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Tyson restricted during investigation

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Mike Tyson, on probation for a 1992 rape conviction, was restricted Thursday to his home state of Ohio while police investigated a complaint he sexually assaulted another woman at a Chicago nightclub.

Tyson could be ordered back to prison if he is found to have violated the terms of his release.

During the investigation in Chicago, Tyson may leave Ohio only for emergencies or for other reasons approved in advance, said George Walker, chief probation officer for Marion County.

"He's stuck in Ohio," Walker said Thursday of the 29-year-old WBC heavyweight champion. "If he wanted to go to New Jersey for a sightseeing tour we would probably say no. If he wanted to go to Hawaii for vacation we would probably say no. We will probably be keeping very, very close watch on him."

"We're just going to have him sit tight in Ohio for 30 to 60 days, and we're not going to approve any outside travel unless it's for some sort of emergency, anything that he absolutely has to do."

Tyson won the WBC title last month against Frank Bruno. His next fight is scheduled in Las Vegas against WBA champion Bruce Seldon on July 13, which would be beyond the time Walker speculated the investigation might take.

If Tyson is charged in Chicago, Marion County probation officials would submit a petition to Gifford, a Criminal Court judge. Gifford would then schedule a fact-finding hearing to determine whether Tyson violated terms of his probation.

SCORES ROUNDUP

NL

Montreal 6, Pittsburgh 5, 11 innings
San Diego 2, Atlanta 1
St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 1
Houston 9, Cincinnati 4
New York at Colorado, (n)
Los Angeles 5, Florida 0

AL

Minnesota 6, Boston 5
New York 5, Kansas City 3
Seattle 9, Detroit 1
Oakland 11, Milwaukee 0
Chicago 8, Texas 5, 11 innings
Toronto 7, California 4
Baltimore 14, Cleveland 4

NBA

Chicago 113, New Jersey 100
Miami 115, Milwaukee 105
Cleveland 101, New York 97
Houston 113, Denver 109
Portland 114, Dallas 99
Golden State at L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, Calif., (n)

NHL

Boston 3, Hartford 2
Pittsburgh 5, Ottawa 3
Philadelphia 3, Montreal 2
New Jersey 3, Washington 2
Chicago 5, Toronto 2
Colorado 3, St. Louis 2

UPCOMING EVENTS

A&M Baseball

The Aggies play TCU tonight at Olsen Field at 7 p.m. and in a doubleheader Saturday at 2 p.m.

THE RIGHT STUFF Jeff Bailey brings style to game

By Philip Leone
THE BATTALION

Even without his game jersey on and his face hidden in the late afternoon shadows, the batting stance gives Texas A&M first baseman Jeff Bailey away. Weight shifted back on his left leg, upper body and right leg opened up toward the pitcher and the barrel of the bat wagging back and forth at a feverish pace — Bailey likes to think of his batting style as distinctive, not unusual.

It is also effective. Hitting fifth in the Aggie Baseball Team lineup this season, Bailey has a .308 batting average and has a slugging percentage of .513. As a junior in 1995, the left-hander broke into the Division-I ranks by hitting .347 and banging out nine home runs.

So how did Bailey come up with his quirky batting stance?



Stew Milne, THE BATTALION

Senior first baseman Jeff Bailey stretches and squeezes the ball to force out a base runner against Dallas Baptist last weekend at Olsen Field.

By accident.

"One day at practice in junior college I did it as a joke and ended up hitting the ball pretty well," Bailey said. "I took it into the next game and hit a double and went something like 3-for-3. Then, the game after that I hit a home run, so I decided to stick with it. It may look funny, but it works for me."

Since transferring to A&M from Alvin Junior College, where he earned All-Conference and All-American honors, Bailey has been nothing short of solid for the Aggies. The left-handed slugger has not only been a consistent force at the plate, he has also proven himself to be handy with the glove.

Heading into this weekend's

series with Texas Christian University, Bailey has made only two errors around the first base bag and is tops among Aggie infielders with a .988 fielding percentage.

A&M Head Coach Mark Johnson believes Bailey is a quality all-around contributor and one of his club's most dependable players.

"Jeff's a solid first baseman," Johnson said. "He's got a strong, accurate arm and handles the bag well. He's a reliable type of player and person. He got off to a slow start at the plate this season, but he's worked it out and got back on a roll."

Bailey and his teammates

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Aggie baseballers face TCU in do-or-die series

"... this weekend will tell the tale." — Rich Petru

By Lisa Nance
THE BATTALION

After two non-conference wins Tuesday over Southwest Texas State University, the Texas Aggie Baseball team is hoping to extend its winning streak to five games when it hosts Texas Christian University in a three-game set this weekend at Olsen Field.

The Aggies and Horned Frogs open the series today at 7 p.m. and will cap off the weekend with a doubleheader beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Junior shortstop Rich Petru said the Aggies' two wins Tuesday put the team in a familiar situation.

"We were in a groove, and as soon as we got to Texas Tech (March 29-31), that's when we kind of got out of it," Petru said. "We came back and beat Sam Houston and then lost again to Dallas Baptist (last weekend)."

"We're on a two-game winning streak right now and, really, this weekend will tell the tale."

The Aggies beat SWT in the last inning in both games Tuesday to improve their record to 27-14 for the season. Petru said the last-inning wins were important in getting the team's confidence back.

"We knew we had to win," Petru said. "We didn't play as well as we have been, but we did play with a lot of heart."

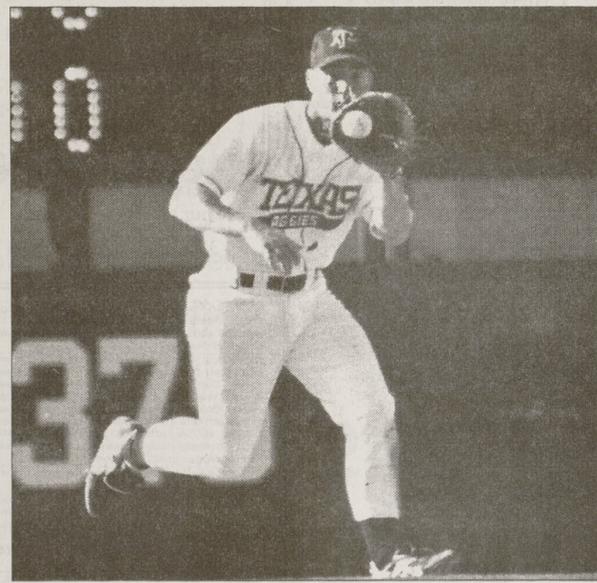
"The best thing about the wins Tuesday was coming back in the ninth inning, something that we haven't had all year. If we could've written the script, we would have probably won it that way. It's good to have that (experience) under your belt so you can have the confidence you can do that."

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— RICH PETRU
Aggie Shortstop

The Horned Frogs are 25-20 overall and 7-3 in league play. They enter this weekend's series after taking two of three games from Baylor last weekend.

A&M increased its lead over TCU in the all-time series to 153-85-4 when the two teams met earlier in the season at the SWC First Pitch Tournament. The Aggies won that contest 3-2 with pitcher Tim Clarkson taking the victory for A&M.



Dave House, THE BATTALION

Junior shortstop Rich Petru fields an infield hit against Dallas Baptist last weekend at Olsen Field.

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