

OHIO STATE VS WASHINGTON STATE - September 22, 1979 - FINAL TEAM STATISTICS

	WASH. ST.	OHIO STATE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS-----	28	16
Rushing - Passing - Penalty-----	12-15-1	9-6-1
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY-----	9-20	8-14
RUSHING ATTEMPTS-----	52	43
YARDS GAINED RUSHING-----	222	208
YARDS LOST RUSHING-----	38	22
NET YARDS RUSHING-----	184	186
NET YARDS PASSING-----	224	233
Attempted - Completed - Had Intercepted---	30-19-1	13-8-0
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS-----	82	56
TOTAL NET YARDS-----	408	419
INTERCEPTIONS - YARDS-----	0-0	1-32
PUNTS - YARDS - HAD BLOCKED-----	2-41-1	3-124-0
Average Per Punt-----	20.5	41.3
PUNT RETURNS - YARDS-----	2-5	2-23
KICKOFF RETURNS - YARDS-----	5-84	6-76
PENALTIES - YARDS-----	5-50	4-28
FUMBLES - LOST-----	2-1	3-2
TOUCHDOWNS-----	3	6
Rushing - Passing - Other-----	0-3-0	3-2-1
KICKING EXTRA POINTS ATTEMPTED - MADE-----	1-1	6-6
OTHER EXTRA POINTS ATTEMPTED - MADE-----	2-2	0-0
FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED - MADE-----	2-2	1-1

SCORE BY QUARTERS:	1	2	3	4	-Total
WASHINGTON STATE	3	0	10	16	29
OHIO STATE	7	17	7	14	45

ATTENDANCE

87,495

SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	QT	TIME LEFT		SCORE	
				WSU	OHIO
WSU	1	9:49	DeSanto 47 field goal	3	0
OSU	1	3:46	Schlichter 5 rush (Janakievski kick)	3	7
OSU	2	5:18	Murray 13 rush (Janakievski kick)	3	14
OSU	2	2:51	Janakievski 30 field goal	3	17
OSU	2	1:27	Hicks recovered bocked punt in end zone (Janakievski kick)	3	24
WSU	3	13:22	Whatley 12 pass from Grant (DeSanto kick)	10	24
WSU	3	2:27	DeSanto 41 field goal	13	24
OSU	3	0:58	Murray 86 pass from Schlichter (Janakievski kick)	13	31
WSU	4	13:52	Wilson 11 pass from Grant (Beach pass from Grant)	21	31
OSU	4	11:25	Murray 8 rush (Janakievski kick)	21	38
WSU	4	5:53	Wilson 11 pass from Grant (Grant rush)	29	38
OSU	4	3:13	Donley 29 pass from Schlichter (Janakievski kick)	29	45

PLAYER	WASHINGTON STATE						RUSHING		OHIO STATE					
	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	TD	LG	PLAYER	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	TD	LG	
Sickler	4	16	0	16	0	8	Schlichter	10	47	21	26	1	25	
Grant	13	35	28	7	0	15	Volley	12	74	0	74	0	27	
Ena	18	106	0	106	0	18	Murray	14	76	0	76	2	13	
Ra.Williams	16	61	10	51	0	24	Johnson	5	11	1	10	0	7	
Harris	1	4	0	4	0	4	Gayle	2	0	0	0	0	0	

PLAYER	PASSING						PLAYER	PA	PC	INT	YDS	TD	LG
	PA	PC	INT	YDS	TD	LG							
Grant	30	19	1	224	3	20	Schlichter	13	8	0	233	2	86

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG	RECEIVING				
					PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG
Ena	3	40	0	19	Campbell	1	9	0	9
Beach	6	95	0	20	Williams	1	0	0	0
Whatley	3	38	1	13	Donley	5	138	1	46
Sickler	1	0	0	0	Murray	1	86	1	86
Ra.Williams	1	-3	0	-3					
Maxey	3	32	0	16					
Wilson	2	22	2	11					

PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	PUNTING				
					PLAYER	NO	YDS	AVG	LG
Davey	1	41	41	41	Orosz	3	124	41.3	52
-Team-	1	0	0	0					

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG	PUNT RETURNS				
					PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG
Mitchell	2	5	0	3	Guess	1	9	0	9
					Laughlin	1	14	0	14
					Hicks	0	0	*1	0

*Recovered blocked punt in end zone

PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG	KICKOFF RETURNS				
					PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG
Martin	1	20	0	20	Hicks	3	55	0	26
Gillum	1	1	0	1	Spencer	1	12	0	12
Harris	3	63	0	23	Laughlin	1	7	0	7
					Williams	1	2	0	2

PLAYER	OFFENSE	FUMBLES RECOVERED BY		PLAYER	OFFENSE	DEFENSE
		DEFENSE	DEFENSE			
Pelluer			1	Hicks	1	
McCall			1	Laughlin		1
Ra.Williams	1					

WASHINGTON STATE				INTERCEPTED PASSES		OHIO STATE			
PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG	PLAYER	NO	YDS	TD	LG
1					Guess	1	32	0	32

FUMBLES RECOVERED	
PLAYER (YARD LINE)	PLAYER (YARD LINE)
Pelluer (OSU 12)	Laughlin (OSU 11)
McCall (WSU 39)	

PASSES BROKEN UP	
PLAYER	PLAYER
	Ellis Marek
	Ferguson
	Bell

BLOCKED KICKS	
PLAYER (TYPE)	PLAYER (TYPE)
	Laughlin (punt)

TOUCHDOWN SAVES	
PLAYER	PLAYER

TACKLES FOR LOSS		
PLAYER (NO-YDS)	PLAYER (NO-YDS)	PLAYER (NO-YDS)
Flones (1-21)	Laughlin (2-12)	Blinco (1-1)
Porter (1-1)	Ferguson (2-4)	
	Henson (1-6)	
	Sullivan (1-4)	Team (2-10)
	Guess (1-2)	
	Marek (1-1)	
	Washington (1-1)	

TACKLES									
PLAYER	SOLO	ASSIST	TOTAL	C/FUM	PLAYER	SOLO	ASSIST	TOTAL	C/FUM
Porter	3	10	13		Blinco	4	9	13	
Nevels	5	7	12	1	Washington	6	6	12	
Busch, S.	1	7	8		Marek	2	10	12	
Walker	6	1	7		Laughlin	9	2	11	
Pelluer	5	1	6		Guess	7	3	10	
Thompson	1	5	6		Murphy	5	4	9	
Flones	1	4	5	1	Foster	3	6	9	
McCall	3	1	4		Henson	2	6	8	
Gregor	2	1	3		Ferguson	3	4	7	
Kalina	2	2	4		Ellis	2	4	6	1
Files	1	2	3		Bell	2	3	5	
Lobdell	1	2	3		Sawicki	1	3	4	
Emmil	1	1	2		Schwartz	1	3	4	
Blythe	1	1	2		Sullivan	2	1	3	
Busch, T.	0	2	2		Burrows, N.	1	1	2	
Schneider	1	0	1		Epitropoulos, J.				
Finck	1	0	1			1	1	2	
Whitell	1	0	1		Medich	1	0	1	
Snow	0	1	1		Miller	1	0	1	
Sanders	0	1	1		Volley	0	1	1	
McNair	0	1	1						
Team			1		Team			3	

OHIO STATE VS WASHINGTON STATE--September 22, 1979--PLAYERS IN THE GAME

Offense	WASHINGTON STATE	Defense
TE Maxey		LOB ¹ Pelluer, T. Busch
LT Johnson		LT Walker
LG Sykes		NG Flones
C Emerson, Rogers		RT Porter
RG Patrick, Finck		ROB Thompson, Sanders
RT Kennedy		SLB Nevels, Collins, Lobdell
TE Beach, Spencer		WLB S. Busch, Emmil
QB Grant		LCB Snow
RB Ena, Ra. Williams, Harris		SS McCall
FB Sickler		FS Gregor, Teague
FL Whatley		RCB Files
PK DeSanto		PT Davey

Offense	OHIO STATE	Defense
TE Campbell, Barwig		OLB Ferguson
RT Lukens		LT Henson, Riehm
RG Fritz		MG Sawicki, Sullivan, N. Miller
C Waugh		RT Foster, Echols
LG Andria, Burris		OLB Laughlin, Lee
LT Jaco		LB Marek, Blinco
SE Hunter, Williams		LB Washington, J. Epitropoulos
QB Schlichter, Castignola		ROV Bell
TB Murray, R. Johnson, Gayle		LCB Guess
FB Volley		RCB Ellis, N. Burrows
FL Donley, Hicks		S Murphy, Schwartz
PK Atha		PT Orosz

WASHINGTON STATE	SPECIALTY TEAM ONLY	OHIO STATE
Kalina, Blythe, Whitsell, Dalton, Branigan, Hedlund, Mitchell, Richards, McKay, Martin, Gillum, Jacobsen, Gandy		Janakievski, Marshall, Cobb, B. Brown, Hutchings, Gorley, Willis, D'Andrea, Dwelle, Medich, E. Epitropoulos, Spencer

WEATHER: 64° with the wind out of the north-east at 10 - 20 mph - overcast

Washington State won the toss and elected to defend the North goal; Ohio receive

DeSanto kicked off at 1:32 P.M. 59 yards; Hicks fumbled, returned 13

Ohio 14:54

1 10 O14 Schlichter faked, passed to Campbell short right for 9 (Busch hurt)
 2 1 O23 Schlichter passed quick on wide screen left to Williams - /walked off
 for (measurement) no gain
 3 1 O23 Ohio State illegal procedure -5
 3 6 O18 Schlichter kept inside re for 5
 4 1 O23 Cross punted 34; Mitchell returned right 2; Wash Clip -15

Wash 13:16

1 10 W30 Sickler lg 1
 2 9 W31 Grant passed on screen right to Ena for 10
 1 10 W41 Grant kept inside re, clear for 15
 1 10 O44 Ena pitch at re for 3
 2 7 O41 Sickler thru lg for 8
 1 10 O33 Ena option pitch le for no gain - Laughlin
 2 10 O33 Grant passed over middle to Beach just behind, dropped inc.
 3 10 O33 Ena draw over rt for 3
 4 7 O30 DeSanto's FG was from 47 yards at 9:49
 40 yards in nine plays with 3:27 elapsed
 WASHINGTON STATE 3 OHIO STATE 0
 DeSanto kicked off eight yards deep for the TB

Ohio 9:49

1 10 O20 Velley at lg for 3
 2 7 O23 Schlichter faked, passed into right flat for Campbell - dropped inc.
 3 7 O23 Schlichter kept inside re, broke tackle for 25
 1 10 O48 Murray cut thru center for 4
 2 6 W48 Murray draw at lg for 4
 3 2 W44 Schlichter kept left, ducked in for (measurement) 2
 1 10 W42 Murray cut outside le for 5
 2 5 W37 Schlichter kept inside re for just 2
 3 3 W35 Murray leaped over lg for 5
 1 10 W30 Murray pitch at le, cut in and clear for 13
 1 10 W17 Volley slanted over rg for 8
 2 2 W 9 Volley pushed into rg for (measurement) 3
 1 6 W 6 Volley was stopped at rg for just one
 2 5 W 5 Schlichter kept at left end, went over at the flag for the TD at 3:46
 Janakievski PAT - 80 yards in 14 plays with 6:03 elapsed
 OHIO STATE 7 WASHINGTON STATE 3
 Atha Kicked off eight yards deep into the wind for the TB

Wash 3:46

1 10 W20 Grant kept left on broken play for - 2 - Laughlin
 2 12 W18 Grant kept right, was hit by Ferguson as he pitched just forward inc.
 3 12 W18 Grant rolled right, passed over middle to Beach for 20
 1 10 W38 Sickler option pitch at re for 5
 2 5 W43 Grant faded, looked right, sacked by Laughlin for -10
 3 15 W33 Ena took option pitch at re for 4
 4 11 W37 Davey punted 41; Guess returned 9

Ohio 0:56

1 10 O31 Johnson option pitch at re for 2
 2 8 O33 Johnson on draw thru lg for just 2
 3 6 O35 Schlichter faded, slipped, then passed too high for Campbell left inc.
 4 6 O35 Cross punted low, rolled dead for 52 as the quarter came to an end

Wash 15:00

1 10 W13 Ena pitch at le, cut in for 11
 1 10 W24 Grant kept left on broken play for -1 - Marek
 2 11 W23 Williams pitch at le for 2
 3 9 W25 Ena broke clear on quick trap up middle for 18
 1 10 W43 Ena slanted over center for 8
 2 2 O49 Grant rolled right, passed to Whatley for 13
 1 10 O36 Ena pitch at re for 6
 2 4 O30 Ena quick trap middle for 3
 3 1 O27 Grant sneak at rg for (measurement) 1
 1 10 O26 Sickler pitch at re for 2
 2 8 O24 Grant passed to Ena on quick screen left for 11
 1 10 O13 Williams draw over rt for 4
 2 6 O 9 Williams draw rg -2 - Guess, Henson
 3 8 O11 Grant rolled left, passed to Sickler no gain; fumble recovered in the air by Laughlin for no return

Ohio 7:48

1 10 O11 Volley rg 4
 2 6 O15 Schlichter faked, passed deep down right sideline to Donley for 41;
 Wash. State Pers. foul 15
 1 10 W29 Murray draw over rt for 6
 2 4 W23 Murray pitch at le, tripped up for only 3
 3 1 W20 Volley thru lg for 7
 1 10 W13 Murray was clearover middle on draw for the TD at 5:18 - Janakievski PAT
 89 yards in six plays with 2:30 elapsed - OHIO STATE 14 WASH. STATE 3
 Atha kicked off 56; Martin returned 20

Wash 5:13

1 10 W24 Williams was hit at center, broke free right for -1 - Washington
 2 11 W23 Grant passed right on screen to Williams -3 - Ferguson
 3 14 W20 Grant passed deep over middle; intercepted by Guess, ret. right 32

Ohio 3:43

1 10 W12 Johnson over left side for -1 - Porter
 2 11 W13 Schlichter faked, rolled right, passed too high for Barwig inc.
 3 11 W13 Schlichter faked, passed behind Hunter on goal line inc.
 4 11 W13 Janakievski's FG was from 30 yards at 2:51
 -1 yard in four plays with :52 elapsed - OHIO STATE 17 WASH ST 3
 Atha kicked off 5 yards deep for the TB

Wash 2:51

1 10 W20 Ena rg for no gain - Sullivan
 2 10 W20 Ena trap at rg for 3
 3 7 W23 Grant faded, slipped down for -9 Time out Ohio State at 1:32
 4 16 W14 Davey's punt was blocked by Laughlin, recovered in end zone for the
 TD at 1:27 -(Janakievski PAT)- by Hicks - OHIO STATE 24 WASH ST 3
 Atha kicked off 46; Gillum returned 1

Wash 1:27

1 10 W15 Williams slanted off lg for 13
 1 10 W28 Williams was clearat lg, cut right for 24
 1 10 O48 Grant faked, passed down right sideline for Williams, too long inc.
 2 10 O48 Williams at center for 2
 3 8 O46 The first half ended at 2:41 P.M.

OHIO STATE VS WASHINGTON STATE - September 22, 1979 - HALF-TIME STATISTICS

	WASH. ST.	OHIO STATE
FIRST DOWNS-----	11	9
Rushing - Passing - Penalty-----	7-4-0	7-1-1
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY-----	3-8	4-5
NET YARDS RUSHING-----	111	121
Attempts-----	28	22
NET YARDS PASSING-----	51	50
Attempted - Completed - Had Intercepted---	10-6-1	7-3-0
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS-----	38	29
TOTAL NET YARDS-----	162	171
PUNTS - AVERAGE-----	2-20.5	2-43.0
RETURN YARDAGE-----	23	30
PENALTIES - YARDS-----	2-30	1-5
FUMBLES - LOST-----	1-1	1-0

SCORE BY QUARTERS:	1	2	HALF-TIME
WASHINGTON STATE	3	0	3
OHIO STATE	7	17	24

WASHINGTON STATE INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS OHIO STATE

PLAYER	ATT	YARDS	TD	LG	RUSHING		ATT	YARDS	TD	LG
					PLAYER					
Ema	11	59	0	18	Murray	8	53	1	13	
Williams	7	42	0	24	Schlichter	5	39	1	25	

PLAYER	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG	PASSING						
							PLAYER	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TD	LG
Grant	10	6	1	51	0	20	Schlichter	7	3	0	50	0	41

PLAYER	NO	YARDS	TD	LG	RECEIVING				
					PLAYER	NO	YARDS	TD	LG
Ema	2	21	0	11	Campbell	1	9	0	9
Beach	1	20	0	20	Donley	1	41	0	41
Whatley	1	13	0	13					

FIRST-HALF SCORING SUMMARY

TEAM	OT	TIME LEFT		WSU	OHIO
WSU	1	9:49	DeSanto 47 field goal	3	0
OSU	1	3:46	Schlichter 5 rush Janakievski kick)	3	7
OSU	2	5:18	Murray 13 rush (Janakievski kick)	3	14
OSU	2	2:51	Janakievski 30 field goal	3	17
OSU	2	1:27	Hicks recovered blocked punt in end zone (Janakievski kick)	3	24

OHIO STATE VS WASHINGTON STATE--Sept. 22, 1979--3rd Qtr--Play-by-Play -8-

Ohio State elected to receive; Washington State to defend the North goal

DeSanto kicked off at 3:05 P.M. 34 yards; Laughlin returned 7

Ohio 14:56

1 10 033

Schlichter rolled left, hit by Frones, fumble recovered by Pelluer -21

Wash 14:48

1 10 012

Williams middle 5

2 5 0 7

Williams pitch right for -1 - Ferguson

3 6 0 8

Grant passed quick to Whatley at right flag for the TD;

Wash. State illegal procedure -4 (stepped off short)

3 10 012

Grant rolled left, passed to Whatley cutting right across end zone for the TD at 13:22 - DeSanto PAT - 12 yards in 3 plays with 1:26 elapsed

OHIO STATE 24 WASHINGTON STATE 10

DeSanto kicked off right 55 yards; Williams returned right 2

Ohio clipping -3

Ohio 13:16

1 10 0 4

Volley rg 8

2 2 012

Volley into lg this time for 5

1 10 017

Volley pushed into lg for 3

2 7 020

Schlichter kept inside re for 4

3 3 024

Volley was stopped at center for 2

4 1 026

Orosz punted 38; Mitchell returned 3

Wash 10:24

1 10 W39

Grant passed middle on hook to Beach for 7

2 3 W46

Williams pitch at le for 1

3 2 W47

Ena was stopped at lg for just one - Laughlin

4 1 W48

Grant kept left, slipped down for -1

Ohio 8:18

1 10 W46

Johnson no gain on draw left side

2 10 W46

Johnson draw rg 7; fumble recovered by McCall

Wash 7:42

1 10 W39

Williams rg 2

2 8 W41

Grant kept inside le for 3

3 5 W44

Ena quick trap middle for 6

1 10 50

Grant faked, passed quick to Beach left for 17

1 10 033

Ena at lg for 2

2 8 031

Grant kept inside re for 4

3 4 027

Grant kept at re for 9

1 10 018

Grant rolled left, passed to Wilson on sideline; broken up by Bell

2 10 018

Williams on draw, cut right, tripped up by Guess for one

3 9 017

Williams, on same play, stopped by Henson for -6

4 15 023

DeSanto's FG was from 41 yards at 2:27

38 yards in 11 plays with 5:15 elapsed - OHIO STATE 24 WASH ST 13

DeSanto kicked off 60; Hicks returned middle 16; Ohio Clip -8

Ohio 2:22

1 10 0 8

Murray was stopped at rt for no gain

2 10 0 8

Murray pushed over lt for 6

3 4 014

Schlichter faked, looked, passed to Murray over middle short on about

the 25, cut left, sprinted down the sideline for the TD at 0:58

Janakievski PAT - 92 yards in three plays with 1:24 elapsed

OHIO STATE 31 WASHINGTON STATE 13

Atha kicked off 51; Harris returned middle 23

Wash 0:52

1 10 W32

Ena quick trap at lg for only one

2 9 W33

Grant faked, faded, passed over middle to Beach for 20

1 10 017

The third quarter came to an end

1 10 047 Grant passed to Maxey down left sideline for 16
 1 10 031 Grant rolled right, chased, passed to Maxey on sideline for 5
 2 5 026 Grant kept inside re for 3; Ohio face mask 12
 1 10 011 Grant rolled left, looked, chased, passed to Wilson in right-center
 end zone for the TD at 13:52; Ohio pass inter. declined
Time out Wash. State - on PAT try, Grant rolled right, passed to
 Beach in end zone for the score - 68 yards in 6 plays, 2:00 elapsed
 OHIO STATE 31 WASHINGTON STATE 21
 DeSanto kicked off low 56 yards; Hicks returned 26

Ohio 13:46

1 10 030 Murray pitch at le for 2
 2 8 032 Schlichter faked, passed deep over middle to Donley who cut left for 46
 1 10 W22 Schlichter left for no gain
 2 10 W22 Schlichter rolled right, ran for 4
 3 6 W18 Schlichter faked, passed over middle to Donley on curl for 10
 1 8 W 8 Murray was clear at lg, cut right for the TD at 11:25
 Janakievski PAT - 70 yards in six plays with 2:21 elapsed
 OHIO STATE 38 WASHINGTON STATE 21
 Atha kicked off 59; Harris returned middle 10; Wash illeg block -10

Wash 11:19

1 10 W10 Ena trap middle for 6
 2 4 W16 Williams option pitch at re for 6
 1 10 W22 Grant passed way too high out of bounds to Whatley right inc.
 2 10 W22 Grant passed too long for Beach deep over middle inc.
 3 10 W22 Ena was clear over lg for 17
 1 10 W39 Grant rolled left, chased right, stopped by Blinco for -1
 2 11 W38 Grant faked, rolled right, passed just out of bounds to Whatley inc.
 3 11 W38 Grant passed over middle to Beach for 13
 1 10 049 Williams was stopped at lg for 1
 2 9 048 Grant moved right, passed back left to Maxey cutting over middle for 11
 1 10 037 Wash St illegal procedure -6 (stepped off long)
 1 16 043 Grant passed on screen right for 19
 1 10 024 Grant passed quick to Whatley on right sideline for 13
 1 10 011 Williams option pitch at re for no gain - Blinco
 2 10 011 Grant moved left, passed to Whatley out of bounds in end zone inc.
 3 10 011 Grant passed to Wilson on goal line who leaped high for the TD at 5:53
 90 yards in 15 plays with 5:26 elapsed - Time out Wash St
 Grant kept inside re for the PAT - OHIO STATE 38 WASH ST 29
 DeSanto kicked off low 47; Spencer returned 12

Ohio 5:48

1 10 025 Schlichter faked, passed deep down right sideline too long inc.
 2 10 025 Murray draw middle 5
 3 5 030 Schlichter faked, passed to Donley on square out left for 12
 1 10 042 Volley broke clear thru rg for 27
 1 10 W31 Murray pitch at re for 2
 2 8 W29 Schlichter kept inside le for no gain Time out Ohio State at 3:18
 3 8 W29 Schlichter faked, passed to Donley on the post, carried in from
 the five for the TD at 3:13 - Janakievski PAT
 75 yards in 7 plays with 2:35 elapsed - OHIO STATE 45 WASH ST 29
 Atha kicked off 60 yards; Harris returned 21

Wash 3:08

1 10 W21 Ena was clear at rg for 14
 1 10 W35 Grant faked, passed over middle to Beach for 18
 1 10 047 Grant faked, rolled right, passed in right flat to Whatley dropped inc.
 2 10 047 Grant was hit by Sullivan; fumble recovered by Williams for -4
 3 14 W49 Grant's pass for Maxey deflected by Marek inc. /Time out Wash 1:45
 4 14 W49 Harris at rg for 4

Ohio 1:34

1 10 047 Volley at lt for 3 (Castignola in)
 2 7 50 Gayle option pitch re for no gain
 3 7 50 Gayle at lt for no gain as the game ended at 4:20 P.M.

Coaches' Quotes

Coach Bruce: Our passing was pretty good today. It added another dimension to our offense. We are not a football team that can put our defense in bad field position. We have to score a lot of points.

Washington State executed very well and kept our defense off balance, but our defense did come through with key plays on occasions.

Murray and Volley ran well and Campbell had a good game at tight end. Art's passing was tremendous. Our specialty teams played well and our kicking game again was good. Laughlin's blocked punt and Hicks' score should have been a big lift at halftime. The key on that blocked punt was the high snap. We had ten men coming.

I had a feeling that if anyone would block a punt it would be Laughlin.

Thanks goodness we did not have any more injuries today.

I am going to have to look at the films real hard this week. Our pass defense is a combination of things. We are trying to do too much and we aren't getting the job done.

Donley has been running fine since Tuesday. We have to get him the ball. He is a super player.

Those (Washington State's) runs up the middle seemed to catch us at the right time.

Murray was the checkoff man on that long ~~xxxx~~ touchdown run. He sure runs well when he gets the ball.

You measure a passing attack by the number of interceptions and the number of touchdown passes and we did pretty well in both departments.

I don't know much about UCLA but that's sure going to be a challenge for us.

Coach Walden - I am proud of the effort we got. We had some things planned we thought we could do and we did them. I was pleased with that.

A good football team will catch up and a good football team ~~won't~~ won't let you do it. We tried and they didn't let us.

Ohio State is a good strong football team. They are well coached and they execute well. The coaches here have done a fine job.

We gave them some things you don't give people. (turnovers, interceptions, blocked kick, etc.). We have had trouble on long snaps. Our regular long snapper is our tight end and he has a bad wrist. As soon as the center was high and I saw ten men coming, I knew we were in trouble.

About Ohio State, it is mostly the threat of a run that makes the Ohio State offense go. Schlichter keeps everything on defense honest. He is an excellent quarterback.

Steve Grant is getting better each week. What a crime it is he has only one year to run our offense.

Form 3190 — Rev. 9/77

WASHINGTON STATE 3 0 10 16 -29 64° wind NW 10-15 mph
 OHIO STATE 7 17 7 14 -45 Kickoff 1:32, end 4:18, total 2:46

WSU qt-1 9:49 DeSanto, 47 field goal
 OSU qt-1 3:46 Schlichter, 5 run (Janakievski kick)
 OSU qt-2 5:18 Murray, 13 run (Janakievski kick)
 OSU qt-2 2:51 Janakievski, 30 field goal
 OSU qt-2 1:27 Hicks, recovered blocked punt (by Laughlin) in end zone
 (Janakievski kick)
 WSU qt-3 13:22 Whatley, 12 pass from Grant (DeSanto kick)
 WSU qt-3 2:27 DeSanto, 41 field goal
 OSU qt-3 0:58 Murray, 86 pass from Schlichter (Janakievski kick)
 WSU qt-4 13:52 Wilson, 11 pass from Grant (Beach pass from Grant)
 OSU qt-4 11:25 Murray, 8 rush (Janakievski kick)
 WSU qt-4 5:53 Wilson, 11 pass from Grant (Grant run)
 OSU qt-4 3:13 Donley, 29 pass from Schlichter (Janakievski kick)

OSU Works Magic On Cougars

By Bob Hunter
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Ohio State quarterback Art Schlichter waved his magic arm and turned big plays into a Buckeye victory Saturday.

"They just big played us to death," said Washington State Coach Jim Walden, after the Buckeyes ran their record to 3-0 with a 45-29 football win over the Cougars before 87,495 fans in Ohio Stadium on a chilly, overcast day. "We knew what they were going to do, they just did it good."

Offensively, the Buckeyes did everything "good," and the Buckeyes' sophomore quarterback was the primary reason. Schlichter threw only 13 passes and completed eight, but that was enough for 233 passing yards and the longest pass play in Ohio State history, a short one over the middle that Calvin Murray turned into an 86-yard scoring romp.

IN ADDITION, Schlichter was reunited with his favorite receiver, flanker Doug Donley, who has been sidelined for three weeks with a knee injury. The Schlichter-Donley Express accounted for 5 receptions for 138 yards.

"I know Doug Donley," said Schlichter, who completed 24 passes to the Cambridge, Ohio, junior a year ago. "I know his moves, I know where to expect him to be. I missed him the first two games. We need him to make the big plays."

One of the "big" pass plays to Donley, who has been sidelined since before the season opener because of a knee injury, was a 29-yard Schlichter touchdown pass late in the fourth quarter that sealed the Cougars' fate. "I don't know how to say his name, I just call him 'Great,'" said Walden, when asked about the Buckeye quarterback. "I really feel he's it. I feel

offensively, he's the one who makes everything they do happen. He's a clutch player, and that's why he has the reputation he has."

Schlichter's effort averted what could have been a disaster for Buckeye football fortunes, because the injury-riddled OSU defense nearly took the day off again.

WASHINGTON STATE gained 408 total yards, only 11 fewer than the Buckeyes, but was stopped on a couple of defensive plays that were almost as "big" as Schlichter's.

A blocked punt by OSU linebacker Jim Laughlin was recovered in the end zone by Ty Hicks for the Buckeyes' last score of the first half, and Laughlin also recovered a fumble of Cougar fullback Brian Sickler after a pass completion at the OSU 11 on a third and eight. Cornerback Mike Guess set up another first half Ohio State score with an interception that he returned to the Washington State 11. Vlade Janakievski kicked a 30-yard field goal a few plays later.

AT HALFTIME, it didn't appear that such trivial matters would make any difference. Ohio State led 24-3, and a Washington State offense which at times had appeared potent, was having its difficulties.

But the second half was another matter. Schlichter fumbled the first play from scrimmage at the WSU 12, and the Cougars promptly took it in, quarterback Steve Grant hitting Jim Whatley on an 11-yard pass. A few drives later, Mike DeSanto booted a 41-yard field goal and the Cougars trailed only 24-13.

That's when the scoring circus began. Schlichter hit Murray on the 86-yard strike — the second of three Murray TDs — and the Cougars countered with a 6-play, 68-yard drive, Grant hitting Mike Wilson from the 11 and a conversion pass to Pat Beach cutting the margin to 10.

A COUPLE OF Schlichter-to-Donley completions and Murray's 8-yard jaunt gave the Buckeyes some 38-21 breathing room, but the Cougars marched

back downfield with Grant again hitting Wilson in the end zone from the 11 to make it 38-27. Grant ran for the conversion to slice the lead to 38-29, but Schlichter hit Donley on his 29-scoring strike on the next drive to end the scoring and the game.

The Ohio State defense, still missing injured linebacker Tony Megaro, safety Vince Skillings and tackle Gary Dulin, had trouble right from the beginning.

Grant hit Tali Ena for a 10-yard gainer on WSU's second play of the game, then Grant ran for 15 more on the next one. A couple of short rushing plays carried the Cougars into field goal range, and there the Buckeye

defense stiffened and forced DeSanto to kick a 47-yard field goal.

The Buckeyes took care of that 3-0 lead on the ensuing possession. In a drive that bore a marked resemblance to those of the past three decades, the Buckeyes hammered out 80 yards — all on the ground — in 14 plays, Schlichter carrying the last five on a quarterback keeper to the outside that put OSU on the board.

It appeared as though the Cougars would erase OSU's 7-3 lead when they constructed a long second quarter drive, but Laughlin's interception halted Washington State's penetration at the Buckeyes' 11.

Six plays later, the Buckeyes had

another score. On the second play of the possession, Schlichter dropped back inside the 10 and hit Donley for a 42-yard gain. A Washington State personal foul penalty after the play pushed the ball to the Cougar 29, and four plays later, Murray scored from the 13 to give the Buckeyes a 10-point lead.

Guess' interception gave OSU the ball again only three plays later, and Janakievski booted his 30-yard field goal to up the score to 17-3.

Four plays following the kick, Laughlin blocked Tim Davey's punt into the end zone, and Hicks recovered for a touchdown that should have ended the game. It didn't.

By Jim Massie
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It was a subdued Earle Bruce who entertained questions from the press following Ohio State's 45-29 victory over Washington State in Ohio Stadium Saturday.

For the second straight week, the Ohio State head coach had seen his team's defense riddled by a lightly regarded opponent and the strain on his spirit was evident.

"Obviously we have the type of football team that can't put its defense in bad field position," Bruce said, moments after wiping the word 'intensity' off the locker room blackboard. "We can't make mistakes on offense. We have to score a lot of points and we've got to get some of our defensive people back healthy."

Washington State piled up 28 first downs against the Buckeyes with 184 yards coming on the ground and 224 more through the air. The Cougar performance came on the heels of 505-yard offensive outburst last week by Minnesota. For the second straight week, only his team's own offensive capabilities kept the Buckeyes above water.

"WASHINGTON State is a big football team and it executes well," said Bruce. "They kept our defense off balance and they had good play selection.

"I thought our defense did rise to the occasion a couple of times," he added, referring to a Mike Guess interception and Jim Laughlin's fumble recovery and blocked punt. "The special team play was excellent. Blocking a punt and scoring right before the half should be a big lift for a football team and it was."

The big lift, however, was dulled at the outset of the second half when an

Art Schlichter fumble set up the first Cougar score and set the stage for the second half fireworks.

He would not condemn any particular feature of his defense, however.

"I've always thought that it's a combination of things. It depends on your pass rush and what coverage you are using. But I am going to look at the movies very hard. I've got to find out what's going on."

ANOTHER person who acknowledged that the Buckeyes would have to tighten their defense was outside linebacker Laughlin. Laughlin led the Buckeyes with nine solo tackles including two for key Cougar losses.

"In the second half I don't know what the problem was," he said. "The passing spread our linemen out and then they would hit their fullback up the middle. I don't think the injuries bothered us that much. We didn't play as well as we should have. But when they throw all the time it's hard to go in there and knock somebody's head off."

Laughlin recalled similar problems for the Buckeye pass defense in 1978. "It was about the same thing last year against (Purdue's Mark) Herrmann and the Southwest Conference guys, (SMU's Dan) Ford and (Baylor's Steve) Smith. They picked us apart last year."

The fact that the Buckeyes can expect to see the ball in the air next week at UCLA did not escape Laughlin. "We know UCLA will attack us," he said. "They have a lot better people than we've seen so far. We'll have to play a better game or it's going to be a long afternoon."

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Laughlin had an outstanding after-

noon for the OSU defense and called it his "best day."

"I was just all over the place," he said. "I was in the right place at the right time and everything happened for me."

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The game also marked the return of flanker Doug Donley to the Buckeye lineup and he added tremendous offensive punch to an already good OSU offense.

He caught five passes for 138 yards and one touchdown. "It's good to help the team in a crucial situation," Donley said. "I like to be involved in the offense. I felt really good today. I got hit once on the sidelines and I felt my knee, but the pain went away. I'm sure we'll continue to throw the ball. I think we have to."

By Bob Hunter

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As far as Washington State Coach Jim Walden was concerned, the Ohio Stadium scoreboard read 0-0 at half-time Saturday — not 24-3, Ohio State.

His bad eyesight gave his Cougars the opportunity to score a stunning football upset, even though the Buckeyes eventually won in a 45-29 romp.

"We went back to our original game plan in the second half," said Walden, when asked of the strategy that enabled his Cougars to score 26 points after the halftime break. "I told them that the score was 0-0, and we had to play it that way."

THANKS TO Walden's philosophy, the Cougars eventually had a "chance" to win, although it was foiled by Ohio State's big play offense in general and by Buckeye sophomore quarterback Art Schlichter in particular.

With fifth-year quarterback Steve Grant calling the signals, Washington State pulled to within nine, 38-29, with six minutes remaining in the game, but as usual, the Cougar defense couldn't stop Schlichter. He hit Donley on a 29-yard scoring strike that bowled the Cougars over.

"You can't allow them to have those long passes and expect to win the football game," said Walden. "Schlichter keeps everything on defense honest. Because of him, everyone on offense looks better than they are. The running backs look better, the line looks better and the receivers look better.

"THEY DIDN'T surprise us with anything they did. We knew what to expect. But he just takes the ball and makes it happen."

Walden was also pleased with his own quarterback and his own offense, and admitted that he expected to move the ball against Ohio State. Not because of any Buckeye weaknesses, but because of Cougar strengths.

"I didn't feel we'd move the ball on Ohio State any more than anyone else, I felt we'd move it because we have all year," said Walden, whose Cougars dropped to 1-2 with the loss. "I'm pleased with the effort we got.

"Steve Grant is getting better every week. What a crime it is that he is only going to have one year to run the offense. He's doing things right and it'd be nice if he were a junior and we had another year to watch him improve. Unfortunately, that's just not the way it is."

EQUALLY unfortunate for the Cougars is a kicking game that has hurt them every week. Saturday, it was Jim Laughlin's block of a punt that Ty Hicks recovered in the end zone for a score.

"We're averaging giving away nine points a game on our kicking game," said Walden, shaking his head. "And that's something you just can't afford. We've been having trouble with our long snaps. Our regular long snapper is our tight end and he has had a bad wrist. On the block today, the snap was high.

"When I looked up and saw 10 men coming, I knew we were in trouble."

'Big plays' a big pain to defense

The Earle of Bruce has got it but he isn't flaunting it because, by darned, he says his Ohio State Buckeyes are a team, and momentarily his court jesters on defense are being consumed with condemnation instead of adulation.

Paraphrasing OSU's new mahatma of football, the defensive and offensive platoons are pulling on the same chain, and if the victory bell's on the other end, they enjoy it together as they have for three straight games. And if it's a commode on the other end of that chain, they go down the drain together.

Here's the formula, then, Earle. Make dad-blamed sure your Ohio State offense stays juiced up, scores 45 points a game the rest of the way like it did fending off Washington State Saturday, and you may have trouble only at UCLA next Saturday.

It is very doubtful menaced Dennis Fryzel and his frazzled defensive coaches think OSU is quite as exciting

as the fans do because they are heading up a defense that momentarily is challenging the 1978-outfit as the most porous in Ohio State history.

Fryzel's defenders actually have only been half bad up to now. But it's kept them running in circles for three games because of it. They threw a first-half shutout at Syracuse, only to barely survive the second half, 10-8. After putting the team in an horrendous 17-7 hole at Minnesota last week, they blanked the Gophers the second half.

Along came wobbly Washington State and after plugging the dike as the offense forged a 24-3 lead, the defense lost the second half, 26-21, and it was a nail-biting ball game.

In the 21-17 escape at Minnesota and Saturday's home-brewed 45-29 squeeze of Washington State, the Buckeyes have — hang on — been out-gained 913 yards to 714. Opponents have a 54-28 edge in first downs and they have run 162 plays to 105 for the Buckeyes.

There are those who contend the secondary is a sieve. Others say the lack of pass rush gives opposing passers too much time to find receivers as coverage breaks down.

Bruce says he'll find out. Sounding a little like Casey Stengel, Earle advised, "I'm going to look at the movies very hard. Obviously, we're either doing too much or not enough."

There may be another explanation. Let the OSU offense shoulder some blame. What?

"They big-played us to death," said WSU coach Jim Walden, not a real revelation, but in a way explaining some of the OSU defensive problems. It was similar at Minnesota.

The Buckeye offense has lived on the "big play" two straight weeks and it's giving undue heat to its own defense.

How? Well, the "three-yards-and-a-cloud-of-dust" offense Woody Hayes lived on most of his 28 years has given way to the "zap" offense. After Saturday's first march of 80 yards in 15 plays, the Buckeyes exploded for points. They used only 26 offensive plays for the other 38 points. OSU's defense never rested. It was much the same at Minnesota.

OSU had the ball for only 56 plays Saturday to Washington State's 82.

They had it 49 plays to Minnesota's 80.

Looking at it another way, the OSU defense was in the game 40 minutes at Minnesota, the offense only 20. Saturday, the defense played 37 minutes, the offense just 23.

Not bad, Earle, scoring 45 points while owning the ball only 23 minutes.

In fairness, the defense accounted for one TD with Laughlin's blocked punt that Ty Hicks caught for a TD. It set up another with Laughlin's fumble recovery and a field goal with Mike Guess' interception.

I'm not trying to make a case for the defense. I'm just saying that it may be very difficult to live a full season on the big play unless the defense, indeed, solidifies.

UCLA, now 2-0 in the Big Ten with wins over Purdue, 31-21, and Wisconsin, 37-12, after losing at home, 24-17, to Arizona, will not be an easy test for the defense.

The Uclans got by Wisconsin with ace tailback Freeman McNeil resting after he gained 295 yards in just 47 carries the first two games, and with

ace QB Rick Bashore throwing just 10 times. They did it mostly with sub tailback Anthony Edgar carrying 39 times for 168 yards. Edgar had gained just 98 in 30 previous carries.

UCLA, incidentally, shut Purdue down with just 63 yards in 32 rushes and intercepted Mark Herrmann three times, sacking him twice before knocking him out of action.

The Bucks better have a bagful of "big plays" again or pray the defense gets all its hands healthy and pulling on the right chain.

Warning: Doug Donley's knee feels fine

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Not everybody was glad to see Ohio State flanker Doug Donley back in the lineup Saturday.

After all, Washington State could have done without him — particularly after the junior from Cambridge, Ohio, caught five passes from quarterback Art Schlichter for 136 yards.

Donley missed the first two games of the season with a sprained knee, after spending much of the summer catching passes from Schlichter in their own workouts.

That the two work together well is no big secret.

"Doug's a trip," tight end Paul Campbell said. "Some quarterbacks and wide receivers have a chemistry between them. Art and Doug have it."

Donley's last reception was a 29-yard touchdown pass with 3:13 left in the game.

"I was a little nervous at first," Donley said. "After all, it was my first game. I haven't been hit in over a month. But after I caught the first one, that took a big load off my mind.

"I'm glad we're 3-0. But we've got a big one (UCLA) next week."

For Donley, the first two weeks of the season were something less than memorable.

"My knee just wouldn't come around," Donley said. "I really worked hard and I had been hoping to have a big year. I was excited about the new coaching staff. Then I missed the first two games.

"At first, they told me I might be ready by the Syracuse game and that didn't happen. Then they told me maybe by Minnesota and that was no.

"Then there was a question about Washington State. But my knee finally came around

toward the end of last week. I'll tell you, I just want to thank the good Lord."

His first catch since last season came in the second quarter, a 41-yard pass from Schlichter, although the ball was slightly underthrown.

"The ball was a little wet and it hung up a little," Donley said. "But I'm not picky. I'll take them any way they come."

Donley, who caught 24 passes last year, made two long catches off the same play.

"We ran a pattern which was leaving me wide open," Donley said. "It was a post pattern where Art would fake the option. The rover would come up, which would leave me on the cornerback. When you get them man-to-man, it's pretty hard for the corner to cover it."

Despite that, Donley did not make the longest catch of the afternoon. That distinction went to tailback Calvin Murray, who caught a short pass from Schlichter in the third quarter and went 86

yards for a touchdown. That set a record for the longest touchdown pass in Ohio State history.

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Ohio State came out of the game in possibly its best physical shape of the season. Team physicians Sunday gave the go-ahead to linebackers Tony Megaro (sprained knee) and Al Washington (shoulder bruise), safety Vince Skillings (concussion), offensive tackle Tim Burke (shoulder) and defensive tackle Gary Dulin (sprained knee). All should be ready for the UCLA game.

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Middle guard Tim Sawicki reaggravated his groin pull Saturday, but team physicians said Sunday he will be ready for UCLA. Ruled out of the game are tight end Jim Houston, who is in the hospital for treatment of a back injury, and offensive tackle Tim Brown, who continues to have problems with kidney stones.

UCLA may have a field day against Bucks, Cougars say

By JACK TORRY
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The expert witnesses lined up in the Washington State locker room Saturday for questioning. And the verdict for Ohio State wasn't very good.

Washington State had just been the unfortunate participant in a 45-29 loss to the Buckeyes, a game that was markedly different from Ohio State slaughters in the past.

Instead of the old-fashioned sledgehammer approach, Ohio State threw for 233 yards as it had six offensive plays go for 25 yards or more. And while the Buckeye pass defense created some suspense, the game never really was in doubt.

At 4 p.m. this Saturday, though, Ohio State plays UCLA, which like Washington State, is in the Pacific-10 Conference. UCLA is 2-1 and beat Wisconsin Saturday, 37-12.

Having played UCLA the last four years, the Cougar upperclassmen are familiar with the Bruins.

And they're not too sure about Ohio State's chances.

"I think UCLA will move on them," wide receiver Jim Whitley said. "We had enough yards (408). We moved on them easily and a team like UCLA will be able to. UCLA has a very strong defensive backfield and I don't think Ohio State will be able to throw on them."

"For sure, UCLA will move on them," Cougar offensive guard Greg Sykes said. "I know for a fact that we should have moved on them better than we did and we moved on them pretty good, didn't we?"

"We made up our minds to drive the ball. We knew we could and we did. A passing team like UCLA can make a difference against a team like Ohio State."

Washington State outside linebacker Tom Thompson, while impressed with the Buckeyes, echoed similar sentiments.

"I don't know much about UCLA, but I would think they would be able to stop the big play," Thompson said. "Ohio State is a good football team. It just seems they were overlooking us. All I heard was UCLA this, UCLA that."

If what the Cougars say is true, than Ohio State's best

will be negated against UCLA. Ohio State ended the game with 419 total yards and moved the ball as it pleased.

Defensively, though, about the best thing that can be said is Ohio State looked at least as good as it did against Minnesota. This means the defense is not getting any worse.

But it is not getting any better, either. Washington State quarterback Steve Grant threw for 224 yards and in two weeks, Ohio State has given up nearly 1,000 yards and 46 points.

Perhaps the most positive aspect of the Ohio State defensive performance Saturday will be to inspire overconfidence in UCLA, because it certainly won't cause great concern.

"To be honest, I thought we were playing too passively," defensive coordinator Denny Fryzel said. "We just weren't as aggressive as in the first half. I thought everything was under control at the half. But they kept hitting us with those intermediate passes."

Safety Mike Guess, who intercepted a pass, offered another explanation.

"We've got to get it together up front," Guess said. "We didn't have Gary Dulin up front and Tim Sawicki was hurt early in the second half. We need more of a pass rush. I'm glad we won, but we have a lot of work to do. We can't get too worried. This team has just got to stick together. We have a lot of good games inside us."

Ohio State coach Earle Bruce was clearly unhappy about the pass defense.

"Well, I think it's a combination of things," Bruce said. "It's a combination of the pass rush, the combination of coverages we're using. I want to look at the movies firsthand to find out what's going on. Maybe we're trying to do too much and not getting enough done."

Compounding the dilemma is the suspicion that Ohio State's first three victories have come at the expense of weak teams. The Buckeyes seem acutely aware of that.

"We think we're good," tight end Paul Campbell said. "But now we have to play UCLA. People have been saying, 'Well, they're 3-0, but they haven't played anybody yet.' UCLA is the first big one for us."