Lady Ag cagers flatten Prairie View

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The Texas A&M basketball team was firing on all pistons

Monday night. The Lady Aggies (2-1) rolled over a frustrated Prairie View A&M team 85-52.

Four Lady Aggies scored in double figures as they crushed their Highway 6 neighbors.

Center Dena Russo and guard Sheri Dillard each had 13 points to lead the Ags. Guards Yvonne Hill and Yatisha Bosha scored 12

and 11, respectively. However, head coach Lynn Hickey said she was cautious of playing a team like Prairie View. "There's a real danger any

time you play a team that's in the situation that Prairie View's in," Hickey said. "Things can get a little sloppy and a little wild at

Defense broke the game open

for the Aggies.

Dillard led the team with nine steals and Bosha added eight more bringing the team total to

But it was Dillard's hustling play with 16:40 left in the first half that built A&M's lead to 36-She stole a Prairie View pass and missed a driving layup. But Russo grabbed the rebound and converted a three point play when she was fouled on the fol-

low-up shot.

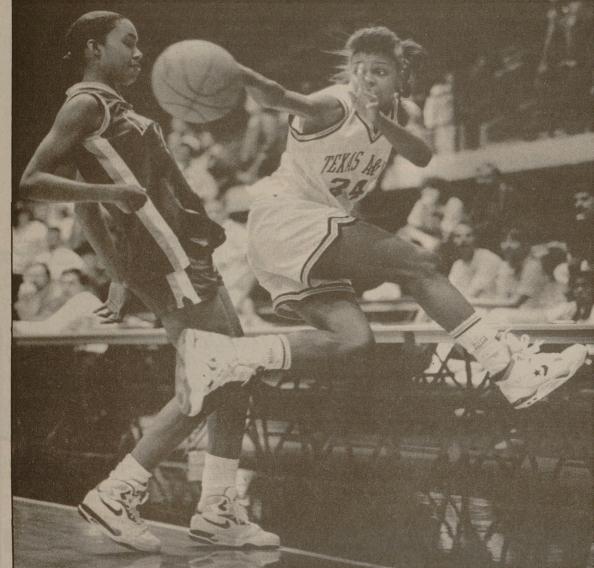
Russo, who scored all her points in the first half, was excited about her play.

"I was amazed, I really hadn't been on," she said. "It just kind of came tonight."

came tonight. Hickey was pleased with Russo's performance but wanted to rest the her legs in the second

Russo is still getting in shape after arthroscopic surgery on both knees this past summer. "I thought Dena Russo had a

great first half, and if I would



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A&M guard Yvonne Hill jumps to save the ball as Prairie View's Frederica Burnice gets out of the way.

have let her stay in the second half she would have scored 30 points," coach Hickey said.

The Panthers are returning

this season from a cancelled program and are playing without any

The Lady Ags return to action

Wednesday when they battle Oklahoma State in Stillwater. OSU comes into the game with a perfect (4-0) record.

Texas leapfrogs Miami, BYU to third in AP poll

Associated Press

he Texas Longhorns leaped from fifth to third The Associated Press college football poll on donday, improving their chances of winning their first national title since 1969.

Texas, which beat Texas A&M 28-27 on Satur-

ay, jumped over Miami and Brigham Young in he final regular-season poll. Miami edged San Diego State 30-28, while BYU was demolished by Hawaii 59-28.

The Hurricanes (9-2) fell from third to fourth, the second straight week they've dropped a notch in the poll following a victory. BYU (10-2)

plunged from fourth to 13th. Colorado, which completed its regular season two weeks ago, remained No. 1 for the third straight week. The Buffaloes (10-1-1) received 42 first-place votes and 1,476 points from a nation wide panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

Georgia Tech stayed second after beating Georgia 40-23, but closed the gap on Colorado. The Yellow Jackets (10-0-1), the only major team

without a loss, got 16 first-place votes and 1,397 points. They trailed Colorado by 130 points last week; now they are only 79 points behind.

Texas (10-1) got the other two first-place votes and 1,338 points, 35 more than Miami. Notre Dame (9-2), which was idle, moved from seventh to fifth with 1,252 points.

Rounding out the Top 10 are Florida State (9-2), Penn State (9-2), Washington (9-2), Houston (10.1) and Transport (9.2.9).

(10-1) and Tennessee (8-2-2).

Florida is 11th, followed by Michigan, BYU, Clemson, Mississippi, Illinois, Iowa, Louisville, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Southern Cal, Michigan State, Southern Mississippi, Ohio State and Ala-

Because of the bowl matchups, only the Orange, Cotton and Citrus have a realistic chance to produce the national champion. Colorado plays Notre Dame in the Orange, Texas meets Miami in the Cotton and Georgia Tech faces Nebraska in the Citrus.

The possibilities: If Colorado wins, the Buffaloes should win the national title. If Notre Dame wins and Georgia Tech loses, it would probably be a close battle for No. 1 between the Irish and the Texas-Miami

If Colorado loses and Georgia Tech wins, the Yellow Jackets would stake their claim to the national championship. But the Texas-Miami winner would also get strong consideration.

Blockbuster Bowl opponents Florida State and Penn State are playing as well as anyone in the country. But the winner of that game appears to be locked out of the title picture because the winners of the Orange and Cotton seem certain to be ranked higher.

Florida State moved up two spots to sixth after beating Florida 45-30, while Penn State rose three places to seventh and Washington went from ninth to eighth

Houston climbed from 11th to ninth after beating Arizona State 62-45 and Tennessee rose from 12th to 10th after downing Vanderbilt 49-

A&M fans angry that CBS tipped off play

From Staff and Wire Reports

Some football fans complained that the CBS broadcast of the Texas-Texas A&M game may have tipped off Texas on a crucial play that cost

the Aggies the game.
Officials at both schools said Monday the telecast had nothing to do with the outcome of Saturday's 28-27 victory by Texas, but A&M's head football coach R.C. Slocum said CBS was "out of line.

"I disapprove of CBS. I think they are out of line to position themselves to gather information that could influence the outcome of the game, he said. "In the future, we will be more mindful of where their cameramen are.

Robin Brendle, a spokeswoman for CBS Sports, said broadcasting the play was inadvertent, but added, "A big part of our telecast is trying to get in the huddle and capture the es-

sence of the game."

Late in the fourth quarter, A&M halfback Darren Lewis was stopped well short of the goal line on a 2point conversion attempt that would have given the Aggies a 1-point lead. Instead, Texas took the kickoff

and ran out the clock to preserve its victory and snap a six-game losing streak to their Southwest Conference arch-rivals.

Before the conversion play, the CBS national viewing audience heard A&M plan and call the play on the sideline.

If the Texas coaches had heard defensive play. that information, they could have adjusted their defense, according to several callers to radio talk shows

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Norm Hitzges, of KLIF Radio in Dallas, said he received several calls during his morning sports show from people complaining about CBS broadcasting the play before it was

"Nobody really has called and said, 'We would have won.' The question is, shouldn't we be a little careful here? Twenty to 25 seconds before the ball was snapped a lot of people knew what the play was," Hitzges said.

In an interview Sunday, Texas coach David McWilliams denied knowing about the play in advance.

"I was not aware of it being televised until after the ballgame when somebody told me about it," he said. "Our coaches on the sidelines don't have monitors. I was talking to our defensive coordinator Leon Fuller, trying to make adjustments for the play. You can make what you want out of it, but I can honestly tell you we didn't know.'

Steve Ross, assistant sports information director at Texas, said Longhorn coaches could not have heard the broadcast because they don't have their television sets turned on in the coach's booth at Memorial Sta-

Ross said the sets are kept off for fear that a planned play may be broadcast. "We do it just for that reason," he said.

Slocum said his criticism of CBS should not take away from Texas'

"In no way would I blame Texas for using that information if they had it," Slocum said.

The Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press 1990 final regular season poll, with last weeks ranking in bold, first-place votes and records Rank, pvs and first-place votes 1. Colorado 1 (42) 2. Georgia Tech 2 (16) 3. Texas 5 (2) 4. Miami (Fla.) 3 5. Notre Dame 7 Record 10-1-1 10-0-1 10-1-0 9-2-0 9-2-0 6 Florida St. 8 7. Penn State 10 8. Washington 9 10. Tennessee 12 11. Florida 6 12. Michigan 13 13. Brigham Young 4 14. Clemson 14 9-2-0 8-3-0 10-2-0 9-2-0 9-2-0 15. Mississippi 15 16. Illinois 16 17. Iowa 18 18. Louisville 17 19. Nebraska 19

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