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Texas Tech at Texas	'Horns by 20	'Horns by 13	Red Raiders by 3	'Horns by 3	'Horns by 7	'Horns by 6
Arkansas at Rice	Hogs by 35	Hogs by 20	Hogs by 21	Hogs by 20	Hogs by 10	Hogs by 10
Houston at TCU	Coogs by 12	Coogs by 7	Coogs by 17	Coogs by 10	Coogs by 6	Coogs by 3
(1) Iowa at Ohio State	Hawkeyes by 4	Hawkeyes by 7	Hawkeyes by 8	Buckeyes by 1	Buckeyes by 7	Hawkeyes by 7
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Minnesota at Michigan State	Gophers by 7	Spartans by 4	Spartans by 4	Spartans by 3	Gophers by 7	Gophers by 6
(2) Florida at (6) Auburn	Tigers by 3	Tigers by 6	Gators by 2	Tigers by 2	Tigers by 1	Gators by 3
(11) Miami at (10) Florida State	Seminoles by 4	Seminoles by 3	Hurricanes by 6	Seminoles by 7	Seminoles by 3	Seminoles by 3
(12) Oklahoma State at Colorado	Cowboys by 7	Cowboys by 10	Bufs by 3	Cowboys 4	Cowboys by 4	Cowboys by 10
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Dallas at St. Louis	Pokes by 7	Pokes by 14	Pokes by 16	Pokes by 10	Pokes by 6	Pokes by 10
Last Week's Record	8-3-1	9-2-1	9-2-1	8-3-1	6-5-1	7-4-1
Overall Record	58-24-2	58-24-2	57-25-2	55-27-2	49-33-2	49-33-2

SWC better than Spielberg flick

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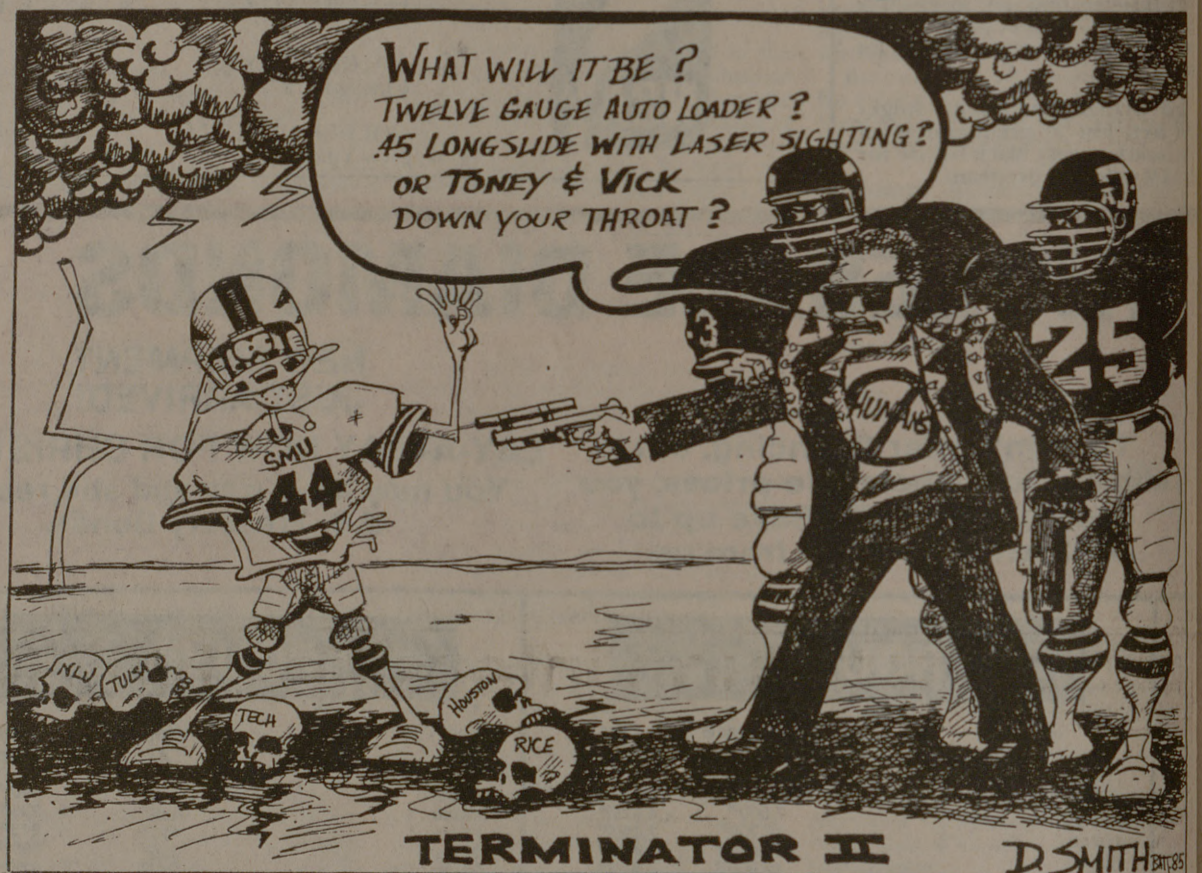
A little girl squats in front of the television set and chants softly, "They're here!"
 "Poltergeist, you say? Nope. Try the Southwest Conference."
 And Texas A&M fans everywhere, big and small, are hoping a national ESPN audience is treated to a lot more than static when the Aggies host No. 20 SMU Saturday.

The difference between whooping and crying for the A&M faithful should be decided on the line of scrimmage.
 SMU handed the Texas Longhorns a textbook illustration of power football in last week's 44-14 "Pony Parade."
 Alternating tailbacks Reggie Dupard and Jeff Atkins ran up, over and through the Texas defense. SMU's multi-talented quarterback, Don King, triggered the big plays that have become his trademark.

Meanwhile, the swarming Mustang defense forced the 'Horns to pass the ball — a.k.a. lose the game.
 When the Mustangs have the ball they alternate two offensive lines, averaging 6-foot-5, 265-pounds. They also alternate two defensive lines of approximately the same dimensions.
 By the fourth quarter of all but two games, Coach Bobby Collins' 'Stangs have usually beaten their opponents into submission and their "Pony Express II" tailback tandem have felt obligated to rush for about six million yards.

And that's why the Aggies are worried about the "Mustang Mashers" kicking dirt in their faces.
 However, for the Aggies to corral the Mustangs, they'll need to prove that the best defense is a good offense. A&M will need to establish its fullback power running game, ala Roger Vick and Anthony Toney, to open up the passing lanes for Aggie quarterback Kevin Murray.

More importantly, the Aggies need to move the ball with more consistency than they've shown in the past three outings.
 Murray will show SMU Saturday at 6:45 p.m. in Kyle Field that he's a little more potent than UT's Todd Dodge and Brett Stafford combined, multiplied and magnified — Aggies 24, Mustangs 21.



Texas Tech at Texas
 Noon — Raycom Sports Memorial Stadium
 Austin
 Texas Tech has a pretty good defense. Texas has a pretty bad offense.
 The possibilities are endless.

The 'Horns have learned one offensive lesson the hard way — you can move the ball by passing.
 However, for UT to beat Tech, it will have to produce in its vaunted ground game for the first time in five weeks.

For Tech to beat Texas, it will have to move the ball consistently from the wishbone formation and avoid any third-and-long situations.

One interesting side note: Did you see what the Texas defense did to the Oklahoma Sooners' wishbone?
 Texas isn't that dominant of a team this season. But Tech isn't Oklahoma — Longhorns 20, Red Raiders 13.

Houston at TCU
 2 p.m. — No TV (thank goodness)
 Amon Carter Stadium
 Fort Worth
 Who cares? Both teams are winless in the SWC (0-4) and going nowhere fast.

This game is only important to TCU Coach Jim Wacker, UH Coach Bill Yeoman and the players' mummies and daddies.
 Yeoman is the "Father of the Veer," but this year's Cougar offense looks more like an abortion.

The Horned Frogs, meanwhile, followed a humiliating loss to Rice with a debilitating 45-0 smacking by No. 13 Baylor last week.

So just how bad are these two teams?
 Well, they've been outscored a collective 121-337 by SWC foes and show little hope of altering their losing ways, until this week.
 Both TCU (2-5) and UH (1-6)

know their best chance for another win this season is this game.
 And both coaches will be ready — too bad their teams won't be — **Horned Frogs 17, Cougars 16.**

Arkansas at Rice
 2 p.m. — No TV (too bad)
 Rice Stadium
 Houston

This is my favorite matchup of the week.
 Rice, which now fly — a.k.a. pass — only when necessary because of quarterback Mark Comalander's season-ending shoulder injury, take on the conference's best rushing defense.

The Hogs, who have the deepest and most consistent running attack in the SWC, take on the Owls, who possess the worst defense in the entire space-time continuum.
 This game takes on anyone's arguments of parity in the SWC and throws them on the trash heap with what will remain of the Rice Owls — **Razorbacks 53, Owls 3.**

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