

THE BOWLS *Continued*

Trojan Linebacker Keith Browner hit Blackledge as he threw and Linebacker Chip Banks made the interception and ran it in. Tie game: 7-7. Five minutes later Penn State had another third down, this one on its 48. The pass would be to a walk-on split end named Gregg Garrity, whose father, Jim, a former Lion receiver (1952-54), was one of the first players ever recruited by one of Penn State's assistant coaches then, Joe Paterno. Gregg's pattern was to line up on the left, fake an out move and fly deep down

Meanwhile Allen was going nowhere, perhaps because over the course of the week in Tempe, he had never refused to sign an autograph, an activity which used up about 90% of his waking hours. "All these people just want to get a piece of him," said Irons Split End Jeff Summers. "and he handles it so well. He works so hard at being a nice guy, there's just no describing it."

But it seemed that seven days of autograph signing did wear 409 carries out of him, because Allen never truly got his footing in the Fiesta Bowl. The first man to surpass 2,000 yards rushing in a season had only his second sub-100 yard game as a tailback. "For some reason, I don't think we were ready to play today," said Allen afterward.

That became quite apparent when, with five minutes to go in the half, Paterno gave a mild concussion to Mazur, and Mazur's substitute, freshman Sean Salisbury, promptly threw a pass directly to Penn State inside Linebacker Ed Pysis. By the last play of the half the Lions had only a yard to go for a touch-down. Blackledge bust an an option, but, to his surprise, he was stopped. "He's such a big kid," Paterno said of his 6'4", 223 pound quarterback, by way of explanation, "he has been successful at bullying people over." So Penn State was held to a 17-7 halftime lead.

The Lions made up for it on the first series of the second half, driving 59 yards from their own 20 and then starting as Warner raced 21 yards down the right sideline for his second TD of the game. A Trojan field goal made it 24-10, but the Penn State punt return team quickly struck back when Dave Puffenroth, a reserve tackle stuffed in fullback, blocked Dave Pryor's punt, which sailed out of the end zone for a safety.

Southern Cal had one last gasp. With five minutes left, the Trojans were first-and-goal at the nine. But all hope faded with two consecutive sacks of Mazur.

The first and only time Penn State and Southern California had met before was in the 1923 Rose Bowl, an event memorable because the Lions dawdled—some said intentionally—so long at the pregame parade that the kickoff was delayed for 45 minutes. That game finished in darkness, with reporters in the press box writing their stories by the light of matches. Oh, yes, USC won 14-3. Now the series is even.



Rose Bowl

by CRAIG NEFF

Lions is an old Indian word," Bob Hope said last week. "It means, 'Whatever the hell happened to Michigan and Ohio State?'" That's what NBC, which outbid CBS and paid \$4 million to televise Washington's 28-0 defeat of the Hawkeyes, must have been saying, too.

Both Iowa, which hadn't played in Pasadena in 21 years, and the Huskies, who were back for the third time in five seasons, won their conference championships after the closest races in Pac-10 and Big Ten history. Washington became the Pac-10 titlist on the last play of the regular season, beating Washington State as UCLA lost to USC. Iowa actually shared its Big Ten crown with Ohio State and received the Rose Bowl berth only because the Buckeyes had appeared in the game more recently. Who had? "For us, just being here is its own reward," said Hawkeye Coach Hayden Fry, who guided Iowa to an 8-3 record, its first winning season in 20 years.

SI TOP 20

1. CLEMSON (12-0)	1*
2. TEXAS (10-1-1)	6
3. PENN STATE (10-2)	7
4. PITT (11-1)	10
5. MIAMI (9-2)	6
6. SMU (10-1)	4
7. GEORGIA (10-2)	2
8. N. CAROLINA (10-2)	9
9. ALABAMA (9-2-1)	3
10. WASHINGTON (10-2)	11
11. NEBRASKA (9-3)	8
12. OHIO STATE (9-3)	13
13. ARIZONA STATE (9-2)	14
14. MICHIGAN (9-3)	17
15. BYU (11-2)	19
16. USC (9-3)	12
17. WEST VIRGINIA (9-3)	—
18. IOWA (8-4)	13
19. MISSOURI (8-4)	—
20. MISSISSIPPI ST. (8-4)	—

* End of regular season

the left sideline. Blackledge underthrew Garrity, and the ball headed straight for USC Cornerback Joey Browner, Keith's older brother. "It was not a well-thrown pass," Blackledge said later, "but Gregg made a super adjustment on it." Garrity did, indeed, stepping in front of Browner to make the catch and put the Lions up 14-7.

With 9:30 to go in the half, Franco missed another field-goal attempt, this one a 17-yarder. Three plays later Allen dropped the ball again. When Penn State Tackle Leo Wisniewski bent over to pick it up, he accidentally kicked it 14 yards downfield and had to chase it along the left sideline, where he finally fell on it. "I felt like an idiot," Wisniewski said. Seven plays later Franco finally hit, from 21 yards, and the Lions led 17-7.

