

# Sports

## North Texas rally prevents A&M sweep

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Late-inning heroics by Texas A&M in the opening game, and North Texas State in the nightcap, resulted in a split of a double-header Tuesday night at Olsen Field.

Fred Gegen's one-out, three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning rallied the Aggies, 24-17, to a 7-4 victory in the early game.

Scott Scruggs' two-out, two-run

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homer in the top of the 10th inning pulled out a victory for NTSU in the nightcap.

Scruggs' homer and the complete-game pitching of Brett Powers, 3-8, helped the Eagles, 8-29, scrap back to defeat the Aggies 7-5 in extra innings.

A&M Head Coach Mark Johnson said the Aggie defense, which committed six errors, gave Powers and the Eagles some help.

"(Powers) battled good," Johnson said. "I gotta take my hat off to him. We got enough hits, our defense just let us down."

Three consecutive RBI singles by Robi Chandler, Jeff Schow and Ever Magallanes in the second inning gave the Aggies a 3-1 lead.

Russ Swan started, threw four innings and gave up two runs before he was relieved by Gary Geiger, who tossed two innings of scoreless relief.

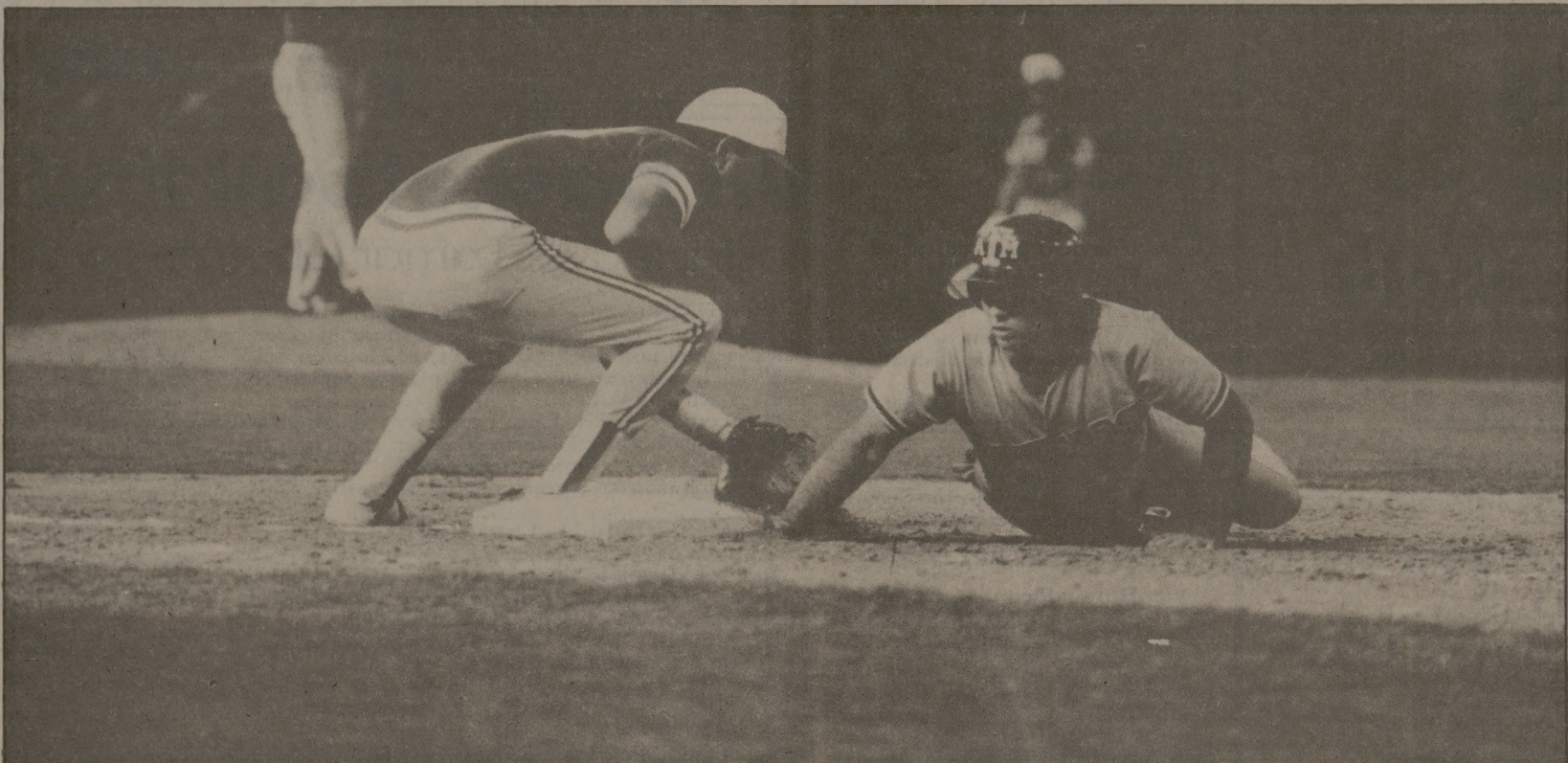


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A&M's Gary Geiger, left, dives safely back to first base as North Texas State's Tony Olivares tries to make the tag. The Aggies split

A&M padded their lead to 4-2 on Pat James' RBI-sacrifice fly in the sixth that scored Mike Scanlin.

Russ Greene replaced Geiger and gave up a run in both the seventh and eighth, allowing NTSU to tie the game 4-4.

Pinch-hitter Kurt Dow picked up a one-out RBI single. But NTSU's threat was stopped when Keith Cullum popped out in foul territory to first baseman Gegen, who then dove to the bag and forced out a sliding Dow.

A&M sent the game into extra

innings on Gegen's clutch two-out, RBI single.

Kyle Atkinson, 2-3, entered the game in the ninth but gave up the game-winning homer.

In the earlier game, the Ags also ran into some trouble.

After giving up three runs in

three innings, Barry Smith relieved starter Darryl Fry in the fourth.

Jimmy Flowers, 2-1, pitched the last two innings and gave up one run, but it was Gegen's fifth homer of the year that preserved the win.

## UT's Dabbs keeps quiet on scandal

AUSTIN (AP) — Former football recruiting coordinator Ken Dabbs of the University of Texas declined to comment Tuesday on reports that an internal investigation had been expanded to include allegations that Dabbs knowingly violated NCAA rules.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Tuesday that Ron Brown, vice president for student affairs, had expressed concern about reports that Dabbs had paid about \$100 for two or three traffic tickets of All-America linebacker Jeff Leiding in the form of a loan in 1983.

Dabbs, now an assistant to Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds, said he knew it was against the rules, the newspaper said. Another report said an Austin lawyer represented 20 or 30 UT football players without charge "over the past five or six years" after referrals from Dabbs.

"I think my only statement would be to say there is an official UT investigation under way, and it would be improper to make any comments on the matter," Dabbs said Tuesday.

The involvement of Dabbs and former UT defensive coordinator David McWilliams broadens the scope of an investigation by UT and the NCAA into reports in the American-Statesman and Dallas Morning News that football players have sold their complimentary game tickets and have received small cash payments, free meals and other benefits from boosters and agents.

Brown said he had no knowledge that Dabbs had loaned Leiding the money or that former assistant McWilliams — now head football coach at Texas Tech — had given players money as reported in the American-Statesman on Sunday.

"As things move forward the next few days, we have to consider every possible alternative," Brown said. "What are they? I think it's pretty obvious. They range from doing nothing to possible separation from the university."

"This again would depend entirely on the extenuating circumstances."

## Hogeboom's agent tries to arrange trade for Cowboy QB

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have allowed backup quarterback Gary Hogeboom's agent to speak with other teams to arrange a trade, but his agent confirms what team officials have already said: other teams have little interest in Hogeboom.

Hogeboom decided to attend the Dallas Cowboys' mini-camp Tuesday and Wednesday, but told team officials he hasn't changed his mind and wants off the club as soon as a trade can be arranged.

Paul Hackett, new quarterback coach of the National Football

League team, said he has met with Hogeboom, and the meeting lasted "about three minutes."

"Gary explained to me his position, and that is that he has asked to be traded by the Dallas Cowboys," Hackett said. "Gary said that he just did not want to play in Dallas. He

said it was nothing personal, he just wanted to be traded."

Meanwhile, Reggie Collier, quarterback of the U.S. Football League's Orlando Renegades, met with Dallas Cowboys officials at their training facility last week, Hackett said.

Hackett said he and Collier, who

was the Cowboys' sixth-round draft choice in 1983 but opted for the USFL, had lunch together and Collier toured the facility.

Collier could figure prominently in the Cowboys' plans should Hogeboom be traded.

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