

Cincinnati squeezes out 17-0 victory over helpless Aggie

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The old football adage that the best offense is a good defense

was disproved Saturday night in Kyle Field when the Aggies lost to Cincinnati, 17-0.
The A&M defense held the powerful Bearcat ground game to eight first downs and 177 yards and no touchdowns, as opposed to the 247 they ran for each game a year ago. Passing, they completed three for 27 yards.
Yet, the Aggie offense could muster but a little more, in addition to numerous mistakes that gave the visitors good field position.
The bad bounces and dreaded breaks were prevalent throughout, starting in the first quarter

when Mitch Robertson was back to punt. The pass from center bounced to him, and he was tackled at the A&M 13. The defense held, though, and a penalty left Cincy with fourth and 35 from the 38 after six plays.

Grady Hoermann broke through to partially block the punt, but the ball still rolled to the Aggie 11. Three plays later, Mark Green fumbled, and the Bearcats were at the 17. The defense held, forcing the 22 yard field goal by Mike Schmitt.

Early in the second quarter, Cincinnati was forced to punt, and Hugh McElroy took it on the 22. He ran to the right sideline behind the blocking wall, cut back while breaking tackles, and went into the endzone. A clipping penalty moved the ball back to the Aggie 28.

Cincy settled for a 36 yard Schmitt field goal nine plays after a Robertson punt died on the A&M 48, and it was 6-0 with 7:56 to play in the half. At this point, Coach Gene Stallings chose to use Tim Trimmier at quarterback, but he was no more successful than his classmate. On his second series of downs, he threw an interception on first down, but no apparent damage was done, since the defense rose to the occasion.

However, Trimmier started to move the team with a 13 yard run by Marc Black, a 16 yard aerial to McElroy and a nine yard run by Black again. They were faced with fourth and 12 on their own



THE AGGIE DEFENSE closes in on Cincinnati quarterback Albert Johnson (11), the leading running quarterback in the nation last year. Grady Hoermann (31), Van

Odom (66), and Bill Wiebold (61) were part of the Aggie crew that stifled the Bearcat offense in the 17-0 game at Kyle Field Saturday night. (Photo by Mike Rice)

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Royal praises OU, bemoans injuries

By JACK KEEVER
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AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Coach Darrell Royal, dejected over the loss of Texas' top pass receiver and one of its best runners, said Monday upcoming Oklahoma is as good as any college team in the nation.
"It's the best Oklahoma team since I've been coaching here at Texas," said Royal, who started coaching the Longhorns in 1957. "I sincerely believe they are the equal of anybody in the nation."
Royal told his regular weekly news conference he was sure quarterback Eddie Phillips, who has not played much since the opener against UCLA, and swift

receiver Jim Moore will miss the Sooner game.
Phillips, ailing with a pulled leg muscle for over a month, hurt it again in Texas' 35-7 victory over Oregon last Saturday, and Moore injured his knee. Royal said Phillips' leg was "more sore and more painful" than at any time this season.
He said he would be "tickled to death" if Phillips or Moore are in good enough shape to play against Arkansas Oct. 16. He said he did not know if Phillips' pulled muscle would keep him out a week or six weeks.
Senior Donnie Wigginton will replace Phillips again at quarterback, and Pat Kelly, a sopho-

more, will fill in for Moore, the fastest player on the squad with 4.4-second speed for 40 yards.
On defense, safety Tommy Landry has a sore shoulder and linebacker Glenn Gaspard has a stiff wrist, Royal said.
Defensive ends Stan Mauldin and David Arledge will not play against Oklahoma either because of injuries.
Royal mentioned the 516 yards Oklahoma gained rushing against tough Southern California last Saturday and said, "I hope we can keep them under 500."
Texas and Oklahoma have 3-0 records.
"They have an excellent operator in quarterback Jack Mildren and unbelievable speed in their two halfbacks" — Joe Wylie and Greg Pruitt, Royal said.
Where are they getting their yardage, Royal was asked.
"Wide," he replied. "They turn 5 into 25 yards just like that," and he snapped his fingers.
Royal described Oklahoma's defense as "quick, aggressive, strong." Defensive end Raymond Hamilton, 6 feet 1 inch and 237 pounds, "is phenomenal," Royal said.
"There is not a phase of the

game Oklahoma has not played well," Royal said. "They've got talent, they are confident, they've got it going for them... like high water over level ground... or maybe downhill ground."

A&M	Statistics	Cincinnati
13	First Downs	13
109	Yards Rushing	247
110	Yards Passing	0
8-25-2	Passes	3-27-0
3	Fumbles Lost	0
34	Return Yardage	0
8-31-6	Punts, Average	0
2-20	Penalties	0

Open handball tournament scheduled as fall intramurals are half over

A university handball champion will be determined this year, the intramural department announced Monday.
The intramural department will hold an open handball tournament starting November 1. The tournament will be open to faculty, staff, and students.
Winners of the tournament will be able to compete with A&M's handball club. The overall university champion will represent Texas A&M at the National Intercollegiate Tournament to be held in the spring.
Entry blank forms will be on the bulletin board in DeWare Fieldhouse from October 15 through October 28.
Fall intramurals at A&M are nearing the halfway mark in most sports and several leagues

have leaders at this time. Several leagues play four-game schedules.
In class A football, several teams lead their leagues with records: A-1, Squadron 2, Squadron 10, C-2, Squadron 8, L-1, and I-2. In Class C football, Keathley is leading league A with a 3-0 record and McInnis, Wain, and Moses lead their leagues with 2-0 records.
Class D football shows P. Delts leading with a 2-0 record and Travis House, Dorm 10 and the Outliers lead Class X with 2-0 records.
Continuing play are the women's basketball and volleyball leagues. And an open racketball tournament which begins October 15 is in the immediate planning of the intramural office.

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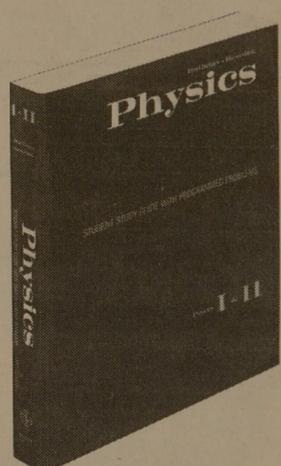
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