

Penn Beats Princeton With a Late Pass, 10-9

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PRINCETON, N.J., Oct. 30—Pennsylvania marched 64 yards in eight plays and scored on a pass with only 17 seconds remaining to beat Princeton, 10-9, today.

The winning touchdown was scored by Bill Cioffredi, a sophomore from Rutland, Vt. The 185-pound halfback caught a 6-yard pass from Bob Graustein and then bulled the remaining 3 yards into the end zone for the game's only touchdown.

The tinging finish provided Penn with its fifth straight victory over Princeton in Ivy League play. But this one wasn't easy because Princeton made good use of the "foot" in football, kicking three field goals for a 9-3 lead before the winning drive.

Two of the field goals, made by Paul Zoubek, the Tigers' second-string kicker, enabled the home team to lead through most of the second half after the teams had left Palmer Stadium's field at intermission tied, 3-all.

Penn's Mistakes Costly

But in the second half of this game, which marked the 100th anniversary of the first meeting between the schools, the Quakers seemed bent on losing on their own mistakes.

Penn was guilty of six turnovers, two on interceptions and four on fumbles, during the last two quarters. Its first two errors, both interceptions, set up field goals of 38 and 26 yards by Zoubek, who had replaced Chris Howe after the first half.

Zoubek's second 3-pointer, midway through the third quarter, did not turn out to be enough. Penn, with Graustein completing 22 of 35 passes for 200 yards, repeatedly was on the move, only to be thwarted by turnovers.

Many in the crowd of 10,500 had already left as Princeton failed to make a one-foot gain for a first down on the Penn 36. Only 1 minute 46 seconds remained. The Quakers then took possession and staged one of the best finishes in the stadium's 62-year history.

Graustein, throwing from the shotgun offense for the first time in the game, started the drive with three completions, the big one a 23-yarder to Cioffredi that set the stage for the touchdown. The only running play during the game-winning sequence was a 5-yard lunge by Dennis Grosvenor.

The victory was Penn's third of the season overall, each by one point. Graustein entered the locker room afterward with a fitting remark.

"I guess our team has to think in terms of Santa Claus."

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