

# Washington State Rally Barely Misses, 23-22

BERKELEY (AP)—California broke open a close game with two third-quarter touchdowns, then held on to defeat Washington State, 23-22, Saturday.

The Bears scored the first two times they had the ball in the second half, then Cougar quarterback Jack Thompson threw three touchdown passes to nearly pull the game out.

Thompson hit running back Dan Doornink on a 9-yard

touchdown pass with 17 seconds left to pull Washington State to within one point but a

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two-point conversion attempt failed.

Defensive end Burl Toler tackled Thompson as he tried to find an open receiver to end Washington State's hopes for a third straight victory.

California, now 3-3 in Pac-8 play and 5-5 on the season, scored on 1-yard runs by Oliver Hillmon and Tom Newton and a 2-yard run by Newton, as well as a 27-yard field goal by Jim Breech.

Thompson threw three touchdown passes, increasing his season total to 15, hitting Doornink twice and flanker Brian Kelly once. He also threw a pair of two-point conversion passes.

Thompson completed 20 of 30 second-half passes for 165 yards as the Cougars relied almost entirely on an aerial attack. They called only 12 running plays the entire game.

Thompson, second in the Pac-8 and fourth in the nation in passing going into the game, completed 28 of 52 passes for 391 yards overall.

Cal's Joe Roth, fifth in the nation and third in the Pac-8, completed 15 of 22 attempts for 147 yards with three interceptions.

The loss dropped Washington State to 2-4 in the Pac-8 and 4-6 overall.