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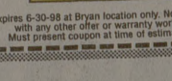
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## Aggies need to end slump at S

Doubleheader gives A&M a chance to improve field

By **ROBERT HOLLIER**  
 Staff writer

After a disappointing 1-3 start to its conference season, the Texas A&M Softball Team (23-17-1, 1-3) will take a short break from conference play when they travel to Nacogdoches to play a doubleheader against Stephen F. Austin today. Game one is scheduled to start at 5 p.m. with freshman Ashley Lewis starting followed by game two.

Last weekend, the Aggies split a doubleheader with Iowa State and were swept by No. 12 Nebraska. They were outscored 17-2, and they committed seven errors in their three losses.

"We need to be more consistent in the field," Coach Jo Evans said. "When we make too many errors, we put ourselves in a hole. Defense

wins championships.

"We need to make the routine plays on a more consistent basis," Evans added.

Evans also said she would like the team to be more consistent and aggressive at the plate.

"We haven't been hitting the ball well," she said. "We're not jumping on the first strike. We are just too defensive at the plate."

"I'm not pleased with our hitting at all," she added. "We haven't hit well at times, and I would like to see more consistency and effort at the plate."

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them earlier in the season, but couldn't get them in because of tournaments we had scheduled.

After this series, the Aggies return home this weekend for a doubleheader against their foes Kansas and Missouri.

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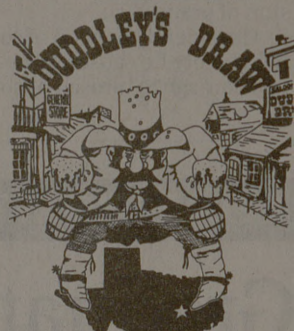
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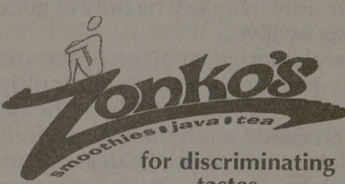
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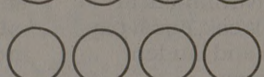
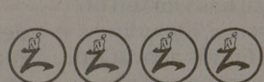
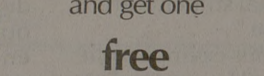


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