

Jake Helms Resigns; Stallings Hires Cowboy Coach

Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Gene Stallings announced today that J. W.

(Jake) Helms, assistant football coach at A&M, has resigned to enter private business.

Helms has accepted a position with Lifetime Security Life Insurance Co. of Denton.

Stallings also announced the hiring of John Paul Young, defensive coach at Oklahoma State, as an assistant who will work with the defensive unit.

Helms, a veteran high school coach in Texas, joined the A&M staff in August, 1965, as freshman coach. He joined the varsity staff in the fall of 1968.

"I'm very grateful to Coach Stallings for having given me

the chance to coach in major college ranks and work in the Southwest Conference," Helms said.

"It was a very difficult decision to make," Helms said, "because I have spent all of my adult life in coaching. But, the financial opportunity offered by the new job was such that I

couldn't afford to turn it down. I will still be in close association with coaches in Texas and this aspect of my new job was another reason for my making this decision."

"Young has an excellent knowledge of football and we feel he

will be a great asset to our staff," Stallings said.

Young, who was 30 last December 31, was born in Dallas but grew up in Abilene where he played guard-linebacker for the Abilene Eagles under Coach Chuck Moser. The Eagles won

49 straight games and three straight 4A state titles during his career. He also ran on the Eagles' 440-yard relay teams.

He played four seasons as guard-linebacker for University of Texas at El Paso where he made all-conference three years

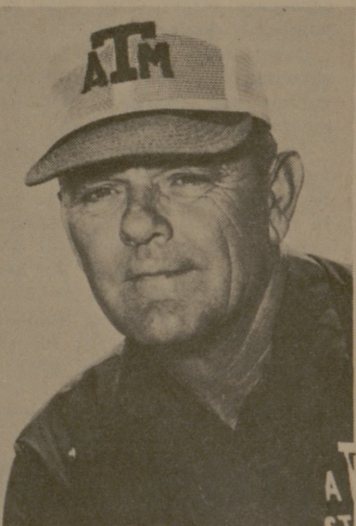
and was team captain his senior year.

He stayed on as a coach for the Miners for three seasons and then went to Jacksonville (Tenn.) High School for three years. He coached the linebackers at SMU two years before going to Oklahoma State.

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JAKE HELMS

Owls Change Mind Again

Rice University, which earlier decided not to enter Saturday's track meet at Kyle Field, reversed its field Wednesday and decided to join A&M and North Texas State in a triangular meet.

The addition of the speedy Owls gives the meet the three top teams from the Fort Worth Recreation Meet of two weeks ago. North Texas won that one with Rice finishing second and A&M third. However, A&M's Mills brothers—Curtis and Marvin—did not compete in that meet.

Starting time is still 2 p.m. on Kyle Field. The Texas Track Club, a women's team from Abilene, will run exhibition races during the meet.

Finest Schoolboy Player Signs With Red Raiders

BROWNWOOD, TEX. (AP) — Jimmy Carmichael of Brownwood—rated the finest schoolboy quarterback in the state—signed a pre-enrollment application with Texas Tech Wednesday, giving the Red Raiders a sweep of the No. 1 and No. 2 blue chip signal callers.

The Red Raiders previously had signed quarterback Joe Barnes of Big Lake, a 6-foot, 180-pounder who has blazing speed and can play halfback.

"I don't think there is any doubt about it," said new Tech coach Jim Carlen. "We've signed the best two quarterbacks in the state. It goes without saying we're elated to get Jimmy. He's an outstanding individual as well as a football player."

Carmichael, a 6-foot-1, 175-pounder, said "I had known almost all along that I was going to Tech. But I felt obligated to look around at some other places."

He visited Tech, Southern Methodist, Baylor and Rice. Carmichael was to have visited Texas A&M this weekend.

"I decided on Monday that I wanted to get this thing over with," Carmichael said.

Carmichael, who completed 132 of 235 passes for 2,308 yards and 28 touchdowns in leading Brownwood to the Class AAA State championship under coach Gordon Wood, said he was impressed with the spirit at Texas Tech.

He saw a basketball game at

Tech several weeks ago and said "I never saw spirit like that."

Carmichael's brother, C. E., graduated from Tech last spring.

The 18-year-old Carmichael had scholarship invitations from between 35 to 40 schools. He said he liked SMU the best-next to Tech.

Tech assistant Jim Ragland said the Carmichael signing "makes a good recruiting season into a great one. The other evening Jimmy told me he wanted

to come. I called Jim Carlen and you could see that smile over the telephone. Carlen just said "When? That's just great."

Carmichael was on the Super All-State Team and was on the All-American schoolboy squad of Scholastic Magazine. He's an excellent basketball player. He also can play a mean shortstop and pitch in baseball and is an excellent golfer. He signed only a pre-enrollment application so he can play golf this spring.

Aggie Baseballers Pray For Sunshine

The Texas Aggies, hit hard by rain so far this spring, will try to get in a three-game baseball series this weekend in San Antonio against St. Mary's and St. Edward's of Austin.

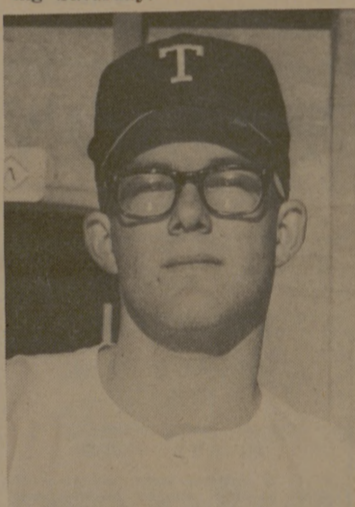
The Aggies will play St. Mary's a single game at 3 p.m. Friday. They'll play St. Mary's again at 1 p.m. Saturday and then will play St. Edward's immediately afterwards.

All of the action will be at V. J. Keefe Field, home of St. Mary's.

The two games with St. Mary's will be nine-inning contests and the game with St. Edward's will be a seven-inning contest.

The Aggies were rained out of a scheduled contest with St. Mary's in College Station Wednesday.

Coach Tom Chandler said that sophomore lefty Bruce Katt would probably start Friday's game with junior Doug Rau and righthander Dave Benesh working Saturday.



BRUCE KATT

Table Tennis Tourney Here

Table tennis highlights the campus action Friday with a double elimination tournament with three classes.

The tourney is open to all comers with a \$1 fee for Class A, 75c for Class B, and \$1.25 for both A&B. The starting time will be 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Assembly Room.

Trophies will be awarded and dark shirts must be worn. For information contact Frank Story, Dorm 17-104 or call 845-6593.

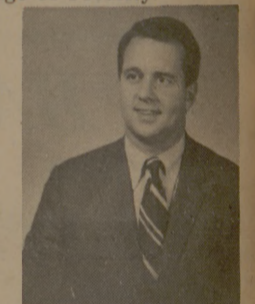


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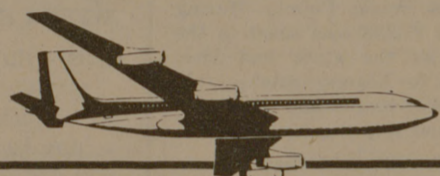
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