

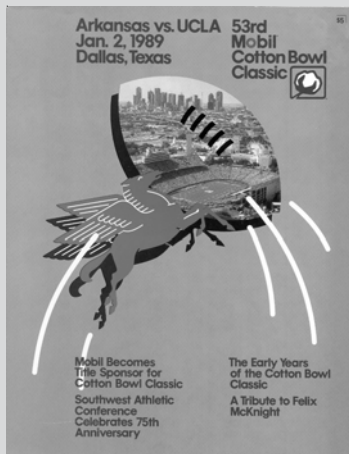


January 2, 1989

Attendance - 74,304

UCLA 17, Arkansas 3

GAME SUMMARY



UCLA	0	14	0	3	-	17
Arkansas	0	0	3	0	-	3

Second Quarter:

UCLA-Mark Estwick 1 run (Alfredo Velasco kick), 5:35, 93 yards in 19 plays following punt
 UCLA-Corwin Anthony 1 pass from Troy Aikman (Velasco kick), 0:21, 74 yards in 10 plays following punt

Third Quarter:

Arkansas-Kendall Trainor 49 FG, 6:32, 14 yards in 6 plays following fumble recovery by LaSalle Harper

Fourth Quarter:

UCLA-Velasco 32 FG, 3:26, 38 yards in 9 plays following punt

OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

Troy Aikman, UCLA
 LaSalle Harper, Arkansas

COACHES

Terry Donahue, UCLA
 Ken Hatfield, Arkansas

WEATHER

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It proved to be a game of firsts, and topping the list was the name of the game itself. On the eve of its 53rd anniversary, the Classic was unveiling a new title as the result of a long-term agreement with the Mobil Corporation in August. This would be the first "Mobil Cotton Bowl Classic."

And, just as the name implied, circumstances surrounding this particular Classic would be much different from all the rest. Arkansas earned its first trip to Dallas in 13 years and in record-setting fashion. The Hogs wrapped up the Southwest Conference title on October 29, the earliest date in the SWC's 74 seasons. Arkansas' Ken Hatfield also was establishing a bit of history as the first player ever to return to the Mobil Cotton Bowl as head coach.

UCLA also was a first for the Classic. The Bruins were the first representative from the Pacific-10 Conference and the first West Coast team since 1949 to play in the Mobil Cotton Bowl. UCLA and its coach, Terry Donahue, also were making a bid to become the first team and the first coach to win seven consecutive bowl games. It seemed as if the lists of "firsts" were almost endless in this matchup.

Both teams mirrored each other in the polls. The 10-1 Razorbacks were ranked eighth, losing only to Miami, Fla., in their final game of the regular season. The Bruins carried a 9-2 record to Dallas and were ranked ninth. However, the similarities would end there between the two teams. Arkansas was a ball control team, thriving on the triple option. UCLA offered a pro-style passing attack, relying on the arm of Troy Aikman, the NFL's projected No. 1 draft pick.

Aikman proved his worth early, leading the Bruins to a pair of long scoring drives in the second quarter. The first began on the UCLA seven, and resulted in a 93-yard, 19-play touchdown march. Leading 7-0, the Bruins came right back on their next possession, moving 74 yards for the score in 10 plays. At halftime, UCLA held a 14-0 advantage.

The Bruin offense was operating to perfection. Behind Aikman, the Bruins completed 19-of-27 pass attempts for 172 yards and kept Arkansas' defense completely off balance. Tailback Shawn Wills was just as impressive rushing for 120 yards, a freshman record for the Classic. At one point in the game, UCLA converted 13-of-14 third-down situations.

Still, the key to UCLA's decisive 17-3 victory was its dominating defense. Led by noseguard Jim Wahler, the Bruins totally shut down Arkansas' powerful flexbone, holding the Hogs to just 42 yards in total offense. Seven of Arkansas' 10 possessions ended in three downs or less, and the Razorback offense never advanced past its own 41-yard line.

Defensively, the Razorbacks played a typically strong game. The Hogs forced three turnovers and held UCLA to just two touchdowns and the Bruins' second-lowest point total of the season. Linebacker LaSalle Harper was outstanding, earning MVP honors with his 20 tackles, a fumble recovery and one pass interception. In fact, Harper's fumble recovery at the Bruin 47 led to Arkansas' only score. Kendall Trainor's 49-yard field

goal in the third quarter was the second-longest in Classic history.

But, in the end, the game belonged totally to UCLA. The Bruins controlled the ball and the clock for almost 43 minutes. While Donahue earned his first victory against the SWC, he and the Bruins claimed something even more significant: a record seventh consecutive bowl victory.

FUN FACT #53

The AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic recorded its latest starting time in history in 1994. Notre Dame and Texas A&M kicked off at 3:40 p.m. The final quarter was played under the lights for the first time. The 2006 AT&T Cotton Bowl holds the record for the earliest start time at 10:07 a.m. CST.

GAME STATISTICS

TEAM STATS	UCLA	Ark	RUSHING
First Downs	22	4	UCLA - Wills 18-120, Brown 16-56, M. Estwick 8-16, Toy 2-7 Ball 2-3, Aikman 9(-3).
Rushing	12	2	Arkansas - Groveby 7-19, Foster 6-16, Johnson 2-3, Jackson 1-1, Rouse 2(-1), Russell 1(-6), J. Williams 3(-11).
Passing	8	1	PASSING
Penalty	2	1	UCLA - Aikman 19-27-1, 172 yards.
Rushes-Net Yards	55-199	22-21	Arkansas - Groveby 2-6, Brown 1-5, Ball 1-3, Thompson 1-3, Anthony 1-1.
Net Yards Passing	172	21	UCLA - Jackson 1-8, Harshaw 1-8, Horton 1-4, Foster 1-2.
Passes	19-27-1	4-14-1	RECEIVING
Total Plays	82	36	UCLA - Farr 4-48, Arbuckle 1-35, Richardson 1-20, McCracken 2-16, Moore 1-10, Wills 2-9, Toy 1-8, Burkley 1-8, M. Estwick 2-6, Brown 1-5, Ball 1-3, Thompson 1-3, Anthony 1-1.
Total Net Yards	371	42	UCLA - Barkate 2-38.5, Maggio 1-31.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0	Arkansas - Meacham 6-49.2
Penalties-Yards	7-74	7-61	
Punts-Average	3-36.0	6-49.2	
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS			
PUNTING			
UCLA - Barkate 2-38.5, Maggio 1-31.0			
Arkansas - Meacham 6-49.2			