



January 1, 1953

Texas 16, Tennessee 0

Attendance - 75,500

GAME SUMMARY



Tennessee	0	0	0	0	-	0
Texas	2	7	0	7	-	16

First Quarter:

Texas-Dave Griffith tackled in end zone by Carlton Massey for safety, 7:12

Second Quarter:

Texas-Gib Dawson 4 run (Dawson kick), 14:07, 22 yards in 7 plays following fumble recovery by Clifford Polk

Fourth Quarter:

Texas-Billy Quinn 1 run (Dawson kick), 9:17, 26 yards in 7 plays following fumble recovery by Jim Rosser

OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

Bob Griesbach, Tennessee
Richard Ochoa, Texas
Harley Sewell, Texas

COACHES

Bob Neyland, Tennessee
Ed Price, Texas

WEATHER

Ideal

If revenge was a motive, then Texas certainly proved its point. Two years earlier, the Vols had scored a 20-14 upset of the Longhorns in the 1951 Classic. Today, however, the Horns added a much different chapter in their second of three meetings with Tennessee in the New Year's Day Classic.

This was the first nationally televised Cotton Bowl, and the Longhorns found such exposure much to their liking. Tennessee won the toss, elected to defend the south goal and Texas got the ball. With T Jones at quarterback, the Horns marched from their own 16 to the Tennessee 31 before the Volunteer defense stiffened. Gib Dawson came on to punt and booted the Vols into a hole, all the way down to the Tennessee five. On first down, the Vols' Dave Griffith dropped into the end zone as if to punt. That was

his first mistake. The second came when he decided to run. Carlton Massey, the Longhorns' hugh defensive lineman, along with Pod Price, Clifford Polk and Jim Rosser, rushed in to smash Griffith to the ground behind the goal line for a safety. With the game less than eight minutes old, Texas held a 2-0 lead.

Tennessee's luck didn't improve the next time it touched the ball. Texas again became the beneficiary of a Volunteer error when Ray Byrd coughed it up at the Tennessee 22, and Polk again was in the right place at the right time to make the recovery. Flawless execution led Texas to the end zone. Gib Dawson carried for the final four yards and with the extra point, it was a 9-0 contest.

Texas returned to the end zone in the fourth quarter after Rosser recovered yet another Ten-

nessee fumble at the Volunteer 26. Seven plays later, the scoreboard read 16-0, Texas. And that's the way it stood.

FUN FACT #17

The Classic's first national telecast took place in 1953 on NBC Sports. The New Year's Day game remained on NBC through 1957, then moved to CBS in 1958 for the start of a longstanding partnership that would last for 35 years. The Cotton Bowl switched back to NBC for three years in 1993, before returning to CBS in 1996 for its 60th anniversary game. Then, in 1999, the Classic moved again, making the switch to FOX Sports to become the network's first collegiate property.

GAME STATISTICS

TEAM STATS	Tenn	Texas
First Downs	6	20
Rushing	4	18
Passing	2	2
Penalty	0	0
Rushes-Net Yards	29-(-14)	78-269
Net Yards Passing	46	32
Passes	3-6-0	2-8-1
Total Plays	35	86
Total Net Yards	32	301
Fumbles-Lost	5-3	5-3
Penalties-Yards	3-30	5-55
Punts-Average	7-40.9	5-35.4

RUSHING

Tennessee - Schwanger 5-22, Wade 7-4, Olesiak 1-1, Byrd 10-0, Griffith 1-(-5), Shires 5-(-36).
Texas - Ochoa 26-108, Quinn 19-67, Dawson 17-49, Jones 10-25, Graham 3-9, Cameron 2-6, D. Smith 1-5.

PASSING

Tennessee - Shires 2-4-0, 23 yards; Byrd 1-1-0, 23 yards; Wade 0-1-0.
Texas - Jones 2-5-1, 32 yards; Dawson 0-2-0; Quinn 0-1-0.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PUNTING

Tennessee - Shires 7-40.9.
Texas - Raley 3-40.0, Dawson 2-28.5.

RECEIVING

Tennessee - Morgan 2-23, Kolenik 1-23.
Texas - Quinn 1-23, Spring 1-9.