

Sports

Lady Ags lose 2nd straight, succumb to Lady Aztecs

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The Texas A&M volleyball team suffered its second loss in as many nights, as they were pounded by the San Diego State Lady Aztecs 15-5, 15-2, 14-16, 15-9 Thursday in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The Lady Aggies were hurt by the hard-hitting serving duo of Jackie Mendez and Angelica Jackson. Mendez had seven service aces and 10 kills with a .321 attack percentage, while Jackson led the Aztecs with 23 kills and a .500 attack percentage.

The Lady Aggies made a good comeback in the third game, winning after being down 6-10. At this point, the team suddenly came alive, sparked by clutch services from Megan Purcell and Krista Hierholzer.

A&M Coach Al Givens said, "I was glad to see that we came back

in the third game because that is something that we haven't been able to do all year. It showed that we have the potential to come back even against the good teams."

Givens said he wasn't pleased with the outcome of the match, but was happy with the progress his team is making. "We're not as good as we're going to be at the end of the season, but I think that we're making progress in a lot of different areas. As long as we continue to improve, that's our goal," Givens said.

The Lady Aggies suffered another drawback when Liz Clifford, a sophomore middle blocker from Round Rock, announced her withdrawal from the team. Clifford announced her departure after Wednesday night's match with the University of Houston.

Ag opponents still wary of tight end

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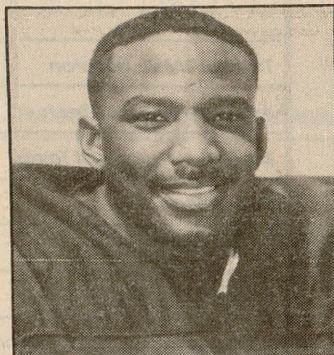
Rod Bernstine, Texas A&M all-time leading pass receiver, may have left Aggieland for the greener pastures of the National Football League, but his memory hasn't left this year's A&M opponents.

If you don't believe that, just ask Sylvester Morgan, A&M's 1987 starting tight end.

"Most teams are keying on our tight end this year because of the amount of passes Rod caught," Morgan said Wednesday. "They are keying on us more, bringing it (the defense) up and not letting us get across the middle as much."

Indeed, going into last year's game against the Houston Cougars, whom the Aggies host at Kyle Field Saturday at 2 p.m., Bernstine already had amassed 25 receptions for 263 yards. Morgan, on the other hand, has pulled in only four passes for 36 yards.

Bernstine was recruited out of Bryan High School as a running



Sylvester Morgan

back but moved to the tight end position during the 1985 campaign. Taking advantage of the strong arm of quarterback Kevin Murray, Bernstine caught 65 passes in 1986 and was chosen by the San Diego Chargers in last year's draft.

Morgan realizes this year's A&M team is very different from last

year's and hopes that once the rest of the offense gets in gear, his catches will increase.

"The season has been up and down," Morgan said, "I thought going in to the Tech game I would catch some more passes . . . but I couldn't really get open."

Morgan is not waiting for his passes to come from one particular Aggie quarterback. To the 6-3, 235-pound senior from Houston Yates, a pass is a pass, whether it comes from Craig Stump, Lance Pavlas or Bucky Richardson.

"It (the rotating quarterbacks) doesn't make that much difference to me," he said. "It's still the same cadence and the same plays."

Being a Houston native, Morgan said he particularly enjoys playing against the Houston and former Yates' teammates like the Cougars' starting slotback Sloan Hood.

"Every year I get a little more fired up for the UH game," Morgan said, "I know a lot of their players, so I look forward to it a little more than

most games."

Head Coach Jackie Sherrill, however, said earlier this week that he was not necessarily looking forward to taking on the Cougar's run-and-shoot offense. Last week against Baylor, UH completed 31 of 62 passes for 404 passing yards.

The same day the Cougar offense was rolling up 445 yards in total offense in a losing effort to the Bears, Texas Tech's Billy Joe Tolliver was severely rattling the A&M secondary.

For the Aggies to be successful on Saturday, Sherrill said the defense must somehow pressure Houston's freshman quarterback Andre Ware and also prevent the Cougars from effectively running the draw play.

Offensively, the A&M head coach said his team must be more productive on third-down conversions.

"I'm satisfied with the system," Morgan said "but I'd like to see the ball come my way a little more."

Twins hitters blast Morris for 6-3 win, take two-game lead over Tigers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Tim Lincecum and Dan Gladden drove in two runs each, and the Twins dealt back Morris his first major-league loss in the state of Minnesota, beating the Detroit Tigers 6-3 in the second game of the American League playoffs Thursday night.

The Twins, who were 0-6 in playoff games before Wednesday night's 5-1 victory, took a 2-0 lead in games of the best-of-seven series, which moves to Detroit for Game 3 Saturday. Detroit will send Walt Terrell, 7-10, against Twins rookie Les

Morris, a Minnesota native and "nigris" many of the 40 in his career against the Twins in the Twin Cities, allowed a two-run home run to Lincecum in a three-run and an energetic second inning and a two-run single to Gladden in the fourth. The runs were scored with two out.

Morris, 18-10, also gave up a fifth-inning homer to Kent Hrbek, who

led the Twins with 34 during the season.

Bert Blyleven, who pitched for the Twins the last time they were in the playoffs in 1970, got the win by working 7 1/2 innings and limited Detroit to Chet Lemon's second-inning homer and an eighth inning solo homer by Lou Whitaker. Juan Berenguer got the final five outs, four on strikeouts, for the save.

This game very easily could have become a home-run hitting contest. Blyleven, 15-12 in the season, led the majors allowing 46 homers, and Morris gave up 39. The Tigers led the majors with 225 homers; the Twins had 196.

But this game did not turn on home runs, although three were hit. It turned on defense and speed — with Randy Bush stealing two bases in the pivotal Minnesota fourth to tie the playoff record — and that made a loser for the first time in postsea-

son of Morris, the free agent the Twins didn't want.

Morris had a 1-0 playoff and 2-0 World Series record, all compiled in 1984 when the Tigers won the Series. The loser of his last three regular-season decisions, Morris, who went eight innings allowing six hits with three walks and six strikeouts, wasn't any more effective this time out as the Twins continued their winning ways at home.

Minnesota had a 56-25 home record this year, best in the majors. They added two wins this week.

Blyleven, acknowledged as having the best curveball in the league, was the winner of this one, allowing seven hits, walking one and striking out six in his first postseason outing since 1979 when he won one game each in the playoffs and World Series for the Pittsburgh Pirates.

NL playoff bringing out grudges between 'big sticks,' 'track shoes'

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The bad blood that led to a brawl between managers Whitey Herzog and Roger Craig last season is resurfacing again this year in the National League playoffs.

The St. Louis Cardinals and San Francisco Giants do not like each other — and they traded taunts and barbs across the field while splitting the first two games.

"We're definitely the intimidator in this," Giants catcher Bob Brenly said after a workout Thursday. "We're swinging the big sticks and they've got the track shoes on."

"Now, who would you rather see in an alley?" he said. "Someone with big sticks or someone who runs fast?"

Game 3 was scheduled for tonight as the best-of-seven series moved to Candlestick Park for three games this weekend. Even in one of the most romantic cities

in the world, there is no love lost between these two teams — and there was a chance of things getting rough.

"There have been a few incidents so far," Giants right fielder Candy Maldonado said. "It's becoming a little rivalry."

Brenly helped stir a chorus of catcalls from the dugout directed at St. Louis shortstop Ozzie Smith late in Game 2, when Smith let a bases-loaded grounder skip through his legs for a two-run eighth-inning error that sealed San Francisco's 5-0 victory.

Smith, the flashy Gold Glove fielder, led the Cardinals onto the field for the first two games by doing a backward somersault in the middle of the infield.

"He thinks about his style too much," Brenly said. "He looked real good making that error."

Craig tried to downplay any animosity, but admitted he thinks an ill will is brewing.

Last season, the Cardinals and Giants mixed it up at Busch Stadium in a bench-clearing altercation. The Giants were angered that Vince Coleman stole two bases with a 10-2 lead and threw at him in his next at-bat.

That triggered a full-scale fight — and Herzog and Craig wound up in the middle scuffling. They were separated just when they were about to start swinging.

"I'm not going to start any controversy with Whitey," Craig said. "We never had any problems. Just one thing — not much."

The Cardinals are particularly peeved at Jeffrey Leonard, who is the leading hitter in the series with five hits in eight at bats, including two monstrous home runs.

Leonard homered in a 5-3 loss Tuesday night, after which he loudly said the Giants were still a better team.

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East meets West on the keys.

Bella Davidovich was Russia's premiere woman pianist before emigrating to the U.S. This season she is touring with one of Europe's leading ensembles, the Rotterdam Philharmonic. Together with conductor James Conlon, she will perform in Rudder Auditorium Tuesday, October 13, 1987 at 8 p.m.

Mme. Davidovich has performed with the world's most distinguished conductors and appeared as soloist with the Leningrad Philharmonic for 28 consecutive years. Founded in 1918, the Rotterdam Philharmonic has played in every major European and American music center, has toured the Far East and in 1986 gave concerts in the Soviet Union. Maestro Conlon is in his fourth season as Music Director of the Rotterdam Philharmonic.

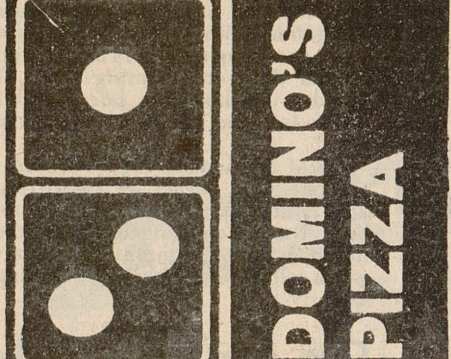
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