

Oh, how sweet it is

Ag defense dominates Texas game

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Ohh, how sweet it is.
The Texas A&M Aggies took one step closer to the long awaited bowl trip by totally dominating Texas in the nationally televised showdown at Kyle Field.
It was 20 for the Aggies to 10 for the Horns as the Scrooge-like A&M defense allowed only a small Erdleben field goal in the fourth quarter as the nation's leaders in scoring offense.
Texas was limited to just six first downs, two in the second half. Coach Darrell Royal's ground-picking machine picked up only 113 yards rushing,

their lowest rushing total since the 1972 Oklahoma game.

While the defense was headin' 'em off at the pass, the Aggie offense was setting an ambush.

The A&M offense played perhaps its most outstanding game of the year, controlling both the ball and the clock. The offensive front wall of Richard Osborne, Glenn Bujnoch, Bruce Welch, Mark Dennard, Frank Myers, Dennis Swilley and others literally owned the line of scrimmage in the first half as the Aggies blasted for 204 yards. In all, A&M amassed 316 yards rushing while collecting 18 first downs.

"I'd say this is our biggest victory yet," said a jubilant Emory Bellard, who claimed his first

victory over Texas since leaving the Longhorn staff four years ago. "We've got two more ball games to play. I think if we beat Arkansas we should have as good a shot at number one as anyone."

The number two ranked Aggies let their opponents know right from the start that this game would not be a duplicate of the 1974 disaster in Austin. The Horns kicked off to begin the contest, perhaps hoping for a replay of last year's game opening fumble by A&M, but more than likely trying to take advantage of the gusting wind.

It wasn't the Texas Special of yesteryear that got the ball rolling, but a plain old flanker reverse

by Carl Roaches. "We weren't trying to catch them by surprise," said Bellard, "but we were trying to score."

Whatever the reason, the diminutive Roaches sprinted for 47 yards to the Texas 30. Seven plays later Tony Franklin gave the Aggies a lead they would never lose with a 31-yard field goal. The barefooted sidwinder set a record with the kick, making him the first A&M player to kick 11 three-pointers in one season. He was to add an even more important mark to his record later in the game.

After the Aggies stalled a Texas drive, the A&M offense took charge once again, this time getting six on a four-yard pass on third down,

A&M quarterback Mike Jay was superlative in operating the Aggie attack until a second quarter back injury sidelined him for the remainder of the game.

It was not a day for quarterbacks. The mystery was soon unraveled concerning Texas' ailing Marty Akins, as the Longhorn senior started, but managed only one play before returning to the bench. Later Akins was to go back into the fray, only to go down before the fierce rush of linebacker Garth Ten Napel.

His replacement, freshman Ted Constanzo, had little success in guiding his team as he was responsible for all three of the Longhorn interceptions.

Meanwhile, Jay's 'backup' David Shipman was not faring much better. His rustiness was evident as he twice lost the ball in A&M territory.

But the magnificent Aggie defense was not about to let victory slip out of their grasp. Twice the Horn attack was smothered on fourth down plays under a wave of Maroon defenders. Twice more they came up with fumbles, adding to the three other Texas turnovers via interception.

Earl Campbell, alias 'super soph', the Southwest Conference's leading ballcarrier was held to 40 yards in 15 carries. Still, he was the Longhorns' leading ground gainer.

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Weather

Fair to partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday. Southerly winds 7-12 mph. High today 66; low tonight 44; high Wednesday 73.

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School Board to review Consol's building plans

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The A&M Consolidated School Board voted Monday to review the building plans outlined in the \$5.15 million bond election that failed Nov. 15.

Superintendent Fred A. Hopson will present a preliminary plan for meeting the space needs of the school district at the board's regular meeting Dec. 15.

The administration will also present an analysis of the maintenance costs of any new buildings. Board member Bruce Robeck voted against the previous plans at the regular meeting.

Robeck said he thought the public should be included in the process of deliberation over the building plans.

He proposed a citizens' advisory committee to study the enrollment and possible uses of existing buildings. Robeck's motion was defeated by the board.

It would take too long for an advisory committee to study the conditions and programs and report, said Board Member Charles Hensarling.

Hensarling said he spent one week studying the proposed building plans after being appointed to the board in October (when he replaced board member O. C. Cooper).

Hensarling said the week was spent catching

up on plans discussed by the board over the eight months he was not on the school board.

Other plans discussed by the board were the possibility of calling another bond election for the additional facilities proposed for the high school.

The proposed facilities for the high school would include a vocational facility, plus library and food service expansion.

Board member Lambert Wilkes said the district should begin on these "because they are needed and are of high board priority."

During the meeting Wilkes also said he was concerned over the national decline in Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores.

Wilkes asked Hopson whether scores in the district had declined over recent years.

Hopson said he would look into the scores and report back to the board.

The board was also informed by Hopson that one of the new buses ordered by the school district has arrived.

With the addition of the new bus the district has eliminated children standing inside moving buses on two routes.

Another large bus and two mini-buses have been ordered by the district but have not arrived yet.

The district must eliminate standees to comply with a new Texas Education Agency (TEA) regulation.

Stevens nomination has little opposition

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The nomination of John Paul Stevens to the Supreme Court appears to be the only question of when rather than whether the Senate will confirm him, according to preliminary indications.

President Ford's selection has met with generally favorable reaction in the legal community and Congress, where so far there have been no signs of serious opposition to the nomination.

The Senate Judiciary Committee is to begin hearings Dec. 8 on Stevens, who is Ford's first nominee to the high court, Chairman James O. Eastland, D-Miss., said Monday.

Stevens, a member of the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals sitting in Chicago, met Monday with Eastland and ranking minority committee member Sen. Roman L. Hruska, R-Neb., as part of the traditional courtesy call on senators. Stevens was accompanied by White House counsel Philip Buchen and presidential aide John O.

Marsh Jr.

After a lengthy conversation, Eastland emerged to say Stevens seemed "very pleasant and capable."

Eastland said that if the committee's hearings are to be completed before Congress leaves for Christmas recess, there will have to be practically no opposition.

Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., deputy majority leader and a member of the Judiciary Committee, said he doubted the Senate could act on the nomination before adjourning, especially if recess begins Dec. 12.

Byrd told reporters there would be a better chance if, as appears likely, adjournment is delayed until Dec. 19.

In naming the 55-year-old jurist to the court, Ford said he hoped the Senate would act promptly to bring the court to full strength. Stevens was nominated to fill the seat of retired Justice William O. Douglas.



Bonfire 1975

Staff photo by Steve Goble



Happy Emory

Staff photo by Gary Baldasari

Emory Bellard is ecstatic as he is carried off the field by the Aggie team after his first victory over his former boss.

TOP OF THE NEWS

Campus

DR. A. J. THOMAS, JR., Chairman of Graduate Legal Studies and Professor of Constitutional Law at Southern Methodist University School of Law, will speak to the Pre-Law Society of A&M at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Room 510 in Rudder Tower. Dr. Thomas will talk about preparing for the study of law, law school admissions at SMU, and employment opportunities after law school. He will be available to answer students' questions.

RITA BROWNING will perform Friday and Saturday at the Basement Coffeehouse at 8 p.m. She has previously played with a rock group. Admission will be 50 cents.

THE DEADLINE for posting special events and activities on the Spring Calendar is Friday, December 12, in the Office of Student Activities, Room 216G, in the MSC.

TEXAS A&M received 7 first place votes and remained in 2nd place in the Associated Press college football poll.

BOBBY TUCKER, a sophomore agricultural education major at TAMU, was elected National President of the Future Farmers of America. Tucker is the first Texan to head the National FFA.

President Ford sent a telegram to Tucker which was presented at the ceremony. As National President of FFA, Tucker will travel nationally, making personal appearances and addressing the importance of agriculture.

KAMU TV will rerun Friday's game between Texas A&M and the University of Texas this evening at 9:30 p.m.

Texas

EARL BUTZ, U. S. secretary of agriculture, made it plain in a news conference in Dallas yesterday that Texas cattle face quarantine unless Texas cattlemen comply with federal controls on brucellosis. Although the Texans have balked because they believe that state controls on brucellosis — a disease which causes cows to abort — are sufficient, Butz said that the other 47 states could not be jeopardized. He said that he was sure the USDA and Texas could work out a solution.

TEXAS SCHOOLS must be redirected toward helping pupils find careers, Gov. Dolph Briscoe told the 42nd annual convention of the Texas Farm Bureau in San Antonio yesterday. He said that despite increased expenditures, the state is getting less quality education for its children.

MERGER of Houston Union locals is still a long ways off despite U. S. Supreme Court action ending segregated membership along the Texas coast, International Longshoremen's Association representatives said.

National

JACQUES COUSTEAU said at a news conference at United Nations Headquarters yesterday that only massive international efforts can keep pollution from killing every living thing in the Mediterranean Sea except bacteria and viruses.

HENRY A. KISSINGER, secretary of state, irked by Cuban "meddling" in Angola and Puerto Rico, has vetoed a plan to improve U. S./Cuban relations through sports, American officials say.

Bellard enjoys aura of a king

the ball and there was only 40 seconds left."

On Robert Jackson, voted ABC defensive player of the game, Bellard said, "He did as fine a job tackling as you'd ever see. He did a tremendous job on Campbell, turning him around."

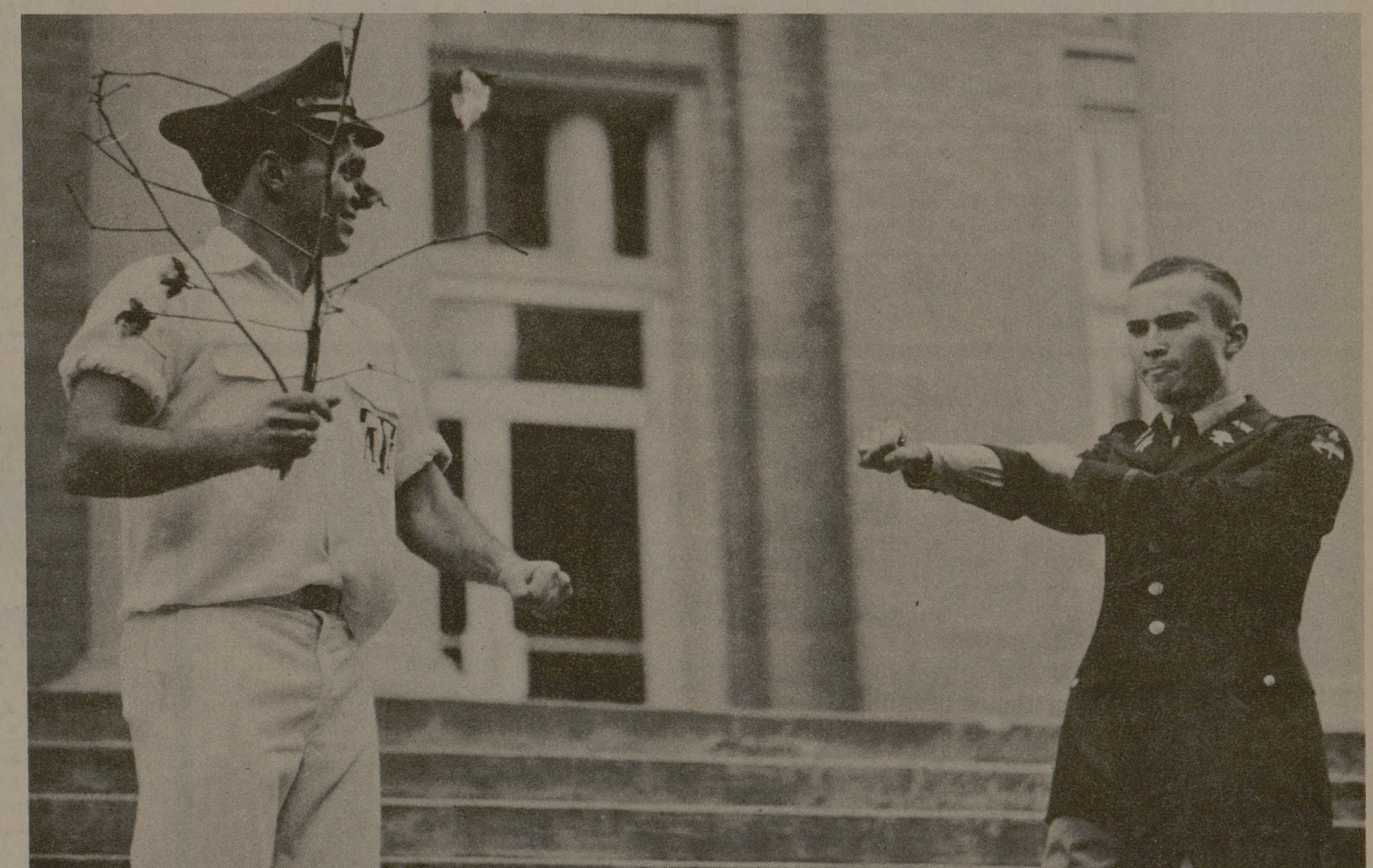
Did the referees calling offenses on the last Franklin field goal give you second thoughts about taking the penalty and trying to score on the fourth and one-and-a-half play? "No way. No second thoughts about it. We had the points up

there on the board and they were gonna have to put two touchdowns up there to win. And they just stopped us three times at the goal line. Course, on one of those, George Woodard was supposed to go right but went left. But I don't give a damn now, I'll hug his neck."

Asked whether he saw any clips on the long punt return by Raymond Clayborn which put up Texas' touchdown on the board, Bellard replied no. A writer said he saw a definite clip. Bellard

said, "Then why didn't you call it?" The writer replied that he tried. He even threw his wallet down. Another writer said it was probably returned for insufficient funds.

And so it went, very relaxed, the throne room with no jesters, no jokes, just an amazing king. The sweetness of a victory over Texas is a rare treat, only twice in 18 years. Maybe the cotton candy will come more often now that Aggie land has royalty of its own.



Start packing

Staff photo by Steve Goble

Brandishing a soaked cotton plant, Senior Yell-Leader Chuck Hinton admires the technique of fish fable-teller at the steps of the YMCA Building

who advised the crowd to start packing for the Cotton Bowl and then pulled out a yell for his class. He also did 79 pushups.