



## Records and Notes

LSU vs. Texas A&M  
Friday, January 7, 2011  
Cowboys Stadium, Arlington, Texas

- The announced attendance of 83,514 is 2<sup>nd</sup> all-time for the Cotton Bowl. The highest attendance was the 2009 AT&T Cotton Bowl with 88,175 in attendance in the final game played at Cotton Bowl Stadium.
- The Sanford Trophy for Outstanding Offensive Player was awarded to LSU's Terrence Toliver (5 catches, 112 yards, 3 TD) while the McNight Trophy for Outstanding Defensive Player was awarded to LSU's Tyrann Mathieu (7 tackles, 2 interceptions, 1 sack).
- Josh Jasper's 50 yard field goal ties the Classic record held by Gregg Gantt (Alabama 1973) and Carlos Huerta (Miami, 1991).
- LSU's Stevan Ridley (24 carries, 110 yards), Spencer Ware (10 carries, 102 yards) and Terrence Toliver (5 catches, 112 yards) became only the second trio in Cotton Bowl Classic history to eclipse 100 rushing/receiving yards in the same game. In 1990, Arkansas' James Rouse (22 carries, 134 yards), Barry Foster (22 carries, 103 yards) and Derek Russell (7 catches, 105 yards) combined to give the Razorbacks three players of more than 100 receiving/rushing yards.
- This is the 12<sup>th</sup> time a team has come back to win a Cotton Bowl after trailing by 10 points. Texas A&M led the Tigers, 10-0, in the first quarter.
- The kickoff return of 69 yards to open the game by Texas A&M's Coryell Judie was the 2<sup>nd</sup> longest kickoff return in Cotton Bowl history. The record is held by Houston's Earl Allen, who had a 98-yard return vs. Boston College in 1985.
- The opening touchdown drive by Texas A&M took 1:59 - the 4<sup>th</sup> quickest scoring drive to open a game in Classic history (since 1949).
- Texas A&M's Coryell Judie broke the Cotton Bowl record with seven kickoff returns for 197 total yards. The seven returns were one more than the six returns from Notre Dame's Tim Brown (1988) while the 197 kickoff return yards displaced Houston's Earl Allen and his 148 yards in the 1985 Classic.
- Texas A&M's 196 kickoff return yards sets a Cotton Bowl record, displacing Houston's previous record of 187 in the 1985 Classic.
- The 45 points scored by the two teams in the first half tied the 1985 and 2009 Classics for most combined points by two teams. Ole Miss (24) and Texas Tech (21) had 45 in the 2009 game and Boston College (31) and Houston (14) also had 45 in 1985.
- The two teams combined for 17 points in the first quarter – the 8<sup>th</sup> most combined points in Classic history after one quarter. The feat has also been accomplished two other times – 1971: Notre Dame (14), Texas (3); and 2003: LSU (10), Texas (7).
- The 28 points scored by the two teams in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter tied the 1978 and 2001 games for most combined points scored by two teams. Notre Dame (21) and Texas (7) had 28 points in the 1978 Classic while Kansas State and Tennessee scored 14 each in the 2001 game.
- LSU's 21 second quarter points are tied for the most with two other schools - Notre Dame in 1978 and Rice in 1938.
- Terrance Tolliver ties Keyshawn Johnson (Southern California, 1995) for the most receiving touchdowns with 3. His 18 points scored are tied for fourth all time with five other players.

- Jordan Jefferson's three touchdown passes were the second highest total in Classic history. Craig Erickson (Miami, 1991) and Graham Harrell (Texas Tech, 2009) have the record with four TD tosses.
- Terrence Toliver is 8th on the list for most receiving yards in a half with 99 yards in the first half tonight.
- Toliver's three touchdowns (all receiving) tie him with five others for the third most in the Classic. The record of four TD's is held by Bobby Layne (Texas 1948, 3 rush, 1 receiving) and Tony Temple (Missouri 2008, 4 rush)
- Toliver's 85 yards on three touchdown receptions is 6<sup>th</sup> on the list of most yards on touchdown receptions in Classic history.
- Jordan Jefferson was responsible for four touchdowns (3 pass, 1 rush), which is tied for third most in AT&T Cotton Bowl history. The record of six (3 rush, 2 pass, 1 reception) was set back in 1948 by Texas' Bobby Lane.
- Jefferson's 85 yards on touchdown passes is tied for 7<sup>th</sup> all time with Tennessee's Andy Kelly (1990).
- LSU's Spencer Ware averaged 10.2 yards per carry (10 carries, 102 yards), the fourth best average yards per carry (minimum 10 attempts) in Cotton Bowl history.
- Today's 65 combined points ranks is the 6<sup>th</sup> most combined points all-time. The record 81 points in the 2009 Classic (Ole Miss 47, Texas Tech 34).
- Today's combined 443 rushing yards is 10<sup>th</sup> most in Cotton Bowl history.
- Today's 47 combined first down's is tied for 5<sup>th</sup> on the list of most first downs in a game with the 1990 game.
- LSU is tied for 5<sup>th</sup> on the list for most points scored by the winner of the Cotton Bowl Classic with 41.
- Texas A&M is 8<sup>th</sup> on the list of most points scored by the loser of the Cotton Bowl Classic with 24.
- With the 7:33 kickoff, the 2011 Cotton Bowl Classic is the latest time in the day for the start of the game. Previously the latest kickoff was 3:30 in 1994.
- The January 7 date is also the latest calendar date on which the Cotton Bowl Classic has ever been played.
- This is the 14<sup>th</sup> time the Cotton Bowl game has been played on dates other the traditional January 1 game, including the last three.

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An interview with:

**COACH MILES  
TYRANN MATHIEU  
JORDAN JEFFERSON  
TERRENCE TOLIVER**

THE MODERATOR: We're now joined by Coach Miles and players. Coach, we'd like to let you make an opening comment.

COACH MILES: First of all, I want you to know we truly respect those Texas A&M Aggies. They're a great team. We knew we were going to have to play well when we lined up against them. We understand the tremendous support and loyal following that they have. We're honored to compete against them today.

Our football team is a very close-knit group of men. They have all the characteristics of a very, very capable team, that, in fact, somebody steps up to make a play when it's needed. It can be offense, defense, or special teams.

I think tonight was just really a number of great performances to cap a year that they achieved greatly. A team that's beaten the teams they've beaten and played as well as they have, this was a fitting game.

I have to thank the Cotton Bowl Committee and certainly the opportunity to play in such an historic game.

This game is made more important to us by the luncheon we had where it depicted the great players and the great teams and the great circumstance of a Cotton Bowl. We're very honored to play in it. I think it became more important to us even after that luncheon.

I don't think there's any question that this will eventually be a BCS Bowl game. It has all the

makings and all the strength and environment that you need.

But I'm really proud of our players. Our players are quality men. I got to tell you something. I love going to work with them. What we do as coaches, we ask them to do hard things. It's not easy. It's get up early, it's work late, it's study, it's pound the weights. You're sore. Just came off a game. Tough. It's time to do what we do. We prepare. It's a rugged, ambitious culture.

So as a coach you get to the back end of a season, you've seen what they've accomplished, you're very much in their debt. I surely enjoyed this year. It's been a lot of fun. And these men have been just a joy to be around.

Ask some questions of my players, please.

THE MODERATOR: Questions.

**Q. Les, A&M has been a team that has defended the run well. How were you able to have so much success against them?**

COACH MILES: I think our offensive line came to play. I think we got good runningbacks. I think our fullbacks are coming to life. I think our two-back was very good. I think our offensive line really said this is a challenge they wanted. I think they played to that challenge.

**Q. Coach Miles and Jordan, this is a sign of your growing maturity after falling behind early, throwing an interception, you didn't seem to let that bother you at all. Coach Sherman said even though they had you guys in numerous third-and-long situations, the one person they could not account for defensively was Jordan making plays with his feet, keeping plays alive. Coach Miles, talk to the growing maturity of Jordan. Jordan, talk to your feeling of being comfortable even though falling behind early.**

COACH MILES: Well, I'll jump in there quickly. What happens is it takes time. This position is a tough position. It's cadenced, it's change of cadence. It's stem, motion, and the

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play, and then the check. It takes some time. And through a season, he's continued to get better. He applies his trade. He works hard at it.

I think it's safe to say the back end of the season he's better than he was at the beginning. He pulled some key balls down and picked up first downs with his feet and kept drives alive that allowed us to score.

I think his play tonight is one of the reasons why we win.

JORDAN JEFFERSON: Well, the play that I threw the pick on, they was in the two-tail coverage. Rueben ran right past the quarterback. I didn't think the safety was there fast enough to make a play on it. After my play-action, I thought I would be able to get the ball over the corner, the safety wouldn't make the play. The ball fell kind of low on me.

I really couldn't let that turnover really define us as a team. That turnover would mess up everything for us. I had to overlook that, come out the next drive, make sure we put points on the board. That's what I did throughout the continuation of the game.

**Q. Les, you talked all week about the SEC, the strength of it. How much of that do you think plays into the fact that y'all were able to run the ball so well?**

COACH MILES: I think our league is a league where you have to run the football to keep defenses at bay. I think more than maybe the point that you're making is, is that we play in environments similar to this. We play at Florida, at Alabama, on the road at any number of places where we're used to playing in big games.

I think when you get to the Bowl season, that's an advantage for our conference. I think our guys, we're used to seeing quality teams. They get a lead on us, we understand how to play in tight quarters. It's just a matter of time.

**Q. Coach Miles and Tyrann, the opening drive he has the saving kick. Kind of hunts him down. Did you realize that speed he had? After a win like today, when you go on that recruiting trail, what will you tell the kids to go to LSU next season?**

COACH MILES: Well, Tyrann Mathieu is a special athlete. He's learning how to make those plays in the confines of a defense. But he always made those plays. I promise you, we did know that he was that capable.

I can tell you that the experience that our guys are having at this school, they're getting their degree, it's supported very fully, they're getting an opportunity for a great education and, therefore, a great opportunity at a future job, and they play for championships.

I think the recruiting trail, a win in a quality Bowl game like the Cotton Bowl, just tells you that the program's in great shape, and that next year there's some special opportunities, as well.

**Q. Coach and Terrence, a rush, first offense, pass when you need to, talk about the receivers being patient, especially Terrence a senior in his final game, answering the call when given the challenge tonight.**

COACH MILES: Well, Terrence Toliver has always been a great receiver. He's always a team man. He does what we ask him to do.

In the Florida game, he won the game. In this game, when we needed him to make plays, he made plays. He'll go on and play at another level and do the same things there.

But it's a team sport. It has not to do with all about 'my', it's really all about the team.

The opportunity for a quarterback to go back in the pocket with a dual threat of the fact that it could be a run or a pass allows him to throw the football better, allows him to get out and scramble, allows us to be a better offense.

Terrence Toliver understands that.

TERRENCE TOLIVER: Like coach said, I'm not a selfish player. My senior year, I didn't have as many catches as I had last year. I learned how to just adjust, be a team player, and in the run game, just block.

We had a thousand-yard rusher this year. Our receiver group was a big part of that. But when we step in big games, coach always say, Just make a play.

Our offense, passing game, kind of struggled this year. In big games we always step it up: Alabama, Florida, in this game, too. So coach said that we gonna throw the ball around the field and just make plays, just execute the game plan. I think we did that tonight.

**Q. Terrence, your last game, college football, three touchdowns, talk about how special it is for you, what this night means to you?**

TERRENCE TOLIVER: It's real special.

Since I've been to LSU, I took visits to A&M. I chose to go a different way. Since I've been at LSU, I always wanted to play a Texas school, whether it was Texas A&M, Texas. Just play a good game, have a game of my life in my own home state. It was great for me. My family came, support.

Like I say, I just have a lot of support on this team with the coaches. They put together a great game plan. We executed to the fullest. I'm very excited about the win that we had.

**Q. Jordan, describe your emotions playing on this stage, Cowboy Stadium, home of this year's Super Bowl, 83,000 fans in the seat. Talk about being on this big of a stage. Secondly, the performance that you did, not only with your legs but your arm. Do you feel you've silenced some of your critics, shown them you're more of a complete quarterback than the naysayers would have given you credit for before this game?**

JORDAN JEFFERSON: I was very excited playing in this stadium. We were at the breaking point of the 75th Cotton Bowl, I was excited for that. I knew Texas A&M was going to have a lot of fans in the stadium. I knew LSU was going to show a lot of support for us as well.

It's just a nice facility. You got the big screen, is probably a distraction for everybody in the stands. But, I mean, it's a loud facility, nice facility, real clean. In the Dallas area, it's very clean as well.

I just came into this game with the mindset, like what you said, showing the critics that I can do, you know, what I need to do on the field to be noticed as a good quarterback. I really feel that, you know, I did that tonight. But I couldn't do it without Terrence. I couldn't do it without the O-line protecting for me and making sure that they blocked the Butkus Award winner. I couldn't do it without the running game doing as well as they did it, without the coaches getting us prepared for this game.

They did a great job throughout the game calling the plays, attacking Texas A&M's defense. They just kept us well-prepared throughout the preparation of this Bowl game.

**Q. Coach Miles, you talked about Terrence and the season he's had. I know he hasn't put up the numbers he wanted to. How has he handled that? What growth have you**

**seen from him, not only as a player inside the lines, but outside the lines, too?**

COACH MILES: He's always been a leader. He came in and played as a true freshman. When you come in as a freshman, there's many times the room tries to put you in a position where you're only going to do these things. He just really stepped through some boundaries there. He's really always been that guy.

He was a leader on this team at a time when he was not necessarily getting the credit that he would have deserved. He certainly is a go-to guy really for any team in this country. Frankly, we struggled at times getting him the ball while we ran the football effectively, while we did other things. Didn't seem to bother him. He worked hard at it.

I want you to know something. He doesn't miss practice. He's just what you need. He's a great player that, again, puts team first.

THE MODERATOR: Gentlemen, thank you.

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**COACH SHERMAN  
RYAN TANNEHILL  
LUCAS PATTERSON**

THE MODERATOR: Coach, your comments about this evening's game, please.

COACH SHERMAN: Well, I thought we prepared extremely well for the football game, but obviously today, without question, LSU was the better team. I take my hat off to them. They really played well and gave us all we could handle.

There came a point there that it was close. We were able to jump out early, but weren't able to hold onto it. They run the ball pretty effectively for us. Our gap fits in the run game weren't what they needed to be.

Turned the ball over three times which doesn't help against a team like that. But, again, they were definitely the better team. Take my hat off to Les Miles and his staff. They did a great job.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you. First question.

**Q. Ryan, the interception at the end of the second half, talk us through what happened on that play? What can you build from the end of this season and this game going into next year?**

RYAN TANNEHILL: At the end of the half, went to my first read on the right side, got jammed up pretty bad. Came across to my second read. The guy just made a great play and undercut the throw.

Going into next year, it's tough to think about that right now. We just came off a tough loss. This team put a lot into it. I put a lot into this game. To not go out there and perform the way I'm capable of, we're capable of, it hurts.

I feel bad for my teammates, you know. Kind of dropped the ball. It's a tough feeling. You never want to do that to the guys you love and the guys you work so hard with. So it's definitely tough.

**Q. Mike and Lucas, the way you guys defended the run so well the last six games of the season, what went wrong that let LSU run the ball the way they did?**

LUCAS PATTERSON: I think, you know, most of it, like coach said, was gap fits. You know, they prepared really well. They come out real physical in the first half. I think a lot of it was on third down and long and we let the quarterback get out of contain, and he scrambled for the first down a lot of times.

Little mistakes on our part that turned into big plays for them.

COACH SHERMAN: I think they were 9-16 on third down. I thought we had them in some situations. But the quarterback was able to escape and make successful big plays with his feet. I don't know how much yardage he had, but he was very instrumental in their rushing yardage. Sometimes in pass coverage, rushing the quarterback, it's always hard to account for someone, particularly an athlete like Jefferson.

**Q. Coach, you talk about keeping an even-keel, not getting too high when you win, too low when you lose. How do you keep your team even-keeled after a loss like that?**

COACH SHERMAN: Well, as I told them after the game -- I told them before the game I was proud of them as a football team, and that doesn't change because we lost a football game. I hope my wife still loves me even though we lost a football game. I hope it's not based on that. I still

love these guys. I'm still proud of them. I thought they performed admirably this year. They took a lot of steps that we've asked them to take. We couldn't take the final step.

Like I said before the game, consequences of winning is great expectations, which there were for our fans in this ballgame, which there should have been, great challenges, which there was with LSU, and there's great rewards. But when you don't finish it off like we didn't finish it off, there's great disappointment.

At the same time I think when you look at the body of work that the guys put in this year collectively, the stretch run that they had, I think we'll be able to bounce back from this. We lost to a very good football team today.

**Q. Coach, could you expand, it seemed like the defense would get into situations where you were ideal with down and distance on third down, but expand on the inability to get off the field, to make that play that would give your offense another opportunity to come back on the field?**

COACH SHERMAN: I would agree with that. I thought early, to be honest with you, in the first half, the first quarter, when they started to run the ball pretty effectively, we weren't getting them in enough third downs. But then we did end up putting them in about 16 situations. The quarterback would drop back and would rush the quarterback and lose contain or we'd get washed out of our rush lane and he would take off running when guys were back into coverage.

I don't think we had as great a pass-rush as we've had in the past for whatever reason. You got to give their offensive line credit. Coming into the game, I got a lot of respect for their left tackle. I thought he played very well in this ballgame when I watched him. I thought their offensive line as a group did a good job.

You have to give credit to a good athlete, the quarterback, he made a lot of good plays for them. I thought he was the difference in the game.

**Q. Can you tell us what happened to Hodges, how you think that affected your defense?**

COACH SHERMAN: Well, I would hate to put it on that because injury is part of the game. We have to be able to adjust with the loss of a player like Mike.

He is the heart and soul of our defense in many ways. At the same time you can't use that



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as a reason why we didn't perform the way we should have been capable of performing.

But Mike I believe had an ACL sprain, was not able to reenter the game. But I still expect I think in football, you know, one guy gets hurt, another guy has to step in and make the play. That goes for LSU, goes for us, goes for everybody.

**Q. Coach, you talked about Jordan Jefferson, him making plays with his legs.**

COACH SHERMAN: He also made some plays with his arm, too.

**Q. Can you talk a little bit more in detail about not only what he did with his legs, but what he did with his arms.**

COACH SHERMAN: It was on first and second down he was throwing the ball with the play-action, faking one way, coming back. We call it a play pass. He was able to beat our coverage and the receiver made a nice play. Beat us twice on plays like that off of a play fake.

I thought he was a complete quarterback. I was no way indicating he was just a run-around athlete. I thought he threw the ball about as good as I've seen him throw on tape. I thought he was decisive, aggressive and accurate. He snuck a couple in there that I didn't think he was going to get in.

**Q. One player who did have a good game tonight was Jeff Fuller. Talk about his performance tonight, if that was part of the game plan to get him more involved.**

COACH SHERMAN: No, we don't necessarily say we're going to feed the ball to any one particular player. We kind of go through our progression based on what's called. I thought Jeff just played a good game against a very good player. I thought Cyrus Gray had a very good game as well. Matt Allen had a very good game, our center.

So it was more than just Jeff, though I thought Jeff had one of his better games. I thought he made some nice catches, ran some good routes. When we threw the ball to him, most of the time he made a play with his hands.

**Q. Lucas, you mentioned the Hodges' injury earlier, but what was the biggest thing you felt was missing after Mike went out?**

LUCAS PATTERSON: Mike is a great player. He's the leader of this defense. But just like coach said, injuries happen in football. I think Kyle put in the situation he was in, he played well.

But, I mean, you can't replace a player like Hodges. He's one of my good friends. It's a terrible situation for him to be in, but, like coach said, there's no excuses, injuries happen.

THE MODERATOR: Gentlemen, congratulations on a great season.

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# LSU Post-Game Notes

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## Team Notes

1. LSU's game captains were 11 **Kelvin Sheppard**, 30 **Josh Jasper**, 34 **Stevan Ridley** and 92 **Drake Nevis**.
2. LSU won the toss and deferred its option to the second half. Texas A&M received the opening kickoff.
3. Freshman FB **J.C. Copeland** became the 21st first-time starter for LSU this season. It was his first career start.
4. Texas A&M's 10-0 first quarter lead was the largest deficit for LSU in a first half this season.
5. LSU's 28 points in the first half was its most in a half since putting up 30 against North Carolina in the season-opener.

## Individual Notes

6. WR **Terrence Toliver** hauled in three touchdown passes tonight: a 42-yard touchdown pass from Jordan Jefferson with 1:48 left in the first quarter and caught another on a 2-yard strike with 0:52 left in the second quarter. It was Toliver's third, fourth and fifth TD catches of the season and the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of his career.
  - a. The 42-yard catch was **Toliver's** longest of the season and longest since a 42-yarder at Ole Miss in 2009.
  - b. **Toliver**, a Hempstead, Texas, native delivered his second multi-touchdown game of the season and first since the Florida game.
  - c. **Toliver's** three touchdown catches tie an LSU bowl record. They are the most since Wendell Davis had three against South Carolina in the 1987 Gator Bowl.
  - d. **Toliver** tied a Cotton Bowl record with three receiving TDs tonight.
  - e. The three TDs also tie for third in LSU single game history and it is the first three-TD game since Dwayne Bowe caught three TDs against Kentucky on Oct. 14, 2006.
7. QB **Jordan Jefferson** tossed three touchdown passes tonight: a 42-yard touchdown pass to Terrence Toliver with 1:48 left in the first quarter, a 2-yard throw to Toliver with 1:27 left in the second quarter and a 41-yard pass to Toliver with . It was Jefferson's fifth, sixth and seventh touchdown passes of the season and 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of his career.
  - a. **Jefferson** added his seventh rushing TD of the season and ninth of his career on a 1-yard score with 10:13 left in the second quarter.
  - b. **Jefferson** moved into ninth place in LSU career touchdown passes with his three tonight. He surpassed Bert Jones who threw 28 touchdowns from 1970-72.
  - c. **Jefferson** tied his career high in TD passes and it was the first three TD game for an LSU quarterback since he threw three TDs at Washington in the 2009 season opener.
8. RB **Stevan Ridley** scored on a 17-yard touchdown run with 4:43 left in the second quarter.
  - a. It was **Ridley's** 15th rushing TD of the season, moving him into a tie for fourth place in LSU single-season rushing TDs with Kevin Faulk in 1997. The score was also the 18<sup>th</sup> of his career.
9. CB **Tharold Simon** recorded the first interception of his career late in the second quarter and he was the 10<sup>th</sup> different LSU player to record an interception this season.
10. S **Eric Reid** picked off his second pass of the season, returning it 34 yards for nearly a touchdown.



## Texas A&M Post-Game Notes

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### **SEVEN STRAIGHT 100-YARD GAMES FOR GRAY —**

Junior Cyrus Gray closed the 2010 season with seven straight 100-yard rushing games with 100 rushing yards against LSU tonight. It is the second-longest streak of 100-yard rushing games behind Darren Lewis' string of 10 in 1988.

### **BATTLE FOR CATCHES RECORD ENDS WITH FULLER, SWOPE TIED AT 72—**

Sophomore Ryan Swope led the Aggies in receiving entering tonight's contest with 67 on the season, finishing the game against LSU with five. Junior Jeff Fuller followed with 65, and added seven receptions tonight. The previous school record of 65 was made by Rod Bernstine in 1986.

### **FULLER HITS MAGICAL 1,000 YARD MARK —**

Already the school record holder for receiving yards in a season, junior Jeff Fuller became A&M's first 1,000-yard receiver with 83 yards on seven catches against LSU.

### **GRAY TOPS 5,000-YARD PLATEAU IN ALL-PURPOSE YARDAGE—**

Junior Cyrus Gray became the second player in school history to surpass the 5,000-yard barrier in career all-purpose yardage. With 109 yards (100 Rush, nine receiving) against the Tigers, Gray raised his career total to 4,914. A&M's career rushing leader Darren Lewis set the all-purpose yardage school record of 5,138 from 1987-90.

### **JUDIE SETS TONE, SETS RECORD —**

Junior Coryell Judie got the Aggies out to a fast start by returning the opening kickoff 69 yards and setting up a quick touchdown. Judie's return was the second-longest in Cotton Bowl history. A&M scored at the 13:01 mark of the first quarter, which was the fourth fastest score in Cotton Bowl history. By the end of the first half, Judie had already set the Classic return for kickoff return yardage with 172 yards on five returns and finished with 197 yards on seven returns. Judie's performance ranked No. 2 in Texas A&M history.

### **LEADING TACKLER HODGES LEAVES WITH KNEE INJURY —**

The Aggies' top tackler Michael Hodges left a void in the middle of the A&M defense when he suffered a game-ending knee injury in the second quarter. Hodges, who came into the game with a team-high 111 tackles, left the game with four tackles and a broken up pass.

### **MISCELLANEOUS —**

- As they have been all season, the game captains were seniors Jerrod Johnson, Terrence McCoy and Von Miller. LSU won the toss and deferred their toss until the second half. A&M received the opening kickoff.

The 12<sup>th</sup> Man was sophomore DeAndre Thompson (Alief, Texas/Taylor). It was his 11th straight 12<sup>th</sup> Man starting assi