THE CLASSICS

January 1, 1969



Texas 36, Tennessee 13

Attendance - 70.000

GAME SUMMARY \$100 **COTTON BOWL CLASSIC** Texas vs Tennessee Tennessee 0 0 7 6 13 0 36

Texas 13 15 8

First Quarter:

Texas-Steve Worster 14 run (Happy Feller kick), 5:14, 80 yards in 13 plays Texas-Cotton Speyrer 78 pass from James Street (Feller kick fail), 4:36, 78

yards in 1 play following punt

Second Quarter:

Texas-Ted Koy 9 run (Feller kick), 10:23, 61 yards in 7 plays following punt Texas-Chris Gilbert 5 run (Speyrer pass from Street), 3:31, 54 yards in 8 plays following punt

Third Quarter:

Tennessee-Gary Kreis 17 pass from Bobby Scott (Karl Kremser kick), 9:40, 38 yards in 4 plays following pass interception by Jimmy Young Texas-Speyrer 79 pass from Street (Bill Bradley run), 5:57, 79 yards in 1 play following punt

Fourth Quarter:

Tennessee-Mike Price 3 pass from Scott (Scott pass fail), 1:00, 97 yards in 5 plays after taking over on downs

OUTSTANDING PLAYERS Tom Campbell, Texas Cotton Speyrer, Texas James Street, Texas

COACHES

Doug Dickey, Tennessee Darrell Royal, Texas

WEATHER Cold, partly cloudy

It was the rubber match in the Cotton Bowl series between Texas and Tennessee. In 1951, the Volunteers scored a 20-14 upset over the Longhorns, but two years later in 1953, Texas returned the favor with a 16-0 pounding of the Vols. But, the licking Tennessee absorbed 16 years earlier was by no means comparable to the beating it would take today.

It was the first Classic display of the Wishbone T formation and all of college football may have been a little in awe that day of the 36-13 pasting the Longhorns applied to the Vols. Newspaper headlines the next day proclaimed Texas had taken "The Street to Success." Of course, the reference was to the Horns' outstanding young quarterback James Street, who directed the Texas offense with shear precision. Street had taken over the Longhorns' quarterback duties two games into the season, and it was the beginning of a legendary career.

The Texas offense had never been more ruthless. By halftime, the Horns had all but crushed Tennessee, 28-0. Known for its awesome running game, Texas unloaded upon the Volunteers with a full round of artillery. Street and receiver Cotton Speyrer hooked up for two of the Classic's longest scoring plays ever, a 78-yard bomb in the opening quarter, and a 79-yarder late in the third. And if the aerial show wasn't scary



the trademark greeting of the cel-ebrated television sportscaster who spent 26 years as the Voice of the Cotton Bowl. Every New Year's Day, Lindsey welcomed viewers from around the nation to Dallas while dressed in his unusual selection of loud sportscoats. A pioneer of sports television, Lindsey Nelson is remembered most for his flamboyant personality and colorful description of the game and its pageantry.

enough, the vaunted Tennessee defense frantically looked for ways to plug up leaks that allowed the heralded Texas running backs to storm for 279 vards. The trio of Chris Gilbert, Steve Worster, and Ted Koy comprised one of the SWC's most talented offensive units in history, and each scored on plays that might be regarded as near monuments to offensive execution and blocking techniques.

Worster started the Texas scoring avalanche on a 14-yard blast. Then came the bomb from Street to Speyrer, and five minutes into the second guarter, Koy slashed nine yards for the third Texas touchdown. Gilbert added the fourth with 1:17 left in the half, taking a Street pitchout five yards for the score. Street then passed to Speyrer for the two-point conversion, and the Longhorns had the game completely out of reach, 28-0.

With the offense demonstrating complete domination of the Vols, the Texas defense almost went unnoticed. But, it shouldn't have. Seldom had the Steers been more deadly.

The two Tennessee quarterbacks never had a chance against the muscle of Bill Atessis, Loyd Wainscott, Leo Brooks and Bill Zapalac, as well as the secondary work applied by Tom Campbell, Bill Bradley, and Ronnie Ehrig. This was a blue-ribbon day for the Longhorns, yet only eight of Texas' 22 starters were seniors. It was evident an even bigger victory was not too far away.

TEAM STATS	Tenn	Texas
First Downs	16	22
Rushing	9	16
Passing	6	6
Penalty	1	0
Rushes-Net Yards	35-83	60-279
Net Yards Passing	192	234
Passes	16-41-3	8-14-1
Total Plays	76	74
Total Net Yards	275	513
Fumbles-Lost	5-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	4-17	5-60
Punts-Average	8-42.1	7-40.7

PUNTING

Tennessee - Weaver 8-42.1. Texas - Bradley 7-40.7.

GAI	ME	STAT	ISTICS

ISHING

nnessee - Pearce 2-26, Pickens 8-20, cClain 2-19, Flowers 4-8, Scott 11-8, old 1-2, Wyche 7-0. xas - Worster 10-85, Gilbert 13-82, Koy -45, Street 12-38, Dale 4-13, Norwood 7, Callison 2-5, Speyrer 1-2, Robinson

ASSING

ennessee - Scott 11-30-3, 159 yards; yche 5-11-0, 33 yards. xas - Street 7-13-1, 200 yards; Norwood 1-0. 34 vards.

ECEIVING

nnessee - Kreis 3-77, McClain 3-57, ckens 2-27, Baker 1-17, DeLong 2-14, Flowers 2-6, Price 1-3, Pearce 2-(-9). Texas - Speyrer 5-161, Bradley 1-34, Worster 1-25, Lester 1-14.