

PENN 26-21 VICTOR OVER DARTMOUTH

Quakers, 3d in Ivy League,
Register 7th Triumph in
Best Year Since 1959

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PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 23 — Pennsylvania's finest football team since its championship year of 1959 staved off Dartmouth in the closing minutes today to score a 26-21 Ivy League victory before 50,188 fans.

The crowd included 25,000 Cub and Boy Scouts and members of 23 high school bands in the Philadelphia area. The fans gave old Franklin Field a look it has not had since Penn's former days of gridiron power.

But this 1968 team of Coach Bob Odell finished the season with a 7-2, won-lost record, best since 1959, and took third place in the league standing after years of residence in the second division.

For Coach Bob Blackman of Dartmouth, the final result gave the Hanover Indians a 4-5 campaign, Blackman's first losing season since he became head coach in 1955. It was also Dartmouth's first finish below the

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top four teams since the league went formal in 1956.

Penn, losing only to Yale and Harvard, built its fine season around Bernie Zbrzezny, a junior quarterback, and Gerry Santini, one of the league's finest running backs.

And it was their combined talents this sunny afternoon that propelled the Red and Blue to victory. Santini, a 195-pound fullback from Syracuse, N. Y., scored one touchdown and gained a total of 133 yards on 29 carries to become the single-season and career total offensive leader.

Indians Score First

Santini's season rushing mark of 880 yards broke the mark of 830, set by Cabot Knowlton a year ago. Santini's career mark of 1,593 yards broke the former standard of Fred Doelling, 1,558 yards, set from 1957 through 1959.

Zbrzezny fired one scoring pass to his split end, Pete Blumenthal and finished his day's work with 13 completions in 24 attempts for 176 yards. Blumenthal, and Dave

Graham, the tight end, were Zbrzezny's principal targets in a game that produced long pass completions, a few long runs and missed opportunities by both.

Blumenthal finished with five receptions for 72 yards and Graham caught four for 56 yards.

Dartmouth's strength was its ground game primarily, although Bill Koenig finished with 138 aerial yards on five of 12 attempts.

But Penn's balanced attack of passing and running plus its stronger defensive secondary provided the Quakers with their triumph.

Both teams scored the first times they got possession of the ball, Dartmouth driving 73 yards in 10 plays capped by Clark Beier's 2-yard scoring burst. Blumenthal capped Penn's initial drive of 83 yards in nine plays by his 13-yard reception of Zbrzezny's pass.

At the half the score was 14-14. The Indians scored from the 4 following a 22-yard interception by Joe Adams. Penn, earlier in the period had missed an Eliot Berry field goal attempt from the 19. But the Quakers tied the score just before the half with another march of 73 yards in 11 plays as Santini registered the touchdown from the 2.

Berry put the Quakers ahead after the intermission with his

11th field goal of the season from the 23-yard line. Beier took the kickoff 55 yards, but Jim Chasey, Dartmouth's sophomore quarterback, could not capitalize on Beier's fine run.

Zbrzezny then marched the Quakers 80 yards and tossed his second touchdown pass to Ken Dunn from the 9.

Dartmouth was stopped by John Brown's interception and 42-yard runback early in the final period. The Quakers bogged down and Bill Sudhaus punted. Dunn and Bill Burdt tackled Dartmouth's Tom Quinn in the end zone for a safety.

But the Indians were not finished yet. A 58-yard Koenig to Jack Wimsatt pass put Dartmouth on the Penn 20. That was as far as they got. Two rushes and two incomplete passes by Koenig ended Dartmouth's final hope.

Penn.	7	7	10	2-26
Dartmouth	7	7	0	7-21
Dart — Beier	2	run	(Donovan kick)	
Penn — Blumenthal	13	pass	from Zbrzezny	
(Berry kick)				
Dart — Chatrand	1	run	(Donovan kick)	
Penn — Santini	2	run	(Berry kick)	
Penn — Beier	2	run		
Penn — Blumenthal	9	pass	from Zbrzezny (Beier)	
Penn — Safety	0	run	from end zone	
Dart — Berry	1	field goal	from 19	

STATISTICS OF THE GAME

	Penn	Dart
First downs	26	14
Rushing yardage	230	213
Passing yardage	176	155
Passes	13-24	7-14
Punts	4-41	4-34
Fumbles lost	1	1
Yards penalized	22	54

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