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middle of the court to take some of the ball handling pressure away from the point guard, Texas A&M has added a new twist to their offense.

"The second best ball handler will get the ball if I start getting pressure," Branch said. "The two guards, Donyale Canada, Lana Tucker and Bambi Ferguson, can handle the ball just as well as I can."

Hickey said she hopes freshman forward Marianne Miller can improve on her game-high 12-rebound performance.

And, even though Hickey said the Lady Aggies might be favored against TSU, she knows the Lady Aggies do not want to "blow this game."

"We want to see a lot of aggressiveness (against TSU)," Hickey said. "This week will be a chance to put a foot in the ground and start off the season well."

Texas A&M point guard **Lisa Branch** (22) makes a move during the Lady Aggies' pre-season victory over the Vilnius Rina team from Lithuania. Branch dished out a game-high 10 assists in that contest. In the season opener, A&M defeated Arizona State on the road, 73-68.



West Virginia may elude Cotton Bowl
 The Associated Press

So what'll it be, West Virginia — the Cotton or Sugar Bowl?

The undefeated, third-ranked Mountaineers appeared headed to the Cotton on Sunday, but apparently are now leaning toward the Sugar. If the switch occurs, it would send Notre Dame to the Cotton against No. 7 Texas A&M and West Virginia to the Sugar against No. 9 Florida or No. 16 Alabama.

The major reasons: money and television.

The Sugar Bowl pays \$4.15 million per team, compared with \$3 million for the Cotton. The switch also would benefit NBC, which televises the Cotton Bowl and has a multimillion-dollar deal to show Notre Dame home games.

NBC, which will televise the expected showdown between top-ranked Florida State and No. 2 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, denied playing a role in the West Virginia situation.

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Then, the teams that finished ranked in the top 16 of the coach's poll (because that is the only poll that really counts) would square off against each other in a format of one vs. 16, two vs. 15, three vs. 14,etc.

The first playoff game would be played at the higher seed's home stadium and then the second round would be held at the sites of the major bowls.

The Orange, Cotton, Citrus and Fiesta Bowls would all play host to these second round matchups, allowing the lucky schools to earn money for their athletic programs.

The semifinal games would be played at the Rose Bowl and Sugar Bowl. The two winners of this game would then play in the new granddaddy of all bowls.

It would be perfect if the game could be played on the Saturday before the Super Bowl at the same site.

And now....the top ten reasons for having a college football playoff system:

10. No more 1990 Georgia Tech co-national champions.
9. Lee Corso gets first round bye.
8. Longer seasons, more injuries, more 12th men get to play.
7. College football is much more exciting than the NFL anyway.
6. More reasons for NBC to kiss up to Notre Dame.
5. Aggies have a chance to earn national respect.
- 4b. Time for Sports Illustrated to talk more trash about Florida State.
- 4a. Houston Cougars can get an early jump on their basketball season.
3. No more Brigham Young 1985 National Champions.
2. Lou Holtz can't complain about not being a 'national champion.'
1. Undefeated teams can actually be national champions.

Oh well, at least it is something to think about during the next four weeks of college football withdrawal.

Football
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did. Big players make big plays, and Glenn proved worthy of Thorpe and the status of the best defensive back in the nation.

Speaking of big players, defensive end Sam Adams posted his best numbers in his three-year career. Adams played like he did his freshman year, and at times, he dominated. Take a look at his numbers.

He had 77 tackles and 10 1/2 sacks, including nine stops against Texas Tech. To wit, he is a Lombardi Award finalist.

But the biggest surprise was the play of Antonio Shorter.

He took over the outside linebacker spot vacated by Marcus Buckley and registered 10 sacks and 70 tackles. Looks like he was a pretty able replacement.

Offensively, any discussion has to start with the tailback trio.

Greg Hill had 710 yards in seven games. Rodney Thomas had 999 yards, including 201 against Louisiana State. McElroy — well, he did about everything.

Rushing, he had 626 yards. Receiving, he had 224 yards. He led the nation in kickoff returns, averaging 39 yards per return.

But he saved his best for last. With A&M's offense struggling against Texas, McElroy exploded for a 103-yard kickoff return that put the Aggies up 7-6 and in control of the game.

Quarterback Corey Pullig struggled in the early going (see Oklahoma). In fact, he stunk up the field against the Sooners, but it seems like he has grasped control of the offense. Pullig still struggles at times with his timing.

Maybe his two hookups with wide receiver Tony Harrison against the Longhorns will jolt him into another realm. To win the Cotton Bowl, the Aggies need a career performance from Pullig.

Speaking of Cotton, the seventh-ranked Aggies are now preparing for the 1994 New Year's Day game against...who?

Third-ranked West Virginia was the rumored opponent, but now the Mountaineers are opting to take the money and run into the Sugar Bowl.

This leaves fifth-ranked Notre Dame there for the taking.

Great, a rematch. Harken back to last year when the Cotton Bowl selection committee railed about how they did not want Florida State to play A&M again in 1993 after A&M lost a 10-2 decision to the Seminoles in 1992. The committee did not want a rematch, it was claimed.

Just a second — who did the Aggies play last year in Dallas?

Whether it be a rematch with the Fighting Irish or a shot at the 11-0 Mountaineers, that is not important. A&M needs a win in the worst way to salvage any respect nationally.

Or they at least need to score a touchdown in Dallas, something not accomplished by A&M in the last two Cotton Bowls.

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