No. 15 Ags set for battle in Seattle Lady Aggies search Tree

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Coach R.C. Slocum is not content to rest on the laurels of the Aggies' 28-16 victory over Lousiana State at Kyle Field last weekend.

Slocum recalled at his weekly press conference Tuesday a similar situation where the Aggies got burned because of overconfidence.

"In 1975, we beat Texas on national television, were ranked second in the national polls and were poised to win the Southwest Conference championship and gain a trip to the Cotton Bowl," Slocum said.

But the Aggies were stopped dead in their tracks by the Arkansas Razorbacks the next week.

"We just didn't play like we did the week before. Texas probably had the better team of the team of the two," Slocum said.

The stakes of the A&M-Washington game aren't quite as high as that 1975 game, but both teams have a lot

Slocum said A&M must continue to play with the same intensity they played with against LSU.

"A true champion has an insatia-ble appetite," he said. "No matter how well he's done, he's never really

satisfied. There has to be improvement in every area this week.

"It's a challenge that all teams face. What we did last week will have no bearing on this week's game. It was a positive thing, but there is no guarantee, no certainty that we will come back this week and play as

Washington Coach Don James thinks Slocum has little to worry

"I think A&M has the best of both worlds," James said in a telephone interview Wednesday. "They don't seem to have any apparent weakness in their offense or defense.

"Coach Slocum had to be concerned going into the LSU game with all the defensive changes and shifts. I was really impressed. To move guys around like they did and handle the LSU offense was incredible. They played like a veteran team.

Dennis Brown, senior Huskie defensive end and a i989 Outland Tro-

phy candidate, agreed.
"We've been watching the film of the A&M-LSU game and paying particular attention to the way (the A&M offensive line) explodes off the line. That, along with Darren Le-wis and Robert Wilson, makes the A&M offense particularly scary.

The Huskies also have a great deal to prove. They are in a similar

The Huskies are coming off a disappointing season, barely finishing above .500. For the first time in nine years, they failed to gain a bowl bid and finished 6-5. Disappointed with last year, Athletic Director Mike Lude hired a new offensive line coach to rebuild.

Like the Aggies' defensive line, the Huskie's offensive line is laden

with untested underclassmen. We've lost just about our whole offensive line and recievers," James said. "The loss of Scott Jones and Mike Zandofsky to the NFL really left a big hole in the line.

"The way we played last year, it's important that we have a good game against A&M. We need to start the season on a positive note.

Slocum, like James, is approaching Saturday's game cau-

"Washington playing in Seattle will be every bit as tough as LSU, if not tougher," he said. "They are an extremely well coached team... big, physical and used to winning."

Texas A&M leads the A&M-

Washington series 2-0, with their last win coming two years ago in College

The then No. 10-ranked Huskies were kept out of the endzone by a

situation the Aggies were in last swarming Aggie defense that alweek.

The Aggies, scoring in every quarter, beat Washington 29-12.

The last time A&M travelled to Seattle, in 1975, they beat the Huskies 28-15.

Aggie Notes. . . Starting strong safety Gary Jones, who played only one down in the LSU game, still is suffering from a pulled groin muscle and is considered "very doubtful" for Saturday's game against the Huskies by Coach R.C. Slocum. . Among the 10 head coaches A&M has had since 1948, Slocum is only the fourth to win his first game at A&M. The others were Raymond George (1951), Emory Bellard (1972) and Tom Wilson (1978). . Junior running back Darren Lewis now has thrown three touchdown passes in his career — one more than starting quarterback Lance Pavlas has as an Aggie. . .With his 55 yards rushing against LSU, Lewis tied **Bob** Smith (1949-51) to become the No. 6 rusher in school career history. He now needs only 57 yards to surpass current New York Jets running back Roger Vick (1983-86). . . senior linebacker Aaron Wallace needs only three sacks to break Jacob Green's (1977-1979) career school record.

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The Lady Aggie volleyball team thought the strongest areas or returns to action tonight at 7:30 in G. game were our blocking, defe Rollie White Coliseum. A&M will face the Florida Gators and attempt to get even with the Southeastern Conference, after losing last week's

match to Louisiana State. The Lady Aggies showed potential in the season opener, losing a tight one to LSU 7-15, 15-13, 13-15, 14-16. However, A&M committed serving errors at several key times.

Florida comes into the match with a 5-0 record, with shutout victories over South Alabama, Southwest Missouri State, Arkansas State and a 3-1 victory over Memphis State.

The Gators will be led by seniors Roni Armeda and Laura Dixon, and junior Lenee Hill. The three returning starters will be joined by fifth-year senior Dara Torres and sopho-more Lisa Miller.

Coach Al Givens said that A&M will try to serve aggressively while eliminating the serving errors that plagued them last week

"Coming out of the LSU match, I

game were our blocking, defen transition, and offense," Givens

Givens said that Florida will dangerous opponent, despite ha lost two key starters from last sea 'They've already got set matches behind them, and given them a chance to work som the kinks out," he said.

Aggies to watch tonight will sophomore middle blocker Mo Daniels, and senior setter Yv

Daniels, who missed last s because of Proposition 48 rements, had eight kills and a 3 tack percentage against LSU. also contributed three digs and block assists in the match.

Van Brandt, who already of the A&M all-time record for with 1,302, needs just 83 assists the career record in that depends on the career record in the dependence of the career record in the dependence of the career record in the dependence of the career record in the career record in the dependence of the career record in the career record rec ment. She had 48 assists in the match to go with her .500 hi percentage and six kills.

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