

# '68 Spring Game Officially Begins 'The Stallings Era'

By GARY SHERER

Tomorrow afternoon, at Kyle Field, Southwest Conference football fans will have an opportunity to see the official beginning of "The Stallings Era" at Texas A&M.

Saturday's 2 p.m. annual spring Maroon and White game will showcase how successful Coach Gene Stallings' first four years of recruiting have been. The two squads that take the field will be the result of the first cycle of Stallings' recruiting program that began back in 1965.

WHEN THE 1956 A&M grad took over the football-coaching reins at Aggieland, he said his purpose was to bring a winning football team to College Station. Last season, he did just that with a team that finished 6-4 for the season and added one more victory in the 1968 Cotton Bowl.

But, that team included many players that had been recruited the last year of Hank Foldberg's tenure. The upcoming '68 football season will feature for the first time a complete Stallings-recruited Aggie football team.

Stallings split this year's spring candidates up as evenly as possible and the game should be a close affair.

**OFFENSIVE COACH** Bud Moore's Maroon team will oppose Defensive Coach Dee Powell's White squad in the windup of this spring's football training program.

Powell's White team should utilize alot of passing with all-SWC quarterback Edd Hargett at the helm. Hargett will be throwing to wingback Barney Harris and his battery-mate in the 1967 Texas topper, Bob Long, at end.

The White offense will also include returning letterman Carl Gough at tackle. He will team with sophomore-to-be Mike Fields at the tackle slots. Fields, an outstanding member of Coach Jake Helms' Fish team last season, has been first team at one of the problem spots on the offensive line from the start of the workouts.

ANOTHER candidate, Rusty Stallings, who is being used as one of the first team guards (the other two open spots on the line) will also be in the White line. The rest of the upfront crew will be Waymond Lightfoot at center, Ronald Reagen at guard and Doug Valois at split end. Hargett's backfield mates will be first-year man Johnny Weaver at tailback and '67 let-

terman Javier Vela at fullback.

The White defense will be led by last season All-America linebacker Billy Hobbs, tackle Rolf Krueger and halfback Ross Brupbacher. Mike DiNero, another of last season's Fish team stand-outs, will be at end along with senior Jerry Campbell. Three lettermen, two soph-to-be and a red shirt make up the rest of Powell's defensive starters.

Leroy Hauerland at rover, Lynn Fister and Arthur Cooley in the secondary are the lettermen while the first-year men are linebacker Randy Maddox and tackle Dale

Watts. The '67 red shirt, is middle guard Ronald Cole.

MOORE'S Maroon team will feature the running of tailback Larry Stegent, 1967 SWC sophomore-of-the-year, and fullback Wendell Housley. Housley, a two-year letterman, may be hampered somewhat by an aggravated left knee.

Last season's second-string quarterback and record-setting place kicker Charlie Riggs will be the Maroon signal-caller. His pass-catchers will be wingback Jack Whitmore, and ends Tommy Buckman and Jimmy Adams.

The Maroon offensive line is anchored by last season center Jack Kovar. Other line starters

are Mike Caswell and Mark Thomas, tackles, and Gary Gruben and Jim Parker at guard.

ON THE defensive side, the Maroons will have a few more experienced hands. Harvey Aschenback at tackle, Lynn Odom at middle guard, Jimmy Piper, end, linebacker Buster Adami and rover Ivan Jones, along with safety Tommy Maxwell, make up that seasoned group.

They will line up with newcomers Roy Kirkpatrick, Al Hanson and Andy Tewell at tackle and linebacker. Letterman Gaddy Wells and red shirt John Turney will be in the defensive secondary.

The game shapes up as an even affair and a large crowd should be treated to an equally large amount of football thrills as (The Stallings Era) begins.

## Two Leaders At Colonial

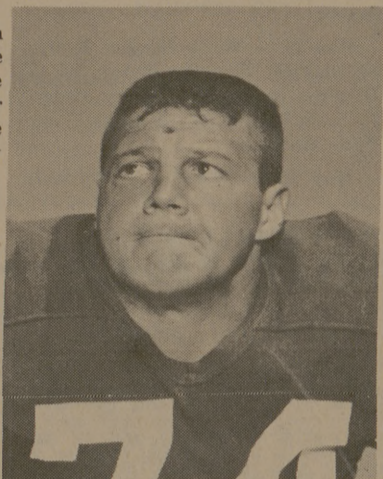
FORT WORTH (AP)—Billy Casper and Marty Fleckman cut two shots from Colonial's reluctant par 70 Thursday and seized the first round lead in the \$125,000 National Invitation Golf Tournament.

Casper, the current Los Angeles Open king, rolled in a 14-foot putt on the final hole for a 35-33-68 in his bid for a second Colonial crown.

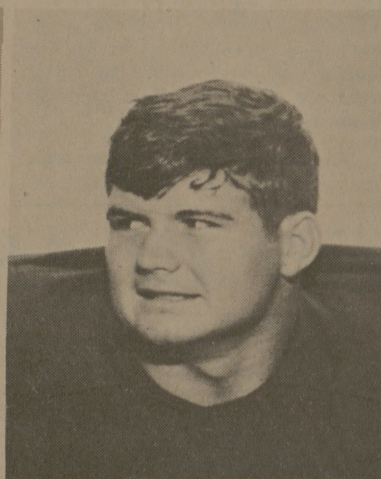
Fleckman, 24, whose only tour victory was the Cajun Classic last year, strung together a 34-34-68 and narrowly missed a long putt at 18 that would have given him the lead outright.

Casper started out in a light mist and wound up under overcast skies. The sun had broken through the clouds several hours later when Fleckman finished.

Fleckman and Casper held a one-shot lead over Earl Stewart Jr., Kel Nagle, Jack Montgomery and Tommy Aaron.



ROLF KRUEGER  
White team defender



HARVEY ASCHENBACK  
Maroon team defender

## 'Duffers Open' Set For Today

By JOHN PLATZER

Through the centuries the game of golf has had to overcome the scorn of kings, scorecard scandals and the present threat of artificial grass.

Only once before, however, has the game been put to a test like the one it will face today when 48 of the sport's best duffers tee-off at the A&M Golf Course in the second annual Gene Stallings News Media Golf Tournament.

If the tournament were a book, it probably would be titled "The Best of the Worst."

The public relations coup was initiated last year and the game has just begun to show signs of shaking off the after-effects. Whether or not the game has recovered enough to survive a second assault will be the main question Friday.

A car horn sounded at 12:30 to start the day's action. Inside word says that the car will be available for quick get-aways if needed.

The players have been divided into 12 foursomes for their own protection. Each of the foursomes is headed by a member of the A&M athletic department. A group will be at the tee box of each of the first nine holes with the first shots expected to be hit simultaneously. Each group will end their round at the green preceding the box they teed off from.

No shortcuts will be allowed. If a player's first shot should land on the green of his finishing hole (a likely possibility) he will not be able to call it a day, but will be required to play the holes in-between.

Stallings and assistant coach Ralph Smith will head up the

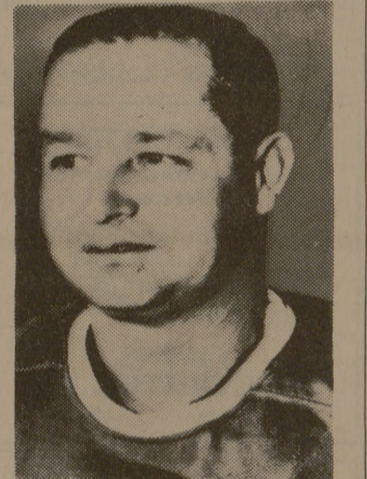
two foursomes that will start off on the number one tee. Playing with Stallings will be Dick Peebles of the Houston Chronicle, Steve Perkins of the Dallas Times-Herald and Dave "Texas Football" Campbell of the Waco News-Tribune.

Representing "The Battalion" in the tournament will be Sports Editor Gary Sherer who spends more time in the rough than a diamond. Sherer will be in Smith's foursome.

The foursome on the ninth tee will be headed by the Aggie Bugle, Spec "Easy Money" Gammon. Jack Gallagher of the Houston Post will be among those in the Gammon group. Gallagher, a real pathfinder, is known as the Daniel Boone of the golfing set.

Varsity football players will serve as caddies and scorekeepers during the tournament. This could provide a problem; for, after exploring the uncharted lands that they may have to, while hunting for balls, football may no longer hold a challenge for them.

The tournament's players, who are too busy turning out brilliant columns and championship football teams to perfect their golf game, are really not as bad as the above makes them seem. They just play that way.



**NAMED TOPS IN CUP PLAY**  
This is St. Louis Blues goalie Glenn Hall who was named the winner of the Conn Smythe trophy as the most valuable player in the National League's Stanley Cup playoffs. (AP Wire-photo)

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Announcement is due about June 1 concerning ticket procedures for the 1968 All-Star Game, to be played in the Astrodome on July 9.

Several of Houston's players have found May to be a most profitable page on the 1968 calendar.

Through Tuesday night's game, the top individuals:

**PITCHING**—Don Wilson, with a 2-0 record and a 0.52 earned run average for 17½ innings in May; Denny Lemaster, 2-0 and 1.33 for 27 May innings.

**BATTING**—Rusty Staub, with a .435 average and 11 RBIs; Jim Wynn, with a .386 average.

For the month, the pitching staff had allowed only 24 earned runs in 113 innings for a 1.91 staff ERA in May.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Job	Psalms	Proverbs	Colossians	Colossians	Thessalonians	James
12:7-16	36:5-12	12:5-12	4:17-25	4:2-6	2:1-8	3:6-18

Our 9A biology trip was a huge success. After we saw the museum's collection of rare lepidoptera, we went outside to collect specimens. Then we ate lunch, and took pictures. Here's one with me, on the left, laughing at Eddie. We were in a big discussion about whether or not butterflies can feel.

While our teacher exchanged notes with the curator, we sat around and talked. After butterflies, we started on missiles and rockets, and whether or not there's life on the stars. Somehow, don't ask me how, we got on the subject of God.

You know, I didn't realize how ignorant some kids are about Him! All of a sudden, I found out how good it is to have some ideas about where, what, and why, I am. A few of those kids were really way out in left field.

Now it's up to me to show them what they have been missing. I think I've talked them all into going to church with me Sunday.

**CALENDAR OF CHURCH SERVICES**

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service  
7:00 P.M.—Praying Service

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC**  
Sunday Masses—7:30, 9:00 and 11:00

**FAITH CHURCH OF CHRIST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
9:15 A.M.—Sunday School  
10:30 A.M.—Morning Worship  
7:30 P.M.—Evening Service

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY**  
9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Sunday Service  
11:00 A.M.—2 P.M.—Tues. Reading Rm.  
7:00-8:00 P.M.—Wed., Reading Room  
8:00 P.M.—Wed. Evening Worship

**COLLEGE HEIGHTS ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:30 P.M.—Young People's Service  
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship

**A&M CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
8:00 & 10:00 A.M. Worship  
9:00 A.M.—Bible Study  
5:15 P.M.—Young People's Class  
6:00 P.M.—Worship  
7:15 P.M.—Aggie Class  
9:30 A.M.—Tues. Ladies Bible Class  
7:15 P.M.—Wednesday - Bible Study

**FIRST BAPTIST**  
9:30 A.M.—Sunday School  
10:45 A.M. Morning Worship  
6:10 P.M.—Training Union  
7:20 P.M.—Evening Worship  
6:30 P.M.—Choir Practice & Teachers' meetings (Wednesday)  
7:30 P.M.—Midweek Services (Wed.)

**SECOND BAPTIST**  
710 Eisenhower  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Church Services  
6:30 P.M.—Training Union  
7:30 P.M.—Church Service

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
26th East and Coulter, Bryan  
8:30 A.M.—Priesthood meeting  
10:00 A.M.—Sunday School  
6:30 P.M.—Communion & Career Class  
5:30 & 6:00 P.M.—MYF Meetings

**UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
305 Old Highway 6, South  
10:00 A.M.—Church School  
8:00 A.M.—Adult Service

**OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN**  
8:30 & 10:45 A.M.—The Church at Worship  
9:30 A.M.—Bible Classes For All  
Holy Communion—1st Sun. Ea. Mo.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Homestead & Ennis  
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School  
10:50 A.M.—Morning Worship  
5:30 P.M.—Young People

**A&M PRESBYTERIAN**  
7-9 A.M.—Sun. Breakfast - Stn. Ctr.  
9:45 A.M.—Church School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:00 P.M.—Sun. Single Sex Fellowship  
7:15 P.M.—Wed. Student Fellowship  
6:45 A.M.—Fri. Communion Service  
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**CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
3205 Lakeview  
9:45 A.M.—Bible School  
10:45 A.M.—Morning Worship  
6:00 P.M.—Youth Hour  
7:00 P.M.—Evening Worship

**GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
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9:15 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship

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