

2006 GAME RECAPS

Minnesota 44 KENT ST 0 - Thursday. UM drove [67/6] & [54/8] for TD's on their first 2 poss. KSU got a 64 yd pass to Pruden who was stripped by LB Reese with the ball going through the EZ for a TB. UM went on a [75/17] drive nailing a 22 yd FG. KSU went on a [70/15] drive but missed a 20 yd FG. KSU had TO's on their 1st five 2H poss & UM had [56/7], [77/7], [38/6] & [49/9] drives for TD's on their 1st 4 poss of the 2H.

CALIFORNIA 42 Minnesota 17 - Cal dominated the 1H as they had 371-186 yd & 18-8 FD edges. UM got a [71/6] TD drive & Cal answered w/a [67/9] TD drive. Cal scored a TD on the 2Q's first play but UM got a 99 yd KR TD to tie it at 14. Cal fmbld at its own 41 but then drove [96/8] & [52/6] for TD's, 28-14. UM went [65/12] & had a 34 yd FG bounce in off the upright. In the 3Q Cal went [79/14] for a TD & 2 poss later added a [78/16] TD drive, 42-17. UM gained 52 yds on its final garbage drive getting to the Cal 23.

MINNESOTA 62 Temple 0 - A short field helped UM turn this into a blowout. They had TD drives of [40/6] (after int), [9/4] (after fmbld), [12/2] (after P was tkl'd) & [66/4] & led 28-0. TU missed a 37 yd FG. Roughing the punter kept a UM drive alive & they went [80/9] for a TD & would add [67/1] & [41/5] TD drives to lead 45-0 at the half & 52-0 after 3Q's.

PURDUE 27 Minnesota 21 - UM went [83/15] for a TD while PU got a 39 yd FG. PU missed a 42 yd FG & UM had a 51 yd FG blk'd. PU went [42/3] after the blk & got a 27 yd TD pass, 10-7. UM had a 1st & goal at the 4 but was int'd in the EZ w/:27 left 1H. PU opened the 3Q w/a [80/11] TD drive & after a UM fmbld went [19/5] for a 36 yd FG, 20-7. UM went [65/9] for a TD. PU went [93/9] & got an 18 yd TD pass, 27-14. UM went [80/14] for a TD w/6:21 left. UM punted on 4th & 13 w/2:08 left. PU got 37 yd run by Taylor & then converted on 4th & 1 at the UM34 w/:59 left to run out the clock.

Michigan 28 MINNESOTA 14 - Mich opened w/a [80/10] TD drive & later got a [77/7] drive capped by a 37 yd TD pass. Min converted on 4th & 3 to the Mich27 & went [75/12] for a TD, 14-7. Henne hit Manningham w/a 41 yd TD pass, 21-7 at the half. The Wolves then went [48/10] but missed a 22 yd FG. Mich went 40 yds for a TD w/5:27 left to lead 28-7. Min went 84 yds for a TD w/4:12 left, rec'd the onside kick & got to the 7 but were SOD. Hart got a 54 yd run & Mich finished at the Min14.

Penn St 28 MINNESOTA 27 (OT) - UM went [52/6] for a TD. PSU rec'd a fmbld punt at the UM9 & got a TD. PSU went on a [52/8] drive but was SOD on 4th & inches at the UM10. UM went on a [76/14] drive but was SOD on 4th & inches at the PSU14. PSU drove for a 32 yd FG but a botched snap forced an int. PSU took over at the UM39 (:59) and got a TD 2 plays later to lead 14-7 at the half with a 241-163 yd edge. PSU missed a 42 yd FG. UM drove [74/10] for a TD, 14-14. PSU went [82/13] for a TD, 21-14 with 5:30 left. UM drove [86/7] for a TD to force OT w/1:02 left. UM got a 25 yd TD pass but missed the xp. PSU got a ? pass interference call on 4th & 8 for a FD & their TD and xp won it 4 plays later.

WISCONSIN 48 Minnesota 12 - UM got to midfield on its opening drive but Pinnix's fmbld was ret'd 50 yds for a TD. UW drove [87/10] for a TD, 14-0. Pinnix would've had an openfield TD run but tripped over his blk's feet after a 22 yd gain to the UW31 & UM settled for a 37 yd FG. UW went [53/7] & [38/8] for TD's after 35 & 27 yd punts & led 28-3 at the half. UW opened the 3Q with passes of 41 & 40 yds to Beckum, the latter for a TD. UW went [53/6] for a TD but botched the xp which UM's Reese ret'd for 2, 41-5 after 3Q's. UM rec'd a fmbld at UW22 & got a TD. UW drove [58/9] for TD w/8:52 left & UM's Cupito was int'd at UW17. After rec'ing a fmbld, Cupito's 4th & 1 pass was incomplete at the UW8.

MINNESOTA 10 N Dakota St 9 - NDSt came in ranked #9 in IAA w/a rush D that was #1 in IAA all'ing 41.5 ypg. NDSt had 23-12 FD & 380-249 yd edges & a large following in the stands. UM missed a 52 yd FG & NDSt drove [52/10] for a 30 yd FG. NDSt fmbld a punt on its own 18 & UM got a 30 yd FG. NDSt had a 5 yd TD pass wiped out by a penalty & settled for a 39 yd FG, 6-3. UM missed a 40 yd FG & NDSt went on a [58/11] drive but had a 21 yd FG bounce off the upright. Roughing the punter kept a NDSt drive alive but they were SOD at the UM35. UM drove [65/10] & conv on 4th & 1 to the 5 getting a TD on the next play, 10-6 (10:36). NDSt went [56/12] but settled for a 41 yd FG, 10-9 (5:32). NDSt went [59/9] but a last play game winning 42 yd FG was blk'd.

OHIO ST 44 Minnesota 0 - In '05 UM piled up 578 yds, the 2nd most vs an OSU D in 117 years. OSU had this game circled and took care of business holding UM to 182 yds. The Bucks went [57/8] for a TD and [48/7] for a 42 yd FG, 10-0. The Bucks fmbld at the UM9 and fmbld at their own 38. The Gophers were SOD on 4th & 1 at the OSU 29 and the Bucks went [71/10] for a TD. At the half OSU had a 256-81 yd edge. UM was int'd on their first 2 drives of the 2H and the Bucks went [23/3] and [41/5] for TD's, 30-0 (xp missed). OSU went [74/10] for a TD. OSU fmbld a punt but UM was SOD on 4th & 1 at the OSU 15. Zwick led OSU [85/14] for a TD (2:56) and UM gained 34 yds on their final drive.

MINNESOTA 63 Indiana 26 - UM's offense dominated as they went [77/4] and [70/7] for TD's on their first 2 poss. Later the Gophers added a [46/2] TD drive. Indy was int'd at the UM21 after a [56/11] drive and the Gophers got a 64 yd TD pass, 28-0. After another int, UM drove [34/4] for a TD. Indy's Lewis connected on a 43 yd TD pass and it was 35-7 at the half. The teams traded TD drives for the first 6 2nd half poss, 56-26. UM added a 45 yd IR for a TD with 2:20 left.

Minnesota 31 MICHIGAN ST 18 - MSU blk'd a punt & ret'd it for a TD. Min was SOD on a fake punt on 4th & 12 from its own 21. MSU had a 1st & goal at the 1 but was SOD. The Spartans tkl'd Pinnix in the EZ for a safety, 9-0. Min was SOD on 4th & 3 at the MSU36 & MSU went [61/5] but Hoyer was int'd in the EZ. Min went [80/10] for a TD and then sk'd Hoyer & ret'd a fmbld 48 yds for a TD, 14-9. Min missed a 48 yd FG but got a 41 yd FG w/:22 left 1H. At the half Min had a 212-76 yd edge. MSU opened the 3Q with a [64/13] drive for a 33 yd FG, 17-12. On 3rd & 12 Min got a 37 yd TD pass capping a [50/4] drive. MSU later went [50/16] but a fake punt was SOD at the Min41. Min got a 41 yd TD pass, 31-12. MSU was SOD at the Min6 & then drove [64/8] for a TD with 2:54 left.

MINNESOTA 34 Iowa 24 - Tate fmbld at midfield & UM went [49/7] for TD, 6-0 (xpng). Tate had a 50 yd TD pass to Brodell. UM went [66/16] converting on 4th & 1 twice & the TD made it 13-7. Iowa went [80/9] for a TD & UM got a 64 yd TD pass to Wheelwright, 20-14. Iowa went [61/10] for a 37 yd FG. UM was int'd at the Iowa24 & Iowa went [71/7] but on 1st & goal at the 3 Tate was int'd at the 1 with :31 left 2Q. Iowa had a 342-262 yd halftime edge. UM missed a 40 yd FG. Tate was int'd & UM went [35/7] for a TD, 27-17. Christensen led the Hawks to the Iowa43 but he was int'd. UM went [64/11] & on 3rd & 6 Pinnix's 25 yd TD run made it 34-17. With Tate back in Iowa went [80/11] for a TD & then [38/7] but was SOD at the UM25. Tate was int'd on the final drive at the UM32 (:34).