



DeWitt Weaver

Coach Weaver is in his eighth year as athletic director and head football coach at Tech. The Red Raiders mentor has compiled an overall mark of 39 wins, 32 losses and 4 ties. Tech's total victory mark over the seven season period has been exceeded by only one Southwest Conference School.

## Tech's Crystal Ball Holds Cloudy Picture

Lettermen—20 of 28 returning from 1957; 1 from '56, 1 from '54. Nine starters, 18 of top 22.

Captains—Qb Jerry Bell, capt.; hb Mack Pogue, alt. capt.

Prospects—Added experience should result in improvement over 1957, although strengthened schedule can partly offset effect on win-loss column. Line, especially at guards, weak in depth. Backfield experienced. Bearing heavily on outcome may be position switches, notably Bentley from fb to g. Turnbow from c to g, Dellinger from qb to hb, Amerson from qb to fb. Biggest losses are g Charlie Moore, East-West selection, e Pat Hartsfield, Blue-Gray choice, both graduating, and t Bobby Cline, low grades. All statistical leaders return in addition to leading rusher of 1956, fb Doug Duncan, out scholastically last year. To use split-T formation again. Squad includes: 17 srs, 12 jrs, 34 soph. Squad averages 202 pounds in the line, 176 in the backfield.

Men to Watch—e E. J. Holub, 225 soph.; e Jerry Selfridge, 210 jr.; hb Ronnie Rice, 175 jr.

Top Sophs—e E. J. Holub, 225; fb Glen Amerson, 180; t Robert Meyer, 200; g Dale Robinson, 200; e Jim Brock, 200.

Junior College Transfers—t Don Rose, Texarkana; g Max Brod, Wharton; g David Young, Victoria; g David McKinney, Arlington State. Other transfers—fb Dick

Stafford, from Midwestern, which discontinued football after his freshman year; qb Bob Witucki, attended Notre Dame his freshman year, practiced with ND frosh but did not participate. Both have established year's residence.

Lettermen Returning—Ends Gerald Seemann (2), Jerry Selfridge (1), Bobby Stafford (1). Tackles Jim Henderson (2), Phil Williams (3), Jerry Don Stockton (1), Guard Roger Nesbitt (1) (tr to tackle), Ed Strickland (1), Centers Jack Henry (2), Bill Turnbow (1) (tr to guard), Quarterbacks Jerry Bell (1), Floyd Dellinger (1) (tr to halfback), John Riddle (2), Halfbacks Jimmy Knox (1), Mickie Barron (1), John Roberts (1), Milton Vaughn (1), Ronnie Rice (1), Mack Pogue (1, from '54), Fullbacks Floyd Cole (1), Gene Bentley (2) (tr to guard), Doug Duncan (1, from '56), 22 with 29 letters.

Lettermen Lost—End Pat Hartsfield (4), Jimmie Allison (1), Tackle Bobby Cline (1), Guards Charlie Moore (3), Tim Stone (1), Homer Rosenbaum (1), Halfback Carlos Lerma (1), Fullback Charlie Dixon (3), 8 with 15 letters.

Coaching Changes—Bud Sherrrod went to Texas A&M as chief assistant to Jim Myers. J. T. King, former Texas A&M assistant, and Joe Kerbel, former Amarillo High School coach, joined Tech staff as assistants.

## A & M Sports In Brief

### Roddy Osborne Cut From Brown Roster

The Cleveland Browns dropped five players from the roster Monday including former Texas A&M star Roddy Osborne.

Osborne, all-Southwest Conference quarterback of the 1956 conference champions, was a rookie defensive halfback.

Milt Campbell, 1956 Olympic decathlon champion who played his collegiate ball at Indiana, also was dropped, and veteran halfback Billy Reynolds was traded to the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Reynolds, a fourth-year offensive back, was sent to Pittsburgh in return for tackle Willie McCung, a 6-foot-2, 260 pounder.

Other players cut from the squad were guards Charley Mitchell of Florida and Fred Robinson of Washington and linebacker Tom Louderback from San Jose State. Mitchell and Louderback were rookies.

Tri-captains of the 1958 Texas A&M varsity football team are veterans who own six "varsity" letters between them.

They are John Tracey, strong-side end from Philadelphia; Ken Beck, strongside tackle from Minden, La.; and Richard Gay, blocking back from Shreveport.

Tracey and Gay are married while Beck is single. Gay is an engineering student. Beck is taking business and Tracey is majoring in industrial technology.

Texas A&M and Texas Tech, opponents in the season opener Saturday at Dallas, have played at five different cities in the 16-game series which started in 1927.

The teams have clashed in Lubbock, Amarillo, College Station, San Antonio and Dallas. The Aggies hold the edge, 15 games to 3. Tech's victories came in 1946, 1948 and 1954.

Fans who follow the Texas Aggie football team this year will have new position names to learn with the advent of the single wing system by Coach Jim Myers.

Linemen are referred to as strongside end, tackle and guard, or weakside end, tackle and guard, and backs are called tailback, wingback, fullback and blocking back.

The line is balanced—three players on each side of the center—but some plays are run with the backs formed to the left and some to the right.

This is where the denotations "weakside" and "strongside" are derived from. A weakside lineman is one who is always on the side opposite the formation of the backfield and a strongside lineman is one on the side where the backfield is amassed.

The single wing may be new to many spectators of the 1958 Aggie team, but it's nothing new to A&M coaches. Every member of Coach Jim Myers' coaching staff has played the single wing.

Myers, Bud Sherrrod and John Michels played at Tennessee under Bob Neyland; Russ Faulkinberry and Bill Jones played at Vanderbilt under Red Sanders; Doug Bradley played at UCLA under Sanders; Willie Zapalac played at Texas A&M for Homer Norton and Elmer Smith played at Hendrix College in Arkansas.

A look into the past of the Aggie coaches reveals some other interesting facts.

Bud Sherrrod, top assistant, is a member of the all-time all-Tennessee football team. This select team includes other such grid greats as Beattie Feathers, Herman Hickman, Bob Suffridge, Bob Cafego, and Bowden Wyatt.

Sherrrod, Aggie end coach, and Feathers, Texas Tech assistant, will be rivals Saturday in Dallas when A&M and Tech open the 1958 season.

Bill Jones, Aggie freshman coach, is a brother of Ellis Jones, one-armed, all-American guard at the University of Tulsa in the early '40's. A native of San Angelo and Abilene, Bill migrated to Vanderbilt for his college ball after a tour of San Angelo Junior College.

Two Aggie assistants, Bud Sherrrod and John Michels, played for Tennessee in the Cotton Bowl against Texas. Sherrrod played in both the 1951 and 1953 games, the Vols splitting with Texas, and Michels played in the 1953 contest. Both were all-Americans.

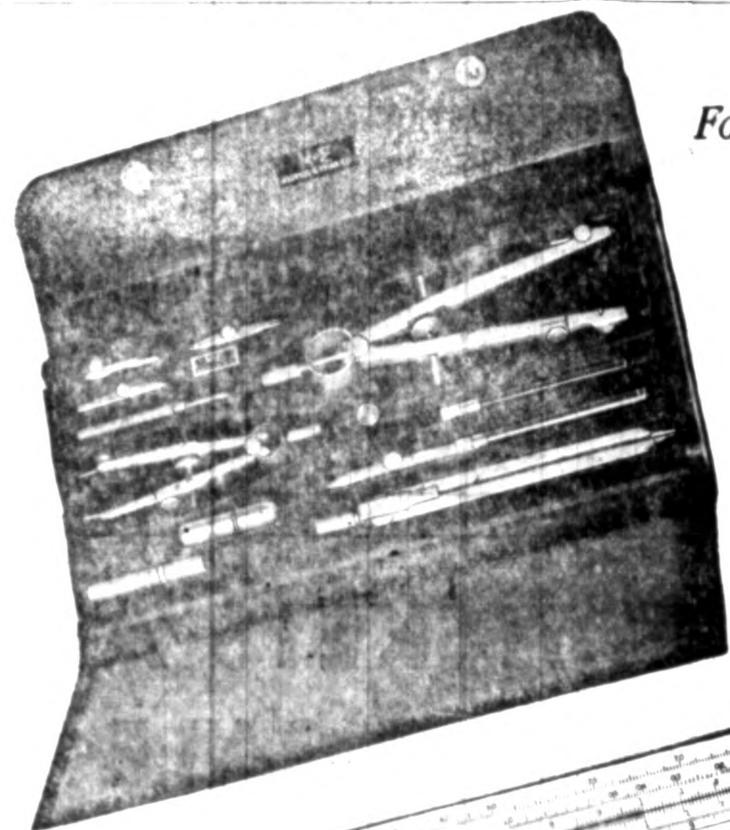
Another Aggie coaching aide, Willie Zapalac, played in two College All-Star games at Chicago and in two East-West Shrine games at San Francisco.

### A&M Prof Surveys Ethiopian Nutrition

Dr. Thomas M. Ferguson of the Department of Poultry Science, leaves Sept. 16 to take part in a three month's nutritional survey of Ethiopia.

Ferguson will be one of twelve scientists on the team to survey and analyze the nutritional needs of the Ethiopian people, both civilian and military. He is the only Texan in the group.

The survey is being sponsored by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the Department of Defense at the request of the Ethiopian government, said Ferguson.



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