

Bowl Game History



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MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL SCOREBOARD (Won 12, Lost 14)

Date	Bowl	Site	Result	Attendance
12/25/24	Christmas Festival	Los Angeles, Calif.	Southern California, 20, Missouri 7	47,000
1/1/40	Orange	Miami, Fla.	Georgia Tech 21, Missouri 7	36,500
1/1/42	Sugar	New Orleans, La.	Fordham 2, Missouri 0	72,000
1/1/46	Cotton	Dallas, Texas	Texas 40, Missouri 27	46,000
1/1/49	Gator	Jacksonville, Fla.	Clemson 24, Missouri 23	35,273
1/2/50	Gator	Jacksonville, Fla.	Maryland 20, Missouri 7	22,000
1/1/60	Orange	Miami, Fla.	Georgia 14, Missouri 0	75,280
1/2/61	Orange	Miami, Fla.	Missouri 21, Navy 14	71,218
12/22/62	Bluebonnet	Houston, Texas	Missouri 14, Georgia Tech 10	55,000
1/1/66	Sugar	New Orleans, La.	Missouri 20, Florida 18	67,421
12/28/68	Gator	Jacksonville, Fla.	Missouri 35, Alabama 10	68,001
1/1/70	Orange	Miami, Fla.	Penn State 10, Missouri 3	78,282
12/23/72	Fiesta	Tempe, Ariz.	Arizona State 49, Missouri 35	51,318
12/29/73	Sun	El Paso, Texas	Missouri 34, Auburn 17	30,127
12/23/78	Liberty	Memphis, Tenn.	Missouri 20, LSU 15	53,064
12/29/79	Hall of Fame	Birmingham, Ala.	Missouri 24, South Carolina 14	62,785
12/27/80	Liberty	Memphis, Tenn.	Purdue 28, Missouri 25	53,667
12/19/81	Tangerine	Orlando, Fla.	Missouri 19, S. Mississippi 17	50,450
12/23/83	Holiday	San Diego, Calif.	Brigham Young 21, Missouri 17	51,480
12/29/97	Holiday	San Diego, Calif.	Colorado State 35, Missouri 24	50,761
12/26/98	Insight.com	Tucson, Ariz.	Missouri 34, West Virginia 31	36,147
12/31/03	Independence	Shreveport, La.	Arkansas 27, Missouri 14	49,625
12/30/05	Independence	Shreveport, La.	Missouri 38, South Carolina	41,332
12/29/06	Sun	El Paso, Texas	Oregon State 39, Missouri 38	48,732
1/1/08	Cotton	Dallas, Texas	Missouri 38, Arkansas 7	73,114
12/29/08	Alamo	San Antonio, Texas	Missouri 30, Northwestern 23 (OT)	55,986

NCAA BOWL LEADERS

By Appearances (Updated for 2007-08 Bowls)

Team	Appearances	Team	Appearances
1.Alabama	55	20.Clemson	30
2.Tennessee	47	Texas A&M	30
Texas	47	22.UCLA	27
4.USC	46	Washington	29
5.Nebraska	44	24.Colorado	28
6.Georgia	43	Notre Dame	28
7.Oklahoma	41	26.West Virginia	27
8.Penn St.	40	27.BYU	26
9.LSU	39	28.Missouri	25
Michigan	39	N. Carolina	25
Ohio St.	39	32.Arizona St.	24
12.Arkansas	36	Pittsburgh	24
Florida St.	36	TCU	24
Georgia Tech	36		
15.Florida	35		
16.Auburn	34		
17.Miami (Fla.)	31		
Mississippi	31		
Texas Tech	31		

By Victories

Team	Victories	Team	Victories
1.Alabama	31	20.Boston Col.	13
2.USC	30	Notre Dame	13
3.Penn St.	26	Texas A&M	13
4.Tennessee	25	UCLA	13
5.Oklahoma	24	24.Arizona St.	12
Georgia	24	Colorado	12
Texas	24	North Carolina	12
8.Georgia Tech	22	N. Carolina St.	12
Nebraska	22	Oklahoma St.	12
10.Florida St.	20	Syracuse	12
LSU	20	West Virginia	12
12.Mississippi	19	31.Arkansas	11
Auburn	19	Iowa	11
14.Miami (Fla.)	18	Missouri	11
Michigan	18		
Ohio St.	18		
17.Florida	16		
18.Clemson	15		
19.Washington	14		

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU'S BOWL MVPS

Year Bowl	Tiger, Position
1946 Cotton Bowl	Jim Kekeris, T/FB/K
1962 Bluebonnet Bowl	Bill Tobin, HB Conrad Hitchler, E
1968 Gator Bowl	Terry McMillan, QB
1972 Fiesta Bowl	Mike Fink, HB
1973 Sun Bowl	Ray Bybee, FB John Kelsey, TE
1978 Liberty Bowl	James Wilder, TB
1979 Hall of Fame Bowl	Phil Bradley, QB
1981 Tangerine Bowl	Jeff Gaylord, DT

Year Bowl	Tiger, Position
1983 Holiday Bowl	Bobby Bell, DE
1998 Insight.com Bowl	Julian Jones, CB Jeff Marriott, NT
2005 Independence Bowl	Brad Smith, QB Marcus King, CB
2006 Sun Bowl	Xzavie Jackson, DE Jeff Wolfert, PK
2008 Cotton Bowl	Tony Temple, TB William Moore, S
2008 Alamo Bowl	Jeremy Maclin, WR Sean Weatherspoon, LB

MIZZOU BOWL RECORDS

TEAM RECORDS

SCORING

Most Points Scored
 Quarter: 28 vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun (2nd)
 Half: 28 vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun (1st)
 28 vs. Arizona St., 1972 Fiesta (2nd)
 Game: 38 vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence;
 38 vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun;
 38 vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton
 Fewest Points Scored: 0 vs. Fordham, 1942 Sugar; 0 vs. Georgia, 1960 Orange
 Greatest Margin of Victory: 31 vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton (MU 38, Arkansas 7)
 Greatest Margin of Defeat: 14, three times. Most recently vs. Arizona State, '72 Fiesta (Ariz. St. 49, Missouri 35)
 Most Touchdowns: 5, six times. Most recently vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton.

RUSHING

Most Carries: 71 vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun
 Most Yards Gained: 402 vs. Alabama, '68 Gator
 Most TDs: 4 vs. Alabama, 1968 Gator & vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton

PASSING

Most Attempts: 44 vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo (27 comp.)
 Most Completions: 27 vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo (44 att.)
 Most Interceptions Thrown: 7 vs. Penn State, 1970 Orange
 Most Yards Gained: 359 vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun
 Most Touchdown Passes: 3 vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun & vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Off. Plays: 85 vs. Auburn, '73 Sun
 Most 1st Downs: 25 vs. Arkansas, 2003 Independence

Fewest 1st Downs: 8 vs. Fordham, '42 Sugar
 Most Yards Gained: 561 vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun

TURNOVERS

Most Fumbles Rec.: 4, vs. Auburn, '73 Sun & vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton
 Most Fumbles Committed: 5 vs. Navy, 1961 Orange (lost 3); 5 vs. Maryland, 1950 Gator (lost 5)
 Most Fumbles Lost: 5 vs. Maryland, 1950 Gator (of 5)
 Most Passes Intercepted: 4, three times. Most recently vs. LSU, 1978 Liberty

PENALTIES

Most Times Penalized: 8, two times
 Most Yards Penalized: 87 vs. S. Car., 2005 Independence
 Most Yards Penalized, Opponent: 63, Maryland, 1950 Gator
 Fewest Yds Penalized: 5 vs. Purdue, '80 Liberty
 Fewest Yards Penalized, Opponent: 4, Navy, 1961 Orange

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

SCORING

Most Points Scored: 24, Tony Temple vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton
 Most Points Scored by Kicking: 13, Bob Lucchesi vs. Southern Mississippi, 1981 Tangerine (4 FGs, 1 PAT)
 Most Touchdowns Scored: 4, Tony Temple vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton (all rushing)
 Most Extra Points Scored: 5, Bill Sangster vs. Alabama, 1968 Gator; Adam Crossett vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence; Jeff Wolfert vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun; Jeff Wolfert vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton
 Most Field Goals Made: 4, Bob Lucchesi vs. Southern Mississippi, 1981 Tangerine

RUSHING

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Most Carries: 31, Devin West vs. West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Most Net Yards Gained: 281, Tony Temple vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton

Most Touchdowns Scored Rushing: 4, Tony Temple vs. Arkansas, 2008 Cotton

PASSING

Most Passes Attempted: 44, Chase Daniel vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo (27 completions)

Most Passes Completed: 27, Chase Daniel vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo (44 attempts)

Most Yards Gained: 330, Chase Daniel vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Most Touchdown Passes: 2, John Cherry vs. Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta; 2, Ray Smith vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun; 2, Chase Daniel vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun; 2, Chase Daniel vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo

TOTAL OFFENSE

Most Plays Run: 58, Brad Smith vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Most Yards Gained: 432, Brad Smith vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Most Touchdowns Responsible for: 4, Brad Smith vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence (scored 3)

RECEIVING

Most Passes Caught: 8, Thomson Omboga vs. Arkansas, 2003 Independence; Chase Coffman vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Most Yards Gained: 99, Chase Coffman vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Most Touchdown Passes Caught: 2, Chuck Link vs. Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta; 2, John Kelsey vs. Auburn, 1973 Sun

PUNTING

Most Punts: 7, Eric Schmidt vs. So. Mississippi, 1981 Tangerine

Most Yards Punting: 268, Mike Farmer vs. Penn State, 1970 Orange

Highest Average Per Punt: 45.8, Adam Crossett vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

LONGEST PLAYS

Run From Scrimmage: 77 yards, Bill Tobin vs. Georgia Tech, 1962 Bluebonnet

Pass Completion: 74 yards (TD), Chase Daniel to Danario Alexander vs. Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Kickoff Return: 100 yards (TD), Mike Fink vs. Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta

Punt Return: 75 yards (TD), Jeremy Maclin vs. Northwestern, 2008 Alamo

Pass Interception Return: 99 yards (TD), Marcus King vs. South

Carolina, 2005 Independence

Blocked Field Goal Return: 70 yards (TD), Carlos Posey vs. West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Field Goal: 50 yards, Adam Crossett vs. South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Punt: 61yds, Vince Sebo vs. Colorado State, '97 Holiday

TEAM BESTS vs. MISSOURI

Most Points Scored

Quarter: 21, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta (4th); South Carolina, 2005 Independence (1st)

Half: 28, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta (1st); West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com (2nd); South Carolina, 2005 Independence (1st)

Game: 49, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta Bowl

Most First Downs: 30, Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Rushing Yards: 452, Ariz. St., 1972 Fiesta

Passing Yards: 452, W. Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Total Offense: 718, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta (452 rushing, 266 passing)

Pass Attempts: 54, Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Pass Completions: 35, W. Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Touchdown Passes: 4, Purdue, 1980 Liberty; West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com; Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Passes Intercepted: 7, Penn St., 1970 Orange

INDIVIDUAL BESTS vs. MU

Most Points Scored: 28, Bobby Layne, Texas, 1946 Cotton (4 TDs, 4 PATs)

Most Touchdowns: 4, Bobby Layne, Texas, 1946 Cotton; 4, Woody Green, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta

Most Extra Pts.: 7, Cruz, Ariz. St., '72 Fiesta

Total Offense: 424 yards, Marc Bulger, West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Total Carries: 29, Tyrell Sutton, Northwestern, 2008 Alamo

Rushing Yards: 202, Woody Green, Arizona State, 1972 Fiesta

Passing Yards: 429 yards, Marc Bulger, West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

Pass Attempts: 54, Matt Moore, Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Pass Completions: 34, Marc Bulger, West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com

TD Passes: 4, Mark Hermann, Purdue, 1980 Liberty; Marc Bulger, West Virginia, 1998 Insight.com; Matt Moore, Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Pass Receptions: 12, Sydney Rice, South Carolina, 2005 Independence

Reception Yardage: 191, Sydney Rice, South Carolina, 2005 Independence

TD Receptions: 2, five times. Most recently by Joe Newton, Oregon State, 2006 Sun

Field Goals: 4, Chris Balseiro, Arkansas, 2003 Independence

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

1924 Christmas Festival

USC 20,

Missouri 9

L.A. Coliseum — Los Angeles, Calif.

Missouri's first football team to play in a bowl game, the 1924 squad which lost to USC, 20-7 in the Christmas Festival, would not have even played in that bowl game were it not for an enormous stroke of luck.

Southern California and Stanford had tied for the Pacific Coast Conference title and the right to play Notre Dame in the Rose Bowl. The Rose Bowl took Stanford, and USC seemed to be left out of the bowl picture.

Instead, the city of Los Angeles chose to honor the Trojans in a Christmas Day game, called the Christmas Festival. The best remaining team in the nation was to be chosen as USC's opponent. Missouri, the Missouri Valley champion with a loss to Nebraska its only setback in eight games, was chosen to play in the game.

While the selection was an honor, Mizzou had expected to be spending the holiday at home and had not held practice in nearly two weeks when the Tigers headed to California. Perhaps this should have served as a warning to the Tigers.

Despite the layoff, Mizzou performed well early particularly on defense, and found itself in a scoreless deadlock at halftime. An unexpected delay at halftime apparently got the Tigers off track though, as Southern Cal engineered three long scoring drives against the Tiger defense. The Trojans ran away with a 20-7 victory in MU's first bowl appearance.

1940 Orange Bowl

Georgia Tech 21, Missouri 7

Orange Bowl — Miami, Fla.

The 1939 Missouri Tigers headed into the 8th annual Orange Bowl well aware that the Georgia Tech Engineers and quarterback Johnny Bosch would use ball-faking and offensive deception to win the game. Bust Bosch still fooled the Tiger defense and over 30,000 fans with his play-action fakes.

After Missouri's star, quarterback "Pitchin'" Paul Christman, plunged across from the 1-yard line to give the Tigers an early 7-0 lead, it was all Tech. Bosch's offense used trickery to its full advantage in a 21-7 victory, ending Missouri's first Big Six Championship season in defeat.

Georgia Tech's Howard Ector scored on a 1-yard run to answer Christman and tie the game at 7. Then the tricky Tech offense, with a little help from a stingy defense, put the game away.

Bob Ison gave the Engineers their first lead, 14-7, on a 59-yard end around in the second quarter. The final score of the game came on another trick play, a 34-yard double reverse. These big plays were over one-third of Georgia Tech's 210-yard rushing total.

The Tigers had chances to earn their first bowl victory, but failed gambles and Tech's goal-line defense denied them.

In the second quarter, still tied at 7, Mizzou faced a 4th-and-15 from Georgia Tech's 37. Rather than punting, Coach Don Faurat chose to go for it. A pass failed and Tech marched down the field in just three plays for the go-ahead score.

Down 21-7, the Tigers mounted a final scoring effort. They drove to the Tech 2 before Christman was stopped on fourth and goal. Georgia Tech then took over on downs and ran out the clock to preserve the 21-7 triumph.

GA. TECH	7	7	7	0	—	21
MISSOURI	7	0	0	0	—	7

M — Christman 1 run (Cunningham kick)

GT — Ector 1 run (Goree kick)

GT — Ison 31 run (Goree kick)

GT — Wheby 59 run (Goree kick)

Att. — 36,500

	<u>MU</u>	<u>GT</u>
First Downs	14	12
Rushing Yards	151	210
Passing Yards	76	91
Passes	8-26-1	8-14-1
Fumbles	1	3
Punting Avg.	33	35
Penalty Yards	15	36

1942 Sugar Bowl

Fordham 2,

Missouri 0

Tulane Stadium — New Orleans, La.

The 1942 Sugar Bowl was a textbook example of the term defensive struggle. Missouri, spearheaded by a defensive unit which had allowed just 37 points in nine regular-season games, held Fordham to only a first quarter safety on a punt blocked out of the end zone. But even that was too much for an uncharacteristically impotent Tiger offense to overcome. Hurt by four turnovers, Mizzou fell to Fordham, 2-0.

During the regular season, Missouri had beaten five teams by shutout and outscored opponents by nearly 19 points a game. Harry Ice, Red Wade and Bob Steuber were the "Touchdown Trio" that led Missouri's dangerous Split-T rushing attack. Fordham, however, held Missouri's rushing game relatively in check, giving up 148 yards, and forcing two fumbles by a squad that had led the nation in rushing. Mizzou's defense was equal to the task in a losing effort, giving up just 137 total yards, including none through the air.

Neither team could cross the goal line and, in a game which featured more penalty yards than passing yards (40-21), Fordham's safety was enough scoring for the victory.

MISSOURI	0	0	0	0	—	0
FORDHAM	2	0	0	0	—	2

F — Safety, Santilli blocked punt out of end zone

	<u>MU</u>	<u>FU</u>
First Downs	8	10
Rushing Yards	148	137
Passing Yards	21	0
Passes	2-5-2	0-4-0
Punting Avg.	36	34
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	3-1
Penalty Yards	10	30

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1946 Cotton Bowl
Texas 40,
Missouri 27
Cotton Bowl — Dallas, Texas

The 1946 Cotton Bowl pitted two teams with totally opposite histories: the Texas Longhorns who had never lost a bowl game and the Missouri Tigers who had never won one. The result was not the expected rout, but a record-breaking shoot-out which Texas won, 40-27.

The game featured 980 yards of total offense (514 for Missouri, 466 for Texas) and a Cotton Bowl-record 67 points. Missouri rolled up a stunning 408 yards rushing in the game and had two men over 100. Leonard Brown had 121 yards on 18 carries, and Robert Hopkins led the team with 125 yards and a touchdown on 16 attempts.

All this offense could not deter the Longhorns though, whom Missouri must have wanted to rename "The Bobby Layne Show." Layne, Texas' legendary quarterback, had a hand in each of the Longhorns' six touchdowns. He ran for three scores (1, 1, and 2 yards), threw for two (15 and 48), and caught one (50). Layne also made four of five PATs.

While Texas used a one-man demolition crew to win, Missouri had four players score touchdowns on the day, all finishing drives of 62 yards or more. But it wasn't enough to beat Layne and the Longhorns who had six drives of 60 or more yards and walked away victorious from yet another bowl game.

MISSOURI	7	7	0	13	—	27
TEXAS	14	7	6	13	—	40

T — Baumgardner 48 pass from Layne (Layne kick)
M — Oakes 40 pass from Dellastatious (Kekeris kick)
T — Layne 1 run (Layne kick)
M — Dellastatious 3 run (Kekeris kick)
T — Layne 1 run (Layne kick)
T — Baumgardner 15 pass from Layne (kick failed)
M — Bonnett 21 run (Kekeris kick)
T — Layne 50 pass from Ellsworth (pass failed)
M — Hopkins 1 run (kick failed)
T — Layne 2 run (Layne kick)
Att. — 46,000

	MU	Texas
First Downs	22	19
Rushing Yards	408	202
Passing Yards	106	264
Passes	4-17-1	13-14-0
Fumbles	1	1
Punting Avg.	37	41.5
Penalty Yards	30	35

1948 Gator Bowl
Clemson 24,
Missouri 23
Gator Bowl — Jacksonville, Fla.

Missouri headed to the fourth annual Gator Bowl in 1948 expecting to get its first post-season victory over a Clemson team which had won just one bowl game in its history. Instead what the Tigers got was a surprising 24-23 defeat and another empty-handed trip home.

The game was every bit as close as the scoreboard suggested. Each team had 298 yards total offense and three touchdowns. It was Jack Miller's 32-yard FG for Clemson, offsetting a 3rd quarter safety by Mizzou, which gave Clemson the margin of victory.

In a match-up where even the teams' mascots were the same (the Tigers), they also copied each other's manner of scoring. Both teams had two first-half touchdowns. Clemson's Fred Cone had two scoring runs in the first quarter and Mizzou's Bus Entsminger tied it with two touchdown scampers of his own in the second. Each team scored its final touchdown on a halfback option touchdown pass with Missouri's safety and Clemson's field goal sandwiched in between.

Despite all the build-up of Entsminger and Clemson tailback Bobby Gage, both of whom performed well, and the razzle-dazzle of two halfback passes, it was nothing but the ordinary which decided the outcome. Miller's 32-yard kick from a difficult angle proved to be just enough for the Clemson victory.

MISSOURI	0	14	2	7	—	23
CLEMSON	14	0	7	3	—	24

C — Cone 1 run (Miller kick)
C — Cone 1 run (Miller kick)
M — Entsminger 23 run (Dawson kick)
M — Entsminger 1 run (Dawson kick)
C — Poulos 9 pass from Gage (Miller kick)
M — Safety, Gage pass grounded in end zone
C — FG Miller 32
M — Bounds 20 pass from Braznell (Dawson kick)
Att. — 35,273

	MU	Clemson
First Downs	16	19
Rushing Yards	52-225	42-186
Passing Yards	73	112
Passes	4-8-0	10-23-1
Punts-Avg.	3-31	1-35
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-42	2-10

RUSHING — MU: Entsminger 17-77, Carras 12-73, Braznell 13-57. CU: Mathews 11-74, Cone 14-72, Gage 15-25.
PASSING — MU: Braznell 2-2-0-57, Entsminger 2-6-0-16. Clemson, Gage 10-23-1-112.
RECEIVING — MU: Bounds 2-57, Wren 1-8, Sheehan 1-8. CU: Thompson 4-48, Poulos 3-28, Martin 1-19.

1949 Gator Bowl
Maryland 20,
Missouri 7
Gator Bowl — Jacksonville, Fla.

At the 1949 Gator Bowl, the Missouri Tigers faced an unfamiliar team at a familiar site. Making its second consecutive January trip to Jacksonville, Fla., Mizzou met the Maryland Terrapins for the first time on the gridiron. The Tigers did not receive a kind greeting.

Though Mizzou outgained the Terps by 25 total yards and had more first downs, the game was never close on the scoreboard. Maryland turned an interception and two Tiger fumbles into first-half touchdowns and had a 10-0 lead at the half.

In the first quarter, Mizzou signal caller Dick Braznell was intercepted and Maryland's John Idzik returned the ball to the Mizzou 11. On the very next play Bob Shenonski gave the Terps the lead for good on an 11-yard run.

Tiger fortunes got no better in the second quarter when first Braznell and then John Glorioso fumbled, setting Maryland up in outstanding field position at the Tiger 28 and then the 15, respectively. Both turnovers became Maryland touchdowns and the Terrapins had this one in hand by halftime.

Late in the fourth quarter the Tigers forced a Maryland fumble at the Mizzou four. They then drove 96 yards and Phil Klein scored the Tigers' lone touchdown on a five-yard run to avoid the shutout. But with less than two minutes to play, it was too little too late to stop a fifth straight bowl game from ending in defeat for Missouri.

MARYLAND	7	13	0	0	—	20
MISSOURI	0	0	0	7	—	7

MD — Shemonski 11 run (Dean kick)
MD — Modzelewski 3 run (Dean kick)
MD — Shemonski 6 run (kick failed)
M — Klein 5 run (Glorioso kick)

	MU	Maryland
First Downs	13	10
Rushing Yards	100	226
Passing Yards	167	2
Passes	11-29-3	2-16-1
Fumbles	5	1
Punting Avg.	38	39
Penalty Yards	10	63

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1960 Orange Bowl

Georgia 14,

Missouri 0

Orange Bowl — Miami, Fla.

Missouri's 1959 squad gained the school's second Orange Bowl berth, the first in 20 years, by defeating Kansas, 13-9 on the season's last day. The 2nd-place Tigers went to Miami because Oklahoma had won the conference championship the year before as well and conference rules at the time forbade a team from playing in the same bowl two straight years. Unfortunately for Mizzou, this Orange Bowl trip ended just as the first one had—in defeat to a team from Georgia.

In 1940 it was Georgia Tech which sent the Tigers reeling. This time, Fran Tarkenton and the Georgia Bulldogs beat Mizzou in Miami in shutout style, 14-0.

The Tigers went into the 1960 game with a pass defense that was seen as weak—not a good thing to have against Tarkenton, who went on to throw more touchdowns than any quarterback in NFL history. However, the game took on a familiar look as MU outgained its opponent, both in the air, on the arm of quarterback Phil Snowden, and in total yards, but were still beaten.

Outside of two scoring passes from Tarkenton, a 29-yarder in the first quarter and a 33-yarder in the third, Georgia never posed a real threat. Punter Bobby Walden kicked it away seven times. In fact it was Walden's leg which kept the Bulldogs ahead, repeatedly pinning Missouri in its own end.

Mizzou did, however, have numerous opportunities to dent the scoreboard. Three times Mizzou had first downs inside the Bulldog 25 and twice inside the 10, but could never convert those chances into points.

GEORGIA	7	0	7	0	—	14
MISSOURI	0	0	0	0	—	0

G — McKenney 29 pass from Tarkenton (Pennington kick)

G — Box 33 pass from Tarkenton (Pennington kick)

	MU	Georgia
First Downs	17	14
Rushing Yards	80	88
Passing Yards	180	128
Passes	14-24-2	9-21-2
Punts-Avg.	6-38	7-46
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalty Yards	72	44

RUSHING — MU: West 9-37, D. Smith 14-21, Beal 3-12. GA: Brown 7-39, Walden 7-35, Soberdahs 7-12.

PASSING — MU: Snowden 11-17-1-152, B. Smith 2-3-0-14, Haas 1-3-2-15, West 0-1-0-0. GA: Tarkenton 9-16-113-1, Walden 0-1-0-0, Britt 0-4-1-0.

RECEIVING — MU: Sloan 6-73, West 1-40, D. Smith 3-35, Carpenter 2-23. GA: Brown 3-29, Herron 2-26, Box 1-33, McKenney 2-25.

1961 Orange Bowl

Missouri 21,

Navy 14

Orange Bowl — Miami, Fla.

Missouri's 1960 team was the first to be ranked No. 1 nationally. The Tigers began the season with nine straight victories, a string which included Oklahoma's first home conference loss since 1942. Only a 23-7 loss to Kansas knocked them from that pedestal, however, Mizzou was later awarded a win when it was discovered the Jayhawks had used an ineligible player. The Tigers got their second straight Orange Bowl bid in the first year a team was allowed to play in the same bowl two consecutive years.

Mizzou's opponents were the Navy Midshipmen, a team boasting Heisman Trophy winner, halfback Joe Bellino. The Tigers held Bellino to four yards rushing, a key to their 21-14 victory.

The game's opening quarter was so bizarre and exciting, it nearly made the rest of the game seem uneventful. The circus started with Missouri on Navy's 2-yard line, threatening to score. But on the next play, Navy's Greg Mather scooped up a fumble and returned it for a 98-yard score, the longest play in Orange Bowl history, for a 6-0 Middle lead. Not to be outdone, Mizzou's Norm Beal picked off a Hal Spooner pass at the Tiger 10 and brought it back for a Missouri touchdown and a 7-6 advantage.

After this riotous exchange of touchdowns, the game settled into a Missouri domination at the line of scrimmage. The Tigers went on drives of 80 and 74 yards, piling up 296 yards rushing to Navy's minus-8. Mel West led the way for the Tigers with 111 yards and Donnie Smith helped out with 93.

Despite Mizzou's ground domination, it was the pass defense which preserved the victory, grabbing four interceptions, including two by Andy Russell and one by Fred Brossart on the game's final play.

The triumph capped an undefeated season and Mizzou finished 4th in the UPI and 5th in the AP polls. In those days final polls were released before bowl games, so in the AP poll Missouri was actually ranked behind Navy in the final poll.

NAVY	6	0	0	8	—	14
MISSOURI	7	7	0	7	—	21

N — Mather 98 fumble return (kick failed)

M — Beal 90 pass interception return (Tobin kick)

M — D. Smith 4 run (Tobin kick)

M — Taylor 1 run (Tobin kick)

N — Bellino 27 pass from Spooner (Luper pass from Spooner)

Att. — 71,218

	MU	Navy
First Downs	19	9
Rushes-Yards	66-296	24-(-8)
Passing Yards	5	176
Passes	1-6-0	13-234
Punts-Avg.	4-30.5	7-35.4
Penalties-Yards	1-15	1-4

RUSHING — N: Prichard 1-9, Meyer 2-6, Bellino 8-4. MU: West 21-108, Smith 16-93, Mehrer 5-41, Stevenson 7-37.

PASSING — N: Spooner 13-21-4-176, Dietz 0-2-0-0. MU: Taylor 1-6-0-5.

RECEIVING — N: Prichard 4-69, Bellino 3-37, Matalavage 2-33. MU: West 1-5.

1966 Sugar Bowl

Missouri 20,

Florida 18

Tulane Stadium — New Orleans, La.

The 1966 Sugar Bowl was a tale of two halves. The Missouri Tigers led the Florida Gators at halftime, 17-0 and added a third quarter field goal to make it 20-0. But the Gators came roaring back and scored three fourth-quarter touchdowns thanks to talented quarterback, Steve Spurrier. Spurrier, the game's MVP and the winner of the 1966 Heisman Trophy, threw for two scores and ran for one to spearhead a comeback which was thwarted only when Mizzou's defense, eighth in the country in points allowed, stiffened and stopped all three 2-point conversions.

In its second Sugar Bowl appearance, Missouri's ground game was dominant. The Tigers boasted the country's third-rated rushing attack at 247 yards a game. They topped that with 257 while holding Florida to minus-2. Because of Mizzou's defense against the run and the early deficit, Florida was forced to pass often. Spurrier put the ball in the air a record 46 times. He also set Sugar Bowl records with 27 completions, 16 coming in the wild fourth quarter, and 352 yards passing, but did so in a losing effort.

Halfback Charlie Brown and quarterback Gary Lane led Mizzou with 120 and 76 yards rushing, respectively. Brown also scored the first touchdown of the game on a 10-yard sweep early in the second quarter. Earl Denny had the other Tiger touchdown on an 11-yard halfback option catch from Johnny Roland.

The victory landed the 8-2-1 Tigers in sixth place in the national polls, just behind Big Eight champion Nebraska, which had beaten the Tigers earlier in the year on a late field goal.

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

MISSOURI	0	17	3	0	—	20
FLORIDA	0	0	0	18	—	18

M — Brown 10 run (Bates kick)
M — Denny 11 pass from Roland (Bates kick)
M — FG Bates 37
M — FG Bates 34
F — Harper 22 pass from Spurrier (pass failed)
F — Spurrier 2 run (pass failed)
F — Casey 21 pass from Spurrier (pass failed)
Att. 67,421

	MU	UF
First Downs	18	18
Rushes-Yards	62-257	16-(-2)
Passing Yards	50	352
Passes	5-14-2	27-46-1
Punts-Avg.	5-44	6-32
Fumbles	1	2
Penalty Yards	30	25

RUSHING — MU: Brown 22-120, Lane 19-76, Denny 8-27, Reese 11-27. FLA: Poe 2-11, Harper 7-(-5), Spurrier 7-(-8).

PASSING — MU: Lane 4-13-1-39, Roland 1-1-0-11. FLA: Spurrier 27-45-1-352, Harper 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING — MU: Waller 1-14, Brown 1-14, Phelps 2-11, Denny 1-11. FLA: Casey 5-108, Brown 9-88, Harper 4-66, Trapp 5-53, Poe 3-30, Ewaldsen 1-7.

1968 Gator Bowl

Missouri 35,

Alabama 10

Gator Bowl — Jacksonville, Fla.

Missouri's third trip to the Gator Bowl game was its first that ended in victory—and it came convincingly, 35-10 over Alabama.

The Tigers were on a two-game losing streak as they prepared for the Crimson Tide, national champs just two years before and ranked 12th in the country. The result was the most lopsided bowl victory in Missouri's history and Paul "Bear" Bryant's worst defeat at Alabama to date in his 11-year career.

Led by Greg Cook, who tallied 179 yards rushing and a touchdown and Terry McMillan, with 76 yards and three scores, Mizzou gained 402 yards of total offense, all rushing. The offense put on its show while Alabama was held to less than 100 total yards. The Tiger defense sacked Tide quarterbacks 12 times. 'Bama's only touchdown came on defense, a 38-yard interception return by Donnie Sutton.

Despite complete domination for three quarters, Missouri led just 14-7 going into the fourth. The Tigers then turned it on. Following an interception by All-American Roger Wehrli, his second of the game, McMillan scored from 2 yards out and made the lead 21-10. On the Tigers' next possession, Cook rambled 37 yards and put Mizzou up 28-10. Dennis Poppe then

returned an interception 47 yards for the final margin.

Alabama came into the game seeking its ninth consecutive national top-10 finish. What it got instead was its first loss to a Big Eight team, and only Bear Bryant's fifth loss by more than seven points in his 140-game career.

MU's performance, which boosted it to ninth in the polls, inspired Bryant to say, "They ran up and down the field as though they were playing a barbers' college team."

MISSOURI	7	7	0	21	—	35
ALABAMA	0	7	0	3	—	10

M — McMillan 4 run (Sangster kick)

A — Sutton 38 pass interception return (Dean kick)

M — McMillan 5 run (Sangster kick)

A — FG Dean 25 M McMillan 2 run (Sangster kick)

M — Cook 37 run (Sangster kick)

M — Poppe 47 pass interception return (Sangster kick)

Att. — 68,011

	MU	Alabama
First Downs	21	6
Rushing Yards	402	45
Passing Yards	0	77
Return Yards	112	46
Passes	0-6-2	7-27-2
Punts-Avg.	5-36	10-42
Fumbles	2	0
Penalty Yards	29	14

RUSHING — MU: Cook 27-179, McMillan 18-76, McBride 18-68, Harrison 11-58, Staggers 7-19. 'BAMA: Jilleba 5-20, Moore 5-10.

PASSING — MU: McMillan 0-6-2-0. 'BAMA: Hunter 7-25-1-68, Hayden 0-1-1-0, Kelly 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING — MU: none. 'BAMA: Ranager 2-47.

1970 Orange Bowl

Penn State 10,

Missouri 3

Orange Bowl — Miami, Fla.

Missouri's 1969 team was a record setter in many ways. The Tigers, 9-1 Big Eight co-champions and ranked 5th in the country, set records for points and total yards gained in a season. Quarterback Terry McMillan and running back Joe Moore set individual records for yardage at their respective positions. It was therefore shocking the way the 1970 Orange Bowl took shape.

Penn State, riding a 29-game winning streak, used its defense to dominate Mizzou's highly touted offense to win 10-3. But it was the Tiger defense which kept Missouri in the game and gave the Tigers a chance to win.

The Nittany Lion defense forced nine Tiger turnovers including a disastrous five-interception performance by McMillan. Missouri's defensive unit was nearly as good though, allowing

just 10 points and forcing 12 Penn State punts in the contest. Thanks to the defensive effort, Missouri was at the Penn State 14-yard line in the last minute, still down just 7.

Penn State coach Joe Paterno said the Tigers "had us backed up to where I was thinking about what kind of defense we'd use for a two-point conversion."

Penn State avoided that dilemma when safety Neil Smith intercepted McMillan for the seventh and final time. In the end, Penn State's defense, which Tiger coach Dan Devine said was far better than any other the Tigers had seen, was too much for the Missouri offense.

PENN ST.	10	0	0	0	—	10
MISSOURI	0	3	0	0	—	3

PS — FG Reitz 29

PS — Mitchell 28 pass from Burkhart (Reitz kick)

M — FG Brown 33

Att. — 78,282

	MU	PSU
First Downs	13	12
Rushes-Yards	43-189	54-57
Passing Yards	117	187
Return Yards	148	145
Passes	6-28-7	11-26-1
Punts-Avg.	6-44.7	12-43.1
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-25	5-40

RUSHING — MU: Staggers 9-69, Moore 19-62, McMillan 5-33, McBride 7-24, Harrison 2-16. PS: Pittman 21-83, Harris 17-46.

PASSING — MU: McMillan 4-17-57-5, Roper 2-9-2-44, Staggers 0-2-0-0. PS: Burkhart 11-26-1-187.

RECEIVING — MU: Henley 2-44, Moore 1-40, Shryock 3-33. PS: Mitchell 5-81, Johnson 1-56, Edmonds 2-34, Pittman 2-10.

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

1972 Fiesta Bowl Arizona State 49, Missouri 35

Sun Devil Stadium — Tempe, Ariz.

Contrary to popular belief, there were defenses on the field in the '72 Fiesta Bowl. But not according to the final stats.

The 49-35 Arizona State win featured 1,129 yards of total offense (718 for ASU, 411 for Mizzou), 681 yards rushing (452 by ASU, 229 by MU), four touchdowns of over 30 yards, including a 100-yard kickoff return by Missouri's Mike Fink, and 84 points.

Sun Devil All-American Woody Green ran for 202 yards and four touchdowns including a 17-yarder and a 21-yarder in Arizona State's decisive 21-point fourth quarter. Fullback Brent McClanahan also topped 100 yards for Arizona State, totaling 171 in 26 carries.

Mizzou trailed 28-7 at half after two scores by Green, McClanahan's only TD and a 34-yard scoring pass from Danny White to Ed Beverly on which it seemed Missouri's Fink had an end-zone interception.

But the Tigers, as they had all year, clawed back after the break. Fink's return and two passes from John Cherry to Chuck Link sandwiched around another score by Green made it 35-28 ASU early in the fourth. Two fourth-quarter scores by the Sun Devils, though, were too much for MU to overcome.

ARIZONA ST.	14	14	0	21	—	49
MISSOURI	0	7	14	14	—	35

AS — Green 2 run (Cruz kick)
AS — Green 12 run (Cruz kick)
M — Johnson 1 run (Hill kick)
AS — McClanahan 1 run (Cruz kick)
AS — Beverly 34 pass from White (Cruz kick)
M — Link 48 pass from Cherry (kick failed)
M — Link 4 pass from Cherry (Link pass from Cherry)
AS — Green 17 run (Cruz kick)
M — Fink 100 kickoff return (Hill kick)
AS — Beverly 53 pass from White (Cruz kick)
AS — Green 21 run (Cruz kick)
M — Reamon 31 run (Hill kick)
Att. — 51,318

	MU	ASU
First Downs	16	33
Rushes-Yards	44-229	65-452
Passing Yards	182	266
Return Yards	61	44
Passes	12-27-3	12-24-3
Punts-Avg.	6-37.8	3-43.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	2-10	6-50

RUSHING — MU: Reamon 17-155, Johnson 12-41. AS: Green 25-202, McClanahan 26-171, Malone 6-29.
PASSING — MU: Cherry 12-27-3-182. AS: White 13-23-3-266, Brady 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING — MU: Link 5-80, Bastable 3-63, Reamon 2-15, Marshall 1-12, Sharp 1-12. AS: Beverly 3-103, Petty 5-85, Holden 4-53, McClanahan 1-25.

1973 Sun Bowl Missouri 34, Auburn 17 *Sun Bowl — El Paso, Texas*

The Missouri Tigers went to the 1973 Sun Bowl eager to erase the memory of three straight losses to end the season which left them 7-4 after a quick start. A rushing total of 295 yards and two TD passes by Ray Smith ensured they would do just that.

Behind a 28-point second quarter, a Missouri bowl record, the Tigers rose to 8-4 with relative ease.

After falling behind 3-0 early in the second quarter, Mizzou scored three straight times and led the rest of the way. Ray Bybee, who ran for 127 yards, scored a second-quarter touchdown which was sandwiched between two touchdown catches by John Kelsey.

A 35-yard strike to Kelsey from Chuck Link, put the Tigers on top for good. Then came a pair of two-yard scores, one a run by Bybee and on a pass from Smith to Kelsey, before Auburn got on the board again. Following an Auburn touchdown, John Moseley took the kickoff 84 yards for the fourth Tiger touchdown of the quarter and gave Mizzou a sizable 28-10 lead at halftime.

The Tigers got only one score in the second half, a 15-yard pass from Smith to Jim Sharp. It was plenty for the Tiger defense, though, which held Auburn to 233 total yards and forced five turnovers.

An offense ranked last in total yardage and next to last in scoring in the Big Eight had racked up 34 points and 390 yards.

AUBURN	0	10	7	0	—	17
MISSOURI	0	28	6	0	—	34

A — FG Pruett 35
M — Kelsey 35 pass from Link (Hill kick)
M — Bybee 2 run (Hill kick)
M — Kelsey 2 pass from Smith (Hill kick)
A — Gossom 17 pass from Gargis (Pruett kick)
M — Moseley 84 kickoff return (Hill kick)
M — Sharp 15 pass from Smith (kick failed)
A — Gossom 32 pass from Gargis (pass failed)
Att. — 31,000

	MU	Auburn
First Downs	20	10
Rushes-Yards	71-295	42-113
Passing Yards	95	120
Return Yards	12	42
Passes	8-14-1	7-15-1
Punts-Avg.	6-37	6-46
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	5-4
Penalties-Yards	2-29	1-5

RUSHING — MU: Bybee 27-127, Reamon 23-110, Moss 6-23, Smith 5-18. A: McIntyre 10-46, Neel 7-26, Fuller 5-11.

PASSING — MU: Smith 7-12-0-60, Link 1-1-0-35. A: Gargis 7-15-1-120.

RECEIVING — MU: Kelsey 2-37, Sharp 2-26, Reamon 2-22. A: Spivey 3-56, Gossom 2-39, Arnold 1-10.

1978 Liberty Bowl Missouri 20, LSU 15 *Liberty Bowl — Memphis, Tenn.*

The 1978 season, Warren Powers' first at MU, was one of incredible highs and devastating lows for the Tigers. The highs included a 3-0 win over defending national champion Notre Dame, the first time the Irish had been shut out since 1960, a victory over KU and a bowl-clinching win over Nebraska, 35-31 — still the last time the Huskers have been beaten by Mizzou.

The lows included a 35-20 loss to Oklahoma State, a 38-20 loss after having then No. 1 Alabama on the ropes and losing a 20-point lead in a home loss to Colorado.

So the 1978 Liberty Bowl was a rewarding end to the Tigers' season. Mizzou won 20-15 over LSU to advance to 8-4 against the nation's toughest schedule, but it was again a game in which Mizzou was up and down.

Missouri was up at halftime, riding a 20-3 lead and on the verge of a blowout victory. MU was slightly down in the second half, scoring no points, but moving the ball well enough and playing enough defense to win.

Sophomore James Wilder led the Tigers in rushing with 115 yards. The Tiger defense nabbed five turnovers (four interceptions and a fumble) to take the spotlight from big names Wilder, Phil Bradley and Kellen Winslow in a game in which MU never trailed.

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

LSU 3 0 6 6 — 15
MISSOURI 7 13 0 0 — 20

M — Gant 13 run (Brockhaus kick)
LS — FG Conway 37
M — Winslow 16 pass from Bradley (Brockhaus kick)
M — Wilder 3 run (kick failed)
LS — Alexander 1 run (kick failed)
LS — Woodley 1 run (pass failed)
Att. — 53,064

	<u>MU</u>	<u>LSU</u>
First Downs	18	12
Rushes Yards	50-200	46-194
Passing Yards	117	170
Return Yards	65	2
Passes	11-21-1	14-31-4
Punts Avg.	6-38.3	4-36.5
Fumbles Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties Yards	8-75	6-49

RUSHING — MU: Wilder 28-115, Gant 8-46. LSU: Alexander 24-133, Woodley 11-27.
PASSING — MU: Bradley 11-21-1-117. LSU: Woodley 9-22-2-123, Ensminger 5-9-2-47.
RECEIVING — MU: Wilder 4-20, Downer 2-27. LSU: Quintella 6-81, Carson 6-77.

1979 Hall of Fame Bowl
Missouri 24,
South Carolina 14
Legion Field — Birmingham, Ala.

For the second straight year a strong running attack and an explosive second quarter led Missouri to pay-dirt in a bowl game. This time, the South Carolina Gamecocks were the Missouri victim, bowing 24-14 in the 1979 Hall of Fame Bowl. Even 133 yards from Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers was not enough for the Gamecocks to overcome Missouri's 17 second-quarter points.

After falling behind early, 6-0, quarterback Phil Bradley engineered three scoring drives. The first ended in a 22-yard field goal by Ron Verilli. The next two resulted in touchdowns by Bradley, the first a 28-yard pass and the second a one-yard plunge which gave the Tigers a 17-6 halftime edge.

Missouri used just one second-half touchdown to maintain its lead.

After South Carolina closed to 17-14 in the third, Gerry Ellis ran 12 yards for the final tally in the 24-14 triumph. Ellis had 81 yards on 12 carries and James Wilder ran for 95 on 24 attempts. Neither was as individually impressive as Rogers' totals but they combined to knock out the Heisman winner and his teammates. Bradley led an offense which controlled the ball and needed just 72 yards passing as the Tigers rolled to their third straight bowl win and a 7-5 record in 1979.

MISSOURI 0 17 7 0 — 24
S. CAROLINA 6 0 8 0 — 14

SC — McKinney 20 pass from Harper (run failed)
M — FG Verrilli 22
M — Newman 28 pass from Bradley (Verrilli kick)
M — Bradley 1 run (Verrilli kick)
SC — Harper 11 run (McKinney pass from Harper)
M — Ellis 12 run (Verrilli kick)
Att. — 62,785

	<u>MU</u>	<u>SC</u>
First Downs	17	20
Rushes-Yards	52-209	47-142
Passing Yards	72	121
Return Yards	8	1
Passes	7-11-0	13-20-1
Punts-Avg.	6-44.3	6-35
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-50	1-16

RUSHING — MU: Wilder 24-95, Ellis 12-81. USC: Rogers 15-133, Clark 10-48.
PASSING — MU: Bradley 7-11-0-72. USC: Harper 13-19-1-121.
RECEIVING — MU: Blair 2-22, Gibler 2-21. USC: McKinney 5-87, Rogers 3-18.

1980 Liberty Bowl
Purdue 28,
Missouri 25
Liberty Bowl — Memphis, Tenn.

An 8-3 Tigers squad earned its second Liberty Bowl berth in three years under Coach Warren Powers following a 31-6 shellacking of Kansas, also the third straight year Mizzou had downed the Jayhawks.

The Tigers started the 1980 season quickly at 6-1, but in the Liberty Bowl it was a slow start which doomed the Tigers and allowed Purdue to walk away with a 28-25 victory. All-America quarterback Mark Hermann started anything but slowly in leading Purdue to a 21-12 halftime lead with three touchdown passes of eight, 43 and five yards.

By the time Missouri had its second first down, the Tigers trailed 14-0. Powers then called a reverse on the ensuing kickoff and Ron Fellows turned it into a 92-yard touchdown. The extra point was no good and the Tigers trailed 14-6. James Wilder scored from a yard out, but when the two-point conversion missed, Mizzou lost its only chance to draw even in the game and trailed 14-12.

After halftime, Hermann threw his last touchdown, his second to Bart Burrell and the Boilermakers were up 28-12. With just under 13 minutes left, Mizzou had a chance to cut the deficit to six with first and goal at the six. Wilder though was stopped on fourth down at the one and the Tigers got no points.

The Tigers managed a 10-point flurry which included

a safety and were within 28-25 with 5:05 to play. But the next time Phil Bradley and the offense touched the ball, it was on their own six with 1:16 to play and they could do nothing about it.

The Boilermakers sent the Tigers home at 8-4, thus ruining Mizzou's chance at its first nine-win season in 11 years.

MISSOURI 0 12 3 10 — 25
PURDUE 7 14 7 0 — 28

P — Burrell 8 pass from Hermann (Anderson kick)
P — Bryant 43 pass from Hermann (Anderson kick)
M — Fellows 92 kickoff return (kick failed)
M — Wilder 1 run (pass failed)
P — Young 5 pass from Hermann (Anderson kick)
P — Burrell 27 pass from Hermann (Anderson kick)
M — FG Verrilli 45
M — Safety, Hermann downed ball in end zone
M — Hill 1 run (Hornof pass from Bradley)
Att. — 35,667

	<u>MU</u>	<u>UP</u>
First Downs	17	18
Rushes Yards	36-103	41-124
Passing Yards	210	289
Return Yards	1	28
Passes	16-29-1	22-28-0
Punts Avg.	6-43.8	6-34
Fumbles Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties Yards	1-5	5-31

RUSHING — MU: Hill 9-54, Wilder 16-49, Mack 1-2, Shorthose 1-1, Bradley 9-(-3). P: McCall 17-85, Macon 16-69, Smith 2-3, Hermann 6-(-33).
PASSING — MU: Bradley 16-29-1-210. P: Hermann 22-28-0-289.
RECEIVING — MU: Blair 3-62, Hill 3-48, Fellows 3-35, Gibler 5-63, Wilder 2-2. P: Burrell 8-113, McCall 6-38, Bryant 4-86, Young 3-42, Smith 1-10.

1981 Tangerine Bowl
Missouri 19,
Southern Mississippi 17
Tangerine Bowl — Orlando, Fla.

The outcome of the 1981 Tangerine Bowl hinged largely on the leg of one player — Tiger kicker Bob Lucchesi. A sophomore walk-on, he had struggled even with extra points early in the season, but responded brilliantly in the bowl game. He hit an MU and Tangerine Bowl record-tying four field goals to propel Mizzou, 8-4, to a 19-17 win. For his efforts, Lucchesi earned the game's Most Outstanding Offensive Player award.

Lucchesi, though, was not Mizzou's only standout. Jeff Gaylord, the game's Most Valuable Player, led a stellar defensive effort. Missouri's defense held Southern Miss quarterback Reggie Collier, the first Division I quarterback to rush and pass for 1,000

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yards in the same season, to 70 yards of total offense—16 rushing and 54 passing.

Bobby Meyer, who led all players with 96 yards rushing, scored Missouri's only touchdown, with a three-yard run late in the first quarter. MU led 7-0 and never trailed. After the teams traded field goals, Lucchesi hit from 41 yards in the first half's final seconds for a 13-3 Tiger advantage.

Two more Lucchesi field goals were just enough for Missouri to withstand touchdowns by two of Southern Mississippi's future pro stars — running back Sammy Winder and wide receiver Louis Lipps.

Following Lipps' TD, a 74-yard reception from backup quarterback Davy Sellers, the Golden Eagles trailed just 19-17 with 1:03 to play. But the Tigers' Tony Davis expected the ensuing onside kick and recovered it, killing the Golden Eagle comeback two points short.

MISSOURI	7	6	3	3	—	19
S. MISS.	0	3	7	7	—	17

M — Meyer 3 run (Lucchesi kick)

SM — FG Clark 37

M — FG Lucchesi 45

M — FG Lucchesi 41

SM — Winder 4 run (Clark kick)

M — FG Lucchesi 30

M — FG Lucchesi 28

SM — Lipps 74 pass from Sellers (Clark kick)

Att. — 50,450

	MU	USM
First Downs	15	16
Rushes-Yards	44-164	52-133
Passing Yards	141	128
Return Yards	8	25
Passes	10-22-1	6-20-0
Punts-Avg.	7-35.9	8-34.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	7-50	6-58

RUSHING — MU: Meyer 20-96, B. White 18-62, Shorthose 3-11. USM: Winder 13-50, Terrell 9-44, Floyd 7-23, Collier 20-16.

PASSING — MU: Perry 10-22-1-141. USM: Collier 5-17-0-54, Sellers 1-3-0-74.

RECEIVING — MU: Caver 4-65, Meyer 3-11, Gibler 1-38, B. White 1-20, Thomas 1-7. USM: Powell 2-26, Floyd 2-18, Lipps 1-74, Means 1-20.

1983 Holiday Bowl

BYU 21,

Missouri 17

Jack Murphy Stadium — San Diego, Calif.

The 1983 Holiday Bowl was a clash of two conflicting styles. Missouri, led by sophomore fullback Eric Drain and walk-on quarterback Marlon Adler, boasted a tough running game

and a feared defense. Brigham Young, on the other hand had highly touted Steve Young at quarterback with 4,216 yards passing and a bag of tricks. In the end, it was the last trick out of the bag which gave BYU a 21-17 victory.

In a see-saw game which saw four lead changes, Missouri held a 17-14 lead and the ball on fourth down at the Cougar 7. The clock showed 3:57 left in the game. Drain, the offensive player of the game with 115 yards rushing and both Mizzou touchdowns, got the call and was stopped short. Still the Cougars had 93 yards to go to win the game.

After defensive player of the game Bobby Bell sacked Young, his fourth sack of the game, on second down, Tiger hopes were high. They went down quickly on the next play, when Young lofted a pass to Mike Eddo for 53 of BYU's 328 passing yards.

The most important yards, though, were yet to come. On fourth and 10 from the MU 25, Young completed a 11-yard strike. Then came the razzle-dazzle.

After throwing for 314 yards in the game, Steve Young suddenly assumed a new role, but one at which he was equally successful. Young became a receiver. As he pitched to halfback Eddie Stinnett, Young went out on a pass pattern. Stinnett floated a pass just over the reach of Missouri's Bell and into Young's waiting arms for the winning touchdown with 23 seconds left.

Despite 314 yards passing from Young, Mizzou contained the Cougar quarterback for most of the game. They sacked him five times and intercepted him three. But in the end, it was Young's pass catching, not throwing, that did in the Tigers.

Mizzou had a chance earlier to pad its lead, but freshman Jon Redd coughed up the ball twice, once at the Cougar three and once at the Tiger 32. The Cougars converted the second fumble into a touchdown to stay within striking distance.

MISSOURI	7	3	0	7	—	17
BYU	0	7	7	7	—	21

M — Drain 2 run (Burditt kick)

BY — Young 10 run (Johnson kick)

M — FG Burditt 37

BY — Stinnett 33 pass from Young (Johnson kick)

M — Drain 2 run (Burditt kick)

BY — Young 14 pass from Stinnett (Johnson kick)

Att. — 51,480

	MU	BYU
First Downs	19	23
Rushes Yards	64-252	25-42
Passing Yards	86	328
Return Yards	20	37
Passes	7-16-2	25-37-3
Punts-Avg.	5-36.8	3-42.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-78	3-25

RUSHING — MU: Drain 27-115, Redd 16-68, Adler 9-33, Seitz 6-26, Barbosa 4-6, Boyd 1-5, Thomas 1-(-1). BYU: Tiumalu 11-57, Stinnett 1-2, Young 12-(-10), Kozlowski 1-(-10).

PASSING — MU: Seitz 4-7-1-49, Adler 3-9-1-21. BYU: Young 24-36-3-314, Stinnett 1-1-0-14.

RECEIVING — MU: Shorthose 4-50, Drain 1-21, White 1-8, Krah 1-7. BYU: Stinnett 5-60, Tiumalu 4-33, Haysbert 3-53, Harper 3-36, Kozlowski 3-28, Hamilton 3-24, Eddo 2-70, Young 1-14, Pendleton 1-10.

1997 Plymouth Holiday Bowl

Colorado State 35, Missouri 24

Qualcomm Stadium — San Diego, Calif.

The Missouri Tigers dodged deficiencies in their kicking game all season, but when the school's first bowl victory since 1981 was on the line, those problems swung the game's momentum in the direction of the Colorado State Rams.

The 20th Plymouth Holiday Bowl eventually turned on a punt return, a fumbled punt, and a fake field goal that enabled the WAC-champion Rams to win a 35-24 decision.

After all-WAC quarterback Moses Moreno marched CSU to a touchdown on its first possession of the game, the Tigers got it in gear. A 65-yard drive to the CSU 15-yard line, highlighted by a 34-yard run by Corby Jones, culminated in a 32-yard FG by Scott Knickman.

In the second quarter, Missouri took the lead, first converting a fumble recovery by Donnell Jones into a short TD march that led to a four-yard scoring run by Corby Jones, then producing a 75-yard, all-on-the-ground drive that ended with a seven-yard touchdown run by Ernest Blackwell. Along the way, tailback Devin West got outside for a 40-yard gain.

In between the two MU touchdowns, Moreno passed 22 yards to Corey McCoy for a touchdown, but Missouri held a 17-14 halftime lead.

The second half, though, started ominously for MU. Ricky Ross fumbled the kickoff and the Tigers had to begin their first possession at their own 10-yard line. A 22-yard Jones-to-Kent Layman pass seemed to spark the Tigers, but the drive stalled near mid-field. Vince Sebo, who in the first half had kicked a Holiday Bowl-record 61-yard punt, booted the ball away to CSU's Darran Hall.

He took the ball at the 15-yard line, and avoided a tackle by Mizzou's Shad Criss — many thought that Criss was clipped — then sped untouched 85 yards for a back-breaking touchdown.

Just over two minutes later, the Rams padded their lead on a 47-yard Moreno-to-Dallas Davis touchdown pass. That followed a 31-yard run by tailback Damon Washington.

Missouri closed to within 28-24 on its next possession. Jones gained 48 of the drive's 55 yards with a pair of runs, then MU career rushing king Brock Olivo stuck it in the endzone from three yards out.

Seemingly with the momentum back on their side, the Tigers were eager to begin the fourth quarter. MU held the Rams on three downs and were ready to accept a punt.

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

But Mizzou's Ross fumbled at his own 25-yard line and Ula Tuitele recovered at the 23. Again, the Tiger defense stiffened. Barry Odom stopped Moreno for a loss of two, then a holding penalty shoved the Rams back to the 42-yard line. A 19-yard pass from Moreno to Davis, and an incomplete pass, left Colorado State with a fourth-and-10 situation at the Missouri 23-yard line. Allowing a field goal would be a moral victory for the Tigers who would then trail by only a touchdown with nearly 11 minutes to play.

But CSU Coach Sonny Lubick chose to roll the dice. Holder Ryan Eslinger picked up the snap and ran up the middle 23-yards for a touchdown that surprised everyone. Now trailing 35-24, the Tigers had to discard their running game.

Missouri managed one late drive in the final minutes, but Jones' final pass was intercepted at the 11-yard line and Colorado State ran out the clock.

Colorado State's Hall, a San Diego native playing in front of his hometown fans, was the game's MVP. In addition to his 85-yard punt return, he rushed once for 14 yards, caught four passes for 20 yards, and returned three kickoffs for 79 yards.

The Tigers gained 314 yards on the ground, including 132 from Jones and 104 from West, but their passing game lacked rhythm. A lengthy layoff since their last game (Nov. 15) was a big factor. Jones completed just 7-of-17 passes for 68 yards.

The experience, though, was good for the Tigers, who hadn't been to a bowl game since 1983. Sixteen returning starters for the 1998 campaign left an air of optimism with the Tiger faithful, who turned out strong in San Diego.

And Larry Smith knew what a prime emphasis would be during spring practice — special teams.

COLO. ST.	7	7	14	7	—	35
MISSOURI	3	14	7	0	—	24

CS — Hall 14 run (Franz kick)

MU — 32 Knickman FG

MU — Jones 3 run (Knickman kick)

CS — McCoy 22 pass from Moreno (Franz kick)

MU — Blackwell 7 run (Knickman kick)

CS — Hall 85 punt return (Franz kick)

CS — Davis 47 pass from Moreno (Franz kick)

MU — Olivo 3 run (Knickman kick)

CS — Eslinger 23 run (Franz kick)

ATT — 50,761

TEAM STATISTICS

	<u>CSU</u>	<u>MU</u>
First downs	22	17
Rushes-Yards	43-214	46-314
Passing	18-24-0	7-17-1
Passing Yards	206	68
Total Offense	420	382
Return Yards	90	0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	5-59	5-39
Third Down Conv.	5-12	7-17
Time of Possession	32:42	27:18

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING — **CS**: McGougal 18-110, Washington 16-83, Hall 1-14, Moreno 7-(-16), Eslinger 1-23. **MU**:

Jones 20-132, West 11-104, Olivo 7-38, Blackwell 6-31, Janes 2-9.

PASSING — **CS**: Moreno 18-24-0-206. **MU**: Jones 7-17-1-68.

RECEIVING—**CS**: Davis 6-115, Hall 4-20, McCoy 2-33, P. Turner 2-16, McDougal 1-12, Workman 1-7, G. Turner 1-3, Washington 1-0. **MU**: Brooks 2-26, Olivo 2-9, Layman 1-22, West 1-9, Blackwell 1-2.

1998 Insight.com Bowl

Missouri 34,

West Virginia 31

Arizona Stadium — Tucson, Ariz.

West Virginia couldn't quite keep up with the Joneses in the 1998 Insight.com Bowl.

Corby Jones rushed for three touchdowns and Julian Jones intercepted a pass and blocked a punt for a safety as Missouri (8-4; unranked ESPN/USA Today, No. 23 AP) held on to beat the Mountaineers (No. 25 ESPN/USA Today, unranked AP) 34-31.

"There's not much you can say," said Corby Jones, whose father Curtis, a Missouri assistant coach, died of a heart attack in July. "We just did this for my dad and for the team."

Julian Jones, who also had 10 unassisted tackles and a 39-yard free kick return that helped set up a score, was named the game's outstanding player.

"Julian played a fantastic game," Missouri coach Larry Smith said. "There he was thrown into a tough position, and he responded." The sophomore started at cornerback because senior Wade Perkins was suspended for the game for unspecified team rule violations.

"I was sad for Wade because I knew it would have been his last game," Julian Jones said. "I tried to come in and do the things that he would have done for our team, because he is a big-time player."

West Virginia's Marc Bulger completed 34 of 50 passes, both Insight.com Bowl records, for a school-record 429 yards and four second-half touchdowns to bring the Mountaineers back from a 21-point deficit. Bulger's four touchdown passes tied an Insight.com Bowl record. His leading receiver, Sean Foreman, caught an Insight.com record 11 passes for 189 yards.

Bulger's 9-yard scoring pass to Amos Zereoue cut Missouri's lead to 31-24 with 10:27 to play, and his 1-yard touchdown toss to David Saunders made it 34-31 with 2:11 to play.

But Missouri's Dwayne Blakley recovered the onside kick attempt and the Tigers ran out the clock.

West Virginia (8-4) lost its eighth consecutive bowl game, tying South Carolina's NCAA Division I record.

Corby Jones and Devin West, in their final collegiate game, led a 76-yard, 14-play fourth-quarter drive that consumed 6:43 before stalling at the West Virginia 1. Brian Long's 18-yard field goal with 3:44 to go put the Tigers up 34-24. A facemask personal foul penalty kept the drive going.

"That really, really put it to us," said West Virginia coach Don Nehlen, who didn't like the call. "But there's not much I can say. We didn't play very well early. We dug ourselves a hole. We made mistakes, and then the penalties."

West, the No. 5 rusher in Division I-A who was held in check most of the night, pounded West Virginia's defense for 46 yards in 12 carries in the critical drive. He finished with 125 yards in 31 attempts. Zereoue, the nation's No. 6 rusher, managed just 32 yards in 22 carries.

Special teams dominated much of the game. Missouri's Jeff Marriott blocked a field goal attempt and Carlos Posey returned the ball 70 yards for a score, West Virginia's Boo Sensabaugh blocked a punt to set up a Mountaineers' score, then Ricardo Rhodes returned a kickoff 60 yards to set up a Missouri touchdown.

The Tigers, who appeared in their first bowl game in 13 years in 1997, won a postseason game for the first time since the 1981 Tangerine Bowl.

Missouri took a 7-0 lead with 9:17 left in the first quarter when Marriott blocked a field goal try for the second time this season, a 48-yard attempt by West Virginia's Jay Taylor, who had been bothered by a hip injury all year. Posey scooped up the ball near the sidelines and raced untouched for the score.

On West Virginia's second possession, Bulger's pass bounced off wide receiver Khorl Ivy's hands and was intercepted by Julian Jones at the Missouri 42. It was the first career interception for Jones.

Missouri led 24-3 at the break and 31-10 with 5:11 left in the third quarter.

W. VIRGINIA	0	3	14	14	—	31
MISSOURI	14	10	7	3	—	34

M — Posey 70 return of blocked field goal (Long kick)

M — C. Jones 9 run (Long kick)

WV — FG Taylor 28

M — Safety (J. Jones blocked punt out of end zone)

M — C. Jones 2 run (Layman pass from Jones)

WV — Saunders 9 pass from Bulger (Taylor kick)

M — C. Jones 11 run (Long kick)

WV — Ivy 8 pass from Bulger (Taylor kick)

WV — Zereoue 9 pass from Bulger (Taylor kick)

M — FG Long 18

WV — Saunders 1 pass from Bulger (Taylor kick)

ATT — 36,147

TEAM STATISTICS

	<u>WV</u>	<u>MU</u>
First Downs	27	21
Rushes-Yards	26-39	53-197
Passing	35-51-2	8-12-0
Passing Yards	452	130
Total Offense	491	327
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-7	2-9
Return Yards	4	78
Punts-Average	2-25.5	5-32.6

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	6-60	4-29
Third-Down Conversions	7-14	6-12
Time of Possession	27:41	32:19

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING – WV: Zereoue 22-32, Greene 1-12, Saunders 1-0, Bulger 2-(-5). **MU:** D. West 31-125, C. Jones 18-51, Dausman 1-9, Layman 1-8, R. West 2-4.

PASSING – WV: Bulger 50-34-2-429, Saunders 1-1-0-23. **MU:** C. Jones 12-8-0-130.

RECEIVING – WV: Foreman 11-189, Saunders 8-95, Becht 6-87, Greene 4-39, Zereoue 2-9, Brown 2-5, Ivy 1-8, A. Green 1-20. **MU:** Dausman 3-44, Wise 2-27, Brooks 2-25, Layman 1-23, Blakley 1-11.

2003 MainStay Independence Bowl

Arkansas 27

Missouri 14

Independence Stadium — Shreveport, La.

Cedric Cobbs ran for 141 yards, including a 41-yard touchdown, to help the Razorbacks end a three-game bowl losing streak with a 27-14 victory over Missouri in the Independence Bowl.

Arkansas' defense made two key fourth-and-1 stops, one of them at the goal line, as the Razorbacks won for only the second time in their last 12 bowl games.

"It gets the monkey off our back," Nutt said. "You know what, we won a bowl game and a very good bowl game. We beat a good team, we really did."

Chris Balseiro kicked four short field goals, an Independence Bowl record, as Arkansas (9-4) rebounded from a 31-point loss to LSU in the regular-season finale. Arkansas' 300 yards rushing also was an Independence record.

Backup DeCari Birmingham added 85 yards on 10 carries and quarterback Matt Jones had 74 yards on seven carries.

"We just ran the ball," Jones said. "We knew their rush defense wasn't sophisticated, and that we could run against it."

The Razorbacks likely benefited from a largely pro-Arkansas crowd. That state's border is only 30 miles away, and there were about twice as many Arkansas supporters as there were for Missouri.

Special teams was a problem area for Missouri (8-5), which lost 41 yards to its own 3 after a high snap went over punter Brock Harvey's head - essentially handing the Razorbacks a touchdown. Arkansas' Tom Crowder intercepted a fake field pass by holder and backup quarterback Sonny Riccio on the last play of the first half, and Crowder also blocked a punt in the fourth quarter.

"That's very uncharacteristic of one of my teams," coach Gary Pinkel said. "I'm embarrassed. I take a lot of pride in the

product we put out there."

Brad Smith of Missouri had 155 yards passing and 96 yards rushing to set the school career total yardage record in just his second season. He scored on a 5-yard run late in the third quarter to cut the gap to 10 points. But he fell 23 yards short of becoming the first player in NCAA history to pass for 2,000 yards and run for 1,000 in two seasons.

Zack Abron added 137 yards on 19 carries for Missouri, making its first bowl appearance in five years and only the school's third in 20 seasons.

The Tigers had a 407-385 edge in total yardage, but didn't have a lot to show for their 407 total yards.

"I know everybody wanted to win this game," Smith said. "I guess we needed a little extra focus and determination to get the job done."

Cobbs set a school record with his seventh 100-yard rushing game this season - the 11th of an injury-plagued career. He's totaled 460 yards in his last three games, and was named the game's offensive MVP.

The only time he was touched on his second-quarter scoring run was when he collided with Jones on the handoff. He ran for 99 yards in the first half to help Arkansas take a 21-7 lead.

"I think this definitely puts a stamp on everything for me that I can run for 100 yards against anybody," Cobbs said. "We wanted to go out there and be mistake-free, and we did that."

Missouri was hurt when it came up empty on consecutive 10-play drives, one at the end of the first half and another at the start of the third quarter.

Freshmen Keith Jackson Jr. and Jeremy Harrell stuffed Abron on fourth-and-1 at the Razorbacks 12 with 1:59 left. Then Lerinezo Robinson intercepted a rollout pass from Smith on fourth-and-goal from the 1 as Arkansas preserved its 21-7 lead.

During the regular season, Missouri was 13-for-15 on fourth-and-1. The Tigers also were thwarted on fourth-and-goal from the 8 with about five minutes to go.

"If you make it, it's a great call," Pinkel said. "I think the fake field goal was just what we needed. I don't second-guess myself."

Missouri led 7-6 when Zach Strom's snap sailed high above the head of Harvey and rolled to the Tigers 3. Jones slipped two would-be tacklers on a 1-yard run three plays later, and his conversion pass to George Wilson put the Razorbacks ahead to stay at 14-7.

Arkansas scored on consecutive plays, making it 21-7, as Cobbs scored following a three-and-out for Missouri.

Balseiro was 4-for-4 on field goals, connecting from 33, 28, 25 and 24 yards. Balseiro didn't get the kicking job until the fourth game of the year and finished 11-for-15 on field goal attempts.

ARKANSAS	3	18	3	3	—	27
MISSOURI	7	0	7	0	—	14

ARK — FG Balseiro 33
M — Abron 1 run (Matheny kick)
ARK — FG Balseiro 28
ARK — Jones 1 run (Wilson pass from Jones)
ARK — Cobbs 41 run (Balseiro kick)
ARK — FG Balseiro 25
M — Smith 5 run (Matheny kick)
ARK — FG Balseiro 24
ATT — 49,625

TEAM STATISTICS

	ARK	MU
First Downs	19	25
Rushes-Yards	47-300	49-252
Passing	9-18-0	17-31-2
Passing Yards	85	155
Total Offense	385	407
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-8	0-0
Return Yards	101	118
Punts-Average	4-30.0	3-25.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	3-26	5-35
Third-Down Conversions	4-14	6-15
Time of Possession	30:24	29:36

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING – ARK: Cobbs 27-141, Birmingham 10-85, Jones 7-74, Howard 2-2, Washington 2-(-2). **MU:** Abron 19-137, Smith 20-96, Nash 9-60.

PASSING – ARK: Jones 14-6-0-49, Sorahan 3-3-0-36, Washington 1-0-0-0. **MU:** Smith 30-17-1-155, Riccio 1-0-1-0.

RECEIVING – ARK: Smith 3-29, Wilson 3-25, Harris 1-13, Peters 1-11, Cobbs 1-7. **MU:** Omboga 8-63, Coffey 4-68, Outlaw 1-19, James 1-9, Matthews 1-4, Abron 1-1, Droege 1-(-9).

2005 Independence Bowl

Missouri 38

South Carolina 31

Independence Stadium — Shreveport, La.

As Brad Smith goes, so goes Missouri, or so the theory goes.

South Carolina knew that and the game plan of keeping Smith in check worked great - but only for awhile, anyway.

Then, the Missouri quarterback broke loose, as he has done so often in his career, rushing for three touchdowns - including a 1-yarder in the final minutes - and passing for another to rally the Tigers for a 38-31 victory over the Gamecocks in the Independence Bowl on Friday.

"It wasn't anything magical," Smith said. "We just played within our system."

Smith, who rushed for 1,151 yards and passed for 2,022 this season, accounted for 431 yards of Missouri's 504 yards as the Tigers staged their biggest comeback win in school history.

Missouri (7-5) trailed 21-0 after the first quarter as Steve Spurrier's Gamecocks dominated the early going. South

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

Carolina (7-5) outgained Missouri 312 yards to 174 in the first half and held the football almost 11 minutes longer (20:02-9:58)

"We knew he was an excellent quarterback," Spurrier said. "We had him hemmed in in the first half, but we weren't good enough to do it the whole game."

The Tigers didn't convert a third-down until the final 58 seconds of the half.

Smith completed 21 of 37 passes for 282 yards, with one touchdown and an interception. He passed for 200 or more yards for the 18th time. He also ran for 150 yards and three touchdowns on 21 carries.

"I was trying to make too much," Smith said. "At the end of the second quarter I was able to make something happen and get my timing down."

The Gamecocks needed less than 3 minutes to go 80 yards for their first score. Blake Mitchell's 23-yard pass to Sidney Rice put Carolina up 7-0. Rice finished with 12 receptions for 191 yards.

Tony Temple fumbled on Missouri's first play and South Carolina's Ricardo Hurley scooped up the ball. Four plays later Mike Davis, who ran for 125 yards on 18 carries, scored on a 5-yard run for a 14-0 lead.

The Gamecocks' third scoring drive covered 69 yards in 1:59. This time Mitchell, who completed 20 of 38 passes for 266 yards, hit Carson Askins with a 20-yard scoring pass to make it 21-0. Mitchell passed for two touchdowns, and was intercepted three times.

"Twenty-one-nothing is no safe lead for us," Spurrier said.

Marcus King gave Missouri its first points, grabbing Mitchell's pass at the goal line and returning it 99 yards to make it 21-7 in the second quarter. That was an MU and Independence Bowl record for longest interception return.

After Davis' 2-yard TD run gave the Gamecocks a 28-7 lead, Missouri staged its first long drive of the game. The Tigers went 77 yards and Smith hit Chase Coffman with a 5-yard touchdown pass to make it 28-14 at halftime. Coffman finished with eight catches for 99 yards — both MU single-game bowl records.

On their first drive of the third quarter, Missouri faked a field goal at the Carolina 14. Martin Rucker ran to the 1-yard line, but the Tigers couldn't push it in and Adam Crossett's 22-yard field goal attempt sailed wide right.

Smith pulled Missouri to 28-21 with a 31-yard run with 2:41 left in the third quarter.

Another apparent Missouri touchdown was nullified by a 15-yard tripping penalty. Smith finally got the score on a 4-yard run that tied the score at 28 early in the fourth quarter.

Crossett kicked an MU-record length 50-yard field goal to put the Tigers up 31-28, but Josh Brown countered with a 30 yarder that tied it at 31-all.

Then, with 2:13 remaining, Smith sealed the Missouri win with a 1-yard TD run.

"It shows us no matter where we are or who we play, we can stay with them," Missouri safety David Overstreet

said. "We spotted them 21 points. To go out and get the win is great for everyone's confidence."

S.CAROLINA 21 7 0 3 — 31
MISSOURI 0 14 7 17 — 38

SC — Rice 23 pass from Mitchell (Brown kick)
SC — Davis 5 run (Brown kick)
SC — Askins 20 pass from Mitchell (Brown kick)
MU — King 99 interception return (Crossett kick)
SC — Davis 2 run (Brown kick)
MU — Smith 31 run (Crossett kick)
MU — Smith 4 run (Crossett kick)
MU — FG Crossett 50
SC — FG Brown 30
MU — Smith 1 run (Crossett kick)
ATT — 41,332

TEAM STATISTICS

	S.CAR.	MU
First Downs	21	21
Rushes-Yards	32-142	40-203
Passing	20-83-3	23-43-1
Passing Yards	266	301
Total Offense	408	504
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-8	0-0
Return Yards	206	141
Punts-Average	6-40.0	5-45.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-52	8-87
Third-Down Conv.	5-13	6-19
Time of Possession	31:19	28:41

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING — SC: Davis 18-125, Wallace 7-14, Heffner 2-8, Mitchell 3-(-1), Clark 1 (-4). **MU:** Smith 21-150, Temple 11-29, Goldsmith 2-12, Jackson 4-7, Daniel 2-5.

PASSING — SC: Mitchell 20-38-3-266. **MU:** Smith 21-37-1-282, Daniel 1-4-0-6, Ekwerekwu 1-2-0-13.

RECEIVING — SC: Rice 12-191, Davis 3-11, Wallace 2-12, Askins 1-20, Clark 1-20, McKinley 1-12. **MU:** Coffman 8-99, Rucker 5-83, Franklin 3-56, Ekwerekwu 3-29, Temple 2-16, Saunders 1-10, Jackson 1-8.

2006 Sun Bowl

Oregon State 39

Missouri 38

Sun Bowl Stadium — El Paso, Texas

Yvenson Bernard barely pushed into the end zone on a gutsy 2-point conversion run after Joe Newton caught a 14-yard touchdown pass with 22.1 seconds left, and No. 24 Oregon State rallied to beat Missouri 39-38 in the Sun Bowl.

Oregon State coach Mike Riley was set to take his chances in overtime at the Sun Bowl.

Then Missouri called timeout to have Joe Newton's 14-yard touchdown catch with 22.1 seconds to go reviewed, believing he may have bobbled the ball. During that break, Riley decided to go for the win.

Yvenson Bernard barely pushed into the end zone on the gutsy 2-point conversion run, giving the 24th-ranked Beavers a 39-38 victory over the Tigers.

"Like in a card game at the end, we were all-in," Riley said. "We put all of our chips on the table. These guys made it happen."

The Beavers (10-4) trailed by 14 points with 12:08 to go before rallying for their eighth victory in nine games. Bernard's 7-yard reception had cut the gap to seven with 6:02 to go.

Mizzou's Tony Temple had 194 yards, four short of the Sun Bowl record, on 20 carries with two touchdowns and Chase Daniel threw two touchdown passes for Missouri (8-5). The Tigers lost the game despite 561 yards of total offense.

Temple missed setting a Sun Bowl record for rushing, 197 yards by Charles Alexander of LSU in 1977, after losing 4 yards on his final carry.

"A lot of positive things," coach Gary Pinkel said. "Obviously, the locker room is a tough place to be right now."

It was no surprise to Daniel that Oregon State decided to go for broke. He was on the phone with quarterbacks coach Dave Yost talking strategy for what Missouri might do if the Beavers scored.

"It's bowl season, what do you have to lose?" said Daniel, who averaged 20 yards per completion, going 16-for-29 for 330 yards. "I just had a feeling they were going to go for two."

Matt Moore threw four touchdown passes and ran for a fifth for Oregon State, which helped produce the second-highest scoring game in the Sun Bowl's 73-year history. He was 5-for-7 for 55 yards on the winning drive, set up after Sammie Stroughter's 38-yard punt return to the Oregon State 46.

Missouri had seven plays of 29 yards or longer, including Danario Alexander's 74-yard touchdown catch and Temple's 65-yard run. Missouri responded after Newton's first touchdown catch on Oregon State's opening drive of the second half cut the Tigers' lead to 21-17.

Tommy Saunders' 29-yard TD catch from tight end Chase Coffman off a lateral gave the lead back to Missouri and

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

Temple's 65-yard untouched touchdown run seemingly put the Tigers in control at 31-21 with 5:58 in the third.

Missouri was on the other end of a big bowl comeback last year, rallying behind quarterback Brad Smith from a 21-point deficit to beat South Carolina 38-31 in the Independence Bowl.

Moore was 31-for-54 for 356 yards and set a school record of 182 passes without an interception before getting picked off by Brandon Massey in the third quarter. Oregon State retained possession on the play after Massey was stripped.

Oregon State prevailed despite a porous defense that allowed 98 points the last three games. Among Missouri's other big plays were a 40-yard catch by Coffman that led to Temple's 7-yard scoring run on the opening drive. A 47-yard run by Temple was followed by an 18-yard touchdown pass from Daniel to Coffman on the next play for a 38-24 lead with 12:08 left in the game.

OREGON ST. 14 0 7 18 — 39
MISSOURI 7 10 14 7 — 38

MU – Temple 7 run (Wolfert kick)
OSU – Stroughter 13 pass from Moore (Serna kick)
OSU – Moore 1 run (Serna kick)
MU – Wolfert 30 FG
MU – Alexander 74 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)
OSU – Newton 11 pass from Moore (Serna kick)
MU – Saunders 29 pass from Coffman (Wolfert kick)
MU – Temple 65 run (Wolfert kick)
OSU – Serna 29 FG
MU – Coffman 18 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)
OSU – Bernard 7 pass from Moore (Serna kick)
OSU – Newton 14 pass from Moore (Bernard run)
ATT – 48,732

TEAM STATISTICS

	OSU	MU
First Downs	30	21
Rushes-Yards	29-101	33-202
Passing	31-54-1	17-32-0
Passing Yards	356	359
Total Offense	457	561
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-16	3-23
Return Yards	101	10
Punts-Average	5-42.6	5-38.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	2-15	1-15
Third-Down Conv.	6-15	5-13
Time of Possession	33:35	26:25

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING – **OSU**: Bernard 23-113, Jackson 1-16, Moore 5-(-12). **MU**: Temple 20-194, Perry 3-13, Rucker 1-9, Daniel 9-(-14).

PASSING – **OSU**: Moore 31-54-1-356. **MU**: Daniel 16-29-0-330, Coffman 1-1-0-29, Saunders 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING – **OSU**: Stroughter 8-87, Bernard 8-69, Newton 6-74. **MU**: Rucker 6-67, Coffman 5-83, Ekwerekwu 2-79, Saunders 2-40, Alexander 1-74, Perry 1-16.

2008 Cotton Bowl

Missouri 38

Arkansas 7

Cotton Bowl Stadium — Dallas, Texas

Colorful confetti flip-flopping around him, fans in black and gold chanting his name, Tony Temple and his Missouri teammates were basking in a terrific ending to a magical season.

Only one thing was wrong - the setting. See, this was the Cotton Bowl, not the national championship game they were a win away from reaching, and it wasn't the Orange, Fiesta or Sugar Bowl like they thought they deserved.

Motivated instead of deflated, the guys from the "Show-Me State" did their best to prove they belonged in the BCS by routing Darren McFadden and Arkansas 38-7.

"We were upset for a couple of days," said Martin Rucker, Missouri's All-American tight end. "We just felt we'd deserved, we'd earned to be in the BCS. But the Cotton Bowl is a great bowl and we were honored to be in it."

Mizzou (12-2) was ranked No. 1 after beating Kansas in the regular season finale, then lost to Oklahoma in the Big 12 title game - then the Jayhawks wound up with an at-large berth into the Orange Bowl.

Coach Gary Pinkel kept his team's spirits up by having them put together a list of reasons why Dallas was a great place to spend New Year's Day. Recruiting and appealing their largest out-of-state alumni base likely were near the top.

"They found out what a great game the Cotton Bowl is and then embraced it," Pinkel said.

Properly focused, the only thing left for the Tigers was figuring out that No. 25 Arkansas (8-5) had loaded its defense with cornerbacks and safeties to neutralize Missouri's Heisman Trophy finalist quarterback, Chase Daniel.

Temple cracked the code pretty early, finding no linebackers after he broke the line of scrimmage in the first half. He had three carries of 22 yards, a 38-yarder and a 41-yarder as part of his 159 yards and two touchdowns by halftime.

Temple pulled a hamstring in the third quarter and missed several series, but said he was ready to return about the same time Pinkel heard that Temple was close to the record.

He went back for just one play - a spinning, tackle-breaking 40-yard run into the end zone, then rode back to the bench on the arms of Daniel and offensive lineman Tyler Luellen. The lift was part-celebration, part-transportation because Temple tweaked his hamstring around the 5-yard line.

"It was one of the best runs I've ever seen," Daniel said. "That was awesome."

Daniel was 12-of-29 for a season-low 136 yards with an interception. It was his second straight game without a touchdown pass, but he didn't care because handing off to Temple was the way to go. Daniel enjoyed it so much that he expects to be chastised by coaches for turning into a spectator; he stopped pretending to have the ball after handoffs to stand

still and watch.

Temple's final run broke the Cotton Bowl rushing record of 265 yards set by Rice's Dicky Maegle in 1954, a performance that's best remembered for him being awarded a touchdown when Alabama's Tommy Lewis came off the bench and tackled him on a breakaway run.

Maegle had three touchdowns in that game, as did Texas' Bobby Layne in 1946 and Syracuse's Jim Brown in 1957.

Now put Temple's name above theirs in the record book.

McFadden ran 21 times for 105 yards and a touchdown, but didn't play the fourth quarter. The Heisman finalist pushed his single-season total to 1,830 yards and his career total to 4,590. Both are school records and second to Herschel Walker in SEC history.

The rest of the Razorbacks made a horrible first impression on incoming coach Bobby Petrino, from the defense allowing the most yards rushing by a single player to having five turnovers - an interception returned for a touchdown and four fumbles.

Freshman kicker Alex Tejada came in perfect on kicks of 40 yards or less, but missed from 35 and 37. In between, a successful fake punt was wiped out because someone called timeout just before the snap; the Razorbacks tried the play again and lost a yard. Then a squib kick to open the second half backfired.

The final offensive play summed things up: Interim coach Reggie Herring ran about 20 yards asking for a time out, but didn't get it and a fourth-down pass was dropped in the end zone.

"The way we played, we couldn't have beat anyone," said Herring, who had been defensive coordinator until Houston Nutt stepped down in late November. "We did everything poorly. I'm embarrassed right now."

Teams with interim coaches are now 0-5 this bowl season, with West Virginia left to go. SEC teams had been 5-0 until Arkansas' loss.

At least the Hogs looked good. They wore all-red uniforms for the first time, a tribute to outgoing program icon Frank Broyles.

Broyles, whose 50-year tenure ended Monday, led Arkansas fans in spirited chants of "Pig! Soovie!" prior to kickoff. That turned out to be one of the few things they had to cheer all afternoon.

MIZZOU BOWL GAME HISTORY

MIZZOU BOWL RECAPS

MISSOURI 7 7 14 10 — 38
ARKANSAS 0 0 7 0 — 7

MU – Temple 22 run (Wolfert kick)
MU – Temple 4 run (Wolfert kick)
MU – Temple 4 run (Wolfert kick)
MU – Moore 26 interception return (Wolfert kick)
ARK – McFadden 3 run (Tejada kick)
MU – Wolfert 32 FG
MU – Temple 40 run (Wolfert kick)
ATT – 73,114

TEAM STATISTICS

	MU	ARK
First Downs	23	19
Rushes-Yards	43-323	50-164
Passing	12-29-1	19-33-1
Passing Yards	136	197
Total Offense	459	361
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-13	3-26
Return Yards	31	182
Punts-Average	6-36.7	5-38.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	5-4
Penalties-Yards	6-53	6-50
Third-Down Conv.	6-13	4-18
Time of Possession	23:48	36:12

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING – MU: Temple 24-281, Jackson 5-39, Maclin 5-26, Woods 2-11, Washington 1-(-1), Daniel 5-(-31). **ARK:** McFadden 21-105, Jones 10-45, Hillis 5-20.

PASSING – MU: Daniel 12-29-1-136. **ARK:** Dick 19-32-1-197.

RECEIVING – MU: Franklin 5-77, Maclin 3-32, Rucker 3-19, Coffman 1-8. **ARK:** Hillis 5-52, Monk 4-28, Jones 3-65.

2008 Alamo Bowl

Missouri 30

Northwestern 23 (OT)

Alamodome — San Antonio, Texas

SAN ANTONIO - Chase Daniel's last game at Missouri ended with a fitting flourish.

The star quarterback threw a 7-yard touchdown pass to Jeremy Maclin in overtime and the Tigers rallied to beat Northwestern 30-23 in the Alamo Bowl on Monday night.

It was Daniel's first overtime game since leading Missouri to a 27-24 win over Iowa State as a freshman when he took over mid-game following an injury to Brad Smith.

Daniel had played sparingly at the end of a couple of games before that, but never when it counted.

"Never had an overtime game the rest of his career and he ends his career with an overtime win," coach Gary Pinkel said. "Pretty awesome."

After the 25th-ranked Tigers scored on the opening possession of overtime, their defense delivered, too. Missouri sacked a backpedaling C.J. Bacher, forcing a fumble that

left Northwestern with fourth-and-goal from the 32-yard line.

Bacher's desperation heave into the end zone was knocked down, and Daniel rushed off the sideline with his teammates to celebrate.

The win gave Missouri (10-4) double-digit victories in consecutive seasons for the first time in school history. The No. 22 Wildcats (9-4) fell to 1-6 in bowl games, with their only win coming in their first bowl appearance in 1949.

Playing his final college game, Daniel overcame three interceptions to lead the Tigers back from a three-point deficit in the fourth quarter.

"I've never had something like that," Daniel said. "I was just glad I could help the team in the end. I was obviously hurting the team very bad in the beginning."

Jeff Wolfert made three field goals, including a 37-yarder with 2:49 remaining that tied it 23-all. But he missed a 44-yard attempt that could have won it for Missouri as time expired.

"We were all a little stunned," Pinkel said. "We got it together quickly."

Daniel, who finished fourth in 2007 Heisman Trophy voting, matched a season high with his three interceptions. He was 27-of-44 for 200 yards and two touchdown passes.

"He had the adversity during the game," Pinkel said. "What defines him is he fought back from it with his teammates."

The speedy Maclin, a first-team All-America as an all-purpose player, also returned a punt 75 yards for a score that tied it at 10 in the second quarter.

"He's a special guy," Daniel said. "He's the reason this offense goes."

Bacher threw for 304 yards and equaled an Alamo Bowl record with three touchdown tosses. His 23-yard scoring pass to Ross Lane in the back of the end zone gave Northwestern a 23-20 lead at the end of the third.

The score came after Brad Phillips grabbed an interception and returned it to the 24.

After the Tigers tied it, Northwestern had a chance to drive for a go-ahead score, but Bacher's pass on third-and-3 with less than two minutes remaining fell incomplete.

Wildcats kicker Amado Villarreal missed an extra point in the third quarter that could have made the difference in regulation.

A 43-yard field goal by Wolfert made it 20-16 Missouri with just under four minutes remaining in the third. That score was set up by an interception and 22-yard return by Brack Christopher.

Danario Alexander gave Missouri a 17-16 lead - its first of the game - with about seven minutes remaining in the third quarter on an 11-yard touchdown pass from Daniel.

Bacher found Rasheed Ward for a 46-yard touchdown pass on the first drive of the second half. Villarreal's extra point bounced off the right upright to leave the score at 16-10 Northwestern.

Maclin, who leads the NCAA in all-purpose yards, tied it 10-all with his 75-yard punt return for a touchdown just before halftime. He bolted through the first wave of defenders before getting a good block and zooming past punter Stefan Demos,

who had an angle on him but tripped.

It was the first punt return TD this season for Maclin.

Things started rough for Daniel when his pass was tipped and intercepted by Brian Peters on Missouri's first drive. Northwestern took advantage of that mistake when Bacher found a wide-open Eric Peterman streaking down the middle of the field for a 35-yard touchdown to put the Wildcats up 7-0 early in the first quarter.

Northwestern got a 21-yard field goal by Villarreal to make it 10-3 in the second.

Daniel's second interception came on an ill-advised throw under heavy pressure from David Arnold in the second quarter. Defensive end Corey Wootton, 6-foot-7, made a diving grab just before the ball would have hit the turf.

Northwestern came away empty, though, when Villarreal's 47-yard field-goal attempt sailed wide left.

Wootton, who also had a sack, appeared to injure his right leg with about four minutes remaining and did not return. Fitzgerald said he did not have an update on his condition.

Missouri's first points came on a 31-yard field goal by Wolfert early in the second quarter.

MISSOURI 0 10 10 3 7— 30
NORTHWESTERN 7 3 13 0 0— 23

NW-Peterman 35 pass from Bacher (Villarreal PAT)

MU-Wolfert 31 FG

NW-Villarreal 21 FG

MU-Maclin 75 punt return (Wolfert PAT)

NW-Ward 46 pass from Bacher (PAT failed)

MU-Wolfert 43 FG

NW-Lane 23 pass from Bacher (Villarreal PAT)

MU-Wolfert 37 FG

MU-Maclin 7 pass from Daniel (Wolfert PAT)

ATT – 73,114

TEAM STATISTICS

	MU	NW
First Downs	21	21
Rushes-Yards	30-111	40-72
Passing	27-44-3	27-43-1
Passing Yards	200	304
Total Offense	311	376
Sacked-Yards Lost	5-43	1-1
Return Yards	144	112
Punts-Average	4-44.2	6-38.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-32	7-47
Third-Down Conv.	7-16	11-21
Time of Possession	24:40	35:20

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

RUSHING – MU: Washington 15-44, Maclin 5-43, Daniel 9-29. **NW:** Sutton 29-114, Peterman 1-(-9), Bacher 10-(-33).

PASSING – MU: Daniel 27-44-3-200. **NW:** Bacher 27-43-1-304.

RECEIVING – MU: Coffman 7-67, Maclin 7-39, Saunders 6-33, Alexander 3-29. **NW:** Ward 7-101, Peterman 7-83, Lane 5-77.