

# A&M Consol Brands Furr For Second Straight Victory

By RICHARD CAMPBELL  
The A&M Consolidated Tigers, behind the classy running of senior tailback Mike Litterst and a stingy defense, branded the Houston Furr Brahmas, 7-0, Friday night for their second straight victory.

The Tigers scored late in the second quarter with Litterst going the final yard and Rob Schleider tacking on the extra point and left the rest of the work up to the defensive unit led by Leroy Clark.

After two unsuccessful drives which ended inside the Brahma 10-yard line, the Maroon finally got rolling when a Bull punt was partially blocked by Larry Terrell and the Tigers were in business on the Bull 20. Quarterback Paul Madeley hit Clark with a 12-yard pass to the eight and two plays later, Litterst barreled over from the one.

Clark led the tough defensive stand in the final four minutes as the Brahmas tried to even the score. Bull quarterback Gary Chance went to the air in the fourth period with 4:16 remaining and marched Furr to the Tiger 42 on long passes and an interference call. Two more pass-

es found their mark and the Brahmas were knocking at the door at the Tiger 25. But Clark swiped the next Chance pass and the drive fizzled on the Tiger seven. The Tigers controlled but had to punt and Clark boomed a 52-yarder and put the Brahmas in business again on their own 44.

Chance went to the air again but found the going rough and fumbled after picking up a key first down to give the Tigers the ball for the final time. In all, the Tigers ground out 320 total yards and garnered 13 first downs to 7 for the Brahmas.

Coach Jack Churchill expressed pleasure in the way the defense played, especially coming up with the big play time after time.

"I felt that the defense played a real fine game," Churchill said. "It was an outstanding team effort."

He cited the running of Litterst and the punting of Clark as the high points of the game. Also singled out for their play was the defensive secondary and the blocking of the offensive line.

On tap for the Tigers this Friday night will be their Homecoming Game with the LaGrange

Leopards. At this point the Leopards are still seeking their first win of the season after playing some of the stronger teams in the state.



RECEIVES GOLD MEDAL

Randy Matson, the Aggies' greatest trackster, is shown receiving the United States' first gold medal of the Mexico City Olympics. Matson threw the shot 67 feet 4 3/4 inches to win the event over teammate George Woods by better than a foot. (AP Wirephoto)

## Matson Calls His Victory 'Greatest Thrill Of My Life'

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Shot putter Randy Matson, America's first gold medalist at the Olympics, called his victory the biggest thrill of his career.

"It was a greater thrill than setting the world record," said Matson after leaving the podium. "Winning the Olympic gold medals is the greatest feat for an athlete because you are competing against the best."

Matson conditions were not ideal for the event.

"It wasn't the altitude," he

said, "but the long wait between throws."

Matson's winning toss was 67 feet, 4 3/4 inches—better than a foot farther than teammate George Woods of Los Angeles, who took the silver medal.

Matson said he has been drafted by Atlanta of the National Football League, Dallas in the American Basketball Association and Seattle in the National Basketball Association.

"I am going home and think about it," the 6-foot-6 1/2, 265-pound giant said.

## Injury-Riddled Ags Prep For Froggies

Patching up his injury-riddled team was the main concern of Texas A&M's Gene Stallings this week as he prepared the Aggies for their Saturday night date with TCU here.

Stallings' usual Tuesday press conference was cancelled because he had to fly to Lockhart, Tex., to attend the funeral of the mother of Dee Powell, A&M's defensive coach.

Stallings said he thought TCU was "another big, strong football team like the ones we've played—LSU, Florida State and Texas Tech."

The Aggie head coach said he thought Norman Bulaich and Ross Montgomery were two great running backs and that guard James Ray was an excellent player for TCU.

"To me, TCU looks better defensively than they have in the past," Stallings noted.

Concern over his own ball club took top priority this week, however, as some five players may be sidelined from injuries received in the loss to Texas Tech last Saturday.

Strong guard Carl Gough had to undergo knee surgery Sunday and is out for the year. Tailback Larry Stegent injured a shoulder and likely will be out a couple of weeks. Weak guard Gary Gruben re-hurt a foot; linebacker Bill Hobbs re-injured his back and defensive tackle Harvey Aschenbeck hurt a knee. It is high-

ly doubtful that any of the latter three will be able to play against TCU.

Rusty Stallings and Jim Parker are among the top candidates for the guard slots while Jimmy Sheffield likely will be the tailback; Dale Watts could fill in for Aschenbeck and Mike Caswell could take over Hobbs' linebacking chores. Others could move into the picture during this week's workouts.

Quarterback Edd Hargett and wingback Bob Long, both of whom suffered head injuries against Tech, were okay Tuesday and should be in good shape Saturday.

A crowd of about 32,000 is anticipated for the 7:30 p.m. kickoff Saturday at Kyle Field.

The Aggies enter the game fourth in the Southwest Conference in total defense and seventh in total offense while TCU is second in defense and sixth in offense.

A&M is averaging 305.3 yards a game while the Frogs are averaging 313 yards per contest. In the SWC defensive statistics TCU has allowed an average of 322.5 yards a game and the Aggies have given up 329.3 yards per contest.

The game will put the conference's two best punters on display in the Aggies' Steve O'Neal and TCU's Mike Hall. Both are averaging 42.6 per kick on 26 kicks thus far this season.

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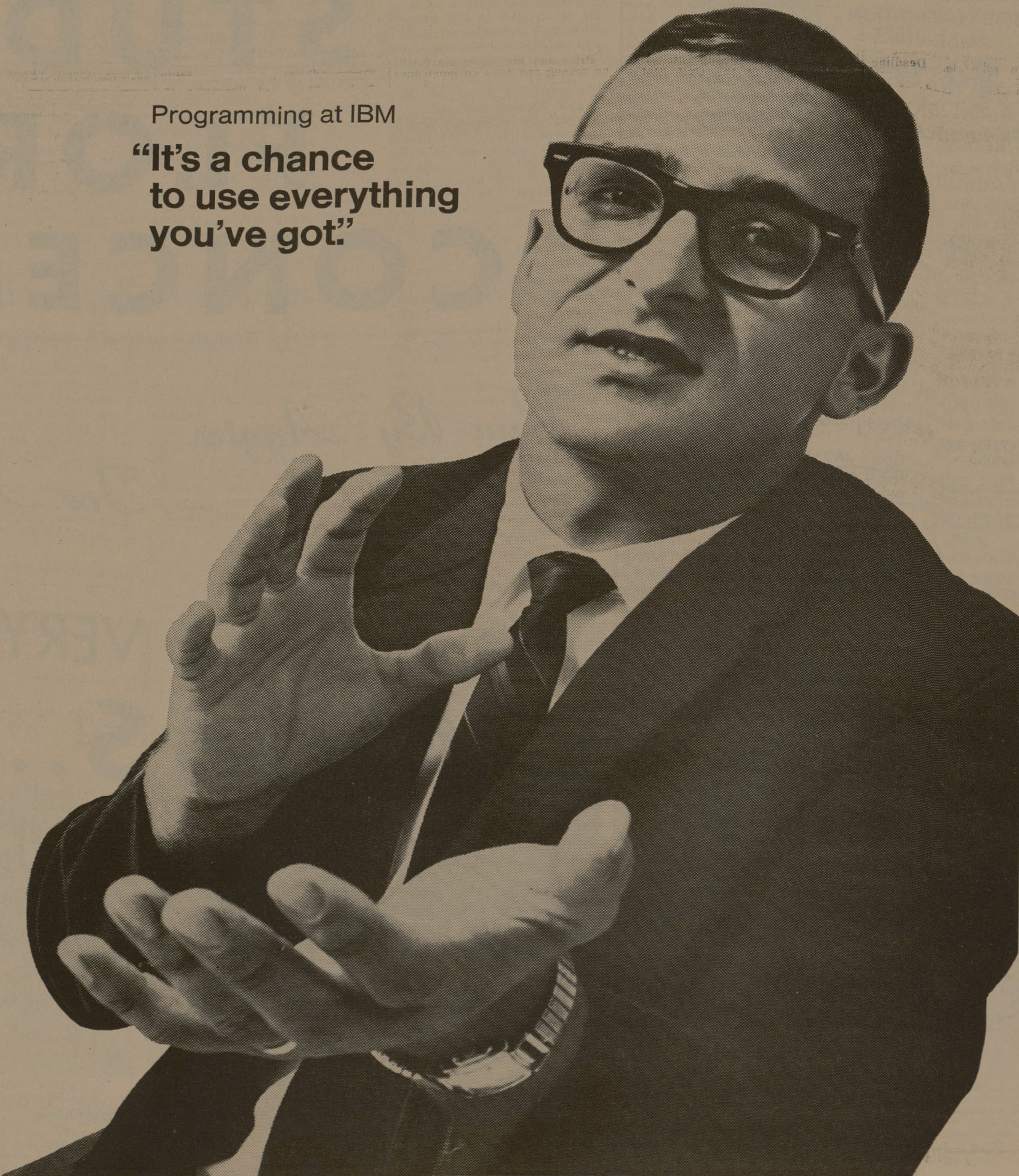
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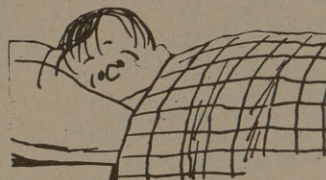
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