

# Football coaching staff has talent and background

In addition to the actual coaching functions, numerous administrative duties are performed by the Athletic Council and athletic department personnel to make the entire program operate smoothly.

The Athletic Council, a group of faculty members, is in charge of the overall policy and approving proposals in all areas of athletics.

Dr. Charles H. Samson, head of A&M's Civil Engineering Department, is the chairman of the Athletic Council. The other members are Dr. O. D. Butler, head of the Animal Science Department, Dr. Lannes Hope, associate

dean of the College of Education, Dr. Earl D. Bennett, associate dean of the College of Business, and Harry L. Kidd, associate professor of English.

Bob Wright is the recruiting coordinator and director of public relations for the athletic department. He has served as Assistant Executive Vice President of the Texas High School Coaches Association. Prior to that, he had logged 19 years in Texas high school and college coaching.

Max Bumgardner is beginning his first full school year as academic counselor, having joined the department in January. "Coach Bum" is in charge of the aca-

ademic aspect of the athletes' lives and works extensively with the faculty in acquainting them with the athletic program. He served 21 years as a coach in Denison and San Angelo.

Marvin Tate is in his seventh year as A&M's associate athletic director. A 1955 graduate of A&M, Tate is in charge of many of the details and duties which Emory Bellard's head coaching job prevent him from doing as athletic director.

Wally Groff, also an A&M graduate, is in his sixth year as business manager of the athletic department. In this capacity, he is responsible for all phases of fi-

ancial matters connected with the athletic department, including purchasing, payroll, budget and ticket sales.

Billy Pickard, who graduated from A&M in 1956, has served the athletic department for more than a quarter of his lifetime. As a student, Pickard assisted Charles E. (Smokey) Harper as trainer, and he has been the full-time athletic trainer since 1965. This year, his duties have been doubled, since he will be the athletic equipment manager also. This doubling of roles is the result of the retirement of his longtime friend and associate, S. M. (Monk) Meeks August 31.

Jim Hutchinson joined the athletic department in March as athletic facilities supervisor. This puts him in charge of all outside equipment, with Pickard handling the inside duties. He has worked for the Health and Physical Education Department at A&M since 1968.

Emil Mamaliga, one of the top men in his field in the United States, supervises the weight training for all A&M athletes. He also officiates in various sports and is a faculty member of the Health and Physical Education Department.

Elmer Smith, who has been on the football coaching staff for 18 years, will serve as a special consultant to the athletic department this fall awaiting his official retirement December 31. Smith has had extensive experience in the coaching field, and he is a member of the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame.

Publicity is the job of Spec Gammon and his assistant, Jim Butler. Gammon is in his tenth year as sports information director, while Butler starts his fourth year with the athletic department. The pair of veteran newsmen is responsible for press box operations in all sports, press conference, statistics, news releases, brochures and any other duties to aid sports writers in covering A&M athletics.



Billy Pickard

## Ags in the pros

Leonard Forey, David Hoot, Lee Hitt, Mitch Robertson and Englert are the newest additions to an outstanding group of A&M athletes now competing in professional athletics.

Forey is an offensive lineman with the Cleveland Browns, Hoot a safety for the Houston Oilers, Robertson is trying to earn a punter for the New England Patriots, and Lee Hitt is a cornerback for the Green Bay Packers.

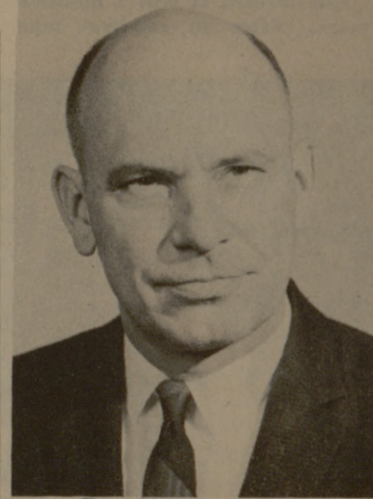
This foursome brings to 17 the number of Aggies in the National Football League.

Englert, who was named to the second team All-America baseball unit as a centerfielder last spring, is in the San Francisco Giants organization. He currently is playing for a minor league team in Decatur, Illinois.

Other A&M pro football players include Charlie and Tom Krueger, San Francisco 49ers; Lee Roy Caffey and Mike Clark, Dallas Cowboys; Dave Elmendorf, Los Angeles Rams; Larry Stegert, St. Louis Cardinals; Ross Brupbacher, Chicago Bears; Edd Hargett, New Orleans Saints; Bill Hobbs, New England Patriots; Steve O'Neal, New York Jets; Tommy Maxwell, Oakland Raiders; Mo Moorman, Kansas City Chiefs; Grady Allen, Atlanta Falcons, and Jack Pardee, Washington Redskins. In addition, Billy Bob Barnett, former basketball and football star for A&M, is playing in the Canadian Football League. Barnett played one year for the Chicago Bears.

The only Aggie playing in major league baseball is Dave Johnson of the Baltimore Orioles, although A&M can boast of several minor league players. Billy Hodge is in the San Diego Padres organization. Doug Rau and Bob Long are playing for farm teams of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Cliff Davis is with a Houston Astros farm club, and Tom Camili is playing for a Cleveland Indians minor league team.

In golf, A&M graduates Bobby Nichols and Ralph Johnston are on the professional tour. Billy Martindale, the golf coach at Southern Methodist University, is a former touring pro and an Aggie grad.



Dr. Charles Samson



Jim Hutchinson

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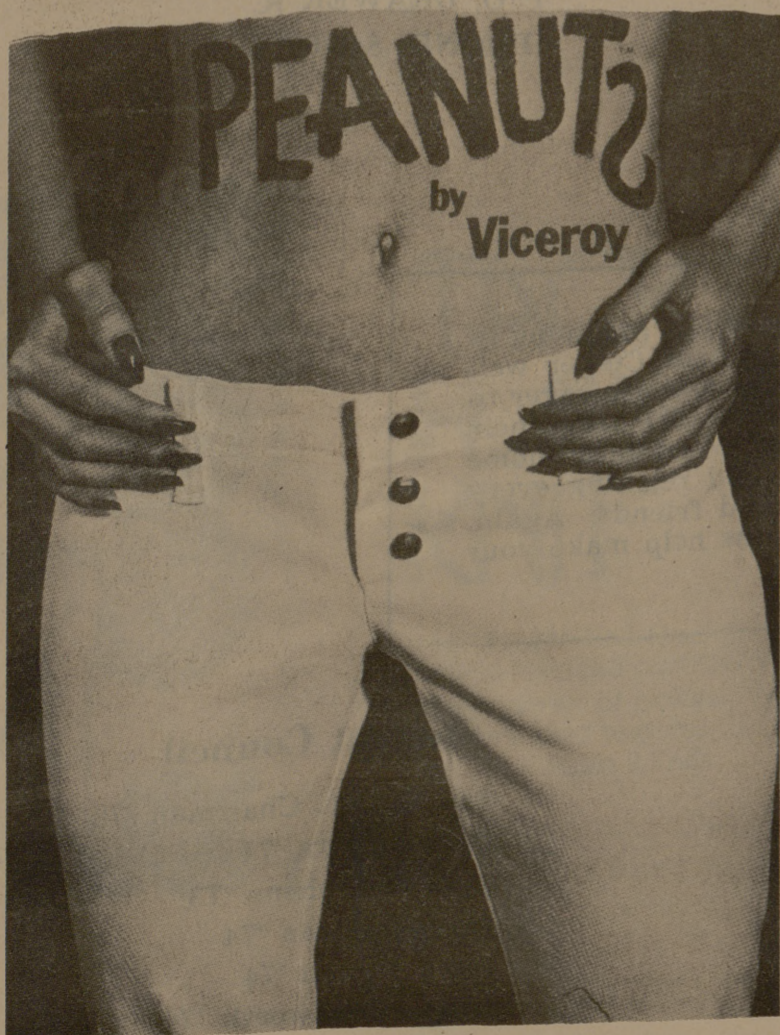
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