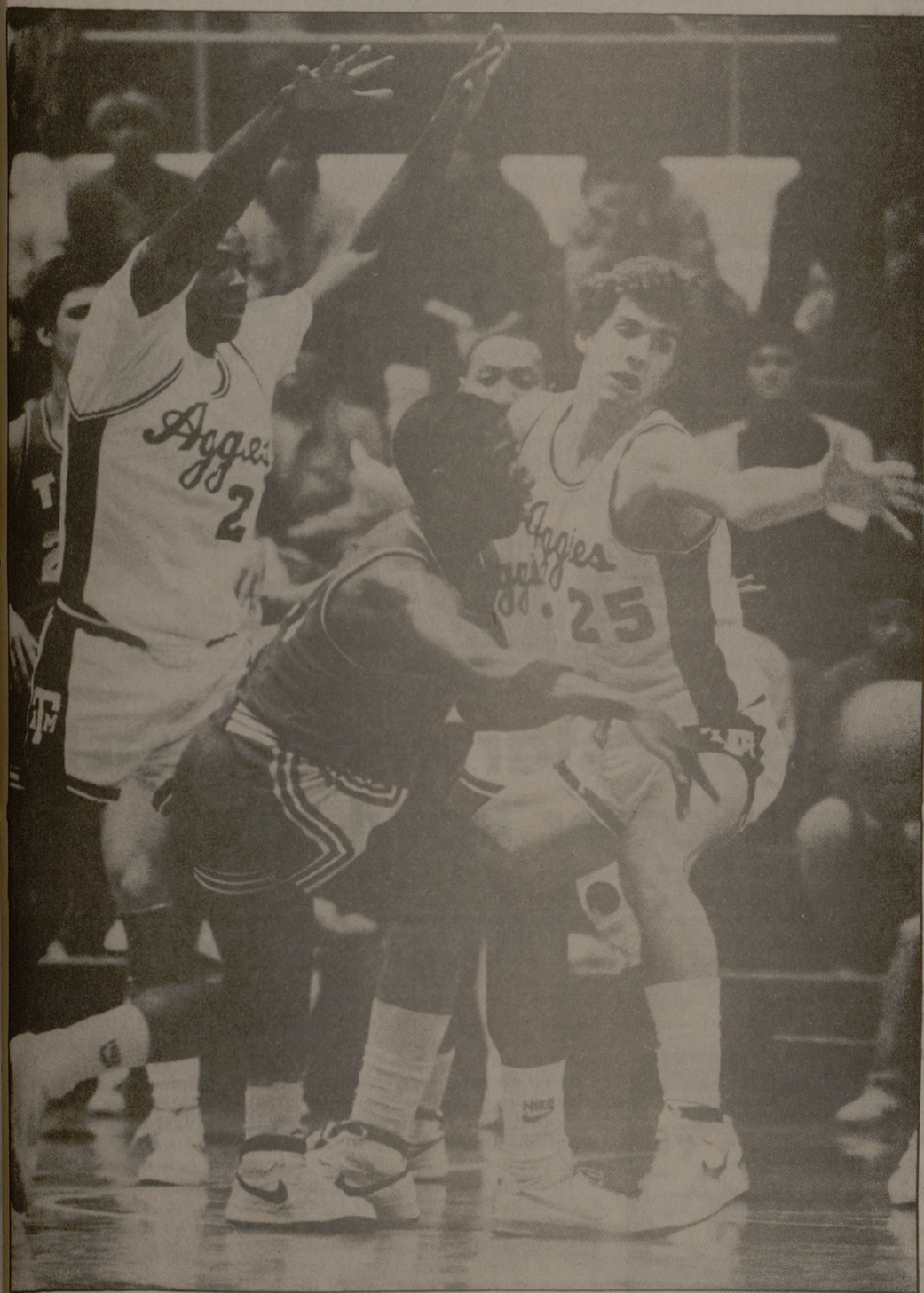


Photo by Dean Saito

Even with the tight defensive play of Darnell Williams (20) and Mike Clifford (25), this Texas Wesleyan

player was able to dump the ball off to a teammate. A&M won the game by a 75-67 score.

A&M bench cleared as Ags parade to win over hapless Wesleyan

By DAVE SCOTT
Sports writer

Highlights were scarce Monday night in the lackluster 75-67 victory for the Aggies at G. Rolie White Coliseum. Perhaps the most exciting moment was Roger Bock's slam dunk.

Entering to chants of "We want Bock", the 6-10 sophomore came into the game with five minutes left and the Aggies up by 22.

With the Rams at the free throw line, guard Darnell Williams took Bock's place under the basket. Williams grabbed the missed free throw and fired the ball down court to Bock on the

fast break. After a little spin against Texas Wesleyan, a move, Bock drove the ball home. With the slam and the playing time, Bock made a contribution. And that was all he wanted.

"I've been ready," Bock said, "I told the coaches any time you see an opportunity, I'm ready."

Despite the fact that Bock has averaged only 2.2 points per game and has seen little playing time, his substitution brought the crowd to its feet.

"Everybody pulls for Roger," guard Kenny Brown explained, "Everybody likes him."

Brown was the leading scorer for the Aggies with 15 points on 5 of 12 shooting. He added five more in five attempts from the line. Brown saw 29 minutes of ac-

"I was happy to be out there with the rest of the guys," Brown said. "Although the Aggies were un-

inspired for most of the game, head coach Shelby Metcalf said the contest was important for the team.

"After the game with Houston, I knew we would have to win without emotion," he said.

Metcalf said the team had to get the game with Houston out of their system before they play SMU Wednesday night. "That was the reason for scheduling the game between Houston and SMU," he said.

Aggies find Wesleyan no Phi Slama Jama

by BOB CASTER
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The Aggies may not have looked like the same team that gave "Phi Slama Jama" fits but they got the job done Tuesday night beating Texas Wesleyan College 75-67 in G. Rolie White Coliseum.

The 3,549 spectators saw an exhibition of Aggie talent as Texas A&M coach Shelby Metcalf brought all 11 players off of the bench for some much needed playing time.

But the Aggies seemed to be holding things together with Silly Putty against the Rams, managing an eight-point final margin against a team that shot only 35 percent from the field.

"I didn't think we played with as much enthusiasm as we did against Houston Saturday, but I didn't expect us to," Metcalf said. "I sort of thought we might have this kind of game tonight but I think we got it out of our system in time for SMU."

In 40 minutes of play, Metcalf felt that his Aggies only "played 15 minutes of good basketball."

That 15 minutes of play came

at the very end of the first half and the first part of the second half.

The Aggies jumped ahead by as many as seven points at the start of the game before the Rams narrowed the margin to a 30-30 tie with 1:54 left to play in the first half. But Todd Holloway, Kenny Brown and Mike Clifford added six points for the Aggies in the last 1:30 to give them a 36-30 half-time lead.

The Aggies kept things going in the second half, climbing to a 22-point lead behind double-figure shooting by Brown, Doug Lee and Jimmie Gilbert who each hit for 15, 14 and 10 points, respectively.

Holloway, the Aggies' leading scorer after 14 games, saw limited action in Tuesday's game because of a sore knee. According to Metcalf, Holloway "took some pretty good licks" in the Houston game.

But as Metcalf began pulling out his regulars and sending in his substitutes, the Aggie lead began to dwindle and the number of Aggie turnovers grew — to 21 to be exact.

Because of the Aggies' youth, the turnover problem may be enough to try Metcalf's patience as a coach.

"In the Houston game we only had two turnovers in the first half," he pointed out. "It's something that happens physically but there's usually something mental behind it."

"They just have to keep playing — it takes them a while to realize the seriousness of the situation. You just have to work with them."

Kenny Brown feels that turnovers are currently the team's biggest problem.

"We just need to take things a little slower sometimes," he said. "We needed this kind of game tonight. It got wild at the end but the guys in the game in the last five minutes had a lot of fun."

But the fun won't last long for

the Aggies and Brown is fully aware of that. They face SMU Sunday in Dallas for a match that should be every bit as grueling as the Houston game.

"We needed this win," Brown said. "We really weren't emotionally up tonight like we were against Houston but we'll be fired up against SMU."

Lee, who is just now approaching full strength after an early-season ankle injury, is in no way taking the Ponies lightly.

"I think now (after the Wesleyan game) we're more prepared for SMU and we'll be up for it," he said. "We can't let up one bit. They're a good team — I don't think people realize how good they are."

The Aggies take on SMU at 7:30 Wednesday night in Moody Coliseum.

Super Bowl travelers get warning

United Press International

WASHINGTON — The Civil Aeronautics Board Tuesday urged air travelers bound for the Super Bowl in Tampa, Fla., to make sure they have tickets before they purchase a tour package for the game.

The federal agency said not all Super Bowl tours include a ticket to the Jan. 22 game between the Washington Redskins and Los Angeles Raiders.

"If an ad for a tour does not make it clear whether a game ticket is included, prospective passengers should ask," the board said. "If the answer is yes, consumers should get the information in writing."

Last year, many travelers purchased tour packages to the Super Bowl only to find out game tickets were not included. It is virtually impossible to get tickets for the game unless one is willing to pay scalper prices.

Under government regulations, an agency marketing a Super Bowl air tour that includes game tickets must have the tickets in hand or a written contract for them before any advertising takes place.

The board urged consumers to read the travel brochures carefully and, if possible, pay by credit card to have some protection under fair credit practice laws.

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