

Game-by-Game Recaps

Oklahoma 21
Syracuse 6

January 1, 1959
Orange Bowl Stadium

Big Plays Propel Sooners



Oklahoma hit Syracuse with three "home run" plays, and was fortunate to escape the Silver Anniversary Orange Bowl with a 21-6 win. Syracuse dominated the Sooners in every category, including total yardage.

OU utilized their team speed and scored before the game was yet three minutes old. Fullback Prentice Gautt took a pitchout and went 42 yards around left end for the score. A more spectacular long play came with 2:56 remaining in the initial quarter. Following a Syracuse fumble deep in Sooner territory, right halfback Brewster Hobby took a lateral and passed to Ross Coyle in the flat. Coyle took off on a 79-yard touchdown sprint and the Sooners had a 14-0 lead.

Each team's defense frustrated the other's offense. Late in the third, Hobby got through Syracuse's punt coverage and returned the football 40 yards for a 21-0 lead. Syracuse scored its only points in the fourth on a 69-yard drive that ended in Mark Weber's 15-yard run.

	Oklahoma	Syracuse
First Downs	12	18
Rushing Plays	44	56
Rushing Yards	152	239
Passes Attempted	4	25
Passes Completed	3	10
Had Intercepted	0	2
Passing Yards	93	72
Total Offense	245	311
Punting/Avg.	8/37.0	8/31.2
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	2/2
Penalties/Yards	3/35	4/20

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	14	0	7	0	-	21
Syracuse	0	0	0	6	-	6

SCORING SUMMARY

OU: Gautt 42-yard run (run failed); OU: Coyle 79-yard pass from Hobby (Sandefer to Hobby); OU: Hobby 40-yard punt return (Boyd kick); SU: Weber 15-yard run (run failed)

Oklahoma Head Coach Bud Wilkinson
Syracuse Head Coach Ben Schwartzwalder



Bud Wilkinson had little trouble with Syracuse in the 1959 Orange Bowl as his Sooners built up a 21-0 lead before the Orange got on the scoreboard.

Georgia 14
Missouri 0

January 1, 1960
Orange Bowl Stadium

Tarkenton Rallies Georgia



The nation was first introduced to quarterback Fran Tarkenton in the '60 Orange Bowl Classic, as the Georgia senior used his scrambling ability to lead his team to a 14-0 win over Missouri.

Tarkenton threw for two touchdowns on broken plays and completed nine of 16 passes for 131 yards.

In the first quarter he threw 29 yards to sophomore halfback Bill McKenney for a 7-0 Georgia lead, and in the third, he scrambled free again and found end Aaron Box open on a 33-yard scoring strike.

Missouri Coach Dan Devine praised Tarkenton lavishly, but he also said the hard-knocking Georgia defense was a big factor.

Missouri, which broke Oklahoma's grip on the Big Seven championship, led in total yardage, 264 to 223, but couldn't get across the goal line as three interceptions stopped potential scoring drives.

Georgia head coach Wally Butts coached his last Bulldog game.

	Georgia	Missouri
First Downs	14	16
Rushing Attempts	41	38
Rushing Yards	95	85
Passes Attempted	21	24
Passes Completed	9	14
Had Intercepted	2	3
Passing Yards	128	179
Total Offense	223	264
Punting/Avg.	7/46.9	6/38.7
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	3/0
Penalties/Yards	7/65	7/72

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Georgia	7	7	0	0	-	14
Missouri	0	0	0	0	-	0

SCORING SUMMARY

UG: McKenney 29-yard pass from Tarkenton (Pennington kick); UG: Box 33-yard pass from Tarkenton (Pennington kick)

Georgia Head Coach Wallace Butts
Missouri Head Coach Dan Devine



Fran Tarkenton completed his collegiate career in style throwing for two touchdowns in the Bulldogs 14-0 shutout over Missouri in the 1960 Orange Bowl. The game also marked the final one for legendary coach Wally Butts.

Missouri 21
Navy 14

January 2, 1961
Orange Bowl Stadium

Navy's Weapon Silenced



Missouri held Navy Heisman Trophy and Maxwell Award winner Joe Bellino to just four yards rushing and came away a 21-14 winner on a day of big plays.

Bellino, however, made one play that left his impact on the Orange Bowl. With the Tigers leading 21-6 in the fourth quarter, the senior snatched a 27-yard Harold Spooner pass that "simply was out of his reach." Missouri coach Dan Devine later called it the greatest catch he had ever seen.

Navy defensive back Greg Mather set the "big play" tone in the opening quarter on a 98-yard return of a picked off lateral that Missouri halfback Donnie Smith had tried to direct to quarterback Ron Taylor.

The Middies recovered a fumble on the next series, but Norm Beal's 90-yard interception return of a Spooner pass made it 7-6. The Midshipmen couldn't get their ground game in motion-it lost eight yards-as a seven-man Missouri line blitzed all day long.

Missouri used a 4-yard run by Smith and a 1-yard sneak by Taylor to take a 21-7 lead into the fourth. Bellino's catch made the final 21-14.

Missouri avenged a 1960 Orange Bowl loss and would have finished the season as national champion had it not been for a regular season-ending loss to Kansas.

	Missouri	Navy
First Downs	19	9
Rushing Attempts	66	24
Rushing Yards	296	(-8)
Passes Attempted	6	23
Passes Completed	1	13
Had Intercepted	0	4
Passing Yards	5	176
Total Offense	301	168
Punting/Avg.	4/30.5	7/35.4
Fumbles/Lost	5/3	2/0
Penalties/Yards	1/15	1/4

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Missouri	7	7	0	7	-	21
Navy	6	0	0	8	-	14

SCORING SUMMARY

NV: Mather 98-yard fumble return (kick failed); MO: Beal 90-yard interception return (Tobin kick); MO: D. Smith 4-yard run (Tobin kick); MO: Taylor 1-yard run (Tobin kick); NV: Bellino 27-yard pass from Spooner (Luper pass from Spooner)

Missouri Head Coach Dan Devine
Navy Head Coach Wayne Hardin

Game-by-Game Recaps

LSU **25**
Colorado **7**

January 1, 1962
Orange Bowl Stadium

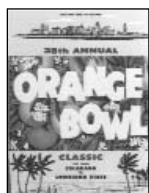
Alabama **17**
Oklahoma **0**

January 1, 1963
Orange Bowl Stadium

Nebraska **13**
Auburn **7**

January 1, 1964
Orange Bowl Stadium

Blocked Punts Propel Tigers



LSU's Paul Dietzel, coaching his last game for the Tigers, watched while his team turned Colorado punts into scores in a 25-7 triumph over the Big Seven opponent.

Dietzel had noticed a quirk in the Colorado center's snaps and used it to his team's advantage in this battle of top 10, once-beaten teams.

In the early going, Wendell Harris' 30-yard field goal gave LSU a 3-0 lead. Then, the Tigers blocked a Charlie McBride punt into the endzone for a safety.

Colorado's Loren Schweiniger went 59 yards with an interception return that gave the Buffaloes a 7-5 lead, but LSU came back before the half with an 82-yard scoring march that made it 11-7.

In the third period, the Tigers put 14 points on the scoreboard on Jimmy Field's run from the 9 and a Gene Sykes recovery of his own blocked punt.

	LSU	Colorado
First Downs	19	7
Rushing Attempts	57	16
Rushing Yards	206	24
Passes Attempted	18	39
Passes Completed	8	12
Had Intercepted	3	0
Passing Yards	109	105
Total Offense	315	129
Punting/Avg.	4/33.8	8/22.1
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	2/1
Penalties/Yards	7/65	5/35

SCORE BY QUARTERS

LSU	5	6	14	0	-	25
Colorado	0	7	0	0	-	7

SCORING SUMMARY

LSU: Harris 30-yard FG; LSU: Kinchen safety on blocked punt; CO: Schweiniger 59-yard interception return (Hillebrand kick); LSU: Cranford 1-yard run (run failed); LSU: Field 9-yard run (Harris kick); LSU: Sykes recovered blocked punt in endzone (Harris kick)

LSU Head Coach Paul Dietzel
Colorado Head Coach Sonny Grandelius



Louisiana State's Charles Cranford jumps over the goal line to score a Tigers touchdown in the second quarter to put LSU ahead for good.

JFK Watches 'Bama's Show



President John F. Kennedy was one of 73,380 fans to witness Alabama linebacker Lee Roy Jordan single-handedly turn back Oklahoma, 17-0.

Jordan, who met Kennedy during the coin toss, recorded 31 tackles as a defensive battle took shape right from the start. The tough Alabama defense had allowed only 39 points all season and had not been scored upon twice in any game.

After 'Bama had taken a 7-0 lead on a 25-yard pass from sophomore Joe Namath to Richard Williams, OU botched its best scoring opportunity. The Sooners lost a fumble on the Alabama 7-yard line, after a 56-yard Ron Fletcher-to-Allen Bumgardner pass led them down the field.

In the second period, a 15-yard Cotton Clark run stretched the 'Bama lead to 14-0, and the TD extended that to 17-0 on Tim Davis' 19-yard FG.

Both teams compiled 260 yards of total offense, but Oklahoma was unable to get into the end zone. Despite his fumble, Grisham earned 107 tough yards on the ground for the Sooners.

	Alabama	Oklahoma
First Downs	15	10
Rushing Plays	50	52
Rushing Yards	175	154
Passes Attempted	17	8
Passes Completed	9	4
Had Intercepted	0	1
Passing Yards	85	106
Total Offense	259	260
Punting/Avg.	9/40.5	10/34.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	2/2
Penalties/Yards	1/12	1/5

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Alabama	7	7	3	0	-	17
Oklahoma	0	0	0	0	-	0

SCORING SUMMARY

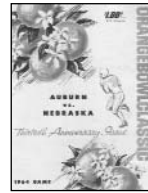
AL: Williamson 25-yard pass from Namath (Davis kick); AL: Clark 15-yard run (Davis kick); AL: Davis 19-yard FG

Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant
Oklahoma Head Coach Bud Wilkinson



President John F. Kennedy enjoys a return to the Orange Bowl in 1963. Two years earlier, Kennedy saw his Midshipmen fall to Missouri in 1961.

Nebraska Holds Off Late Rally



Nebraska linebacker John Kirby batted away an Auburn pass on fourth down as the final seconds ticked away in the '64 Orange, giving his team a 13-7 win.

Nebraska came into the game ranked fifth and Auburn sixth in the UPI poll. The AP poll figured it the opposite way.

With the help of a Bob Brown block, Nebraska quarterback Dennis Claridge ignited the Big Red early, taking a bootleg 68 yards on only the third play of the game.

Dave Theisen added a pair of field goals and the Huskers led 13-0 at intermission.

Auburn quarterback Jimmy Sidle, one of the top runners in SEC history, pulled his team within six, 13-7, on a 13-yard, third-quarter run. In the closing minutes of the game, Sidle had the Tigers in position to win, but Kirby's pass breakup on a fourth-and-four play prevented the score.

Claridge rushed for 108 yards on the afternoon while Sidle racked up 96 yards for his team. Nebraska head coach Bob Devaney made his first appearance in the Orange Bowl.

	Nebraska	Auburn
First Downs	11	17
Rushing Attempts	46	35
Rushing Yards	204	126
Passes Attempted	9	27
Passes Completed	4	14
Had Intercepted	0	1
Passing Yards	30	157
Total Offense	234	283
Punting/Avg.	7/38.3	6/35.2
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	3/1
Yards Penalized	6/65	5/39

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Nebraska	10	3	0	0	-	13
Auburn	0	0	7	0	-	7

SCORING SUMMARY

NE: Claridge 68-yard run (Theisen kick); NE: Theisen 31-yard FG; NE: Theisen 26-yard FG; AU: Sidle 13-yard run (Woodall kick)

Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney
Auburn Head Coach Shug Jordan





Dennis Claridge of Nebraska races 68 yards for the score to help Nebraska to 204 yards rushing and a 13-7 victory over Auburn.

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Game-by-Game Recaps

Texas 21
Alabama 17

January 1, 1965
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~NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP~

First Night Game a Classic



Texas upset No. 1 Alabama, 21-17, in the first night game in Orange Bowl history. The Longhorns stopped Alabama quarterback Joe Namath inches short of the goal line on a crucial fourth-down play late in the game that would have given the Crimson Tide the lead.

The defeat overshadowed a heroic performance by Namath, the senior quarterback who didn't start the game because of a knee injury. He completed 18 of 37 passes for 255 yards and two touchdowns and was named the game's MOP.

Steve Sloan started the game for the Tide, but he couldn't get the offense going following two missed field goals. The Longhorns' Ernie Koy ran for a 79 yard for a touchdown on Texas' first possession. Texas went up 14-0 after quarterback Jim Hudson hit George Sauer for a 69-yard score.

Alabama head coach Bear Bryant then sent in Namath. He completed 10 passes in driving the Tide 87 yards, sewing up a touchdown with a 7-yard toss to Wayne Trimble.

Texas came back with a 72 yard drive that ended on Koy's right-end run with 27 seconds remaining in the half. Namath came out firing after intermission, hitting Ray Perkins with a 20-yard pass to close the gap to 21-14 with 9:25 left in the third.

When Texas' Marvin Kristynik fumbled late in the fourth quarter, Namath was at the controls once again. After a run and a pair of completed passes, Alabama had first down at the 6. Three plays later at the one-yard line, Namath tried a quarterback sneak, gimpy knee and all, and Longhorn left tackle Frank Bedrick and All-American linebacker Tommy Nobis stopped him short of the goal. Two more Alabama possessions in the final six minutes resulted in an interception and three incomplete passes. Prior to the game, Alabama was named national champions by both the UPI and AP polls.

	Texas	Alabama
First Downs	15	18
Rushing Plays	51	26
Rushing Yards	212	49
Passes Attempted	17	44
Passes Completed	4	20
Had Intercepted	2	1
Passing Yards	101	298
Total Offense	313	347
Punting/Avg.	9/36.8	5/43.4
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	3/1
Penalties/Yards	3/25	4/46

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Texas	7	14	0	0	-	21
Alabama	0	7	7	3	-	14



SCORING SUMMARY

UT: Koy 79-yard run (Conway kick); UT: Sauer 69-yard pass from Hudson (Conway kick); AL: Trimble 7-yard pass from Namath (Ray kick); UT: Koy 1-yard run (Conway kick); AL: Perkins 20-yard pass from Namath (Ray kick); AL: Ray 24-yard FG...**MOP: Joe Namath (Alabama)**

Texas Head Coach Darrell Royal
Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant

Alabama 39
Nebraska 28

January 1, 1966
Orange Bowl Stadium
~NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP~

Sloan Passes Underdog Alabama



Alabama coach Bear Bryant gave quarterback Steve Sloan the green light to throw on any down, and Sloan set Orange Bowl passing records in leading the Tide to a 39-28 victory over powerhouse Nebraska.

Sloan completed 20 of 28 passes for 296 yards and two touchdowns. A fine three-touchdown performance by Nebraska quarterback Bob Churchich was not enough to overcome four Nebraska fumbles and a 24-7 halftime deficit.

In his first offensive series, Sloan took the Tide 69 yards in eight plays, concluding it with a 21-yard scoring pass to Ray Perkins. Following another 71-yard drive that ended in a missed field goal, Nebraska tied the score at 7-7 when Churchich connected with Tony Jeter for 33 yards early in the second quarter.

Sloan put 'Bama on top, 21-7, by engineering drives of 89 and 93 yards. Leslie Kelley scored on a 4-yard run and then Perkins hauled in an 11-yard touchdown pass. Bryant elected to go with an onside kick and Alabama recovered. Five plays later, his team led 24-7 following an 18-yard David Ray field goal.

The teams exchanged touchdowns in the third period before Churchich kept for a 1-yard touchdown run early in the fourth. Alabama came right back on a 3-yard Bowman run. Churchich's 14-yard run to Jeter and the ensuing two-point conversion closed the final margin to 39-28. The Tide's Perkins caught an Orange Bowl-record nine passes for 159 yards, a mark that stood for 25 years.

	Alabama	Nebraska
First Downs	29	17
Rushing Attempts	57	24
Rushing Yards	222	145
Passes Attempted	29	19
Passes Completed	20	12
Had Intercepted	2	1
Passing Yards	296	232
Total Offense	518	377
Punting/Avg.	5/31.2	3/41.7
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	4/4
Yards Penalized	8/62	8/86

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Alabama	7	17	8	7	-	39
Oklahoma	0	7	6	15	-	28



SCORING SUMMARY

AL: Perkins 32-yard pass from Sloan (Ray kick); NE: Jeter 33-yard pass from Churchich (Wachholtz kick); AL: Kelley 4-yard run (Ray kick); AL: Perkins 11-yard pass from Sloan (Ray kick); AL: Ray 18-yard FG; NE: Gregory 49-yard pass from Churchich (pass failed); AL: Bowman 1-yard run (Perkins pass from Sloan); NE: Churchich 1-yard run (Wachholtz kick); AL: Bowman 3-yard run (Ray kick); NE: Jeter 14-yard pass from Churchich (Gregory pass from Churchich)...**MOP: Steve Sloan (Alabama)**

Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant
Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney

Florida 27
Georgia Tech 12

January 2, 1967
Orange Bowl Stadium

Smith Runs Over Georgia Tech



Halfback Larry Smith rushed for 187 yards, including a third-quarter 94-yard touchdown sprint, as Florida rolled over eighth-ranked Georgia Tech, 27-12.

Tech trailed 7-6 and was at the Florida 6 in the third period when Bobby Downs intercepted a pass from the Yellow Jackets' Kim King. On the next play, Smith took a handoff from Heisman winner Steve Spurrier and went 94 yards to put the Gators up 14-6. Florida went on to dominate after Smith's run. Graham McKeel's second of his two one-yard touchdown runs and Larry Good's 25-yard run in the four made it 27-6.

Tech scored the first touchdown of the day—a 10-yard pass from King to Craig Baynham—to take the initial 6-0 lead. The Jackets didn't score again until the 4th when Jack Coons gathered in a 5-yard Harmon Wages' aerial. The Yellow Jackets' Lenny Snow was a bright spot, rushing for 110 yards and hauling in a 52-yard pass reception.

The '67 Orange marked legendary Bobby Dodd's last appearance as head coach at Georgia Tech. Florida head coach Ray Graves had been Dodd's assistant at Georgia Tech for 14 years.

	Florida	GT
First Downs	22	17
Rushing Plays	48	46
Rushing Yards	289	197
Passes Attempted	32	22
Passes Completed	15	6
Had Intercepted	1	4
Passing Yards	165	128
Total Offense	454	325
Punting/Avg.	7/36.1	6/42.3
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	2/1
Penalties/Yards	4/32	5/41

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Florida	0	7	7	13	-	27
Georgia Tech	6	0	0	6	-	12

SCORING SUMMARY

GT: Baynham 10-yard pass from King (run failed); UF: McKeel 1-yard run (Barfield kick); UF: Smith 94-yard run (Barfield kick); UF: McKeel 1-yard run (Barfield kick); UF: Good 25-yard run (pass failed); GT: Coons 5-yard pass from Wages (pass failed)...**MOP: Larry Smith (Florida)**

Florida Head Coach Ray Graves
Georgia Tech Head Coach Bobby Dodd

Game-by-Game Recaps

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Penn State 15
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Orange Bowl Stadium

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Missouri 3

January 1, 1970
Orange Bowl Stadium

Vols' Miss Game Winning FG



A 43-yard field goal attempt by Tennessee's Karl Kremser with seven seconds left sailed wide right, leaving Oklahoma with a narrow 26-24 Orange Bowl victory over Oklahoma.

The miss saved Oklahoma first-year coach Chuck Fairbanks from being the game's goat after he made a coaching miscue minutes earlier.

Facing fourth and one from his own 43-yard line with 1:54 left, Fairbanks gambled and went for the first down. The ball was given to tailback Steve Owens, who was met by blitzing Vol linebacker Jack Reynolds before he could take a step. The Sooners, after watching a 19-0 halftime lead disappear, turned the ball over to the Volunteers on downs.

Tennessee, which scored all 24 of its points in the second half, worked it into field goal range before Kremser missed.

Oklahoma's offense came out steaming in the first half, getting three touchdowns on a 7-yard run by MOP Bob Warmack, a 20-yard pass from Warmack to Eddie Hinton and a 1-yard Owens' run.

Tennessee came alive in the third, ignited by Jimmy Glover's 36-yard interception return for six points. That was followed by a 5-yard Fulton scoring run and a Kremser field goal that closed it to 19-17.

Oklahoma's Bob Stephenson briefly broke the momentum with a 25-yard interception return that made it 26-17, but Tennessee countered with a late 1-yard run by Dewey Warren.

	Oklahoma	Tennessee
First Downs	18	18
Rushing Attempts	50	44
Rushing Yards	203	172
Passes Attempted	18	24
Passes Completed	9	12
Had Intercepted	2	3
Passing Yards	107	160
Total Offense	310	332
Punting/Avg.	5/47.0	2/32.0
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	1/1
Penalties/Yards	2/10	4/27

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	7	12	0	7	-	26
Tennessee	0	0	14	10	-	24

SCORING SUMMARY

OU: Warmack 7-yard run (Vachon kick); OU: Hinton 20-yard pass from Warmack (kick failed); OU: Owens 1-yard run (run failed); UT: Glover 36-yard interception return (Kremser kick); UT: Fulton 5-yard run (Kremser kick); OU: Stephenson 23-yard interception return (Vachon kick); UT: Kremser 26-yard FG; UT: Warren 1-yard run (Kremser kick)...**MOP: Bob Warmack (Oklahoma)**

Oklahoma Head Coach Chuck Fairbanks
Tennessee Head Coach Doug Dickey

Late Penalty Gives PSU Win



Given a second try due to a Kansas penalty, Penn State scored on a late two-point conversion to beat the Jayhawks, 15-14, in the 35th Orange Bowl.

Kansas had held on the previous attempt, but referee Foster Grose noticed 12 men on the field and awarded a second try to the Nittany Lions. Bob Campbell swept over the left side of the line for the win.

This Kansas team, the only one ever to win the Big Eight title, scored first on a Mike Reeves 2-yard run. Penn State running back Charlie Pittman came back with a 13-yard touchdown to even it up at halftime.

Following a scoreless third period, fullback John Riggins' 1-yard run put the Jayhawks up 14-7. Kansas looked like it would score again but head coach Pepper Rodgers elected to run the ball on a fourth-and-one at the Penn State 14. Instead of the sure three points, Riggins was stopped for no gain by State's Pete Johnson.

With 1:16 to go and still trailing by seven, Penn State partially blocked a Kansas punt, and took over at midfield. Chuck Burkhart completed deep to Campbell, who was knocked out at the 3. Burkhart eventually scored on a 1-yard run that made it Kansas 14, Penn State 13.

	PSU	Kansas
First Downs	17	16
Rushing Plays	55	59
Rushing Yards	207	76
Passes Attempted	23	18
Passes Completed	12	9
Had Intercepted	1	2
Passing Yards	154	165
Total Offense	361	241
Punting/Avg.	9/38.1	10/38.3
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/0
Penalties/Yards	1/15	2/10

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Penn State	0	7	0	8	-	15
Kansas	7	0	0	7	-	14

SCORING SUMMARY

KU: Reeves 2-yard run (Bell kick); PS: Pittman 13-yard run (Garthwaite kick); KU: Riggins 1-yard run (Bell kick); PS: Burkhart 3-yard run (Campbell run)...**MOP: Donnie Shanklin (Kansas)**

Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno
Kansas Head Coach Pepper Rodgers

PSU Finishes Undefeated, No. 2



Second-ranked Penn State saw its chances for a national title expire when Texas finished its season earlier in the day with a Cotton Bowl title, but Joe Paterno's squad still completed an undefeated season with a 10-3 win over Missouri.

Penn State scored all 10 of its points in a 21-second span during the first quarter. Following a 29-yard field goal, the Nittany Lions recovered a Mizzou fumble on the ensuing kickoff and quarterback Chuck Burkhart hit Lydell Mitchell with a 28-yard TD strike on the next play.

Missouri lost two fumbles and had an Orange Bowl-record seven passes intercepted by the Penn State defense. Penn State sophomore Franco Harris had 17 carries for 46 yards in a game that featured 19 future National Football League stars.

	PSU	Missouri
First Downs	12	13
Rushing Attempts	54	43
Rushing Yards	57	189
Passes Attempted	26	28
Passes Completed	11	6
Had Intercepted	1	7
Passing Yards	187	117
Total Offense	244	306
Punting/Avg.	12/43.1	6/44.7
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	4/2
Penalties/Yards	5/40	3/25

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Penn State	10	0	0	0	-	10
Missouri	0	3	0	0	-	3

SCORING SUMMARY

PS: Reitz 29-yard FG; PS: Mitchell 28-yard pass from Burkhart (Reitz kick); MO: Brown 33-yard FG ...**MOPs: Chuck Burkhart and Mike Reid (Penn State)**

Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno
Missouri Head Coach Dan Devine




OBC President Allen Morris hands Coach Joe Paterno a commemorative painting during the annual Bowl Week Coaches Luncheon event

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LSU **12**

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Nebraska Downs LSU For Title



Coach Bob Devaney's Nebraska Cornhuskers won their first of two consecutive national championships by virtue of a 17-12 win over LSU.

Earlier in the day, top-ranked Texas was upset by Notre Dame in the Cotton Bowl and number two-ranked Ohio State was shocked by Stanford and Jim Plunkett in the Rose.

That left the door to the title wide open for the third-ranked 'Huskers. They responded by building a 10-0 first-quarter lead.

A pair of Mark Lumpkin field goals and a 31-yard touchdown pass from Buddy Lee to Al Coffee on the last play of the third quarter gave the inspired Tigers a 12-10 lead.

Nebraska showed its grit by regaining the lead with 8:50 left. On a fourth-and-one, quarterback Jerry Tagge was stopped inches short of the goal, but he stretched the ball over the line for the national title.

	Nebraska	LSU
First Downs	18	20
Rushing Attempts	48	45
Rushing Yards	132	51
Passes Attempted	28	32
Passes Completed	14	17
Had Intercepted	2	1
Passing Yards	161	227
Total Offense	293	278
Punting/Avg.	6/37.7	8/32.8
Fumbles/Lost	4/3	4/3
Penalties/Yards	8/67	4/27

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Nebraska	10	0	0	7	-	17
LSU	0	3	9	0	-	12

SCORING SUMMARY

NE: Rogers 26-yard FG; NE: Orduno 3-yard run (Rogers kick); LSU: Lumpkin 36-yard FG; LSU: Lumpkin 25-yard FG; LSU: Coffee 31-yard pass from Lee (kick failed); NE: Tagge 1-yard run (Rogers kick)...**MOPs: Jerry Tagge and Willie Harper (Nebraska)**


Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney
LSU Head Coach Charlie McClendon



MOP Jerry Tagge leaps over the goal line in the fourth quarter to hand the Cornhuskers a 17-12 victory over LSU in the 1971 National Championship.

N **Nebraska** **38**
Alabama **6**

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~NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP~



'Huskers Win Second Straight Title



A match up between top-ranked Nebraska and No.2-ranked Alabama was billed as the "Game of the Century II", but the 'Huskers proved to be far superior as they handed Alabama and coach Bear Bryant a 38-6 defeat.

The game followed Nebraska's 35-31 "Game of the Century I" win over Oklahoma that earned the Big Eight title and Orange Bowl berth.

Nebraska jumped to a 14-0 lead on a Jeff Kinney two-yard run and then 'Husker All-American Johnny Rodgers' 77 yard punt return for a touchdown on the final play of the first quarter.

Two more 'Husker scores engineered by Jerry Tagge in the second period gave Coach Bob Devaney's team a comfortable 28-0 half-time lead. Devaney notched his first win in three tries over Bryant.

	Nebraska	Alabama
First Downs	15	16
Rushing Plays	58	58
Rushing Yards	183	241
Passes Attempted	20	13
Passes Completed	11	3
Had Intercepted	0	2
Passing Yards	159	47
Total Offense	342	288
Punting/Avg.	5/42.2	7/43.3
Fumbles/Lost	3/2	5/2
Penalties/Yards	4/50	4/58

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Nebraska	14	14	3	7	-	38
Alabama	0	0	6	0	-	6

SCORING SUMMARY

NE: Kinney 2-yard run (kick failed); NE: Rodgers 77-yard punt return (Damkroger pass from Tagge); NE: Tagge 1-yard run (Sanger kick); NE: Dixon 2-yard run (Sanger kick); AL: Davis 3-yard run (run failed); NE: Sanger 21-yard FG; NE: Van Brownson 1-yard run (Sanger kick)...**MOPs: Jerry Tagge and Rich Glover (Nebraska)**


Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney
Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant



Jerry Tagge completed back-to-back MOP performances with the Huskers 28-6 win over Alabama in the 1972 Orange Bowl National Championship.

N **Nebraska** **40**
Notre Dame **6**

January 1, 1973
Orange Bowl Stadium



Devaney Goes Out On Top



Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Rodgers closed out his collegiate career in style, scoring four touchdowns and passing for another as Nebraska became the first team to win three straight Orange Bowl titles by romping over Notre

Dame, 40-6.

The game also was the last for Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney as he closed out his illustrious 16-year coaching career with the best record in college football (136-30-7).

Devaney moved Rodgers to I-back from his usual wingback position, and on the game's first play, the senior took a pitchout for a big gainer and a sign of things to come. "Johnny R" capped his career by scoring on runs of 8, 4 and 5 yards. He also caught the Irish defense off guard by tossing a 32-yard halfback touchdown pass to Frosty Anderson in the second quarter. Rodgers scored the last of his record 50 Nebraska touchdowns on a 50-yard pass reception from quarterback David Humm in the third quarter and then sat out the rest of the game.

Notre Dame's Tom Clements hit Pete Demmerle with a 5-yard touchdown pass in the game's final minutes to keep Coach Ara Parseghian's Irish from suffering a shutout.

	Nebraska	ND
First Downs	30	13
Rushing Plays	61	44
Rushing Yards	301	101
Passes Attempted	26	23
Passes Completed	17	9
Had Intercepted	1	3
Passing Yards	260	100
Total Offense	561	201
Punting/Avg.	4/38.3	6/37.2
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	3/0
Penalties/Yards	5/68	1/15

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Nebraska	7	13	20	0	-	40
Notre Dame	0	0	0	6	-	6

SCORING SUMMARY


NE: Rodgers 8-yard run (Sanger kick); NE: Dixon 1-yard run (Sanger kick); NE: Anderson 52-yard pass from Rodgers (kick blocked); NE: Rodgers 4-yard run (pass failed); NE: Rodgers 5-yard run (Sanger kick); NE: Rodgers 50-yard pass from Humm (Sanger kick); ND: Demmerle 5-yard pass from Clements (pass failed)...**MOPs: Johnny Rodgers and Rich Glover (Nebraska)**

Nebraska Head Coach Bob Devaney
Notre Dame Head Coach Ara Parseghian

Game-by-Game Recaps

Penn State 16
LSU 9

January 1, 1974
Orange Bowl Stadium



Penn State Remains Unbeaten

Undefeated Penn State moved its record to 12-0 on the season as it took advantage of consistently poor LSU field position to win 16-9.

LSU out-gained the Penn State 274 yards to 185 and held Heisman Trophy winner John Cappelletti to 50 yards.

Cappelletti did score the Nittany Lions' final touchdown on a one-yard plunge in the second quarter, but the game's big play was a spectacular 72-yard touchdown catch by Chuck Herd of a pass from Tom Shuman early in that period.

LSU scored first on a three-yard run by Steve Rogers, and Penn State retaliated with a 44-yard field goal by Chris Bahr to make it 7-3 at the end of the first period. Herd's catch and Cappelletti's plunge put PSU ahead 16-7 at the half.

Although Penn State finished undefeated, the polls still had the Nittany Lions ranked fifth.

	PSU	LSU
First Downs	9	18
Rushing Attempts	43	57
Rushing Yards	28	205
Passes Attempted	17	20
Passes Completed	6	8
Had Intercepted	1	1
Passing Yards	157	69
Total Offense	185	274
Punting/Avg.	7/34.7	8/46.8
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	3/1
Penalties/Yards	3/37	3/30

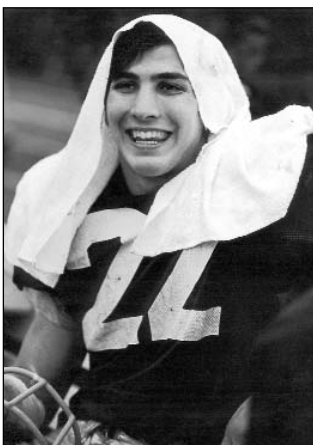
SCORE BY QUARTERS

Penn State	3	13	0	0	-	16
LSU	7	0	2	0	-	9

SCORING SUMMARY

LSU: Rogers 3-yard run (Jackson kick); PS: C. Bahr 44-yard FG; PS: Herd 72-yard pass from Shuman (C.Bahr kick); PS: Cappelletti 1-yard run (kick failed); LSU: Team safety...**MOPs: Tom Shuman and Randy Crowder (Penn State)**



Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno
LSU Head Coach Charlie McClendon



Although John Cappelletti was held to 50 yards rushing, the star back would score in the second quarter that was the difference in a 16-9 win over LSU in the 1974 Orange Bowl.

Notre Dame 13
Alabama 11

January 1, 1975
Orange Bowl Stadium

Irish Spoil 'Bama Title Hopes

Notre Dame players sent coach Ara Parseghian out with a win, upsetting number one-ranked Alabama, 13-11, in an exciting Orange Bowl contest that went down to the wire.

With less than two minutes remaining, Alabama needed just a field goal for the win. Facing a second-and-two situation on the Notre Dame 38, Alabama quarterback Richard Todd was intercepted by Reggie Barnett.

Underdog Notre Dame led quickly in this contest, 13-0, on a pair of touchdown runs by Wayne Bullock and Mark McLane. Alabama cut it to 13-3 at the half on a 21-yard field goal by Danny Ridgeway.

In the fourth quarter, Todd hit Russ Schamun on a 48-yard scoring strike and followed it up with a two-point conversion pitch to George Pugh to narrow the gap to 13-11. A few more yards and the Tide would be in field go range, but Barnett stepped in front of intended receiver.

	ND	Alabama
First Downs	15	14
Rushing Attempts	66	33
Rushing Yards	185	62
Passes Attempted	8	29
Passes Completed	4	15
Had Intercepted	2	2
Passing Yards	19	223
Total Offense	204	285
Punting/Avg.	6/38	7/40
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	5/2
Penalties/Yards	1/15	1/5

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Notre Dame	7	6	0	0	-	13
Alabama	0	3	0	8	-	11

SCORING SUMMARY

ND: Bullock 4-yard run (Reeve kick); ND: McLane 9-yard run (kick failed); AL: Ridgeway 21-yard FG; AL: Schamun 48-yard pass from Todd (Pugh pass from Todd)...**MOPs: Wayne Bullock (Notre Dame) and Leroy Cook (Alabama)**



Notre Dame Head Coach Ara Parseghian
Alabama Head Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant



Ara Parseghian's final game at Notre Dame was the perfect ending as the Irish upset No. 1 Alabama, 13-11, in the 1975 Orange Bowl.

Oklahoma 14
Michigan 6

January 1, 1976
Orange Bowl Stadium
~NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP~

Sooners Get Defensive for Title

Second-ranked Oklahoma survived a defensive battle with Big Ten runner-up and fourth-ranked Michigan, winning its second national championship in the Orange Bowl by a 14-6 count.

The Sooners, coming off of two years of probation, controlled their own destiny after UCLA upset number one Ohio State in the Rose Bowl.

After three quarters of play, Oklahoma was protecting a 7-0 lead. On the first play of the fourth quarter, quarterback Steve Davis ran 10 yards to increase the Sooner lead to 14-0, but Michigan recovered an Oklahoma fumble on the Sooner 2 and Gordon Bell took it in to make it 14-6. The Sooner defense then took over, and the Michigan offense never made it past mid-field again.

Oklahoma's defensive effort was led by Lee Roy and Dewey Selmon (10 and 13 tackles, respectively) and limited Michigan to 202 yards of offense.

	Oklahoma	Michigan
First Downs	16	12
Rushing Attempts	65	52
Rushing Yards	282	169
Passes Attempted	5	20
Passes Completed	3	2
Had Intercepted	0	3
Passing Yards	63	33
Total Offense	345	202
Punting/Avg.	9/34.9	10/38.6
Fumbles/Lost	4/3	1/0
Penalties/Yards	9/90	5/24

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	0	7	0	7	-	14
Michigan	0	0	0	6	-	6

SCORING SUMMARY

OU: Brooks 39-yard run (DiRienzo kick); OU: Davis 9-yard run (DiRienzo kick); MI: Bell 2-yard run (run failed)...**MOPs: Steve Davis and Lee Roy Selmon (Oklahoma)**

Oklahoma Head Coach Barry Switzer
Michigan Head Coach Bo Schembechler



Lombardi Award winner Lee Roy Selmon ended his collegiate career in fashion earning game MOP honors in Oklahoma's 14-6 win over Michigan in the 1976 Orange Bowl National Championship.

Game-by-Game Recaps



Ohio State 27
Colorado 10

January 1, 1977
Orange Bowl Stadium



Buckeyes Go To Bench for Offense



The Ohio State offense, led by second-team quarterback Rod Gerald, came alive in the second period as the Buckeyes went on to beat co-Big Eight champion Colorado, 27-10.

The Buffaloes had jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the initial period, but a broken ankle suffered by middle guard Charlie Johnson turned the momentum to Ohio State.

After Jeff Logan's 36-yard touchdown run at the close of the first, Woody Hayes substituted the fleet-footed Gerald at quarterback and the offense came alive. The Buckeyes tied it at 10 on a Tom Skladany field goal and then went ahead on a 3-yard Pete Johnson run that capped a 99-yard drive.

The Buffs could not do anything offensively in the second half as Ohio State added 10 more points.

	Ohio State	Colorado
First Downs	21	12
Rushing Attempts	71	40
Rushing Yards	307	146
Passes Attempted	7	23
Passes Completed	2	8
Had Intercepted	0	2
Passing Yards	59	137
Total Offense	366	283
Punting/Avg.	3/42.2	7/35.2
Fumbles/Lost	4/4	0/1/0
Yards Penalized	4/37	8/60

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Ohio State	10	10	3	7	-	27
Colorado	7	0	0	0	-	10

SCORING SUMMARY

CO: Zetterberg 26-yard FG; CO: Moorehead 11-yard pass from Kapple (Zetterberg kick); OH: Logan 36-yard run (Skladany kick); OH: Skladany 28-yard FG; OH: P. Johnson 3-yard run (Skladany kick); OH: Skladany 20-yard FG; OH: Gerald 4-yard run (Skladany kick)...**MOPs: Rod Gerald and Tom Cousineau (Ohio State)**

Ohio State Head Coach Woody Hayes
Colorado Head Coach Bill Mallory



Tom Cousineau led a Buckeye defensive effort that held Colorado to just 10 points. Cousineau had 13 solo tackles which still stands as an all-time great Orange Bowl performance.

Arkansas 31
Oklahoma 6

January 2, 1978
Orange Bowl Stadium



Arkansas Sales Pitch Works



Reserve running back Roland Sales rushed for an Orange Bowl-record 205 yards on 22 carries and a pair of touchdowns in Arkansas' 31-6 upset over a championship-minded Oklahoma.

With top-ranked Texas losing earlier in the day in the Cotton, all Oklahoma had to do was win to achieve the top ranking. Also in the Sooners' corner was the suspension of three Arkansas starters by Coach Lou Holtz prior to the trip to Miami. But it was not to be.

Barry Switzer went against his own strategy by choosing to receive the opening kickoff rather than play defense. Oklahoma fumbled inside its own 10 on the third play of the game and Arkansas immediately scored for a lead it never relinquished.

The fumbles by Oklahoma backs Billy Sims and Kenny King turned into touchdowns and it was quickly a 14-0 Razorback lead. Arkansas went nine yards in two plays for the first score, a 1-yard Sales run, and 58 yards in seven plays that culminated in another 1-yard run - this one by Ron Calcagni.

	Arkansas	Oklahoma
First Downs	21	18
Rushing Plays	60	49
Rushing Yards	317	230
Passes Attempted	12	14
Passes Completed	7	7
Had Intercepted	1	0
Passing Yards	90	80
Total Offense	407	310
Punting/Avg.	4/40.5	5/44.4
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	4/3
Penalties/Yards	7/50	5/25

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Arkansas	14	0	10	7	-	31
Oklahoma	0	0	0	6	-	6

SCORING SUMMARY

AR: Sales 1-yard run (Little kick); AR: Calcagni 1-yard run (Little kick); AR: Little 32-yard FG; AR: Sales 4-yard run (Little kick); OU: Hicks 8-yard pass from Blevins (run failed); AR: White 20-yard run (Little kick)...**MOPs: Roland Sales and Reggie Freeman (Arkansas)**

Arkansas Head Coach Lou Holtz
Oklahoma Head Coach Barry Switzer

Oklahoma 31
Nebraska 24

January 1, 1979
Orange Bowl Stadium



OU Stings Nebraska In Big 8 Clash



Oklahoma, with the help of a 17-point third quarter, avenged a regular-season loss to Nebraska with a 31-24 win, thanks to two touchdowns each by Billy Sims and Thomas Lott.

Nebraska got off to a 7-0 start in this one but the Sooners came back with 24 unanswered points and held a 31-10 lead after three periods. Nebraska rallied with 9:12 left in the game, closing it to 31-17 on a Rick Berns 1-yard run. Then, Oklahoma's Lott fumbled at his own 42, but the Huskers couldn't punch it in.

The Sooners, ranked No. 1 with one loss, had lost a heartbreaker to the Cornhuskers, 17-14, on a late fumble at the Nebraska three-yard line.

When the Huskers were upset the following week by Missouri, producing a Big Eight Championship tie, the Orange Bowl officials came up with the idea of a rematch. It was the first-ever match-up of two Big Eight teams in a bowl game.

	Oklahoma	Nebraska
First Downs	17	27
Rushing Attempts	53	54
Rushing Yards	292	217
Passes Attempted	3	31
Passes Completed	2	18
Had Intercepted	0	2
Passing Yards	47	220
Total Offense	339	437
Punting/Avg.	3/39.3	2/37.5
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	0/0
Yards Penalized	6/50	8/96

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	7	7	17	0	-	31
Nebraska	7	0	3	14	-	24

SCORING SUMMARY



NE: Smith 21-yard pass from Sorley (Todd kick); OU: Sims 3-yard run (von Schamann kick); OU: Lott 3-yard run (von Schamann kick); OU: Sims 11-yard run (von Schamann kick); OU: von Schamann 26-yard FG; NE: Todd 31-yard FG; OU: Lott 2-yard run (von Schamann kick); NE: Berns 1-yard run (Todd kick); NE: Miller 2-yard pass from Sorley (Todd kick)...**MOPs: Billy Sims and Reggie Kinlaw (Oklahoma)**

Oklahoma Head Coach Barry Switzer
Nebraska Head Coach Tom Osborne

Game-by-Game Recaps

Oklahoma 24
Florida State 7

January 1, 1980
Orange Bowl Stadium

Sooners Spoil Seminole Uprising



J.C. Watts and Billy Sims each rushed for more than 100 yards and a stingy Oklahoma defense shut down undefeated and fourth-ranked Florida State for a 24-7 victory.

For 17 minutes, it appeared Florida State would realize its dream of a 12-0 season. Making its first appearance in the Orange, Florida State took a 7-0 lead on a 1-yard Mike Whiting run.

The Seminoles had a chance to double the lead when Bobby Butler blocked a Sooner punt and Florida State had the ball on the Oklahoma 17. But a series of miscues, including a fumbled field goal snap, left the Seminoles without a score.

Watts quickly quieted the biased Garnet & Gold crowd with a 61-yard touchdown run, the first of 24 unanswered points by Oklahoma.

Moments later, Bud Hebert intercepted a Jimmy Jordan pass at the Seminole 10 and Stanley Wilson cashed it in two plays later. A Mike Keeling 24-yard field goal before the half made it 17-7.

Watts finished the day with 127 yards rushing and Sims had 164.

	Oklahoma	FSU
First Downs	23	12
Rushing Plays	35	35
Rushing Yards	411	82
Passes Attempted	4	27
Passes Completed	2	8
Had Intercepted	0	3
Passing Yards	36	100
Total Offense	447	182
Punting/Avg.	4/25	9/42.2
Fumbles/Lost	5/4	1/0
Penalties/Yards	3/27	4/20

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	0	17	0	7	-	24
Florida State	7	0	0	0	-	7



SCORING SUMMARY

FS: Whiting 1-yard run (Cappelen kick); OU: Watts 61-yard run (Keeling kick); OU: Wilson 5-yard run (Keeling kick); OU: Keeling 24-yard FG; OU: Sims 22-yard run; Watts 12-yard run (Keeling kick) ... **MOPs: J.C. Watts and Bub Herbert (Oklahoma)**

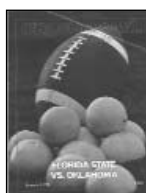
Oklahoma Head Coach Barry Switzer
Florida State Head Coach Bobby Bowden

Oklahoma 18
Florida State 17

January 1, 1981
Orange Bowl Stadium

Wishbone Watts Airs Out FSU



Oklahoma wishbone quarterback J.C. Watts went to the air in the fourth quarter to defeat Florida State, 18-17, in an exciting finish.

Florida State held a 17-10 lead with 3:19 remaining and Watts, who had fumbled four times and lost three, had been stymied by the Seminoles' number one-ranked defense.

But in the final minutes, he passed for 74 yards on a 78-yard Sooner drive, including a 1-yard touchdown to split end Steve Rhodes at the 1:33 mark. With the Seminoles guessing rush, Watts lofted a two-point conversion pass to tight end Forrest Valora for the lead.

The Seminoles had one last shot to win, but Bill Capece's 62-yard field goal attempt just missed.

Florida State, 10-1 coming into the game, scored first when Ricky Williams culminated a 70-yard drive with a 10-yard run. Oklahoma's Mike Keeling made good on a 53-yard field goal attempt right before the intermission to cut the lead to 7-3.

The Sooners took the second-half kickoff 78 yards, with David Overstreet scoring from the 4. Florida State then evened it up at 10-10 and the end of the third on a 19-yard Capece field goal.

Four minutes into the fourth, a botched Sooner punt snap was recovered in the end-zone by All-American cornerback Bobby Butler and the Seminoles had a 17-10 lead.

	Oklahoma	FSU
First Downs	18	23
Rushing Attempts	55	60
Rushing Yards	155	212
Passes Attempted	12	15
Passes Completed	7	11
Had Intercepted	0	0
Passing Yards	128	51
Total Offense	284	263
Punting/Avg.	2/37.0	4/42.5
Fumbles/Lost	7/5	1/0
Penalties/Yards	4/32	5/58

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Oklahoma	0	3	7	8	-	18
Florida State	0	7	3	7	-	17



SCORING SUMMARY

FSU: Williams 10-yard run (Capece kick); OU: Keeling 53-yard FG; OU: Overstreet 4-yard run (Keeling kick); FSU: Capece 19-yard FG; FSU: Butler fumble recovery (Capece kick); OU: Watts 11-yard pass to Rhodes (Watts pass to Valora) ... **MOPs: J.C. Watts (Oklahoma) and Jarvis Coursey (Florida State)**

Oklahoma Head Coach Barry Switzer
Florida State Head Coach Bobby Bowden

Clemson 22
Nebraska 15

January 1, 1982
Orange Bowl Stadium
-NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP-

Clemson Perfect In Title Game



Top-ranked Clemson won its first national championship and finished with its third perfect season in its 88-year history with a 22-15 win over Nebraska.

After Clemson took a 22-7 lead into the fourth quarter behind three Donald Igwebuike field goals and a Homer Jordan-to-Perry Tuttle score, Nebraska engineered a final run at the Tigers. A 26-yard touchdown by Roger Craig capped a 69-yard drive and Craig's two-point conversion made it a seven-point game with nine minutes to play.

But the Clemson defense, led by All-American safety Terry Kinard and 295-lb. freshman middle guard William Perry, shut down the Big Red on its final drive and the Tiger offense held the ball for over five minutes as time expired.

Craig and Mike Rozier rushed for 161 of Nebraska's 193 yards. Rozier also passed 25 yards to Anthony Steels for a touchdown.

	Clemson	Nebraska
First Downs	17	13
Rushing Plays	52	40
Rushing Yards	155	193
Passes Attempted	22	17
Passes Completed	11	6
Had Intercepted	1	0
Passing Yards	134	17
Total Offense	289	256
Punting/Avg.	4/18	6/43
Fumbles/Lost	3/0	3/2
Penalties/Yards	7/57	3/18/64

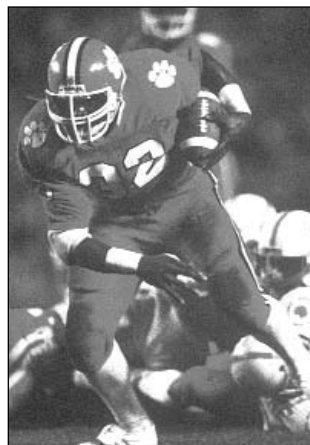
SCORE BY QUARTERS

Clemson	6	6	10	0	-	22
Nebraska	7	0	0	8	-	15

SCORING SUMMARY

CL: Igwebuike 41-yard FG; NE: Steels 25-yard pass from Rozier (Seibel kick); CL: Igwebuike 37-yard FG; CL: Austin 2-yard run (pass failed); CL: Tuttle 13-yard pass from Jordan (Pauling kick); CL: Igwebuike 36-yard FG; NE: Craig 26-yard run (Craig run) ... **MOPs: Homer Jordan and Jeff Davis (Clemson)**

Clemson Head Coach Danny Ford
Nebraska Head Coach Tom Osborne



Clemson's Perry Tuttle helped put the game out of reach following his 13-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter to put the Tigers up 22-7 on their way to the National Championship.