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Bonfire To Burn At 7:30 Tonight

Ags, TU To Wage '68 Turkey Pull

By JOHN PLATZER
Battalion Sports Editor
The Aggies start and end their "second season" Thursday afternoon in Austin's Memorial Stadium against arch-rival Texas University with the golden opportunity to knock Darrell Royal's legions all the way to New Orleans.

Coach Gene Stallings' gridders ended their "first season" with a 3-6 record but will attempt to erase the painful memories with a perfect 1-0 "second season" slate.

A win by A&M would give the undisputed Southwest Conference championship and a trip to the Cotton Bowl New Year's Day to

Alpha Phi Omega will run an exchange booth for the A&M-TU game tickets Wednesday, according to Vernon Bartle, APO ticket sales representative. The booth will be located in front of the Memorial Student Center post office. Bartle said the booth will open at 8 a.m. and stay open as long as there are tickets to be traded.

the Arkansas Razorbacks while dropping Texas into a second place tie with the Southern Methodist Mustangs. The best that TU can hope for is a tie with the Hogs should they get past the Aggies, but that would be good enough to insure them the Cotton Bowl trip.

A LOSS in the nationally-televised Turkey Day game would probably send the Longhorns (7-1-1) packing to New Orleans and the Sugar Bowl on New Year's Day against the Georgia Bulldogs (7-0-2).

The game between the defending Southwest Conference champions (Ags) and the SWC champion pretenders (Texas) could shape up as a duel between A&M's Edd Hargett, the greatest passer in SWC history, and the Horns' Chris Gilbert, the conference's all-time top rusher.

Talent will be everywhere in the contest as a total of 20 1968 Associated Press All-SWC players (11 from A&M and 9 from Texas) will participate. Aggies on the first team were Hargett, All-America linebacker Bill Hobbs, defensive end Mike DeNiro, defensive tackle Rolf Krueger and punter Steve O'Neal, while halfback Larry Stegent, middle guard Lynn Odum and rover Ivan Jones are second team selections and ends Barney Harris and Tommy Maxwell and center Jack Kovar are third team picks.

ANCHORING the Texas drive will be first teamers Deryl Comer, an end, halfback Gilbert, fullback Steve Worster and defensive tackles Loyd Wainscott and Leo Brooks. Other Longhorn standouts are second teamers Danny Abbott, a guard, Corby Robertson, a defensive end, Glen Halsell, a linebacker and Ronnie Ehrig, a defensive back. Texas had no players on the honorable mention squad.

Twice in the last three years the Aggies have surprised Texas with a trick play, Texas Special No. 1 in 1965 and Texas Special No. 2 in 1966, and each has resulted in a touchdown for Coach Stallings' forces. The Aggie coach said at Friday's press conference that his team was presently working on Texas Special No. 3 but that this year "Darrell might have one too."

STALLINGS says that "Texas has the finest running attack in college football" but that A&M will have a chance if they can succeed in two fields. First the Aggies must get possession of the ball and not allow Texas to drive the length of the field and second, A&M has to move the ball themselves once they get it, according to Stallings.

Hargett is rapidly closing in on the national collegiate record for number of passes in a row without an interception. The Marietta senior has tossed 171 while the record of 198 was set by Tulsa's Jerry Rhome.

"He is an outstanding quarterback. In fact, I think he is a great quarterback," Stallings says of the 6-0, 190 pound signal caller.

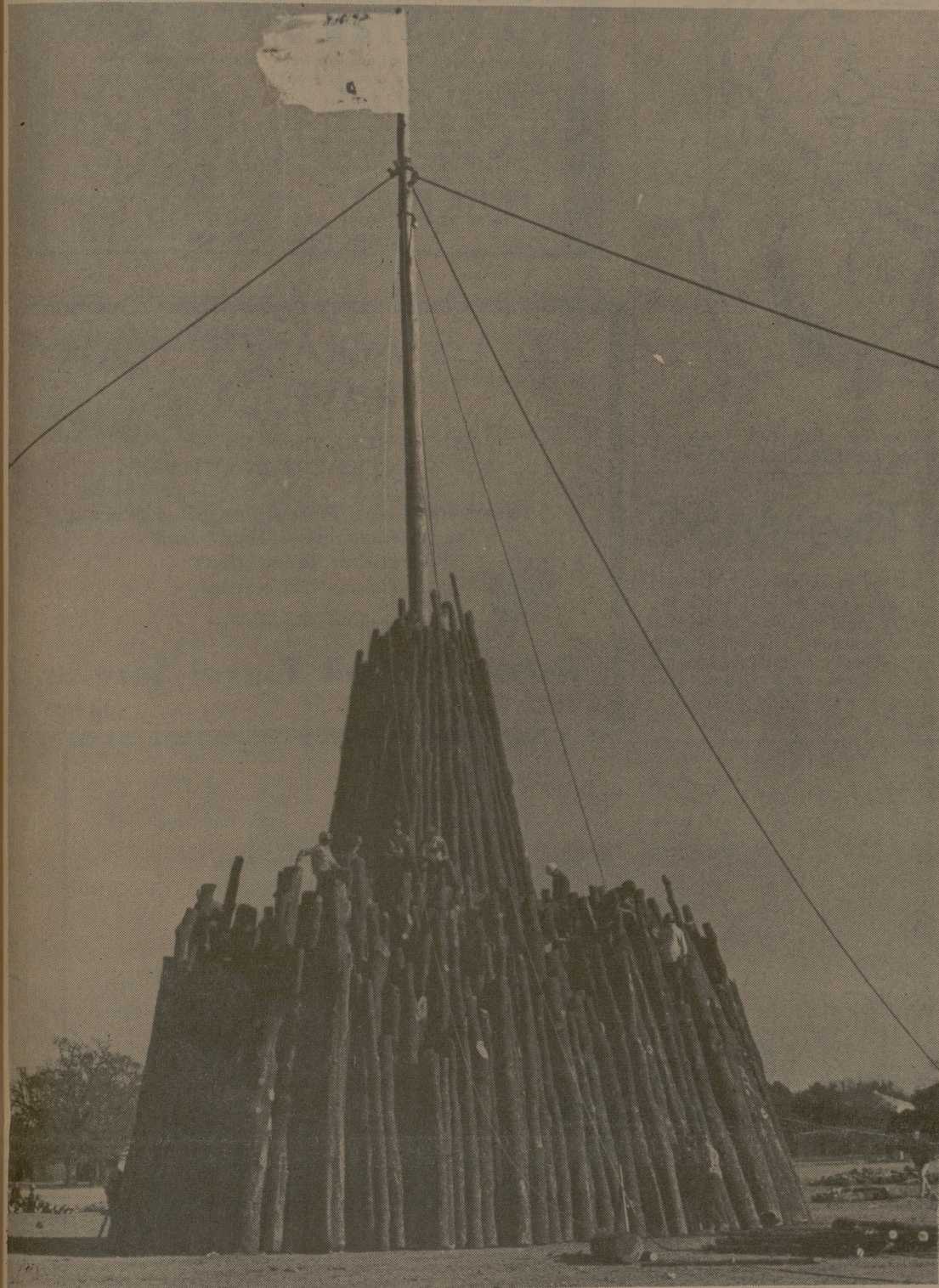
Someone once said that there are only two true rivalries in college football and one is the Army-Navy game while the other is A&M-Texas and this is not far from (wrong).

"Every game is a big one in college football there's not just one game but for all the rivalry games, I'll pick this one," Stallings said.

WEATHER

Wednesday—Cloudy, intermittent rain. Winds Southerly 10 to 15 mph. High 64, low 48. Thursday—Partly cloudy wind North 15 to 25 mph. High 55, low 38.

There will only be one Battalion this week. Drive carefully and have a happy Thanksgiving season.



SECOND STACK GOING UP

Work began Monday afternoon on the second level of the 1968 Bonfire. By the time lighting ceremonies begin at 7:30 tonight, a third stack is expected to be added. (Photo by Mike Wright)

Singing Cadets May Also Sub For Pageant Orchestra

The Singing Cadets may find themselves in a new role—that of an orchestra—Saturday on the nationally televised Miss Teenage America Pageant.

The A&M glee club of 60 students will have usual duties as in previous appearances on the CBS spectacular beamed out of Fort Worth. They also may have to sub for striking musicians.

THE MISS Teenage America Pageant will be carried by KBTX-TV of Bryan (channel 3) Saturday, from 9 to 10:30 p.m.

Cadets under the direction of Robert L. (Bob) Boone will escort the 59 contestants, participate in the pageantry and have a two-minute plus solo appearance on camera.

THE TEXAS producer of the show, Charles R. Meeker Jr., also has worked the 60-voice Singing Cadets into two production numbers.

"The Singing Cadets have become a regular traditional part of the Miss Teenage Pageant," Meeker said. "And we plan to

keep it that way, whether the show is done in Fort Worth, Dallas or anywhere else."

If the musicians' strike isn't settled or CBS and Teenage America Associates can't arrange for an orchestra, the cadets and pianist-accompanist Mrs. June Biering may be called on to substitute.

"THIS COULD send us into 24-hours-a-day rehearsals," estimated Boone, who has already been getting overtime practice from the organization.

As the "orchestra," the Singing Cadets would "sing-on" and "sing-off" pageant participants, provide fanfares and interlude music.

"It would mean 23 seconds of music here, 16 seconds there and 30 seconds in another spot, in addition to the present numbers we're scheduled to do," Boone added.

A MARIACHI routine in somber tones behind guest star Trini Lopez is one of the Singing Cadets' specials for the 90-minute

pageant.

As an orchestra, they would be required to furnish support for Trini's performance of a medley of his hits, including "Michael Row Your Boat Ashore" and "America."

Rehearsals at the Fort Worth convention center are scheduled Wednesday afternoon, all day Thursday and Friday and Saturday morning. Dress rehearsal will be Saturday afternoon.

IN ADDITION, the Cadets will give the 59 contestants a 45-minute concert Wednesday evening following Thanksgiving dinner at Arlington's Inn of the Six Flags, where the cadets and contestants will be staying. The Aggies will escort the girls to the coronation ball following the Saturday night pageant.

Boone said on-campus rehearsals have included lengthy sessions with Meeker and a choreographer and a local former college dance major, Mrs. Donna Dale Smith.

MEEKER, CBS producer Paul Levitan and director Vern Diamond have promised 10 TV sets will be placed in the convention and rehearsal Thursday afternoon will be worked around the cadets so they'll be able to watch the A&M-Texas football game.

The Singing Cadets added three former members to round out the organization to 60 voices. They are Ross Finley of Richardson, Steve Esmond of Odessa and Mark Satterwhite of Sinton.

Pageant hosts will be Dean Jones and Michelle Lee, co-stars of the latest Walt Disney movie. Among judges will be former Miss America Marilyn Van Derbur; Broadway columnist Earl Wilson; Greg Morris, co-star of the TV series "Mission Impossible," and Cybil Shepherd, current "model of the year."

Students Rejoining Corps Should Pre-Register Now

Texas A&M students wishing to re-enter the Corps of Cadets at the beginning of the spring semester should start pre-registration procedure now.

A number of inquiries have been received, noted Army Col. Jim H. McCoy, professor of military science, and Air Force Col. Vernon L. Head, professor of

aerospace studies.

"Cadets who had to drop out of the corps for various reasons should contact either Colonel Head or myself for information on how and when to apply for re-entering the corps," McCoy said.

"To facilitate pre-registration, this should be done immediately," he added.

Computerized pre-registration for the spring semester began Nov. 4 and will continue through Dec. 6.

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By DAVID MIDDLEBROOKE

The Bonfire, the annual symbol of each Aggie's burning desire to beat t.u. on Thanksgiving Day, will be lit at 7:30 p.m. tonight. A Yell Practice at 8:00 will follow the lighting.

Bob Segner, stacking area chief, said last night that stacking would continue through the night, and will cease sometime Tuesday afternoon.

"Things have been going very well," Segner said, "in both the stacking and cutting areas. The only problem is lack of trucks."

"We started out with 12, and we now have about seven or eight working. The Bonfire would have been bigger, but we don't have enough trucks."

"We also had to train more loading crews," Segner continued. "The original ones weren't enough to handle the number of logs we've had."

Bill Youngkin, head yell leader, said last week that 18 trucks would be needed this year.

Agies of all types, cadet, civilian, and coed, have been work-

ing this year. This is the first time coeds have worked on the Bonfire. They are working in the stacking area first aid tent, and are serving coffee and cookies supplied by the YMCA.

"They're doing a great job," Segner noted. "They've allowed some men that normally would have had to serve the food to work on the Bonfire itself."

"Civilians have done a good job also. They're giving us lots of cooperation. Many are coming from the cutting area when they're through and wanting to help on the stack."

Injuries are down this year, Segner commented. He said that no major injuries had been reported in the stacking area.

At the same time, Youngkin reported that there had been only minor injuries in the cutting area. "We did have one man cut his knee with a chain saw," he said, "but it wasn't too bad. He required eight stitches."

In the cutting area, work was going on early this morning. Just (See Bonfire, Page 3)

'Sea Aggies' Give Bonfire 'Norwegian Wood' Flavor

Never before have such pains been taken to burn one log.

But Texas Maritime Academy cadets maintain theirs isn't just any log.

The cadets bought the 40-foot pine for \$84 in Oslo, Norway, while on their summer cruise and toted it some 8,000 miles back across the Atlantic and Caribbean. Sole purpose: add it to the Bonfire here preceding the Thanksgiving Day football game with the University of Texas at Austin.

For awhile, it seemed the TMA students might have to conduct their own bonfire if the log was to be ignited this year. Getting it up to College Station proved to be a considerably tougher task than getting it across the ocean. For that jaunt, they had their own transportation, the "Texas Clipper," a converted ocean-liner.

Just when the prospects appeared dimmest, Atlas Truck Lines of Houston volunteered to haul the log to Aggieland, delivering it Saturday in plenty of time for the Tuesday night lighting.

The only way we could use it was to saw it up in two sections—using one end for a first stack log and the other for the second stack.

Grand Jury Here To Consider Charges Against SNCC Member

By TOM CURL
Battalion Staff Writer

Charges arising from the arrest of an organizer for the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) were scheduled to be considered by the Brazos County Grand Jury today.

Terry Lewis Ardrey, 20, of Austin, was arrested Oct. 31 in College Station and charged with carrying a prohibited weapon on

licensed premises. He was stopped by officers of the Sheriff's Department after he made a phone call at the U-Tote-Em store at 105 Walton Drive.

According to reports of the sheriff's office, two officers met the bus because of information from the Houston Police Department that "a colored male with a gun" was on a bus headed for College Station.

Ardrey told investigating officers he had come from Houston on a bus to make a speech to the Students for a Democratic Society. At the time of his arrest, he had a list of local people to contact.

Brian Foye, an A&M student and a member of the SDS, was on the list. He said Tuesday night that Ardrey had come to College Station to speak to the Afro-American Society, an off-campus organization.

"I was supposed to take him to the (Afro-American Society) meeting, but I wasn't home when he called. I talked to him later when he was at the sheriff's office," Foye said.

"He did not come here to speak to the SDS," Foye emphasized. Ardrey was held in the county jail overnight and left town after posting \$1,000 bond the next morning. Bond was posted by Harmon Bell and Elmer Grays, professional bail bondsmen.

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AFTER-BONFIRE TREAT

The Union Gap, featuring a general, sergeant, corporal and two privates, turns on Tuesday at G Rollie White Coliseum after the annual Bonfire yell practice. The Town Hall special attraction curtain will be at 8:45 p. m., noted chairman Louis Adams.