

## Southwest Conference Team Again Leads Ranking List

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (AP)—The Texas Aggies, Southwest Conference kingpins, are the football team of the year in the opinion of 118 sports editors and football experts who participated in the final Associated Press ranking poll of the season.

Chosen for the No. 1 spot by 55 voters, the Aggies polled 1,091 points, on the basis of 10 for first place, nine for second, etc.

Tennessee, second a week ago, fell more than 100 points behind with 26 first-place votes and a 970-point total, while the Vols' Rose Bowl rival, Southern California, came in with a third-place total of 891, just beating out Cornell by two points.

While the Aggies were impressive all season, neither Tennessee nor Southern Cal set the world afire in last Saturday's concluding games, and that apparently accounted for the switch in sentiment. Tennessee only beat Auburn, 7-0, while the Trojans played a scoreless tie with U. C. L. A.

The Uclans, on the strength of that tie, moved from ninth place in the ranking to seventh. Tulane, which will meet the Aggies in the Sugar Bowl, retained fifth place, while Missouri slipped into sixth. Duke, sixth last week, dropped back to eighth. Iowa fell from eighth to ninth, and Duquesne retained tenth.

Boston College and Clemson registered notable gains, although

neither played a game. They were selected to play each other in the Cotton Bowl, and more light was cast upon their records in the process. As a result they placed 11th and 12th, respectively.

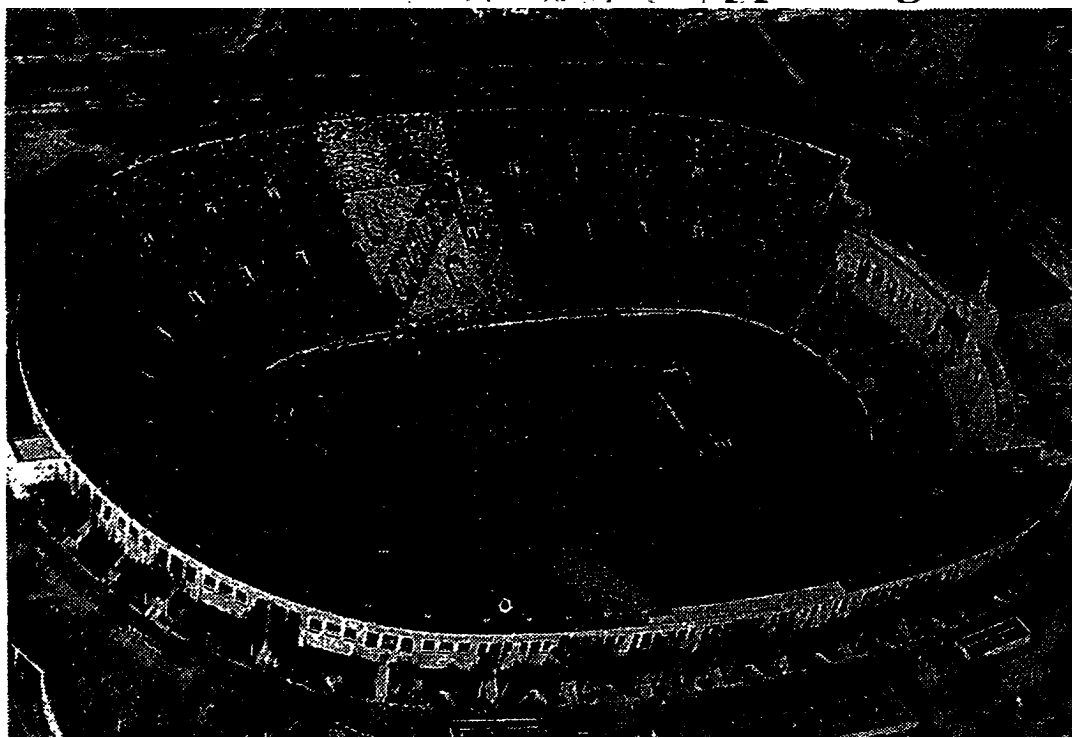
Standing of the teams (points figured on 10-9-8, etc., basis, first-place votes in parentheses):

Team	Points
1—Texas A. and M. (55) .....	1091
2—Tennessee (26) .....	970
3—Southern California (9) .....	891
4—Cornell (16) .....	889
5—Tulane (6) .....	804
6—Missouri .....	318 1-3
7—U. C. L. A. .....	289 5-6
8—Duke (2) .....	232
9—Iowa .....	220 5-6
10—Duquesne .....	130
Second ten: 11. Boston College. 120½;	
12. Clemson. 112; 13. Notre Dame. 92; 14.	
Santa Clara. 87; 15. Ohio State. 70; 16.	
Georgia Tech. 59; 17. Fordham. 56; 18.	
Nebraska 22; 19. Oklahoma. 20; 20. Michi-	
gan. 18	
Also scored: Princeton. 17; North Caro-	
lina. 16. San Jose (Calif.) State. 11;	
Georgetown. 10½; Alabama. 4; Holy Cross.	
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The one-two standings bore a remarkable similarity to last year's final poll. Then Texas Christian, which dominated the Southwest Conference in 1938 just as the Aggies did this fall, were first and Tennessee just about as far behind. Texas A. and M., of course was nowhere in sight last season. Southern California was ranked seventh and Cornell, 12th. T. C. U. even polled 55 first-place votes.

The '938 final first-10 ranking was Texas Christian, Tennessee, Duke, Oklahoma, Notre Dame, Carnegie Tech, Southern California, Pittsburgh, Holy Cross and Minnesota.

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