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CLARK COMPLETES UNDEFEATED SEASON AS NEVADA AAA STATE CHAMPI



Clark running back A.J. Washington prepares to blast through McQueen's defense. Washington's fourth-and-2 conversion led to the game-winning TD in the fourth quarter.

It took a quarter-of-a-century to accomplish his goal, but 25 years after Clark High School Head Coach Larry Barnson guided the identical school to the 1968 Nevada State Championship, he and the '93 version pulled out a 7-3 victory over McQueen to capture the state AAA crown.

Reserve tailback Jeremy Simpson, who generally doesn't see much playing time, capitalized on one his mere three rushing attempts, and scored the game's only touchdown.

Following a key fourth-and-2 conversion by A.J. Washington, the Chargers gradually moved to the Lancers' 12-yard line.

rambled through the left side of McQueen's defense to push Clark ahead.

Clarence Lawson, who two fumbles earlier in the contest, made up for them by downing a Jay Snowden punt inside the Lancer 5-yard line with 1:21

Barnson and his 1989 Chargers were the victims of a lastminute, 80-yard drive by then-Northern Champion Wooster. The game ended with a hailmary conversion and a state runner-up finish for Clark.

Fortunately for Bamson, his

The Lancers' only score came on their first drive of the game, settling for a Brett Fleischer 25-yard field goal. The game remained highly defensive until the fourth quarter, when Clark picked up the momentum after a McQueen clipping pen-

alty and a short punt. Lawson then committed one of his fumbles inside the Lancer 15, and it would be up to the Chargers' stifling D. Clark came

Photo: B.Lee/LVSV Sports left in the Quarterback Jay Snowden calls the signals, as the Chargers await the snap. sion at midfield.

Facing fourth-and-2, Barnson made what resulted in the game's most important decision, keeping his offensive squad on the field. Washington's successful conversion was followed by a 12-yard carry by Jimmy Brimmer and a McQueen penalty. Two plays later, Simpson was instantly the hero.

McQueen, the defending champs before the opening kickoff, had their 22-game winning streak halted, concluding the season with a 10-1 record.

The Chargers finished their championship campaign with an unblemished 11-0 mark.

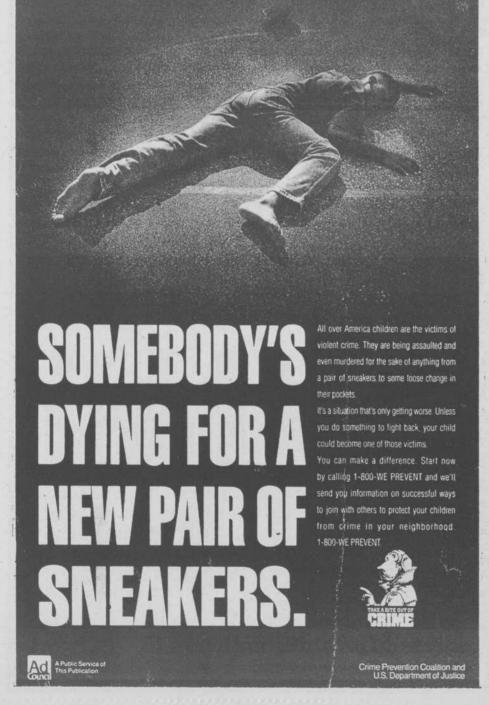




Photo: B.Lee/LVSV Sports A.J. Washington also played a key role on defense, seen here bringing down Josh Riley.