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MICHIGAN STATE vs MICHIGAN

Oct. 13, 1973





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Spartan Stadium  
East Lansing, Mich.

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FIRST QUARTER

MS--Michigan State  
UM--University of Michigan

Weather: Rain heavy at times, Winds SW 10-18; Temperature 65

UM won toss and chose to receive

Kryt kick to Haslerig on 4, hit by Manderion 0

Um 1-10 um 30--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Duda gain of 4  
2- 6 34--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Shinsky gain 2  
3- 4 36--Franklin on keeper, hit by McClowry gain 10  
1-10 46-- Heater at middle, hit by Kronner gain 2  
2- 8 48--um penalty delay of game  
2-13 43-- Heater off tackle to left, hit by Duda, gain 1  
3-12 44--Franklin scrambling, hit by Shinsky and Kronner, loss 11  
4-23 33--Dotzauer punt to Simpson on ms 23, hit by Jensen kick 45 return 12

MS 1-10 ms 35--Baggett fumbled and recovered his own gain 2  
2- 8 37--Wilson at middle, hit by Brown and Dufek, gain 10  
1-10 47--Baggett on keeper, hit by Gallagher, fumbled, recovered by Williamson

UM 1-10 45-- Shuttlesworth at middle, gain 3  
2- 7 48--Shuttlesworth at middle, team tackle, gain 4  
3- 3 ms 48--Heater on sweep, hit by Hayner, gain 2  
4- 1 46--Dotzauer punt blocked, recovered by Jensen on ms 30  
1-10 30--Heater at middle, hit by Simpson, gain  
2-10 30--Franklin pass to Seal, hit by Hayner, gain 15  
1-10 15--Heater on sweep to left, hit by Simpson, no gain  
2-10 15--Franklin pass for Seal, intercepted by Duda

MS 1-10 ms 9-- Wilson at middle, hit by Strinko, gain 2  
2- 8 11--Wilson off tackle, hit by Russ, gain 7  
3- 1 18--Wilson at middle, hit by Strinko, loss of 1  
4- 2 17--Simpson punt to Brown on um 47 returned for TD with 3:56 left, kick 34 return 53

Lantry kick good UM 7 MS 0

Lantry kick to Brown in end zone

MS 1-10 ms 20--Wilson at middle, hit by Dufek, fumbled recovered by

UM 1-10 ms 22--Franklin on keeper, hit by Shawn, gain 1  
2- 9 21--Heater on pitchout to right, hit by Niesen, gain 5  
3- 4 14--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Taubert, gain 1  
4- 3 13--Lantry back for FG, um penalty delay of game  
4- 8 18--Lantry FG good, kick 35 yd with 1:32 left  
UM 10 MS 0

Lantry kick to Wilson on ms 7, hit by Brown, on 31

MS 1-10 ms 32--Baggett on keeper, hit by Strinko, gain 5  
2- 5 37--ms fumble, recovered by Strinko

UM 1-10 ms 40--Chapman at middle, hit by Kronner, gain 4  
2- 6 36--Chapman at middle, hit by Nester

um 10 MS 0



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SECOND QUARTER

- UM 3- 1 ms 31--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Nester, gain 2  
1-10 29--Chapman on sweep to right, hit by Shinsky, no gain  
2-10 29--Franklin pass for Seal, broken up  
3-10 29--Chapman on sweep to right, hit by Hayner, gain 9  
4- 1 20--um penalty illegal procedure  
4- 6 25--Lantry FG attempt wide to right
- MS 1-10 ms 20-- Jackson at middle, hit by Anderson, gain 4  
2- 6 21--~~XXXXXX~~ Brown at middle, hit by Gallagher, loss of 1  
3- 7 23--Simpson punt rolls dead on um 45, kick 32
- UM 1-10 um 45--Chapman at middle, hit by Simpson no gain  
2-10 45--Chapman at middle, team tackle, gain 4  
3- 6 49--Franklin pass for DenBer incomplete ump enalty offensive interference  
4-21 34--Dotzauer punt to Hayner on 30, kick 36 3 yd return hit by Seal
- MS 1-10 ms 33--Baggett on keeper, hit by Warner, loss of 2  
2-12 31--Brown at middle, hit by Strinko, gain 2  
3-10 33--Simpson punt Brown on um 34, 33 yd kick
- UM 1-10 um 34--Chapman off tackle, hit by Niesen, gain 5  
2- 5 39--Chapman at middle, hit by Tabert, gain 3  
3- 2 42--ms penalty illegal procedure  
1-10 47--Chapman off tackle for TD 53 yd run with 7:02 66 yd in 3 plays  
Lantry kick good UM 17 MS 0
- Lantry kick through end zone, um penalty offside  
Lantry kick to Brown on ms 5, hit by Dufek on 23
- MS 1-10 ms 23--Baggett back to pass hit by Warner, loss of 2  
2-12 21--Brown at middle, hit by Strinko, gain 2  
3-10 23--Baggett pass broken up Coleman  
4-10 23--Simpson punt rolls dead on um 35, 42 yd kick
- UM 1-10 um 35--Thornbladh at middle, hit by Shaun, gain 2  
2- 9 37--Chapman off tackle, hit by Nester, gain 3  
3- 5 40--Chapman at middle, fumbled, recovered by Simpson
- MS 1-10 um 47--Baggett on keeper, hit by Strinko, loss of 1  
2-11 48--Baggett pass for Hurd incomplete  
3-11 48--Baggett pass for Smith, incomplete  
4-11 48--Simpson punt to Brown fair catch on um 25, kick 23 yd
- UM 1-10 um 25--Chapman at middle, hit by Shaum, ms penalty personal foul  
1-10 42--Thornbladh at middle, hit by Shaum, gain 1  
2- 9 43--Thornbladh off tackle, hit by McCowry, gain 1  
3- 8 44--Chapman on sweep to right, hit by McCowry, gain 3  
4- 5 47--Dotzauer punt to Simpson on ms 14, hit by Thornbladh, kick 39, return 9
- MS 1-10 ms 23--Baggett on keeper, hit by Brown, gain 22  
1-10 45--Baggett back to pass, hit by Perlinger, loss of 21
- UM 17 MS 0



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HALF-TIME STATISTICS

	<u>MICHIGAN STATE</u>	<u>MICHIGAN</u>
FIRST DOWNS . . . . .	2	7
By Rushing. . . . .	2	4
By Passing. . . . .	0	1
By Penalty. . . . .	0	2
RUSHING - NO. / NET YARDS . . . . .	18/42	31/130
NET YARDS PASSING . . . . .	0	15
Passes Att-Comp-Int . . . . .	3-0-0	4-1-1
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS . . . . .	21	35
TOTAL NET YARDS . . . . .	42	145
PUNTS . . . . .	5-32.8	4-34
KICK RETURN YARDAGE . . . . .	67	79
FUMBLES -- Number/Lost. . . . .	5/4	1/1
PENALTIES -- Number/Lost. . . . .	2/20	4/30

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

R U S H I N G

MICHIGAN STATE

MICHIGAN

<u>Play er</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Play er</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Wilson	7	28	4	0	10	Shapman	13	98	7.5	1	53

P A S S I N G

<u>Player</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Comp</u>	<u>Int</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Comp</u>	<u>Int</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>
Baggett	3	0	0	0	0	Franklin	4	1	1	15	0

R E C E I V I N G

<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
					Seal	1	15	0	15



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THIRD QUARTER

Lantry kick rolls out of end zone

- MS 1-10 ms 20--Baggett on keeper, hit by Strinko, loss of 2  
2-12 18-- Jackson on middle, hit by Strinko gain 2  
3-10 20--Baggett on keeper, hit by Brown, gain 15  
1-10 35--Baggett on keeper, hit by Strinko, loss of 4  
2-14 31--Jackson at middle, hit by team, gain 2  
3-12 33--Baggett recovers his own fumble, loss of 4  
4-16 29--Simpson punt rolls dead on um 36, kick 35 yd
- UM 1-10 um 36--Franklin recovers his own fumble, loss of 1  
211 35--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Simpson, gain 14  
1-10 49--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Kronner, gain 3  
2- 7 ms 48--Chapman at middle, hit by McCowry, gain 2  
3- 6 47--Chapman off tackle to right, hit by Kronner, gain 3  
4- 3 44--Dotzauer punt into end zone, kick 44 yd
- MS 1-10 ms 20--Jackson at middle, hit by Davis, no gain  
2-10 20--Brown off tackle, hit by Gallagher, gain 5  
3- 5 25--Baggett pass to Jackson, hit by Dufek gain 4  
4- 1 29--Simpson punt to Chapman on um 40, hit by Fortney, 31 yd kick 4 yd return
- UM 1-10 um 44--Franklin on sneak, hit by Shaum and Shinsky, gain 5  
2- 5 49--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Shaum, no gain  
3- 5 49--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Shaum, gain 4  
4- 1 ms 47--Dotzauer punt into end zone, kick 47 yd
- MS 1-10 ms 20--Baggett fumble recovered by ms  
2-10 20--Holt off tackle, hit by Williamson, gain 1  
3- 9 21--Baggett pass to Brown, hit by Burks, gain 4  
4- 5 25--Simpson punt, fumbles snap, hit by Dufek on ms 23
- UM 1-10 ms 23--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Niesen, gain 4  
2- 6 19--Chapman off tackle, hit by Hayner, gain 5  
3- 1 14--Shuttlesworth off tackle, hit by Shaum, no gain  
4- 1 14--Franklin on sneak, team tackle, gain 3  
1-10 ms 11--Shuttlesworth off tackle to right, hit by Nester, gain 3  
2- 7 8--Chapman on sweep to left, hit by Shaum and McCowry, 2
- UM 17 MS 0



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FOURTH QUARTER

UM 3- 5 ms 6--Franklin pass to Seal for TD with 14:55 left, 7 plays 23 yd

Lantry kick good UM 24 MS 0

Lantry kick out of end zone

MS 1-10 ms 20--Brown fumble recovered by Perlinger

UM 1-10 ms 21--Chapman on pitchout to left, hit by Duda, loss of 1

2- 11 22--Shuttlesworth at middle, hit by Shinsky, gain 3

3- 8 19--Franklin pass for Seal, broken up by Niesen

4- 8 19--Lantry faked FG attempt, Gustafson runs for 11, hit by McClowry

1goal 8--um penalty illegal procedure

1 goal 13--Franklin recovers his own fumble, ~~XXXX~~ no gain

2- goal 13--Chapman off tackle to left, hit by Duda, gain 2

3 goal 11--Chapman on pitchout to left, hit by Simpson gain 7 ms penalty personal foul

4 goal 2--Shuttlesworth at middle for TD with 11:00 left, 8 plays 21 yd

Lantry kick good UM ~~XX~~ 31 MS 0

Lantry kick to Askew on ms 20 fumbled and recovered

MS 1-10 ms 20--Baggett back to pass, hit by Williamson, loss of 1

2-11 19--Bagget on keeper, no gain

3-11 19--Baggett pass to Jones, hit by Burks, gain 16

1-10 35--Baggett to Jones, hit by Drake, fumbled recovered by Dufiek

UM 1-10 um 18--Thornbladh at middle, hit by Nester, gain 6

2- 4 24--Heater at middle, gain 3

3- 1 27--Cipa at middle on keeper, team tackle, gain 3

1-10 30--Thornbladh, hit by Hayner, gain 1

2- 9 31--Thornbladh at middle, hit by Taubert, gain 4

3- 5 35--um penalty refused, Heater on sweep loss of 1

4- 6 34--Dotzauer punt rolls dead on ms 17 kick 49 yd

MS 1-10 ms 17--Wilson at middle, hit by Warner, no gain

2-10 17--Baggett pass to Fortney hit by Drake, gain 20

1-10 37--Baggett scrambling, hit by Dufek, gain 8

2- 2 45-- Jackson at middle, hit by Warner, gain 3

1-10 48--Baggett back to pass hit by Jelek, loss of 15

2-25 33--Baggett pass to Hurd, hit by Mutch, gain 11

3-14 44--Baggett back to pass, hit by Jelek, loss of 11

4-25 33--Simpson punt to Brown on um 35, hit by Ray, 32 yd kick return 4

UM 1-10 um 39--Bell on sweep to left, hit by Smith, loss of 2

2-12 37--Bell on sweep to right, hit by Nester, gain 15

1-10 ms 48--

UM 31 MS 0



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L I N E U P S

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OFFENSE

TE Cordery, Cobb,  
LT Ruzich,  
LG Croxton, Dahlke,  
C Mills, Ane,  
RG C. Wilson, Spencer,  
RT Smolinski, Pawlak,  
SE Hurd, M. Jones,  
QB Baggett,  
TB T. Wilson, D. Brown, Holt,  
FB Askew, Jackson,  
FL Fortney, Danielewicz,

DEFENSE

LE Kronner,  
LT Taubert, Manderino,  
MG Kumiega, Schaum,  
RT Shinsky, Hulkow,  
RE Duda, Smith,  
LB McClowry, Rowekamp,  
LB Nester, P. McClowry,  
CB Niesen, La. Jackson,  
WS Simpson, Hannon,  
SS Hayner,  
CB Harms,

Punters - Simpson,  
KO-PAT-FG - Kyrst,

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OFFENSE

SE Johnson,  
QT Tucker, King,  
LG Hainrihar, Franks,  
C Jensen, Franks,  
RG Metz, Armour,  
ST Coode, Tumpane,  
TE Seal, DenBoer, Przygodski,  
QB Franklin, Cipa,,  
FB Shuttlesworth, Thornbladh,  
TB Heater, Chapman, Bell,  
LB Haslerig, Gustafson,

DEFENSE

LE Williamson, Jilek, Eaton,  
LT Troszak, Perlinger,  
MG Davis, Warner,  
RT Gallagher, Hoban,  
RE Coleman, Johnson,  
MLB Strinko, Vercel,  
WLB Russ, Mutch,  
Wolf Dufek,  
SHB Elliott, Burks,  
WHB Dotzauer, Drake,  
S Brown, Koss,

Punters - Dotzauer,  
KO-PAT-FG - Lantry,

OFFICIALS

REFEREE

Jerry Markbreit

UMPIRE

Russ Kemper

HEAD LINESMAN

Art White

FIELD JUDGE

Lou Lehman

BACK JUDGE

Bill Quinby

LINE JUDGE

Dale Owen

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FINAL TEAM STATISTICS

Attendance            76,303

Date                            October 13, 1973

	<u>MICHIGAN STATE</u>	<u>MICHIGAN</u>
FIRST DOWNS. . . . .	<u>7</u>	<u>12</u>
By Rushing . . . . .	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>
By Passing . . . . .	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
By Penalty . . . . .	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
RUSHING ATTEMPTS . . . . .	<u>37</u>	<u>60</u>
YARDS GAINED RUSHING . . . . .	<u>107</u>	<u>245</u>
YARDS LOST RUSHING . . . . .	<u>67</u>	<u>16</u>
NET YARDS RUSHING . . . . .	<u>40</u>	<u>229</u>
NET YARDS PASSING . . . . .	<u>102</u>	<u>21</u>
Passes Attempted . . . . .	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>
Passes Completed . . . . .	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
Had Intercepted. . . . .	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS. . . . .	<u>46</u>	<u>66</u>
TOTAL NET YARDS. . . . .	<u>142</u>	<u>250</u>
Average Gain Per Play. . . . .	<u>3.1</u>	<u>4.0</u>
FUMBLES - NUMBER - LOST. . . . .	<u>9 - 6</u>	<u>4 - 1</u>
PENALTIES - NUMBER . . . . .	<u>3 - 17</u>	<u>5 - 35</u>
INTERCEPTIONS - NUMBER - YARDS . . . . .	<u>1 - 0</u>	<u>0 - 0</u>
NUMBER OF PUNTS - YARDS. . . . .	<u>8 - 262</u>	<u>7 - 306</u>
Average Per Punt . . . . .	<u>32.8</u>	<u>43.7</u>
PUNT RETURNS - NUMBER - YARDS. . . . .	<u>3 - 24</u>	<u>3 - 61</u>
KICKOFF RETURNS - NUMBER - YARDS . . . . .	<u>3 - 43</u>	<u>1 - 26</u>

SCORE BY QUARTERS    1    2    3    4    FINAL

MICHIGAN	10	7	0	14	31
Michigan State	0	0	0	0	0

1st UM Brown (53, punt return) Lantry kick    11:04  
     UM Lantry (35, field goal)                    13:28  
 2nd UM Chapman (53, run) Lantry kick            7:58  
 4th UM Seal (6 pass from Franklin) Lantry kick :05  
     UM Shutlesworth (2run) Lantry kick        4:00



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I N D I V I D U A L R U S H I N G

<u>Player</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Baggett	17	56	63	-7	0	22	Shuttlesworth	15	49	0	49	1	14
Wilson	8	29	1	28	0	10	Heater	8	15	1	14	0	7
Jackson, Levi	5	11	0	11	0	4	Franklin	7	19	12	7	0	10
Brown	5	10	1	9	0	5	Chapman	20	118	1	117	1	53
Holt	1	1	0	1	0	1	Thornbladh	6	15	0	15	0	6
"Center Pass"	1	0	2	-2			Gustafson	1	11	0	11	0	11
							Cipa	1	3	0	3	0	3
							Bell	2	15	2	13	0	15

I N D I V I D U A L P A S S I N G

<u>Player</u>	<u>PA</u>	<u>PC</u>	<u>Int</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>PA</u>	<u>PC</u>	<u>Int</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Baggett	9	6	0	102	0	47	Franklin	6	2	1	21	1	15

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<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Jackson, Levi	1	4	0	4	Seal	2	21	1	15
Brown	1	4	0	4					
M. Jones	2	63	0	47					
Fortney	1	20	0	20					
Hurd	1	11	0	11					

P U N T I N G

<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Avg</u>	<u>Long</u>
Simpson	8	262	32.8	42	Dotzauer	6	260	43.3	49
					"Team"	1	16		

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KICKOFF RETURNS

<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Wilson	1	25	0	25	Haselrig	1	26	0	26
Askew	1	0	0	0					
Brown	1	18	0	18					

PUNT RETURNS

<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Simpson	2	21	0	12	Brown	2	57	1	53
Hayner	1	3	0	3	hapman	1	h	0	h

INTERCEPTED PASSES

<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Long</u>
Duda	1	0		0	None				

FUMBLE RECOVERY

<u>Player</u>	<u>Yard Line</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Yard Line</u>
Simpson	47	Williamson	ms 45
		Jensen	ms 30
		Elliott	ms 22
		Strinko	ms 40
		Perlinger	ms 21
		Dufek	um 18

PASSES BROKEN UP

<u>Players.....</u>	<u>Players.....</u>
Niesen 1	Coleman 1
	Drake 1
	Mutch 1

TOUCHDOWN SAVES

<u>Player</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Method</u>
None		None	

BLOCKED KICKS

<u>Players.....</u>	<u>Players.....</u>
Shinsky , punt partial	None



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DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

<u>MICHIGAN STATE</u>					<u>MICHIGAN</u>				
<u>Player</u>	<u>Solo</u>	<u>Asst</u>	<u>C/F</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Solo</u>	<u>Asst</u>	<u>C/F</u>	<u>Total</u>
Shaum	6	9	1	15	Strinko	8	1		9
McClowry, T.	2	7		9	Warner	5			5
Krommer	2	5		7	Dufek	3	2		5
Nester	3	4		7	Brown	3	1		4
Hayner	1	6		7	Russ	3	1	1	4
Simpson	5	1		6	Gallagher	3	1	1	4
Shinsky	2	9		11	Drake	2		1	2
Niesen	1	4		5	Burks	2			2
McClowry	1	4		5	Coleman	0	2		2
Duda, M.	2	3		5	Davis	2			2
Taubert	3	1		4	Williamson	1	1		2
Smith, O.	1	2		3	Perlanger	1	1		2
Hulkow	0	3		3	Jilek	1			1
Manderino	1	0		1	Jensen	1			1
Fortney	1		1	1	Seal	1			1
Ray	1	0		1	Metz	0	1		1
Team				5	Thornbladh	0	1		1
					Mitch	1	1		2
					Team				2

TACKLES FOR LOSS

<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yards</u>
Shinsky	1	11	Strinko	4	8
Smith, O.	1	2	Warner	2	4
Duda	1	1	Jilek	2	26
Team	1	1	Perlanger	1	21
			Russ	1	4
			Gallagher	1	1
			Williamson	1	1
			Team	1	2



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REPORT FROM DRESSING ROOM

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COACH BO SCHEMBECHLER

Our whole theory today was "We've got to hold on to the ball. Fumbles in weather like this can't always be called mistakes. Fumbles on a dry day I don't accept. Maybe it makes them a little more careful on days like this because they don't know how I'll accept it."

I was very much surprised at the score. I thought it would be a low scoring game, though before the game I did put on the board for the team the score 24-0.

Chapman is built near the ground and I said before the game "If this rain keeps up I just have a feeling this is a Chapman day."

It was a nice day for football. Just think what the field would have been like though, with natural turf.

We did a good job under very adverse conditions. My quarterback playing with one hand on a day like today did a hell of a job. We decided Friday morning to go with him.

On a day like today somebody is going to make a lot of mistakes. I'm glad it wasn't us. Our team adjusted very well to the weather. This team has character. They're going to be tough. It's going to take a good football team to beat us.



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Our whole theory today was "We've got to hold on to the ball. Fumbles in weather like this can't always be called mistakes. Fumbles on a dry day I don't accept. Maybe it makes them a little more careful on days like this because they don't know how I'll accept it."

I was very much surprised at the score. I thought it would be a low scoring game, though before the game I did put on the board for the team the score 24-0.

Chapman is built near the ground and I said before the game "If this rain keeps up I just have a feeling this is a Chapman day."

It was a nice day for football. Just think what the field would have been like though, with natural turf.

We did a good job under very adverse conditions. My quarterback playing with one hand on a day like today did a hell of a job. We decided Friday morning to go with him.

On a day like today somebody is going to make a lot of mistakes. I'm glad it wasn't us. Our team adjusted very well to the weather. This team has character. They're going to be tough. It's going to take a good football team to beat us.