Owls After Number Two

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Perhaps it was fate that drove TCU to its startling upset over Texas. After all, the Horned Frogs play Rice this weekend, and it was necessary for them to be in the nation's top ten.

Five Owl Opponents
TCU joins five other Owl opponents in making the top ten teams in the nation. LSU, Texas, Arkansas, SMU, and Clemson all have enjoyed lofty national ranking, and now the Horned Frogs will mark the sixth Owl effort to defeat a highly ranked squad. The first five efforts failed, although Rice tied the Mustangs, who have since fallen out of sight.

The tenth-ranked Frogs have started moving after early season set-backs at the hands of LSU and Arkansas. However, as the season progresses, the losses are beginning to look more like feathers in the Froggie cap.

Close Games
Arkansas dropped the Texans 3-0 in the mud at Fayetteville, and went on to come within one point of an unbeaten record in the SWC. The LSU setback was in Baton Rouge and had a Froggie made 4 inches in the third quarter, the story might have been different. The Tigers held on their goal line for a 10-0 victory.

Those ten points represent the largest total score off the defensive leaders of the SWC.

All American Candidates
Although the Frog offense has been far from devastating, Jack Spikes and Marvin Lasater were all-Conference in 1958 and with Spikes in the leading conference's ground gainer in the current campaign, he is a good bet for All-American honors. All-America tackle Don Floyd anchors the huge TCU line.

In Saturday's clash at Fort Worth's Amon Carter Stadium, the Frogs will go for their fifth straight victory and a shot at a three way conference tie. The Frogs must halt Rice and SMU to gain a title tie, but they are out of the Cotton Bowl picture, having lost to Arkansas and gone January, 1959.