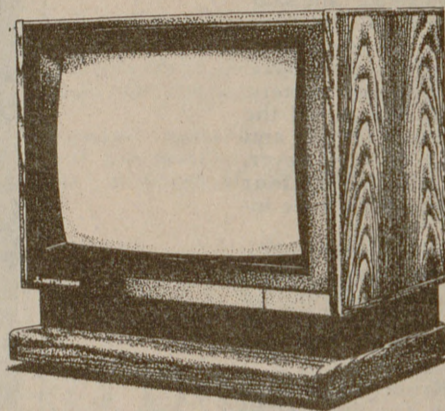
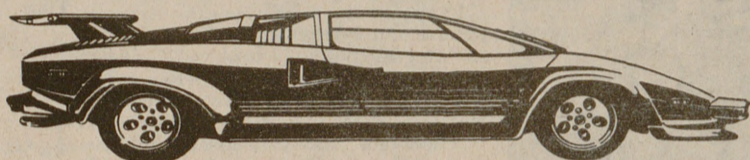
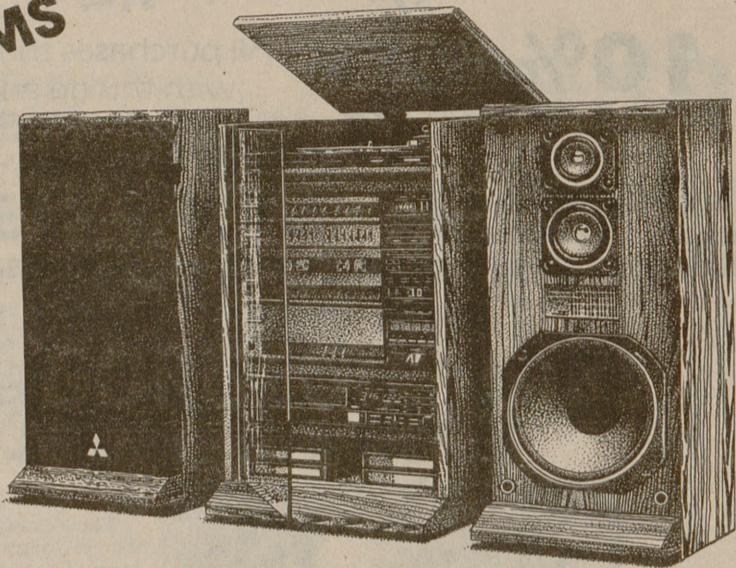


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A&M-LSU shown on pay TV locally

The Texas A&M-Louisiana State football game will not be covered by local or cable television stations here in Bryan-College Station, but it will be shown at Rudder Auditorium on a pay-per-view basis.

General admission tickets are \$10.00 and go on sale this morning. The tickets can be picked up at G. Rollie White Coliseum at ticket windows 5 and 6. Any tickets remaining after today will go on sale Friday at 8 a.m.

Coverage begins at 6:50 p.m. Saturday, and kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the viewing will be donated to the Aggie Band to help defray its travel costs for the coming year.

Coverage is being provided by Home Sports Entertainment. HSE is providing the service on a pay-per-view basis for subscribers, but HSE is also available on local Cooke CableVision.

The game is the third in three years between the schools. LSU has won both of the previous games 35-17 and 17-3.

The Tigers also lead in career meetings 24-14. There have been three ties.

The Aggies are ranked 11th by the Associated Press, while the Tigers are at No. 17.

A&M will be trying to rebound from Saturday's loss to Nebraska 24-17 at the Kickoff Classic.

The game will be the season opener for LSU.

A&M sports information also announced that A&M's home opener with Alabama Sept. 17 has been moved to 3 p.m. to accommodate coverage by ESPN. ESPN will televise the game nationally as the first half of a double header.

Cubs defeat Astros 3-1 behind Sutcliffe homer

HOUSTON (AP) — Rick Sutcliffe pitched a six-hitter and hit a two-run homer and a double as the Chicago Cubs beat the Houston Astros 3-1 Wednesday.

Sutcliffe, 11-11, retired 13 straight after giving up a second-inning single to Rafael Ramirez. The right-hander struck out five and walked one for his 10th complete game.

Rafael Palmeiro led off the fifth against Jim Deshaies, 9-11, with a double and stole third. Two outs later, Sutcliffe hit Deshaies' first pitch over the scoreboard in right

for his first homer of the season and fourth of his career.

Chicago had taken a 1-0 lead in the second. Andre Dawson led off with a single and took third when Vance Law doubled.

Law moved to third when Dawson was caught in a rundown after a ground ball by Palmeiro and then scored on Damon Berryhill's infield out.

Sutcliffe lost his shutout in the eighth when Denny Walling doubled home pinch-runner Alex Trevino.

Deshaies allowed five hits in six innings, striking out seven and walking none.

Column

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Alan Trammell in the AL and Kirk Gibson of Los Angeles in the National League.

Trammell is the heart of the Tigers. Detroit lost the top two players of the franchise in the past two years to free agency when Gibson and Lance Parrish (Philadelphia) left for big money contracts.

Yet, the Tigers remain the team to beat in the AL East because of Trammell.

The Tigers have only played 500 baseball while he's been injured.

Gibson has taken charge of a Dodger club which is short of pitching and full of free agents from all over the majors. His personality has meant more to the team than even his power at the plate. He gives the Dodgers the toughness they used to be known for but have lacked the past few years.

Some other strong candidates in the AL are Wade Boggs and Mike Greenwell of Boston and Frank Viola of Minnesota.

Boggs is leading the AL in hitting

with a .360 average and Greenwell leads the league with 103 RBI while ranking third in the league in hitting with a .340 mark.

Viola, a pitcher, is the AL's first 20-game winner and a virtual lock for the American League's Cy Young award. However, with the Twins in second place in the AL West and trailing Oakland by eight games he doesn't look to be a contender.

Other deserving players in the National League include Pittsburgh's Andy Van Slyke, Atlanta's Gerald Perry and San Diego's Tony Gwynn. Van Slyke has led the resurgence of the Pirates while showing one of the best arms in the major and hitting for power.

As for Perry and Gwynn, neither has a realistic chance because their teams are buried at the bottom of the NL West standings.

Perry is leading the NL in hitting with a .323 average, and Gwynn is right behind him in the hitting charts with a .321 average. It's scary to think how terrible the Braves would be without Perry.

Volleyball

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of the 32 teams that were invited to last year's NCAA tournament. Four of the teams finished in the top 10 nationally including Texas (tied for No. 3).

Most of the matches are on the road, but matches with top teams such as Northwestern (Sept. 7), Kentucky (Oct. 15) Texas (Oct. 26) and Louisiana State (Nov. 11) will be at G. Rollie White as will the Texas A&M Invitational (Sept. 9-10).

The Invitational will be a four-team tournament in which the Lady Aggies will play host to three teams that finished in the Top Twenty last year: Arizona State, Colorado State (No. 5) and Ohio State.

Givens wants the students and faculty to meet a challenge he presented in a letter he sent to the fac-

ulty and staff of the university mailed just before school began.

"If we can generate the same kinda spirit as the football team and get the crowd involved that should be worth a few points when we play at home," Givens said. "We need people to come in there and really intimidate teams with their presence so that when people come in there their knees get a little wobbly and they feel the pressure of the seventh man."

Tonight the Lady Aggies open their season on the road at Lamar at 7 p.m. They continue the road trip with matches at LSU on Friday night at 7:30 and against the University of New Orleans Saturday at noon. The home opener is next Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. against Northwestern at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Viera

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Viera about coming to A&M. Although it was a change from Florida, she said she loves it here.

Playing volleyball at a junior college was a lot less competitive than at A&M, she said. Being a Division I program, the Lady Aggies play the best teams in the country, and always have to be at their best, she said.

"We play pretty high, pretty much power volleyball because it's Division I," Viera said.

Being one of two outside attackers on the court, Viera is right at the front of the power. She said the most exciting part of playing her position is that she has the chance to slam the ball straight down to the opponents floor. It's a great feeling, she said. Viera said the low point of last

season was that they were such a mentally "young" team that it took a long time for the players to filter the coaches instructions.

The best part of last year was that the Lady Aggies learned a lot which has carried over to this season, she said. The team members are very relaxed with each other and spend a great deal of time together off the court, Viera said. "We are extremely comfortable together, like a family," she said. "There are no cliques."

Having a male coach hasn't been a problem to Viera or the rest of the team, she said.

"As long as he (Givens) knows what he's talking about, that's the main thing," she said. She added that it is good that we have a woman assistant coach, referring to first year coach Cindy Alvera.