

**JONES FOILS FG TRY**

Ivan Jones (23) rushed in from his rover spot in the Aggie defense to bat down this field goal attempt by TCU in the second quarter of Saturday's game. Wayne Merritt (34) is shown kicking with Ted Fay (17) holding while Jim Piper (40) fights off a block by TCU's Marty Whelan (40). (Photo by W. R. Wright)

## Stallings Impressed By Baylor Offense

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Battalion Sports Editor

Texas A&M's defense will get one of its stiffest tests this weekend in Waco against the Baylor Bears, according to Aggie head coach Gene Stallings.

A win will be a must for the Aggies in the game, as it will in every game for the remainder of the season. A&M has a 1-1 Southwest Conference record and a 2-3 season mark while Baylor will enter the game with an 0-4 season record and an 0-1 SWC mark. No SWC team has ever won the SWC championship with two conference losses.

"They (Baylor) really block and do things well," Stallings said at Tuesday's press conference. "They get 10 starters back from last season and they have had a week to rest and get their injuries well."

"It's their first home game and it's their homecoming so you can see why I'm scared."

The Aggies enter the contest in sixth place in the SWC total offense statistics and in second in the total defense while the Bears are fourth in offense and last in defense. A&M has averaged 327 yards a game and has given up 337 yards per outing while Baylor has averaged 339.5 yards and has given up a 468.5 yard average.

"Baylor has the best offensive team this year that they've had since we've been at A&M," the SWC 1967 coach of the year said.

He added that Baylor has played four great teams this season, including Indiana, Michigan State, Louisiana State and Arkansas.

The Aggies will enter the game in slightly better physical condition than they were in for last week's 27-7 win over Texas Christian.

"Our injury situation is a little better than last week. Larry Stegent, Bob Long and Gary Gruben are question marks. Bill Hobbs is in better shape now than he was this time last week," the Aggie coach said.

Tailback Stegent and wingback Long are both bothered with shoulder injuries while Gruben, a guard, has a hurt foot. Hobbs, the Aggies' All-America line-backer, has been bothered by a bad back.

"We didn't make as many

costly mistakes, not as many silly penalties and our punt coverage was the best its been all season," Stallings evaluated the win over TCU.

## Stallings Gives Yeoman Reply To Criticism

In reply to statements made by University of Houston athletic director Harry Fouke and football coach Bill Yeoman before the Houston Touchdown Club Monday concerning a desire to play Texas A&M, athletic director and head football coach Gene Stallings said Tuesday that "right now I'm a lot more concerned about playing Baylor than I am about playing Houston."

Stallings then gave out the following statement at his Tuesday press conference:

"I'd like to say I don't think the Houston Touchdown Club nor newspapers are the places to schedule football games. Ordinarily this is done between athletic directors."

"Since they question Texas A&M about not playing Houston I can tell you why we haven't tried to schedule them."

"First, it is not a matter of hurting recruiting. The last time we played Houston we won. I don't think that necessarily helped our recruiting. So if they had won I don't think it would have necessarily hurt our recruiting."

"In the past we have not been abiding by the same recruiting rules Houston abides by."

"I am not implying in the least that they are violating any rules, but the Southwest Conference limits us to when we can sign a prospect, when we can visit one, what we can do and can't do in the fall and spring of the year and in the past in how many times we could see a boy."

"Until we recruit with the same rules for the same players, Texas A&M will not consider playing the University of Houston or any other schools in the state that do not abide by our same requirements."

"I would not even bother to mention all of this if it had not appeared in the newspapers."



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## Southern Cal Clings To First After Edging Washington, 14-7

Southern California still is No. 1 in the Associated Press' major college football poll, but might be a little gun-shy after the Ohio State Buckeyes hit the bullseye again.

The Trojans clung to a dissipating lead — now down to 16 points — over the runnerup Buckeyes after edging Washington 14-7 last weekend. Ohio State, meanwhile, continued its machine-gun scoring by slugging Northwestern 43-21.

Southern Cal chalked up 800 points, including 21 for first place, in the voting by sports writers and broadcasters. Ohio State built its 784 points on 15 first-place ballots plus strength in second and third-place votes.

Kansas nudged aside idle Penn State for third place after walloping Oklahoma State 49-14. The Jayhawks grabbed five first-place ballots and 660 points. Penn State was named first on one ballot and rolled up 580 points over-all for fourth place.

Notre Dame, with 442 points, climbed from sixth to fifth after burying Illinois 58-8; Tennessee moved from eighth to sixth with 418 after beating Alabama 10-9 and Purdue dropped from fifth to seventh after barely beating winless Wake Forest 28-27. Georgia rose from 10th to eighth

after thumping Vanderbilt 32-6. Miami of Florida topped Virginia Tech 13-8, and moved from 12th to ninth, and Syracuse filled out the Top Ten, moving up a notch although idle.

The top 20, with first-place votes, records and total points awarded for first 15 picks on basis of 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1:

1. Southern Cal.	21	5	0	800
2. Ohio State	15	4	0	784
3. Kansas	5	5	0	660
4. Penn State	1	4	0	580
5. Notre Dame	4	1	4	442
6. Tennessee	4	0	1	418
7. Purdue	4	1	4	410
8. Georgia	4	0	1	369
9. Miami, Fla.	4	1	1	194
10. Syracuse	3	1	1	160
11. California	4	1	1	116
12. Michigan	4	1	1	116
13. Texas	3	1	1	112
14. Missouri	4	1	1	103
15. Florida	4	1	1	73
16. Arkansas	4	1	1	63
17. Mississippi	4	1	1	60
18. Louisiana State	4	1	1	43
19. Texas Tech	3	0	2	36
20. Florida State	3	1	2	26

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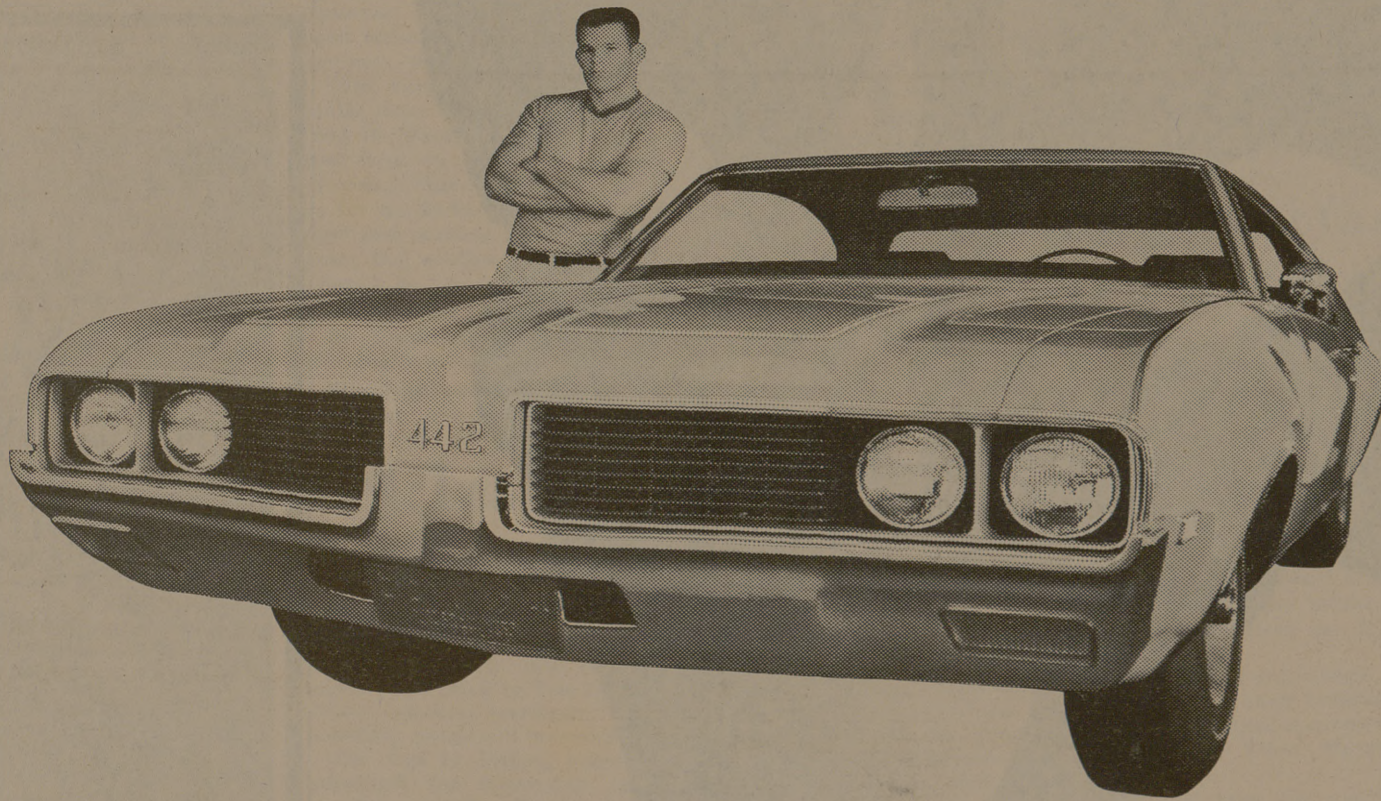
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