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## OSU Pulls 36-33 Win Out Of Fire

# Bucks Rise From Ashes To Beat LSU

By Mark Rea

It was a rags-to-riches story that made Mark Twain's "The Prince and The Pauper" look like a dime store novel.

Trailing Louisiana State 33-20 with less than 4½ minutes left in the game, Carlos Snow softened up the Tigers with a touchdown jab and then Greg Frey and Bobby Olive combined to deliver the knockout punch as Ohio State pulled out an emotion-filled 36-33 victory over the sixth-ranked Tigers.

"One week you're stomping the grapes and the next week you're drinking the wine," said OSU head coach John Cooper after the game. "I don't know if I've ever been around a more exciting finish. I just finished talking to our recruits and told them the next time they came we'd try to play an exciting game for them."

According to Cooper, who swears allegiance to the Columbus Optimists' Club, he still thought the Buckeyes had a chance to win despite being 13 points down with 4:24 to play.

"I thought we were going to come back and I'm not just telling you that," Cooper said. "You know the old saying, 'It ain't over 'til it's over.' We say that all the time."

Anyone would have forgiven Cooper and the Bucks had they given up. LSU quarterback Tommy Hodson had just completed a 55-yard touchdown pass to



Sophomore tailback Carlos Snow (25) had another outstanding afternoon for the Buckeyes, rushing for 90 yards and two touchdowns. Snow, who also returned three kickoffs for 95 more yards, was voted the outstanding offensive back of the game by the OSU coaching staff.

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# Workman Out After Signing With Agent

By Mark Rea

For the last three years, Vince Workman played the game of football at Ohio State. For the past 20 months, Workman also played another game, one which has cost him the remainder of his collegiate eligibility.

One day after testifying on Sept. 20 to a Chicago grand jury investigating the illegal dealings of sports agents with collegiate athletes, Workman was declared ineligible by OSU athletic director Jim Jones.

"Coach (John) Cooper and I met with Vince this morning and he confirmed for us that he had signed with an agent and accepted money from that agent," Jones said. "Therefore, my responsibility on behalf of the university is to declare him ineligible from this point forward."

Workman, one of the Buckeyes' senior co-captains, admitted to

signing with agent David Lueddekke of Sherman Oaks, Calif., in February 1987. He allegedly accepted \$1,000 from Lueddekke at the time of the signing in the Parke University Hotel in Columbus. He later received an additional \$1,000 in several cashier's checks prior to the 1987 football season.

Workman's banishment comes almost exactly one year after OSU declared wide receiver Cris Carter ineligible after Carter signed with an agent. Carter, now with the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League, has pleaded guilty to perjury and mail fraud in connection with the grand jury probe.

Workman's cooperation with the U.S. attorney's office in Chicago means he will face no criminal charges.

Lueddekke is currently under indictment by the federal grand

jury along with Carter's agents, Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom of World Entertainment and Sports Inc.

"I'm sorry I've brought this embarrassment on Ohio State University and on my friends and family," Workman said. "Staying in school and getting an education, that's the most important thing for me now."

Jones said the university would attempt to help Workman keep working toward his degree.

"Our main concern now is for Vince Workman," the OSU athletic director said. "We've encouraged him to stay in school. We do not want what has happened to him to keep him from completing his education."

"He is certainly eligible for financial assistance like any other student through the office of student financial aid. I want you to know that we still care very much about Vince and we

will do whatever we can within the framework of the NCAA and the Big Ten rules to help him get through school."

Cooper agreed with Jones.

"I want to make it very, very plain that we are going to do everything we can to help Vince," the first-year head coach said. "We're not going to kick him out, discard him and forget about him. We want to give him every opportunity to go ahead and get his degree at Ohio State University."

"It's an unfortunate situation. I feel very badly for our football program. But I feel even worse for Vince. He's the guy that's going to suffer. We'll go on. Our football program will go on. We'll regroup and have a good season and a good program. But Vince's collegiate career is over."

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**OSU Scores 16 Points In Final 4½ Minutes****Bucks Secure Heart-Stopping Victory**

By Mark Rea

In a stadium which has seen its share of last-second victories by opponents in recent years, the Ohio State Buckeyes chalked up one of those heart-stoppers in the win column Sept. 24.

Perhaps spurred on by the Ohio Stadium ghosts of Gomer Jones, Hopalong Cassidy, Rex Kern and Archie Griffin, the Buckeyes scored 16 points in the final 4½ minutes of the game to hand seventh-ranked and previously unbeaten Louisiana State a 36-33 defeat.

Sophomore quarterback Greg Frey, topping off a career day which saw him complete 24 of 37 passes for 281 yards, hooked up with sophomore flanker Bobby Olive with 38 seconds remaining in the game to cap a frenzied fourth-quarter rally.

OSU totaled 374 offensive yards in the ball game, 97 of them coming on the two touchdown drives in the last 4:24. The other two points came when LSU took an intentional safety.

"I don't know if I've ever been around a more exciting finish," said first-year head coach John Cooper, a winner for the second time in three games this season.

"Obviously, it's exciting for us. It's not very exciting to be on the other side of the ball but I think that's a good example of what can happen when you hang tough and hang tough and hang tough like we did.

"We were ready to play," added Cooper, admitting that was something that obviously was lacking in the 42-10 loss to Pittsburgh. "It was a great hitting ball game. I thought our coaches had a good game plan and we played a great football team today. It was a great victory for us — a super, super victory."

While the win was sure to boost the Buckeyes' spirits, not to mention their national ranking, it was a disheartening loss for LSU. It snapped the Tigers' 14-game road winning streak and cost them a chance at an undefeated season.

"This Ohio State team is a lot better than anyone gives them credit for being," LSU head coach Mike Archer said. "My stomach doesn't feel very



LSU quarterback and Heisman Trophy candidate Tommy Hodson (13) got a rough welcome to Columbus by members of the Ohio State defense. Hodson completed just 20 of 40 pass attempts in the 36-33 loss to the Buckeyes and lost for only the fourth time in 26 career starts.

good, but the sun is going to shine tomorrow. Most of the credit goes to Ohio State. We needed to play a 60-minute game and came up 38 seconds short."

The Buckeyes came into the game with plenty of fire, urging the stadium's second largest crowd ever of 90,584 people to get on their feet and remain there.

OSU won the opening coin toss and deferred its selection until the second half. LSU opted to receive the opening kickoff and the Buckeye defense got its

first up-close look at a bona fide Heisman Trophy candidate in the Tigers' junior quarterback Tommy Hodson.

Hodson showed his skills briefly in LSU's first possession, completing one of two pass attempts. But the Tigers stalled near midfield and punted the ball away. However, Olive — fielding his first punt since senior Vince Workman was ruled ineligible — dropped the kick. LSU backup cornerback Tom Fabacher pounced on the fumble and the Tigers were set up with first down at the Ohio 16-yard line.

Faced with its first real test of the day, the Buckeye defense responded by holding the potent Tiger offense out of the end zone. LSU had to settle for a 36-yard field goal from junior David Brown-dyke for a 3-0 lead.

Frey and the Ohio State offense got its first possession and probed different things at the LSU defense for 13 plays before stalling. The teams traded punts and then the Buckeye offense went to work again.

Starting at their own 33-yard line, the Buckeyes got rolling slowly. But the drive gathered speed on sophomore strength. Frey hit sophomore tight end Jeff Ellis for an 11-yard pass and, two plays later, hit him again for a 16-yard gain. Then, Frey faked right, moved left and passed to freshman fullback Scotty Graham in the flat for 13 more yards.

The sophomores went back to work when Frey hit Olive crossing over the middle for a 19-yard shot to the one. Then tailback Carlos Snow, another soph, took a pitch and sprinted into the left corner of the end zone. Junior place-kicker Pat O'Morrow connected on the extra point and OSU took a 7-3

lead just 17 seconds into the second quarter.

The Ohio State defense again rose to the occasion, preventing LSU's offense from answering the score. On third-and-four, Hodson misfired on a pass and the Tigers were forced to punt again.

This time, OSU sophomore defensive back Vinnie Clark blew through the LSU line untouched and blocked Rene Bourgeois' punt. The loose ball took a Sunday bounce right into the hands of senior linebacker Michael McCray who completed the 23-yard play by hitting pay dirt. O'Morrow hit the PAT again, giving the Buckeyes a 14-3 advantage over the stunned Tigers.

They weren't stunned long, though. Freshman Vincent Fuller took the ensuing kickoff and returned it 59 yards to the OSU 31-yard line. Blessed with the excellent field position, Hodson took only two plays to find junior wide receiver Tony Moss for a 30-yard touchdown strike. After Brown-dyke's extra point, Ohio State's lead was cut to three.

The Buckeyes tried to get some more points before halftime but were stopped at the LSU 14 when Frey's pass to fullback Bill Matlock hit linebacker Ron Sancho in the head and bounced to teammate Greg Jackson.

Then, with 3:18 left in the half, Hodson got the Tigers rolling again. He moved the team 77 yards in 13 plays, a drive that was topped off by Brown-dyke's second field goal of the game, this one a 27-yarder. That cut OSU's lead to 14-13 at halftime.

On their first possession of the second half, the Buckeyes continued to move the ball against Louisiana State.

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**This Week In OSU History**

**9-25-48** — Richard Braznell of Missouri returns a punt 80 yards for a touchdown against Ohio State. It was the fourth-longest punt return for a touchdown ever by an OSU opponent. However, Braznell was the only offense the Tigers could muster as the Buckeyes posted a 21-7 win.

**9-24-49** — Ohio State defeated Missouri 35-34 in one of the most exciting openers in history. The margin of victory resulted when the Tigers missed one of their points after touchdown. Jimmy Hague was perfect on all five of his PATs for the Buckeyes.

**9-29-51** — Wayne Woodrow "Woody" Hayes makes his debut as Ohio State head football coach against Southern Methodist. The Buckeyes' offense manages only one touchdown in the game, a scoring pass from Tony Curcillo to Bob Joslin. But the Buck defense plays superbly, shutting out the Mustangs and giving Hayes a 7-0 victory in his first game.

**9-24-55** — Nebraska's Johnny Edwards lumbers 87 yards with an

intercepted lateral to score a touchdown for the Cornhuskers. The play was the second-longest interception return ever recorded by an OSU opponent. Ohio State eventually pulled out a 28-20 victory in a thriller with Nebraska.

**9-28-57** — Jimmy Shofner of Texas Christian stuns Ohio State by returning a punt 90 yards for a touchdown. It was the second-longest punt return by an OSU opponent and helped the Horned Frogs upset the Buckeyes 18-14.

**9-27-69** — Ohio State opens the 1969 season with a 63-0 whipping of Texas Christian. In the game, played in Columbus, the Buckeyes' offense is so potent it participates in 101 plays, the most ever recorded by an OSU offense.

**9-27-86** — Ohio State administers a 64-6 pounding to Utah. In the game, the Buckeyes roll for 715 yards in total offense, the biggest offensive output ever by an OSU team.

**BUCKEYE BIRTHDAYS** — Former punter Tom Orosz is 29.

# Ohio State's Late Surge Shocks Bengals

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Moving to the LSU eight-yard line, Frey rolled left and looked for a receiver in the end zone but Sancho got to him first, registering a sack. That third-down play forced OSU to settle for a field goal attempt. O'Morrow connected on the 35-yarder.

Then Hodson took over. After getting the ball back, the LSU quarterback hooked up with several of his sticky-fingered receivers to move the ball quickly. Hodson found Moss for a 37-yard gain on the drive's first play and later got one to tailback Eddie Fuller, who made a spectacular leaping catch for a 28-yard gain to the OSU three. Fuller took care of the rest of the drive with a three-yard plunge and put the Bayou Bengals in the lead.

OSU's offense sputtered throughout the rest of the third quarter against LSU's defense. As it was sputtering, LSU was continuing to score points. Brownadyke hit a 35-yard field goal near the end of the third period to give LSU a 23-17 lead.

O'Morrow matched that with a 41-yarder early in the fourth quarter, his seventh straight of the season, to get the Buckeyes back within three points of the Tigers. But Hodson went back to work, engineering two fourth-quarter drives — the first covering 42 yards in 4½ minutes and the second moving 75 yards in just 2½ minutes.

The last touchdown was almost a backbreaker for the Buckeyes. Hodson rolled right and passed for Moss who tipped the ball into the waiting arms of teammate Alvin Lee. Lee took the deflected ball and easily finished off the 55-yard pass play, giving LSU a 33-20 lead with 4:29 remaining in the game.

While many of 90,000-plus fans started to head for the exits, Cooper was busily making plans for the Buckeyes' comeback. When someone suggested everyone else wrote off the Bucks at that point, Cooper shot back, "Everybody else ain't playing. Don't



The Ohio State defense, led by the likes of sophomore linebacker John Kacherski (95), did an excellent job against LSU's potent offense. The Tigers piled up more than 400 yards in total offense during the game, but the OSU defense held when it had to in the upset victory.

hit me with that. It ain't over 'til it's over. We aren't going to quit. I really thought we could come back and I'm not just saying that."

Cooper apparently convinced his quarterback of the same thing.

In all, Frey went to the air eight times in the 10-play drive. But it was Snow who topped off the possession, plowing straight ahead five yards for the score.

Then came a gutsy call on Cooper's part. He crossed up nearly everyone in the stadium by instructed O'Morrow to send the kickoff deep instead of attempting an onside kick.

The first-year OSU coach simply explained, "My feeling was if we try an onside kick and don't get it, the ball game is over. We had a chance to take two timeouts and stop the clock and then get the ball back in good field position again. I really felt our defense could stop them in that situation."

Stop them it did as LSU had a net minus-two yards on two rushing plays. Then, on third-and-12, Hodson threw an incompleteness to set up one last possession for the Buckeyes. But, rather than punt from deep in LSU territory, Archer instructed Bourgeois to take a delay of game penalty and then step out of the end zone for an intentional safety.

That gave the Tigers a shot at a free kick at the 20-yard line. Olive fielded the kick and turned it upfield for a 30-yard return to the LSU 38.

At the 1:24 mark, Frey passed to Jeff Graham on the left sideline for 15 yards and then found Snow over the middle for three yards, putting the ball at the LSU 20.

On second down, working out of the shotgun formation without benefit of a huddle, Frey tried to force another throw down the middle to Ellis but it was broken up by two Tiger defenders.

On the next play, Frey called Olive's number in the huddle for the same play that gained 19 yards in the second quarter and set up the Buckeyes' first TD. This time, it worked even better as the sophomore from Atlanta, Ga., stretched wide out to gather in the touchdown pass about one yard deep in the end zone.

"I thought I was dreaming," Olive said. "Then, when everyone was jumping on my back, I knew we had won the game."

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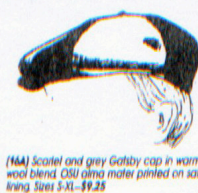
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## The Numbers Game

## Buckeyes 36, Tigers 33

LSU	3	10	10	10	33
OHIO STATE	0	14	3	19	36

LSU — Brownkyke, 36 field goal 10:21  
 OSU — Snow, 1 run (O'Morrow kick) 14:43  
 OSU — McCray, 23 blocked punt return (O'Morrow kick) 12:46  
 LSU — Moss, 30 pass from Hodson (Brownkyke kick) 11:47  
 LSU — Brownkyke, 27 field goal 0:00  
 OSU — O'Morrow, 35 field goal 11:30  
 LSU — E. Fuller 4 run (Brownkyke kick) 9:42  
 LSU — Brownkyke, 35 field goal 2:10  
 OSU — O'Morrow, 41 field goal 13:26  
 LSU — Brownkyke, 20 field goal 8:43  
 LSU — Lee, 55 pass from Hodson (Brownkyke kick) 4:29  
 OSU — Snow, 5 run (O'Morrow kick) 1:56  
 LSU — Safety, Bourgeois ran out of end zone 1:34  
 OSU — Olive, 20 pass from Frey (O'Morrow kick) 0:38  
 Att. — 90,584

	LSU	OSU
First Downs	21	20
Rushing	7	4
Passing	13	16
Penalty	1	0
Rushes-Yards	35-120	35-93
Passing Yards	299	281
Passes	40-20-0	37-24-1
Offensive Plays	75	72
Total Net Yards	419	374
Third Down Eff.	7-17	9-15
Punts	4-28.8	4-37.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties	7-65	8-65
Time of Possession	28:20	31:40

## Individual Statistics

RUSHING (Att.-Net Yds.) — LSU: E.Fuller 20-87; Jones 4-17; D.Williams 1-9; Hodson 4-6; Mook 1-5; Egloff 1-5; Watkins 3-4; Team 1-43. OSU: Snow 21-90; S.Graham 5-12; Matlock 2-7; Frey 7-16.

PASSING (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD) — LSU: Hodson 40-20-0-299-2; OSU: Frey 37-24-1-281-1.

RECEIVING (Rec.-Yds.) — LSU: Moss 6-117; Lee 6-108; E.Fuller 4-48; Haliburton 3-19; Jones 1-7. OSU: Snow 5-41; Ellis 5-46; J.Graham 4-68; S.Graham 4-43; Olive 3-51; Edwards 2-23; Matlock 1-9.

PUNTING (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — LSU: Bourgeois 3-38.3-43; Team 1-0-0-0. OSU: Bohlman 4-37.5-51.

PUNT RETURNS (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — LSU: None. OSU: Olive 2-2-0-4; Clark 1-19-0-19; McCray 0-0-0-23.

KICKOFF RETURNS (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — LSU: Watkins 4-28-0-42; V.Fuller 1-59-0-59; D.Williams 1-15-0-15. OSU: Snow 3-31-7-50; Olive 2-21-5-30; Hicks 1-13-0-13; Lickovitch 1-11-0-11; Koch 1-0-0-0.

DEFENSIVE FUMBLES RECOVERED BY — LSU: Fabacher. OSU: None.

INTERCEPTIONS — LSU: Jackson. OSU: None.

TACKLES FOR LOSS — LSU: Sancho (2/4), Ausberry, Phillips, James, Team, Hill (1/4). OSU: Team (2), Peel.

TACKLES (Solo-Ass.-Tot.) — LSU: Harmon 8-7-15; Ausberry 5-9-14; Sancho 5-6-11; Hill 4-7-11; Young 4-5-9; Phillips 1-5-6; Bice 2-3-5; James 2-3-5; Mayes 1-3-4; Raymond 0-3-3; Dunbar 1-2-3; Jackson 2-0-2; Egloff 2-0-2; Team 1-0-1; Brownkyke 1-0-1; V.Fuller 1-0-1; Brown 1-0-1; Hebert 0-1-1; O'Neill 0-1-1; Rush 0-1-1. OSU: D.Smith 3-6-9; Gurd 6-3-9; Showalter 2-7-9; Peel 3-5-8; J.Sullivan 2-5-7; M.Sullivan 2-4-6; MacCready 1-5-6; Dumas 2-3-5; McCray 2-3-5; Clark 3-0-3; D.Brown 2-1-3; Herman 1-1-2; Benio 2-0-2; Kacherski 1-1-2; Team 1-0-1; O'Morrow 1-0-1; Rogan 0-1-1.

## Players In The Game

LSU — Sancho, Hebert, Dunbar, Norris, Ausberry, Middleton, Bowman, Phillips, Robinson, Harmon, Brown, James, Boutte, Hill, Young, V.Fuller, Giron, Bice, Raymond, Jackson, Houston, Mayes, Childers, Fabacher, Bourgeois, Lee, Tolbert, Rush, Norwood, Martin, Rodrigue, Coutee, O'Neill, Hubics, Packnett, Hutchinson, Haliburton, W.Williams, Moss, W.Williams, Hodson, Mook, E.Fuller, Watkins, Egloff, Jones, Brownkyke.

OSU — Kuri, Staysniak, Davidson, Uhlenhake, Tom Moore, Zackeroff, Moxley, Ellis, Palmer, Lickovitch, Huffman, Edwards, Olive, Koch, Hicks, Frey, Powell, Snow, S.Graham, Matlock, Siegenthaler, J.Graham, O'Morrow, Zizakovic, Kacherski, Showalter, Coleman, M.Sullivan, Thomas, MacCready, Frimel, McCray, Rogan, Gurd, Herman, J.Sullivan, Benio, Keenan, Smith, Clark, Brown, Peel, Rutledge, Warner, Dumas, Price, Bohlman.



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## Season Statistics

1988 OHIO STATE FOOTBALL STATISTICS				Won 2, Lost 1, -Big Ten Won 0, Lost 0											
		OPP	OSU	SCORE BY QUARTER											
FIRST DOWNS		66	46												
Rushing		33	15	1		2		3		4		TOTAL			
Passing		30	30	Opponents		20		27		10		27		84	
Penalty		3	1	Ohio State		3		31		9		29		72	
NET YARDS RUSHING		575	349												
Attempts		130	110												
Yards Gained		644	408												
Yards Lost		69	59												
Average Per Game		191.7	116.3												
Average Per Play		4.4	3.2												
NET YARDS PASSING		623	564												
Attempts		85	84												
Completed		45	45												
Had Intercepted		2	2												
Percentage		.529	.536												
Average Per Game		207.7	188.0												
Average Per Play		7.3	6.7												
TOTAL NET GAIN		1198	913												
Total Plays		215	194												
Average Per Game		399.3	304.3												
Average Per Play		5.6	4.7												
POINTS		84	72												
Touchdowns		9	7												
Rush-Pass-Other		6-3-0	3-2-2												
RXP Kicking		9-9	7-7												
RXP Rushing		0-0	0-0												
RXP Passing		0-0	0-0												
DEXP Interception		0-0	0-0												
DEXP Kick Returns		0-0	0-0												
Field Goals		9-7	7-7												
Safeties		0	1												
Average Per Game		28.0	24.0												
PUNTS-HAD BLOCKED		12-1	14-0												
Yards		415	540												
Touchback-Inside 20		0-1	2-4												
Average Per Punt		34.6	38.6												
Net Average		30.0	33.6												
PUNT RETURNS-FC		8-1	5-2												
Yards-TD		70-0	55-1												
Average Per Return		8.8	11.0												
KICKOFF RETURNS-FC		13-1	19-0												
Yards-TD		289-0	527-1												
Average Per Return		22.2	27.7												
INTERCEPTIONS		2	2												
Yards-TD		1-0	9-0												
Average Per Return		0.5	4.5												
PENALTIES-Yards		18-149	15-140												
Offense		11-86	7-80												
Defense		3-24	3-25												
Special Teams		4-39	5-35												
FUMBLES-Lost		8-0	6-3												
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY		19-44	22-46												
Percentage		.432	.478												
SACKS AGAINST		5-36	7-47												
TIME OF POSSESSION		92:17	87:43												
Average Per Game		30:46	29:14												
FIELD GOALS (7-7), 1.000				1988 OHIO STATE RESULTS (2-1, 0-0)											
O'Morrow (7-7, 1.000) 27+, 33+, 41+, 30+, 26+, 30+, 26+				N-OSU 26, Syracuse				9				89,768			
				A-OSU 10, Pittsburgh				42				56,500			
				N-OSU 36, Louisiana State				33				90,584			
				O 1 ILLINOIS											
				O 8 at Indiana											
				O 15 PURDUE											
				O 22 at Minnesota											
				O 29 at Michigan State											
				N 5 WISCONSIN											
				N 12 at Iowa											
				N 19 MICHIGAN											
				ATTENDANCE				GAMES				TOTAL			
				Home				2				180,352			
				Away				1				56,500			
				Season				3				236,852			
				AVERAGE											
				Home				2				91,176			
				Away				1				56,500			
				Season				3				78,951			
				PASS INTERCEPTIONS				NO YARDS				AVG TD LG			
McCray				1				7				7.0 0 7			
D Brown				1				2				2.0 0 2			
				EXTRA POINT SUMMARY				OFFENSE				DEFENSE			
				(Att.-Made)				RUN PASS INT KICK							
				none											
				PASSES BROKEN UP				(9)							
				3-Clark, 2-Gurd, 1-D Brown, Benio, Dumas, McCray											
				FUMBLES CAUSED				(1)							
				1-Dumas											
				FUMBLES RECOVERED [OFFENSIVE]				(3)							
				1-Frey, Matlock, Zackeroff											
				OSU FUMBLES - NUMBER/LOST				(6/3)							
				Frey (2/0), Workman (1/1), Snow (1/1), Olive (1/1), Matlock (1/0)											
				BLOCKED KICKS				(1)							
				1-Clark (Punt)											
				TOUCHDOWN SAVES				(2)							
				1-Huffman, O'Morrow											

# Gutsy Kickoff Call Helps OSU To Victory

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split end Alvin Lee who picked off a tip from teammate Tony Moss. That made the score 33-20 with 4:24 remaining.

But OSU got things back together when sophomore quarterback Greg Frey engineered a drive which covered 59 yards and 10 plays but only took 2:28 off the clock. The first nine plays of the drive were passes, but Snow's number was called on the 10th play and he plowed into the end zone from five yards out to close Ohio State's deficit to six points at 33-27.

On the ensuing kickoff, Cooper crossed everyone up by instructing place-kicker Pat O'Morrow to boot the ball deep. The junior kicker responded

by kicking the ball just inside the goal-line flag for a touchback.

The choice to kick it deep was the turning point in the game.

"We talked about it," Cooper said. "We had two timeouts left. Had we only had one timeout left, obviously we would have had to try an onside kick."

"My feeling was if we try an onside kick and don't get it, the ball game is over. So let's kick the ball deep. I didn't think they were going to throw the football and we had a chance to take two timeouts, stop the clock and then get the ball in good field position."

When the Tigers were stopped on two rushing plays, LSU head coach Mike Archer decided to take a shot at getting the first down through the air. The

gamble didn't pay off as Hodson overthrew Lee crossing over the middle. As things turned out, the incomplete pass stopped the clock for OSU and served as the Buckeyes' fourth timeout of the half.

Cooper refused to second-guess Archer for the third-down pass — "You're not going to get me to do that," he said — but admitted he saw the reason for the attempt.

"I guess when you've got a quarterback like Hodson and have receivers like that, you think you can get the first down. They got a lot of first downs like that throughout the game," Cooper said.

After the third-and-12 pass failed, Archer instructed his team to first take

a five-yard delay of game penalty and then told punter Rene Bourgeois to run out of the end zone for an intentional safety. Cooper said he agreed with that call, too.

"I think they were wise in taking the safety," the OSU coach said. "We expected them to take the safety. As a matter of fact, when they took a delay of game penalty on purpose, I was trying to get us to decline the penalty but I couldn't get word on the field to our players."

Following the safety, Bourgeois got a free kick at the 20-yard line and punted a high spiral to Olive. The OSU sophomore fielded the ball cleanly and then, following a good block from fellow sophomore Jeff Graham, returned the kick 30 yards to the LSU 38.

Then, with just 38 seconds left in the game, Frey threw over the middle again to Olive who stretched as far as he could to reel in the pass one yard deep in the end zone.

"It was the same post pattern we used in the second quarter," Olive said. "When I split out, there was a safety and a cornerback there standing beside each other. The free safety rolled up and that allowed me to be one-on-one with the corner."

"I knew the pass was coming to me and the first thing I was wondering was if I was to get open, make sure I catch the ball. I didn't want to drop it. When I made my post move, I looked up and saw the ball coming. I said to myself that I had to catch it because really I wanted to make up for that dropped punt."

Olive fumbled LSU's first punt of the game, setting up the Tigers' first field goal.

"My confidence was really down after that first punt," Olive said. "But everyone kept telling me to keep my head up and good things would happen. I was thankful that I could catch that pass to win the game."

"I really thought I was dreaming. I stood up to do my little dance moves and everything broke loose."

"I had a situation similar to this in high school," said the Atlanta, Ga., native, "but nothing like catching the winning touchdown in front of 90,000 people at Ohio State on national TV to upset a Top Ten team."

While Olive was giving thanks for the catching of the winning touchdown pass, Frey was claiming things worked out just the way the Buckeyes had planned.

"I really thought we could come back," said the quarterback. "We were moving the ball on them all day; we just didn't stick it in a couple of times. We only stopped ourselves."

"Plus I remembered Michigan lost last week after being up 30-14 and Miami came back. So I knew we had a chance to come back. I just couldn't believe that we really did it."

On the winning touchdown, Frey said the play, called "Con Firm 63-Y Bench," was a simple post pattern.

"It looked like they were going to play some kind of two-deep and they left the middle wide open," Frey said. "My pre-read didn't look like anyone was open but when I dropped back, everyone just flew out of there and left the middle wide open."

"I saw the free safety coming into the play so I tried to lead Bobby and throw it low. If I would have thrown it high, the safety probably would have had a pretty good shot on Bobby. As it turned out, everything was perfect on the play."

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## *OSU Rises From Dead To Edge Gophers*

# Buck Comeback One For The Books

By Mark Rea

Cut this one out and put it in the scrapbook.

Ohio State's electrifying resurrection from the dead against Minnesota Oct. 28 ranks right up there with the 1935 game against Notre Dame, the Snow Bowl, the 1969 Rose Bowl, Archie Griffin's first game, the time Art Schlichter and Dave Wilson combined to pass for 10 TDs and almost 1,000 yards and Keith Byars' five-touchdown performance against Illinois.

The Buckeyes made every mistake in the book in the first half against the Gophers, falling into a 31-0 hole with 4:29 left in the second quarter.

But the team that had had its character questioned time after time this season peeled itself off the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome carpet and made the second-biggest comeback in major college football history.

Maryland fell behind Miami 31-0 at halftime in 1984 before rallying for a 42-40 victory.

It was Ohio State's biggest comeback ever, surpassing the 24-point deficit the Buckeyes wiped out in a 45-38 victory over Illinois in 1984. That was the game in which Byars scored five TDs.

Ohio State head coach John Cooper ran out of superlatives for his team while talking to reporters after the game.

"I guarantee I've never been more proud of a football team than I am of this one today," Cooper said. "They never gave up. They kept fighting back and fighting back."

"Guy after guy after guy kept coming up with big plays. You think they're down and out and back they come again and again. I don't think anyone can question this team's character today."

The Buckeyes went from paupers to kings in the space of just 30 minutes.

The first half was most definitely a pauper half. Nothing went right.

OSU's defense stopped Minnesota cold on the game's first possession and appeared to be set up with excellent field position when punter Brent Herbel kicked short.

But the punt took a weird bounce off the artificial surface and hit OSU tight end Rich Huffman in the leg. It rolled away from Huffman and into the waiting arms of Minnesota's Scott Streiff.

Four plays later, Gopher tailback Darrell Thompson scored on a 12-yard run to make it 7-0 in favor of Minnesota.

Then the lights went out for the Buckeyes. In rapid succession, the Gophers landed a series of potential knockout punches.

Quarterback Greg Frey was sacked from behind by Minnesota's Eddie Miles, who spun the QB around, stripping the ball out of his hands. That set up a Gophers field goal, making it 10-0.



Ohio State players took time out following the 41-37 victory over Minnesota to thank their fans, who numbered several thousand at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. Shown accepting congratulations from the Buckeye faithful are reserve players Mike Chancey (53), Dante Lee (20) and William Houston (42).

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## QB Throws For 327 Yards In Second Half

# Frey Rallies Buckeyes To Big Victory

By Mark Rea

After a nightmarish first half, Ohio State quarterback Greg Frey had a dreamy second-half performance, rallying the Buckeyes from a 31-point deficit to a 41-37 Big Ten victory over Minnesota.

Frey was pressured throughout the first half by an aggressive Golden Gophers defense which sacked him three times and caused him to fumble twice.

The OSU junior quarterback completed only two of eight passes for a meager 35 yards in the first half.

Then Frey had a career performance in 30 minutes. He completed 18 of 23 attempts for 327 yards and three touchdowns, engineering the Buckeyes to five scoring drives.

Selected the *Big Bear Buckeye of the Week*, Frey finished 20 of 31 for the day for 362 yards. It was the second-biggest single game passing performance in Ohio State history, eclipsed only by Art Schlichter's 458 yards against Florida State in 1981.

Frey's total yardage of 331 marked the first 300-yard total offense performance by an Ohio State player since Mike Tomczak passed for 298 and ran for 12 at Michigan in 1983.

It was also the first 300-yard passing performance for a Buckeye quarterback since Art Schlichter piled up 336 against Purdue in 1981.

Many Buckeye fans were swept up in the euphoria of the comeback after the game. Frey was more than willing to join them.

"Never in my life have I been in a game like this," Frey said. "This tops everything. It was unbelievable, just unbelievable."

For the quarterback who has come under fire more often than not during his 18-game tenure as a starter, Frey felt a certain amount of vindication after the victory. Most of the vindication, though, was from self-imposed criticism.

"I try not to pay too much attention to the media," Frey said. "I don't read the papers and I don't watch the news. I just go do my thing and I don't worry about what other people think. That's the only way I can treat it. I control what I do and nobody else does."

"I guess that's why I'm really happy with this game. After last week, I wasn't too happy with the way I played. I was out to prove something to myself today. I never gave up. I never do. Despite the bad first half, I kept my composure. The whole team did."

Last week, Frey had what he termed "a pretty bad performance" against Purdue. Despite the fact the Buckeyes turned the Boilermakers away with a 21-3 loss, Frey managed to complete only three of nine passes for 47 yards.

Coupled with his dismal first-half production against the Gophers, the OSU quarterback had completed only five of his last 17 passes going into the second half.

"I didn't think I played that badly in the first half," Frey insisted. "I made a lot of mistakes, but things just didn't go our way. I got hit in the back on the first fumble and then, on the other play where the guy ran it back all the way, I got hit from behind again."

On that play, which resulted in an 85-yard return by sophomore free safety Sean Lumpkin, Frey was dazed after a hard hit by junior defensive tackle Mike Sunvold.

The Ohio State junior stayed on the Metrodome turf for several minutes while trainers checked him over. He finally got up and staggered to the bench. However, when the Buckeyes regained possession on the ensuing kickoff, Frey was right back in there.

"I really didn't know what happened on the play," he confessed. "All I know was that I was hit from behind and then (co-head trainer) Billy Hill was talking to me. I just needed to clear my head for a minute."

"Then, when I got to the bench, I was all right. But then I looked up at the scoreboard and it was 17-0. I figured something bad had happened."

Minnesota wasn't through in the first half. A four-play drive that covered 74 yards made it 24-0 and then a Frey interception set up another Gopher touchdown, making it 31-0.

It represented a bigger deficit than the Buckeyes faced in the Southern Cal game when they let down in the second half. That loss, however, fueled some of the fire for the comeback against Minnesota.

"The USC game was hard, but we got some valuable experience from it," Frey said. "We got some chances in the second half today and we took advantage of them."

Frey added there was another game in the back of his mind, too.

"We had four minutes left and needed two scores," he said, "and I was thinking back to the LSU game last year when we had only three minutes left, needed two scores, and got them."

"I just had to keep telling myself, 'We can do this, we can do this.' I had to do that the whole second half because you have a lot of chances to let down in that situation."

After driving for a field goal to begin the second half, the Buckeyes got a break when freshman linebacker Steve Tovar recovered a fumble. But OSU gave it right back on the next play when senior Jaymes Bryant's pass off the halfback option was intercepted.

Later, when the Buckeyes would scramble back within striking distance,



Ohio State quarterback Greg Frey (15) just gets a pass off over Minnesota defensive end Eddie Miles (28). Frey passed for 362 yards and three touchdowns against the Gophers, rallying the Buckeyes from a 31-point deficit for a 41-37 win.

the Gophers would tack on two additional field goals to make their comeback even tougher.

Then, on the next-to-last touchdown drive, a touchdown pass from Frey to tight end Jim Palmer was wiped out by a holding penalty.

"Those are times when some lesser teams might give up," Frey said. "But we never did. We always thought we had a chance. We just kept telling ourselves that we could do it."

"Naturally, we wanted to prove to everyone else that we could win this game. But, most of all, we wanted to prove it to ourselves."

So, with 5:14 remaining in the game and the Buckeyes trailing 37-26, Frey engineered an eight-play, 68-yard drive that featured all passes. After the Palmer touchdown was nullified, Frey went right back to work, hitting junior flanker Jeff Graham over the middle on a third and goal from the 18.

That took the ball to the one-yard line, from where Frey took it over himself on the next play. His two-point conversion pass to Graham made it 37-34 with 3:04 remaining.

Less than a minute and a half later, the Buckeyes had possession again, thanks to an inspired defensive stand.

Frey started the last drive with an 18-yard pass to Snow and then hit freshman split end Brian Stablein over the middle, taking the ball to the Minnesota 36.

Frey was sacked on the next play for a 13-yard loss, but he shook that off and came right back to find Palmer along the sideline. The senior tight end made

a good catch and shed two tacklers before finishing the 34-yard play at the Minnesota 15.

"That play was a good one," Frey said. "I was scrambling around and the guy who was covering Jim wasn't looking. He's a guy you can throw to in a situation like that and he made a great catch."

One play later, Frey found Graham all alone in the end zone off a slant pattern, to top off the comeback.

Frey admitted the come-from-behind victory should give the Buckeyes quite a boost as they move into the second half of the 1989 season.

"I don't think we wanted to do it exactly this way," he said, "but we feel that this game definitely gets us over the hump."

"There is a big difference between having a 5-2 record as opposed to being 4-3. But by no means can we rest after today. We've got Northwestern next week and it is no easy task. They've got a good offense and we're going to have to score some points again."

"This game was a big one, for sure," Frey continued, "but it was just another step for us in our goal to win the rest of our games. It was just one more step toward playing Michigan in the Big Ten championship and the Rose Bowl."

"The biggest thing a game like this does for us is tell us that we are capable of doing almost anything. We never want to get behind like that, but it's awful nice to know that if we do fall behind, we have the ability to come back in a big way."

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# The Numbers Game

## Buckeyes 41, Gophers 37

OHIO STATE	0	8	10	23	41
MINNESOTA	17	14	0	6	37

MINN — Thompson, 12 run (Berglund kick) 12:11  
 MINN — Berglund 30 field goal 4:17  
 MINN — Lumpkin, 85 fumble return (Berglund kick) 3:07  
 MINN — Rhem, 29 pass from Schaffner (Berglund kick) 9:50  
 MINN — Gaiters, 5 pass from Schaffner (Berglund kick) 4:29  
 OSU — Snow, 1 run (J.Graham pass from Frey) 0:10  
 OSU — O'Morrow 25 field goal 10:04  
 OSU — Snow, 15 pass from Frey (O'Morrow kick) 0:20  
 MINN — Berglund, 32 field goal 11:24  
 OSU — Snow, 27 pass from Frey (Snow pass from Frey) 9:51  
 MINN — Berglund 42 field goal 5:15  
 OSU — Frey, 1 run (J.Graham pass from Frey) 3:04  
 OSU — J.Graham, 15 pass from Frey (O'Morrow kick) 0:51  
 Att. — 33,945

	OSU	MINN
First Downs	26	16
Rushing	8	9
Passing	16	7
Penalty	2	0
Rushes-Yards	41-73	46-203
Passing Yards	362	154
Passes	32-20-2	18-13-0
Offensive Plays	73	64
Total Net Yards	435	357
Third Down Eff.	5-13	5-14
Punts	3-38.7	6-38.2
Fumbles-Lost	4-4	2-1
Penalties	5-30	5-55
Time Of Possession	31:03	28:57

### Individual Statistics

RUSHING (Att.-Net Yds.) — OSU: Snow 23-74; Bryant 4-18; S.Graham 5-12; Frey 9-31.  
 MINN: Thompson 29-133; Schaffner 10-40; Rhem 5-23; King 1-6; Fleetwood 1-1.  
 PASSING (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD) — OSU: Frey 31-20-1-362-3; Bryant 1-0-1-0-0. MINN:  
 Schaffner 18-13-0-154-2.

RECEIVING (Rec.-Yds.) — OSU: J.Graham 6-104; Snow 5-81; Beatty 3-61; Palmer 2-47;  
 B.Stablein 2-34; Olive 1-30; Bryant 1-5. MINN: Gaiters 4-27; Rhem 3-43; Tingelhoff 2-33;  
 Strain 2-19; Hopewell 1-24; Thompson 1-8.

PUNTING (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — OSU: Bohlman 3-38.7-51. MINN: Herbel 6-38.2-44.

PUNT RETURNS (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — OSU: J.Graham 2-8.0-9; Huffman 1-0.0-0. MINN:  
 Gaiters 3-6.0-8.

KICKOFF RETURNS (No.-Ave.-Lg.) — OSU: Snow 2-61.5-79; Lee 2-32.5-45; Harrison 2-  
 9.0-9; Huffman 1-5.0-5. MINN: Gaiters 4-23.5-44; Rhem 1-10.0-10.

DEFENSIVE FUMBLES RECOVERED BY — OSU:Tovar. MINN: Lumpkin (2),  
 Coughlin, Streiff.

INTERCEPTIONS — OSU: None. MINN: Staats, Foggie.

TACKLES FOR LOSS — OSU: Brown, Herman, Isaman, Tovar. MINN: Miles (2), Akre,  
 Goetz, Sunvold, Hackbarth.

TACKLES (Solo-Ass.-Tot.) — OSU: Peel 5-3-8; Clark 6-1-7; Pelini 5-1-6; Tovar 4-2-6;  
 Thomas 4-1-5; Brown 4-0-4; Isaman 3-1-4; Frimel 2-2-4; Herman 3-0-3; Closson 3-0-3; Lease 2-  
 1-3; Spellman 2-1-3; Dumas 2-1-3; Zizakovic 2-1-3; Coleman 1-0-1; Koch 1-0-1; Lewis 1-0-1;  
 Staysniak 1-0-1; B.Stablein 1-0-1; Paulk 0-1-1; Huffman 0-1-1. MINN: Staats 7-5-12; Sunvold  
 4-3-7; Miles 1-1-6; Jackson 2-2-6; Goetz 3-2-5; Coughlin 2-2-4; Stephens 1-3-4; Thaddies 3-0-3;  
 Foggie 2-1-3; Lumpkin 2-1-3; Hackbarth 2-0-2; Piepkorn 2-0-2; Burt 2-0-2; Bryant 1-1-2;  
 McClintock 1-0-1; Mathis 1-0-1; Davis 1-0-1; Williams 1-0-1; Conant 1-0-1; O'Hara 1-0-1;  
 Cummings 1-0-1; Akre 1-0-1.

## OSU Season Statistics

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	AVG	TD	LG		OFF	OSU
Carlos Snow	135	783	30	753	5.6	9	25	FIRST DOWNS	147	140
Scottie Graham	84	455	4	451	5.4	4	70	Rushing	65	77
Jaymes Bryant	33	132	9	123	3.7	0	14	Passing	75	58
Dante Lee	11	95	0	95	8.6	0	20	Penalty	7	5
Zack Dumas	1	45	0	45	45.0	0	45	AVERAGE PER GAME/RUSH	172.3	203.0
Tyrone Harrison	6	19	0	19	3.2	0	5	AVERAGE PER GAME/PASS	232.9	183.1
Jeff Graham	2	19	0	19	9.5	0	16	AVERAGE PER PLAY/PASS	8.6	8.3
Kirk Herbstreit	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	TOTAL OFFENSE	2836	2703
Greg Frey	32	58	133	-75	-2.3	2	21	Total Plays	491	461
OSU Totals	306	1606	185	1421	4.6	15	70	Average Per Game	405.1	386.1
OPP Totals	302	1400	194	1206	4.0	10	36	Average Per Play	5.8	5.9
PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YARDS	PCT	TD	LG	DEFENSE	OSU	
Greg Frey	146	85	4	1255	.582	8	80	39-321	32-283	
Kirk Herbstreit	8	3	1	27	.375	0	10	26-195	12- 98	
Jaymes Bryant	1	0	1	0	.000	0	0	7- 66	13-130	
OSU Totals	155	88	6	1282	.568	8	80	Special Teams	6- 60	7- 53
OPP Totals	189	118	11	1630	.624	12	87	PUNTS-LOST	14-4	19-13
								THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	44- 97	34- 82
								Percentage	.454	.415
								BACKS AGAINST	15-116	11-100
								TIME OF POSSESSION	218:39	201:21
								Average Per Game	31:14	28:46

RECEIVING	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG	SCORING	TD	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG
Jeff Graham	20	372	18.6	2	80	Carlos Snow	11	0-0	0-1	0-0	68
Jim Palmer	15	146	9.7	2	34	Pat O'Morrow	0	20-20	0-0	11-5	35
Carlos Snow	13	154	11.8	2	30	Scottie Graham	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	24
Bobby Olive	12	222	18.5	1	57	Jeff Graham	3	0-0	0-2	0-0	22
Bernard Edwards	9	119	13.2	1	33	Greg Frey	2	0-0	4-0	0-0	12
Scottie Graham	6	74	12.3	0	21	Jim Palmer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Greg Beatty	4	80	20.0	0	23	Bobby Olive	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Brian Stablein	3	43	14.3	0	19	Bernard Edwards	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Jaymes Bryant	3	23	7.7	0	11	OSU Totals	24	20-20	4-3	11-5	185
Jeff Ellis	2	39	19.5	0	30	OPP Totals	23	19-19	4-3	11-8	189
Tyrone Harrison	1	10	10.0	0	10	(Opp points include one safety)					
OSU Totals	88	1282	14.6	8	80						
OPP Totals	118	1630	13.8	12	87						
PUNTING	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG	KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG
Jeff Bohlman	3	924	40.2	3	81	Bobby Olive	12	195	16.3	0	25
"team"	1	0	-	-	-	Scottie Graham	5	135	27.0	0	39
OSU Totals	24	924	38.5	3	81	Carlos Snow	3	142	47.3	0	79
OPP Totals	27	1071	39.7	3	70	Dante Lee	3	87	29.0	0	45
PUNT RETURNS	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG	Tyrone Harrison	2	18	9.0	0	9
Jeff Graham	12	139	11.6	1	66	Jay Koch	2	7	3.5	0	4
OSU Totals	12	139	11.6	1	66	Greg Beatty	1	18	18.0	0	18
OPP Totals	9	76	8.4	0	25	Rich Huffman	1	5	5.0	0	5
						Jim Palmer	1	4	4.0	0	4
						OSU Totals	30	611	20.4	0	79
						OPP Totals	26	581	22.3	0	70

FIELD GOALS (11-5, .455) 46-37-45-36-33-29-48-35-39-BK-38-25+.

FG DISTANCE 0-29 30-39 40-49 50+ TOTAL  
 Pat O'Morrow 2-2 5-1 3-2 1-0 11-5  
 OSU Totals 2-2 5-1 3-2 1-0 11-5  
 OPP Totals 4-3 6-4 1-1 0-0 11-8

### 1989 OHIO STATE RESULTS (5-2, 3-1)

N-OSU 37, Oklahoma State	13-4	88,670
A-OSU 3, Southern California	42-0	69,876
A-OSU 14, Boston College	29-0	88,926
A-OSU 14, Illinois	34-0	69,088
H-OSU 35, Indiana	31-4	89,750
H-OSU 21, Purdue	3-4	89,091
A-OSU 41, Minnesota	37-4	33,945
November 4 at Northwestern		
11 Iowa		
18 Wisconsin		
25 at Michigan		

### INTERCEPTIONS

David Brown	3	23	7.7	0	23
Vinnie Clark	2	64	32.0	0	42
Mark Pelini	2	14	7.0	0	14
Judah Herman	1	40	40.0	0	40
Foster Paulk	1	16	16.0	0	16
Brent Johnson	1	2	2.0	0	2
Zack Dumas	1	0	0.0	0	0
OSU Totals	11	159	14.5	0	42
OPP Totals	8*	161	20.1	1	85

\* Includes two intercepted fumble returns

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	AVG.
Opponents	31	65	54	39	189	27.0
Ohio State	40	67	48	30	185	26.4

## OSU Defensive Statistics

PLAYERS	SOL	AST	TOT	TAG-LOSS	QB-BACK	FR	PR	FC	TDS	BK
Derek Isaman	31	30	61	6.5-12	1.0-6	0	1	1	0	0
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# Big Second Half Propels OSU To Victory

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Ohio State's Carlos Snow tried to get the Buckeyes back in the game with a 79-yard kickoff return, but it was to no avail.

With third and goal at the eight, Frey tried to change a running play to a quick pass at the line of scrimmage. Everyone except center Dan Beatty and strong guard Karl Coles heard the audible. When Beatty and Coles prepared to run block, Minnesota's Mike Sunvold ran past them and blasted Frey from behind. The football popped into the air where it was snared by Gopher Sean Lumpkin, who didn't stop until he had crossed the goal line 85 yards later.

That made it 17-0 after the first quarter. And Minnesota was not through.

The Gophers marched 73 yards in just four plays on their next possession to make it 24-0 and then intercepted Frey four plays later, setting up another touchdown that made it 31-0.

That's when the Buckeyes finally said enough is enough.

With time running out in the first half, Frey directed the offense on an 80-yard drive. The team got a break when Minnesota was caught with too many men on the field during an OSU punt, keeping the drive alive.

After that, the Buckeyes featured Snow almost exclusively with the exception of a big 30-yard reception by junior Bobby Olive, making his first appearance in two weeks.

Snow finished off the drive with a punishing one-yard run before Frey hit split end Jeff Graham in the end zone for a two-point conversion.

That made the score 31-8 and helped set the tempo for the Buckeyes' second-half return from the grave.

OSU took the third quarter's opening kickoff and drove to the Minnesota seven before settling for a field goal. Then, while the Buckeye defense was finally solving Minnesota's offensive scheme, the offense went back to work.

Starting at their own two-yard line, the Buckeyes started to gather momentum with an 11-play, 98-yard drive that got them back in the ball game. A 13-yard pass from Frey to Snow on third and seven at the OSU five-yard line was the biggest play in the drive.

After that, the Bucks picked up yardage by the chunks until Frey found Snow crossing the end zone for a 15-yard TD. Senior place-kicker Pat C'Morrow's extra point cut Minnesota's lead to 31-18.

The Gophers came back to add a 32-yard field goal from Brent Berglund, but the Buckeyes were undaunted. They marched right back up the field, thanks to a 45-yard kickoff return by freshman Dante Lee.

In just four plays, Frey found Snow again, this time in the left flat. The junior tailback took the screen and, following his blockers perfectly, turned on the jets to speed into the end zone for a 27-yard touchdown. The Frey-Snow connection worked again on the conversion, bringing the Buckeyes back within eight points at 34-26.

Once again, the Gophers countered with a Berglund field goal, seemingly putting the game out of reach with five minutes to go.

But the never-say-die Buckeyes came back again. This time Frey stayed exclusively in the air, hitting Snow first for an eight-yard gain and then finding Graham, freshman Greg Beatty and



Freshman linebacker Alonzo Spellman (99) fights off a blocker to grab for Minnesota tailback Darrell Thompson (39) while teammate Mark Pelini (48) goes low to take Thompson's legs out from under him. Thompson rushed for 133 yards and one touchdown, but the Buckeyes prevailed on the scoreboard by a 41-37 count.

freshman Brian Stablein in quick succession.

A holding penalty wiped out an eight-yard touchdown pass to tight end Jim Palmer. But Frey came right back to hit Graham with a 17-yarder that took the ball to the one and then, on fourth down, took the ball in the end zone himself on a quarterback keeper.

A two-point conversion from Frey to Graham made it 37-34 in favor of the Gophers.

Then, it was the Ohio State defense's turn to grab the spotlight. Playing with a front line that featured a host of first-year players, the Buckeyes stopped the Gophers when they absolutely had to.

After allowing four yards on first down, freshman linebacker Steve Tovar held Minnesota tailback Steve Rhem to a one-yard gain on second down and then corralled him for a one-yard loss on third down.

The Gophers' attempt to run out the clock was hampered by the Buckeyes' two remaining timeouts and the fact that Thompson had had to exit the game with a recurring knee injury after having gained 133 yards.

So, with 1:52 remaining in the contest, the Buckeyes had one last chance to win the game. They made the most of it.

Frey, who completed 18 of 23 passes for 327 yards in the second half, found a familiar target in Snow on the first play. That pass gained 18 yards, moving the Buckeyes from their own 27 to the 45.

Then Frey again connected with Stablein, who made a nifty grab over the middle for a 19-yard gain to the Minnesota 36. Then, things seemed

doomed when the Gophers' Skeeter Akre sacked Frey for a loss all the way back to the Gophers 49-yard line.

But, with the clock ticking away, Frey regrouped the Buckeyes quickly and dropped back to pass again. His primary and secondary receivers covered, the junior quarterback went to Palmer down the left sideline. The junior tight end made a good catch and then spun away from two defenders before being taken out of bounds at the 15.

Then, with just 56 seconds remaining, Frey faded back and found Graham breaking free in the right corner of the end zone. He threw a perfect strike to the junior flanker to complete the comeback.

O'Morrow added the PAT, making it 41-37.

However, while the Buckeyes celebrated on the sideline, the Gophers plotted their strategy. There were still 47 seconds left in the game.

Minnesota quarterback Scott Schaffner quickly completed a seven-yard

pass to tight end Shane Strain and then hit split end Pat Tinglehoff for gainers of 16 and 17 yards.

That gave the Gophers the ball at the OSU 22 with seven seconds left. Schaffner went for the end zone on the next play and found Rhem in the back of the end zone, behind the Ohio State coverage.

Rhem dove for the ball, but the ball bounced off his fingertips as time ran out.

The Buckeyes mauled one another in the middle of the field and then hiked all the way back down the sideline to salute their fans who had made the trip to Minneapolis.

"I've said this before, but Ohio State has the greatest fans in the world," Cooper said. "Out of the 35,000 fans who were there, I'll bet 7,000 or 8,000 of them were Buckeye fans. It was just as much a victory for them as it was for us."

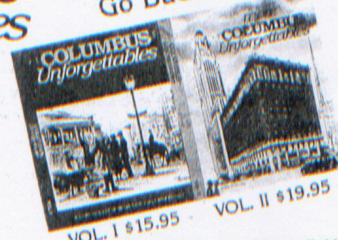
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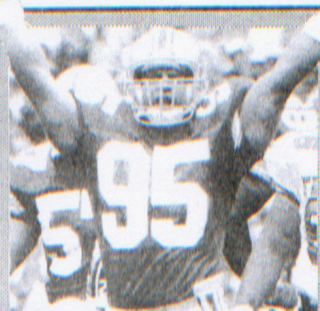
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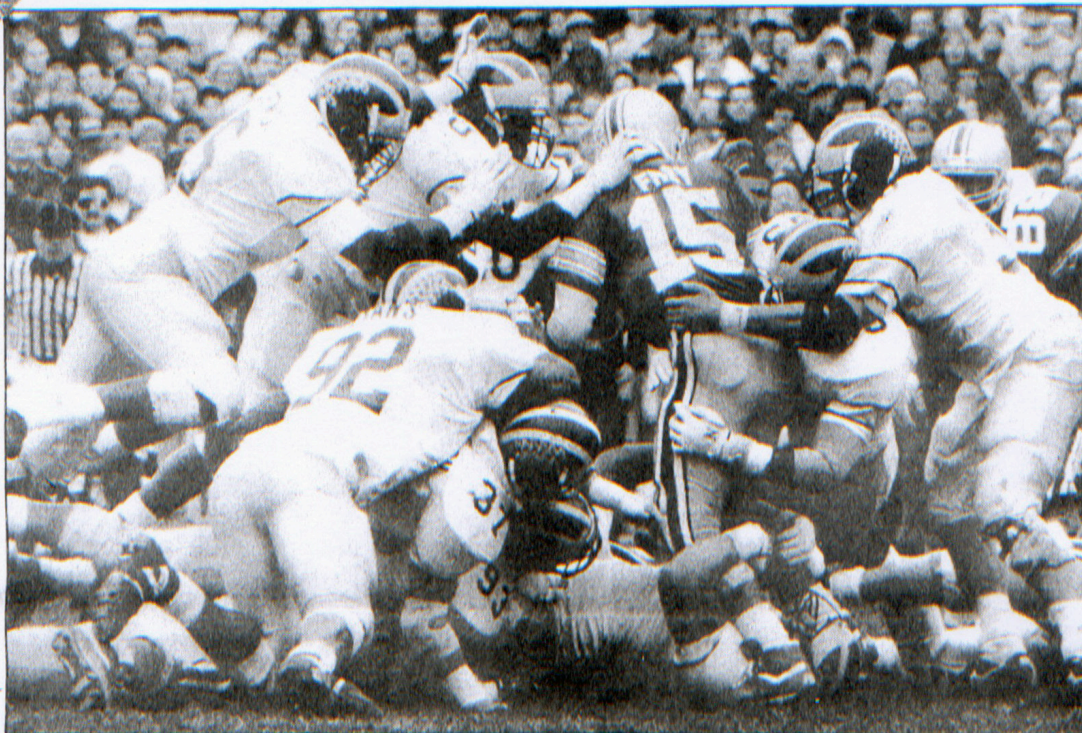


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## BSB's Final Weekly Issue

This is the final weekly issue of Buckeye Sports Bulletin for the 1990 football season. Our next issue, published in mid-December, will feature a Liberty Bowl preview. We will return to a weekly schedule in January.

The entire staff of Columbus Sports Publications wishes all of our readers a very happy holiday season. We look forward to serving you in the coming year.



The reason Ohio State was not successful on fourth and inches against Michigan is painfully apparent. Eight Wolverines, led by Chris Hutchinson (draped around OSU quarterback Greg Frey's legs), swarmed all over a play that could have kept a drive alive and possibly moved the Bucks into scoring position. Instead, the Bucks turned the ball over on downs and Michigan won 16-13.

## Failed Dive, Critical Clipping Penalty Cost OSU Rose Bowl

By Mark Rea

Experts will long analyze the prudence of Ohio State's failed quarterback dive play late in the fourth quarter against Michigan.

On that play, a fourth down with less than a yard to go, OSU quarterback Greg Frey was stopped at the line of scrimmage for no gain by Michigan defensive tackle Mike Evans.

However, while that play certainly set the stage for the Wolverines to kick a field goal as time expired and win the game 16-13, a play which ultimately cost the Buckeyes even more occurred just seconds earlier.

With the score tied 13-13 and the Buckeyes faced with third and one at their own 29-yard line, Frey hooked up with senior wide receiver Bobby Olive on a 15-yard pass play.

The play would have given the Buckeyes a first down at their own 44 with about two minutes remaining and realistically needing about 20 more yards to get into range for kicker Tim Williams to try and win the game.

However, while Olive was struggling

ahead for extra yardage, senior flanker Jeff Graham was called for a clipping penalty.

The penalty wiped out all 15 yards of Olive's gain, putting the Buckeyes back at the 29 with another third and one. On the next two plays, the Buckeyes were stopped for no gain, and the Wolves merely had to set the ball up in the middle of the field to make kicker J.D. Carlson's 37-yard game-winner just that much easier.

As things turned out, the Buckeyes missed out on a chance to win their first outright Big Ten championship and first trip to the Rose Bowl since 1984.

Minnesota defeated Iowa 31-24, throwing the final conference standings into a four-way tie for the championship between Iowa, Michigan, Illinois and Michigan State, all of which finished with 6-2 league marks.

But since the Hawkeyes defeated all three of the other teams which tied for the title with them, they earn the trip to the Rose Bowl.

Ohio State finished fifth in the Big Ten standings with a 5-2-1 record, a

half game ahead of Minnesota at 5-3.

Following the contest, most reporters wanted to talk about Cooper's decision to go for the victory in general and, in particular, the quarterback dive play.

"I've been telling this football squad ever since the Indiana game that I really felt like we had a chance to go ahead and win out and go to the Rose Bowl," the third-year OSU head coach said. "So, why not follow up on that? Why not go for broke? A tie didn't do us any good at all. All a tie would have done would have been to put us in the Gator Bowl."

"But if I would have played for a tie and then Minnesota beats Iowa, I wouldn't have been able to face my football team."

Indeed, if the Buckeyes and Wolverines had played to a tie, Illinois would have slipped in the back door to the Rose Bowl.

Taking the rest of the day's results and factoring in a tie between OSU and

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## Second-Guessing The QB Dive

### Editor's Notebook with Mark Rea

I like Jim Colletto. He's a great guy and a good coach, one who will probably get a lot of consideration for the head post at Purdue if the Boilermakers decide to let Fred Akers go.

Unfortunately, there are a lot of plays Colletto calls as offensive coordinator at Ohio State that I simply do not agree with.

I don't believe I'm alone in that thinking.

Of course, the most glaring one is the quarterback option play on fourth down and inches in the waning moments of the Michigan game.

Greg Frey's detractors — and he has as many or more than Colletto and head coach John Cooper — will say the senior quarterback made a poor read on the play and should have pitched the ball to trailing back Butler Bynote.

Replays appeared to show all of Michigan's defenders committing themselves to the middle of the field, leaving Bynote all alone. It is conceivable, taking into consideration a perfect pitch from Frey and Bynote's speed, that the freshman tailback could have turned that play not only into a first down but a touchdown.

I don't second-guess Frey. In the split second he had to make the decision, he took what he thought was the best option.

I do, however, second-guess Colletto. He had an entire timeout, approximately three minutes courtesy of ABC-TV, to devise some play that would get the Buckeyes one measly yard.

I find it difficult to believe that the best he could come up with was the quarterback dive.

Realizing that hindsight is always 20/20, there are any number of plays that should have been higher on Colletto's list of priorities than that dive play.

Junior fullback Scottie Graham could certainly have picked up that yard on a burst through the middle. Bynote could have probably vaulted over the top for a yard. If the play was going to Frey, why not let him do a simple quarterback sneak behind senior center Dan Beatty, most assuredly the Buckeyes' best lineman.

I really dislike second-guessing coaching decisions. Unfortunately, and Colletto knows this, coaching decisions are made to be second-guessed. He said he would probably second-guess himself. That's the nature of the beast that is coaching.

However, fans who ultimately point to that fourth-down play as the one that cost the Buckeyes the Rose Bowl are foolish.

There are any number of plays you can look back upon over the course of the season that can be second-guessed.

Back in the Indiana game, the Buckeyes held a 27-17 lead going into the fourth quarter. They had the ball on three separate occasions and gained 13 total yards.

Twice, attempted pass plays were targeted for junior flanker Bernard Edwards. Don't get me wrong. Edwards is a very good receiver. But in those situations, wouldn't it be more prudent to take a shot at Jeff Graham or Bobby Olive as your primary receiver?

Go back to the Illinois game. The Illini are ahead 24-20, but the Buckeyes are driving into enemy territory early in the fourth quarter with a first down at the Illini 37 following a 16-yard pass

from Frey to Jeff Graham.

Suddenly, the Buckeyes get conservative. Redshirt freshman running back Raymont Harris tested the middle of the line on first down and gets two yards.

Then, freshman tailback Robert Smith gets sent up the middle and gains only one more yard. All season long, I could not fathom why Smith was made to run inside behind a relatively inexperienced offensive line.

There is no doubt that Smith is a great talent, and he has rushed for over 1,000 yards. But his graceful strides which are so picturesque on sweeps do not serve him well when he's trying to thread his way through brief glimmers of daylight in the middle of the line.

Anyway, you know the rest of the Illinois story. The Buckeyes were forced to throw on third and seven and Frey, who was hit as he released the ball, threw wide to Edwards. On fourth down, OSU tried a field goal which was blocked and resulted in the by-now-famous forward lateral.

If you want to experience a new high in second-guessing, I suppose you could go all the way back to the season opener against Texas Tech.

In the second quarter of a scoreless game, the Buckeyes stopped Tech on a

third-and-nine play at the OSU 10, forcing the Raiders to settle for a field goal attempt.

However, Tech was called for holding on the play, and the Buckeyes accepted the penalty. That allowed the Raiders to have one more shot at the end zone.

They didn't make it, but on the play, Ohio State junior linebacker John Kacherski blew out the tendon surrounding the kneecap on his right knee and was lost for the season.

Redshirt freshman Jason Simmons played a whale of a season in Kacherski's place after that. But one can only wonder what the Buckeyes' defense might have been like had Kacherski been able to play the entire season the way he played the first half against Texas Tech.

I dare to say the Buckeyes would have been sitting on a 10-1 record right now, a top five — perhaps even number one — ranking in the nation, and a trip to the Rose Bowl after an undefeated conference season.

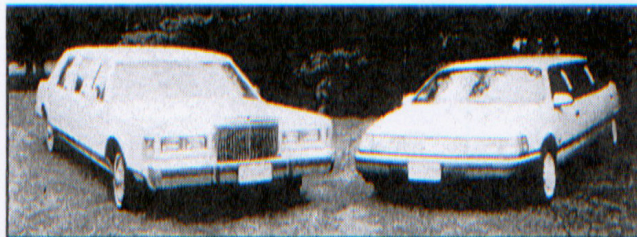
When Kacherski went down, a big feeling of disappointment came over me. It wasn't only for Kacherski, because I had watched him struggle back from major knee surgery the year before. The disappointment was also for the Buckeyes, because I knew they had lost their defensive ace.

It was a disappointment I felt twice more on Nov. 24, once when Frey couldn't gain those few inches on fourth down and again when I heard that Minnesota had upset Iowa.

My mind wandered to what might have been.

Hindsight is wonderful, isn't it?

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*Failure On Fourth-Down Play Was Game's Pivotal Play***Frey At Loss For Words Following Defeat***By Mike Wachman*

All a person had to do to gauge Ohio State senior quarterback Greg Frey's reaction to the Buckeyes' 16-13 loss to Michigan was look at his face.

Frey, 0-3 as a starter against Michigan, was visibly shaken after the game. He kept his head down and searched for just the right words to describe his feelings about his final game in the Horseshoe.

"It's certainly not the way I wanted to go out," he said. "We wanted to go for the win, no question. What else can you do? They called the right defense and stuffed it."

"It's a good play, mainly because they weren't expecting it. They just guessed right."

The play in question, called "Four Dive," was called with the Buckeyes facing fourth down and inches at the OSU 29 with 1:38 remaining in the game.

It appeared to be an option play, but both OSU head coach John Cooper and offensive coordinator Jim Colletto indicated Frey was to fake to the fullback and fall forward for the first down.

But Frey gave his own description of the play.

"It was a fake dive option," he said. "I tried cutting it up inside, but it wasn't there. I faked to (junior fullback) Scottie (Graham) and tried to get behind him."

"I did have a pitch option, but they had that covered, too. It's been a successful play for us in the past. It just didn't work this time. The nose guard had me by the feet and pulled me down. They made the big play and we didn't."

That pretty much summed up the entire afternoon for Frey and the OSU offense. Going into the game, the Buckeyes were averaging better than 400 yards in total offense and were held to just 284 by the Wolverines.

Frey, among the league's top passers, managed to complete only 13 of 26 passing attempts for 157 yards and a touchdown. He also threw three interceptions in the game, but in his defense, two of those bounced off the hands of his receivers into those of Michigan defenders.

Frey upped his season passing yardage total to 1,952. He needs just 48 more yards in the Liberty Bowl to eclipse the 2,000-yard mark for the third consecutive season, something which has never been done by an OSU quarterback.

Even though the Buckeyes have the consolation of going to the Liberty Bowl, Frey wishes they had the chance to go to the Rose Bowl.

Especially painful was the 31-24 win by Minnesota over Iowa just a few hours later.

"It hurts a lot," Frey admitted. "That's all I can say. This is painful

enough without thinking about the Iowa game. It will take time to sink in."

"I'm shocked. We didn't play well as an offense most of the day, but we started moving when we had the chance. We just self-destructed."

Despite the pain of the loss to Michigan, Frey said it was a good year for the Buckeyes.

"It was a great season," he said. "We bounced back from adversity. It would have been nice to play in a Rose Bowl, because that's what every player in the Big Ten lives for. The Liberty Bowl is a good bowl game, but it's not the same."

Ohio State looked ready to weave some late game magic with 4:16 left in the game with the ball at its own 20 after a missed Michigan field goal.

On third and one, Frey faked a hand-off and threw a strike to a streaking Bobby Olive up the right sideline. The play gained 15 yards and appeared to get the Buckeyes up to the 44, but a clipping call on senior receiver Jeff Graham snuffed the gain.

Two plays later, Frey's aborted attempt into the middle of the line gave Michigan the ball on downs. According to Frey, the clipping penalty was larger than the failed fourth-down play.

"That play made the difference in the game," he said. "We make it, we have first down with a timeout left and we'd need about 25 more yards for a field goal."

"My reaction was disbelief when he threw the flag. I knew it was on us, because I saw him throw it. With that play, we had put ourselves in position to win the game and, with the penalty, we took ourselves right back out of it."

Overall, Frey felt the season was a disappointment because the Buckeyes missed a chance to go to the Rose Bowl. However, he thought it was also successful from the standpoint of OSU becoming much more competitive.

"You can see that it's close to being there," Frey said. "There are some great players around here, and this game today should show some people Ohio State is back where it belongs."

"It took the last play of the game by a team that many people think is a top 10 team to beat us. We moved it on Illinois and were competitive with Southern Cal. Ohio State will be a force for a long time to come."

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# Bucks Refuse To Second-Guess Crucial Call

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Michigan, there would have been a four-way tie for the championship between Iowa, Michigan State, Illinois — all at 6-2 — and Ohio State, which would have been 5-1-2 in the conference, a record equal to 6-2.

In the Big Ten's tie-breaker for four teams, the team with the lowest overall winning percentage would be eliminated first. That would have taken care of Michigan State at 7-3-1 overall, a half game behind the other three teams.

Then, the tie-breaker reverts back to a three-team method. Since Iowa beat Illinois which beat Ohio State which beat Iowa, the next tie-breaker eliminates the most recent team which has been to the Rose Bowl. That would have taken care of Iowa, which last played in 1985, one year later than OSU and two years later than Illinois.

Then, in the two-way tie-breaker, Illinois would have gone to the Rose Bowl by virtue of its 31-20 win over Ohio State this season.

Michigan head coach Gary Moeller, whose team's Rose Bowl aspirations were nil before the game ever started, said he agreed with Cooper's decision to try and get the first down in that situation.

"I can understand Coach Cooper wanting to win that football game," Moeller said, "so he went for it on a fourth and very short.

"The only thing I can say is that in the middle of the season I wanted to win a game against Michigan State and went for two (point conversion), but I didn't make it. Coach Cooper went for it, and I certainly share his thoughts in that way."

When someone asked Moeller if he would have run a similar play, he simply shook his head and replied, "You're asking me to second-guess someone, and I won't do that. That's a 50-50 play, and they've got to play it the way they want to."

Although offensive coordinator Jim Colletto calls virtually every offensive play for the Buckeyes, Cooper said the quarterback dive was a mutual decision.

"We do that as an offensive staff," he said. "But don't second-guess the call. Hell, if we block, we make the first down, for goodness sakes. If you run a sweep and they stop you, people ask why you ran a sweep. We ran a good play. We just didn't execute it."

Later, Colletto shrugged and admitted he was the one who called the play.

"I had about five or six choices, and it's like playing the lottery," he said. "If I pick the right one, I'm a hero. If I don't pick the right one, I'm a horse (bleep) coach."

Defending the call, Colletto said the simplicity of the play usually makes it work.

"You fake the ball to the fullback and then take it to the corner if you can," he explained. "If the line angles out, then the quarterback is able to follow the fullback up inside. It's worked a lot of times, but it didn't work this time."

"We've done that many times over the last three years and made many first downs with it. But this time we didn't make it."

"I'm not worried about that play, though," Colletto continued. "I'm

worried about the damn clipping penalty when we had the ball on the 44-yard line and first down.

"Everybody will talk about the play I called on fourth down, but what about the one before that that got us 15 yards. The same guy called both plays. One was good and the other was bad because of execution."

Senior quarterback Greg Frey also defended the call.

"It's just a play where you line up and go," he said. "They lined up in a goal-line front, and we expected that. They slanted out, which forces me to cut it up, and they made a good play on it."

Colletto said that while most people would point to the fourth-down play, there were others in the game that loomed just as large.

"There was the clipping penalty right before that one," he said. "Then, during

our first possession of the second half, we dropped a pass on third and two that we could have run in for a touchdown. Instead, we had to settle for a field goal.

"You don't get many opportunities in games like this. So when you get the chance, you have to make them. We just didn't take advantage of enough of them, and consequently, we end up losing by three points."

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# The Numbers Game

## Wolverines 16, Buckeyes 13

MICHIGAN	0	6	7	3	16
OHIO STATE	3	7	3	0	13

OSU - T.Williams, 33 field goal 10:57  
 UM - Carlson, 27 field goal 10:12  
 UM - Carlson, 30 field goal 6:05  
 OSU - J.Graham, 12 pass from Frey (T.Williams kick) 0:44  
 OSU - T.Williams, 43 field goal 12:41  
 UM - Howard, 12 pass from Grbac (Carlson kick) 7:13  
 UM - Carlson, 37 field goal 0:00  
 Att. - 90,054

	UM	OSU
First Downs	13	16
Rushing	8	7
Passing	5	9
Penalty	0	0
Rushes-Yards	40-144	36-127
Passing Yards	104	157
Passes	16-8-1	26-13-3
Plays	56	62
Total Net Yards	248	284
Third Down Efficiency	4-12	8-16
Punts	3-33.3	3-42.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-0
Penalties	2-15	8-66
Time Of Possession	29:08	30:52

### Individual Statistics

RUSHING (Att.-Net Yds.) - UM: Powers 27-128; Bunch 6-12; Alexander 1-3; Grbac 2-1; Vaughn 4-0. OSU: Robert Smith 8-43; Bynote 9-33; Harris 9-22; S.Graham 5-21; Frey 5-8.  
 PASSING (Att.-Comp.-Int.-Yds.-TD) - UM: Grbac 16-8-1-104-1. OSU: Frey 26-13-3-157-1.  
 RECEIVING (Rec.-Yds.) - UM: Howard 5-73; Alexander 2-22; Bunch 1-9. OSU: Olive 5-71; J.Graham 4-51; Robert Smith 1-26; S.Graham 1-9; Ellis 1-7; Bynote 1-(-7).  
 PUNTING (No.-Avg.-Lg.) - UM: Azcona 3-33.3-36. OSU: Bohlman 3-42.7-50.  
 PUNT RETURNS (No.-Avg.-Lg.) - UM: Howard 1-14.0-14. OSU: J.Graham 1-5.0-5.  
 KICKOFF RETURNS (No.-Avg.-Lg.) - UM: Alexander 3-27.3-48; Legette 1-11.0-11. OSU: Lee 4-13.8-22.

DEFENSIVE FUMBLES RECOVERED BY - UM: None. OSU: Cook.  
 INTERCEPTIONS - UM: Williams, Anderson, Dottin. OSU: Clark.  
 TACKLES FOR LOSS - UM: Osman, Hutchinson, Team. OSU: G.Smith (3), Spellman (2.5), Peel, M.Williams (0.5).

TACKLES (Solo-Assist-Tot.) - UM: Milligan 3-9-12; Evans 3-9-12; Anderson 4-5-9; Osman 4-4-8; Hutchinson 4-3-7; Williams 1-5-6; Dottin 3-2-5; Brown 3-1-4; Simpson 2-2-4; Murray 1-3-4; Ritter 3-0-3; C.Wallace 2-1-3; Townsend 1-2-3; Davis 1-1-2; Maloney 0-2-2; Team 1-0-1; Key 0-1-1; Ware 0-1-1. OSU: Tovar 5-8-13; Pellini 5-6-11; G.Smith 5-3-8; Simmons 1-7-8; Peel 2-5-7; Clark 3-2-5; Spellman 3-2-5; Frimel 1-4-5; Lease 3-1-4; Paulk 2-2-4; Koch 0-4-4; M.Williams 0-3-3; Coleman 0-3-3; Johnson 1-1-2; Price 0-2-2; Griffey 1-0-1; Nelson 1-0-1; Edwards 1-0-1; Ellis 1-0-1; Cook 0-1-1.

### Players In The Game

MICHIGAN - Davis, Townsend, Evans, Osman, Hutchinson, Marshall, Simpson, Milligan, Bohn, Anderson, Key, Ware, Williams, Ritter, Murray, Brown, Dottin, Howard, VanDyne, Dohring, Dingman, Elliot, Cocozzo, Skrepnek, Diebolt, McGee, Grbac, Bunch, Washington, Vaughn, Powers, Alexander, Carlson, Azcona, Stark, Traupe, Dobreff, Wallace, Plate, Maloney, Everitt, Doherty, Jokisch, Sollom.

OHIO STATE - Lickovitch, Ellis, Huffman, Shoaf, Peterson, Beatty, Nichols, Kline, Olive, B.Stablein, Frey, Robert Smith, Bynote, S.Graham, Harris, Houston, J.Graham, Edwards, Koch, M.Williams, Coleman, Spellman, Foster, Frimel, Monnot, G.Smith, Simmons, Lease, Herman, Tovar, Johnson, Clark, Price, Paulk, Peel, Cook, Nelson, Pellini, Bohlman, T.Williams, Lutz, Metzger, Borchers, Hartman, Herbstreit, Lee, Warner, Griffey, Roger Harper.

## OSU Season Statistics

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	AVG	TD	LG		OPP	OSU
Robert Smith	164	1084	20	1064	6.5	7	71	FIRST DOWNS	184	216
Raymont Harris	115	525	17	508	4.4	8	35	Passing	88	107
Scottie Graham	70	246	0	246	3.5	2	16	Passing	86	99
Butler By'not'e	48	230	10	220	4.6	1	20	Penalty	10	10
Dante Lee	13	66	5	61	3.2	1	12	AVERAGE PER GAME/RUSH	137.1	103.8
William Houston	9	40	0	40	4.4	0	9	AVERAGE PER GAME/PASS	179.9	198.5
Tyrone Harrison	9	35	0	35	3.9	0	9	AVERAGE PER PLAY/PASS	6.4	8.0
Jeff Graham	3	31	0	31	10.3	0	17	TOTAL OFFENSE	3487	4315
Bobby Olive	2	20	0	20	10.0	0	12	Total Plays	749	749
Kirk Herbstreit	1	10	0	10	10.0	0	10	Average Per Game	317.0	392.3
Deron Brown	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	Average Per Play	4.7	5.8
Kent Graham	7	9	19	-10	-	0	5	PENALTIES-Yards	66-491	57-474
Greg Frey	34	51	126	-75	-	2	9	Offense	35-242	24-172
OSU Totals	476	2529	197	2332	4.5	21	71	Defense	16-104	20-185
OPP Totals	441	1845	337	1508	3.4	11	66	Special Teams	13-145	13-117
								FUMBLES-LOST	23-11	19-10
PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YARDS	PCT	TD	LG	THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	56-154	77-157
Greg Frey	249	129	13	1952	.518	16	65	Percentage	8-21	5-12
Kent Graham	22	13	2	171	.591	3	36	Percentage	3-01	.417
Jeff Graham	1	1	0	60	1.000	1	60	FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	8-21	5-12
Kirk Herbstreit	1	0	1	0	.000	0	0	Percentage	.301	.447
OSU Totals	275	143	16	2183	.524	20	65	SACKS AGAINST	26-197	13-104
OPP Totals	308	167	17	1979	.542	8	64	TIME OF POSSESSION	327:130	329:154
								Average Per Game	29:46	29:59
Sackles	Frey 11-92; K. Graham 2-12									

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RECEIVING	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG	SCORING	TD	EXP-K	EXP	EXP	AT-FC	PTS
Jeff Graham	39	760	19.5	7	65	Tim Williams	0	40-40	0-0	0-0	15-12	76
Bobby Olive	37	589	15.9	7	52	Jeff Graham	9	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	56
Bernard Edwards	12	179	14.9	0	24	Raymont Harris	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	54
Jeff Ellis	11	144	13.1	1	26	Bobby Olive	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	42
Brian Stablein	8	129	16.1	1	36	Robert Smith	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	42
Robert Smith	8	93	11.6	0	26	Greg Frey	3	0-0	2-0	1-0	0-0	18
Gary Lickovitch	8	92	11.5	1	19	Scottie Graham	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Raymont Harris	7	42	6.0	1	10	Butler By'not'e	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Butler By'not'e	4	8	2.0	0	6	Jeff Ellis	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Gedric Saunders	2	39	19.5	0	24	Rich Huffman	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
OSU Totals	143	2180	15.3	20	65	Dante Lee	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
OPP Totals	167	1979	11.9	8	64	Gary Lickovitch	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6

PUNTING	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	120	BK	LG	FG DISTANCE	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL
Jeff Bohlman	46	1954	42.5	9	7	2	59	Tim Williams	7-5	4-4	2-2	2-1	15-12
"Team"	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	OSU Totals	7-5	4-4	2-2	2-1	15-12
OSU Totals	48	1955	40.7	9	7	2	59	OPP Totals	2-2	0-7	4-3	1-0	15-12
OPP Totals	59	2111	35.6	6	11	3	54						

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	AVG.
Opponents	49	64	44	40	197	17.9
Ohio State	69	113	65	91	338	30.7

1990 OHIO STATE RESULTS (7-3-1, BT 5-2-1)	NO	YARDS	AVG	TD	LG
H-OSU 17, Texas Tech	10+	88.07			
A-OSU 31, Boston College	10+	32.432			
H-OSU 26, Southern California	35-	89.422			
H-OSU 20, Illinois	31-	89.404			
A-OSU 27, Indiana	27tie	52.080			
A-OSU 42, Purdue	2+	57.031			
H-OSU 52, Minnesota	23+	89.533			
H-OSU 48, Northwestern	7+	89.177			
A-OSU 27, Iowa	26+	70.033			
A-OSU 35, Wisconsin	10+	41.013			
H-OSU 13, Michigan	16-	90.054			

	GAMES	ATTENDANCE	AVERAGE
Home	6	536,297	89,383
Away	5	252,679	50,536
Season	11	788,976	71,725

## OSU Defensive Statistics

PLAYERS	SOL	AST	TOT	TAC-LOSS	QB-SACK	FBU	FR	FC	TDS	BK
Steve Tovar	69	46	115	6.5-30	3.0-22	3	2	3	-	-
Jim Peel	41	21	62	4.0-18	1.0-11	1	-	-	-	-
Mark Pellini	23	33	56	-	-	6	-	1	-	-
Rich Frimel	26	29	55	5.0-16	1.0-7	1	-	-	-	-
Greg Smith	27	26	53	14.5-67	7.0-47	1	-	2	-	-
Jason Simmons	28	24	52	12.0-70	3.0-42	-	1	-	-	-
Alonso Spellman	28	24	52	8.3-34	2.0-19	4	-	-	-	-
Vinnie Clark	26	15	41	2.0-21	-	4	3	1	-	-
Tom Lessee	25	22	47	2.0-3	-	-	-	1	-	-
Bryan Cook	29	15	44	1.0-3	1.0-5	4	18	-	-	-
Jay Koch	21	20	41	3.0-12	1.0-10	1	18	-	-	-
Judah Herman	17	21	38	1.0-1	-	2	-	-	-	-
Foster Faulk	22	11	33	-	-	3	1	-	-	2(PT)
Brent Johnson	13	19	32	1.0-1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Ken Coleman	13	15	28	1.0-11	1.0-11	-	-	-	-	-
Roger Harper	14	12	26	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Chico Nelson	19	4	23	1.0-4	-	1	-	1	-	-
Tim Walton	15	7	22	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Lance Price	10	12	22	-	-	1	-	-	-	1(PT)
Mark Williams	11	8	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Dave Monnot	5	13	18	2.0-6	1.0-5	-	-	-	-	-
Derrick Foster	4	8	12	1.0-5	1.0-5	-	-	-	-	-
Craig Griffey	4	2	6	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Rich Huffman	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
John Kacherski	3	1	4	2.0-13	2.0-13	-	-	-	1	-
Bobby Olive	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
"Team"	1	1	2	1.0-11	-	-	-	-	-	-

OTHERS: Jim Borchers (2-3-5); Corey Pargo (2-3-5); Gedric Saunders (2-3-5); Raymont Harris (3-0-3); Rodric Harper (0-2-2); Geoff Warner (0-2-2); Bernard Edwards (1-0-1); Jeff Ellis (1-0-1); Jeff Graham (1-0-1); Dante Lee (1-0-1); Travis Lutz (1-0-1); Kirk Herbstreit (0-1-1); Jon Berger (0-1-1); Jenova McEllan (0-1-1); Joe Metzger (0-1-1).  
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