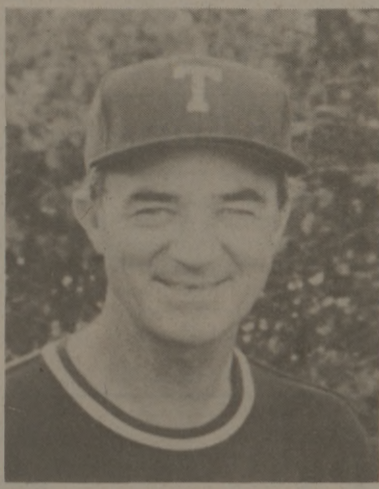


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# Chandler named to coach U.S. team

By DERRICK GRUBBS  
Tom Chandler, head baseball coach at Texas A&M University, has been named to head the coaching staff of the United States national team competing in the 25th World Amateur Baseball Championship Tournament in Italy later this summer.



Tom Chandler

Chandler, a member of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame, is from the Southwest and has just completed his 20th season at the helm. In 1978, he guided TAMU to its second straight Northwest Conference Championship and its 18th consecutive winning season, finishing 19-5 in C play and 39-16 overall.

This is my first experience at coaching on the international level," said Chandler. "I'm certainly looking forward to the World Tournament games and coaching some of the top college players in America. The competition will be tremendous. Cuba and Japan should have outstanding teams. Puerto Rico, Nicaragua and Venezuela have played good baseball for years and I understand Italy and Holland have improved their programs tremendously in the past few years.

"The future is bright for amateur baseball at the international level," Chandler added.

# Campbell, Still debut tonight

United Press International  
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The two top players selected in the 1978 college draft — Earl Campbell and Art Still — make their professional debuts tonight in a rookie exhibition game between the Houston Oilers and the Kansas City Chiefs.

Campbell, the 1977 Heisman Trophy recipient from Texas, was the No. 1 player taken in the draft by the Oilers while Still, an All-America defensive end at Kentucky, was the second player chosen by the Chiefs.

Campbell led the nation in rushing and scoring last season with 1,744 yards and 114 points. The cat-quick fullback averaged 6.5 yards per carry and scored 18 of his 19 touchdowns on the ground. He will be co-featured in the Houston backfield along with Brigham Young quarterback Gifford Nielson.

Still was the first defensive lineman drafted in the opening round by the Chiefs since Buck Buchanan in 1963. He will anchor a rookie defense that could produce as many as five starters for Kansas City by the season opener in Cincinnati Sept. 3. Others on the Kansas City defense who stand excellent chances of stepping into starting berths are defensive end Sylvester Hicks, noseguard Dwight Carey and

linebackers Gary Spani and Danny Johnson.

"It will be a big challenge, both personally and for the team," said Still. "But remember, it's not one individual that wins a game. It takes all 11 players. You can't depend on one man. If you start keying on one, you lose sight of the other running back and you're in trouble."

Kansas City will split its quarterbacking duties between second year man Mark Vitali and veteran free-agent Dennis Shaw. The Chiefs had originally planned to use fourth round draft pick Pete Woods but he injured a knee during an intramural softball game at Missouri last spring and has been held out of contact at the Kansas City training camp.

# Rookies hold final workout

United Press International  
SAN ANGELO — The Houston Oilers Monday had a light workout in advance of their "Grocery Bowl" rookie game appearance against the Chiefs tonight in Kansas City.

"We thought it would work out real well if we could get together since we're only an hour away by air," said spokesman Bob Hyde.

# Czechoslovakian coach on campus

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in Mexico, sometimes 15,000 to 20,000 people would attend a game. It is a small game though and sometimes quite difficult for many people to watch.

"I guess it really has to be limited to a small group of spectators," he continued. "At least the very large groups of people that attend soccer matches and your football games would have a very hard time seeing a volleyball match."

Though volleyball may have its spectator drawbacks, the game isn't limited in world popularity. The sport claims 70,000 players in Czechoslovakia.

"Volleyball is a traditional sport in my country," Ejem observed.

"Czechoslovakia was the second country in the world to join the IVBF when they signed in 1921.

"But to us in middle Europe, the game is played mainly for fun," he

mused. "It's a leisure time activity played by both men and women."

The fact that the sport can be played by men or women, on separate or mixed teams, is one of the reasons it's gaining in popularity, he said.

"It's a very social game in Europe. Sometimes we play it out-

doors by the water and go swimming afterwards. It's really a lot of fun.

"Volleyball is still the first sport that women in Europe are introduced to in school," Ejem continued. "You just don't find many women soccer players."

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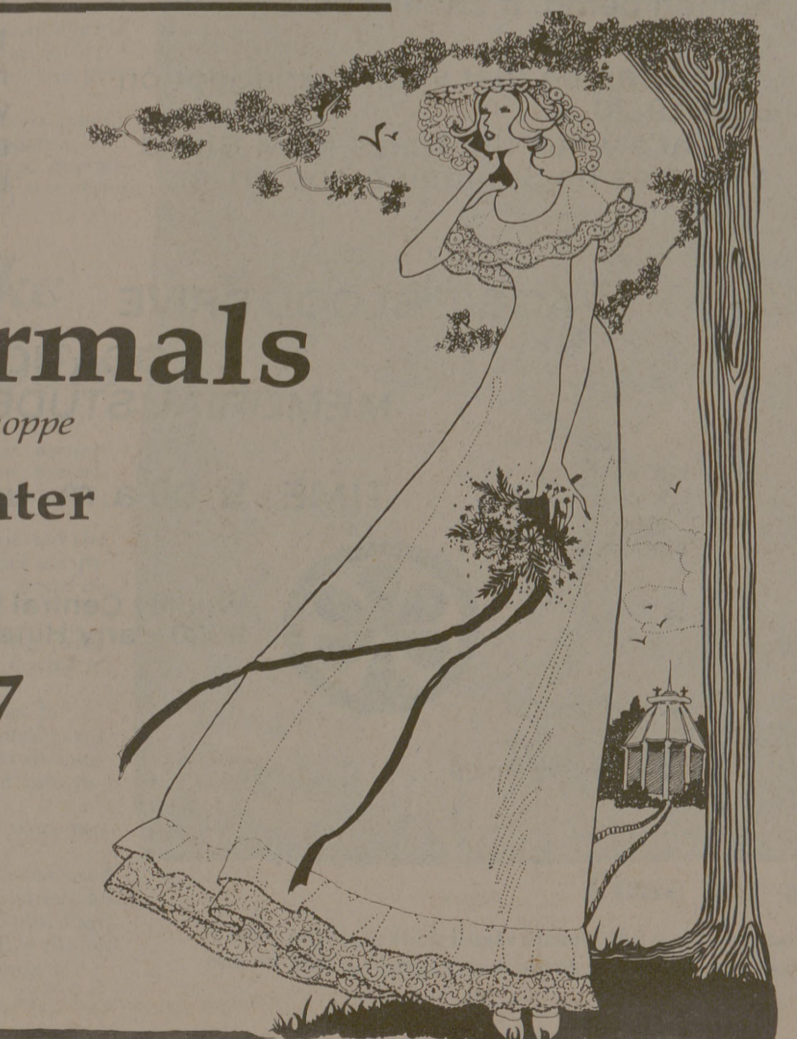
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