

Brown Beats Cornell, 28-7; Defense Excels

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PROVIDENCE, R.I., Oct. 20 — Around the Ivy League, the Brown-Cornell football game today was regarded as a battle of the behemoths. But Brown turned out to be the only giant.

The Bruins, despite some unsteady moments at the start, got stronger as the game progressed and defeated the Big Red, 28-7, before a crowd of 13,500 at Brown Stadium. The defeat was Cornell's first in the league after winning two games. The victory was Brown's third in four games and kept the Bruins with Yale as the favorites for the Ivy title.

From the start, Cornell appeared to be on the verge of letting loose. But a combination of capitalizing on breaks and some stalwart defensive work kept Brown on even terms. This was particularly surprising because Cornell had scored 119 points in its first four games, two of them outside the Ivy League. So perhaps even more surprising than Brown's victory was Cornell's ineffective offense.

Cornell Drives Sputter

Coach Bob Blackman of Cornell must have felt that on bad days nothing goes right for football teams while watching drive after drive fizzle and a touchdown pass called back.

He even watched a Cornell punt

blocked and turned into a touchdown by Brown.

It was not until 15 seconds before the end of the game that Cornell managed to score. By that time, victory was well out of reach. The score required seven plays covering 56 yards before Tom Weidenkopf dived over the goal line from the 1-yard line.

John Anderson, the Brown coach, entered the game with worries galore. Despite a 24-18 decision over Penn a week ago, the Bruins lost five of eight fumbles and came out with five starters injured. So he had no reason to look forward to the Cornell meeting with any degree of optimism.

After holding Cornell on the 11 in the first quarter, Brown scored twice in the second period and once in the third and fourth quarters. Brown's offense was split between Larry Carbone, who handled the passing, and Marty Moran, who took care of the running.

Brown Defense Stalwart

Carbone completed 10 passes in 18 attempts, and Moran gained 85 yards in 18 carries, scoring two touchdowns.

The statistics show just how tenacious the Brown defense was when the Big Red threatened. Cornell collected 23 first downs to 21 for Brown. The Big Red gained 209 yards passing to 145 for Brown. Cornell completed 14 passes to 10 for Brown. Cornell lost only one

fumble. Brown lost four.

"No doubt about it," said Anderson, "our defense as a whole was just great. Jay Hickey, one of our co-captains, was a doubtful starter after his ankle injury last week, and he came back to play a great game.

"And our secondary picked off some of Cornell's passes. That helped. It's hard to pinpoint any individual after a game like this. It was an overall team effort.

"But Cornell isn't out of it by any means. If we both win all our remaining games, we'll wind up tied for the championship. Cornell does have a good offense, really the best we've seen this year."

Score After Blocked Punt

Brown's first touchdown was scored midway in the second quarter when Mike Audie blocked a punt by Brian McFarlin on the Cornell 8 and deflected the ball into Don Place's arms. Place rushed over the goal line.

"That," said Anderson, "I would regard as the turning point of the game."

He probably was correct. Cornell never recovered completely, and a few minutes later Moran capped a 30-yard drive by diving over the goal line from the 1.

Again in the third quarter, Moran bulled over, this time from inches out.

He had been stopped in his previous two tries, and it appeared that the Cornell line was steady. But he raced through, pulling a couple of Cornell linebackers with him.

Despite the advantage, Brown kept pressing and about four minutes into the fourth quarter, Carbone got off a 22-yard pass to Andy Cebello, who caught it on the goal line and stepped over. Bob Granfors kicked all four extra points for Brown.

Lafayette 9, Penn 7

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 20 (AP) — Gary Uzelac threw a 56-yard touchdown pass to Rich Smith last night to give Lafayette a 9-7 victory over Penn at Franklin Field.

The touchdown came with 6:01 remaining in the game. Uzelac faced a third down with 18 yards to go at the Lafayette 44 when he made the winning toss to Smith.

Lafayette had taken possession at its 19 and ran seven plays to the Quakers' 48-yard line before Uzelac was sacked at his 44 by the Quakers' middle guard, Chris Reiser, and Jeff Ellis, a tackle.

The victory raised Lafayette's record to 4-1-1. Penn has lost all of its five games.

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