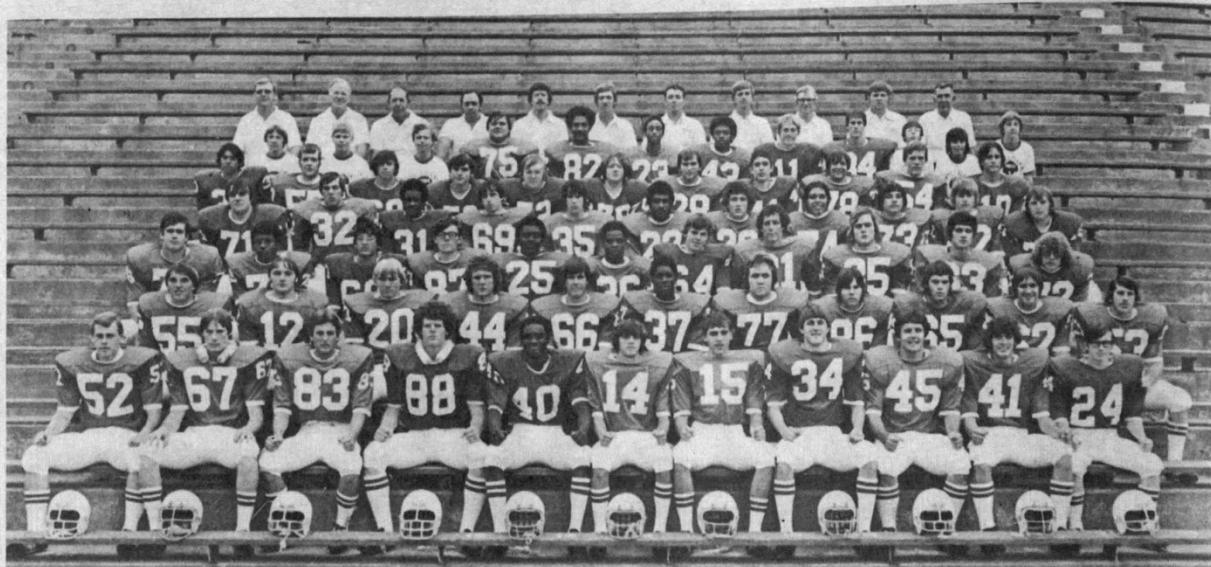


1975 Season review...

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1975 Ross Little Giants

Ross: Defending Buckeye Conference champion



Front row (left to right): John Hutchings, Mark Hicks, Tim Caskey, Mark Montgomery, David Liggins, Pat Belch, Jim Sherman, Brad Bischoff, Dave Zilles, Mike McCoy, Mark Gruber; Second row: Jim Hazzard, Bud Spaulding, Scott Wetzel, Mike McGilton, Frank Von Maluski, Eddie Holmes, Mike Clark, Mark Wheatly, Jerry Ruland, Duane Reese, Bruce Levenson; Third row: Drew Clayton, Jim Minnifield, Roy Almaguer, Kevin Reardon, Derrick Hines, Terry Holmes, Tim Siels, Brent Borden, Tom Anspach, Greg Kindred, Jim Coleman; Fourth row: Jim Smith, Rick Kusmer, Aaron Sewell, Mark Gysan, Phil Batesole, Terry Bates, Steve Coleman, Rey Reyna, Chris

Myers, Jim Hull, Scott Kellogg; Fifth row: Dan DeLeon, Jim Zimmerman, Ray Long, Warren Stout, Mark Celek, Russ Kingsborough, Russ Stoner, Ken Whiteman, Tony Ruiz, Brian Burkett, Brock Halbisen; Sixth row: Fred Merrill, David Reese, Marty Warchola (trainers), Tim Guzman, Vic Simms, Mike Wright, Karl Elliott, Randy Baughman, Ken Damschroder, managers Phil Junis, Ron Cloer, Ted Merrill; Seventh row: Head coach Tom Hollman, assistants Red Nugent, Archie Biggs, Dick Coleman, trainer Glen Foster, assistant coaches Tim Pettorini, Ed Platzer, Rex Radeloff, Harold Zienta, Pete Moore, and equipment manager Joe Loytcz.



Ross captains for '75

The Ross football captains for the 1975 season have been selected. Left to right are Mark Montgomery, Pat Belch, Dave Liggins, Jim Sherman,

and Brad Bischoff. The five were chosen by a vote of the team members.

Weather hampers scrimmages

Rain and mud hampered the final Ross and St. Joe scrimmages of the preseason Saturday.

Ross defeated Lima Senior 4-0 while St. Joe sloshed to a 2-2 tie with Ottawa-Glandorf. Coaches Tom Hollman of Ross and Rick Wonderly of St. Joe expressed varied feelings about the performances of their respective team.

"Our kids did a pretty good job," Hollman said. "We still have some work to do but with the field conditions, we took it to them pretty good."

Hollman continued, "We are doing a pretty good job of executing and we are starting to get the little mistakes eliminated.

"All in all, I'd say we are ready for the season to begin."

Missing from the action on Saturday was senior linebacker Mark Montgomery. He was sitting out the scrimmage while resting a sore back. Montgomery is expected to be ready for the Rogers game this Friday night.

Wonderly was not as happy as Hollman.

"We didn't get too much accomplished," he confessed.

"We did cut down on our mistakes. We had only one penalty and fumbled only once in that slop," the St. Joe coach said.

"It was so muddy that we could not really work on anything. Really, the only good thing we got out of the scrimmage is cutting down on our mistakes."

St. Joe opens Saturday night with a journey to Oak Harbor.

Learning and teaching summer for Ross coach

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and defensively. I think that after a year here, the teaching and learning ought to be better," he said.

"I know that because we, the coaches (mainly Rex Radloff and Pete Moore whom he brought to Fremont from Greenville, his previous coaching spot) have been here a year, the overall communication between us and the players should improve and it will help us to be a better team."

Hollman broke down his area where he feels Ross could improve and surprisingly the defense is one of the areas. Last year, the Little Giants blanked seven opponents and gave up only 33 points.

"At times last year we could have been better in our techniques as far as execution. This year they should be able to execute better because of being more familiar with the defense."

Offensively, Hollman pointed out that Ross did not really "kick" any team around. "Turn a couple of the breaks around and the games could have gone the other way."

"Really, what we have to do this year to improve is maintain the positive attitude and keep that winning tradition."

Not a bad formula for any team, especially Ross.



GOOD LUCK



A POSSIBLE Ross defensive line with the linebackers. At the left on the front four are (left to right) Tim Siels (64), Jim Smith (71), Jim Hazzard (55), Mark Hicks (67); the linebackers are Mike McGilton (44), Dave Zilles (45), Mark Montgomery (88), and Brad Bischoff (34).

Baffling defense

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Moore, a graduate of Eastern Kentucky said, "and they did not stunt (basically a linebacker and lineman changing positions) as often as they could.

"This year, because they are more familiar with the defense, they will be free to stunt and will," Moore theorized. "With the experience, the defense could get better."

What does it take to play the Ross defense that at times appears to have an eight-man front?

"Players have to be quick, react well to pressure, and above all, love to hit."

Moore put the last part of that answer another way: "We like players who don't mind putting their hat on somebody."

Moore said he thought that the Ross defense was pretty good for the first year (that could be one of the bigger understatements of the year) and then went into some explanations about what other coaches feel can beat the Little Giants' forte.

"People say that they can throw on us — that we only have three men deep. But really, with our rotation, we can have as many as seven people in the passing areas.

"To be truthful, if a team doesn't throw on us it helps our defense but we feel through the rotation we have, teams will have a hard time getting the

passing game going should they try it."

Moore continued talking about Ross' defense and the trouble it can cause opponents.

"Our defensive thinking is that we want to be flexible. We want to go with a multiple look such as a '5-2' or '6-2' alignment.

"That multiple look confuses blockers. Our players can line up on the outside, inside, or straight up on an offensive blocker and that keeps the blocker thinking and reacting differently all the time."



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for touchdowns, the top mark in the Conference. In preseasor practice, the thin senior has shown marked improvement with the passing game. Randy Baughman is the backup to Belch.

In the Little Giants' offensive backfield, junior letterman Rick Kusmer should get the starting call with backup from Mike McGilton, a starting defensive end, and Eddie Holmes, another senior, who missed all of last season because of a motorcycle accident.

At tailback, junior Terry Bates will run along with senior Jim Sherman, a letterman who could also be a backup to Belch. Sherman is the starting safety on defense.

Dave Liggins, a starter at defensive halfback and a letterman, will get the call at wingback. Sharing

the spot will be Brad Bischoff and possibly Mike "Woody" Wright, a junior. Bischoff lettered at the position last season, but could be shifted to defense this fall.

On the ends, Scott Wetzel, a senior, and Carl Elliot, a junior, could share the split end spot. At tight end, Tom Anspach, a senior, and Kent Damschroder will see

action. Another possible at tight end is Mark Montgomery who played some there last season but who is a starter at inside linebacker.

Frank Von Maluski and Drew Clayton are the tackles. Von Maluski is a 190 pounder who lettered last season while Clayton tips the scales at 225-pounds. Jerry Ruland, a

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senior letterman and a 200-pounder, will give Ross a third tackle and he could take over a starting spot during the season.

The offensive guards lack experience. Bruce Levenson, who played some linebacker and lettered, figures to be at one guard. Juniors Mark Gysan and Tony Ruiz could handle the other guard.

Backups at this spot are seniors Roy Almaguer and Greg Kindred.

At center, veteran John Hutchings will start. The senior tips the scales at 205 and lettered at the spot last season.

"We'll try to one-platoon as much as possible," Holloman pointed out, "but we will go with the players who do the job for us."

Replacing Liggins twins is main concern

Graduation has played havoc with the '75 Ross Little Giants' defense. Gone from the crack Ross unit which gave up only 3.3 points per game during the '74 season, are a pair of All-Ohio players and a total of four All-Buckeye Conference defensive team performers.

"We lost a couple of fine ones," Ross defensive coordinator Pete Moore mused as he looked over the roster of the '75 edition of the Little Giants.

Moore referred to the Liggins twins, Harry and Larry, both All-BC and All-Ohio at defensive end and linebacker, respectively.

In the same breath, Moore clicked off other key losses to the unit such as Dave Minich and Dan Kreilick who played defensive halfback and defensive end, respectively, and both All-BC.

Even with the heavy graduation losses, Ross still has a nucleus of defensive stalwarts back this season.

Filling the spots vacated by the graduation of the four mentioned above will be a primary concern but as Moore puts it, "Getting the right people in the right spot is the key."

The linebacker slots, inside and outside according to Ross terminology, act as the center of the Little Giants defense.

At the inside slots, veterans Mark Montgomery, 6-1, 205, and Dave Zilles, 5-10, 195, both seniors have the inside line on the jobs. Both were starters last season. Two other possibles at the positions are promising juniors Tony Ruiz (5-10, 190) and Mark Gysan (5-9, 180) but both could be

playing offensive guard most of the time.

Bruce Levenson, a 5-9, 170-pound senior who lettered at a linebacker spot last season, is another hopeful but also could be playing more offensive guard than linebacker.

At the outside linebacker slots, Mike McGilton, a senior letterman at 6-1, 185, will be a sure starter. Rick Kusmer, who figures to be the starting fullback offensively, could possibly be a two-way performer and go at the other outside linebacker spot. Kusmer is 5-10, 180, junior.

Other possibilities include Brad Bischoff, a senior letterman and one of five captains for the Little Giants and Tim Sells, a senior. Bischoff will also play quite a bit of offense at the wingback spot.

Dave Liggins, 6-0, 185, and Jim Sherman, 6-0, 175,

both seniors, will operate from one defensive halfback and safety, respectively. Both started last year.

No less than five players are in the running for the other halfback slot. Dan DeLeon, Bud Spaulding, Mike Wright, Roy Almaguer, and Scott Wetzel all were given a shot at the spot during August practices.

Defensive tackle appears to be the strong point of the Ross defense. Jim Smith, a slimmed down 235-pound junior who lettered and started every game last season, and Jim

Hazzard, a 210-pound senior will start. The backup will be another letterman, 6-2, 240-pound Mike Clark. This trio will spell each other for rest purposes.

Also given a shot at playing some tackle is junior Tim Guzman, a 6-0, 250-pounder.

The defensive end slots are wide open. Mark Hicks, Victor Simms, Sells, Tom Anspach, and John Hutchings all are in the running.

Now it's only a matter of putting all the bodies together into a cohesive unit.

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Young Rams visit Fremont Friday

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Sports Editor

"Oh, if we won this game, it would just about make our season."

That's how much stock Toledo Rogers' coach Dick Wagoner puts in an opening season game with the Ross Little Giants. Wagoner's Rams square off against Ross Friday night at Harmon Stadium.

Ross will be attempting to keep an 11-game unbeaten streak alive but Rogers will not be an easy mark.

"We are young," admitted Wagoner as he gave an overall look to his squad. "Plus we are going to a new defense and we have also changed our offense a little."

In effect, when the Ross offensive team looks across the line, they will be seeing a defense that resembles the Little Giants' "split-six." Rogers will be lined up in the same 4-4 setup that Ross employs.

"We researched it through Notre Dame, Virginia, and other colleges," Wagoner said, "and we thought the ability to be more flexible with that defense would give us an added dimension."

"There are not too many teams in Northwestern Ohio running it," Wagoner commented. "Most teams around here are using the '50' defense and we thought if we stayed in that standard '50', other teams would be too used to it."

Wagoner did admit that his team is having a certain amount of trouble picking up the new alignment. Missing defensive keys have been the big problem with the new "D."

Offensively, Wagoner has not changed the running of his offense, but instead has gone to fewer formations in an effort to simplify the point scoring machine.

"Last year," Wagoner, recalled, "we were a multiple formation team. We would run from the 'T', 'split-T', 'I', 'power-I', and a few others. We were running a lot of formations but not doing any of them too well."

One of the players Wagoner will have on that offensive setup is Larry Hall, a 6-1, 175-pound senior, who clicked off the 100-yard dash in 9.9 seconds.

Rogers is young, but Little Giants' coach Tom Hollman feels the Rams have

a good passing game with sophomore Jim Nice throwing the ball.

"Overall they have better team speed than they did last year," Hollman said. "Hall is a good one for them and they have a good tight end who is a good receiver."

Hollman was referring to Randy Popoff, a junior, 205-pounder, who caught a couple of passes against the Little Giants in the 28-0 Rogers loss.

"We know we are going to have to play a heck of a ball game," Wagoner summed up his personal feeling about the season opener. "But we know we can beat them—it's just a matter of getting prepared for them."

Friday lineups

ROGERS OFFENSE

Split end—Barry Kelling, 12, 6-1, 170
Left tackle—Randy Hoch, 12, 6-0, 220 or Reggie Heard, 12, 5-11, 195
Left guard—Pete Lyell, 12, 6-0, 188
Center—John Najarian, 10, 5-9, 190
Right guard—Gerg Farmer, 11, 5-10, 190
Right tackle—Ricky Morris, 11, 6-0, 210
Tight end—Randy Popoff, 11, 5-11, 205
Quarterback—Jim Nice, 10, 6-0, 170
Fullback—Charlie Epperson, 11, 5-10, 175
Tailback—Larry Hall, 12, 6-1, 175
Wingback—Jerome Hogan, 12, 5-11, 150

DEFENSE

Defensive ends—Lyle and Heard
Defensive tackles—Jeff Nitz, 10, 6-1, 190 and Alan Danner, 12, 6-1, 195
Outside linebackers—Geoff Glover, 12, 5-10, 170, and Fred Epperson, 12, 5-6, 150, or Popoff
Inside linebackers—Terry Miller, 12, 5-9, 170, and Mark Oval, 10, 5-9, 175, or Farmer
Cornerbacks—Mike Stephens, 12, 5-8, 140, and Lonnie Murtland, 11, 5-11, 175
Safety—Hogan

ROSS OFFENSE

Split end—Scott Wetzel, 12, 6-0, 160 or Woody Wright, 11, 5-10, 150
Tackles—Frank Van Maluski, 12, 6-2, 190, and Drew Clayton, 12, 6-4, 225
Guards—Mark Gysan, 11, 5-10, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 5-10, 190
Center—John Hutchings, 12, 6-0, 200
Quarterback—Pat Belch, 12, 5-9, 145
Fullback—Rick Kusmer, 11, 5-10, 180
Tailback—Terry Bates, 11, 5-10, 175
Wingback—Dave Liggins, 12, 6-0, 180, or Brad Bischoff, 12, 6-0, 180

DEFENSE

Ends—Tim Seils, 12, 6-0, 175, and Victor Simms, 11, 6-2, 180
Tackles—Jim Smith, 11, 6-0, 250, and Jim Hazzard, 12, 6-0, 210
Inside linebackers—Dave Zilles, 12, 5-10, 202, and Mark Montgomery, 12, 6-1, 205
Outside linebackers—Mike McGilton, 12, 6-1, 185, and Bischoff
Halfbacks—Liggins and Dan DeLeon, 11, 6-0, 140
Safety—Jim Sherman, 12, 6-0, 175

Little Giants dominate Toledo Rogers



ROSS' JIM SHERMAN (15) HEADS DOWNFIELD ON SCORING RUN



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No-windup delivery is key

By KEN RAPPORST
AP Sports Writer

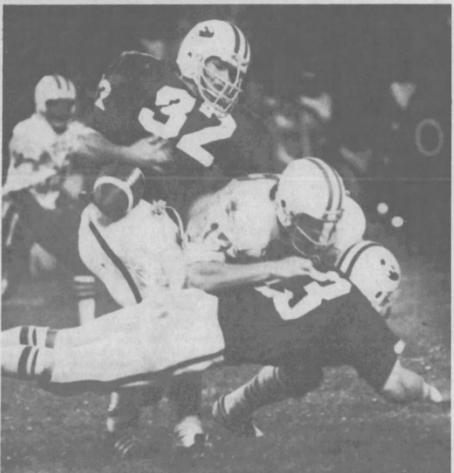
You don't have to wind up the Pete Broberg doll. It works better the other way.

Since he changed his motion to a no-windup delivery, the right-hander has been delivering better for the Milwaukee Brewers. Friday night, he pitched a 6-2 victory over the Boston Red Sox.

"The change in motion seems to have helped him make fewer mistakes in his delivery and that has helped his control," said Boston's Rico Petrocelli. "With his velocity, his ball moves and it's tough to hit the ball off him."

ORIOLES 5-2, YANKEES 4-1

Al Bumby drove in two runs and Ken Singleton belted a solo homer, leading Baltimore's first-game victory over New York. Doug Decinces' tie-breaking single in the eighth inning led Baltimore's triumph in the second game.



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ROSS QUARTERBACK
Pat Belch (left picture) dances gracefully into the end zone for Ross' second touchdown of the night against Toledo Rogers. Belch also scored again later in the game. Tom Ansprach (85) watches Belch's dance. In the bottom picture, Little Giants' fullback Rich Belch carries the ball in his trip downfield. The junior runner made up for the miscue by picking up 125 yards on 15 carries. (News-Messenger photos by Bruce Crippen)

A block of 50 rooms at the Holiday Inn on Sharon Road in Cincinnati will be reserved for the 1975 State of Ohio's annual meeting after attending the Cincinnati-Elder-Ross football game Sept. 19.

Special rates have been set up but reservations and money for these rooms must be made Wednesday, Sept. 10 through Friday, Sept. 12.

Reservations for Elder game

Reservations cards may be picked up in the main office at Ross High School.

Reservations must be in the mail by Sept. 13.

The rates for a one person room is \$16 and \$18 for two people. For a double room, the rate is \$20 for two people for the night or for four people, \$24.

Vail and Thornton take out frustrations on old friends

By FRED ROTHEBERG

AP Sports Writer
Mike Vail of the New York Mets and Andy Thornton of the Chicago Cubs each had a score to settle.

Vail used to be the property of the St. Louis Cardinals while the Philadelphia Phillies used to sign Thornton's paychecks. But after five years with these organizations, Vail and Thornton were sent packing. Their services were no longer needed.

Friday night, Vail and Thornton got opportunities to say "I told you so" to their old employers and they spoke loudly with their bats.

Vail had a two-run homer and an RBI single in leading the Mets to a 5-2 victory. Thornton smashed a three-run

and lowered their magic number for clinching the division title to four games; the Los Angeles Dodgers trimmed the Atlanta Braves 5-2, and the Houston Astros edged the San Diego Padres 2-1.



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Giffin may see his team for first time

By BOB MARKER
N-M Sports Editor

Columbus Marion-Franklin coach Bill Giffin may be seeing his team for the first time under game conditions this Friday night at Harmon Field. It will be the second game of the season for the Red Devils and Ross.

He really did not get a chance to see what his first edition of the Red Devils could do last Friday night against Newark. He could hardly see for the rain.

After 40 minutes of play, Newark and Marion-Franklin had played to a scoreless tie. Four minutes later, the Red Devils trailed 21-0, which turned out to be the final score of the game.

"We can't use the weather as an excuse," Giffin said. "Both teams played in the same weather."

"We just had a couple of lapses that hurt us."

The first of those lapses was a fourth down at the Red Devils' 48 that they failed to pick up. One running play and a surprise pass in the rainy conditions put Newark in the end zone.

On the following kickoff, a fumble at the 30 was recovered by Newark and it was TD time again. After the second kickoff, the Red Devils picked up a pair of first downs but a Red Devils' pass was picked off and returned deep into the Red Devils' territory setting up the third six-pointer.

Giffin, who was an assistant coach at Marion-Franklin for six years before getting the head job this season, is trying to implement a "multiple" offense at the Columbus school.

"We are also trying to get the kids to play 'straight ahead' football. We don't want them trying to run around people we want them to go right at them," he said. "We really are trying to get them to play a tougher brand of game."

Giffin continued, "From what I could see against Newark, that is pretty much what the kids did."

The Red Devils coach is trying to accomplish at Marion-Franklin what he feels is prevalent at Ross.

"We know basically that Ross is well coached. They are a good fundamental team which is something that we are trying to get accomplished but so far, we are a long from that."

Ross coach Tom Hollman might not agree with what Giffin said about fundamentals after viewing the films of last week's 44-0 waltz over Toledo Rogers. Although a win cannot be faulted too much, Hollman did manage to see things he did not like about his Little Giants.

"We have to be more consistent," he said. "Offensively, our techniques need more work. Both offensively and defensively, we need to be more aggressive."

Hollman talked briefly about this week's opponent. "It's really hard to evaluate them because of the conditions they played under. The weather restricted them to what they could do."

"I do know one thing, they will be pretty physical with us."

Ross will be facing another "even" defense that the Little Giants' scouts and coaches term a "4-4" but Giffin calls it a "6-3."

Basically, the Red Devils' defense will have six down linemen coming at Ross.

Offensively, in the multiple offensive formations, Ross could see the "stacked-I" (all four backs in a row behind the center), power-I, regular-I, or the split, pro style backfield.

Whatever formation, Giffin says he is trying something.

"We looked at our first two games with Newark and Ross as an extension of the summer scrimmage season."

"We will be trying to do things to see if they will work in games in the Columbus City League," he said. "Because we feel Newark and Ross are real tough, it would get us ready to play in our league."

ROSS PREGAME NOTES — Everyone in the Ross camp was healthy as of Wednesday with the exception of defensive tackle Jim Hazard.

The 220-pound senior will miss this week's game and possibly the Elder game because of an infected knee. Hazard's knee problem, the first he has ever had, ironically began when he crawled across the floor to change stations on the TV, a week ago Monday.

By Tuesday some water appeared on the knee and after warming up last Friday night, a slip on the pavement further aggravated the condition. Saturday, the infection appeared.

Marion-Franklin and Ross lineups

MARION-FRANKLIN

Offense

Ends — Maso Moon, 12, 152, and

Stacey Conley, 11, 170

Tackles — David Crowder, 12, 220, and Greg Simpson, 12, 260

Guards — John Derr, 11, 185, and

Hobson Milner, 11, 195

Center — Mark Smith, 12, 195

Quarterback — Steve Hunt, 12, 160

Running backs — Martin Estice, 12, 155, and Clarence Anderson, 12, 160

Flanker — Tim Chestnut, 11, 130

Defense

Ends — David Scott, 12, 173, and

Ron Tackles — Gary Broadnax, 12,

175, and Kerry Thomas, 12, 190

Guards — Ken Lanier, 11, 220,

and Derr

Linebackers — Mike

Flemmings, 12, 200, and Milner

Halfbacks — Toshia Howell, 12,

155, and Moon

Safety — Estice

ROSS

Offense

Ends — Scot Wetzel, 12, 160, and

Tom Anspach, 12, 185

Tackles — Frank Von Maluski,

12, 190, and Drew Clayton, 12, 225,

or Jerry Ruland, 12, 200

Guards — Mark Gysan, 11, 180,

and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center — John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback — Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs — Terry Bates, 11, 175, and Rick Kusmer, 11, 180

Wingback — Dave Liggins, 12,

180, or Brad Bischoff, 12, 180

Defense

Ends — Tim Seils, 12, 175, and

Victor Simms, 11, 180

Tackles — Jim Smith, 11, 250,

and Mike Clark, 12, 240

Inside linebackers — Dave

Zilles, 12, 202, and Mark

Montgomery, 12, 205

Outside linebackers — Mike

McGilton, 12, 185, and Bischoff

Halfbacks — Liggins and Dan

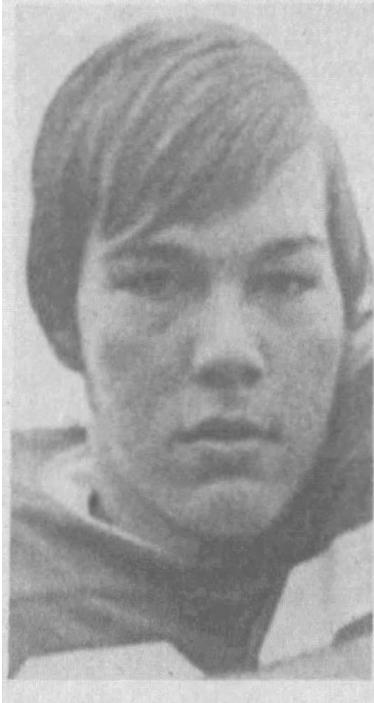
DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety — Jim Sherman, 12, 175



STARTERS, possible starters, and the injured are in the news for Ross and St. Joe. Vince Swint, upper left, may miss St. Joe's Gibsonburg game and Randy Darr, above center, who gained over 100 yards as Swint's replacement last week, may start again. Greg Kuns, upper right, will definitely start at

quarterback for the Crimson Streaks. Bottom left and center are Rick Kusmer and Terry Bates of Ross. Kusmer rushed for 125 yards and Bates, 182, in Ross' opening win. Jim Hazzard, lower right, will miss his second game in a row for Ross because of an infected knee.



Marion-Franklin stuns Ross in scoreless deadlock

By BOB MARKER
N-M Sports Editor

Ross may have been relying on its press clippings a little too strenuously Friday night.

"I think everyone took it for granted," a bedraggled Ross head coach Tom Hollman said after fired up Columbus Marion-Franklin battled the Little Giants to a 0-0 tie.

The Ross coach, looking a little worse for the wear because of a week long battle with a cold, was disappointed but very pointed in his remarks.

"We got a good group of kids here," he said. "I'm trying to get press clippings we have been reading had said that Ross was untouchable . . . well we were touched tonight."

And how.

There was no protection for Ross' offense from the charged up Red Devils.

"The farther the game went, our defense picked up that much more confidence," a happy Bill Giffin, coach of the Red Devils said afterwards.

"We got a good group of kids here," he said. "I'm trying to get the crack kicked out of them."

The Red Devils did not have to take any "crap" from anyone. In fact they dished it out.

Four times Ross knocked on the door of the Red Devils' end zone but three times the Red Devil defense held. Three times it was on pass interceptions and once on a fumble recovery at the two.

That recovery came on the first series of plays in the third period for Ross. With Mike McGilton at tailback and Sherman at tailback, replacing the Terry Bates-Rick Kusmer combination of the first half, Ross took over on their own 37 and moved to the Red Devils' 12.

Sherman had carried three times in the drive for 19 yards while McGilton had carried down an 11-yard pass from Pat Belch and carried four times for 23 yards.

McGilton unfortunately was hit hard at the ball on the last carry, coughed up the ball and lost it to the Red Devil Ron Bradley.

Ross' other scoring drives were marred in the first, second, and third quarters.

Maso Moon intercepted a Belch pass at the Red Devils' 13 in the first period. Belch had Scott Wetzel a step behind Red Devils' defender but underthrew him.

In the second quarter, Kari Wiggins picked off a Belch pass at the Red Devils' 19 and it was only a tackle from behind by Tony Ruiz of Ross that saved the big defensive back from scoring.

Belch saved Ross in the third period when Moon stepped in front of a pass and returned to the Ross 47. Belch was the

last defender and managed to slow Moon down for a host of other Little Giants.

Ross' vaunted defense was that save. The Little Giants Little Giants stopped the Red Devils at the eighth and 12-yard lines. The first in the second quarter and the latter in the fourth period.

Virgil Carreker missed on a 29-yard field goal attempt on the latter Red Devil effort.

The Little Giants "D" gave up 129 yards in total offense, 118 yards coming on the ground.

"Penalties killed us," Hollman pointed out, adding that he, as the coach, may not have had the Ross players up for the game.

"It seemed like every time we got inside the 20, there was a penalty against us."

One play that a penalty played a big hand in was in that first offensive series of the third period when Dave Liggins bolted out of the pack in the middle of the line and rambled 34 yards to the Red Devils' 10 only to have it called back because of a holding.

Several more penalties played big roles in Ross' three other thrusts deep into Red Devils' territory.

"I'm not taking it away from Marion-Franklin," Hollman pointed out. "But every thing we had long, got called back because of holding."

The Ross coach praised the defensive effort of the Columbus team.

"They had to play a heck of a game to shut us out. At times they almost had an eighth yard line and those backs were so darn fast."

"We still think, though, that if we had scored once, they would have folded."

Not so according to Giffin.

"The offensive line was on the sidelines when Ross was driving and made a promise to themselves that they would take it right back at Ross if they had scored," Giffin grinned.

What's in store for Ross now?

"Well, first, we have to take the press clippings. No man can save us. Take part of the blame from the coaching standpoint of not having them emotionally ready."

"We are still slight — we have to get to have some people."

"That's what Cincinnati Elder (next week's opponent) will do it for the coach."

ROSS STATS — Rick Kusmer was the Little Giants' leading rusher with 48 yard on 11 carries. Liggins was next. Clarence Anderson of Marion-Franklin with 41 on 10 carries.

Just as last week's 42 yards rushing was the highest in three years, Friday night's 108 net output was the lowest in that time span.



That's how it was

Ross coach Tom Hollman walks to the sidelines as his Ross offensive team watches. Hollman had just talked with quarterback Pat Belch after a timeout late in the game. (N-M photos by Bruce Crippen)



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ROSS' VICTOR SIMMS CHASES RED DEVILS' STEVE HUNT

Standings

By The Associated Press

American League

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Orioles closing on Boston again

By ALEX SACHARE

AP Sports Writer

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down to the wire. We're not quitting no matter what happens."

The Baltimore Orioles won't go down without ruffling a few feathers.

All but committed offense throughout the last games of the first place Boston Red Sox in Baltimore last week and fell eight games off the pace in the American League East, feisty Manager Earl Weaver has his Orioles on the wing again.

The Orioles have taken

to the road and won seven

Bumby drew a leadoff walk, moved to third on Tony Muser's hit-and-run

single and scored on ex-Tiger Jim Northrup's

error. Ken Singleton

added a sacrifice fly for

the final run.

A's 11-6, Twins 4-7

The A's took advantage

of five Minnesota errors in

the opener to stretch their

winning streak to seven

games. But the Twins took

the nightcap by scoring six

runs in the sixth inning.

Dave McKay and Jerry

made one error in 15 chances.

Royals 10-7, Angels 2-2

Consecutive singles by Jim Wohlford, Cookie Rojas, George Frazier, John McRae and Al Crippen began the first inning of

the first game and set the

ton of the evening for the

Royals, who now trail first

place Oakland by seven

games in the AL West.

John Mayberry's two-run

double keyed a five-run

third inning in the second

game.

Hollman mum on changes

By BOB MARKER
News-Messenger Sports Editor

Tom Hollman is like any other football coach — he does not like to give away secrets.

Changes in starting lineups are almost a no-no to speak about before the kickoff the day of the game. That's when the new look in a team is seen. Before than, it's only hinted at.

"We've been alternating our backs all week," Hollman, Ross head coach, confessed while making out the traveling list for Friday's game at Cincinnati Elder High School.

Last Friday in the scoreless tie against Marion-Franklin, Mike McGilton and Jim Sherman, both seniors, took over the fullback and tailback slots in the third period of the game and the switch had the Little Giants moving.

Juniors Rick Kusmer and Terry Bates had played exclusively in the first half but were unable to get through a tough Red Devils defense. The pair returned on the second Ross series of the second half because McGilton and Sherman, who are on the defensive starting team were rested after a long Red Devils' offensive series.

"I really haven't decided on just who will start yet," the Little Giants coach hedged.

In the next breath Hollman said, "We're alright . . . I mean even last week if you took away the penalties we would have had another 100 yards rushing. It's just that everytime we had a big play, it was called back because of a penalty."

One change that Hollman was definite about is at tight end. Mark Montgomery, a starting linebacker, will see considerable action at the spot. He will be alternating frequently with Tom Anspach who has started the first two games of the season.

The tall blonde haired coach said that last week's

game taught the Little Giants a lesson.

"We hope as far as preparing ourselves for a game that we learned to be ready mentally a little better."

"As far as the team this week, we have had good practices. I think they have been more alert in learning."

Hollman felt that his team was a little too hesitant last week, especially on offense when the Marion-Franklin team showed them a lot of different looks defensively.

"The different look caused the hesitation," he confirmed. "When they hesitated, they were not aggressive."

Hollman rates Elder as a potentially explosive offensive team.

"They are not power oriented . . . the offense is not a really ball control type. They run lots of quick pitches, straight dives, and they throw a lot of deep passes.

"Their passing game is pretty good. They have a good quarterback and a good flanker."

Terry Finley, a 5-11 senior, is the Elder signal caller while 6-4 junior Mike Hofmeyer is the flanker.

Ross will face a five or a seven man front when Elder's defense is on the field and the Ross coach expects the Panthers "D" to show variations.

Last week, Ross quarterback Pat Belch was intercepted three times and Hollman was asked if he might hesitate to go to the air against Elder.

"Hey, Pat's alright," he defended his senior quarterback. "If you give him another yard on his throws last week, he would have had three touchdowns."

ROSS NOTES — Jim Hazzard's right knee has failed to respond to treatment for an infection. Wednesday night, the Ross defensive tackle was sent to Mercy Hospital where he was admitted for treatment. His stay there is indefinite.

Elder Stadium directions

Following are the directions to the Cincinnati Elder football field:

Take I-75 south to State Route 52 (Harrison Avenue) exit. Exit to right and go over the lower deck of the Western Hills Viaduct.

At the end of the viaduct, go right onto Beekman Street one square and turn left at Queen City Avenue (It's a one-way street).

Proceed west on Queen City to Quebec Road. (St. Francis Hospital will be to your right.) Turn left and go up Quebec Road which will be up a long hill. At the top of the hill, turn right onto Glenway Avenue. Go one block to Beech Avenue and turn left.

Go one block to Vincent Street, turn right and you will run into the stadium at Elder High School.

Car parking on the school grounds is by pass only. If you have a pass, use the entrance off Gilsey Avenue which is one block past Elder High School off Glenway.

Fans may also park on the streets around the stadium; in the Seton High School lot off Vincent; and some may park in the Super X lot off Glenway.

There are several restaurants in the area including Schueler's Restaurant which features a smorgasbord setup.

The gates at the stadium open up at 7 p.m.

The trip to Cincinnati is approximately 240 miles and should take you four to five hours.

In other Ross news, the Ross Boosters Club would like to have everyone who signed up for the chartered bus to the Elder game at the Ross High School parking lot no later than 1:30 p.m. Friday.

The Boosters also announced that the game balls for the Rogers and Marion-Franklin games were won by Don Gruver and Bob Overmyer, respectively.

Ross trips after fast start in Cincinnati



JIM SHERMAN

... Scores lone Ross touchdown

By BOB MARKER
News-Messenger Sports Editor
CINCINNATI — For nine minutes things were rushing Ross High's way Friday night, but for the final 39 things went completely sour.

In the much ballyhooed "games of the year" for Ross, the Elder Panthers tacked on a 13-7 loss, the first time in five years that Ross has lost to a non-Buckeyes Conference foe.

Jim Sherman put Ross ahead on a seven yard scamper around left end 1:15 minutes into the game. The play capped a near perfect drive by the Little Giants.

Taking the kickoff at their own 37, the Little Giants moved the 63 yards in six plays. Sherman scampered behind a perfect block by fullback Mike McGilton would have put the Panthers away a week ago.

"They (Elder) didn't let that first score get them down," a happy Ray Bachus, Elder coach, beamed after the game.

"That happened to us in the first two games."

Trailing 7-0, Elder took a short kickoff by Jerry Ruland back to its own 42. Keyed by slippery running tailback Elvis Clemons, the Panthers tied the score two minutes into the second quarter. Clemons nine yard run capped the drive. One of the key plays in the series was an 11 yard first down strike from Elder quarterback Terry Finley to 6'4" flanker Mike Hofmeyer.

The game was all Elder after that.

But, here is the zinger: Doubtful officiating and very questionable calls which provoked Ross coach Tom Hollman to several outbursts were Cincinnati officials marred the game.

"I don't like to say anything about the officials," Hollman said tersely, "but they kept the pressure on us all night."

One of Hollman's outbursts followed the play that set up Elder's winning six pointer.

Stalled on the first series of the second half, the Panthers' Dan James hung up a high punt to Sherman at the Ross 19. The Little Giant back did not signal a fair catch and just as the ball seemed to be nestling into his hands, Elder's Tim Patton had shouldered into Sherman's gut. The ball popped out and 210-pound Mark Weber wrapped himself around the ball to give the Panthers a golden opportunity.

"I thought that the Elder player interfered with the catch," Hollman said. "The official told me it was a judgment call, but you have to give the player a clear chance to catch the ball."

The Elder opportunity did not go to waste.

Seven plays later, facing a fourth and goal at the two, Finley knifed into the end zone off a crunching block by 233-pound left guard Ken Bolger.

On the ensuing Elder kickoff, Ross again couched up the ball when Steve Hart's short kick went

through the hands of lineman Mark Gysan and Elder's Joe Oberbeck grabbed the bouncing pigskin.

The Panthers were unable to score on this mental miscrea by the Little Giants, but when they gave the ball back to the Ross' 14 there were only two and a half minutes to go in the period.

"We just couldn't get the ball in that period," Hollman said dejectedly.

Elder whipped off 19 plays in the quarter, while Ross struggled with only seven.

Ross' last two tries at getting the tying TD ended up in interceptions of Pat Belch tosses.

The longer the game went, the more doubtful it became just how many players Ross was facing from the Little Giants' point of view.

At times, it appeared as if there were 15 against the Little Giants: 11 for Elder and four in striped shirts.

Hollman, who seldom erupts but is very noticeable when he does,

would not blame the officials for the loss.

"No, we lost it ourselves," was all he would say.

After that, he set his mind on next week's game with Admiral King. That's all he could do.

ROSS NOTES ... Ross defense, a victim of some sharp Elder blocking that helped the ball in the forward wall, gave up 133 yards on the ground and another 50 in the air. Clemons picked up 107 yards on 24 carries.

Sherman was Ross' leading ballcarrier with 44 yards on 14 carries. McGilton picked up 29 on eight carries. The ball was in the hands of regular running backs Rick Kusmer and Terry Bates, who had started the first two games.

Finley completed five of seven passes. Clemons tried his hand with two passes of the option with one ending up in the hands of Ross' Dave Liggett, killing at Elder drive at the Ross 25 in the second period.

Some unhappy memories

CINCINNATI — Tom Hollman slumped against a wall of the damp corridor leading to the Ross dressing room—a room that was quiet, after Elder had handed Ross a 13-7 loss Friday night.

The 28-year-old Ross coach looked a little worse for the wear. Sweat was streaming down his face, and his voice was hoarse as he explained his unhappiness at the officiating.

"I don't like to blame the officiating or say anything about them," he remarked, "but he seems to be doing a heck of a job."

"They didn't lose the game for us, but their calls kept the pressure on us in that second half."

Hollman was critical of the judgment call that set up the winning Panther TD.

"The rules say that you have to

let a player have a clear chance at catching the ball. I think the Elder kid interfered with him (Jim Sherman)."

Over in the Elder dressing room, Panthers' coach Ray Bachus did not agree with Hollman.

"I thought that call was a good one," Bachus said. "Tim Patton hit him just at the right time."

Bachus did criticize the officiating. "I thought Ross was hitting us late."

Getting away from talk about the officials, Hollman pointed out that Elder had upset the Little Giants by surprise when they ran out of the I formation.

Bachus agreed that "We haven't run the I formation this year. We didn't think we had big enough fullbacks to run it, but last week we felt we had to give it a try." Elvis

Clemons had a good game and looked faster than he ever has before. So we made the switch to the I and it allowed Clemons enough room to use his speed."

Hollman in his last crack at the officials pointed out bluntly, "the officials should use a little common sense. They know the game situation and should know when a team would be trying to get time out."

Hollman was charged with an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty when he argued after the officials refused to call a time out.

"One referee told me it was not his responsibility and I just wanted them to know I was a little upset with them."

But that's the way it went for Ross.

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AK hoping for rain

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Sports Editor

"Everytime it rains, it rains pennies from heaven." So goes a popular song from a few years back but everytime it has rained on a Fremont Ross-Lorain Admiral King football game, it has spelled nothing but bad luck for the former.

"Yeah, over here we have been doing a rain dance," AK coach Don Fritz jovially admitted in a phone conversation Wednesday night from his home in Lorain. He had just reacted to a statement that it was hoped that rain would not mar this Friday night's Buckeye Conference opener with the Little Giants.

The eight-year coach at Admiral King has good reason for hoping that it rains Friday night. Three years ago the Admirals handed Ross its only loss of a 9-1 season. Two years ago, under dry conditions, the Admirals lost, but last year, the Admirals created the only blemish on Ross' 9-0-1 season by battling the Little Giants to a scoreless tie in a game that was played under a constant drizzle.

The Admirals are off to the fastest start since 1962, the school's second year in existence. So far the Admirals have mowed down Eastlake North (20-7), Cleveland Heights (14-8), and Lorain Southview (11-6).

While defense was the Admirals' forte last season, Fritz admits that "the defense is not as strong as it was a year ago."

"Last year defense carried us. We scored only 62 points all year (the Admirals gave up only 68)," Fritz explained. "We just could not get an offense generated. We lost our quarterback (Brian Wilt) in the third game and after that, we couldn't get anything going."

The Admirals' defense may have a "rubber band" look to it; it stretches but it does not break.

"That's the whole key to them," Ross coach Tom Holliman pointed out. "They have given up a lot of yardage in a game (an average of 220), but they have not given up over a touchdown per game."

The Admirals have surrendered only 21 points, the fourth best in the Buckeye Conference, but rank dead last in overall defense in rushing yardage and passing yardage allowed.

The Ross coach credits the Admirals' fast start to the improved offense and the "rubber band" type defense.

"They have good speed in Garcia (Brian, junior, 195), Branson (Stan, senior, 170) at halfback, and Wilt (senior, 175) at quarterback," Holliman said.

"They have changed their offense a little this year," Holliman continued.

Fritz said that was true, pointing out that the Admirals have switched to a multiple offense this season as compared to the "veer" used last season. "We have taken quite a bit of pressure off Wilt with this offense and now we rely on basically three players."

Wilt is one of the three but the other two, Garcia and Branson figure to give Ross problems. Branson is currently the fourth leading rusher in the BC with 226 yards on 47 carries, a 4.8 average.

Garcia is sixth in the conference with 184 yards on 40 carries for a 4.6 yard average.

Even with an improved offense, Fritz still looks toward his defense as the big part of his team.

"I think in order to be successful in this game as well as the rest of the season, you have to stop people. The defense has to do it for us because from this game on out, it's hell on wheels," Fritz said candidly.

The Admirals' coach continued as he talked about Ross' unexpected 1-1-1 mark.

"I don't know what the problem has been with Ross in the first three games but I'll tell you this: I'd rather see them 3-0 instead of what they are right now," he said, while referring to the fact that Ross may be ready to break out against some opponent.

"As far as I am concerned, Ross is still the team to beat in the Buckeye. They'll be tough to handle for any team."

With that in mind, Fritz may be pleading for a little help from the heavens in the form of rain. If it does rain Friday night, then Fritz could be collecting those "pennies from heaven" at Ross' expense.

Montgomery and Bischoff doubtful for AK game

Ross' starting lineups for tonight's Buckeye Conference opener with Admiral King at Harmon Field may be altered due to injuries.

Mark Montgomery, who started at tight end and inside linebacker against Cincinnati Elder, is a doubtful starter. Kent Damschroder will get the call at the tight end spot and Bruce Levenson will take Montgomery's defensive spot if he is unable to go.

Brad Bischoff suited up for practice Thursday night for the first time this week. Bischoff suffered an ankle injury against Elder and more than likely will not see action at the outside linebacker spot.

Rick Kusmer, a starter at fullback in Ross' first two games, will take over Bischoff's defensive spot.

Admiral King lineups

Offense

Ends: Eric Anderson, 12, 5-10, 160 and John Brown, 12, 5-9, 165

Tackles: Mike Provenza, 12, 5-10, 225, and George Zolnai, 12, 5-10, 215

Guards: Bob Campana, 11, 5-11, 170, and Mark Paghi, 12, 6-0, 160

Center: Jeff Petrillo, 12, 5-10, 165

Quarterback: Brian Wilt, 12, 6-1, 175

Running backs: Stan Branson, 12, 5-9, 170, Brian Garcia, 11, 6-1, 195, and George DeLestathing, 11, 5-10, 155

Defense

Ends: George DeSilvester, 12, 6-1, 185, and Ralph McCue, 12, 5-10, 175

Tackles: Kevin Gage, 10, 5-10, 170, or Doug Hasel, 11, 6-2, 196, and Larry Chaney, 11, 6-4, 235

Middle guard: Tony Sciulli, 12, 6-0, 185

Monster: Ken Konya, 12, 5-9, 155

Linebackers: Greg Ballis, 12, 6-3, 205, and Rick Palacias, 10, 5-9, 155, or Eric Pardon, 10, 6-0, 170

Cornerback: James Furci, 11, 5-9, 165

Halfbacks: Mike Albrechta, 12, 5-11, 165 or Len Greace, 12, 5-9, 160

Safety: David Cook, 11, 5-11, 160

Ross lineups

Offense

Ends: Scott Wetzel, 12, 160, and Tom Anspach, 12, 185

Tackles: Frank Von Maluski, 12, 190, and Jerry Ruland, 12, 195

Guards: Mark Gysan, 11, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Mike McGilton, 12, 185, Jim Sherman, 12, 175, and Dave Liggins, 12, 180

Defense

Ends: Tim Seils, 12, 175, and Victor Simms, 11, 180

Tackles: Jim Smith, 11, 250, and Mike Clark, 12, 240

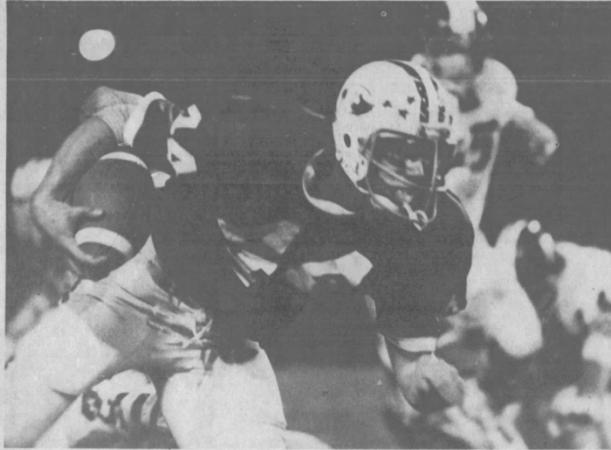
Inside linebackers: Dave Zilles, 12, 200, Mark Montgomery, 12, 205, or Bruce Levenson, 12, 175

Outside linebackers: McGilton, and Rick Kusmer, 11, 180

Halfbacks: Liggins, and Dan DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety: Sherman

Little Giants bury Admiral King 44-7



MIKE MCGILTON OF ROSS PICKING UP SOME OF HIS 125 YARDS AGAINST ADMIRAL KING

Boston blanks Tribe twice

By FRANK BROWN

Associated Press
Boston Manager Darrel Johnson was smiling from the top of his red cap to the tips of his Red Sox.

Pressure? What a pressure! We haven't had any and I don't think any of the players have, either." Johnson said Friday night after Boston swept a twin-night doubleheader from Cleveland by 4-0 scores and crept closer to an American League East Division crown.

"The pressure's on Baltimore," added outfielder Dwight Evans. "The magic number is two and we're in the driver's seat."

Well then, the Red Sox better get some maps for the road to Oakland and the World Series League playoffs. Right, Darrel?

Not just yet:
"We're going to go out there and try and win two more from Cleveland," said Johnson. "Then we can start thinking about Oakland and the playoffs. We can't think about Baltimore losing."

Baltimore hasn't even been able to play since Wednesday. Rain continued to cloud their title hopes Friday by wiping out a scheduled twin-nighter with the New York Yankees. An combination of rain, victories, and Baltimore losses adding to two will decide baseball's last pennant race.

Brewers 3, Tigers 0
Cleveland Scott Atwell in

has 13 hits in his last 30 times at bat, including six home runs in 19 games.

Twins 3, White Sox 1

Larry Hise's tie-breaking single in the sixth inning scored Steve Brey and lifted Minnesota over Chicago.

The White Sox got a run

in the fourth inning but Terry Talbath's first home run of the season led off the bottom of the fourth and tied it for Minnesota.

A's 4, Angels 2

Billy Williams singled home a first-inning run and doubled to open a two-run fourth, helping Oakland

beat California Angels.

Tommy Harper drove the AL West champs an insurance run with an eighth-inning homer.

Royals 8, Rangers 6

Jamie Quirk drove in three runs, two in a four-second, to help Kansas

City top Texas.

White Sox 19, Twins 13

Terry Talbath's three-run home run in the ninth inning gave the Twins a 13-12 victory.

Red Sox 10, Indians 3

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Ross at full strength

Ross' offensive and defensive starting lineups will be the same as last Friday when the Little Giants rolled over the Admiral King Admirals 44-7.

Ross will be attempting to stretch its Buckeye Conference unbeaten string to 10 straight games against the potentially explosive Mansfield Tygers.

"We have to go out on that field ready to really stick the other guy," is how Ross coach Tom Hollman put it while talking about what his team needed to keep the string going.

"We have to be as mentally ready as we were when we played Admiral King last week.

"Mansfield really ripped us last year . . . they were the first team to score on us," he recalled.

Ross' offense rolled up over 350 total yards, 305 on the ground but the Little Giants' head man still feels

there is work to be done on the offense.

"We have to get a little better at running the sweep. There is just a few little things that we are not doing on it."

Coming back to the Ross picture for this week will be Brad Bischoff. The senior, one of the five Ross captains, missed last week's game because of a twisted ankle suffered in the Elder game.

He may not start at the cornerback slot but will see action Hollman said.

Ross fans will also likely see Jim Hazard back in uniform. The 215-pound defensive lineman has not played yet this season due to an infected knee. After having minor surgery to scrape the infection out, Hazard was given the green light to begin workouts. He may see light action tonight, but should be ready for more.

Statistically, Ross will put a defensive line and linebacker unit against the Tygers that has nearly a 23 pound weight advantage. The Tygers offensive front tips the scales at an average of 178 while Ross' near eight-man front goes off at over 201 pounds.

Ross' offensive line tips the scales at 185 while the Tyger defense runs at an average of 191.

Mansfield offense

Ends: Mike Brumm, 12, 175, and Harold Gibson, 11, 160

Tackles: Brian Garverick, 12, 206, and Nick Stavrious, 12, 180

Guards: Jeff Gassaway, 12, 180, and Charles Shepard, 12, 185

Center: Lincoln Kelly, 11, 165

Quarterback: Tim Scarbury, 11, 145

Running backs: Rodney Jefferson, 12, 180, Cliff Belmer, 11, 190, and Tony Shoulders, 12, 155

Defense

Ends: Donald Matthews, 12, 220, and Brumm

Tackles: Mike Hoy, 11, 190, and Garverick

Middle guard: Todd Blaising, 11, 180

Linebackers: Rodney Jefferson, 12, 180, and Bobby Watkins, 11, 190

Monster: Henry Washington, 11, 145

Halfbacks: Fred Harper, 11, 160, and Shoulders

Safety: Jerry Powell, 11, 165

Ross offense

Ends: Scott Wetzel, 12, 160, and Kent Damschroder, 11, 185

Tackles: Frank Von Maluski, 12, 190, and Drew Clayton, 12, 225

Guards: Mark Gysan, 11, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Mike McGilton, 12, 185, Terry Bates, 11, 170, and Dave Liggins, 12, 180

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Outside linebackers: McGilton, and Rick Kusmer, 11, 180

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KANSAS — Don Saalman's 10-yard scoring toss to Scott Kreais with 30

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MIKE MCGILTON (44) BREAKS A TACKLE AND TURNS UPFIELD AS DAVE LIGGINS (40) BLOCKS AND PAT BELCH (14) WATCHES

Little Giants tame Mansfield; line play keys 2nd BC victory

By BOB MARKER
News-Messenger Sports Editor

Ross rolled out the Clyde Beatty tactics Friday night and caught a different breed of animal from Mansfield.

The Little Giants stalked, herded, and slammed the doors shut on the Tygers (not more than 100 yards) of Mansfield, Ohio, for a victory number three for the season and second in the Buckeye Conference. The win was the 11th straight game that Ross has not tasted defeat in the talent rich BC.

The Little Giants, with guards Tony Ross and Mike Gysan, along with a trio of tackles consistently "trapped" the middle of the Tyger line and consistently tore huge holes in the Tyger hide.

Mike McGilton, Ross' bruising senior fullback, plowed to eight and six yard touchowns and the Ross line had an open freeway sign right up the middle of the Mansfield interior.

"Hey, I can't sing out any one guy for good blocking," McGilton said as he towed the sweat of his forehead. "All of them (offensive line) — Gysan, Ruiz, (Mike) Jones, Clayton (Drew), Hutchinson (John), and Von Maluski (Frank), do a heck of a job for all of the backs."

McGilton, who rambled for 125 yards and two TDs against Admiral King a week ago, played his best game of the season.

Terry Bates, the Little Giants' junior tailback, ripped off his third 100-plus yard game with 104 on 29 carries, including a two-yard TD scamper early in the second period.

Dave Liggins, the Ross' second back, with a 100-yard unassisted run off a counter play midway through the first period, Ruiz threw the key block on the play as the Ross line opened up a hole that seemed to be five yards wide.

"Yeah, the guards did have a good game," Ross coach Tom Holman said as a boyish

smile spread across his face. "It just shows what a little experience will do for them."

As the Tygers' Pat Belch ran to the air five times against Mansfield but completed only one, a 23-yard strike to Brad Bischoff that keyed the second Little Giants scoring drive.

After Liggins ramble had capped a six-play, 62-yard drive in the first period, Ross started to march again with three minutes to go in the quarter.

Belch's pass to Bischoff put the ball at the Tyger 29. Two penalties and two runs of 14 and 13 yards by Bates were capped by the tailback's two-yard plunge.

McGilton chipped in the first TD of the night with no time showing on the clock at the end of the second stanza. With second and goal at the eight, McGilton cut off the tail of Ross center Hutchinson, was seemingly stopped at the four, but got out with a 10-yard run to the one, and Ross' Jerry Powell took it in.

Rodney Jefferson literally taking a "piggy-back" ride on the Ross fullback, McGilton fell into the end zone as the half ended.

"Mac is really running hard," Holman understated.

"Mac he just wouldn't stop," McGilton laughed as he just talked about the play.

Belch had two of his passes go in and out of a receiver's hands but it was the 145-pound senior's second half runs that helped to key Ross scoring drives.

Then, with the Tyger's six-yard sneak for a first down kept Ross' first scoring drive in the second half rolling. Later, in the same drive, Ross faced a fourth and three at the Tyger nine. Belch rolled to his left on the fourth down, stepped up the center and dove to the five foot line. Belch capped off his running with a nine-yard scamper off the option for another Ross first down on the night's final scoring drive.

Mansfield's only score was set up by a Bates fumble at the Ross 43 a minute into the second half.

Tyger sophomore quarterback Jerry Powell tossed passes for 17 and 12 yards to John Hartman and Pat Belch to key the drive. Cliff Belmer scored from a yard out with 4:26 to play in the third period.

"I don't think they would have scored then if the fumble had not given us field position," Holman said. "At 4:26 it was a good defense forced them into two fourth down plays."

Ross took the following kickoff 64 yards in 15 plays, consuming nearly eight minutes of the clock, to score the clincher. McGilton's six-yard blast off blocks by Holman, Gysan, and Ruiz, plus a 30-yard run in the game.

The final Ross TD belonged to Jim Sherman. Taking over for Bates at tailback, Sherman picked up 40 yards in an eight-play, 58-yard Ross drive. A 25-yard gallop to the 10 by Sherman was the key play and a three-yard run capped off the drive.

"I expected the fullback to run quite a lot," Mansfield coach Dave Pierce said, "but I didn't expect him to do that well. They have a couple of tackles in there that really did a good job."

"We worked all week on the sweep; we didn't work our defense on the fullback but hurt us. I guess our kids just got a little too anxious," Pierce concluded.

ROSS NOTES — Ross gave up 131 total yards defensively, 85 on the ground with 53 of them on the run.

Notable standouts on defense for Ross were tackles Jim Smith and mike Clark and inside linebacker Mark Montgomery and Dave Zilles. Smith's sack of Powell caused a fumble that the 250-pound junior fell on, setting up the final score of the first half.

Zilles' extra point kick string ended at 10. He hit on after the first Ross score but missed after the last TD.

Ross had 310 yards rushing. The Little Giants' ball control offense had the ball for 28 minutes in the game.



MARK MONTGOMERY, above, takes a welcome drink of water between plays on the sidelines of the Ross-Mansfield game. Below, Jim Sherman of Ross is surrounded by three Tygers: Bob Watkins (86), and Brian Garberick (71), plus unidentified players make the tackle on Sherman. (News-Messenger photos by Pete Groh)



Veeck buys Sox

CHICAGO (AP) — Bill Veeck, who owned the Chicago White Sox from 1961 to 1963, has reached a tentative agreement to buy them back.

The agreement between Veeck and associates with owner John Allyn is contingent upon approval by other league owners and settlement of minor details, a club spokesman said Friday.

No price was disclosed, but Allyn's sources said the price was around \$14 million and reportedly had dropped to between \$10 million and \$12 million.

It was a poorly-kept secret in recent days that Allyn was negotiating with Veeck, who rid himself of the team in 1961 because of poor health. Veeck has

Noll still has respect for 0-2 Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — Pittsburgh Steelers' Coach Chuck Noll, though he has a soft spot in his heart for his hometown of Cleveland, doesn't particularly like playing the Browns in cavernous Municipal Stadium.

One reason for that is Pittsburgh's lack of success in the lakefront park. In fact, the Steelers' victory here last season was Noll's first in Cleveland in six years of trying.

The Pittsburgh victory

also ended ten years of frustration at the Browns' home field. The Steelers also went on to beat the Browns in Pittsburgh for their first season sweep in the 28-year history of the series.

Despite Cleveland's 0-2 record this season, including last week's 42-10 loss by Minnesota, Noll isn't going to shrug off Sunday's opponent.

"Nobody's driven the ball down their throats," the coach of the world champion Browns said. "Cincinnati got a couple of quick ones (scores) and Cleveland should have won that game."

They use Pruitt like St. Louis uses Terry Metcalf," Noll explained. "They move the ball and try to get him the ball. He can break it most any time."

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Mitchell is a young L.C. Greenwood (Pittsburgh defensive end). And once again, Minnesota, the Vikings wound up third and 30th in the NFL's strength of schedule.

There's a night game by Sherk. I don't know how the hell it happened, but he is faster than he was," Noll added.

The Browns have shored up their defensive backfield with veteran strong safety Neal Craig scheduled to start in place of Van Grunsven. But Pittsburgh's safety, Mike Wegner, suffering from a sprained ankle, is "not good," according to Noll.

Top stars and brass in Stengel's funeral

GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) — Former baseball stars and some of the game's top officials will be pallbearers when funeral services are held for Hall of Famer Casey Stengel on Monday.

Stengel, who managed the New York Yankees and the New York Mets, among other teams, died of cancer Monday.

Eulogies will be offered by baseball Commission Bowie Kuhn and Rod Dedeaux, the University of Southern California

baseball coach who is a long-time Stengel friend.

The pallbearers will be E.J. "Bubba" Bavasi, Peter Bavasi, Gerry Colangelo, Jackie Cavanagh, Bob Fisher, Wally French, Don Grant, Babe Herman, George Kelly, Tom Lasorda, Joe McDonald, Lee MacPhail, Bill Martin, Harry Minor, Tom Morgan, Jim Piersall, E. "Red" Patterson, Bob Scheffing, Ken Smith, Ray Smith, Chuck Stevens, Horace Stoneham, Dutch Zernig and Max Rosen.

Services are scheduled for 1:30 p.m. at the Church of the Recessional, Forest Lawn, Glendale.

PAT BELCH, right, talks with Ross coach Tom Holman during a timeout in Ross' 35-8 win over Mansfield.

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Jim Hazzard in Ross lineup

Jim Hazzard will get his first start of the season tonight against unbeaten Elyria according to Ross coach Tom Hollman.

The Ross-Elyria game at Harmon Stadium is one of two games in the Buckeye Conference that pits unbeaten (in conference play) teams. Findlay and Lorain, both 5-0 overall and 2-0 in the BC, square off at the Trojans' home field.

Injured for the first five games, Hazzard will draw a starting job at outside linebacker. Last season, the 210-pounder was a stalwart at defensive tackle for the Little Giants.

The Hazzard assignment is the only major change in the Ross lineups. The other outside linebacker spot is the only questionable area with either Brad Bischoff or Rick Kusmer drawing the starting job. Both will probably see action at the position.

ELYRIA Offense

Ends: Mike Browning, 12, 180, and Rafe Pouncy, 12, 210

Tackles: Steve Johnson, 11, 215, and George Cook, 11, 200

Guards: Mike Keech, 12, 180, or Matt Penfound, 12, 185, and Joe Szuecs, 12, 210

Center: Mark Bursley, 12, 180

Quarterback: Chuck Buttle, 12, 180

Running backs: Hubert Oliver, 11, 175, John Gollmar, 11, 210, and Paul Sunagel, 12, 175, or Jerry Oliver, 11, 165

Defense

Ends: John Thrasher, 12, 205, and Billy Williams, 11, 190

Tackles: Jeff McCullough, 11, 175, and Cook

Middle guard: Hubert Oliver

Linebackers: Tom Hines, 12, 185, Oney Fitzpatrick, 12, 185, and Browning

Halfbacks: Rick Haury, 12, 170, and Mike Haury, 11, 175

Safety: Harvey Halliburton, 11, 180

ROSS Offense

Ends: Kent Damschroder, 11, 175, and Scott Wetzel, 12, 160

Tackles: Frank Von Maluski, 12, 190, and Drew Clayton, 12, 225

Guards: Mark Gysan, 11, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Mike McGilton, 12, 185, Terry Bates, 11, 170, and Dave Liggins, 12, 180

Defense

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Tackles: Jim Smith, 11, 250, and Mike Clark, 12, 240

Inside linebackers: Mark Montgomery, 12, 205, and Dave Zilles, 12, 200

Outside linebackers: Jim Hazzard, 12, 210, and Brad Bischoff, 12, 180, or Rick Kusmer, 11, 180

Halfbacks: Liggins, and Dan DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety: Jim Sherman, 12, 175



DAVE LIGGINS, above, gets a breather during plays. The Little Giants senior caught a 10-yard pass from Pat Belch for the only point scored in Ross' 6-0 win over Elyria. At the right, 240-pound Mike Clark came up with the clinched defensive play when he sacked Elyria quarterback Chuck Buttle for a 10-yard loss late in the game. (News-Messenger photo by Bruce Crippen)



Football carnival is Monday

The Second Annual Fremont Junior High Football Carnival is slated for Monday, Oct. 13, at Marmon Stadium, announced Ross assistant athletic director Al Ziemke.

There will be four separate games of football plus an exhibition by the Fremont Junior High band.

The first game of the night will begin at 6:30 and last to 8:35 p.m., and will be between the seventh grade Green and White teams. The second seventh grade game between the Maroon and Orange will be from 7 p.m. to 7:25.

The third game will be from 7:25 to 7:35 with the third game between the eighth grade Red and Blue teams starting at 7:35 and ending at 8:20 p.m.

The freshman teams, Purple and White, will play from 8:10 to 8:35.

The seventh grade games will be made up of two, 12-minute halves with a three minute intermission. The eighth and 9th grade games will consist of two, 12-minute halves with the three-minute rest period.

Officials for the games are Ed Sels, Hank Miesle, Russell Missig, Lennie Brudzinski, Glen Halm, and Jim Euwanski. Bruce Smith will operate the clock and the announcer will be Norm Bray.

Admission to the carnival is \$1.00 for adults and \$0.50 for students. The gates will open at 6 p.m.

Programs will be sold at the gate.



THE BALL ROLLS FREE FROM MIKE MCGILTON'S (44) GRASP AS A WAVE OF ELYRIA TACKLERS ENGULF HIM BUT THE PLAY WAS DEAD

'Complete' Ross stuns Pioneers

By BOB MARKER
N-M Sports Editor

It took a complete game and a touch to put the top of the Elyria Pioneers Friday night.

The Little Giants got the completion, a 10-yard scoring strike from Pat Belch to Dave Liggins with only 5:31 to play in the game to give Ross a hard fought 6-0 Buckeye Conference win.

The loss was the first in five games for Bill Barton's Pioneers and the first in conference play after two straight wins. Ross' win coupled with Findlay's 17-7 triumph over previously unbeaten Lorain leaves a two-way tie for the BC lead with Ross and Findlay at 3-1.

"This was a complete ball game both offensively and defensively," Ross coach Tom Hollman smiled as he patted his heart.

"The defense played 'real proud' and the offense executed real well, especially in the second half," the Ross mentor said. "I can't sing out any one individual on offense — they all played well."

Ross mounted the scoring drive after taking an Elyria punt on their own 21. The drive started with 4:50 to play in the third period and culminated at the 5:31 mark of the final quarter.

During the game that 11 minute span, Ross ran off 19 plays, picked up a first down and drove five yards, capitalized on a couple of Pioneer penalties, and recovered from a delay of game penalty of their own.

Mike McGilton and Jim Sherman picked up 10 of the clutch first downs for the Little Giants during the 79-yard scoring match. An Elyria offside penalty accounted for one first down when Ross faced a fourth and one at the Elyria 37 on the first play of the final drive.

Three plays later, facing a third and nine after the Ross delay of game penalty, McGilton ambled up the middle on a draw play for eight yards. On the next play, the Ross fullback picked up the first down.

Four plays later, it was Sherman's turn. Taking over at tailback for Terry Bates after McGilton's first down run,

Sherman followed a Jerry Ruland block over right tackle for seven yards to the Pioneer 15. A trip over guard Mark Gysan's tail by Sherman put the ball at the 13.

McGilton was stopped cold by Hubert Oliver on the next play and left the Little Giants with a fourth and one at the 13. Sherman picked up the first down by inches and drove through the left side of the Ross line behind blocks by tackle Drew Clayton, Gysan, and center John Hutchings.

McGilton lost one on the next play but Sherman battled to the 10 on a purely solo effort run by Scott Wetzel, and center. The next play was the jewel for Ross.

Belch rolled left and fired a short pass to Liggins who hauled it in at the five, picked up a block from Scott Wetzel, and raced into the end zone.

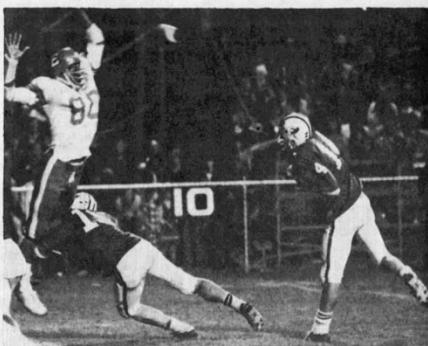
"The ball was right there," Liggins said while holding up his hands in front of his chest in the locker room after the game. "All I had to do was catch it and do a little dance."

"Dave was the first person I looked at," Belch said as he talked about his TD pass.

While everyone at Harmon Stadium said that the Ross defense, or rather, the best drive of the year for Ross, it was only the second time that had been in Pioneer territory. The first time came on the first series of the second half when Belch hit tight end Mark Montgomery for a 19-yard pass to the Elyria 47. Montgomery found the end zone on the play, however, and Elyria's Jack Hobson recovered.

The Little Giants' defense was nothing but tough.

The Purple and White "D" limited the Pioneers to 42 yards rushing in the first half and 21 in the second half. In the half, Ross came up with its best defensive effort of the season with only 65 total yards given up.



BILLY WILLIAMS OF ELYRIA BLOCKS ROSS PASS
Jim Sherman of Ross is blocker for quarterback Pat Belch

The defense, led by Montgomery, Dave Zilles, Tim Smith, and Mike Clark, stopped Elyria at the 22 in the first half and on the very last series of the game at the Ross 36 after the Pioneers had reached 36 at the Little Giants 17.

Mike Clark tackled Pioneer quarterback Chuck Buttle for big 10 yard losses on the Pioneer first and second and 19 at the Ross 25. The Pioneers had drives as far as the 17 with 50 seconds to play but a personal foul on tackle Ross Mellot set the Pioneers back to the 10 and they never got out of the pocket.

Clark's tackle forced a desperation pass on fourth and 29 from the 36 but Buttle overthrew intended receiver Hubert Oliver.

For Ross defense co-ordinator Pete Moore, the shutout was a sweet thrill. "We wanted that shutout," he said quietly. "We worked hard all week and it was a super effort."

"I know it's an old coaches' cliche but it was a total team effort tonight."

Elyria's defense was no pushover. The Pioneers gave up 92 yards rushing and another 46 through the airways.



SHERMAN STOPS ELYRIA JERRY OLIVER AFTER SHORT GAIN

Liggins' pregame phone call

Dave Liggins had things on his mind before the Elyria game. The Ross senior had received a telephone call from his mother.

"The operator said she had a call from Elyria for Dave Liggins," he recalled in the dressing room after the game. "Then somebody said 'You better not show up at tonight's game or we are going to get you (expulsive deleted).'"

The operator was Liggins. He caught the warning touchdown pass to keep Ross out of the Buckeye Conference.

Familiar twosome

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — It was Jack Nicklaus and Tom Weiskopf again taking top honors at the 10th annual U.S. Open golf tournament Friday, this time in a \$1,000-a-hole exhibition with two other pro golfing greats.

Nicklaus and Weiskopf each pocketed \$1,000. Johnny Miller won \$5,000 while Lee Trevino was shut out.

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'Big V' is Ross problem

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Sports Editor

Elyria's offense was tough but then there is Lorain Senior and the "Big V."

If Ross fans want to see Ross' vaunted "4-4" defense meet a strong challenge, they better show up at Harmon Stadium for tonight's Buckeye Conference clash.

"It's going to be our toughest to date," Ross defensive coordinator Pete Moore said. "This week it will differ from Elyria because we knew Elyria was primarily a ground attack team but Lorain has a good rushing attack and a good passing attack."

Last year, Lorain stuck the Ross defense quickly, scoring the first time they had the ball. The Steelmen ran so well against Ross in that game that they scored 20 points (Ross allowed only 33 all season) but the Little Giants had 26 to win the contest.

"They figure they have a good blocking scheme against it (the 4-4 defense) because they play it also," Moore explained about Lorain. "It does give their offensive team a little advantage but we do give more 'looks' in the 4-4 than they do."

"In the long run it should help them," he admitted when talking about the mirror-like appearances of the Little Giants and Lorain defenses.

The shutout against Elyria was termed by Moore as "the best defensive effort we have had since I have been at Ross."

"We accomplished just about every defensive goal that we set out for us against Elyria," he said. "We had good gang tackling and we were really unloading on people for the first time this year."

Ross will have to "unload" on Virgil Williams (Lorain's Big V who averages over 150 rushing yards a game) and at the same time, keep control of fullback Jordon Fitzpatrick and quarterback Drew Parobek.

"We are very 'Virgil conscious,'" Moore admitted "but you have to go along with what your scouting reports tell you and what you know — Virgil carries the ball or is somewhere near the ball 80-85 per cent of the time."

"Their fullback hurt us on the traps up the middle last year but we hope we have that whipped tonight. We have to respect the Lorain passing attack because they threw on the first series of plays last year."

Where will the pressure be on the Little Giants' defense.

"On the ends and outside linebackers," Moore pointed out. "We have been working doubly hard on them this week. The outside men have to keep Virgil inside."

"He is a good cut back runner," Moore pointed out, "but we hope our interior can handle him in there — we just have to keep him from getting outside."

Moore continued "Yeah, the defense is 'Virgil oriented' but we have not forgotten that they had good people at other 'skill' positions.

"As far as our defensive team — I think they remember last year and they want the shutout. They know that this game is more important than last week's game because it's the game right now."

Only time will tell if the Little Giants' "Big V" can stop Lorain's "Big V."

ROSS NOTES — Rick Kusmer will probably draw the starting fullback assignment. Regular starter Mike McGilton missed two days of practice because of a bad cold. McGilton will start at outside linebacker and will play the fullback spot at times, head coach Tom Hollman said.

Ross will enter the game with a healthy squad — the second week in a row that they have been able to do that.

Lorain Senior-Ross starting lineups

Booster meetings

A door-to-door campaign will be conducted Saturday morning by the Clyde Junior High School Athletic Boosters Club in an attempt to get donations or people to become a booster member. Donations will be used for the athletic department.

The recent car wash was claimed a success. The next meeting will be held Nov. 13.

The Genoa Area Athletic Boosters will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday with head

LORAIN SENIOR

Offense

Ends: Fred Pagan, 12, 165, and Kevin Huff, 11, 240
Tackles: Ron McGillivary, 12, 185, and Dave Tisler, 12, 200, or John Profant, 11, 215

Guards: Dave O'Conner, 12, 210, and Russ Cambarare, 11, 145, or Wade LaForce, 12, 180

Center: Gregg Zelina, 12, 195

Quarterback: Drew Parobek, 12, 165

Running backs: Mark Maxwell, 12, 170, Jordon Fitzpatrick, 12, 210, and Virgil Williams, 12, 185

Defense

Ends: Tom Butti, 12, 160, and Dan Pufnock, 11, 165
Tackles: Profant and Tisler

Inside linebackers: Dave Presutto, 12, 160, and LaForce

Outside linebackers: Maxwell and Fitzpatrick

Halfbacks: Kevin Hill, 12, 170, and Terry Orr, 12, 175, or Steve Popovich, 11, 150

Safety: Tony Miller, 12, 165

ROSS

Offense

Ends: Tom Anspach, 12, 185, and Scott Wetzell, 12, 160

Tackles: Drew Clayton, 12, 225, and Jerry Ruland, 12, 200, or Frank Von Maluski, 12, 190

Guards: Mark Gysan, 11, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Terry Bates, 11, 175, Brad Bischoff, 12, 180, Rick Kusmer, 11, 180

Defense

Ends: Tim Siels, 12, 175, and Victor Simms, 11, 180

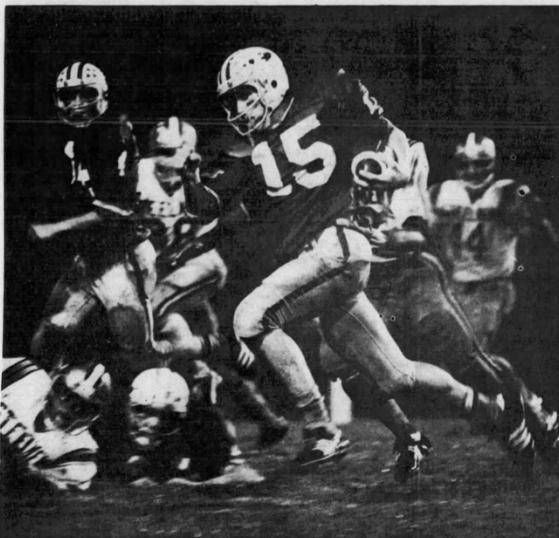
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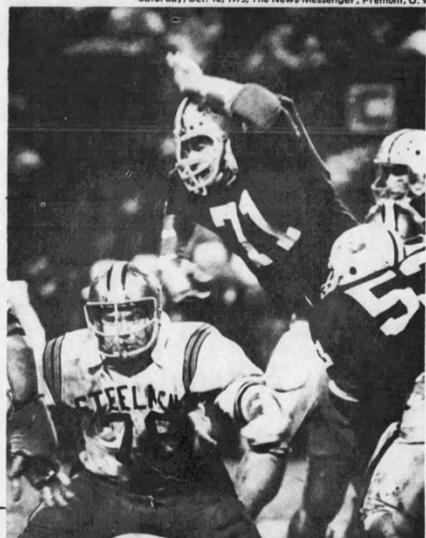
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Halfbacks: Dave Liggins, 12, 185, and Dan DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety: Jim Sherman, 12, 175



THROUGH the rain, wind and mud, (left) it was clear sailing for Ross tailback Jim Sherman. With Pat Belch of Ross watching, Sherman bolted five yards for Ross' second touchdown with only 21 seconds to play in the first half. Mike McGilton of Ross, on the ground, wears the white jersey three block wiping out two Lorain defenders to spring Sherman. At the right, Lorain's Jim Williams (71) appears ready to deliver a karate chop to Steelman lineman Ron McElroy. Ross' Ross Williams was only after the ball carrier who is not in the picture. (News-Messenger photo by Pete Groh)



Ross sloshes to 20-6 win over Steelmen

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Editor

It was billed as a Buckeye Conference football game and it was to be a top notch affair pitting Ross, 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the BC, against Lorain Senior, 5-1 and 2-1 in the BC.

Instead it could have been the Buckeye Conference swan song. Better still, "mud meet" would have been more appropriate.

Under sheets of wind driven rain, Ross ripped through the mud and the first time they had the ball and systematically mauled Lorain's 20-6 win, the only Lorain score coming against Ross' second team with 24 seconds to play in the game.

"The weather hampered both teams," Ross coach Tom Holloman said. "I felt the weather would have passed most of the time we had better."

Bolstering the fact was Ross' first play from scrimmage, a pass that fell incomplete in the mud at the sideline. That was the only thing that Ross did wrong in the takeoff.

"We wanted the ball," Holloman said when questioned about why he did not elect to get the wind at his back in the first period. "I think that drive set the stage for the game the way we took it and scored."

Rick Kusner was the man for Ross on the drive. The junior fullback who drew the starting assignment in place of Mike McGilton, carried 11 times in the 14-play, 70-yard drive, 37 yards, the last four on the second of the 6:12 mark of the initial stanza.

Terry Bates, who had picked up 22 yards on three carries in the drive, swept left end for the conversion points and Ross was on top 4-0.

The Lorain running back setup was one of two that Holloman used in the first half. Along with wingbacks Dave Liggins, Brad Bischoff, and Mike "Woody" Wright, the multiple Little Giants' running assignment was to get the ball moving by carrying the ball for 47 yards in the first 24 minutes of play.

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Taking the ball on their own 32 after the Ross defense held Lorain on down, the Little Giants moved 68 yards on eight plays. Running mainly to the short side of the field where they could use the sidelines to stop the clock, Jim Sherman capped the drive with a five-yard scamper around left end off a block by McGilton for 47 yards in the first 24 minutes of play.

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While Ross was gouging huge holes out of the mud, rain, and Steelmen defensive line, the Little Giants' defense was bunting a little but not breaking in the soggy ground.

Vic Williams, Lorain's all-state tailback, could not break out of the pack of the Ross front four and the linebacker crew. Quarterback Drew Parobek was



THIS WAS THE MOOD OF DRESS FOR FOOTBALL FANS FRIDAY NIGHT

Loyalty helped Ross fans but people had to be part duck to really enjoy the liquid moonbeams

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How the top 10 fared

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—How the top-rated Ohio high school football teams in The Associated Press poll fared Friday night:

Class AA
1. Cincinnati Moeller, 7-0, beat Cincinnati Purcell 66-0.
2. Tom Warren Harding, 8-0, beat Cincinnati Taft 44-0.
3. Lorain, 7-1, beat Lorain Senior 28-0.
4. Newark, 7-0, beat Marietta 26-0.
5. East Liverpool, 6-0, plays Dublin, Pa., Saturday.
6. St. Vincent-St. Mary, 7-0, beat Lorain 34-0.
7. Zanesville, 6-1, tied with Upper Arlington 3-3.
8. Union, 6-0, beat Marion 28-13.
9. Kettering Alter, 6-0-1, beat Dayton Stivers-Patterson Saturday.
10. Canfield McKinley, 6-1-0, beat Canton Timken 12-7.

Class AA
1. Cleveland Holy Name, 6-0, plays Parma Padua Saturday.
2. C. E. Smith, 6-1-0, lost to Washington C. H. Miami Trace 14-0.
3. Newark Catholic, 6-0, beat Columbus Watkins Memorial Saturday.
4. Carroll, 7-0, beat Carroll 35-0.
5. Burton Berkshires, 7-0, beat Cleveland Lutheran East 50-0.
6. Carey, 7-0-0, beat North Robinson Crawford 34-0.
7. L. C. H. Miami Trace, 6-0, beat Marion 28-13.
8. New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Catholic, 5-0-1, plays Malvern Saturday.
7. Salineville Southern, 6-1-0, beat Sebring 12-0.
8. Middletown Fenwick, 4-2-0, beat West Chester Lakota was postponed.
9. (tie). Rockford Parkway, 5-0-1, vs. Maria Stein Marion Local was postponed and Middletown Cardinals, 6-1-0, beat Newbury 26-0.



Official assignment:
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upright

An official in the Ross-Lorain game was foiled by the ball and the wind on a Ross kickoff. The unidentified official played good safety and stood in front of the ball trying to keep the wind from knocking it over. All went good as well in the photo. The ball in the photo at the right, if you are a life reader, then you can read a bit of dispense with the dead wind that that ball which made a mockery of his help.



Colonels edge 76ers with big 3rd quarter

CINCINNATI (AP)—The Kentucky Colonels spotted the Philadelphia 76ers a 90-85 halftime lead before roaring back to outscore them 33-20 in the third period winning 112-110 Friday night.

"I thought," said Colonels Coach Hubie Brown who had words for the team's performance, "We were excited because of the third quarter."

It was the first loss in six preseason games for the National Basketball Association 76ers led by George McGinnis with 25 points.

The victory was the third straight by the American Basketball Association Colonels over NBA in exhibition play at the new Cincinnati Coliseum.

McGinnis, formerly of the ABA Indianapolis team, had a poor first half but got only five in the second half after six-year veteran forward Wilbert Jones went to work on him.

"At halftime, our biggest complaint was our lack of aggressiveness," said Brown.

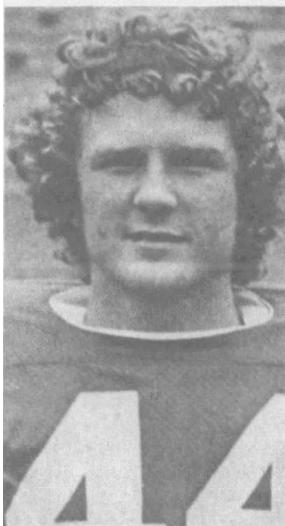
"That's our game but, in the third quarter, we played up on people, jammed 'em." In addition, the Colonels outrebounded the 76ers 33-23 during the 21-3 in the first five minutes of the period.

76ers Coach Gene Shue went to a smaller and quicker lineup which did not include McGinnis and took the lead back at 108-106 with 2:16 left on four straight foul shots by rookie guard Floyd Free.

Veteran Kentucky guards Ted McClain and Louis Dampier then took charge with three baskets between them while Philadelphia got only one more bucket.

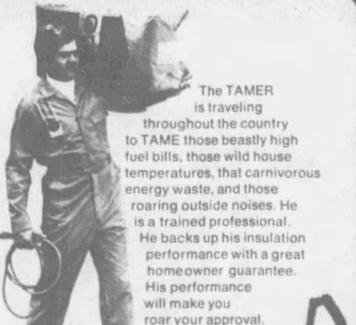
"First of all, I am happy to get the appointment," Lynch said. "I've always enjoyed teaching and coaching at Gibsonburg and I am pleased with the interim arrangement."

"As far as this year, we will hold a team meeting on Oct. 31," the new coach said. "I think that we will be adequate team-wise this season."



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Emotions cause problems

By BOB MARKER
N-M Sports Editor

Emotions play a big part in high school football and Ross' visit tonight to the home of the Marion Harding Presidents will be another step in the emotional game.

Winners for only the second time in seven games last week, the Prexies received a big shot in the arm. A shot that could spell trouble for the Little Giants.

Ross Head Coach Tom Hollman goes along with the emotional game. Especially since the Prexies are coming off the 6-0 win over Admiral King.

"Oh, they will be emotional alright," he said but then offered what he felt was the key to the game. "We have to get to them quickly. Elyria did not and Marion only lost by 20-14; Findlay scored quick and really put it to them."

As far as the Little Giants, Hollman is optimistic. Instead of a letdown after two big Buckeye Conference wins, he figures his team is not looking ahead to

next week's clash with arch rival Findlay.

"We may have been guilty of that in the Marion-Franklin game when we had Elder next but this is the Buckeye Conference now and the team knows this is a 'must' game," Hollman pointed out.

What Hollman did not say to finish that statement was if Ross happens to fall victim to an upset tonight, the game with Findlay will have lost its importance.

"I just don't see any letdown," he concluded.

Ross will be without the services of Mike McGilton tonight. The linebacker/fullback suffered what has been diagnosed as a "mild" separation of his left shoulder. Any way you look at it, McGilton will not play tonight.

Rick Kusmer will get his second straight starting assignment at fullback while Jim Hazard and Brad Bischoff will be at the outside linebacker slots.

Those are the only changes in the Ross lineup.

Marion-Ross starting lineups

MARION Offense

Ends: Kevin Berry, 11, 140, and Steve Rodman, 12, 170

Tackles: Pete Mash, 12, 215, and Gene Troutt, 10, 195

Guards: Curt Gearhisler, 12, 180, and Gary Reed, 11, 200

Center: Mark Short, 12, 170

Quarterback: David Freese, 11, 150

Running backs: Darrell Middleton, 12, 225, Dave Salyer, 11, 150, and Ron Seckel, 12, 155

Defense

Ends: Tom Fees, 12, 160, and Dave Weiss, 10, 155

Tackles: Mash and Mike Moore, 12, 220

Middle guard: Middleton

Linebackers: Paul Hirneise, 12, 160, and Chris Cramer, 11, 210

Cornerbacks: John Burns, 11, 140, and Tim Burns, 12, 150

Halfbacks: Willie Brown, 10, 160, and Rick McDuffle, 10, 150

ROSS Offense

Ends: Tom Anspach, 12, 185, and Scott Wetzel, 12, 160

Tackles: Drew Clayton, 12, 225, and Jerry Ruland, 12, 200

Guards: Mark Gysan, 11, 180, and Tony Ruiz, 11, 190

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Rick Kusmer, 11, 180, Terry Bates, 11, 170, and Dave Liggins, 12, 180

Defense

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Tackles: Mike Clark, 12, 240, and Jim Smith, 11, 250

Inside Linebackers: Mark Montgomery, 12, 205, and Dave Zilles, 12, 200

Outside Linebackers: Brad Bischoff, 12, 180, and Jim Hazard, 12, 210

Halfbacks: Liggins and Dan DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety: Jim Sherman, 12, 175

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Defense, Hicks' toe key to Ross victory

By BOB MARKER

N-M Sports Editor

MARION — Ross combined a stingy defense with the talented toe of Mark Hicks to trip a stubborn Marion Hardin team.

Ross scored on the first series of plays after getting field position on a short President punt. The win set up the Buckeye Conference "showdown" game with Findlay next Friday night in the home of the Little Giants.

Findlay handed Elyria its third straight loss 7-0 to run its record to 8-0 and 5-0 in the BC. Ross is now 6-1 and 5-0 in the conference.

The win over Marion may prove to be costly for Ross, however. Fullback Rick Kusmer received a bruised back just before halftime and had to be assisted from the field. His status for next week's game is unknown.

Center John Hutchings also suffered a slight back injury in the fourth period but was able to return to the game. Guard Mark Gysan sprained an ankle during the first half and did not play during the second half.

Offensively, Ross managed 202 yards but at best, the offense performed like a sputtering engine. Outside of

the opening drive, the Little Giants' offense was inactive.

"I bet you thought we were going to blow them off the field after that first drive," smiled head coach Tom Holloman but he appeared relieved that the game was over.

"There is a lot to be said for emotions in football," Holloman continued. "I told the kids all week that this was an emotional game. Marion was ready to play the game and they stayed with us."

Marion center Jim Hecker was surprised with the showing of his team. "It surprised me that we did not fold after Ross scored so quickly."

"It's happened before and their heads would drop and the other team would have it made. Tonight when Ross scored, our kids' heads seemed to come up."

The heads of Marion came up on defense but continually batted into the dirt by the Ross defense.

"I think we played a super game defensively," Ross defensive coordinator Pete Moore expressed. "This was definitely the best outside containment that we have had."

Right with the front four of tackles Jim Smith and

Mike Clark, ends Tim Siels, Vic Simms, and Hicks,

with help from linebackers Mark Montgomery, Dave

Zilles, Brad Bischoff, and Jim Hazzard, threw President runners for 40 yards in losses while giving up a net rushing total of 49 yards.

In all, the Little Giants' "D" had only 80 yards gained against them. Maurice Spaulding pulled off the only interception of the game as Ross shut off the air routes.

Ross scored all the points they needed when Terry Bates swept over right tackle from 10 yards out for the opening six-pointers with 1:12 to play in the first period.

The scoring play capped an 80-yard drive.

Kusmer gained 40 of the yards with one a dash for 29 yards to the Marion 14. The key play though, was a 13-yard pass from Pet Belich to Dave Liggins on a third and 11 play from the Little Giants 44.

"That was the play that really hurt us," Hecker moaned.

That play hurt but it was the booming punts off the toe of Hicks that kept the Presidents in the hole. Hicks booted three punts for 54, 54, a whopping 65, and 36 yards for a 51.8 average. His punts were so high that they threatened to bring rain and the height took away any hopes of a Marion return.

Ross scored the insurance touchdown in the third period after a Marion punt by Paul Hirneise was

partially blocked by Bischoff. The ball traveled only 13 yards and went out of bounds on the Presidents' 31.

Five plays later, fullback Phil Batesol plowed in from five yards out for the TD. The play came off the "stack" formation that Ross used for the first time this season.

"We were a little worried about scoring from in close because we had trouble against Lorain," Holloman explained. "This formation gives you a little better blocking."

The formation had three running backs lined up behind the quarterback. On the scoring play, Zilles, who was lined up on the offensive backfield for the first time this season, threw the key block to get Batesol into pay dirt.

Batesol gained 44 yards in the second half after taking over for the injured Kusmer. Before he left in the first half, Kusmer had rolled up 77 yards on 11 carries to lead all rushers.

Marion's deepest penetration was to the Ross 15 after linebacker Pat Howell recovered a Kusmer fumble in the second period. Ross got the ball back two plays later when President fullback Darrell Middleton tumbled at the 15 and Smith wrapped himself around the ball.

MARK HICKS
...51.8 average

Genoa clinches tie for SLL gridiron crown

Comets pull away in 2nd half

By JERRY ROSEN

News-Messenger Staff Writer

GIBSONBURG — SLL teams have

been able to slow the Genoa juggernaut,

but none has been able to stop it.

Even a team as fired up as Gibsonburg

was last night couldn't manage to contain

the Comet march for only a half before

the inevitable happened.

The inevitable struck with the speed of

a laser as Alfredo Lozoya took a handoff

on the second play of the second half and

smoked 69 yards to a 10-yard line.

It broke the Golden Bear's who had held

Genoa to a 7-0 halftime score, and

opened the floodgates for a 31-0 Comet

said a disappointed Bob Ritley. "They

execute well."

"We made some big defensive plays,

but we broke down at bad times."

Forced to throw, sophomore

quarterback Mark Egbert found himself at the mercy of the Comet defense.

In front of the forward wall wasn't

sacking him, the Comet backs were

picking off his aerials. It was on one such

interception that Lozoya was kayoed.

Russ Hahn picked off Egbert's long

pass to Matt Kohler, and immediately

punted back to Lozoya. Lozoya had all

for the far side. When he turned to

pitch back to Mathews, a Golden Bear

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Tackles: Drew Clayton, 12, 225, and Jerry Ruland, 12, 200, or Frank Von Maluski, 12, 195

Guards: Tony Ruiz, 11, 190, and Mark Gysan, 11, 185, or Roy Almaguer, 12, 160

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belich, 12, 145

Running backs: Mike McGilton, 12, 185, and Terry Bates, 11, 170

Wingback: Dave Liggins, 12, 180

Defense

Ends: Tim Seils, 12, 175, and Mark Hicks, 12, 185

Tackles: Jim Smith, 11, 250, and Mike Clark, 12, 240

Inside linebackers: Mark Montgomery, 12, 205, and Dave Zilles, 12, 200, or Bruce Levenson, 12, 175

Outside linebackers: Brad Bischoff, 12, 185, and Maurice Spaulding, 12, 185, or Jim Hazzard, 12, 210

Halfbacks: Dan DeLeon, 11, 140, and Liggins

Safety: Jim Sherman, 12, 175

FINDLAY Offense

Ends: Randy Langenderfer, 12, 195, and Jon Graham, 12, 170

Tackles: John Schober, 12, 240, and Alan LaForrest, 11, 245

Guards: Bob Lambert, 12, 190, and Bob Cook, 12, 190

Center: Jeff Whithause, 11, 165, or Mark Womus, 12, 175

Quarterback: Dave Wilson, 12, 170

Running backs: Junior Saldana, 12, 190, and Andy Schramm, 11, 215

Wingback: Tom Jones, 12, 185

Defense

Ends: Tim Dillon, 11, 215, and Chuck Cook, 12, 170

Tackles: Doug Wymer, 12, 235, and Jerry Campbell, 12, 195

Inside linebackers: Paul Street, 12, 195, and Dave Elderbrock, 11, 170

Outside linebackers: Tim Bell, 12, 185, and Jeff Babb, 11, 170

Halfbacks: Craig Core, 12, 165, and Tom Tesnow, 12, 170

Safety: Danny Martinez, 11, 150

Four breaks give Findlay 22-13 victory

By BOB MARKER

N-M Sports Editor

Ross got the first break but Findlay carressed the next four to hand Ross a 22-13 setback in what was termed the Trojans' biggest game in the 78-year history of the school.

Ross bolted out to a 7-0 lead in the first period but the Trojans scored two touchdowns in less than a minute in the second quarter to take a 15-7 halftime lead.

Findlay recovered an "unintentional" onside kick at the Ross 49 beginning the second half and scored in 10 plays for a 22-7 lead. That was the longest scoring

effect by the Trojans in the game. All three came after taking over the ball in Ross territory due to a Little Giant miscue.

Another Ross fumble killed a drive at the Findlay 34 midway through the second period. With that fumble, the momentum swung toward Findlay and Ross had to scratch for their lives the rest of the half.

Findlay had the jitters in the first quarter and one-half and it cost Ross. Mark Hicks with a strong wind at his back, punted 46 yards to the Findlay one where the ball was killed by Dave Zilles, setting up the initial score of the game.

On the first play, Findlay fullback Junior Sladana lumbered and fumbled carrying the pigskin at the two. Ross fullback Mike McGilton played with slightly separated left shoulder, plunged to the one and quarterback Pat Belch took it in a sneak. Zilles' kick made it 7-0 Ross with 5:30 to play in the first period.

The Little Giants, with some clutch play by defense ends Tim Sells, Brent Borden, and Hicks, stopped Findlay on the next series and took over at the Ross 31.

Sherman and McGilton lugged the ball to the Findlay 34 as all the Giants appeared on the way to taking complete control of the game but a handoff from Belch to Dennis Liggins, a center punt, and a blocked kick by Greg Wymer carried the ball.

Findlay did not score on the series but the momentum took its turn toward Ross at this point.

After an exchange of punts, Ross took over at their own 18 but could not move. Punting into the wind that had been created by his first punt, Hicks was rushed and got off a high punt that traveled only nine yards to the Little Giants' 28.

That was Findlay break number one.

Ross' stone wall defense failed to budge on a pass and run and when Dan DeLeon pulled in a Dave Wilson pass at the goal line after the Little Giants seemingly had the ball in the store, Eric Deak scored.

DeLeon was called for interference on the play and the 15-yard penalty put the ball on the Ross 14. On the next play, Andy Schramm, Findlay's 215-pound bruised tailback, took the handoff on a "misdirection" play and bulldozed his way into the end zone with only 1:57 on the clock.

Setting up for point after kick, Findlay holder Wilson sprinted out to the right and hit wingback Tom

Jones all alone in the end zone for two points and an 8-6 lead for the Trojans.

On the kickoff, Ross was called for clipping on a ball that went into the end zone. Starting from the 10, Terry Bates picked up three but the third break came when McGilton fumbled on the next play and Findlay's Paul Street got it at the 17.

Schramm, who ran for 112 yards on 27 carries to pace the season, had 1,017 yards, picked up 13 on the same cross-cross play that he had scored on earlier. Wilson rolled to the right and edged into the end zone for the TD with :58 to go. Greg Mathias booted the extra point for the 15-7 halftime lead.

The fourth break was on the opening second half kick. "The ball was at the Ross 40, boomed back upfield and was recovered by the Trojans" Danny Martinez at the Little Giants' 49.

Wilson hit Jon Graham in the end zone from seven yards out for the TD at the 7:01 mark of the quarter. Schramm had galloped for 17 yards on a third and two at the Ross 42 for one of two key plays. Wilson carried six yards to the Ross 11 on a third and two on the other.

Ross mounted its second scoring drive on the next kickoff. Starting at the 26, Ross marched 74 yards in 16 plays, Belch sneaking in from the one four seconds into the drive.

Belch hit on three passes in the drive. Tom Anspach hauled down one for 12 yards with Dave Liggins taking the other two for seven and nine yards. Two came on clutch third down plays.

Sherman's nine yard run to the one set up Belch's score. The try for the two-point conversion was stopped on Tim Dillon's shoestring tackle on McGilton.

Ross held Findlay at their 25 but Schramm jammed a punt 65 yards with the wind to the Ross 15. On the first play, Brad Bischoff bobbled a handoff and Wymer had the ball.

The fourth drive stalled at the two but Ross was forced to punt. Hicks' 49-yarder got the Little Giants out of the hole but after a Schramm punt, Ross failed on a fourth and four at the 27 with 2:22 to go in the game and Findlay took over.

The Trojans forced Ross into using timeouts as they mounted a drive that stalled on the eight but the game was over and the Trojans had the biggest win of its history.

Wind and breaks did it says Jones

By ROY WILHELM

N-M Managing Editor

"They've got a heck of a ball club. I wouldn't want to have to play them every weekend."

What sounds like the post game sights of a losing football coach was really the generous praise of the victor in Friday's Buckeye Conference showdown.

Bill Jones, head coach of the victorious Findlay Trojans, had escaped Harmon Stadium with a 22-13 victory over the Ross High Little Giants and he was both happy and relieved the showdown was over.

"They definitely are the best we've seen this year," Jones said of the Ross crew, which had victim to its own mistakes and a strong performance by the powerful Trojans.

"Breaks really determined almost all the plays of the game and was really a big factor tonight," said the man who had played that wind just right to break open the contest.

"Due to an uncertain 15-7 halftime lead, Jones had decided to kick against the wind in the second half with two thoughts in mind.

"Primarily, Jones wanted the Trojans to have the strong breeze at their backs in the crucial fourth quarter, but he also had a glimmer of hope that a break might go the Trojans' way."

Jones ordered his kicker to lay the football flat instead of lifting it up. The result when the ball is lifted upward is a floating ball that is hard for the receiver to handle.

Ross recovered a Findlay fumble on the Trojans' two yard line early in the game and pushed across a touchdown. The Giants were then forced to go toward another score when a muffed handoff gave the ball back to the Trojans,



FINDLAY COACH BILL JONES POINTS OUT A FACT

... Trojans' receiver Jon Graham listens (N-M photos by Bruce Crippen)

whose spirits immediately lifted.

What did the Trojans do after that early score?

"Surprisingly, the kids were more intent to get going and didn't give up."

"We don't have the kind of kids that are going to give up," Jones said.

That first touchdown was mighty big for a while. But the pregame forecasts had signaled a low scoring game.

Jones admitted he didn't expect the score to get as high as it did and he proved the Trojans scored their first touchdown.

Using a play that had just been inserted into their repertoire this week, Jones faked a kick for the extra point and passed for two points and an 8-7 lead.

"That's the first time we haven't kicked this year," Jones said. And referring to the possibility of a low scoring game, he added,

"You never know, you

can take it when you can get it." He then offered another thought, "They (Ross) weren't expecting it at that stage of the game."

Ironically, the defense worked against them somewhat Friday night.

"Their defense was flowing so fast that we had to come up with a play of the Ross defenders," Andy (Schramm) is a big strong runner and if he gets a seam, he's going to go."

Schramm hurt the Giants with his finishing on the counter plays, piling up 112 yards to go over the 1,000 yard mark for the Trojans.



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Hollman: 'We will finish strong'

The dark cloud of gloom hung over the Ross locker room so thickly, that you could hardly cut with a knife. There wasn't a dry eye in the place.

Ross' hopes for a fourth straight Buckeye Conference title were dashed by an aroused Findlay team that took the BC crown, at least half of it, will be worn by the Trojans and a win over Admiral King next week will give the Trojans their first undisputed title ever.

Ross Head Coach Tom Hollman was stunned. He walked out of the room, drew a room, alternately shaking an assistant coach's hand, patting with with several kids playing with pain.

"They really played

hard for us and you have to be proud of them," he said and then added, "I think there were kids who were supposed to watch that type of play — it was just a mental lapse on our part."

The tired looking Little Giants' coach said, "They are a good ball club. I don't want to be singing the blues but we did have several kids playing with pain."

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Ross-Sandusky lineups

SANDUSKY

Offense

Ends: Scott Fisher, 12, 200 and Tim Kaser, 12, 205

Tackles: George Hoehne, 12, 230, and Luther Henson, 11, 220, or Toby Whinnery, 12, 210

Guards: Jim Lewis, 12, 200, and Jim Deal, 11, 170



Center: Craig Farrar, 12, 190

Quarterback: Dale Schnittker, 12, 185

Running backs: Wavie Jones, 12, 175, Jeff Walters, 11, 190, and Tyrus Tucker, 10, 175

Defense

Ends: Kaser and Fisher

Tackles: Henson and Marty Sekeres, 12, 230

Middle guard: Tony Jones, 11, 160

Linebacker: Bob Nielsen, 12, 190, Mark Krause, 11, 175

Monster: Chuck Capizzi, 11, 170

Halfbacks: Dwayne Lash, 11, 145, Tony Crosby, 12, 160

ROSS

Offense

Ends: Tom Anspach, 12, 185, and Scott Wetzel, 12, 160

Tackles: Drew Clayton, 12, 225, and Jerry Ruland, 12, 195

Guards: Tony Ruiz, 11, 190, and Mark Gysan, 11, 185

Center: John Hutchings, 12, 200

Quarterback: Pat Belch, 12, 145

Running backs: Mike McGilton, 12, 185, Terry Bates, 11, 170, Dave Liggins, 12, 180

Defense

Ends: Mark Hicks, 12, 185, and Tim Seils, 12, 175, or Vic Simms, 11, 185

Tackles: Jim Hazzard, 12, 210, and Mike Clark, 12, 240

Inside linebackers: Mark Montgomery, 12, 205, and Dave Zilles, 12, 200, or Bruce Levenson, 12, 180

Outside linebackers: Brad Bischoff, 12, 180, Maurice Spaulding, 12, 175

Halfbacks: Liggins, and Dan DeLeon, 11, 140

Safety: Jim Sherman, 12, 175

Blue Streaks jolt Ross 7-6 in finale

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Sports Editor

SANDUSKY — With one 18-yard pass, Sandusky finished 10-0 this football season.

No. The Blue Streaks finished 10-0 but it was, admittedly by coach Jim Colwell, in feelings only.

Tony Lang cradled a perfectly thrown spiral from Dale Schnittker deep in the right corner of the end zone to pull the Blue Streaks even at 6-6 in the final quarter season finale for both Buckeye Conference teams.

Davin Watson, who had missed on field goal attempts from 42 and 45 yards in the first half, split the uprights in the face of a stiff wind for the extra point to hand Ross a 7-6 loss.

The Blue Streak win ended a four-year domination by Ross and handed Ross coach Tom Hollman his worst season ever as a coach at 6-3-1.

"I told the kids at the beginning of the week," a

drenched Colwell said in a noisy Sandusky locker room after the game, "that if we got this one, it will be just like finishing 10-0."

Colwell got that feeling but the blue Streaks actually finished 4-4-2 overall and 4-2-1 in the BC.

"The kids had a hell of a job," Colwell yelled while explaining big plays to the Sandusky head man.

For Ross, the effort was there but the big play was not. A couple of breaks kept Sandusky out of scoring reach in the first half but two dropped passes kept the Little Giants out of the end zone on two other occasions.

A fumble by Schnittker cost the Blue Streaks on the first series of plays at the Ross 33. Colvin's field goal with a helping wind was off to the right from 42 yards out three plays later.

Another fumble by Schnittker stopped a Blue Streak drive at the 26. Colvin's 45-yard field goal attempt was once again off to the right two plays after that.

Taking over again on the Ross 32 with Jeff Bahnsen

recovered a Jim Sherman fumble, the Blue Streaks were stopped at the 11 when Schnittker rolled right on a fake field goal attempt.

Ross mounted its scoring drive on the next series. Taking over at the 11, Terry Bates rushed for 64 yards lead the eight-play, 89-yard drive. Mike McGilton scored the touchdown with 1:07 left in the half.

Mike McCoy was wide to the left on an extra kick. It was the first attempt this season for the Ross senior. Regular kicker Dave Zilles was on the sidelines nursing a sore leg and McCoy was inserted in his place.

Bates, a junior tailback, carried four times for 10, 30, 10 and 31 yards. He ended up with 135 yards in 19 carries for the night.

The Little Giants missed a golden opportunity in the third period to get a little breathing room. Facing a fourth goal at the Sandusky 5 five toward the end of the third period, quarterback Pat Belch faded to the right and fired a pass into the end zone.

The well thrown ball hit tight end Tom Anspach in the stomach but popped out and Sandusky was on the

recovery. We just had too many dropped passes and we just could not come up with the big play when we needed it, Sandusky did, though."

Hollman continued, "I thought our kids played a fine game but it just wasn't there. We had too many missed tackles and it just wasn't there."

Sandusky's scoring drive was their only serious effort of the second half. Taking over on their own 20 after a Mark Hicks' punt sailed 49 yards out of the end zone, the Blue Streaks marched the 90 yards in 10 plays.

Schnittker completed two key third down passes to Mike Colvin and Wavie Jones rambled 31 yards to the 10 to pace the drive. Schnittker's second strike to Colvin came on a third and 13 and put Sandusky on the Ross 22.

The pass to Lang topped off the drive and as it turned out, topped off the Blue Streak season.

Ross mounted a drive that was doomed to failure after the Blue Streak kickoff. Sherman returned to the Ross 41 and Belch took the ball and carried it to the Sandusky 45. Another Bates ramble put the ball at the Sandusky 45 but a clipping penalty moved the ball back to the Ross 41 and killed the drive.

Sandusky was unable to move and Ross took over again after a Schnittker punt at the Ross 47. Bates rambled 12 to the Sandusky 41 and Belch hit Scott Wetzel for 12 more to the 29. The drive ended at the 23 touchback later as three passes missed their mark, one was knocked down at the five by Schnittker, and a running play.

Sandusky ran out the clock after that and the Blue Streaks had that one game that made a 10-0 season.

NOTES — Wavie Jones was the leading ball carrier for Sandusky with 75 yards on 15 carries. Schnittker added 50 and Jeff Walters 41.

McGilton had 66 to go with Bates' 135. Belch was two of 10 for 25 yards and Schnittker four of 11 for 37 yards.



Sports in Brief

By The Associated Press

HOCKEY

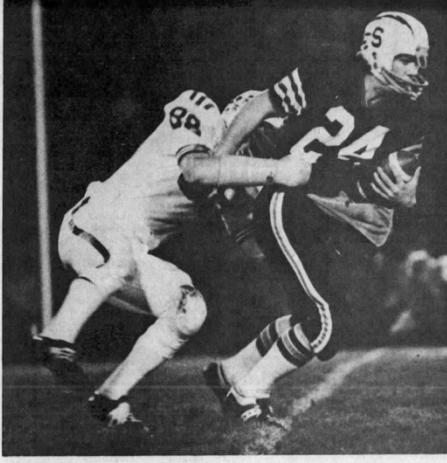
NEW YORK — The New York Rangers acquired high-scoring center Phil Esposito and defenseman Carlo Colaiacomo from the Boston Bruins in return for all-star defenseman Brad Park, center Jean Ratelle and minor league defenseman Joe Zanussi.

TENNIS

PARIS — Evenne Goolagong of Australia was upset 6-2, 7-5 by Sue Barker the quarterfinal round of the French Women's Tennis Tournament.

BASKETBALL

PORTRLAND, Ore. — The Portland Trailblazers of the National Basketball Association placed forward Greg Smith on waivers and activated rookie guard Lionel



TERRY BATES (22), top left, cuts inside a block by Mike McGilton while picking up 100 yards in the first half. At right, Sandusky's Wavie Jones (44) bobbles a pitchout as Marl Hicks (67) of Ross moves in for the stop. At the top, Ross' 100-yard quarterback Dale Schnittker (24) slips out of the grasp of Ross linebacker Mark Montgomery in first quarter play. (N-M photos by Bruce Crip- pen)

Ross stats

Sandusky 7, Ross 6	
Score by quarters	
Ross	0 6 0 0-6
Sandusky	0 0 0 7-7
Statistics	R S
FIRST DOWNS	13 13
Rushing	11 8
Passing	4 4
By penalty	2 1
PASSES ATTEMPTED	10 11
Completed	7 7
Had intercepted	0 0
NET YARDS GAINED	220 203
Rushing	180 96
Passing	25 37
FUMBLIES	1 3
Ball lost	0 0
PENALTIES	4 6
Yards penalized	40 50
PUNTS	4 3
Average	38.0 35.0
Scoring	
Ross: Mike McGilton, one-yard run (kick failed) 1:07, second quarter.	
Sandusky: Tony Lang, 18-yard pass from Dale Schnittker (Davin Watson kick) 1:35, fourth quarter.	

Grammas won't copy former boss

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Alex Grammas has accepted the considerable challenge of reviving the Milwaukee Brewers.

His gray-flecked hair neatly trimmed, the business graduate of Mississippi State University spoke of one of the most devastating leadership as components in his blueprint to redirect the team that finished fifth, 28 games out of first place, in the American League East.

"Everybody gets a fresh start the first day of spring training. I don't know what the problems were here, but I'm confident this ball club can improve," said Grammas, 48, who agreed to a three-year contract Friday.

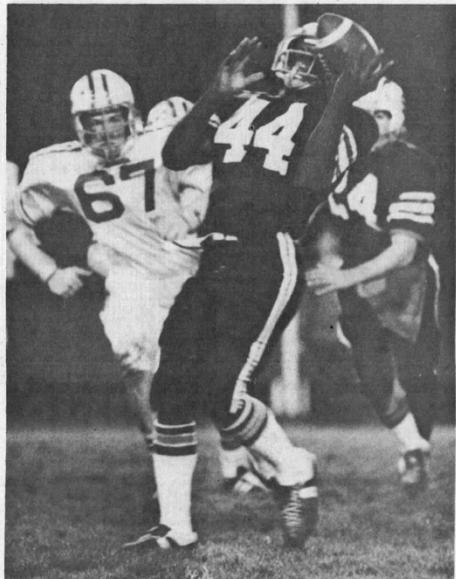
He stressed the human element. Self-assured and smiling easily, he said patience, teaching and com-

world champion Cincinnati Reds. He wants to emulate the traits of one of the most successful leaders in contemporary sports, but made it plain he will be Alex Grammas, not Sparky Anderson when he manages the Brewers.

"You can't completely copy another man because you've got to be yourself, but certainly the six years I've had with Sparky Anderson have got to be an advantage," he said. "If you can emulate him in any respect, it's got to be a plus."

"I like things organized, thought out," he said. "I like things well thought out at all times, or else I get very upset. Sparky used to get upset with me because I'm that way. He would ad lib all the time, but I'm not that way. I like to think a situation out ahead of time."

"I'm very optimistic," he said. "I know no miracles



11 Ross Little Giants on All-BC teams

Findlay dominates special selections



Buckeye stats

Three backs and one linemen were given weekly荣誉 in the most official Buckeye Conference statistical release. Sharing "back of the week" honors were Findlay quarterback Dave Williams, massive halfback and quarterback Dale Schnittker, and Marion Harding. Quarterback Dave Frazee

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — When Brian Goralski asked for a chance to try out for his high school volleyball team, the coach tried to talk him out of it.

It wasn't that Brian, a 6-foot-2 junior at South Bend Clay, didn't have talent, but rather that volleyball in Indiana is a fall sport.

"Last year he wanted to play, too," said Joan Mitchell, volleyball coach. "But I talked him out of it because I knew what would happen."

But so did Brian. After playing on the United States' Junior Olympic team this summer, he had made up his mind.

"It may seem kind of funny and everything," Brian said. "But I really like the sport. Volleyball is a little behind in the Midwest and the players aren't as good as they are on the West Coast, where they play all the way through high school and college."

Despite objections from his coach, and some

Fremont Ross and Lorain dominated the All-Buckeye Conference coaches' "coach of the year" ballot of the coaches. Ross placed 11 players on the first or second team offensive and defensive units while Findlay, the Buckeye Conference champ, placed 10 on the teams.

Lorain, who finished in a tie for second spot in the conference standings, and Sandusky, had seven players on the teams with Marion Harding, Mansfield, and Elyria placing three apiece. Admiral King had two.

While Ross had the most players on the two squads, Findlay dominated the special selections. Coach Bill Jones hauled down the conference's "coach of the year" honor for the second time in three years. Now in his third year at Findlay, Jones guided his team to its first perfect record in the BC title, and a spot in the state high school playoffs. In his three years at the Trojan coach, Jones has a 24-6 mark.

The "linebacker of the year" award went to Findlay's Doug Wymer, a senior, 6-3, 235-pound defensive tackle. The Trojans also had Greg Mathias, the BC's "Kicker of the year."

Virgil Williams of Lorain was named the conference's "back of the year." The Steelmen speedster

rushed for 1,256 yards on 278 attempts and scored 14 TDs this season.

Findlay's guard Mark Gysan, one of three juniors, on the first team of offense. Joining Gysan was fullback Mike McGilton.

On the second team offensive unit, Ross had Pat Belch, last year's first team quarterback, at the signal calling spot. Belch was the only Little Giant on the second team.

Lorain had four men on the first team offense with Findlay getting three. Two of Findlay's first team selections were juniors tackle Alan LaForrest, and running back Andy Schramm.

Defensively, Findlay had four players on the first team and three on the second squad. Getting first team nods were 240-pound tackle Mike Clark, linebacker Mark Montgomery, and defensive back Jim Liggins and Jim Sherman. All four are seniors.

On the second team, Ross had linebacker Brad Bischoff, defensive back Jim Hedges, and junior 245-pound defensive tackle Jim Smith.

Mark Hicks, who carried a 40.6 punt average, was the loop's "punter of the year."

Out of the 44 positions on the team that the coaches picked, 13 of the spots were filled by juniors, the rest by seniors.

All-Buckeye Conference teams for 1975

ALL-BUCKEYE CONFERENCE First team offense

Pos.	Player	School	Bl.	Wt.	Gr.
S.E.	Fred Fagan	Lorain	6	0	160
T.B.	John Johnson	Admiral King	6	1	170
Tackle	Al LaForrest	Findlay	5	1	250
Tackle	George Schramm	Sandusky	5	1	235
Guard	John Hedges	Lorain	5	1	235
Guard	Mark Gysan	Ross	5	10	185
Center	Mike Clark	Findlay	6	0	190
QB	Dave Wilson	Findlay	6	2	215
Back	Andy Schramm	Findlay	6	2	125
Back	Mike Hedges	Ross	6	2	125
Back	Virgil Williams	Lorain	5	11	180

Second team offense

S.E.	John Graham	Findlay	5	11	170
T.B.	Scott Fisher	Sandusky	6	2	297
Tackle	John Schramm	Admiral King	6	5	240
Tackle	John Schober	Findlay	6	2	240
Guard	Dave Connor	Findlay	6	1	235
Guard	Mike Hedges	Findlay	6	1	235
Center	Mark Short	Marion	6	10	180
Center	Tom Hedges	Findlay	6	1	215
Back	Wave Jones	Sandusky	5	10	145
Back	Cliff Belmer	Mansfield	6	2	190
Back	Mike Hedges	Marion	6	0	180
Back	Paul Sunape	Elyria	5	9	190

Player of the year: Mark Hicks, Ross, 46.4 avg.

Kicker of the year: Greg Mathias, Lorain

ROSS honorable mention: Drew Clayton, Tony Ruiz, John Hutchings, Rick Kanner, and Terry Bates

First team defense

End	Tim Kaser	Sandusky	6	0	205
End	Chuck Cook	Findlay	5	11	170
Tackle	Mike Clark	Findlay	6	2	240
Tackle	Rodney Jefferson	Ross	6	1	235
Guard	Mike Hedges	Findlay	6	1	235
Guard	Tom Hedges	Findlay	6	1	235
LB	Tim Kaser	Sandusky	5	11	185
LB	Mike Montgomery	Ross	6	1	205
LB	Howard Williams	Elyria	5	10	180
DB	Mike Schnittker	Sandusky	5	10	187
DB	Dale Schnittker	Ross	6	0	180
DB	Dave Liggins	Ross	6	0	180
DB	Mike Hedges	Ross	6	0	180

Second team defense

End	Tim Kaser	Sandusky	6	0	176
End	George Desilvera	Admiral King	6	1	180
Tackle	Jerry Campbell	Findlay	6	2	200
Tackle	Mike Hedges	Findlay	6	2	200
Guard	Mark Krause	Sandusky	5	8	175
Guard	Mike Hedges	Findlay	6	0	185
LB	Wade LaForce	Lorain	5	10	185
LB	Brad Bischoff	Ross	6	0	180
LB	Mike Hedges	Admiral King	6	1	205
DB	Dan Martinez	Findlay	5	8	145
DB	Kevin Williams	Lorain	5	8	155
DB	Howard Halliburton	Lorain	5	8	155

Coach of the year: Bill Jones, Findlay

Player of the year: Mark Gysan, Lorain

ROSS honorable mention: Jim Hazzard and Dave Zilles



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Wittenberg meets Muskies for title

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — "Worst" Wittenberg and "fearless" Muskingum collide Saturday at Baldwin-Wallace College in a rematch that will decide the Ohio Athletic Conference football championship.

Unbeaten Wittenberg, a two-time National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III champion, erased a 13-point deficit and beat Muskingum 20-16 in a meeting earlier this season.

The Tigers went on to a 9-0 regular season mark, winning the OAC Red Division title with a 4-0 record. Muskingum has compiled through a 5-4 season, managing to play its best in a Blue Division action.

The Muskies matched Baldwin-Wallace in the 1974 OAC championship game but

less successful in six years as head man with a 20-28 record.

"I coaches we never thought we would have the kind of year we had this year," Maurer said. "This is the worst 9-0 team we've had at Wittenberg, but our kids have just done a fantastic job."

"I know that, as Al Christopher said, Muskingum does not fear Wittenberg," he added. "They didn't when they came down to play us in the third game, and I'm not sure that we don't fear them a little."

Christopher noted, "We'll have to play super football to be in it."

Wittenberg beat Baldwin-Wallace 17-0 in the 1974 OAC championship game but

failed to gain a bid to the postseason



MIKE MCGILTON



MONTGOMERY



TONY PARADISO



BRAD FARRAR



JEFF KELLEY



DAN RYAN



CHUCK MIRA



DAN CONTY



MIKE CLARK



DAVE LIGGINS

Morgan MVP

OAKLAND (AP) — Joe Morgan says he always was his team's smallest player from Little League to the major leagues, but he won the National League Most Valuable Player award by being a "complete player."

"I think of myself as a complete player, and I've tried to be that. I've been involved in all phases of the game, fielding, stealing bases and scoring," the Cincinnati Reds' 5-foot-7, second baseman said during an interview at his home here.

"I got the MVP award because the club was having a great year, and I was having a good year along with it."

As the "Big Red Machine" ground out pennant and World Series victories this season, Morgan hit .327, fourth in the league, and reached base safely about half the times he came to bat. His 132 walks led the league, and 67 stolen bases were a club record. His 107 runs were fourth. He drew in 97 runs, smashed 17 home runs and 27 doubles. He capped the season with the winning hit off Boston in the seventh game of the world series.

After being selected MVP Tuesday, Morgan said, "The thing I'm most surprised about was the margin of victory. It was the largest margin in the history of the award. That's quite an honor."

Morgan got 321 1/2 points in the balloting, followed by Philadelphia Phillies outfielder Greg Luzinski with 154 and the Pittsburgh Pirates' Dave Parker with 120.

"The only thing that separates me from the guys with 400 or 500 points is that I do more things," he said. "Luzinski didn't run bases and steal like Joe Morgan. But on the other hand, I didn't hit home runs like he did."

As for the future, he said, "I figure I'll play four more years, then retire. I'll evaluate and see if I enjoy playing as much as I do now."

He said he didn't want to become a major league manager because the travel would be hard on his family. But he said he was interested in coaching at the junior college level.

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12 area players on first teams

Ross leads area AP picks

Four Fremont Ross players landed spots on the first teams of the 1975 Associated Press (AP) All-Northwestern District football squads. The Little Giants quartet paced a dozen area first team selections.

Dave Wilson of Findlay (AAA), Brad Mason of Norwalk (AA), Mike Clark of Toledo (AA), and Dave Myers of Carey (A) were named the district's "backs of the year" in all three classifications.

Wilson quarterbacked Findlay into the state playoff semifinals while Mason and Heber both gained over 1400 yards rushing this past season. Myers, who has picked up over 1300 yards in the ground, placed his team into the state finals that Saturday at Akron.

The "linemen of the year" went to Bobby Smith, Toledo Libby, and Findlay's John Schober in AAA. Taking the AA accolade was Joel Babcock of Swanton with Dave Riedel of Buckeye Central getting the honor in Class A.

Findlay's Bill Jones was tabbed as the AA "coach of the year" while Tom Green of Cardinal Stritch and Tom Geschwind of Carey, gained the same honor in Classes AA and A, respectively.

Mike McGilton of Ross was named as a first team running back and joined Belvoir guard Chuck Mira

and Toledo's Mark Montgomery, and defensive back Dave Liggins were tabbed for first defensive team honors for Ross. Montgomery was the leading vote receiver at his position.

Second team AA defensive honors for Ross went to Toledo's Jim Smith and defensive back Jim Sherman. John Fehl of Bellwood made the second team at linebacker.

Tony Paradise of Fremont St. Joe was the only Crimson Streak to make the Class A team. Tackie Dale Courtney was given an honorable mention.

Findlay's Jim Riedel was the first team defensive end slot on the Class A squad. Other first team selections in Class A went to Woodmore's Jeff Kelley at offensive center.

Gaining second team offensive laurels was Gibbonsburg's Eric Roll at an end slot. Defensively, Joe Knutson of Findlay was selected at defensive end.

In Class AA, Brad Farrar of Clyde gained first team defensive back honors for the second straight year. He was the only area player to make the first team defensive unit.

Offensively on the AA team, Oak Harbor's Doug Borchard was named at an end spot while Port Clinton's Dan Conty was selected at center. Gary Mathews of Genoa shared the quarterback slot with Swanton's Bob Mitchell.

A pair of Clyde Fliers were named to the second offensive team. Kevin Johnson and Brad Mason, both of Findlay, were the Fliers on the offensive line.

Defensively on the second unit in Class AA, Muriough of Genoa and Dennis Dodge of Port Clinton were the ends. Terry Fondessy of Genoa was the middle guard with Lee Yester of Oak Harbor at a

linebacker post. Dan Keegan of Margaretta and Mike Caudill of Clyde were named in the defensive backfield.

The AP All-State teams will be announced later this month.

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1975 AP District teams

ALL-DISTRICT CLASS AAA

First team offense

Split end — John Graham, Findlay, 6-1, 185, Sr.

Tight end — DAN RYAN, BELLEVUE, 6-4, 195, Sr.

Tackles — John Schober, Findlay, 6-4, 240, Sr., and George Hoehe.

Shields — TONY PARADISO, Toledo, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Guards — CHUCK MIRA, BELLEVUE, 6-1, 195, Sr. and Mike Painter, Sandusky Perkins, 6-0, 190, Sr.

Linebackers — Tom Green, Cardinal Stritch, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Quarterback — Dave Wilson, Findlay, 6-1, 185, Sr.

Running backs — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-2, 215, Jr.

Wide receiver — Gary Mathews, Findlay, 5-11, 175, Sr., and MIKE MCGILTON, ROSS, 6-1, 185, Sr.

Second team offense

Split end — Bobby Smith, Libby, 6-2, 210, Sr., Henry Pate, Sandusky Perkins, 6-1, 200, Sr., and MIKE CLARK, FREMONT ROSS, 6-2, 195, Sr.

Tight end — Mike Meadows, Anthony Wayne, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Linebackers — MARK MONTGOMERY, FREMONT ROSS, 6-2, 205, Sr., and Tim Bell, Findlay, 6-0, 185, Sr., and Jeff Dunn, Whitmer, 6-2, 205, Sr.

Quarterback — Tim White, Findlay, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Running backs — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-1, 180, Jr.

Wide receiver — Gary Mathews, Findlay, 5-11, 175, Sr., and KENT EISENHAUER, BELLEVUE, 6-1, 180, Sr.

Second team defense

Down linemen — JIM SMITH, FREMONT ROSS, 6-1, 250, Jr., Jerry Campbell, Findlay, 6-2, 200, Sr., Kevin Johnson, Wapakoneta, 6-3, 205, Sr., and Chuck Codd, Toledo, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Middle guard — Don Callahan, Toledo, 6-1, 190, Sr.

Tackles — Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Alan Lovrak, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Shields — Clay Adams, Toledo, 6-1, 215, Sr., and MARK GYSAN, FREMONT ROSS, 6-1, 190, Jr.

Guards — Tim White, Findlay, 6-0, 195, Sr.

Linebackers — Mike Fisher, Sandusky, 5-10, 185, Sr.

Running backs — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-1, 170, Jr., Jon Hulman, Lima, 6-0, 185, Sr., and KENT EISENHAUER, BELLEVUE, 6-1, 180, Sr.

Wide receiver — Gary Mathews, Findlay, 5-11, 175, Sr.

Second team honorable mention

Down linemen — JIM SMITH, FREMONT ROSS, 6-1, 250, Jr., and MARK GYSAN, FREMONT ROSS, 6-1, 190, Sr.

Middle guard — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-0, 195, Sr.

Tackles — Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Alan Lovrak, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Shields — Mike Fisher, Sandusky, 5-10, 185, Sr.

Guards — Tim White, Findlay, 6-0, 195, Sr.

Linebackers — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-1, 170, Jr., and Jon Hulman, Lima, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Running backs — Mike Wilson, Findlay, 6-1, 170, Jr., and Jon Hulman, Lima, 6-0, 185, Sr.

Wide receiver — Gary Mathews, Findlay, 5-11, 175, Sr.

Second team defensive end

Down linemen — BOB RIEDEL, BUCKEY CENTRAL, 6-3, 195, Sr., and DENNIS DODGE, PORT CLINTON, 6-3, 210, Sr.

Middle guard — Mark Mewhorter, Upper Sandusky, 6-3, 207, Jr., and Jeff Stone, Lima, 6-1, 185, Sr.

Tackles — Terry Fondessy, GENOA, 6-1, 175, Sr.

Shields — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tom Rieppen, Lima Central Catholic, 6-1, 180, Sr.

Guards — Greg Lehman, Lima, 6-2, 210, Sr., and Terry Center — HERB ROHRBACHER, CLYDE, 6-1, 180, Sr.

Linebackers — Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Jim Caserta, Findlay, 6-1, 190, and Matt Thiel, Upper Sandusky, 6-3, 195, Jr.

Running backs — Dave Myers, CAREY, 6-10, 160, Jr., Greg Whetsel, Ridgemont, 6-4, 220, Jr., and Steve Raabe, North Baltimore, 6-0, 180, Sr.

Wide receiver — Dave Riedel, BUCKEY CENTRAL, 6-3, 195, Sr.

Second team honorable mention

Down linemen — Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Middle guard — Dennis Morris, Carey, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Tackles — Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Shields — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Guards — Greg Lehman, Lima, 6-2, 210, Sr., and Terry Center — Jim Augsburger, Carey, 6-1, 175, Jr.

Linebackers — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Running backs — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Wide receiver — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Second team defensive end

Down linemen — Bob Borchard, Douglass, 6-3, 225, Sr., and REX ROLF, WOODMORE, 6-2, 185, Sr.

Middle guard — Dennis Morris, CAREY, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Tackles — Mike Higbee, Allen East, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Joe Dye, Sandusky St. Mary's, 5-10, 192, Sr.

Shields — Mike Higbee, Allen East, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Joe Dye, Sandusky St. Mary's, 5-10, 192, Sr.

Guards — R.C. Roemer, Ottawa Hills, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Ken Schaeffer, Findlay, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Linebackers — Don Walter, CAREY, 5-9, 194, Sr., Jack Enderle, Carey, 5-10, 172, Sr., and Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 5-11, 185, Sr., and Tom White, Findlay, 5-10, 170, Sr.

Running backs — John Elchert, Tiffin Calvert, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Dave Depinet, Hopewell Local, 5-11, 170, Sr.

Wide receiver — John Elchert, Tiffin Calvert, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Dave Depinet, Hopewell Local, 5-11, 170, Sr.

Second team honorable mention

Down linemen — Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

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Wide receiver — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Second team defensive end

Down linemen — Bob Borchard, Douglass, 6-3, 225, Sr., and REX ROLF, WOODMORE, 6-2, 185, Sr.

Middle guard — Dennis Morris, CAREY, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Tackles — Mike Higbee, Allen East, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Joe Dye, Sandusky St. Mary's, 5-10, 192, Sr.

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Guards — R.C. Roemer, Ottawa Hills, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Ken Schaeffer, Findlay, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Linebackers — Don Walter, CAREY, 5-9, 194, Sr., Jack Enderle, Carey, 5-10, 172, Sr., and Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 5-11, 185, Sr., and Tom White, Findlay, 5-10, 170, Sr.

Running backs — John Elchert, Tiffin Calvert, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Dave Depinet, Hopewell Local, 5-11, 170, Sr.

Wide receiver — John Elchert, Tiffin Calvert, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Dave Depinet, Hopewell Local, 5-11, 170, Sr.

Second team honorable mention

Down linemen — Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Middle guard — Dennis Morris, CAREY, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Tackles — Dennis Johnson, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Shields — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Guards — Greg Lehman, Lima, 6-2, 210, Sr., and Terry Center — Jim Augsburger, Carey, 6-1, 175, Jr.

Linebackers — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Running backs — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Wide receiver — Lee E. Miller, PORT CLINTON, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Tim White, Findlay, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Second team defensive end

Down linemen — Bob Borchard, Douglass, 6-3, 225, Sr., and REX ROLF, WOODMORE, 6-2, 185, Sr.

Middle guard — Dennis Morris, CAREY, 5-10, 175, Sr.

Tackles — Mike Higbee, Allen East, 5-10, 175, Sr., and Joe Dye, Sandusky St. Mary's, 5-10, 192, Sr.

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Middle guard — Dennis Morris, CAREY, 5-10, 175, Sr.



Swick tops list

COLUMBUS — The Director of Player Personnel for the Cincinnati Bengals of the National Football League, is one of many professional scouts who will be here next week to take a look at "a tremendous crop of potential pro players."

In a telephone interview Friday, Pete Brown said the "Fourth Annual All Ohio Shrine Bowl (to be played Saturday, Dec. 6) will spotlight the talents of many Ohio senior grididers we have a real interest in."

Brown singled out Gene Swick, the all-time offensive total yardage leader from the University of Toledo, as having "all the assets to be a top professional quarterback.

"We also want the opportunity to watch Paul Hunter, a defensive tackle from the University of Cincinnati Greg Schwarber, a kicking specialist from the University of Dayton, Darwin Ashley, a fullback from Kent State University, Larry Faulk, defensive end from Kent State, and Mike Green, a punter and wide receiver from Ohio University.

All proceeds from the game support the Shrine Hospital Fund, the Cincinnati Burns Institute. Kickoff time for this year's charity contest is 12:30.

All-State selections

Montgomery on 2nd team

Mark Montgomery of Fremont Ross was named to the second team defense of the Associated Press (AP) Class AAA All-Ohio High School Football team today.

Montgomery, 205-pound senior, was the only Ross player to land a berth on the top three teams. The state team selection topped off a year in which the red-haired Little Giant had been named to the All-Buckeye Conference first team defense and was a first team selection on the AP All-Northwestern District team.

Another area performer,

Henry Pate of Sandusky Perkins landed a first team defensive end slot.

Two of the top three awards in the annual selections went to members of the Lakewood St. Edward team, which was runnerup to Cincinnati Moeller in the state playoffs. Fullback Joe Portale, a raw-boned 213-pounder was named the "back of the year." He gained over 1,200 yards in leading St. Edward to the mythical AP poll championship.

St. Edward coach Mike Currence was tabbed as

the "coach of the year" in guiding his team to an 11-1 record with the only loss coming in the state finals.

Upper Arlington linebacker Pat Boggs, 6-2, 210-pounds, was tabbed as the state's "lineman of the year." One of the more highly sought college recruits in Ohio, Boggs participated in an average of 26 tackles per game.

Ross players receiving special mention included Dave Liggins, Mike Clark and Mike McGilton. Dan Ryan and Chuck Mira of Bellevue were also given special mention.

AP All-State

FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

Ends—Ron Barwig, Willoughby South, 6-foot-8, 235 pounds, Sr., and Mark Geisler, Marietta, 6-4, 200, Sr.

Tackles—Mark Thuney, Kettering Alter, 6-3, 230, Sr., and John Schober, Findlay, 6-6, 240, Sr.

Guards—Mike Linn, Steubenville, 6-2, 215, Sr., and Dan Deger, Akron Garfield, 5-10, 185, Sr.

Center—Tom Beaver, Columbus Whetstone, 6-1, 190, Sr.

Quarterbacks—Roch Hontas, Canton McKinley, 6-foot, 180, Sr., and Dave Wilson, Findlay, 5-11, 180, Sr.

Running backs—Joe Portale, Lakewood St. Edward, 6-3, 213, Sr.; Ernie Washington, East Liverpool, 6-2, 205, Sr., and Tyrone Hicks, Warren Harding, 6-foot, 180, Sr.

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

Ends—Henry Pate, Sandusky Perkins, 6-1, 200, Sr., and Chris Carr, Kettering Fairmont West, 6-4, 210, Sr.

Tackles—Bobby Smith, Toledo

Snowmobile races

Snowmobile and three-wheel vehicle drag races will be held Sunday at Portage Trail Camp Grounds. The Sandusky County Snowmobile Club is sponsoring the event which will be held with or without a snow cover.

Registration for the races will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Racing will begin at 2 p.m.

For more information, contact James Laird at 332-9309 or Butch Sherman at 334-3701.

Libbey, 6-2, 210, Sr., and Doug Marsh, Akron East, 6-3, 215, Sr.

Middle guard—John McCafferty, Cleveland West Tech, 6-1, 195, Sr.

Linebackers—Pat Boggs, Upper Arlington, 6-2, 210, Sr.; Jeff Pelosi, Youngstown Chaney, 6-1, 225, Sr., and Greg Cobb, Washington C.H. Miami Trace, 6-foot, 190, Sr.

Backs—Jeff Kraus, Cincinnati Colerain, 6-2, 165, Sr.; Steve Swinehart, Lancaster, 6-2, 190, Sr., and Gene Bell, East Liverpool, 6-2, 190, Sr.

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

Ends Butch Carter, Middletown, 6-5, 190, Sr., and Gary DiNiro, Youngstown Chaney, 6-foot, 200, Sr.; tackles Harold Thornton, Columbus South, 6-1, 223, Sr., and David Crowder, Columbus Marion-Franklin, 6-3, 225, Sr.; guards Dan Williams, Lakewood St. Edward, 6-foot 200, Sr., and Gary Cooper, Cincinnati Moeller, 6-2, 205, Sr.; center Scott LeStrange, Toledo St. John, 6-1, 185, Sr.; quarterbacks Jody Huffman, Newark, 6-1, 185, Sr., and Dan McHugh, Lakewood St. Edward, 6-1½, 195, Sr.; running backs Mike Schneider, Cincinnati LaSalle, 6-3, 220, Sr.; Bill Harmon, Massillon, 6-3, 248, Sr., and Bryan Ferguson, Troy, 6-foot, 175, Sr.

SECOND TEAM DEFENSE

Ends Henry Jontony, Cleveland West Tech, 6-3, 235, Sr., and Matt Blair, Niles McKinley, 6-1, 215, Sr.; tackles Rod Barndollar,

Newark, 6-1, 195, Sr., and Greg Chinn, Portsmouth, 6-4, 245, Sr.; middle guard Mike Meadows,

Whitehouse Wayne, 6-foot, 185, Sr.; linebackers Tim Sawicki, Mayfield, 6-1, 215, Sr.; MARK MONTGOMERY, FREMONT ROSS, 6-2, 205, Sr., and Todd Lucas, Clayton Northmont, 6-foot, 195, Sr.; backs Jim Board, Barberston, 5-11, 175, Sr.; Keith Sepessy, Sylvania, 6-2, 185, Sr., and Carl Mieyal, Strongsville, 6-foot, 177, Sr.

THIRD TEAM OFFENSE

Ends Mike Jester, Cincinnati LaSalle, 6-3, 210, Sr., and Craig

Nowacki, Worthington, 6-3, 210, Sr.; tackles Bill Greer, Athens, 6-4,

230, Sr., and Greg Ware, Geneva, 6-1, 215, Sr.; guards Eric Llewellyn, Canton McKinley, 5-10, 180, Sr., and Vince Hartman, Cincinnati LaSalle, 6-foot, 195, Sr.; center Matt Kozak, Parma Normandy, 6-3, 220, Sr.; quarterbacks Mike Strahine, Lakewood, 6-foot, 185, Sr., and Tim Koegel, Cincinnati Moeller, 6-4, 185, Jr.; running backs Scott Sprague, Lancaster, 5-10, 170, Sr.; Virgil Williams, Lorain Senior, 5-11, 180, Sr.; Doug West, Wintersville, 5-11, 170, Jr., and John Montgomery, Geneva, 5-11, 180, Sr.

THIRD TEAM DEFENSE

Ends Tim Shafer, Cincinnati Princeton, 6-foot, 185, Sr., and Doug Wymer, Findlay, 6-3, 225, Sr.; tackles John Phillips, Westerville South, 6-1, 220, Sr., and Bob Biggio, Wintersville, 6-foot,

215, Sr.; middle guard Les Wiseman, Lancaster, 5-10, 220, Sr.; linebackers Marc Thomas, Columbus Eastmoor, 6-1, 215, Sr.; Josh Rapport, New Philadelphia, 5-10, 180, Sr., and Wes McMillan, Dover, 5-11, 190, Sr.; backs Ron Wilkinson, Trotwood-Madison, 6-foot, 185, Sr.; Mike Sugden, Westerville South, 5-10, 170, Sr., and Jim Zucco, Cuyahoga Falls, 5-9, 160, Sr.

COACH OF YEAR—Mike Currence, Lakewood St. Edward

BACK OF YEAR—Joe Portale, Lakewood St. Edward

LINEMAN OF YEAR—Pat Boggs, Upper Arlington

AREA SPECIAL MENTION

John Graham, Findlay; Dan Ryan, Bellevue; George Hoehne, Sandusky; Chuck Mira, Bellevue; Mike Painter, Sandusky Perkins; Andy Schramm, Findlay; Rayfus Campbell, Sandusky Perkins; Mike McGilton, Fremont Ross; Mike Clark, Fremont Ross; Tim Bell, Findlay; Jeff Dunn, Toledo Whitmer; Dave Liggins, Fremont Ross; Dennis Braziel, Maumee.



DAVE LIGGINS

Liggins on UPI All-Ohio

Dave Liggins of Ross has been named to the first team United Press International (UPI) All-Ohio defensive team as a halfback.

The 6-0, 180-pound two-way Little Giants performer was joined on the top defensive team by Findlay tackle Doug Wymer. During the past season, Liggins intercepted three passes, knocked down four more, and had 28 solo tackles while assisting on 32 more from his defensive halfback slot.

Liggins was also credited with blocking one punt and causing one fumble.

Receiving special mention on the team was Findlay quarterback Dave Wilson. Honorable mention status went to Little Giants Mike McGilton, Jim Sherman, and Mark Gysan.

Pat Belch is Ross' MVP

Pat Belch was named as the Fremont Ross football team's "most valuable player" at an awards program held at the high school Monday night.

Ross Head Coach Tom Holloman presented Belch with his MVP trophy and at the same time reminded the capacity crowd in the school's cafeteria that, "it takes a team in order to make it possible for one player to be called 'most valuable.'"

Belch, a three-sport performer at Ross, was the Buckeye Conference's first team quarterback a year ago and is the second team this season. The Ross senior completed 27 passes for 384 yards and two rushing touchdowns.

The MVP award for the sophomores went to Jeff Brown who Coach Harold Zienta pointed out saw duty at tailback, quarterback, split end, wingback, and defensive halfback during the sophomore season.

In other special awards, the offensive lineman of the year for Ross went to John Hutchings. The 200-pounder was credited with 60 outstanding blocks during the 10-game season.

Mike McGilton, a bullish 185-pounder,

was tabbed as the offensive back of the year. McGilton led Ross in scoring with seven TDs while rushing for 547 yards on 133 carries. He was credited with 64 outstanding blocks and 25 "extra efforts."

The defensive lineman of the year went to Mike Clark, a 140-plus pound senior. Clark made 55 tackles, assisted on 44 others, trapped the passer three times, and caused two fumbles.

Jim Sherman is the defensive back of the year. Playing out of the safety position, Sherman knocked down seven passes, had 24 solo tackles and 31 assists with one intercepted pass.

In one other special award, Tim Sells was presented with the "True Grit" award which is presented annually by the YMCA Men's Club.

Letters or second year awards were presented to 29 seniors and 11 juniors. Numerals were presented to 27 sophomores.

Captains' trophies were also presented to Mark Montgomery, Dave Liggins, Brad Bischhoff, Belch, and Sherman.

Indianapolis levels

By ALEX SACHARE

AP Sports Writer

Florida State Coach Hugh Durham thinks he knows how to beat top-ranked Indiana. Getting it done, however, is another matter.

"It's important to get off to a good start," Durham explained. "Then there are two ways to play against Indiana — either run at them or go into a freeze."

So how come Indiana whipped Durham's Seminoles 83-59 Monday night, at one point leading by a whopping 38 points?

"We didn't get that good start," Durham said. "They probably have the best defense in the country. We couldn't attack their set defense, so we tried to run. We had the shots — but didn't hit them."

Eight other members of the AP's Top Twenty also played Monday night, and most of them came up winners.

No. 2 Maryland romped to a 122-82 decision over Boston U., No. 4 North Carolina pulled away in the second half and beat No. 14 Kentucky 90-77. No. 8 Notre Dame outlasted Kansas 72-64. No. 9 Cincinnati tripped Biscayne 74-52. Kansas State upset No. 10 Arizona 71-61.

No. 11 Alabama defeated Middle Tennessee 76-62 and No. 20 Missouri beat Rice 94-75.

Scott May scored 24 points and Kent Benson added 22 to lead the Indiana assault. Hoosiers Coach Bobby Knight used reserves for much of the one-sided game.

Indiana, foiling Durham's strategy, outscored the Seminoles 14-2 at the outset. It was 47-20 at the half and then 79-41 before Knight rested his starters for good.

Maryland, 4-0, led by just 52-44 at halftime but buried BU with a second-half blitz. John Lucas' 22 points and Steve Sheppard's 21 were high for the Terps, who had seven players in double figures.

Mitch Kupchak scored 24 points and Walter Davis added 19 to lead North Carolina past Kentucky.

All-American Adrian Dantley's 27 points led Notre Dame past Kansas. The Irish, 4-0, trailed by four at the half but wore down the Jayhawks on the shooting of Dantley and Don Williams, who had 16 points.

Ron Hamby, a graduate of Genoa Area High School, sat out the Bowling



SPECIAL AWARD winners for Ross are (left to right in front) Tim Sells, Jim Sherman, John Hutchings, and

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Jeff Brown. In back are Mike Clark, Mike McGilton, and Pat Belch.

Falcons ease by Defiance

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bowling Green received an early taste Monday of what the new 10-man limit on college basketball traveling squads could mean.

The Falcons lost three starters and their sixth man to fouls and a fourth starter to an ankle injury on the way to an 88-80 victory over Defiance.

Don Thornton and John Kornowa led Defiance with 17 points apiece.

merly of Vincennes, Ind., Junior College, split his 30 points evenly between the halves for the hosts and led all scorers. Dan Hispner added 20 points.

Bowling Green scored the first eight points and never was headed. Defiance pulled within five points midway through the second half but it was as close as they came.