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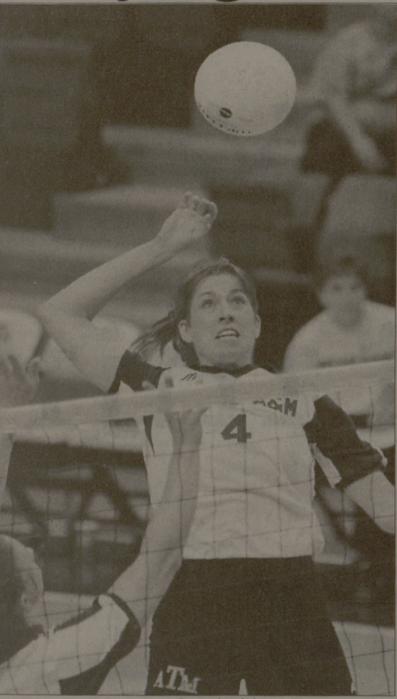
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# Lady Ags sweep OU, end losing streak

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After dropping consecutive matches to Baylor University and the University of Texas last week, the 13th-ranked Texas A&M Volleyball Team not only ended its losing skid Sunday, but refused to surrender a single game to the University of Oklahoma.

The Lady Aggies swept the Sooners 15-6, 15-9, 17-15 Sunday in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Senior middle blocker Page White said after a five-match road trip, the home court proved to be an added boost for the team.

"We needed to play at home and have the fans energize us," White said. "And I saw more fire in us than there had been the last two matches."

Already up two games, but down 14-11 in the third game, the Lady Aggies could have given up and regrouped for the next frame. But White slammed a shot off Oklahoma's block to negate the Sooners' attempt at sealing the victory.

A&M proceeded to battle back and tie the game at 14 on the strength of two White blocks.

The Sooners responded with a kill by Sarah Rappard to take a 15-14 lead, but again White denied them the game-point with another kill.

Junior setter Farah Mensik blocked an Oklahoma attack to even the score, and her next block two serves later won the game and match for the Lady Aggies.

Mensik said Oklahoma's attacks to her position were no surprise.

"During the match, I was getting tooled," Mensik said. "I knew they were going to come after me because I'm the weaker blocker, and I told Cindy (Vander-

Woude). We both saw my player out-

ward me, and [the attack] was there. With a 3-0 A&M lead in the opening set, White hammered a shot down Oklahoma's middle court, which sparked a run of straight points. The Sooners answered consecutive points of their own, but Lady Aggie lead to 11-6.

But junior outside hitter Jennifer White's run with a hit that ricocheted off the home block. The Lady Aggies scored four points, winning the game when White's attack failed to clear the net.

Junior middle blocker Cindy VanderWoude's kill broke a 3-3 tie in the second set from there the Lady Aggies built an 8-2 lead. But Oklahoma narrowed A&M's 10-9 with an A&M net violation and a sailed out of bounds.

VanderWoude's kill stopped the Sooners' short of tying the score at 10, and the Aggies rolled out the next five points to a second win of the match.

A&M Head Coach Laurie Corbelli said the key to A&M's victory.

"Our defense was relentless," Corbelli said. "We were not only digging well, but digging to the targets."

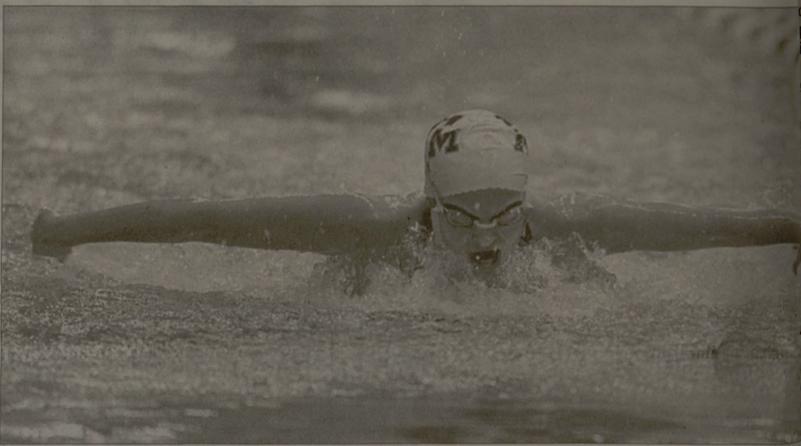
"I know [the players] were devastated by two losses, and none of them were used to losing. We wanted badly to take this one."

Pacing the Lady Aggies was junior outside hitter Kristie Smetsrud with 20 kills, 10 blocks, and sophomore outside hitter Sykora with 20 digs.

A&M improved its record to 22-5 in the Big 12 Conference. Sixteen of the team's victories have come in three-

# Swimmers/divers outdistance TCU

By DENNIS RAMIREZ  
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Senior Jennifer Guillory won the 1,000-meter freestyle event against TCU Friday evening at the Recreation Center natatorium. The Aggie women defeated the Horned Frogs 154-124.

The Texas A&M Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Teams rolled past Texas Christian University Friday night in a dual meet that found the Aggies winning 23 of 32 events.

A&M Men's Head Coach Mel Nash said the victory was a team effort.

"We were very pleased with the performances and happy to see these results at this type of meet," Nash said. "It is hard to single out performances because we had so many encouraging performances. The team supported each other and stayed behind each other, and that helped to stay focused."

The men outscored TCU by a score of 183-101. Leading the Aggies were Jason Miles, who recorded a personal best in the 1,000-meter freestyle, and Eric Schneider, who qualified for the U.S. Open in the 200-meter individual medley.

The women posted a winning score of 154-124, winning 10 of 16 events.

Stacie Karnes won both the 50 and 100-meter freestyle events and was on the third leg of the winning 400-meter medley relay.

Distance swimmer Jennifer Guillory won the 1,000-meter

freestyle and made strong showings in two other events. Guillory said she was pleased with the composure of the team Friday.

Guillory, who is from Lake Charles, La., is looking forward to next week's match-up against nationally-ranked Louisiana State University.

"We all swam really good today and showed a lot of depth by being able to come out and swim off events and still be suc-

cessful," Guillory said. "We are feeling really confident right now, and are looking forward to the LSU meet next week."

"Since I chose to swim for A&M over them, the meet means a lot to me."

A&M diving made an impressive showing after an intense workout period, and Diving Head Coach Kevin Wright said the team showed signs of improvement that will be valuable

later on in the season.

"Overall, it was a good meet and I saw some areas of things, but at the same time there are some areas we need to work on," Wright said.

"These meets allow us to prove and keep a good positive in order to continue to move forward. It was a home meet in home pool, and overall we are going well."

# Warriors use third quarter run to surge past Spurs, 102-

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Golden State Warriors must have listened to coach Rick Adelman.

Latrell Sprewell led an 18-0 burst in the third quarter Sunday night that sent the Warriors over the San Antonio Spurs 102-92.

"At halftime we just talked about picking up the pace," Adelman said. "This was an important win for us no matter how beat up they are. They normally play well here, so it was important to take this one."

Sprewell scored 10 points in the decisive run, capping it with a 3-point shot for a 69-51 lead with 5:13 left in the third period.

Sprewell finished with 20 points and reserve B.J. Armstrong had 24.

Joe Smith added 17 points and Chris Mullin 15 for the Warriors.

"We got some big stops tonight, and that was the difference," Armstrong said. "Maybe

we can get something going with this win with us going back home now. The Spurs are a little banged up, but we got one from them on their home court and that's big for us."

San Antonio, which has lost five of six games, got 17 points each from Avery Johnson and Vernon Maxwell. Vinny Del Negro had 16.

The Warriors trailed by as many as 13 points in the second quarter and were behind 47-43 at halftime.

Felton Spencer's jumper put Golden State ahead 49-47, and it was tied at 51 before Sprewell led the big run.

Sprewell scored 15 points in the third quarter, during which the Warriors outscored the Spurs 33-16 for a 76-63 lead.

"We started the first half very active defensively, but the third quarter is just hard to explain," said Spurs coach Bob Hill, who was

once again forced to play without injured David Robinson. "We were like in mud. We just let the game go."

Armstrong, who played on three championship teams in Chicago, led the Warriors with six assists.

"I thought B.J. came in and played Mullin said. "Our guard play has been something that coach Adelman has had and tonight they came through."

"If we can continue to count on guards to come up with their points with the inside play of Latrell Sprewell and Joe Smith, we can be a big force come off time."

San Antonio closed within 97-89 with play on Maxwell's 3-point field goal.

Armstrong, who had 14 points in the fourth quarter, made four free throws to keep the Warriors ahead.

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