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The Aggies, who posted a

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ecord this weekend.

in the third quarter)," Franchione said. "Utah changed momentum with that opening drive ... hen the fumble. We turned the ball over three imes. That's really irritating to me.'

Leading 21-13, the Aggies showed some signs of life with their final touchdown drive in the ourth quarter. Running back Courtney Lewis cored on a 28-yard run and finished the game vith 100 yards on 16 carries.

From there it was all Warfield and the Utes. tah pieced together two more scoring drives, oming mostly on the legs of Warfield. A 45-yard ouchdown pass by Elliott with six seconds left set p the two-point conversion. The Ute offense was inally stopped when Buhl stuffed Elliott on the wo-point conversion.

"If I had any dark hair it's all gone, that's for ure now," Franchione said. "That was a hardought game.

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Defense

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the backfield throughout the game. "They couldn't stop us running the ball," said Utah coach Urban Meyer.

This version of the Aggie defense - not the Wrecking Crew because they haven't earned that distinction yet, according to A&M defensive coordinator Carl Torbush - is young and inexperienced, and it shows.

Depending on the severity of Morris' injury, the Aggies may be without their most experienced player in the middle when they travel to Blacksburg, Va. to take on No. 9 Virginia Tech on Sept. 18.

With the offensive manpower the Hokies boast, that could be drastic for the Aggies.

'What we need is experience," Franchione said. "The experience we have had not come through hard knocks - we have two wins. We just

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high .311 against the Racers. "The team got the wake-up call last night," said A&M coach Laurie Corbelli. "This was a huge match for us in terms of Texas A&M defeated Murray emotionally and mentally after State, 30-18, 30-22, 27-30, 30having such a 'flat perform-25, to take second place at the ance Michigan/Pepsi Challenge at

The Aggies led the entire first game and were up 19-16 when they took command as Lexy Beers served A&M to 10 unanswered points. The Aggies hit .433 and posted five blocks in the 30-18 win. Kendra Felder led A&M with

six kills in the game, one shy of her career high for kills in an entire match.

"We've never started a match as aggressively as we did today, and that set the tone for an aggressive atmosphere," Corbelli said. "That made the difference in the match."

Jones posted a match-high 15 kills for the Aggies, who improved to 5-1 for the season. Junior Melissa Munsch and sophomore Laura Jones both represented the Aggies on the all-tournament team.

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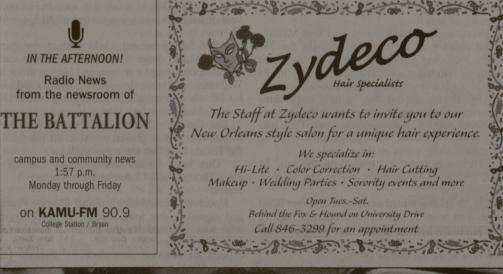
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