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This Week in College Football History: Oct. 2 - Oct. 8

MORRISTOWN, N.J., Sept. 26, 2006 – As part of an on-going series throughout the fall, The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame circulates in advance *This Week in College Football History*, which takes a look back at some of college football's landmark moments over the last 138 years. During the season, many of these events are featured in a changing exhibit at the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Ind.

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Featured Moment:

October 4, 1997: Kentucky beats Alabama 40-34 in overtime, defeating the Crimson Tide for first time in 75 years (2-31-1).

Bama's 30-yard field goal late in the fourth quarter sent the game into overtime, tying the game at 34. But, a Tide fumble in OT forced a change in possession, and UK scored on a 26-yard touchdown pass for the game-winner. Kentucky QB Tim Couch passed for 355 yards and four touchdowns en route to the overtime victory.

Other Notable Dates:

October 2, 1970: A chartered plane carrying the Wichita State football team to a game at Utah State crashes in Clear Creek Canyon, Colo., killing 31 of the 40 people on board. Another chartered Martin 404 arrives safely in Logan, Utah.

October 3, 1998: Texas RB Ricky Williams states his case for the Heisman Trophy with a school-record 350 net rushing yards on 37 attempts in the Longhorns' 54-33 victory over Iowa State in Austin.

October 5, 1968: Arkansas' Bill Burnett starts a 23-game scoring streak in a 17-7 victory over TCU. The streak ends on Oct. 31, 1970, a record that stood for 32 years.

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- October 5, 1985:** Legendary Grambling head football coach and 1997 College Football Hall of Fame inductee Eddie Robinson surpasses fellow Hall of Famer Paul "Bear" Bryant's career win mark (324) with a 27-7 win over Prairie View A&M.
- October 6, 1923:** 1951 College Football Hall of Famer Red Grange of Illinois debuts against Nebraska and rushes for touchdowns of 50, 35, and 12 yards.
- October 7, 1916:** Georgia Tech wins by the largest margin in college football history, beating Cumberland 222-0 in Atlanta.
- October 8, 1955:** Oklahoma becomes the first team in 282 games to shut out Texas, defeating the Longhorns 12-0 at the Cotton Bowl in Dallas.

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