

**Builders Square Alamo Bowl | Tuesday, December 30, 1997**

#16 Purdue **33** vs. #24 Oklahoma State **20**

Attendance:	55,552	
TV Rating:	3.9	
Team Payout:	\$2,282,560 combined	
Offensive MVP:	Billy Dicken, QB, Purdue	
Defensive MVP:	Adrian Beasley, SS, Purdue	
Sportsmanship Winner:	Kevin Williams, DB, Oklahoma State	
Head Coaches:	Joe Tiller (Purdue)	Bob Simmons (Oklahoma St.)
Final Records:	Purdue (9-3)	Oklahoma State (8-4)

**Recap:** The Fifth Annual Builders Square Alamo Bowl had all the makings of a fight to the finish. No. 16 Purdue and No. 24 Oklahoma State shared many similarities. However Purdue's a 20-point third-quarter powered the Boilermakers to a 33-20 victory over the Cowboys in front of a predominantly orange-clad crowd of 55,552.

The two teams started slow offensively heading into halftime with Purdue leading OSU 10-6. But Purdue quarterback Billy Dicken, the game's Offensive MVP for throwing a then-bowl record 325 yards, got the offense on track in the third quarter, leading the Boilermakers on three touchdown drives to break the game open. Oklahoma State added a couple scores of their own, but they could not keep up with the Boilermakers scoring pace. Back-up Purdue quarterback Drew Brees (who would win 1998 Alamo Bowl Offensive MVP honors) attempted one pass in the game.

<b>Scoring Summary:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Final</b>
Purdue	7	3	20	3	33
Oklahoma State	3	3	7	7	20

**First Quarter**

OSU: Sydnes 34-yd FG  
 PUR: Alford 18-yd pass from Dicken (Ryan kick)

**Second Quarter**

OSU: Sydnes 22-yd FG  
 PUR: Ryan 42-yd FG

**Third Quarter**

PUR: Dicken 1-yd run (kick failed)  
 OSU: Fobbs 21-yd run (Sydnes kick)  
 PUR: Sutherland 16-yd run (Ryan kick)  
 PUR: Daniels 69-pass from Dicken (Ryan kick)

**Fourth Quarter**

PUR: Ryan 37-yd FG  
 OSU: McQuarters 17 pass from Lindsay (Sydnes)

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**Team Stats:**

Category	Purdue	Oklahoma State
First Downs	20	24
Net Yards Rushing/Att.	129/28	162/37
Net Yards Passing	325	206
Comp-Att-Int	18-36-3	17-35-3
Total Offense Plays	64	72
Total Net Yards	454	368
Avg. Gain Per Play	7.1	5.1
Possession Time	25:35	34:25
Third-Down Conv	6/11 (55%)	5/14 (36%)

**Individual Stats:**

Rushing (Att-Yds)

PUR - Dicken 8-43; Watson 13-4; Sutherland 2-38; Haddad 3-9

OSU - Fobbs 11-82; Lindsay 12-61; Aikins 2-17; Simmons 10-11; Chaloupka 2-9

Passing (Comp-Att-Int, Yds)

PUR - Dicken 18-34-3, 325; Alford 0-1-0; Brees 0-1-0

OSU - Lindsay 9-18-2, 111; Chaloupka 8-17-1, 95

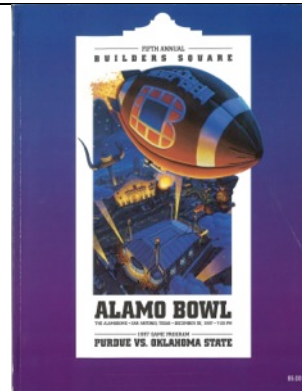
Receiving (Rec-Yds)

PUR - Watson 5-102; Alford 4-61; I. Jones 3-27; Blackman 2-33; Daniels 1-69; Tillman 1-13;

OSU - McQuarters 4-43; G. Brown 4-52; Love 3-35; Steggs 2-30; Aikins 2-27; Fobbs 2-19



Billy Dicken – QB, Purdue



Game program