

SCORING • LINEUPS MISC.

DATE OCTOBER 26, 1969 DAY OF WEEK SUNDAY STARTING TIME 3:00 P.M.

VISITING TEAM DENVER BRONCOS VS. HOME HOUSTON OILERS AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

WEATHER INSIDE ASTRODOME TEMPERATURE 72° WIND AND DIRECTION NONE

OFFICIALS REFEREE Bob Finley UMPIRE Art Dumas LINE JUDGE Gerald Hart

CAPTAIN Cal DePore BACK JUDGE Dick Siehorst FIELD JUDGE Bob Wortman

VISITORS				LINEUPS				HOME			
OFFENSE		DEFENSE		OFFENSE		DEFENSE		OFFENSE		DEFENSE	
WR	AL DENSON	LE	RICHARD JACKSON	WR	JIM BEIRNE	LE	PAT HOLMES	WR	JIM BEIRNE	LE	PAT HOLMES
LT	SAM BRUNELLI	LT	JERRY IRMAN	LT	WALT SUGGS	LT	CARL STITH	LT	WALT SUGGS	LT	CARL STITH
LG	GEORGE GOEDDEKE	RT	DAVE COSTA	LG	TOM REGNER	RT	TOM DOMRAT	LG	TOM REGNER	RT	TOM DOMRAT
C	LARRY KAMINSKI	RE	PETE DURANKO	C	BOBBY MAPLES	RE	ELVIN BETHEA	C	BOBBY MAPLES	RE	ELVIN BETHEA
RG	BOB YOUNG	LLB	CARL CUNNINGHAM	RG	SONNY BISHOP	LLB	GEORGE WENSTED	RG	SONNY BISHOP	LLB	GEORGE WENSTED
RT	MIKE CURRENT	MLB	JOHN HUARD	RT	GLEN RAY HINES	MLB	GARLAND BOYDTON	RT	GLEN RAY HINES	MLB	GARLAND BOYDTON
TE	TOM BEER	RLB	FRANK RICHTER	TE	ALVIN REED	RLB	OLEN UNDERWOOD	TE	ALVIN REED	RLB	OLEN UNDERWOOD
WR	MIKE HAFNER	LCB	GRADY CAVNESS	WR	MAC HAIK	LCB	MILLER BARI	WR	MAC HAIK	LCB	MILLER BARI
QB	STEVE TENSI	RCB	BILL THOMPSON	QB	PETE BEATHARD	RCB	ZEKI MOONE	QB	PETE BEATHARD	RCB	ZEKI MOONE
RB	FLOYD LITTLE	LS	CHARLIE GREER	RD	ROY HOPKINS	LS	KEN HOUSTON	RD	ROY HOPKINS	LS	KEN HOUSTON
FB	TOM SMILEY	RS	TOM OBERG	RB	BOBIE GRANGER	RS	W. K. HINES	RB	BOBIE GRANGER	RS	W. K. HINES

SUBSTITUTIONS

BACHMAN, DICKY, HOLLOWAY, HOWFIELD, LYNCH, SMITH, EMBREE, WILLIAM, QUAYLE, BURRELL, BARNES, GIBBS, FIVEC, SCHNIKER, MYRTLE, CRITER, CRAIN, ALFIAH

SUBSTITUTIONS

JOINER, DRUNGO, LEMOINE, AUBRY, CARRINGTON, TRULL, LEVIAS, BURRELL, JOHNSON, RICHARDSON, PARKER, RICE, WAINSCOTT, PRITCHARD, PENNOC, GERELA, DOUGLAS, ~~SMITH~~

DID NOT PLAY

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INDIVIDUAL SCORING	
<i>HAFNER, SMILEY, LITTLE</i>	TOUCHDOWNS <i>HOPKINS (2), LEVIAS</i>
<i>HOWFIELD (3)</i>	P.A.T.'S <i>GERELA (3)</i>
<i>HOWFIELD (40), (21)</i>	FIELD GOALS <i>GERELA (22)</i>
	FIELD GOALS MISSED <i>GERELA (44), (39)</i>

	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
(Visitor) DENVER BRONCOS	<i>7</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>21</i>
(Home) HOUSTON OILERS	<i>14</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>24</i>

SCORING PLAYS						SCORE	
TEAM	PERIOD	ELAPSED TIME	DETAIL ON SCORING PLAYS			VISITOR	HOME
<i>D</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2:33</i>	<i>HAFNER, 13 PASS FROM TENSI (HOWFIELD KICK)</i>			<i>7</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>H</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>12:24</i>	<i>HOPKINS, 1 RUN (GERELA KICK)</i>			<i>7</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>H</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>14:20</i>	<i>LEVIAS, 43 PASS FROM BEATHARD (GERELA KICK)</i>			<i>7</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>D</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>13:04</i>	<i>SMILEY, 1 RUN (HOWFIELD KICK)</i>			<i>14</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>D</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>14:00</i>	<i>LITTLE, 3 RUN (HOWFIELD KICK)</i>			<i>21</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>H</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4:24</i>	<i>HOPKINS, 43 RUN (GERELA KICK)</i>			<i>21</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>H</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>8:44</i>	<i>F.G. GERELA 22</i>			<i>21</i>	<i>24</i>

ATTENDANCE *45,348* TIME OF GAME *2:53*

DATE OCTOBER 26, 1969

FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

AT HOUSTON, TEXAS

VISITING TEAM DENVER BRONCOS

HOME TEAM HOUSTON OILERS

RUSHING		ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD		
LITTLE		17	65	3.8	29	0		
SHILEY		4	28	7.0	22	1		
LYNCH		1	3	3.	3	0		
TOTALS		22	96	4.4	29	1		
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TRD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.
TENSIL		32	14	243	3 25	1	46	0
LITTLE		1	0	0	0 0	0	0	0
TOTALS		33	14	243	3 25	1	46	0
PASS RECEIVING		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
HAFNER		6	102	46	1			
DENSON		2	13	9	0			
LITTLE		2	45	39	0			
BEER		2	56	33	0			
EMBREE		1	13	12	0			
QUAYLE		1	14	14	0			
TOTALS		14	243	46	1			
INTERCEPTIONS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
ORRER		1	0	0	0			
CAVNESS		1	1	1	0			
TOTALS		2	1	1	0			
PUNTING		NO.	AVG.	LG.				
HOLLOWAY		8	34.2	40				
TOTALS		8	34.2	40				
PUNT RETURNS		NO.	FC	YARDS	LG.	TD		
THOMPSON		1	0	0	-	-		
LITTLE		1	1	0	0	0		
TOTALS		2	1	0	0	0		
KICKOFF RETURNS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
BURRELL		1	16	16	0			
WILLIAMS		2	53	29	0			
THOMPSON		1	36	36	0			
TOTALS		4	105	36	0			
FUMBLES		FUM.	OWN REC.	YDS.	TD	OPP. REC.	YDS.	TD
THOMPSON		1	1	0	-	-	-	-
TOTALS		1	1	0	-	-	-	-

RUSHING		ATT.	NET YARDS	AVG.	LONG GAIN	TD		
GRANGER		15	63	4.2	12	0		
HOPKINS		14	107	7.7	43	2		
BURRELL		11	39	3.5	6	0		
BEATHARD		1	0	0	0	0		
LEVIAS		2	10	5.0	10	0		
TOTALS		43	219	5.1	43	2		
PASSING		ATT.	COMP.	YARDS	TRD YDS.	TD	LG.	Had Int.
BEATHARD		16	8	168	4 38	1	53	2
TRULL		12	6	109	0 0	0	57	0
TOTALS		28	14	277	4 38	1	57	2
PASS RECEIVING		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
HAIK		2	17	11	0			
GRANGER		2	70	53	0			
REED		2	16	9	0			
HOPKINS		2	29	16	0			
LEVIAS		4	122	57	1			
JOINER		2	23	16	0			
TOTALS		14	277	57	1			
INTERCEPTIONS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
TOTALS		0	0	0	0			
PUNTING		NO.	AVG.	LG.				
GERETA		5	30.4	48				
TOTALS		5	30.4	48				
PUNT RETURNS		NO.	FC	YARDS	LG.	TD		
LEVIAS		2	1	8	10	0		
RICHARDSON		1	2	6	6	0		
TOTALS		3	3	14	10	0		
KICKOFF RETURNS		NO.	YARDS	LG.	TD			
REED		1	0	0	0			
TOTALS		1	0	0	0			
FUMBLES		FUM.	OWN REC.	YDS.	TD	OPP. REC.	YDS.	TD
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DENVER BRONCOS

VS

HOUSTON OILERS

(Visiting Team)

(Home Team)

Date: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1969

At: HOUSTON, TEXAS (ASTRODOME)

FINAL TEAM STATISTICS

	VISITING TEAM	HOME TEAM
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	<u>17</u>	<u>19</u>
FIRST DOWNS RUSHING	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>
FIRST DOWNS PASSING	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
FIRST DOWNS BY PENALTY	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL OFFENSIVE YARDAGE	<u>314</u>	<u>458</u>
TOTAL NO. OFFENSIVE PLAYS (Inc. times thrown passing)	<u>58</u>	<u>75</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER OFFENSIVE PLAY	<u>5.4</u>	<u>6.1</u>
NET RUSHING YARDAGE	<u>96</u>	<u>219</u>
TOTAL RUSHING PLAYS	<u>22</u>	<u>43</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER RUSHING PLAY	<u>4.4</u>	<u>5.2</u>
NET PASSING YARDAGE	<u>218</u>	<u>239</u>
GROSS YARDS GAINED PASSING	<u>243</u>	<u>277</u>
TIMES THROWN AND YARDS LOST ATTEMPTING TO PASS	<u>3-25</u>	<u>4-38</u>
PASSES ATTEMPTED—COMPLETED—HAD INTERCEPTED	<u>27-14-0</u>	<u>28-14-2</u>
AVERAGE GAIN PER PASS PLAY (Inc. times thrown passing)	<u>6.0</u>	<u>7.5</u>
PUNTS—NUMBER AND AVERAGE	<u>8-34.2</u>	<u>5-30.4</u>
HAD BLOCKED	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FUMBLES—NUMBER AND LOST	<u>1-0</u>	<u>0-0</u>
PENALTIES—NUMBER AND YARDS	<u>4-45</u>	<u>13-140</u>
TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE	<u>①</u>	<u>14</u>
NO. AND YARDS PUNT RETURNS	<u>2-②</u>	<u>3-14</u>
NO. AND YARDS KICKOFF RETURNS	<u>4-105</u>	<u>1-0</u>
NO. AND YARDS INTERCEPTION RETURNS	<u>2-1</u>	<u>0-0</u>
NO. AND YARDS MISCELLANEOUS RETURNS (Fumbles and Field Goals)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

H OUSTON VS. DENVER

ASTRODOME - OCT. 26, 1969

TEMPERATURE 72
WIND 1MPH NNEW
HUMIDITY 50%

Oilers won the toss and will receive defending the East goal.

Howfield kicks off to Reed who recovers onside attempt at D 49.

D49 1-10 Granger gains 2 at rt. (Imman)
D47 2-8 Beathard pass for Burrell incomplete.
D47 3-8 Beathard pass for Haik incomplete. (Imman)
D47 4-8 Gerela punts for 6 yards.

D41 1-10 (34:12) Little goes 29 yards around RE (Farr)
H30 1-10 Little at left tackle for 2. (Holmes)
H28 2-8 Tensi pass to Haffner good for 9 yards (Farr)
H19 1-10 Tensi pass to Danson good for 4 yards (Farr)
H15 2-6 Little around left end for 2 yards (Moore)
H13 3-4 Tensi pass for TD for 13 yards to Haffner. 6 plays 59 yards. 2:33 elapsed
Howfield PAT kick good. Denver 7 Houston 0.

Howfield kicks off out of the end zone.

H20 1-10 Hopkins gains 4 at rg. (Greer)
H24 2-6 Hopkins gain 2 at le. (Myrtle)
H26 3-4 Beathard pass to Hiak good for 11 yards. (Cavness)
H37 1-10 Hopkins gains 4 at center (Huard)
H41 2-6 Oilers penalized 20 yards for holding (Hines)
H21 2-26 Beathard thrown for 9 yard loss attempting to pass (Cunningham)
H12 3-35 Beathard pass to Granger good for 53 yards. (Greer)
D35 1-10 Beathard pass to Reed good for 9 yards (Greer)
HD24 2-1 Oilers penalized 17 yards for personal foul (Reed)
D41 2-18 Hopkins gains 10 at center.
B31 3-8 Beathard pass to Hopkins good for 13 yards (Cavness)
D18 1-10 Burrell gains 6 at RT.
D12 2-4 Hopkins gains 3 at LT.
D 9 3-1 Hopkins for no gain at LE (Huard)
D 9 4-1 Burrell gains 5 yards at LT (Greer)
D 4 1-4 Burrell gains 1 yards at RT. (Jackson)
D 3 2-3 Beathard pass for Hopkins incomplete.
D 3 3-3 ~~HARRIS~~ Burrell gains 2 at lt. (Greer)
D 1 4-1 Hopkins goes over for TD. at center. Gerela PAT good. 12:24 elapsed.

Denver 7 Houston 7

Gerela kicks off to Burrell at the 7 and returns 25 16.

D23 1-10 Smiley at lt for 3. (Boyette)
D25 2-7 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete. (Farr)
D26 3-7 Tensi dropped for 9 yard loss attempting to pass (Holmes)
D17 4-16 Holloman punts 41 yards to Levias who returns 10 yards. (Pivec)

D48 1-10 Granger gains 5 yards at RE (Cavness)
D43 2-5 Beathard pass to Levias complete for TD . 43 yards Gerela PAT good. 14:20 elapsed.

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Gerela kicks off to Williams who returns 25 yards. (Dunbar)

D23 1-10 Smiley gains 2 yards at RE. (Farr)

end of quarter Houston 14 Denver 7

2nd Quarter Houston vs. Denver

D 25 2-8 Tensi screen pass to Little for 6. (Houston)
D 31 3-2 Tensi pass for Bear blocked by Boyette
D31 4-2 Holloman kicks 39 yards. N return.

H 29 1-10 Burrell gains 3 at lt. (13 442)
H32 2-7 Hopkins gains 18 at rt.
H49 1-10 Beathard pass for Granger intercepted by Greer. No return

M15 1-10 (12:06) Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete (Hicks)
M15 2-10 Tensi pass for Smiley incomplete
M15 3-10 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete.
M15 4-10 Holloman punts 42 yards to Richardson who returns 6 yards.
Houston penalized 15 yards for clipping. (Maples)

H35 1-10 (11:41) Hopkins gains 6 at rt. Den. penal. 15 personal foul (Jackson)
H45 1-10 Granger for 3 yards at LE. (Greer)
H48 2-7 Beathard pass to Joiner good for 16 yards. (Thompson)
H26 1-10 Granger at rg for 5 (Huard)
H21 2-5 Granger gains 1 at rt (Thompson)
H20 3-4 Beathard pass to Joiner good for 7 yards. (Thompson)
H13 1-10 Beathard on quarterback draw no gain. (Huard)
H13 2-10 Beathard pass intercepted and returns 1 yard by Cavness.

H2 1-10 (8:37) Tensi pass for Denson incomplete. (Moore)
H2 2-10 Tensi pass to Haffner complete for 9 yards. Houston penalized 15 yards
for face mask tackle (Farr)
H26 1-10 Houston offsides 5 yard penalty.
H31 2-5 Little losses 1. (Pritchard)
H30 3-4 Little gains 3 at RE. (Dunnes)
H33 3-1 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete.
H33 4-1 Holloman punts 35 yards No return.

H32 1-10 (6:51) Granger gains 3 at lt. (Huard)
H35 2-7 Beathard pass to Hopkins good for 16 yards. (Burrell)
H49 1-10 Hopkins gains 3 at lt. (Inman)
H46 2-7 Granger gains 12 at lg (Burrell)
H34 1-10 Granger gains 4 at lg. (Huard)
H30 2-6 Beathard pass for Hopkins incomplete.
H30 3-6 Beathard dropped for 8 yd. loss attempting to pass. (Costa)
H30 4-11 Cerela 44 yard field goal attempt no good.

H20 1-10 (3:49) Tensi pass to Haffner good for 46 yards (Moore)
H34 1-10 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete. (Farr)
H34 2-10 ~~SM~~ Smiley gains 22 on draw (Houston)
H12 1-10 Tensi pass incomplete.
H12 2-10 Tensi pass for Haffner pass interference. 11 yd penalty (Farr)
H 1 1-1 (1:59) Smiley at lt for TD. Howfield PAT good. 13:04 Elapsed.

Houston 14 Denver 14

Howfield kicks off into endzone.

H20 1-10 Granger gains 2 at lt.
H22 2-8 (1:42) Beathard losses 10 attempting to pass. (Costa)
H12 3-18 (1:35) Beathard pass to Levias caught out of bounds.
H12 4-18 (1:30) Cerela punts 48 yards and Thompson losses 2 on return.

H45 1-10 (1:05) Little losses 4 at le (Moore)
H40 2-14 (0:52) Tensi pass for Lynch incomplete (Webster)
H40 3-14 (0 47) Tensi losses 7 yds. attempting to pass (Betha)
H33 4-21 (0:25) Holloman punts 37 yards & Levias returns minus 2.

H28 1-10 (0:11) Beathard pass for Reed incomplete.
H28 2-10 (0:03) Beathard losses 11 attempting to pass (Costa)
end of first half

Houston 14 Denver 14

Gerela kicks off to Williams 11 yd deep and returns 24 yds. (Wainscott)
 D23 1-10 Little at lt gains 1. (Stith)
 D24 2-9 Little at rt for 5. (Boyette)
 D29 3-4 Tensi pass to Beer good for 33 yards. (Kicks)
 H38 1-10 Tensi pass to Haffner good for 20 yards (Farr)
 H18 1-10 Little at rt for 7 yards (Hicks and Webster)
 H11 2-3 Houston offsides 5 yard penalty.
 H 6 1-6 Tensi pass for Lynch incomplete.
 H 6 2-6 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete. (Farr)
 H 6 3-6 Houston holding 3 yd penalty. (Farr) (Dowres)
 H 3 1-3 Little TD at RT. Howfield Pat good. 4:11 elapsed.
 7 plays for 77 yards.

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Howfield kicks off out of the end zone.

H20 1-10 Granger gains at rg.
 H 23 2-7 Trull pass Beirne good for 6 yards. (Huard)
 H 29 3-1 Granger gains 2 at lt. (Jackson)
 H 31 1-10 Trull pass for Reed pass interference on Greer 9 yd penalty
 H20 1-10 Burrell gains 4 at le. (Greer)
 H44 2-6 Grange at re for 4. (Burrell)
 H48 3-2 Trull pass to Granger for 17 yards. (Greer)
 D35 1-10 Burrell gains 3 at rg. (Myrtle)
 D32 2-7 Trull pass for Reed incomplete (Greer)
 D32 3-7 Trull pass for Beirne incomplete.
 D32 4-7 Gerela 39 field goal attempt no good.

D0 1-10 (6:23) Little at re for no gain. (Webster)
 D20 2-10 Tensi pass for Denson dropped.
 D20 3-10 Tensi pass to Babree complete for 13 yards. (Houston)
 D33 1-10 Tensi pass to Denson complete for 9 yards. Houston penalized 15 yards
 personal foul. (Moore)
 H43 1-10 Little gains 9 at rg. (Houston)
 H34 2-1 Little at rt no gain. (Stith)
 H34 3-1 Little pass for Haffner dropped
 H34 4-1 Howfield 40 yard field goal no good.

D0 1-10 (3:13) Burrell at le for 8 rubbed out by inflicting clipping pn. 11 yards
 Pn on Bierne
 H11 1-21 Houston penalized 5 for offsides
 F 6 1-26 Burrell gains 5 at le. (Thompson)
 H11 2-21 Trull pass to Reed good for 7 yards (Huard)
 H18 3-14 Levas gains 10 on end around at le. (Myrtle)
 H28 4-2 Gerela punts 27 yards No. return.

H45 1-10 Little gains 6 at rg. (Houston)

end of third quarter.

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Houston vs. Denver.

Fourth Quarter.

- H49 2-4 Little gains 2 yards at lt. (Stith)
H47 3-2 Little gains nothing at lg. (Stith)
H47 4-2 Holloman punts 38 yards and no return.
- H 17 1-10 (13:27) Hopkins gains 5 at rg (Costa)
H 22 2-5 Granger gains 12 yards at RE. (Cavness)
H 34 1-10 Trull pass for Granger incomplete (Greer and Burrell)
H 34 2-10 Trull pass for Burrell incomplete
H 34 3-10 Trull pass complete to Levias for 15 yards (Burrell)
H 49 1-10 Trull pass to Levias complete for 8 yards (Cavness)
D 43 2-2 Hopkins goes 43 yards for Td right up the middle. Gerela PAT kick good.
4:24 elapsed.
- Gerela kicks off to Thompson 2 deep and returns 35 yards and Houston penalized 15 yards for personal foul. Pa on Johnson.
H 50 1-10 Little gains 1 yd. at rt (Stith)
H 49 2-9 Lynch gains 3 on draw. (Dowres)
H 46 3-6 Tensi pass for Haffner incomplete (Farr)
H 46 4-6 Holloman punts 21 yards
- H 25 1-10 (8:29) Trull pass to Levias complete for 57 yards. (Burrell)
D 18 1-10 Granger gains 2 at lt. (Duranko)
D 16 2-8 Trull pass incomplete.
D 16 3-8 Levias on end around no gain. at le. (Myrtle)
D 16 4-8 Gerela 22 yard field goal attempt good. 8:44 elapsed
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- Gerela kicks off into the end zone.
D20 1-10 Tensi screen pass to Little for 39 yards. (Boyette)
H41 1-10 Tensi pass to Haffner for 5 yards.
H36 2-10 Tensi pass to Bear complete for 23 yards. (Webster)
H13 1-10 Tensi pass to Fivec incomplete (Webster)
H13 2-10 Tensi pass for Denson incomplete (Farr)
H13 3-10 Tensi pass for Embree incomplete
H13 4-10 Howfield 21 yard field goal no good.
- H 20 1-10 (3:53) Hopkins at le for 3 yards. (Myrtle)
H 23 2-7 Hopkins gains 5 at Re. (Cunningham)
H28 3-2 Trull pass for Granger incomplete.
H28 4-2 Gerela punts 40 yards and No return Denver penalized 16 yds for Clipping (Schnitker)
- D 16 1-10 Tensi loses 9 attempting to pass (Betha)
D 7 2-19 (2:00) Tensi pass for Embree incomplete (Webster)
D 7 3-19 1:54 Tensi pass complete to Quayle for 14 yards (Peacock)
D 21 4-5 (1:42) Holloman punts 49 yards.
- H 30 1-10 (1:06) Burrell gains 3 at RE (Cunningham)
H 33 2-7 (1:00) Burrell gains 5 at LE (Thompson)
H 39 3-1 (0:17) Houston penalized 5 for too much time
H 34 3-6 (0:17) Granger gains 3 yards at RE (Cunningham)
H 37 4-3 (0:07) Gerela punts 31 yards to end the game.

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