

Ross Hall of Fame inductees. 2008

1951 Fremont Ross Football Team

At exactly 10:12 pm on November 16, 1951, the darndest victory celebration you ever saw broke loose on the Marion Harding football field.

At that hour, the timer's gun ended a game that gave Fremont Ross its first undefeated season. For local football fans, it was a momentous occasion, and the participants, as gallant a bunch of gridders as ever, donned the Purple and White and made the most of it.

It was a full five minutes before the squad finally walked off the field, after which it had scored a convincing 32-19 victory over the Presidents. And after they departed the gridiron, there was more whooping, hollering, hugging, kissing, and crying in the dressing room.

Before they left the site of their final triumph in an amazing march through one of the toughest schedules in the school's history, the players carried Coach Mal Mackey on their shoulders.

– As words taken from News Messenger sports editor Al Coxon –