

# TIGERS TURN BACK PENN TEAM, 22-16

## Quakers Fail on Pass From Princeton 5 on Last Play of Close Ivy Battle

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PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 24 — Before today, the Princeton football team never had played a game on artificial turf. The Tigers had heard about it, however, and one of the things they had heard was that the ball takes a true bounce.

But after their first experience today, they don't believe it. To be sure, they survived all the funny bounces, even taking advantage of some, but it took a clutch defensive play by Jeff Davis with no time left to insure a 22-16 victory over Penn.

Getting a chance for one last play because of a pass-interference call against Princeton at the Tiger 5-yard line, Penn tried to pull the game out with a pass from Pancho Micir to Pete Luciano. But Davis, the Tiger safetyman, lunged for the ball and batted it away.

There were plenty of other thrills for the crowd of 36,478 on this pleasant, sunny afternoon, including the following:

Two fumble recoveries by Bruce Berger, Penn's defensive end playing his first game of the season, and interceptions in the final two minutes by Princeton's Pete Boyle and Barry Richardson; a touchdown-saving tackle in the first quarter by Penn's Steve Kenoyer, who later recovered an onside kickoff in the fourth, and an 18-yard run on a fake punt by the Tigers' Hank Bjorklund, who finished the day with 145 yards rushing on 27 carries.

But throughout the afternoon, on Franklin Field's Astroturf, the football kept bouncing the wrong way.

It bounced out of Princeton

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hands eight times and four times wound up cradled against Penn stomachs. One of those lost fumbles, by Rod Plummer, led to Eliot Berry's 37-yard field goal with no time left in the first half, and the last, by Bjorklund, gave Penn its final chance for victory.

At the same time the Tigers also benefited from bad bounces, most notably a fumble by Penn's Phil Procacci in the end zone that gave the Tigers a safety on the first play of the second quarter, and Bjorklund's punt in the third quarter that went into the end zone but bounced back and was downed by Chris Montgomery just on the other side of the goal line.

The Quakers, leading by 3-2 at the time, couldn't escape the hole the reverse bounce had put them in and punted on third down. Bill Early returned the kick 31 yards to the Penn 14, and Bjorklund eventually scored on a 5-yard run around the right side.

Before the third period ended, the Tigers scored another touchdown on Plummer's 1-yard keep and led, 15-3, when Penn finally started moving. Micir's 7-yard pass to Bob Long gave the Quakers their first touchdown with five seconds elapsed in the final quarter. But they weren't to see the ball on offense again for 9 minutes 47 seconds, the time it took the Tigers to drive 80 yards in 19 plays for the touchdown that gave them a 22-9 advantage.

The Tigers consumed all that time by running on 18 of the 19 plays, and it was the run from punt formation by Bjorklund from the Penn 44 to the 36 that kept the march going. Eight plays after the fake, Willie Williams scored from the 3.

Unable to move quickly or well in the first 55 minutes, the Quakers suddenly went 76 yards in nine plays and two minutes, with Bobby Hoffman tallying from 6 yards out to cut the deficit to 22-16.

With just two minutes remaining, Kenoyer fell on Berry's onside kickoff, which had bounced past several Princeton players, and Penn had the ball at the Tiger 42. But on the first play, Boyle intercepted Micir's pass at the 29.

Still not finished, though, Penn got the ball back only to have Richardson pick off Micir's pass at the 35. But Princeton had one fumble left, and Dick Cowan fell on it with eight seconds left 51 yards away from the end zone.

On second down Boyle intercepted Micir's pass, but the officials detected a Princeton defensive back pushing at the 5 as time ran out. Then came the final incomplete pass.

Princeton ..... 0 2 13 7-22

Penn ..... 0 3 0 13-16

Prin.—Safety, Procacci's fumble in end zone recovered by Penn.

Penn.—FG, Berry, 37.

Prin.—Bjorklund, 5, run (Bartges, kick).

Prin.—Plummer, 1, run (pass failed).

Penn.—Long, 7, pass from Micir (kick failed).

Prin.—Williams, 3, run (Bartges, kick).

Penn.—Hoffman, 6, run (Berry, kick).

Attendance—36,478.

## STATISTICS OF THE GAME

	Prin.	Penn
First downs	22	73
Rushing yardage	256	40
Passing yardage	35	212
Return yardage	126	77
Passes	7-14	75-8
Interceptions by	3	0
Punts	6-42	5-42
Fumbles lost	4	1
Yards penalized	58	45

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