Hokies, Cavs Meet For 58th

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Saturday's meeting between Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia will be the 58th. Tech leads the series which began in 1895 with 28 wins, 25 losses and four ties.

The Gobblers haven't won at Charlottesville since 1971 when the Hokies prevailed 6-0. Tech was defeated there two years ago in a controversial 28-27 contest, but avenged the loss in 1975 with a 24-17 victory over the Cavaliers at Blacksburg.

Tech running back Roscoe Coles became the first Tech player in history to rush for 100 yards or more in 10 games during his career. Coles had 111 yards against VMI last Saturday in the Tobacco Bowl.

The junior tailback now had 2,103 yards, only 13 behind Terry Smoot for second place on Tech's all-time rushing list. Coles is within striking distance of Phil Rogers for first place. Rogers has the record of 2,461 yards in a career.

Although Tech didn't attempt a forward pass in the 37-7 Tobacco Bowl victory over VMI, the Hokies did establish two Bowl records, in yards rushing for a team 372 and Paul Engle's 47-yard field goal.