LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Derrick Ramsey ran for two touchdowns and passed for 45 yards to Felix Wilson for another score Saturday night as seventh-ranked Kentucky ripped Virginia Tech 32-0 in a college football battle.

Kentucky, 7-1, took control of the game when a Virginia Tech scoring opportunity went away midway through the first quarter. The Wildcats' Mike Siganos returned Paul Engle's 62-yard field goal attempt to the VPI 45 and, on the next play, Ramsey launched the touchdown pass to Wilson for a 14-0 halftime lead.

The Cats blew the game open during a five-minute stretch of the third quarter. Ramsey scored on runs of 22 and three yards, giving Kentucky a 22-0 lead.

Kentucky completed its third-quarter outburst when substitute quarterback Mike Deaton passed 13 yards to Scott Johnson and Joe Genaro added a school record-tying 52-yard field goal.

"I said during the week that Ken- tucky was possibly the No. 1 team in the country," Virginia Tech's Jimmie Sharp said after the game. They (the Wild- cats) are definitely the best we've seen.

They are just tremendously physi- cal. Ramsey is awesome. Our de- fense played exceptionally well and (linebacker) Rick Razzano had a great game. Even at the end, we weren't giving up.

"Maybe for the first time this year we had the kind of togetherness we needed. We sort of made it easy for them. If we had gotten going before the half, it might have been different.

Sharp asserted that Tech's sputtering offense is not the formation. It's still blocking and tackling game.

Virginia Tech, 1-6-1, added to its own destruction during the second half with a third- period by coughing up two fumbles and having a pass intercepted.

The Kentucky offense sputtered in the first half, but the Wildcats' tenacious defensive unit was primed from the opening kickoff. Kentucky held Virginia Tech to just 12 first-half offensive in the first half, including just 17 yards in 22 rushing attempts.

Virginia Tech stayed in the game before halftime when intercepting three Ramsey passes and pouncing on a fumble, but the Gobblers were hope- less when they marched inside the 30.

The homecoming crowd of 57,814, which included Baseball Commissioner Bowie Kuhn, saw Kentucky record its second straight shutout, easily re- tain its Southeastern Conference lead in total defense.

The Virginia Tech defense, which at times seemed throttled to seven down linemen, could not stop Kentucky's running game. The 6-foot-5, 222-pound Ramsey twice split the line for long gains when tackle-breaking scrambles after he was ap- parently stopped for huge losses.