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Old Guard' Texas, Arkansas get no votes

Tight race predicted; UH, Tech, A&M favored

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historians may look back on Houston Cougars and the Texas 7 as the year a new era officially Tech Red Raiders shared the crown an in the Southwest Conference. while the Longhorns and Raz the old era began to fade three backs slumped to 5-5-1 records.

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e old guard — Arkansas and

WING - Tony Dorsett may be

while the Longhorns and Razor-

At the conclusion of the 1976 fact, for saying the final stages campaign Darrell Royal and Frank an on Nov. 9, 1974 — the day for came from behind to upset duced some of the finest football as and start a surge that led the teams this area of the country has rs to the conference champion- ever had, retired as coaches of the universities of Texas and Arkansas. And, as the 1977 season ap-

ing concerning growing about the

When Arkansas coach Lou Holtz

was told his club was being picked lent chance as well. to finish about in the middle of the The Cougars have SWC race, he said:

that high

There is widespread disagree-ment about the likely SWC champ-ion this year, and that should make first season in the conference for a good race

Defending champions Houston pected of him when he first ap-

Dorsett's debut

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> The Cougars have Danny Davis who gained confidence as the year I didn't know we were picked went along and turned into the game breaker that guided Houston to a league co-championship in its

> > The Aggies return David Walker, who finally gained the pose ex-

ney Allison, a gutty performer in the mold of former Texas star James Street. Allison's ability to turn a poor play into a successful one in-spired the Raiders to an eight-game winning streak last year. If those three teams live up to ex-

pectations to conference race could vell be decided exactly when ABC television hopes it is decided — on Dec. 3, when the Aggies and Cougars meet in College Station.

Other than the Big Three, the only other team being mentioned as a possible intruder this year is Baylor, which ran afoul of Houston early last year and came up with a

graduated and the Bears have no-thing but inexperience at that posi-tion. If there is to be a surprise from this group, it could come from TCU, where F.A. Dry has put his discip-

Next in this year's forecasting order come Texas and Arkansas with Holtz in Fayetteville and Fred Akers in Austin trying to take over from the legends

Texas still has Earl Campbell at either and they learned quickly last were go year that a big, burly fullback is just through not enough anymore.

Baylor still finished 7-3-1 and re- those teams has cracked the top diturns a good nucleus this year, but quarterback Mark Jackson has three years.

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linarian tactics to work in an effort to save the Horned Frogs from further embarrassment. TCU goes into this year's campaign with the longest major college losing streak in the country.

"Some of our guys came to me fullback, but the Longhorns do not after spring training," said Dry, have an established quarterback "and told me they didn't think they were going to make it all the way

To be honest, I had been afraid The lower echelons this year we didn't work them hard enoug should be made up — once again — With that kind of effort TCU of Rice, SMU and TCU. None of might win a few games

boys. But, thus far he has been lion dollar rookie, who in four years with the University of Pittsburgh lecord-breaking fish et P&WD reward

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vave of the future for the Dallas dependability of the Cowboys' mil-

ost fishermen keep up their s of one day landing a recording fish. But although catches hat caliber are few and far been, the Texas Parks and Wildlife ment points out that there other categories for which nen may receive recognition. sh big enough to be trophy size ay not top the record but still may m a special Certificate of Fishing Ua it. If a sportsman catches a

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1974. 2) Entrants must have hooked, fought and landed the fish. 3) All fish entered must be measured for total length and weighed on an inspected scale (certified for trade by the Texas Department of Agriculture) with a

statement of weight signed by a witweights include: Spotted seatrout, 7 lbs.; redfish (from Gulf), 25 lbs.; redfish (from bays), 10 lbs.; black drum,

nine yards. Moments later Dorsett took a screen pass from quarterback Danny White, slithered between two tacklers and gained 15 yards before some of the Chargers knew he had Those two plays showed the promise which Dallas hopes will

carry Dorsett to many a Super Bowl. But, after picking up 26 yards in seven carries and catching that Eligible categories and minimum one pass, Dorsett headed to the

game. "This is the third time he has

And there is perhaps an underly- gained more yards than any other hurt the same knee and we are wholesale number of injuries runner in the history of college footgoing to have to try something dif-

Dorsett made his NFL debut last "He needs the work, but some-Saturday night in the Cowboys thing isn't right. opening exhibition game against the

"Before he got hurt I thought he

San Diego Chargers, a contest Dal-las won, 34-14. The first time he carried the ball Dorsett sprinted looked real good." Dorsett did not seem particularly concerned about his knee problems. around right end and coasted for The knee feels pretty good," he "Somebody grabbed me and

slammed me down on the same knee I hurt earlier and the coaches felt I should not play the rest of the

Then Dorsett expressed some of the same confidence he has shown since the Cowboys drafted him last May

"Right now I'm just one of the crowd," he said. "I don't want to consider myself the best, because I'm just out of college. But I'm going to be one of the good ones.

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