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Ags lead SWC defense ociated Press

DALLAS — Guess who is leading the Southwest Conference in defense and to make it easy you get to make two telephone calls - to the University of Mississippi and Louisiana State.

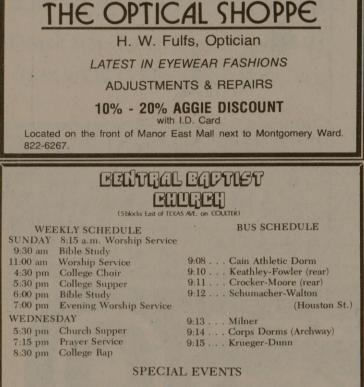
The Texas Aggies have allowed only 196 yards in two games. It breaks down to about a yard ever time an opponent runs a play.

per game against the rush.

The total offense leader is Arkansas which has averaged 427 yards per contest.

Sophomore fullback Earl Campbell of Texas is the rushing leader with an average of 150 yards per game while Lee Cook of Texas Christian has the passing leadership with 211 yards.

Arkansas' Jerry Eckwood has the tandem offense of rushing and re-A&M has permitted but 45 yards ceiving with an average of 145 vards.



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Be gone all ye non-believers. Get back to the pits from whence ye came ye breathers of uncertainty and scolders of King Emory. Your words now fade into a horselaugh because the Aggies are for real.

Texas A&M proved to the world last Saturday night that there was more than just a defense on the Aggie roster. The monstrous form of an offense unchained emerged from beneath the bayou and swallowed whole the LSU Tiger.

The stars were many, but the limelight should be placed mainly on those men from the unknown who are seldom recognized, seldom appreciated — the offensive

The Aggie front wall bludgeoned and pounded paths through and around the Tiger defense. Performing an encore in the blocking department were the A&M backs, escorting quarterback David Shipman on his many excursions into the LSU secondary.

The only item missing from the Aggie attack was a consistent passing threat. But when a team gets 390 yards on the ground and scores five touchdowns (three from more than 40 yards out), it doesn't need to put the ball in the air

What more can be said about the A&M defense? The Maroon Maulers were like the title character in a current shark movie, devouring anything and everything. The Tigers could only manage a last second score on a blocked punt to avoid being goose-egged. As with the offense, the defensive front four controlled the line of scrimmage and the tempo of the game.

Last year the stadium scoreboard read as the final seconds ticked off "Wait 'til next year." Well, next year came and passed for the Bayou Bengals.

One of the most surprising turnabouts came when the home folks began to boo their boys in the Purple and Gold. Supposedly, one Tiger player was also hit with a liquor bottle thrown from the stands. Once again the 'Help Mac Pack" stickers will come out to haunt LSU Coach Charley McClendon.

The A&M players showed a fire and determination that was obviously missing the week before. They jumped and yelled after each good play and raised their fists in the air at the playing of the War Hymn.

The display by the Aggies deserves more than the ranking of eighth on the national polls. Several teams have been placed ahead of the Ags but with somewhat dubious merit.

The spectacle in Tiger Stadium was something all Aggies should have seen. However, much of the Twelfth Man had to stay at home because former students had purchased most of the tickets. It's amazing what a few extra dollars can do.

Oh well, at least the offense quieted the rumors about its non-existence. At least until the next fumble anyway.

Campbell gets nod for offensive player

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By JACK KEEVER ociated Press

AUSTIN, Tex. — Texas Coach yards and an average of 7.5 yards a Darrell Royal pays sophomore carry even though he was a defenfullback Earl Campbell the ultimate sive target in each game. compliment by hardly mentioning name at Boyal's weekly news

After only two games, Campbell leads the SWC in rushing with 301 Penalties erased a 75-yard scoring





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Campbell — the "Tyler Rose" has played well.

He played so well last Saturday in Texas' 28-10 thumping of Washington that he was selected as Monday, and a reporter asked, smil-The Associated Press' offensive ing, "Darrell, when was the last player of the week in the Southwest time Campbell didn't play well?" Conference

Campbell, 6 feet 1 and 227 27 carries and three touchdowns, including a 61-yard sprint on which he dashed through the secondary without being touched. going to play well.'

sity, and runs of 20 and seven yards It goes without saying that against Washington or Campbell already would be over the 400-yard mark

The statistics bear out that he played well, Royal commented "He's always going to play well,"

replied Royal, adding that a defense pounds, pounded for 198 yards on might "shut down" Campbell by concentrating on him, "but he'd still be competing, going at it. He may not get a chance to be a star, but he's Freedom of Choice-6 PACK 12 OZ. CANS RL BEER

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