

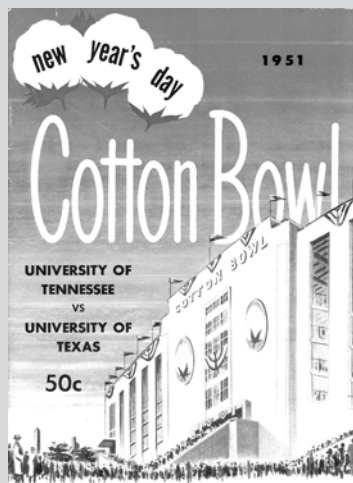


January 1, 1951

Tennessee 20, Texas 14

Attendance - 75,500

GAME SUMMARY



Tennessee	7	0	0	13	-	20
Texas	0	14	0	0	-	14

First Quarter:

Tennessee-John Gruble 5 pass from Herky Payne (Pat Shires kick), 7:49, 80 yards in 5 plays following punt

Second Quarter:

Texas-Byron Townsend 5 run (Ben Tompkins kick), 12:33, 8 yards in 4 plays following blocked punt by Jim Lansford  
Texas-Gib Dawson 35 pass from Tompkins (Tompkins kick), 4:18, 67 yards in 7 plays following punt

Fourth Quarter:

Tennessee-Andy Kozar 5 run (Shires kick fail), 10:36, 82 yards in 16 plays following punt  
Tennessee-Kozar 1 run (Shires kick), 3:11, 43 yards in 5 plays following fumble recovery by Jimmy Hill

OUTSTANDING PLAYERS

Andy Kozar, Tennessee  
Hank Lauricella, Tennessee  
Horace Sherrrod, Tennessee  
Bud McFadin, Texas

COACHES

Bob Neyland, Tennessee  
Blair Cherry, Texas

WEATHER

Ideal

The Cotton Bowl was celebrating its 15th anniversary and the 1951 game was projected to be a true classic struggle between the nation's No. 3 and No. 4 teams. Texas and Tennessee promised to be a top attraction. Both teams carried 9-1 records into Dallas along with a pair of outstanding defensive units. When the day was done, there was no question that this would go down as one of the Classic's roughest and hardest hitting games ever.

Hank Lauricella sparked the Volunteers to an early 7-0 lead, galloping 75 yards to the Texas five to start Tennessee's march on its second possession. Seconds later, Herky Payne passed to John Gruble for the score. Texas also gained its first score of the afternoon on the heels of a big play. Backed up deep inside the 10, Tennessee faced fourth down and a punting situation. Lauricella was kicking from his end zone when the Longhorns' Jim "Buck" Lansford saw his chance to cash in on a golden opportunity. Lansford crashed through to block Lauricella's kick and Texas gained possession at the Vols' eight. On fourth down, Byron Townsend skirted the left side for the touchdown. Moments later, Texas moved in front, driving from its 33 before Gib Dawson snared a 35-yard scoring strike from Ben Tompkins.

At the half, Texas led by a touchdown, 14-7, and the score held up through the third period. But as the quarter closed, Tennessee was mounting a drive. Led by Lauricella and fellow halfbacks Andy Kozar and Jimmy Hahn, the Vols methodically drove the football down the Longhorns' throats, 82 yards in 16 plays. Kozar covered the final five yards to bring Tennessee within one, 14-13. But, the extra point attempt by Pat Shires was wide, and with 10 minutes left to play, Texas was able to breathe a collective sigh of relief. Only temporarily, however. For Tennessee, Christmas came a week late.

The Longhorns picked a most inopportune time to lose their only fumble of the game. Tennessee made the recovery at the Texas 43. Four plays later, the Vols were knocking at the goal line. Kozar bulled over from the one with the winning score.

FUN FACT #15

It just wouldn't be New Year's Day without college football and the Kilgore Rangerettes. Since 1949, when the legendary Gussie Nell Davis first brought her talented group of performers from Kilgore College to Dallas, the Rangerettes have been the heart and soul of the Classic's pre-game and halftime entertainment. The 2007 game marks the Rangerettes' 57th consecutive appearance in the AT&T Cotton Bowl.

GAME STATISTICS

TEAM STATS	Tenn	Texas	RUSHING
First Downs	18	12	Tennessee - Lauricella 16-131, Kozar 20-92, Ernsberger 4-27, Hahn 4-24, Rechichar 3-19, Sizemore 2-3, Morgan 1-0, Payne 5-(-1).
Rushing	15	8	Texas - Townsend 23-105, Dawson 8-42, Shands 4-4, Ochoa 1-3, Tompkins 7-(-8).
Passing	2	4	
Penalty	1	0	
Rushes-Net Yards	55-295	43-146	
Net Yards Passing	45	97	
Passes	3-8-2	5-14-1	
Total Plays	63	57	
Total Net Yards	340	243	
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	1-1	
Penalties-Yards	4-35	5-55	
Punts-Average	6-32.7	7-29.3	

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PUNTING  
Tennessee - Lauricella 6-196, 32.6.  
Texas - Porter 7-29.3.

RECEIVING

Tennessee - Rechichar 1-23, Lauricella 1-18, Gruble 1-4.  
Texas - Dawson 2-65, Stolhandske 3-32.