



FROM THE

Sidelines

By JIM BUTLER

Pat Dial, business manager for the Athletic Department, reported Monday that ticket sales for the Baylor game Saturday afternoon are going about normal and the crowd is expected to be somewhere around 25,000.

We can't help but feel that these 25,000 are going to get their money's worth and another several thousand will be missing a good chance to see one of the better football games of the 1963 season.

Baylor has a 3-1 record and are undefeated in Southwest Conference play having beaten Arkansas and Texas Tech. The Baptists have perhaps the finest passer in college football and in SWC history—Don Trull.

Trull led the nation in pass completions last season with 125 and set a SWC record. Thus far this season he has thrown 114 times and hit on 70 for 893 yards.

Besides having a chance to see Trull in action, Bryan-College Station area fans will get to see a much-improved Aggie football squad against tough competition.

Trull was at the helm last year when A&M beat the Bears 6-3 in Waco.

If only the anticipated 25,000 fans see the game, A&M will have the lowest two-game attendance total in the conference—a distinction it doesn't deserve.

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Excerpts from A&M-TCU press box play-by-play:

"G. Thomas punt blocked and Ward picks up ball at about 20 and goes in for touchdown. Ward carried it in. Ward also blocked it. Ward is a hero."

"Meeks, takes bad pitch from Keller, loses 16. Fumble, stumble."

"Hargett goes at left end, tight-ropes sideline for gain of 31. Cool run by Hargett."

"Crutcher bops gut. Gains 1."

Spirit Up As Ford Preps For Baylor

William J. (Budgie) Ford, who shot to the front as an Aggie ball carrier two weeks ago, was stopped cold by TCU, but it hasn't dampened his spirit nor his optimism.

"Our line did a good job against TCU," says Budgie, a clear-eyed, intelligent youngster who gives credit where it belongs. "Of course, I think we've had good defensive play for the last two years and from the looks of things now, our offense is coming fast."

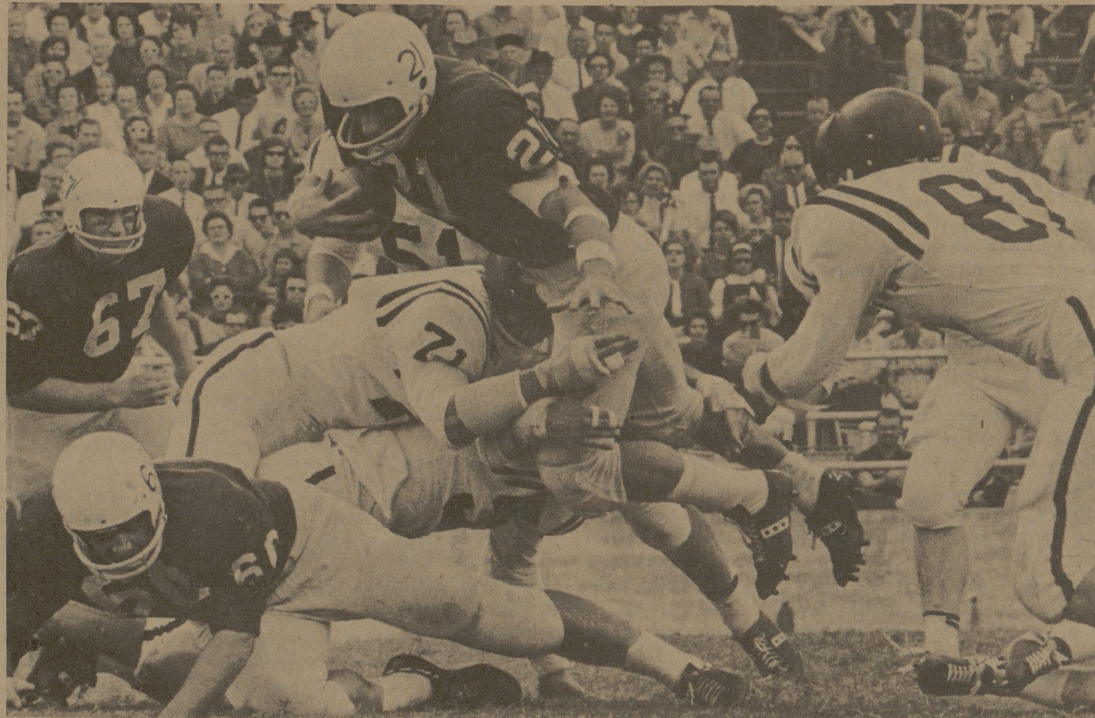
Budgie, a 6-foot, 178-pound junior, started his football under the direction of his dad, Bill Ford, who was high school coach at Taylor. He was all-state two years, all-America his senior year and named the outstanding back in the coaches all-star game. He also won state honors in track.

The added weight didn't slow

him against Houston two weeks ago when he gained 97 yards. "My blockers did the job," he says. "The line opened holes and fullback Jerry Rogers and halfback Tommy Meeks cleared my path a lot."

Budgie isn't included in the A&M brochure this year. He switched from pre-med to business as a major, came up with some grade-point deficiencies and had to go to summer school. He came through with flying colors, making an A and a B. "I still want to go to medical school someday," he says. "But, I'm not interested in pro football at all."

Ford, who is engaged in a hot battle with Travis Reagan for the No. 1 left half position, is the Aggies second-leading rusher this year with 104 yards on 24 runs, a 4.3-yard average.



Froggie Stacked Up

Jim Fauver (21), TCU halfback who did the most damage against A&M, is stopped for no gain by James Craig (71) and Joe Wellborn (55). Fauver led all rushers with 72 yards in 13 carries and chipped in with a 29-yard run during TCU's fourth quarter touchdown drive.

Blaik Predicts System Change To Two Platoon

NEW YORK — Col. Earl (Red) Blaik, long-time Army coach, predicts that colleges will return to two-platoon football in 1964.

Writing in the current issue of Look Magazine, Blaik declared: "When the rules committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association meets at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., next January, they will likely legislate for free substitution. This will open the way to two platoons and the caliber and tempo of play that the college game deserves."

Blaik noted that in the period between 1949 and 1952 when colleges played separate units for offense and defense, this two-platoon football "proved to be the most effective, most exciting and safest football in the history of the college game."

Blaik characterized the present substitution rule as "merely another in a series of complex, ineffectual, tedious compromises."

In his Look article, Blaik based his prediction about the return of the free-substitution rule to college football on three developments:

1. A growing conviction among the members of the rules committee that continued opposition to the free-substitution rule in the face of the strong wishes of 75 percent of the coaches would intensify discontent and antagonism, and almost certainly hurt the game.
2. The request of the Ivy League for a free-substitution rule . . . The about-face of the Ivy League will influence faculty people everywhere.
3. Increasing realization among coaches that they probably can help their chances of gaining free substitution with the approval of professors by also proposing safe-guards for current ceilings on player recruitment. One of the principal, and invalid, arguments of the anti-platoon group is that the two-platoon game requires more players, more recruiting, more coaches and inflated budgets.

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Of these six men from General Electric's X-Ray Department, Milwaukee, four have degrees in engineering, one majored in physics and math, and the sixth in economics. Not one was trained primarily in medical science—although, of course, their Department works closely with the medical profession. Nor did any of them anticipate, when in college, that their major subjects would be put to use in providing improved tools for diagnostic medicine. But they did recognize—as their record shows—that better-than-average performance could qualify them for challenging jobs with a forward-looking company like General Electric.

There are hundreds of such teams at General Electric today. Their make-up varies, and almost every field of specialization, technical and non-technical, is represented somewhere in the Company. The projects are just as varied: nose cones for missiles, desaliniza-

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The team (left to right): Jerry E. Rich, Georgetown College, Ky., '53; Robert J. Mueller, Marquette, '44; William A. Mayer, Univ. of Calif., '47; John P. Kelley, R.P.I., '47; William G. Waggoner, West Va. Univ., '33, Pratt Inst., '37; Arthur Pruneau, Univ. of Vermont, '52.

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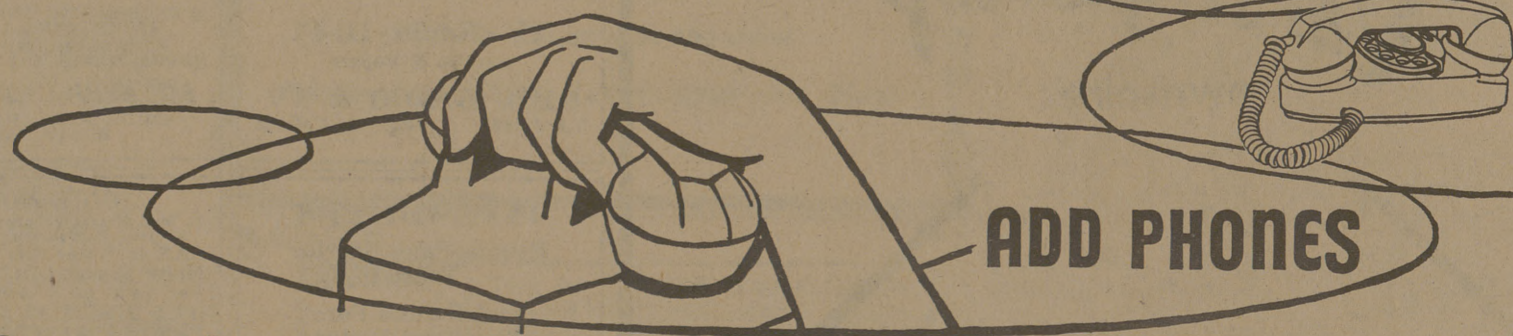
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