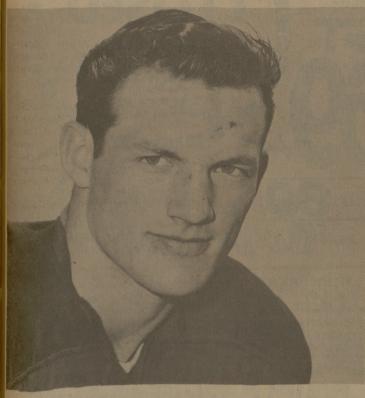
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# Sophs Key To A&M Grid Success







Texas A&M's football picture this year is the lack of experience.

Even though A&M will have 24 returning lettermen, there will be 53 sophomores listed on the 85-man rooster. Because of this, A&M will have a definite sophomorish tint this fall.

As many as seven or eight sophomores could start on A&M's defensive unit and a track sprint man, with no experience at A&M, could end up as the Aggie safety.

Sophomores who are top candidates for starting berths this fall are, far left bottom, Harvey Ashcenbeck, defensive tackle; Joe Wood, far left, rover; Tommy Maxwell, center, offensive end; and Curley Hallman, left, defen-

Because of the sophomorish tint, the A&M football picture could be fatal, especially early in



### Typical Collegian Problems Multiplied For Melcher

esn't know what a bank acount is and speaks only a smatering of English?

That's one of a wide specrum of problems faced by Forign Student Advisor Robert L. Melcher at Texas A&M. He assists more than 500 students from 55 countries with academic progess, housing, social life, finance

and religion. The firm but considerate tacks he takes with students from Afghanistan to Viet Nam were developed from eight years at the ob, and a military background ncluding counselor work at A&M. Melcher's responsibilities are expected to increase next month, with enrollment of 600 internaional students from 60 countries. The intense, energic Germanpeaking advisor developed A&M's foreign student program rom 175 in 1958 and credits

campus-wide cooperation for growth he terms 'phenomenal." "A&M has very attractive programs that appeal to men all over the world," Melcher said. "Quaity, variety and attendant costs are key factors. Through agriultural research in vegetable farming in the valley to wheat growing in Northwest Texas, goat ranching in West Texas to timper in the east, a boy can enter an area of agricultural interest any country in the world.

"We are limited in service to these students only by ingenuity

"Our program is as good in practice as any in the U.S.," the retired colonel added. "It's good because all elements of the university cooperate to make it an operating program, not one of lip

Quality is evidenced by letters Melcher gets.

A&M," one departed foreign student wrote. "I know he'll be well Agriculture was his, but Melcher taken care of."

'We take a firm attitude toward these students," the advisor remarked. Consideration of cultural and economic differences is given. A light study load may



marks competitive with U.S. students are expected, he added.

The 1932 A&M graduate, who added a masters in agricultural economics in 1936, became interested in youth work while in the 88th Infantry Division in World War II.

A civil service job with the "I'm sending my brother to Bureau of Agricultural Econo-&M," one departed foreign stu-mics in the U.S. Department of came to A&M as a counselor. He had charge of 1,800 freshmen as assistant commandant at the annex for three years, coordinated counselors on the main campus three more and became the foreign student advisor in 1958, drawing on experience from conducting the Fourth Army Military Intelligence School at Fort

Sam Houston. The LaGrange native couldn't speak English when he enrolled in the first grade.

Trips to symphony and theatre performances, museums, rodeos, rice farms, Houston Fat Stock Show and industrial tours are arranged by Melcher, who works closely with the Former Students Association, A&M mother clubs, Institute of Internation-Education in Houston, and A&M's People-to-People organiza-

"Most international students need help of one sort or another when they arrive," he said. "It's a fulfilling job.

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