

# Hartford Shades Weaver, 7 To 0, Before Crowd Of 10,000 To Win City Crown

## Heintz Registers Touchdown In Last Minutes Of Contest

Owls' Backfield Star  
Rams Over From Two-  
Yard Stripe; Green's  
Streak Snapped

### Hartford-Weaver Game Statistics

	H.	W.
First downs	12	8
Yards gained rushing	167	101
Forward passes attempt- ed	8	7
Yards gained forward passing	68	23
Forward passes inter- cepted by	0	0
Punting average from scrimmage	28	31
Opponent's fumbles re- covered	2	1
Total yards all kicks re- turned	34	19
Penalties against	23	11

BY ROGER DOVE.

Weaver's streak-riding football machine, undefeated in 12 straight games over a three-year period struck a tartar in an unlucky 13th trip to the post and sputtered to a dead stop as a fast-finishing Hartford High eleven pierced touchdown territory in the last two minutes of play to register a 7 to 0 triumph at Municipal Stadium yesterday morning.

An overflow crowd of 10,000 saw the Owls, after banging away at the goal line for most of the fourth quarter, finally hurtle into the end zone as Harold Heintz climaxed a drive from 16 yards out by ramming over from the two yard stripe. Heintz, one of the finest school backs produced in the Greater Hartford area in recent years, then passed to Nick Muroski for the seventh point.

An aggressive bit of work by E. Ladas, left end, set up the deciding tally. Weaver, in possession of its own 20, tried a guard-around maneuver. With the ball momentarily juggled in the backfield, Ladas swooped in like a hawk to snatch up the ball and fall on it on the 16.

Heintz Repeats Performance.  
The victory gave Coach John Newell's Hartford footballers, who previously conquered Bulkeley, the city championship—their first since 1931. Weaver, defending city and district title holder, retained the district crown on the basis of five wins against the lone reverse.

The seven points were the first scored against the Green since the same Heintz carried across Hartford's touchdown last fall as his team bowed to its traditional foe 10 to 7. Strangely enough, Weaver started to weave its unbeaten skein in whipping the Owls in 1940, continued by winning a while try-out one in 1941 and was undefeated, unscored upon and untied in five contests this season going into yesterday's struggle.

The game, the 19th in a series dating back to 1924, ended a four year stretch dominated by Weaver. Hartford now boasts a 14 to 5 edge in this rivalry.

The Owls were deprived of a touchdown late in the first half when a fourth-down Heintz to Tom Reynolds pass was completed in the end zone. A back in motion was detected on the play and a five-yard penalty set the ball back from the seven to the 12, and the North Enders rose up to rebuff another aerial attempt and take the ball over on downs.

No Disgrace For Losers.  
There was no disgrace in the setback for Weaver, with the Gipsies coached charges twice coming to with magnificent goal line stands before they finally succumbed to the hard-driving Blue and White.

In the waning minutes of the third period, Hartford opened a 7 yard march which carried over into the fourth quarter and fell but six inches short of pay dirt.

But Castellani, who turned in a whale of a performance on both offense and defense, Reynolds and Heintz, in three cracks at the line carried 24 yards to mid-field. After Muroski was tossed for a seven yard loss, Heintz spiraled a pass down the middle to Reynolds, who was finally brought to earth on the 34. Castellani twice bullied his way over guard for a first down on the 14, and four more line plays netted 10 yards and another first down, this time on the four yard mark.

Weaver Line Digs In.  
But here the Weaver line dug in and seemingly did the impossible. Castellani made a yard, Reynolds was stopped in his tracks, and Heintz, in two attempts, was half a half-foot shy of the promised land.

Slim Billy Byrne went back deep in his end zone and lofted out a nice kick just over the 40 yard stripe, but an off-side penalty was called against Weaver, the ball moved to the three-inch line and Byrne had to punt again. This time his boot went only to the 10 and Heintz fought his way back to the 26.

The Green again stood its ground, batting down two passes, throwing Heintz for a four-yard loss and halting Heintz connect with a pass. Muroski which was good only on the 21 where Hartford lost possession.

Weaver failed to make the best of this opportunity, however, with the guard-around play misfiring as Ladas snatching the ball out of the air on the 16.

Returns Kick-Off 40 Yards.  
Reynolds and Heintz carried the 12, a lateral from Muroski. Jarmolovich was good to the seven and Castellani bucked to a first down on the two. Castellani tried to quiet through the forward work again but was stopped at the line of scrimmage, and then Heintz, on a half spinner, sliced outside tackle for the tally. Heintz faked placement and pitched to Muroski standing in the corner of the end zone for the extra point, at a mere minute and a half of playing time remained.

Heintz threw a scare into the Weaver camp at the outset when he took the opening kick-off and returned it 40 yards to the 50, Hartford, after being forced to kick, was quickly given another opportunity when Ed Fennelly fumbled at the 10.

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# Hartford Gains City Grid Title

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Reynolds recovered on the Weaver 31.

Two running plays covered five yards, and Heintz's fourth-down pass in the end zone just grazed Ladas' outstretched hands.

Weaver, with Nappier doing the bulk of the running, threatened late in the quarter, driving to the Hartford 26—its nearest approach to the Owls' goal line during the game—before the thrust was checked.

Hartford came surging back in the second period to gain the upper hand and carry the battle deep into the Weaver's side of the grid. One sortie—good for 70 yards—went to the enemy 17 before petering out. Heintz was the big gun, scampering 28 yards from punt formation behind crisp blocking, on one jaunt, and drilling a pass down the alley to Ladas for 33 yards. With the pigskin resting on the 17, Heintz, trying to cut loose with a pass, was spilled for a 10-yard loss on fourth down by Co-captain Johnny Arnone.

When Fennelly's punt was partially blocked by Nick Sowpel and veered out of bounds on the 35, Hartford was immediately back hammering on the touchdown door once more.

With fourth down on the seven yard line, Heintz drifted back and threw his high hard one into the end zone to Reynolds, who made the catch for what appeared to be a touchdown and the Hartford stands set up a terrific din. The officials called a back-in-motion penalty, disallowing the touchdown, and it was the Weaver contingent's turn to howl. The ball was set back to the 12, and when Heintz again tried to pass he was buried under a wave of green jerseys on the 24, and Weaver punted out of danger.

The losers missed the services of Co-Captain Harry Dobrowolsky, the district's high scorer this season, who has been laid up with a hard cold and had to watch the proceedings from the sidelines. While Dobrowolsky's winning margin was shaved from nine to three points, he still finished ahead of Heintz, the runner-up, 39 to 36.

Hartford, after losing its first two starts by close margins, finished the year with a streak of its own—going unbeaten in the last four games with victories over Bulkeley, Norwich Free Academy and Weaver while tying New Britain.

HARTFORD		WEAVER
Ladas	le	Herbert
Soupel	lt	Arnone
Tusia	lg	Douglas
Swahn	c	Perkins
Samzara	rk	Klein
Rizzo	rt	Kaufman
Heavey	re	Brilk
Murowski	qb	Ferrigno
Heintz	hbk	Nappier
Reynolds	rhb	Fennelly
Castellani	fb	Papalardo
Hartford	0 0 0	7-7

Touchdown, Heintz; point from try after touchdown, Murowski (pass from Heintz).

Referee, Parker. (Middlebury); umpire, Stein (Rutgers); linesman, Hewitt (New Britain Teachers); field judge, Martin (Oberlin); time, 12 min. quarters.

Substitutions: Hartford: Backs, Pinsky, Jarmolovich, Harris; end, Armstrong; tackle, Cosgrove; guard, Perry. Weaver: Backs, Williams, Byrne, Lorenzo; tackle, Minelli; guard, Radeen; center, Killen.