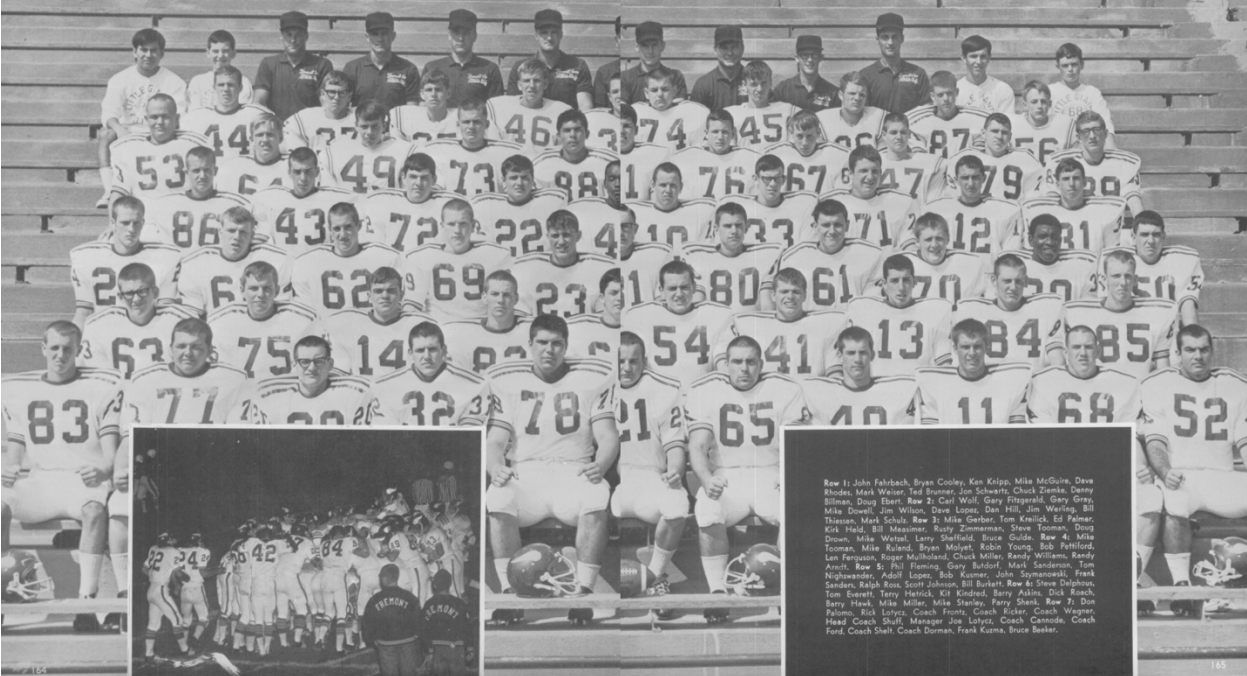


1968 Season review...


Sept. 6 Toledo Rogers
Sept. 13 Cleveland West
Sept. 20 Toledo Bowsher
Sept. 27 at Mansfield
Oct. 4 Marion Harding

Fremont RosLittle Giants


Oct. 11 at Lorain Senior
Oct. 18 at Findlay
Oct. 25 Sandusky
Nov. 1 Elyria
Nov. 8 at Lorain A. King





Row 1: John Fahrback, Bryan Cooley, Ken Knipp, Mike McGuire, Dave Rhodes, Mark Weiser, Ted Brunner, Jon Schwartz, Chuck Ziemke, Gerry Bilman, Doug Ebert. Row 2: Carl Wolf, Gary Fitzgerald, Gary Gray, Mike Dowell, Jim Wilson, Dave Lopez, Dan Hill, Jim Worling, Bill Thomsen, Mark Schulz. Row 3: Mike Garber, Tom Knick, Ed Palmer, Kirk Hald, Bill Measomer, Rusty Zimmerman, Steve Tooman, Doug Dixon, Mike Wenzel, Larry Sheffield, Bruce Guido. Row 4: Mike Tooman, Mike Roland, Bryan Molpet, Robin Young, Bob Pettiford, Len Ferguson, Roger Mulholland, Chuck Miller, Randy Williams, Randy Arnold. Row 5: Phil Fleming, Gary Burdick, Ward Sanderson, Tom Nighswander, Adell Lopez, Bob Kusner, John Symonowski, Frank Sanders, Ralph Ross, Scott Johnson, Bill Rutledge. Row 6: Steve Delahous, Tom Everett, Terry Hatlick, Kit Kindred, Barry Atkins, Dick Roach, Barry Heck, Mike Miller, Mike Stanley, Barry Shank. Row 7: Don Palmer, Rick Lofey, Coach Froust, Coach Ecker, Coach Wagner, Head Coach Shult, Manager Joe Lofey, Coach Carrozza, Coach Ford, Coach Shult, Coach Dorman, Frank Karna, Bruce Becker.





The Team Leaders






John Fahrback



Mike Dowell



Mark Weiser



Dennis Billman



Dave Lopez



Jon Schwartz



Mark Schulz



Carl Wolf



Chuck Ziemke




Honorary Captain Doug Ebert


Jim Wilson


Ken Knipp


Bryan Cooley


Gary Fitzgerald

At Ross High School

Charles Shuff Named Grid Coach

Charles Shuff, who guided Oak Harbor to an 8-2 record season this past year, was signed Friday as head football coach at Fremont Ross high school. The 28-year-old Shuff will replace John Behling, who resigned shortly after the first of the year, ending a one-year stay at the Ross helm.

Shuff brings to Ross a winning record after three years as a small school head coach, two years as an assistant for victorious Warren Harding high school, a year as graduate assistant at University of Cincinnati and an illustrious career as a player.

Shuff will be the second consecutive man in the Ross helm who has a background including two years at a school in the All-America League. The league includes Massillon, Canton McKinley, Warren Harding, Niles McKinley and Steubenville. Behling, who guided Ross in his first year as a head coach, spent two years at Massillon immediately prior to his Fremont job. Shuff was two years at Warren as line coach.

There is further parallel in the career of Shuff and Behling. Both have the Sandusky influence. Behling was an assistant at Sandusky before going to Massillon. Shuff's head coach in high school was Ben Wilson, who then moved to Sandusky. When Wilson moved from Sandusky to Warren Harding, he was head coach when Shuff served as an assistant.

Dr. George Conti, Ross high school principal, in announcing the signing of Shuff stated, "We are very pleased. We are sure he can do the job and are happy to have Mr. Shuff with us."

In its search for replacement of Behling, who has accepted a job as assistant coach of Morehead State College in Kentucky, the Fremont school administration interviewed six men. Dr. Conti indicated the school had a priority list of these six men and did not open the job to application. Mr. Shuff was one of the six men on this list.

At Oak Harbor Shuff-coached teams have shown steady progress. In his first year he inherited a rebuilding year and only three lettermen when Chuck Ramsey moved from the Rocket helm to freshman coach at Dartmouth. That first season was Shuff's only losing one at Oak Harbor. After losing the first four games the Rockets finished with a 3-7 record. This mark advanced to 5-4-1 in 1966 and Oak Harbor was 8-2 for 1967. This advanced his three-year record at Oak Harbor to 16 wins, 13 losses and one tie.

In Sandusky Bay Conference competition Oak Harbor was second this past year and third in 1966 with a three-year record of 12 wins, seven losses. As in the overall record, the Rockets boasted steady improvement under Shuff. The Rockets progressed from a 3-4 first year mark to 4-2 in 1966 and 5-1 last year.

This past season Shuff led the

Oak Harbor team to three shutouts in eight victories. The 1967 edition of the Rockets scored 228 points to 91 for the opposition. Only defeats were to Port Clinton and SBC champion Fremont St. Joseph. In three years at Oak Harbor Shuff teams have scored 558 points and allowed 468.

The new coach started his athletic career at Mount Vernon high school, where he played varsity football for three years. His final two years he was an All-Central Buckeye League selection. In high school he played

as offensive halfback and fullback, plus defensive interior linebacker.

At the University of Cincinnati Shuff started as a freshman end, was tried as a guard and then moved to fullback as a sophomore. Following a knee injury he returned to end where he was offensive and defensive starter his junior and senior year.

After 1962 graduation with a bachelor's degree in secondary education, Coach Shuff remained at Cincinnati in his quest of a master's degree which he received in 1963. During the period

of graduate work he served as a football assistant coach.

He then went to Warren Harding for two years. His secondary coaching job there was supposed to be assistant track coach, but he was assigned head baseball mentor when the original coach resigned. In baseball Shuff led Harding to a 14-5 record and league co-championship. He served in his second year at Harding as head track coach.

In six years of coaching his head assignments have included football, track, wrestling at Oak Harbor, track and baseball at

Warren Harding. He started wrestling at Oak Harbor and then stepped down this year.

In addition to coaching at Ross, Shuff will teach Biology. He indicated Friday that he and his family will move to Fremont as soon as adequate housing can be found. Current plans call for a physical fitness program to start under Shuff here July 8.

He and his wife, Martha, are the parents of two children, Donna Jean, 3, and Chris, 21 months.

Dr. Conti indicated that Shuff will be permitted to bring the

nucleus of a staff to Ross. That nucleus will be three or four assistant coaches. The new coach said he would first talk with present assistants remaining on the staff. After this the staff, which now shows four vacancies, will be filled with new men. Shuff said his entire staff would not come from Oak Harbor, although one man from his former staff is being considered.

During his first year at Ross, Shuff will have only the head football and a schoolwide physical fitness program as his coaching responsibilities.



CHARLES SHUFF SIGNS TO COACH
Principal Dr. George Conti Observes

News-Messenger SPORTS

Win Eight Of Last Nine

Streaks End With Victory

SANDUSKY — Faint hopes remain for a share of the championship and a second place tie is assured for Fremont St. Joseph baseball team. The fast-finishing Crimson Streaks ended a 12-7 season Friday with a 6-3 victory over Sandusky St. Mary. It was the second time St. Joseph had downed the Sandusky school after falling to the Panthers in Sectional tournament play.

In the final game pitcher Tom St. Joseph ended the year

with a 10-4 record in Sandusky Bay Conference play. Clyde, which has lost only one game and has three remaining, needs only one win to insure an outright title. Huron also has only four losses but has two games to play.

In the final charge St. Joseph under Coach Dennis Fearnow won eight of its final nine games.

In the final game pitcher Tom Babione had his strikeout total

high against conference opposition when he struck out nine. He allowed seven hits and walked only two batters. Two of the three St. Mary runs were earned.

Big hit of the game was the triple off the bat of Jim Hotz.

ST. JOSEPH — Hotz, 2b, 4-1-1; Rusch, cf, 3-2-1; Barbour, 3b, 3-2-2; Bigalla, lf, 3-0-0; Kramb, c, 4-1-2; Ash, lb, 3-0-1; Eberle, rf, 2-0-0; K. Gonya, rf, 0-0-0; Hoffman, rf, 0-0-0; Yeager, ss, 2-0-1; Babione, p, 3-0-0. TOTALS 27-6-8.

ST. MARY — K. Sartor, cf, 3-0-1; Bennett, 2b, 4-1-2; Hall, p, 2-1-1; Dye, rf, 3-0-0; Michael, lb, 3-0-1; Samstag, ss, 3-0-1; Finneran, c, 3-0-0; Roth, 3b, 3-0-1; Renwand, lf, 3-1-0. TOTALS 27-3-7.

Score By Innings

St. Joseph 002 002 2-6-8-2
St. Mary 201 000 0-3-7-1
SO-Babione, 9; Hall, 5; Bennett, 1. BB-Babione, 2; Hall, 4; Bennett, 0. Hits off Hall, 5 for 4 earned runs in 6 innings; Off Bennett, 3 for 2 earned runs in 1 inning; Off Babione, 7 for 2 earned runs in 7 innings. 3B-Holtz. 2B-Hall.

Merchants, Marion Split Doubleheader

Fremont Merchants split a son B. Friday at Roger Young Park. The Merchants won the second game 1-0 on a three-hit shutout by Dave Boyd after dropping the first contest, 3-1.

Three Marion runs in the sixth inning spoiled the Fremont chances for a sweep. Merchants started the first game scoring in the second inning of a Jack Wilde triple and a single from Mike McCarthy. Fremont pitcher Ron Shawl was the man in control until the sixth when two errors, two walks and a single allowed the three runs.

In the nightcap Boyd helped his own cause with fine fielding on the mound and a timely bat. The pitcher scored the lone run when he doubled in the fifth inning, was sacrificed to third and scored on a single by Jim Little.

As a pitcher Boyd struck out 10 Marion batters. Marion's only threat came in the seventh inning on a double stretched into a triple. A strikeout, pop up and fine catch by Catcher Jim Spittle shut the door.

The Merchants will play a doubleheader both Saturday and Sunday starting at 7 p.m. The

First Game

MARION 000 003 0-3-3-1
FREMONT 010 000 0-1-3-2
Gus England and Dick Gherman; Ron Shawl, Len Hardman; Dave Boyd after dropping the first contest, 3-1. Spittle. W-England, L-Shawl.

Second Game

MARION 000 000 0-0-3-1
FREMONT 000 010 x-1-4-0
Dick Gherman and Bill White; Dave Boyd and Jim Spittle. W-Boyd, L-Gherman.

American League Roundup Power Of Long Ball Fails To Reach Sox

By HAL BOCK
Associated Press Sports Writer

On a night when the home run dominated American League baseball, it figured that Chicago would win with its more familiar pitch and putt attack.

The White Sox scorned the long ball and used a squeeze bunt in the 14th inning by Luis Aparicio for the winning run in a 2-1 victory over Minnesota Friday night.

Elsewhere, homers decided all the games. Three Cleveland homers carried the Indians past Washington 8-3, Willie Horton's shot was Detroit's only run in a 1-0 victory over New York, Bob Rodgers connected in the 13th

inning and California beat Oakland 3-0 and Ken Harrelson and Carl Yastrzemski powered Boston past Baltimore 3-0.

The White Sox were stirred up in the 14th by a near fight involving Ken Berry and Minnesota pitcher Bob Miller.

Horton's 14th homer of the year turned Mickey Lolich's four-hitter into a victory over Mel Stottlemyre and the Yankees.

The homer was the third in the last four games for Horton and his 12th in the month of May. It extended his hitting streak to 13 games.

Lee Maye, Tony Horton and



At Ross, St. Joseph

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Progress Pleases Local Coaches

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL
News-Messenger Sports Editor

Fremont's two high school football teams go into their final pre-season scrimmage today with coaches pleased over improvement. Ross high school moves into its scrimmage at Toledo Libbey after one drill with Defiance and a week of intrasquad work. St. Joseph has worked against Springfield Local and Northern Ohio League champion Shelby before today's home test with Sandusky Perkins.

After the Defiance scrimmage a week ago Coach Charles Shuff frankly admitted, "We have a long way to go." When asked Thursday if his Little Giants were any closer to readiness for the first game with Toledo Rogers, he was more enthusiastic: "Yes, we are coming real good defensively, but need more work offensively."

The conversation was to a background of calisthenics and agility drills. This background gave evidence of hustle, precision and direction which was missing on the practice field against Defiance. "We have our best practice yet, Wednesday. We are hitting hard."

Friday, Coach Shuff said his team took another giant step in heavy drills. "We looked a lot better. The defense looked good and the offense started to shape up today." He indicated the biggest share of the offense, new to the Little Giants after a coaching staff change, has now been inserted. "It is mainly a matter of timing now."

There have been some surprises in the early practices and the Ross coaches feel they have found some unknown football players. Several sophomores have moved into contention for positions. One of the more promising, tailback John Ruland, will miss today's scrimmage with Libbey. Ruland has been pushing letterman Jon Schwartz for the starting berth. Ruland has a knee which bothers him and was running a temperature Friday, so Shuff will hold him out of today's heavy work.

Randy Williams, another sophomore, has been a surprise to the coaches in his coolness at quarterback. He is in the thick of the battle with senior letterman Chuck Ziemke and junior Len Ferguson for the field general position.

Injuries have slowed some of the Little Giant progress. Limited by aches and pains in addition to Ruland have been John Fahrback, who has switched from the backfield to end, concussion; Mike McGuire, moved from guard to fullback, muscle pull; Mark Weiser, swing back and defensive monster, neck and thigh injuries; Larry Sheffield, back, back injury; Dave Hill, middle guard, rib muscles. All are expected to be back in full action soon, maybe all by the starting game. Sheffield, who was believed more seriously hurt, appears likely for return. Doctors reported late Friday that his injury appears to be muscular and not a slipped disc as originally feared.

Over at St. Joseph Coach Bob Smith feels he is finding

the sophomore talent he needs for greater depth. Depth appeared at the start to be the Crimson Streak weakness. "We found after giving some sophomores a taste they have responded well to football . . . I am well pleased. We are looking for added depth and that's where it will have to come from (the sophomores) . . . If we keep progressing, we may by the start of the season have the needed depth."

Smith, like Shuff across town, noted improvement. "I thought we looked better against Shelby than against Springfield. Shelby is much tougher offensively and we did a better job on defense." On the matter of defense between the Springfield and Shelby scrimmages, Smith stated, "We improved in two or three days and haven't spent any time on defense. The kids responded well without a lot of work on techniques and formations."

The biggest problem the St. Joseph coaches have found is in the offensive blocking, especially on the line. "We weren't holding our blocking." Despite this, St. Joseph managed to eat some major yardages up the middle against Shelby. This type of yardage meant getting past a 6-6, 260-pound middle guard for the Whippets. The blocking breakdown did hurt the outside attack.

Ross is working toward the home opener next Friday against Toledo Rogers. St. Joseph debuts Sunday at Harmon field against Lorain St. Mary, a team seeking to set a record for the longest win streak in the history of a Lorain County school. They have won 25 games without a loss.



LITTLE GIANT TACKLE CORPS—Part of the beef trust which will work at tackle for Ross high school are these junior and senior big boys. They are part of the up-the-middle strength Coach Charles Shuff feels will be the team strong point. The junior and senior tackles are Brian Molyet,

Mike Wetzel, Dave Rhodes, Bryan Cooley and Gary Fitzgerald. Wetzel is the lightest at 198 pounds and Rhodes, a two-year letterman, the heaviest at 245. Wetzel, Rhodes and Cooley all lettered last year for the Little Giants. (News-Messenger Photo)

Ross Opens Area Football Campaign With 12 Lettermen

First For

Quarterback Is Question

Toledo Rogers Coach Tom Lyons brings to Fremont Friday night a team which will ride or fall on the finding of a quarterback. At the present time Coach Lyons indicates the starting signal caller John Herbert is showing definite improvement.

Rogers, which this year will contend in the Toledo City League, is being rebuilt around seven returning defensive starters and five returnees on offense. The offensive attack will center on the running of fullback Dan Caywood, a 185-pounder, who was runnerup in the state wrestling tournament at 165 pounds last year. Caywood is rated by Toledo area observers as an outstanding athlete.

Rogers will display a one-two running attack with 175-pound Jim Foltz at tailback.

The nine returning lettermen include Rick Watson, 215-pound tackle, who is a mainstay both of offense and defense. Key defensive performers are All-City candidate Jim Zacharias at end and monster back Charles Conrada.

Veterans in the line and the strong running of Caywood and Foltz seem to guarantee a good Rogers ground game. The passing attack will center on the development of Herbert. Rogers, which was a first game loser to Ross last season, hopes to improve on a 1-9 season.

In the past Rogers has worked from a five-man front defense, but in its last scrimmage it showed the Notre Dame 'Four' on the line. On offense Rogers tends to use a wide slot from the T-formation and has added some 'I' formation. The Rogers team held its own in scrimmages with Toledo Whitmer, St. Francis and Woodward.



JOHN FAHRBRACH
End



BRYAN COOLEY
Tackle



DENNY BILLMAN
Guard



DOUG EBERT
Center



TED BRUNNER
Guard



DAVE RHODES
Tackle



MIKE WETZEL
Tackle

Ross Opening Game Outlook

Competition Keen At Most Positions

A battle at nearly every position continues to wage on the Ross practice field as the Little Giants are only one day away from the football night. "We shouldn't be too bad physically. Conditionwise, I would like to think there won't be another team with us in the fourth quarter."

Shuff enters this first game with doubt still hanging over his starting lineup and some normal apprehension about the first game. "Opening game bothers me more than that championship game. You have no chance to scout, exchange films. . . . In a week's time you can't change that much but in a year they can change completely."

There are at least two boys capable of manning the starting slot at all positions and Shuff remarked, "I still am not set on positions for Friday. I have a very good idea on positions but like to keep boys guessing. If a boy is secure in that job he is not going to give the utmost."

Whether the questionmark over positions is an indication that depth exists on the Little Giants, or there is an abundance of similar but not outstanding athletes will have to be answered Friday night. There are very few positions set and the Little Giants should be strong from tackle-to-tackle. These are the only two certainties of the preseason drills.

It is unlikely that anyone is going to push Dave Rhodes, 245-pound senior tackle. Mike Wetzel, 188-pound junior tackle, or Ted Brunner, 201-pound senior guard, from their positions. The rest are up for grabs. Even at the tackles there are strong backup men capable of taking the top spot. These include senior letterman Bryan Cooley, 230, and sophomore Chuck Miller, 6-2 and 207 pounds.

In an overall look the new coach stated, "We have 60 pretty good boys. We have 60 boys that want to play football." This squad of 60 was down from 82 who answered the opening practice call. Some of the doubts about who will be the starters have been created by minor practice injuries. Boys who have been slowed in played defense last year but their progress by injuries, all also were offensive quarterbacks. Fahrbrach is a possible been guard Dan Hill, tailback John Ruland, fullbacks Larry Sheffield and Mike McGuire, swingback or blocking back position. The two also will likely alternate at a rotator (Monster) on defense. McGuire has found his way into the backfield from guard where he lettered. Brunner, who operated the last half of the season a year ago at fullback, is back at the more familiar guard slot. He also will return as a defensive end.

Shuff is reluctant to give a man-by-man rundown of his team, preferring to stress the team aspect. "It's an 11-man game. I am very definitely in

favor of the team aspect. . . . We work as a team. We are not individuals."

Position by position the coach sees the following battles for starting roles:

Ends — Rusty Zimmerman, 6-0, 165, senior; Mike Ruland, 6-0, 165, junior; Fahrbrach 6-2, 165, senior; Jim Thoesen, 6-1, 161, junior, or Mike Dowell, 5-11, 162, senior.

Tackles — Rhodes, 6-2, 245, senior; Wetzel, 5-10, 198, junior; Cooley, 5-11, 230, senior; Chuck Miller, 6-2, 207, sophomore.

Guards — Brunner, 5-10, 201, senior; Billman, 6-0, 178, senior; Tom Kreilick, 5-11, 175, junior; Gary Butdorf, 5-7, 168, sophomore.

Center — Ebert, 5-10, 195, senior; Bruce Gulde, 5-10, 170, junior.

Fullback — McGuire, 5-11, 171, senior; Randy Arndt, 5-8, 168, sophomore; Robin Young, 5-10, 178, junior; Larry Sheffield, 6-0, 180, junior.

Tailbacks — Jon Schwartz, 6-0, 165, senior; Mike Ruland, 6-0, 165, sophomore; Jim Werling, 6-0, 155, junior, and Lan Hill, 5-8, 165, junior.

Swing Backs — Knipp, 5-9, 160, senior; and Weiser, 5-10, 175, senior.

Quarterback — Ziemke, 5-11, 160, senior; Randy Williams, 5-8, 130, sophomore, or Len Ferguson, 5-7, 150, junior.

Much of the same personnel is battling for defensive slots. Others in a strong push on defense are linebacker Ed Palmer, 5-8, 163, junior.

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In Football Equipment

Protection Costs Money

By **B. JERRY CAMPBELL**
N-M Sports Editor

The helmet, jersey, pants, shoes and socks visible to the fans when a football player runs onto the field are only half the story. When your favorite high school player goes into action he represents between \$125 and \$150 in equipment investment. The investment is made to protect the boy and both Ross and St. Joseph high schools believe in adequate equipment.

Football, even at the high school level, is big business. It is big business because of the equipment investment. At the Thursday meeting of the Ross Boosters Richard Sherman, Ross athletic director, brought home the fact that football is expensive. He appeared with samples of new equipment purchased for the local school teams. Equipment purchase is a never-ending situation. Both local teams will have new outer appearances this year. Ross tonight will display new white jerseys, trimmed in purple. St. Joseph will be wearing all new jerseys this year—new reds purchased by the school and new whites bought by the St. Joseph Boosters.

The bright jerseys, pants and helmets look pretty, but it is what goes underneath that both protects and costs. Sherman told the Boosters that financially "Football carries its own weight but does not carry the other sports" because of high equipment costs.

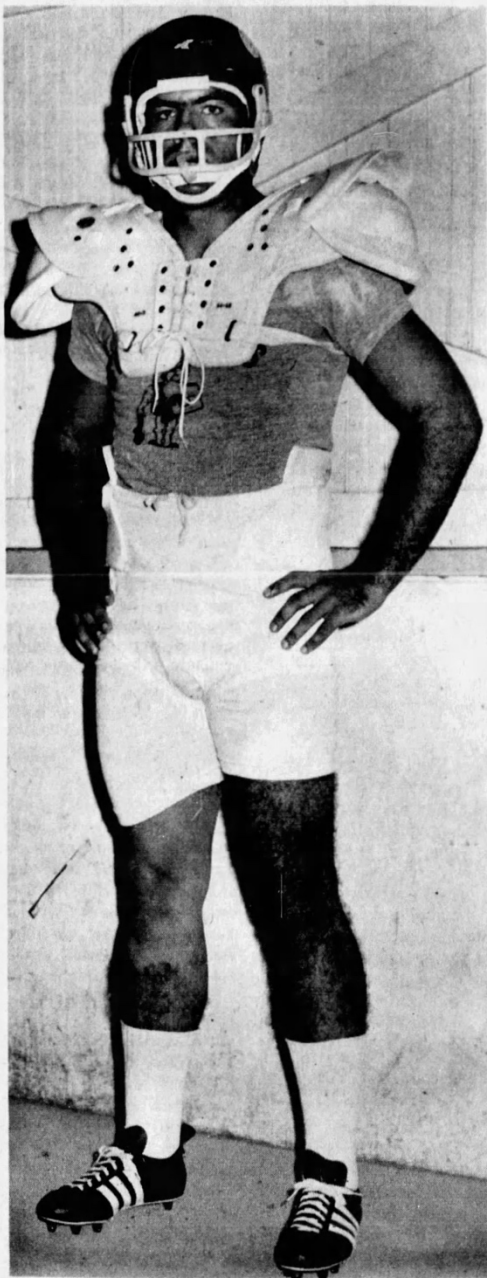
To dress a football player for combat at Ross it costs well over \$100 for each boy. The cost of basic equipment is approximately: helmet, \$25; shoulder pads, \$40; girdle pads (to protect hips, kidneys), \$12; shoes, \$20. Add to these the cost of jerseys, which vary from \$10 to \$20; pants, \$8 to \$20; thigh pads; socks and undergarments and you have an expensive proposition.

There have been advances in equipment and Sherman had on display Thursday some of the more recent Ross purchases. These included canvas-top, rubber-soled football shoes for varsity practice, soccer-type shoe for junior high and freshmen, flexiglas-soled, mud-proofed lightweight game shoes for the varsity, new eighth grade helmets, varsity helmets, junior high shoulder pads so the younger boys will not have to wear ov-

ersized, unfitting pads, varsity shoulder pads, girdle and thigh pads.

It brought home the dual

message of the high cost of equipment and the fact that the best is being put on Ross gridders.



WHAT YOU DON'T SEE — Doug Ebert, senior letterman center for Ross Little Giants, models the protective equipment worn by high school football players. With the exception of helmet and shoes these are things the fan does not see—shoulder pad, girdle pad (News-Messenger Photo)

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Ross Loses Opening Game

Quicker Line Gives Rogers 14-6 Edge

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL
N-M Sports Editor

Led by a quick-stepping line Toledo Rogers stayed on the ground Friday night to spoil the home opener for Fremont. Ross, 14-6. Outsized but not out-fought the Rogers line had that half-step advantage both offensively and defensively in taking the attack to the Little Giants. A broken play that set up a touchdown, a rash of Ross fumbles and the edge of quicker line added up to the Rogers victory. It was the first time Rogers had won a game on the Harmon stadium field. "Our defense was sitting back and waiting. We were getting there, but

getting there a second too late," was the analysis of Coach Charles Shuff who was making his debut at Ross.

The hesitation on defense showed in the success of the grinding Rogers ground game. Even on plays apparently stopped cold, Rogers was getting a valuable one, two or three yards because there was no Little Giant line penetration. The tacklers were meeting the ball carrier at the line and getting knocked back by the runner's momentum.

The interior line was expected to be the Ross strong point, but Rogers hammered with success from tackle to tackle most of

the night. The pounding at the interior drew in the defense and set up several end slants which attempted only one pass and gained its entire 215 yards on the ground.

With Jon Schwartz carrying the load Ross generated a ground attack of its own in the first half. The Little Giants gained a net 96 yards in the first half, but Rogers held Ross to 17 ground yards in the second half of the game. Schwartz gained 81 of those first half yards from his tailback spot in the power-I formation.

What appeared to be a broken

play got Rogers moving toward its first touchdown. Quarterback John Herbert, failing to find a back for a hand-off, turned his right end and ran 23 yards. This gave Rogers first down on the Ross 38-yard line. With Dan Caywood carrying five times for 20 yards Rogers ground out the remaining 38 yards in 10 plays. Jim Foltz cut off right tackle for the final four yards with 7:37 remaining in the second quarter. Jerry Holmes added his first of two extra points on a placement.

On the third play of the fourth quarter Jim Jordan went the final yard and one-half for the

second Rogers touchdown. The play before Ross had recovered a Rogers fumble at the three-yard line only to have the play erased by an offside penalty. A 24-yard run by Jordan and one for 37 yards by Charles Contrada had allowed Rogers to move 87 yards to score in only 10 plays.

Stalled on the ground, Ross took to the air and a scrambling Chuck Ziemke completed five of 10 passes for 75 yards in the second half. Apparently trapped in his backfield, Ziemke got a block, faded to the sideline and arrowed a pass to Rusty Zimmerman for the right-

hand coffin corner. Zimmerman went up between two defenders and made a juggling catch as he fell into the end zone. The touchdown came with 4:05 remaining in the game. Ross failed on the extra point attempt but Rogers was offside. The Little Giants fumbled and lost the ball on the second try.

Plagued with fumbles the Ross attack appeared to be moving several 11 m e s until stopped by a mistake. Late in the second quarter Ross moved to the Rogers 16-yard line only to lose the ball on a fumble. Mike Dowell then recovered a Rogers fumble on the Rogers

27. Time ran out in the half with Ross on the Rogers three-yard line. The Little Giants thought they had a play remaining when a faulty clock showed 10 seconds to play as the buzzer sounded. This drive came in spite of two fumbles as Ziemke had runs of five and six yards and threw a 12-yard pass to Fahrbach. Fahrbach was his favorite receiver with three catches for 32 yards.

A pass interception stopped another Ross penetration at the Rogers 12-yard line. The final time Ross had the ball a pass reception for a first down was erased by a fumble.

Bengals Fall In Opener Of AFL Play

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Diego Charger quarterback John Hadl said he didn't throw the ball well, was off in his timing and made a lot of mistakes. Teammate Dick Post said he felt sluggish.

Sound as if the Chargers lost? Post drafted for 140 yards Friday night, more than the entire Cincinnati Bengals' backfield, and Hadl completed 20 of 37 passes for 325 yards as the Chargers pulled away in the second half for a 29-13 triumph over the fledgling Bengals.

It was the American Football League opener for both teams and the Bengals started out the way they did in beating the AFL's New York Jets and Pittsburgh Steelers of the NFL in exhibition games.

Paul Robinson capped a 72-yard march in eight plays with a three-yard burst for the first score of the AFL season. It put the underdog Bengals ahead 7-0 before Hadl. Post and Co. took over.

"My timing was off in the first half," said Hadl. "We just didn't click."

Screen Pass Gives Genoa 6-0 NFL Win

GENOA — A 29-yard screen pass play hit pay dirt Friday night to allow Genoa to slip past Anthony Wayne, 6-0, in Northern Lakes League action. Quarterback Tim Habel hit end Bill Ackerman behind the screen on the game-winning play in the fourth quarter.

Major offensive gun for Genoa was halfback Wend Ackerman who gained 100 of Genoa's 160 yards on 16 carries.

In other games on a full slate of Northern Lakes League action defending champion Perryburg defeated Eastwood, 18-16, as Jesse Enriquez scored two touchdowns and two point conversion. Rossford, downed Lake, 20-14, with Delbert Tisdale scoring two touchdowns and Springfield overwhelmed Elmwood, 49-0. Springfield quarterback Randy Adams threw three touchdown passes.



FULLBACK ROBIN YOUNG ON TELEPHONE Gets Instruction From Spotters

Arthur Ashe Aims For Tennis Double

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (AP) — Amateur Arthur Ashe is Jack

Kramer's pick to win the U.S. Open Tennis Championship.

"I have really been impressed by Ashe's play this week," said Big Jake, who, as man and boy, pro and amateur, promoter and commentator, has been watching the parade of greats pass through the West Side Tennis Club for a quarter of a century. "I am astounded at the improvement Ashe has shown. He is so much more mature, more sure of himself. In the matches I have seen he seems to be playing well within himself. I wonder how good he could be if he had to."

Kramer should find out within the next three days when the skinny Negro boy from Richmond, Va., meets his greatest test in the semifinals and perhaps the finals of the first U.S. Open.

Should Ashe pull it off, he then would have scored the American "double"—winning the U.S. Amateur and Open in the same year, a feat that might stand unchallenged for decades. With more than 100 players competing

squad, will meet either teammate Clark Graebner or Australia's John Newcombe, the rookie pro who was the outstanding amateur in the world in 1967.

The other semifinal involves 24-year-old Tom Okker, the giant-killer from The Netherlands, and the winner of the remaining third-seeded Ken Rosewall of Australia and Dennis Ralston of Bakersfield, Calif., both pros.

Graebner and Newcombe finish today the match that was stopped by darkness Thursday with Graebner leading 5-7, 11-9, 6-1, 2-2.

Interception Downs Rockets

OAK HARBOR — Wayne Asher intercepted a pass and returned it 28 yards for the winning touchdown Friday as Crestline defeated Oak Harbor, 12-6. Oak Harbor had scored first on a 50-yard drive in the second quarter. Gene Arnold dove over from the one yard line for the

Ross-Rogers First Game Disappointment

Yardstick

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ROGERS 0 7 0 7-14
ROSS 0 0 0 6-6

SCORING
ROGERS: Jim Foltz, 4, off tackle run (Jerry Holmes, kick); Jim Jordan, 17, off guard run (Holmes, kick).
ROSS: Rusty Zimmerman, 29, pass from Chuck Ziemke (run failed).

LINEUPS

Fremont Ross
Ends — Bill Thiessen, John Fahrbach, Mike Dowell, Rusty Zimmerman. Tackles — Dave Rhodes, Bryan Cooley, Chuck Miller, Mike Weiser. Guards — Kirk Held, Dennis Billman, Tom Kreliek, Ted Bruner, Gary Badollet, Ed Palmer, Dave Lopez, Dan Hall. Centers — Doug Ebert, Bruce Guide. Backs — Chuck Ziemke, Ken Kaup, Mark Weiser, Jon Schwartz, Robin Young, Leonard Ferguson, Jim Wering, Mike Gerber, Mike McGuire, Bob Pettiford.
Toledo Rogers
Ends — Ron Riley, Jim Zacharias, Dave DeProspero, Dennis Kresick. Tackles — Gary Wilson, Rick Watson, Tim Baumbarger. Guards — Tom Wright, Bob Hartkopf, Mike Dunn, Jim Slough, Tom Nadeau. Center — Jerry Holmes, Chip Stevers. Backs — Jim Foltz, Jim Jordan, Dan Caywood, Charles Contrada, John Herbert, Mike Washington, Craig Cornachione.

TEAM STATISTICS

	Ross	Rogers
FIRST DOWNS	11	11
Rushing	6	11
Passing	2	0
Penalty	2	0
YARDS GAINED	200	215
Rushing	113	215
Passing	87	0
PASSES ATTEMPTED	13	1
Completed	6	0
Intercepted	1	0
PENALTIES	5	2
Yards Penalized	115	30
FUMBLES	7	1
Lost	2	1
PUNTS	2	3
KICKOFFS	2	3
Average	28	43
KICK RETURNS	1	2
Yards Returned	75	34
Average	15	17

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Fremont Ross
Rusher
Jon Schwartz 20 83 42 0
Robin Young 7 15 21 0
Chuck Ziemke 12 12 19 0
Mark Weiser 2 3 15 0
PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
Chuck Ziemke 13 6 1 87 1
PASS RECEIVING
Receiver Caught Yds. TD
John Fahrbach 3 32 0
Mark Weiser 1 14 0
Rusty Zimmerman 1 29 1
PUNTING
Kicker Kicks Yds. Ave.
John Fahrbach 2 67 23 1/2
KICK RETURNS
Ret. Yds. Ave.
Len Ferguson 1 20 20 0
Jon Schwartz 2 29 14 1/2
John Fahrbach 17 17 1/2
Bob Pettiford 1 9 9 0
Toledo Rogers
Rusher
Charles Contrada 2 40 20 0
Jim Jordan 8 50 5 1/2
Jim Foltz 20 37 2 1/2
John Herbert 3 23 8 0
Dan Caywood 15 43 2 9 0
PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
John Herbert 10 6 0 0 0
PUNTING
Kicker Kicks Yds. Ave.
Jim Zacharias 4 124 31 0
KICK RETURNS
Ret. Yds. Ave.
Charles Contrada 1 12 12 0

Too Many Mistakes: Shuff

It had been his first game at the helm of Ross high school football fortunes, but there were no excuses coming from Coach Charles Shuff. "We made too many mistakes" was his simple explanation of the 14-6 defeat by Toledo Rogers Friday night at Harmon Stadium. "The whole team was about the same. All had some good spots, all made some mistakes."

Although not particularly pleased with the outcome, Shuff had no sharp criticism of his athletes. He was thankful there were no serious injuries. Guard Denny Billman did receive a jammed neck and Len Ferguson injured an arm, but neither was expected to sideline the athlete.

Shuff had a praise for the defensive end work of Bill Thiessen, a slender 162-pounder who was expected to make his major contribution

offensively and was a surprise on defense. The coach also singled out the running of Jon Schwartz who was the offensive workhorse with 83 yards from the tailback position. In addition to Thiessen, Shuff noted that 245-pound tackle Dave Rhodes was effective. He had good pursuit and in the second half Rogers chose to run away from Rhodes rather than test his side.

Passing was the major weapon of the second half and Shuff, who in the pre-season outlook had indicated the pass game potential was there but had not materialized, praised the scrambling of quarterback Chuck Ziemke. "Ziemke did a good job of picking up secondary receivers," according to Shuff.

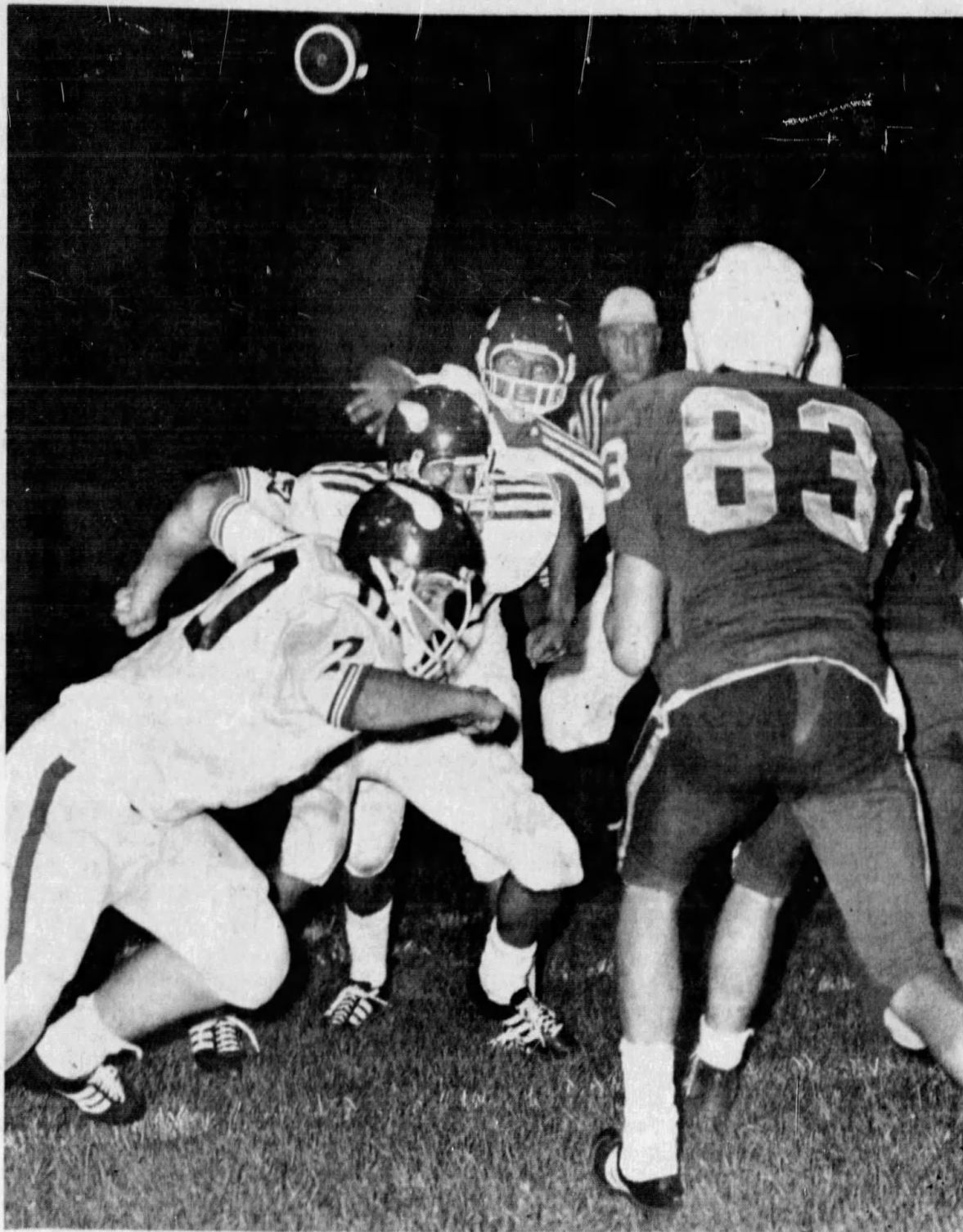
Not pleased, but not despondent Coach Shuff promised, "We're going to be around. We're going to show some people before the years over. There are some real athletes here."



MORE YARDAGE FOR TAILBACK JON SCHWARTZ Rogers' Caywood Drapes Over Top Ross Gainer

Scholastic Grid Scores

Sandusky Bay Conference
Lakota 20, St. Wendelin 11
Lakeshore Conference
Ottawa Hills 14, Northwood 6
Northern Lakes League
Genoa 6, Anthony Wayne 9
Springfield 49, Elmwood 0
Hosford 20, Lake 14
Perryburg 18, Eastwood 16
Other Scores
Port Clinton 23, Bellevue 9
South Amherst 24, Green Springs 0
Margaretta 20, Vermilion 0
Gibsonburg 6, New London 6
Perkasie 8, Clyde 0
Sandusky St. Mary 12, Clearfork 6
Huron 21, Newark 13
Danbury 27, Monteville 0
Milan Edison 22, Columbia 0
Willard 14, Mount Vernon 9
Elyria 20, Toledo Blueash 8
Admiral King 20, Eastlake North 0
Mansfield Madison 16, Tiffin Columbian 12
Oberlin 20, Avon Lake 18
Clearview 14, Elyria Catholic 6
Columbus Grove 48, North Baltimore 0
Ottawa-Grandmont 26, Indian Lake 8
Allen-East 8, Lima Perry 0
Arcadia 20, Leipsic 20
Panderburg-Gilboa 20, Vanlue 0
Hardin-Northern 50, Arlington 8
Cory-Hawson 22, VanBuren 0
Canton McKinley 28, Barboursville 0
Mentor 19, Massillon 0
Lima Senior 31, Toledo Star 0
Warren Harding 34, Cleveland John Adams 6
Toledo Central 31, St. John 0
Toledo St. Francis 0, Whitmer 0
Oregon Clay 13, Toledo Macomber 0
Toledo Woodward 6, Marion Harding 6
Toledo DeWitt 23, Sylvania 6
Bowling Green 34, Maumee 14
Findlay 34, Findlay 8
Swanton 38, Delta 6
South Central 19, Plymouth 8
Hicksville 14, Otisco 24
Shelby 20, Mansfield Malabar 0
Ontario 21, Bucyrus 13
Ashland 7, Lima 14, Leota 6
Tiffin Calvert 18, Lima Bath 7
Celina 38, Defiance 8
Lima Shawnee 20, Wapakoneta 12
Elida 22, Spencerville 20
Marion Local 40, Waynesfield 0
Cleveland Glenview 14, Akron Hoban 0
Salem 15, Cleveland Lincoln 12
Cleveland Holy Name 20, Cleveland Heights 12
Cleveland St. Ignace 9, Parma 8
Cleveland Benedictine 12, Cleveland St. Edward 12
Cleveland St. Joseph 22, Euclid 6
North Olmsted 46, North Royalton 6



PASS PROTECTION BLOCKING — Tackle Mike Wetzel (left foreground) and tailback Jon Schwartz (middle) aim blocks to protect Ross passer Chuck Ziemke (middle background). They ward off the rush of Toledo

Rogers end Dave DeProspero and an unidentified foe. Football can be seen upper middle flying toward a completion by end John Fahrbach. (News-Messenger Photos)

Against Ross Friday Night Cleveland West To Field Big Line

A quicker line charge, defense, more smoothness on handoffs and the possible addition of more new blood have been part of the week's activity on the Ross high school practice field. Stung by quicker line play in its opening loss to Toledo Rogers, the Little Giants this week have drilled to erase the mistakes which cost them the opener.

Against Toledo Rogers, Ross had a definite size advantage. Assistant Coach Bob Ford, who scouted this week's foe warns no such advantage will exist Friday night. Cleveland West, looking for its second victory over Ross, will bring a big line with it to Harmon Stadium. Ford indicated he was impressed with West last Friday against East Liverpool, despite a 30-6 defeat. Liverpool gained its advantage late in the game.

West's apparent Achilles Heel is depth and the Cleveland team appeared to tire under the pressure of fresh East Liverpool players. East Liverpool did have depth.

Although Ross Coach Charles Shuff utilized 28 players in the opener, depth is not considered a Ross advantage at this early point in the season. It is hopeful that performers such as fullback Mike McGuire, swing back Mark Weiser and middle guard Dan Hill will be at full strength this week. All three played a week ago despite minor injuries. Shuff is also hoping for the first showing by tailback Mike Ruland, a sophomore who was pushing senior starter Jon Schwartz in pre-season drills, and Larry Sheffield. Sheffield, a speedy 185-pounder, has been back in practice uniform this week after a back injury.

It is possible that Sophomore Randy Williams will get a call at quarterback. Williams had been in the fight for a starting position in pre-season scrimmages but did not see action last Friday. He has had heavy work this week in practices. Chuck Ziemke went all the way against Rogers with the only touchdown coming on a Ziemke to Rusty Zimmerman pass.

Williams is a speedy operator at quarterback and brother of Rusty Williams, Ross' starting quarterback a year ago. Big drawback to the sophomore is his lack of size at 5-8 and 135 pounds. Shuff has credited Williams with ability to think like a quarterback. In pre-season appraisal of his players Shuff noted, "Williams is smart. He can think two or three plays ahead."

Zimmerman was one of the underclass-

men who had good performances in the first game. His touchdown pass reception was an acrobatic act which would have done any juggler proud. Bill Thiessen, another junior end, was one of the bright spots on defense, although he had primarily been watched as a pass receiver.

Shuff in the first game worked in 12 juniors and three sophomores to go with the 13 seniors who are the core of the squad. Indications in practice this week were that even more of the youngsters will be worked into action in the quest for depth.

Reduction of the injury list should provide more depth, especially at fullback where McGuire and Sheffield could back up the work of the last week's starter Robin Young. McGuire did play a week ago but ran behind Young much of the night.



YOUNG BACKFIELD SUPPORT — Underclassmen will be a continuing part in the Ross development this year as Coach Charles Shuff and his staff search for depth. Junior and Sophomore backs who are in the race for tailback and fullback spots are: (front to back) Robin Young, Bill Measimer,

Mike Gerber, Bill Burkett and Adolph Lopez. Young, who in the last week of preseason practice was switched from tailback to halfback, was a starter last Friday against Toledo Rogers. Gerber also saw action in that opening game. Burkett and Lopez are sophomores and the others juniors.

Johnson's 2-Strike Pinch Hit Salvages Cleveland 1-0 Win

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Lou good hitter. You can hit one Johnson, who may not be the best hitter who ever played in the major league but has got to be among the coolest, couldn't pass up a chance to do a little harmless bragging.

Sweet Lou, who spent half his career roaming the minor leagues before the Los Angeles Dodgers gave him his big chance, pinch hit for Cleveland Wednesday night. He had two strikes against him because pitcher Vicente Romo had taken two strikes trying to bunt in the 12th inning of a scoreless pitching duel between the Indians and the Minnesota Twins.

Johnson took the first pitch from old Dodger teammate Ron Ferranoski a shade low for a ball, then lined a single to left that scored the only run in Cleveland's 1-0 victory.

"I'm a first-ball hitter, you dig?" Johnson teased. "That's the price you pay for being a

Having had his fun, Johnson admitted he might have been called out on the pitch he took for a ball. That's what happened to him, he said, when Manager Leo Durocher sent him up to pinch hit with two strikes on the batter when he was with the Chicago Cubs earlier this season—he struck out.

"The only thing I'm thankful for," Johnson said, "is that I was in this league (American) tonight. In the National League, that was a strike and I was out of there if I took it."

About the strategy of sending up a pinch hitter with only one strike left, Johnson said: "It's a gamble, sure. But if it pays off, you usually win. I did it. It's a challenge."

Dark said he was trying to move the runners on first and second up by getting a bunt from Romo. He didn't get it.

"I can't think of a tougher hitter to send up in that situation than Johnson," Indians Manager Alvin Dark said.

The Indians got their scoring chance in the 12th when Jackie Hernandez, the Twins' shortstop the first month of the season who spent most of the year at Denver before just coming back, booted Chico Salmon's routine grounder.

Cleveland Star Pitcher

Baseball Standings

National League

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	91	57	.615	—
San Francisco	79	68	.537	11½
Cincinnati	76	69	.524	13½
Chicago	76	72	.514	15½
Atlanta	75	72	.510	15½

Bad First Quarter Is Downfall

Ross' Catch West Try Falls Short, 14-12

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL
NM Sports Editor

Like a sprinter that stumbles and falls at the start, Ross tried for three quarters to catch up and failed Friday in a 14-12 loss to Cleveland West. The Little Giant stumbling block was the first quarter when West did all its scoring and gained 125 of its 209 yards.

While West was getting a smooth sprinter's start, the Little Giants were plodding to a first quarter in which they ran only seven plays from

scrimmage, gained a mere seven yards and lost the ball once on a fumble.

A crucial fumble on an extra point attempt, a five-yard penalty for illegal motion at the wrong time and a breakdown in pass protection blocked the road of the Ross catchup attempt. The line failure on pass protection prevented late passing efforts to pull out the contest. On the final series of downs by Ross, quarterback Chuck Ziemke was thrown three consecutive losses of eight yards attempting to pass.

Outmanned in numbers, a tiring West team was fading in the stretch when an infraction tripped Ross. The Little Giants trailed 14-12 with four minutes to play and a first down on their own 49-yard line. The flag fell for backfield in motion. It was a setback Ross could not overcome. Ross got the ball for only eight more plays in the game and six of these were unsuccessful pass efforts. On three of them Ziemke was thrown for a loss without releasing the ball. The final hope faded with 20 seconds in the game when West's

John Fisher intercepted a fourth down pass at the Ross 30-yard line.

The Ross offense gained life in the second half when Larry Sheffield saw his first action of the season. Sheffield, who was injured and did not play the opener against Toledo Rogers, added a slashing fullback to go with the running of a tailback Jon Schwartz. The Schwartz-Sheffield combination gained 164 yards for Ross.

Turning point of the game was a pass interception by

sophomore tackle Chuck Miller. Miller pulled down a West pass and returned it to the West 28-yard line.

Schwartz carried three times and Sheffield once. West drive and took control of the ball on the Ross 16-yard line. On three of the next five plays Schwartz or Sheffield fumbled the snap from center on the extra point effort.

With young blood manning many positions Ross had the upper hand in the second half. The Little Giants gained 101 yards rushing and held West to 49 yards, 37 on the ground and 12 in the air. West was held to one rushing and one passing first down in the second half compared to eight, all on the ground, for Ross.

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Ross-West
Yardstick

LINEUPS

Fremont Ross
ENDS — Russ Zimmerman, Mike Dowell, John Fahrback, Bill Thiesen, Mike Tomasi

TACKLES — Dave Rhodes, Bryan Cooley, John Symonewski, Chuck Miller, Mike West

GUARDS — Kirk Heid, Dennis Biliant, Tom Kwickick, Ted Brunner, Gary Butdort, Ed Palmer, Dan Hill

CENTERS — Bruce Galle

BACKS — Leonard Ferguson, Chuck Ziemke, Jon Weir, Ken Knapp, Mark Weiser, Mike Gether, Larry Sheffield, Mike McGuire, Jon Schwartz, Bob Pettiford, Mike Ruland

Cleveland West
ENDS — Dan D'Amore, Lowell Eisinger, Gray Rosen, Ed Meek

TACKLES — John Rutledge, Mike Moran, Rick Butler

GUARDS — Tom Fisher, Nebraska Holbrook, Rand Pilewski, Charles Moulton

CENTERS — John Fisher, Bob Smith

BACKS — John McMillan, Dan Webster, Dave Bartlett, Jon Brown, Jerry Lauer, Wallace Bryant, Rich Allison, Steve Conray, Joe Rodelli, Freddie Ross, Randy Allen

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ROSS 0 0 6 12
WEST 14 0 0 14

SCORING

ROSS — Chuck Ziemke 4 quarterback keeper off guard (pass failed); Ziemke 4 quarterback rolled right (run failed fumble)
WEST — Rich Allison 7 off guard (John McMillan, run); Allison 4 off tackle (run failed fumble)

TEAM STATISTICS

R W

SCRIMMAGE PLAYS 37 60

FIRST DOWNS 10 20

Rushing 10 8

Passing 0 2

Penalty 0 0

PASSES ATTEMPTED 7 8

Completed 1 2

Intercepted By 10 20

YARDS GAINED 125 101

Rushing 8 46

Passing 1 2

FUMBLES 2 1

Ball Lost 2 0

PENALTIES 2 0

Yards Penalized 3 3

PUNTS 2 3

Average 8 31

KICK OFFS 2 3

Average 52.5 57.5

KICK RETURNS 5 3

Yards Returned 64 58

Average 12.8 19.3

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Fremont Ross

RUSHING Car Yds Ave TD

Runner Jon Schwartz 22 115 5.2 0

Larry Sheffield 11 49 4.5 0

Mike McGuire 2 3 1.5 0

John Fahrback 1 2 2.0 0

Chuck Ziemke 9 21 2.3 0

Mike Ruland 2 9 4.5 0

PASSING Car Yds Ave TD

Passer Jon Schwartz 7 1 100 36

Receiver Jon Schwartz 3 100 36

KICK RETURNS Car Yds Ave

Runner Bob Pettiford 2 32 16

John Fahrback 1 18 18

Mike Dowell 1 11 11

Jon Schwartz 1 1 1

Cleveland West

RUSHING Car Yds Ave TD

Runner Dan Webster 7 28 4.0 0

Rich Allison 17 50 2.9 2

Joe Rodelli 12 12 1.0 0

Randy Allen 4 11 2.7 0

John McMillan 7 18 2.6 0

PASSING Car Yds Ave TD

Passer Dan Webster 2 0 0 0

Rich Allison 2 0 0 0

Joe Rodelli 2 0 0 0

PASS RECEIVING Car Yds Ave TD

Receiver Rich Allison 2 0 0 0

PUNTING Car Yds Ave

Kicker John McMillan 2 60 30

Dave Bartlett 1 20 20

KICK RETURNS Car Yds Ave

Runner Rich Allison 1 38 38

Coach Shuff Laments

"We Have To Get A Full Game"

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL
NM Sports Editor

"If we can put everything together, we can win one." With these words Coach Charles Shuff lamented the breakdown which cost Ross high school its second football loss under the new coach. "We have to get a full game . . . We were in a daze the first half," Shuff continued.

There was use of many younger players and Shuff had praise for these boys in the locker room after the game. "We got younger kids in and the defense moved a little. I see a lot of promising things for the next year or two, but this year . . . and he let the subject hang.

Coach Shuff singled out several athletes and said others may deserve praise after he views game films. Singled out for work defense was defensive end Mike Tooman. "He destroyed their whole sweep." For the second week Shuff could see praise for another defensive end, Mike Thiesen. Also singled out was the work of two sophomores, guard

Gary Butdort and tackle Chuck Miller. Butdort on defense at linebacker and Miller both ways turned in key plays.

A major problem of a week ago against Rogers was solved with use of senior Ted Brunner at middle guard. "Nobody blew us out of the middle tonight," said Shuff in singling out Brunner. Brunner moved in from defensive end to play the middle of the defense.

Injuries in the game were relatively light. Swingback Denny Knipp needed three stitches to close a foot wound. Tailback Jon Schwartz suffered a thigh bruise and several others had minor bruises.

Coach Shuff noted one improvement over a week ago. A major fault in the opening game loss was a slow-moving line. "We move off the line tonight in the second half." He also underlined the difference in the offense with insertion of Larry Sheffield at fullback. "The fullback spot looks brighter . . . We have to have a slashing fullback to go with our tailback."

Baseball
Standings

American League

	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
Detroit	94	54	.635	—
Baltimore	85	64	.570	9 1/2
Boston	79	69	.534	15
Cleveland	80	71	.530	15 1/2
New York	78	70	.527	16
Oakland	76	73	.510	18 1/2
Minnesota	69	79	.466	25
California	63	86	.423	31 1/2
Chicago	62	87	.416	32 1/2
Wash'n	58	91	.386	36 1/2

Friday's Results

Cleveland 10, Baltimore 2
Detroit 3, Oakland 0
Boston 3, Minnesota 0
Chicago 2, California 1
New York 4-2, Washington 2-1

National League

	W	L	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	91	58	.611	—
San Fran.	79	69	.534	11 1/2
Cincinnati	77	69	.527	12 1/2
Chicago	77	73	.513	14 1/2
Atlanta	75	73	.507	15 1/2
Pittsburgh	71	76	.483	19
Philadelphia	70	78	.473	20 1/2
Los Angeles	67	81	.453	23 1/2
Houston	67	82	.450	24
New York	67	82	.450	24



HARD TO STOP — Four Cleveland West tacklers converge on Ross fullback Larry Sheffield in an effort to stop the hard runner. Sheffield is chased by Tom Fisher (64) and met by Bob Smith (50), Dan Webster (11) and John McMillan (10).

Olympic Track Trials

Stars Of Past Eliminated

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — as he stumbled across the finish

(AP) — Gerry Lindgren isn't line.

the type to be wary of black and white. And Flowers' attempt to return to top form after a leg injury that had kept him out of action for 10 weeks also failed. He finished fifth in the final of the walks under a ladder now and

Hall in 13.5 and Pat Pomphrey in 13.6. His time was 13.7.

"I have no excuses," the University of Tennessee student said. "I'm physically strong. It was just lack of practice."

Two other final events were held Friday. Harold Connolly

News-Messenger
SPORTSHuron Topples Oak Harbor
In Sandusky Bay Debut, 19-8

HURON—Huron's debut into the Sandusky Bay Conference put a mighty offense on display Friday night. The Tigers gained 231 yards in trimming Oak Harbor, 19-8. Oak Harbor scored early and Huron had to rally for a slim 12-8 halftime lead.

Huron rolled to 210 yards on the ground and 121 passing. Quarterback Tony Legado completed six of 10 passes for all the Huron aerial yardage. The Legado to Art MacIntyre combination gave Huron its first and last touchdowns. Both the scoring tosses covered 40 yards.

A 22-yard run by Tony Gaines had tied the game for Oak Har-



SCORE BY QUARTERS

OAK HARBOR 8 0 0 0-8
HURON 6 6 7 9-19

SCORING

OAK HARBOR — Tony Gaines 22, run; Heide, pass from Gaines

HURON — Art MacIntyre, 40, pass from Tony Legado; pass failed; Tim Sawicki 2, run (run failed); MacIntyre, 40, pass from Legado; kick good.

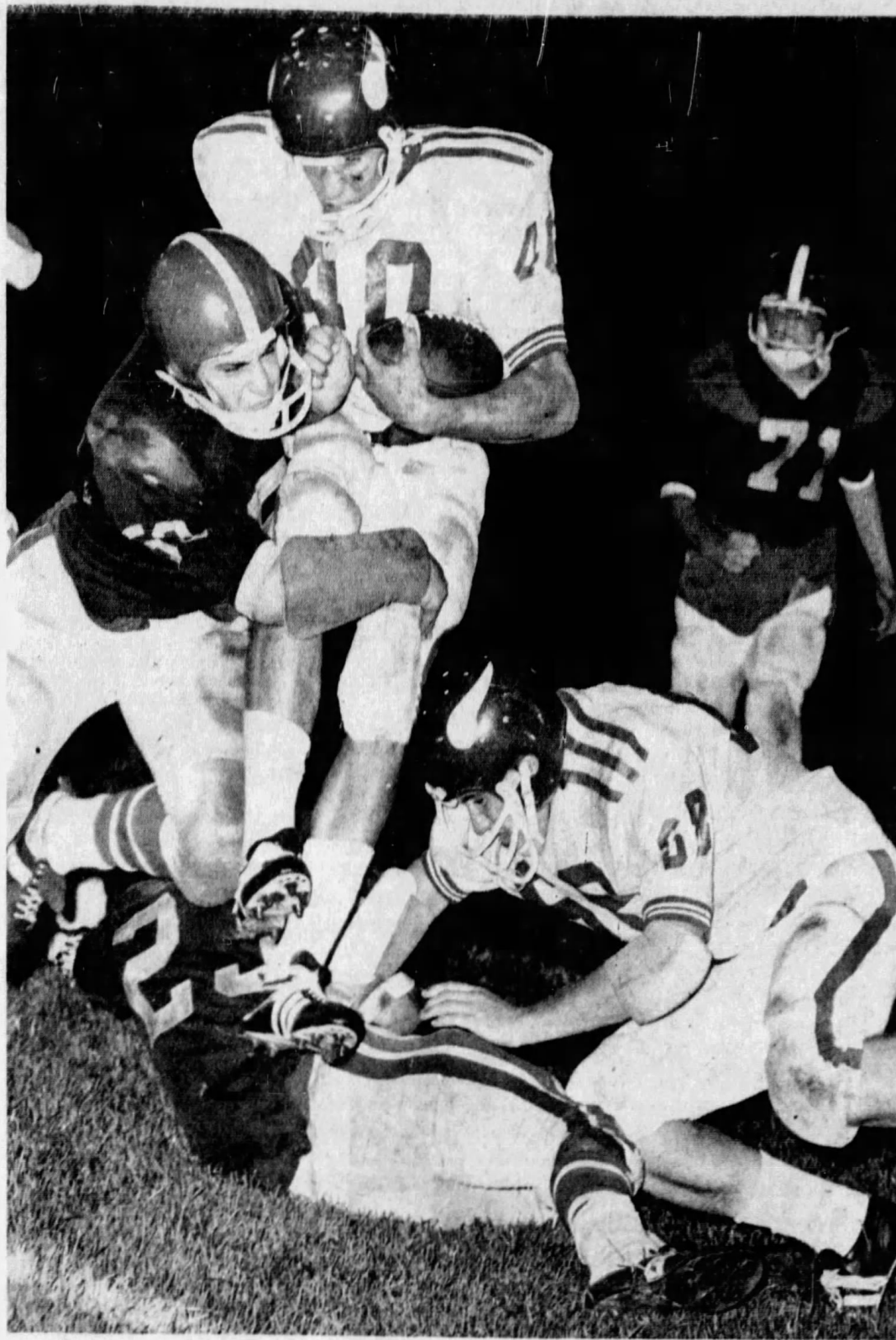
STATISTICS

H O H

FIRST DOWNS 8 10

Rushing 4 10

Passing 4 0



FLYING TO A FALL — Ross' Jon Schwartz (40) sails into the tackling arms of Cleveland West's Nebraska Holbrook (62) after a gain. Little Giant Dennis Billman (68) rolls Rich Allison (23) as West. Rick Ruffner (71) trails the play. (News-Messneger Photo)

Aerial Threat Makes Bowsher Tough Foe

The added threat of passing this week—more than normal the strongest foe yet played by Fremont Ross in the opinion of Little Giant Coach Charles Shuff. Ross will be making its third try for a first victory at home Friday night against Bowsher.

In preparation for the contest and in hopes of erasing the mistakes which have caused the Little Giants their first two games there has been head-knocking in practice this week.

"We have been hitting some this week—more than normal. We hope to wake up some bells," related Shuff.

In appraising his team on the eve of the third game Shuff said "the offense is still sluggish." Although not happy with the defeats, Shuff saw some improvement in the Little Giants. "If we can play ball like the second half against West we can win," figured the coach. He added, "We definitely were a better ball club

against West than Toledo Rogers. We still made mistakes, but there has been a lot of steady improvement."

Shuff was quick to stress there was not the lack of mistakes which characterize a veteran ball club, but the number of mistakes did diminish from the first to second game.

Bowsher so far has one win and one loss to its credit. The Toledo team lost its opener to Elyria, 20-4 and then bounced back last Saturday to stop To-

ledo Scott, 14-7. In addition to an offense which features a passing attack, emphasizing the long bomb, Bowsher displayed a tight defense against Scott. Shuff reported, "They stopped up Scott's quick backs in a hurry."

Passes scored both Bowsher touchdowns in the victory over Scott. Bowsher will display the most wide open offense to face Ross this season. Coach George Machukis utilizes a split end

with a slot back. This sends three receivers downfield. All three are reported as tall, lanky basketball types by Shuff. To counter the ability to get down deep on passes Shuff will rely heavily on speed of backs such as Jon Schwartz and Len Ferguson on defense.

Shuff indicated he would go with the same offensive backfield which played most of the second half against west. This will have Chuck Ziemke at quarterback, Jon Schwartz,

tailback; Kenny Knipp, wing back, and Larry Sheffield, fullback. Sheffield showed power and speed in his first appearance last Friday.

On the line illness could force some changes but Shuff indicated he would have a tendency to give the younger linemen a major test similar to against Cleveland West. Doubtful for the Friday game with Bowsher are tackle Dave Rhodes and end John Fahrback. Sophomore Chuck Miller, who was a line

spark plug a week ago, is ready to fill in at tackle. If Fahrback is missing either Mike Tooman, who also vindicated himself a week ago, or Bill Thiessen will take over. Thiessen is a junior and Tooman a sophomore. Thiessen can take over at end on either side of the line, alone. Sustained drives brought two touchdowns on the ground.

There also is hope of improved ball handling to cut down on fumbles. The Little Giants have fumbled 10 times.

ter the second loss, 14-12, to West, the Little Giants need to put together a full game. Against Rogers the lone bright spot was a passing game which completed six passes for 87 yards. The running game came into its own last week with over 100 yards in the second half alone. Sustained drives brought two touchdowns on the ground.

Area Scoring Leaders

Fiber Makes Quick Start

The early successes of the St. Joseph power blocking attack and running of fullback Ed Fiber have stolen the early season headlines, but they also present a problem for Coach Robert Smith. "You can be

sure the rest of the opponents will be keying Fiber. If he comes to the bench Saturday night, there likely will be two Haron players on our bench." Fiber with the aid of some giant holes in the line has scored all six St. Joseph touchdowns. This gives him the early lead in area scoring with 36 points. Fiber was overlooked a year ago in the selection of an All-Sandusky Bay Conference team despite leading the league in scoring and yardage gained. This has given him a personal mission this year which Coach Smith feels will have the 190-pound senior keyed up the rest of the season. Smith relates, "He is out to prove somebody made a mistake."

In the area individual scoring race three of the four leaders have had big nights in the early games, scoring three touchdowns or more against one foe. Fiber had four touchdowns against Gibsonburg last Saturday. Lakota's Jerry Creeger tallied three in his team's opener over St. Wendelin and three by Dick Farrar led Clyde to a 22-0 win over St. Wendelin.

After two weeks of the season only four teams remain unbeaten and six of the 13 teams in the News-Messenger circulation area are still seeking a first win. The unbeaten are Genoa, St. Joseph and Margareta with two wins, and Port Clinton with one win and one tie. Most potent offense at this early stage has been St. Joseph with 42 points in two games, while uncouped on Genoa is tone in defense.

Two-Week Statistics

Ross				St. Joseph						
TEAM STATISTICS				TEAM STATISTICS						
		Runs				St. Joe				
FIRST DOWNS	21	21		FIRST DOWNS	19	24				
Running	11	14		Running	15	14				
Passing	3	2		Passing	3	8				
Penalty	7	5		Penalty	1	2				
YARDS GAINED	233	424 1/2		YARDS GAINED	472	489				
Running	228	366 1/2		Running	372	383				
Passing	96	68		Passing	99	226				
PASSES ATTEMPTED	20	9		PASSES ATTEMPTED	9	38				
Completed	7	2		Completed	5	15				
Intercepted	2	2		Intercepted	1	2				
PENALTIES	5	2		FUMBLES	7	5				
Yards Penalized	21 1/2	20		Yards Penalized	4	2				
FUMBLES	10	3		FUMBLES	7	5				
Ball Lost	4	2		Ball Lost	10	8				
KICK RETURNS	10	5		KICK RETURNS	139	92				
Yards Returned	139	92		Yards Returned	113	184				
Average	35	31		PUNTS	3	7				
KICKOFFS	4	6		Average	20	31				
Average	40	21 1/2		KICK RETURNS	10	11				
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS				INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS						
RUSHING				PUNTS						
Runner	Car	Yds	Avg	TD	Runner	Car	Yds	Avg	TD	
Jon Schwartz	42	198	4.7	0	KICKOFFS	30	28			
Larry Sheffield	11	40	3.6	0	Average	80	49			
Habin Young	7	15	2.1	0						
Mark Weber	2	3	1.5	0						
Mike McGuire	2	3	1.5	0						
Chuck Ziemke	21	9	4.2	0						
John Fahrback	1	2	2.0	0						
Mike Roland	2	9	4.5	0						
PASSING				RUSHING						
Passer	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TD	Runner	Car	Yds	Avg	TD
Chuck Ziemke	20	7	2	95	1	Ed Fiber	29	422	14.9	4
RECEIVING						Rick Washington	15	52	3.5	0
Receivers						Tom Kiser	5	16	3.2	0
Chuck Ziemke	20	7	2	95	1	Jim London	4	12	3.0	0



WAITING TO RING—Margaret Pride, the Ross high school football mascot displays a sad face as she waits to ring the Little Giant victory bell. The mascot has been unable to

sound off a victory in the first two games, but wants to wipe off that sad look and toll a winning sound Friday after the Bowsher game. (News-Messenger Photo)



Dewey Warner of Clyde just keeps rolling along. Before the season he said, "As long as I can help the team I will keep bowling. Croghan Colonial Classic League opened Tuesday and Warner, who is 70 years old, was at his old haunt—the bowling honor roll. Bowling for Meister Brau at Rainbow Lanes he had a 230 high game and 614 series.

Arrow Cafe of the Rainbow Keglers women's league had a hot start to the season with a 2,584 scratch, plus 411 handicap, for a 2,995 series. Leading the Arrow team was Pat Zepernick with a 506 series.

Splits picked up by the women in the Rainbow Keglers were 6-7, Jo Zappia, and 6-7-10, Flossie Ottny.

Two bowlers in the Ladies P.M. league at Rainbow converted tough splits Wednesday. Helen Friedely, rolling for the Frito-Lay squad, made the 6-7-10 split and Donna Shively, rolling for Miller Pipe Line, converted the 2-7-10.

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Betty Overmire 181 158 144-484

Walle-Jo's 895 803 830-2618
Lubrication Eng. 961 970 983-2754
Pat Gietken 179 187 163-339

Rita's Hair Fash 887 933 880-3600
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Jimmy Ferguson 133 147 189-449

Rose's Flowers 944 885 939-2768
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Bey Blaney 185 120 142-427

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Betty Quackernbush 156 187 178-521

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Alma Vickery 180 138 180-528

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Ladies P.M. 740 732 731-2221
Pottmans Pouches 150 184 145-457

Ziemke Darts 43 Yards

Early Touchdowns Bring Ross First Victory

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

N-M Sports Editor

A charging mob of Little Giants served as a bumpy chariot for Coach Charles Shuff, sprinting across the field after the game with enthusiasm. It was enthusiasm of first victory after Ross high school scored twice in the first quarter and then fought off the Bowsher outside and over game for a 14-6 win.

Enthusiasm had not been wasted on the post-game victory ride. It was evident all night as Bill Thiesen blocked a punt, Jim Werling intercepted three passes, Jon Schwartz and Larry Sheffield cracked at the center of the Bowsher line. Chuck Ziemke spotted a hole and darted 43 yards to score on the fifth play of the game.

It was a night of heroes and the praises had to be spread to the entire team. Time after time the Little Giants rose from seemingly hopeless situations to come up with the big play.

The Little Giants broke into an early lead with touchdowns on two of the first three times they handled the ball. Quarterback Chuck Ziemke rolled off tackle, cut to the right sideline and dashed 43 yards for a touchdown on the fifth play of the game. Only a minute and 44 seconds had run on the clock when Jon Schwartz added two extra points for what proved to be enough for victory.

After one unsuccessful series, Schwartz slashed from his tailback spot over left guard, cut to his right and dashed 80 yards on first down for the second tally.

After the early advantage the Little Giants played conservatively on offense and held onto their hats as Bowsher's Dave Schaetzke filled the air with football. Schaetzke attempted picking on the defensive ends with rollouts, taking aim at his fullback with swing passes and rifling long aerials down field to speedy end Brad Maxon. It was one of these long shots to Maxon which scored the Bowsher touchdown with 3:40 remaining in the game.

Bowsher kept hope alive with a successful inside kick with Gary Davis falling on the bouncing ball at the Ross 42-yard line. A good line rush dumped Schaetzke for a seven-yard loss on first down. After three unsuccessful passes Jim Werling intercepted a Schaetzke pass at the Little Giant 30-yard stripe. Bowsher got its hands on the ball one final time and again it was Werling, this time on second down, who snared a Bowsher pass.

The first of Werling's three pass thefts had stopped the second deepest Bowsher penetration. Midway in the fourth quarter Werling came up with a Schaetzke pass on the Ross 10 and ran it out to the 17.

The defense answered the call to halt one penetration at its own one-yard line. Dan Swiergosz, Bowsher fullback, was stopped after a one-yard gain at the Ross one, halting a 43-yard drive in 14 plays. Bowsher failed after having first

and ten just outside the Ross 10-yard line.

Ross dominated the first half but Bowsher came out of the locker room a fired up team for the final half. The opening kickoff put Ross in trouble as Jim Jameson returned it 56-yards before dragged down on the Ross 20 by Dan Hill. Hill was the last man who could reach Jameson. Halfback George Kiem was hit hard on first down and Bill Thiesen fell on his fumble to give the ball to Ross on its own 20-yard line.

Thiesen also blocked a Bowsher punt in the first quarter.

The timely plays and two long runs added up the first Ross victory after opening with losses to Toledo Rogers, 14-6, and Cleveland West, 14-12. It was the initial victory under Coach Charles Shuff in the final warmup for the Buckeye Conference action which opens next Friday at Mansfield.

Victory Smile Finally

Shuff Praises Whole Team Effort

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL

N-M Sports Editor

"They took it to them all night. They are gaining confidence in what they are doing." The atmosphere was far brighter in the depths of Harmon Stadium Friday night as Coach Charles Shuff explained the progress which had brought his team its first victory in three tries. With a smile on his face which had been impossible after close losses to Toledo Rogers and Cleveland West, Shuff had praise for individual efforts, but was most outspoken in his talk of a "whole team effort."

"The whole line fired out in pretty good shape. We had them sitting back on their heels a good share of the time." This appraisal brought particular relief because it was an outburst line which had brought Ross trouble in the Rogers game and first quarter of the West defeat.

Shuff credited steady progress for the improved showing. He also noted that for the first time this season the team had played a whole ball game.

It was a night of key efforts at the right time. "Schwartz turned in a lot of key plays that kept us going," remarked

Shuff. A check with the play-by-play record showed that Schwartz, in addition to an 80-yard touchdown run, did indeed deliver in key situations. He had third down and long yardage situation runs of 11, 14 and eight yards, caught a pass for a 13-yard gain and a first down, plus punching for one-yard on third down and another first down.

"Fahrbach (John) and Werling (Jim) did a good job in the secondary," added the coach. Werling was the man of the hour at safety with three interceptions. Fahrbach as a punter figured in two key plays. On both occasions Fahrbach was roughed by charging linemen. Ross got 15 yards penalized against Bowsher and first down on both occasions. Defensively, Fahrbach played one of the secondary rotations.

Ross escaped the game relatively injury free. Dan Hill hurt a hamstring muscle on a tackle which saved a Bowsher touchdown. On the runback of the second half kickoff Bowsher's Jim Jameson appeared gone, by Hill at the Ross 20, but was caught and pulled down after a 56-yard return yard line. He pulled up lame after that play. Fullback Larry away from practice.

Ross-Bowsher
Yardstick

Fremont Ross

LINEUPS

ENDS — Bill Thiesen, John Fahrbach, Mike Dowell, Rusty Zimmerman, Steve Tooman.

TACKLES — Chuck Miller, Mike Wetzell, Bryan Mayet, Bryan Cooley.

GUARDS — Kirk Held, Doug Hillman, Ted Brunner, Gary Badstuber, Ed Palmer, Dan Hill.

CENTERS — Doug Ebert, Bruce Gude.

BACKS — Steve Delphous, Bob Pettibone, Joe Schwartz, Larry Sheffield, Robin Young, Mark Wesner, Ken Klipp.

QUARTERBACKS — Mike Katsch, Craig Johnson, Chris Gilman, Scott Lowe, Jim Colgate.

CENTER — Mike Archibald.

BACK — George Kiem, John Morris, Tom Ogilby, Jay Perez, Mike Corbett, Dan Swiergosz, Jim Jameson, Terry Foley, Dave Schaetzke.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ROSS 14 0 0 0-14
BOWSHER 0 0 0 6-6

SCORING

ROSS — Chuck Ziemke, 43, quarterback (Jim Schwartz, punt);

BOWSHER — Brad Maxon, 46, pass from Dave Schaetzke (run failed).

TEAM STATISTICS

SCHUDGAGE PLAYS R B

FIRST DOWNS 11 12

Running 5 6

Passing 1 6

Penalty 3 0

PASSES ATTEMPTED 5 22

Completed 2 8

Intercepted 0 3

YARDS GAINED 280 223

Running 256 197

Passing 13 11

PENALTIES 5 4

Yards Penalized 10 30

PUNTS 3 0

Average 31.8 28.7

KICKOFFS 0 15

Average 42 35

KICK RETURNS 2 5

Yards Returned 99 120

Average 25.3 24

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Fremont Ross

RUSHING

Runner Car. Yds. Ave. TD

Jim Schwartz 16 146 9.1 1

C. Ziemke 8 49 6.1 1

L. Sheffield 13 31 2.4 0

J. Werling 1 4 4.0 0

Holden Young 5 9 1.8 0

B. Pettibone 1 1 1.0 0

Mark Wesner 1 2 2.0 0

PASSING

Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD

C. Ziemke 2 2 0 13 0

PASS RECEIVING

Receiver Catch. Yds. TD

J. Schwartz 1 13 0

L. Sheffield 1 0 0

KICK RETURNS

Runner No. Yds. Ave.

B. Pettibone 1 32 32

J. Schwartz 1 26 26

PUNTING

Passer No. Yds. Ave.

D. Swiergosz 13 22 2.9

Dave Schaetzke 15 26 2.0

PASS RECEIVING

Receiver Catch. Yds. TD

George Kiem 6 27 9

Brad Maxon 2 66 1

Jay Perez 2 13 0

KICK RETURNS

Runner No. Yds. Ave.

Jim Jameson 2 70 35

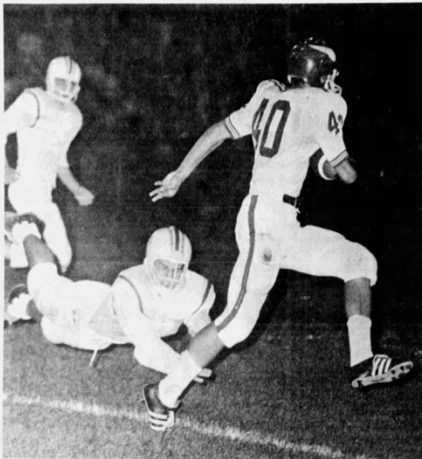
Dave Schaetzke 1 29 29

George Kiem 12 163

PUNTING

Passer No. Yds. Ave.

Brad Maxon 4 119 29.7



JON SCHWARTZ SPRINTS 80 YARDS FOR ROSS TOUCHDOWN
Steps Beyond Reach Of Bowsher's Diving Ron Mulvaney

Major League Roundup

Yastrzemski Bat Awakes

By HAL BOCK

Associated Press Sports Writer

Elmer Flick is back in business thanks to a late-season surge by Boston's Carl Yastrzemski.

Yaz slapped two singles and his 21st home run of the year Friday night, helping Boston to a 4-3 victory over the New York Yankees and raising his American League leading batting average to .306.

That's the same mark that Flick managed in 1965, the lowest average ever to win a major league batting crown. Until Yastrzemski picked up a head of steam a month ago, it seemed that Flick's record would be

erased in this season of sub-300 averages.

But since Aug. 20, Yaz has had 43 hits in 99 trips to the plate, raising his average 31 points from .275. With just over one week to play and a 14-point cushion, Yastrzemski's second straight crown seems secure.

Elsewhere in the American League Friday, Detroit pounded Washington 6-3, Chicago shaded Baltimore 2-1, and Oakland whipped Cincinnati 7-1. Cleveland and California were not scheduled.

In the National League, the New York Mets swept a doubleheader from Philadelphia, 3-2 and 5-4. Houston outlasted Cin-

cinnati 7-6, Pittsburgh blanked Chicago 5-0, San Francisco crushed Atlanta 8-1 and Los Angeles outlasted St. Louis 5-4.

The Tigers won their 10th straight, matching the longest winning streak in the majors this year, with four home runs—two of them by Jim Northrup—accounting for all their runs.

The Senators did manage to knock out Tiger starter Mickey Lolich, ending the Detroit pitching staff's complete game string at 12. It was the first time since Sept. 4 that the Tigers needed a reliever.

Reliever Wilbur Wood tied an American League record with his 32nd appearance of the year, helping the White Sox nail down their victory over the Orioles.

Wood matched the mark set by Eddie Fisher with Chicago in 1965.

Ken Berry drove in both Chicago runs with clutch singles.

Jim "Catfish" Hunter pitched Oakland past Minnesota with Danny Cater tagging a home run and Bert Campaneris stealing two bases. The two steals gave Campaneris 56—a single season career high for him.

John Roseboro homered for the Twins.

Friday's Results

Oakland 7, Minnesota 1

Boston 4, New York 3

Chicago 2, Baltimore 1

Detroit 6, Washington 3

Today's Games

Oakland at Minnesota

Baltimore at Chicago

California at Cleveland

Boston at New York

National League

W. L. Pct. G.B.

St. Louis .94 61 .006 —

San Fran. .84 71 .542 10

Cincinnati .79 74 .516 14

Chicago .79 76 .510 15

Atlanta .78 77 .503 16

Pittsburgh .76 77 .497 17

Los Angeles .72 83 .465 22

Philadelphia .72 83 .465 22

New York .70 85 .452 24

Houston .69 86 .445 25

x Clinched pennant

Friday's Results

Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 0

Houston 7, Cincinnati 6

San Francisco 5, Atlanta 1

Los Angeles 5, St. Louis 4

New York 3.5, Philadelphia 2.4

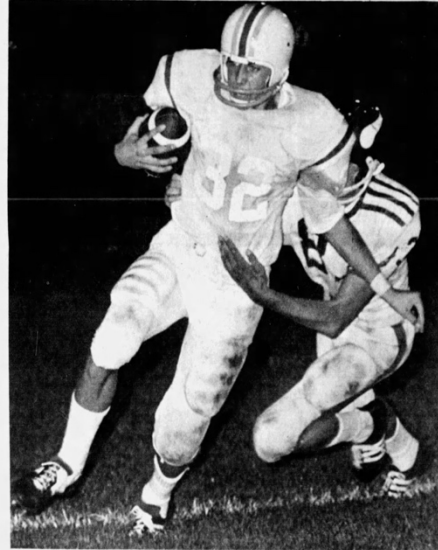
Today's Games

Chicago at Pittsburgh

New York at Houston

St. Louis at Los Angeles

Atlanta at San Francisco



LITTLE GIANT JOHN FAHRBACH ENDS BOWSHER GAIN
Tackles Fullback Jay Perez After Swing Pass Catch

Port Clinton Rips Clay, 28-6

PORT CLINTON — Quarterback Tom Payne had a left hand in three touchdowns Friday as Port Clinton remained unbeaten in Great Lakes League competition. Payne scored one touchdown and threw two touchdown passes in leading the

Redmen to a 28-6 victory over Oregon Clay.

The victory came one week after a 6-6 league tie over Sylva.

In non-league play Port Clinton had opened the season with a 23-0 victory over Belle-

vue.

Couch Joe Laiknes charges

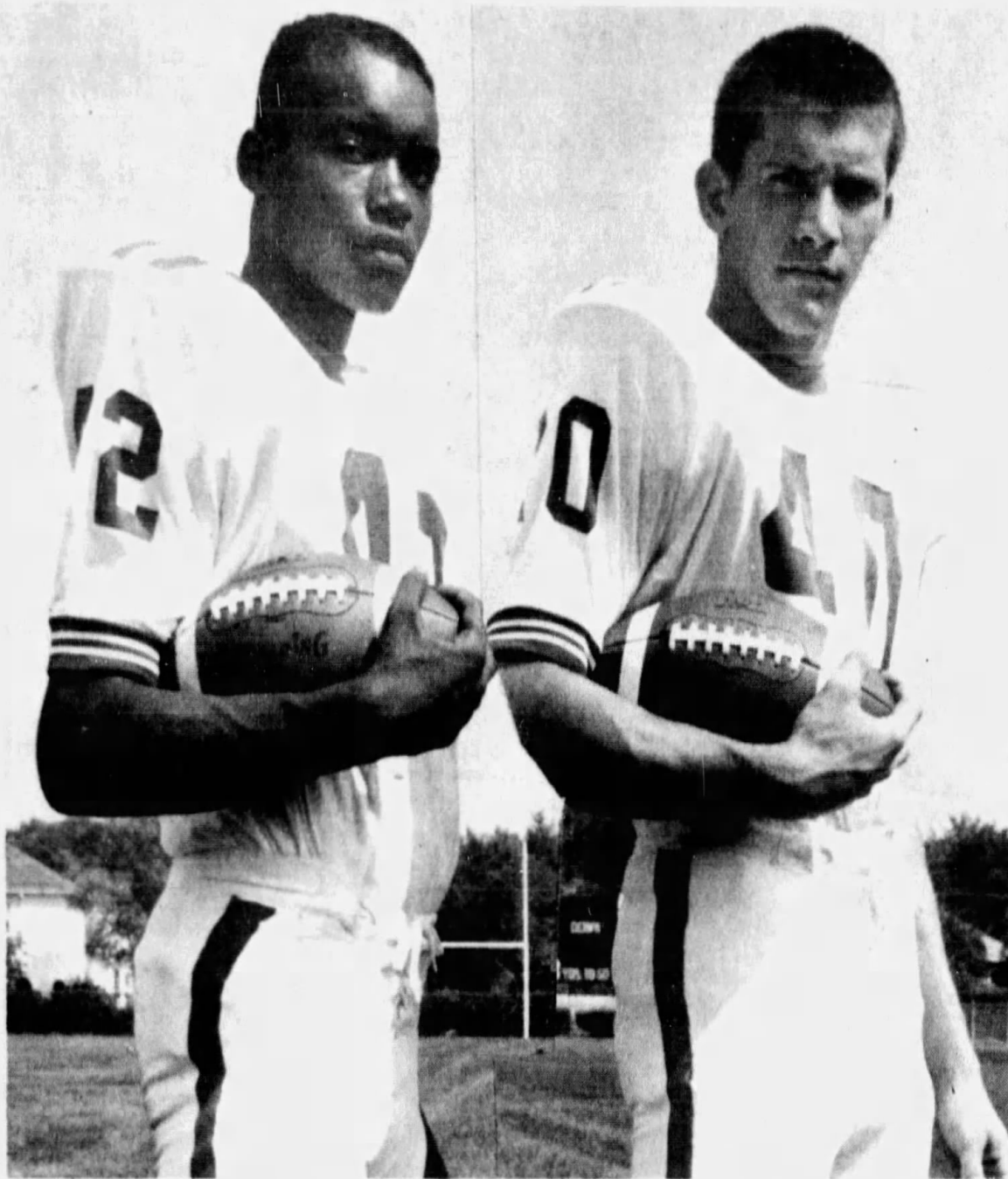
pared to 168 gained by the visitors.

Port Clinton held a slim one touchdown lead through three quarters until tallying twice in the fourth quarter. Payne scored the first Port Clinton touchdown on a run. After Clay had drawn to within one point,

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LITTLE GIANT TAILBACKS—Two key running backs in the first three Fremont Ross football games have been senior Jon Schwartz and sophomore Bob Pettiford. Schwartz, the starting tailback, is the team's leading

ground-gainer with 5.9 yard average. Pettiford, an understudy at tailback, is one of the top kick return men with an 18.5 yard average in four returns. (News-Messenger Photo)

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Ross At Mansfield

Local Grid Teams Hit Road First Time

Mr. Maestro! A little traveling music please. Fremont Ross, having just found the beat last week, and St. Joseph, waltzing along to a victory tune, fox trot to foreign ball rooms Friday night. It will be first road trip for each of the local teams after three home games. Ross in a string of close games won last Friday after two losses. Unbeaten St. Joseph rose to its most severe challenge of the young season with a 14-13 win over Huron.

Friday night the Little Giants of Ross will launch the Buckeye Conference season at Mans-

field. The Tygers, who got their tails tramped by Massillon last Friday, 46-16, promise to be the most severe test to date for Ross. It will be the first outing in the Buckeye Conference for Charles Shuff who has taken over the reins at Ross.

St. Joseph will run head on into the most improved team in the Sandusky Bay Conference. The Margaretta Polar Bears did not win a game last season. While stumbling to 10 losses they increased a school losing streak to 18. Come the first game this season and Coach William Lodge's Bears snapped

that streak with a 20-0 non-conference win over Vermilion. In the next two games a 10-game Sandusky Bay Conference loss streak was broken and Margaretta established itself as a title contender.

The Polar Bears came on strong at the end to top Lakota, 13-6, and then held SBC co-favorite Clyde before falling 6-0. The St. Joseph-Margaretta battle and one between Clyde and Huron at Huron will be the key SBC struggles this weekend.

Huron, St. Joseph and Clyde were considered as the teams to beat in pre-season apprais-

als. St. Joseph nipped Huron 14-13 last week and now the eyes will be on comparative strengths when Coach Jim O'Donnel takes his Fliers to Huron. To date Clyde has shown a formidable defense with two shutout victories and only eight points allowed Perkins in the lone loss. The offense has been spotty and is the chief concern of Coach O'Donnel.

On the Ross practice field this week the fear has been the flu bug. Evidence of flu getting started in the squad has had coaches on the lookout. Several players have missed practice

because of illness. Expected back in action after sitting out last week with illness is tackle Dave Rhodes. Rhodes, 6-2, 245, is the team's biggest player and appeared ready to step back in action this week.

One of the chief concerns early in the week was tailback Jon Schwartz, who missed practice Tuesday. Schwartz is the team's leading ground-gainer and it is hoped he will be ready for full-scale Friday action. Schwartz has averaged 5.9 yards per carry in the first three games.

Coming strong as a running

mate for Schwartz is fullback Larry Sheffield, who was hobbling on an injured knee early in the week. Coach Shuff listed him as a questionmark for the Mansfield encounter. Sheffield's slashing running and carrying out of fakes were major factors in keeping the Bowsher defense loose last Friday night.

In contrast to the questionmarks that hang over the Little Giants, St. Joseph could be the closest to full strength of the entire season. Two linemen counted on for first string service who have missed the opening games could be in uniform. These are 205-pound, 6-4, tackle Joe Hotz and sophomore defensive end Al Schabel. Schabel worked as the starting defensive end in pre-season scrimmages, but a foot injury wiped him from the active list before the opener.

Hotz, a senior letterman, is the biggest lineman on the St. Joseph team and was expected by Coach Robert Smith to be a key man on both offense and defense. A knee injury which kept him out of all pre-season drills delayed his appearance in uniform.

There is one questionmark in halfback Jim Logsdon, who injured a leg against Huron. "Margaretta will surprise them a little. They aren't going to quit." These were the praising words of Clyde's Coach O'Donnel when asked to rate the Polar Bear chances against St. Joseph. He praised the physical condition and improvement of Coach Lodge's team. There also is versatility in the Polar Bears. They have scored five touchdowns this season

and all have been by different players.

With letterman Jack Fredericks at quarterback the Bears are a threat to run or pass. Coach Lodge after seeing and appraising the St. Joseph-Huron clash indicated there would be a preference for the aerial game. "We will have to throw," he stated. On the receiving end of Frederick passes will be ends Dennis Heishman and Jack Behnke, plus his backs.

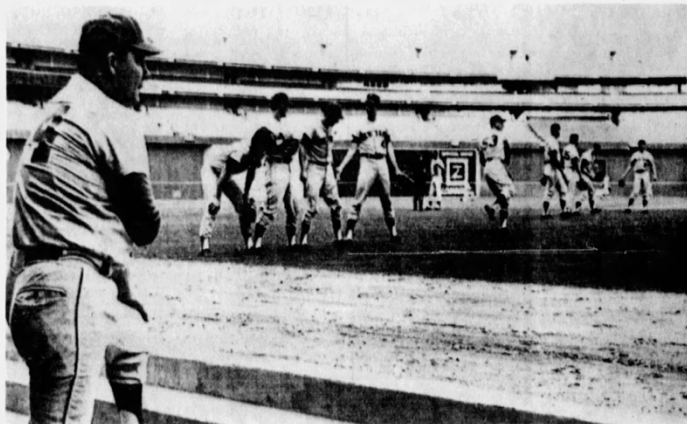
Mansfield will display a team which capitalizes on speed and a liking for the passing game. Key men in the passing game are letterman quarterback Mark Smith and end Duane Hill. Hill is a doubtful starter and played only two minutes against Massillon last week. The presence of Hill in the lineup presents a particular problem since he stands over 6-4 and has speed.

He was the Ohio high school high hurdle champion last Spring and finished second in the low hurdles.

Even without Hill, Smith will pass. With the big end riding the bench Smith threw 33 passes and completed 14 against Massillon. Other key targets are ends John Allen and Tom Nixon and sophomore halfback Jim Barnett.

Barnett and leading ground-gainer Merrill Wittmer are both speedsters. Wittmer is more quick than open field fast but has gained 275 yards in three games.

Mansfield brings a 2-1 record into the game. They opened with wins over Cleveland East Tech, 32-6, and Mansfield Madison, 13-6, before hosting to Massillon, 46-16.



Eighth Grade Football Team Rips Bellevue

Fremont junior high school eighth grade team opened its season Wednesday with a 30-6 victory over Bellevue. The Fremont team scored in every quarter as 44 boys played. Second and third units played most of the second half, according to Coach Gary Shelt.

In addition to four touchdowns on offense, Fremont forced three Bellevue fumbles on defense, recovering two of them.

Tim Shimer set the theme of the game with a 75-yard touchdown return of the opening kickoff. Other Fremont touchdowns were on 25-yard run from scrimmage and 70-yard kick return by Tom Pitts, plus Rob Lytle's 29-yard run. Lytle and Pitts also each ran for

Ross Battles To Wire Before 29-14 Fall At Mansfield

MANSFIELD — "WANTED: One passing attack. Needed to make matched pair with effective running game." This was the message in today's paper by Ross Coach Charles Shuff. The Little Giants of Ross high school displayed a ball control ground game good enough to win most games Friday night but for lack of a passing game to go with it fell to Mansfield, 29-14.

The final score did not tell a true story of the hard-fought contest which opened the Buckeye Conference for both schools. To offset the bright spot of a running game which gained 276 yards was the display put on by Mansfield quarterback Mark Smith. Smith scored two touchdowns and threw two touchdown passes.

Ross broke on top the first time they had the ball when Jon Schwartz slanted off tackle for four yards and a touchdown to cap a 62-yard drive in 12 plays. The Little Giants later tied the game when Robin Young ripped off tackle for 12 yards with 10:09 remaining in the game. Mansfield then scored twice in the final nine minutes, the final tally with 46 seconds left in the game.

Smith's rollout running and deadly accuracy with the pass kept the Ross defense loose. He worked on his favorite target, Duane Hill for four of six completions. Only one pass lofted toward the tall, speedy Hill failed to connect. The state high hurdle champion scored one touchdown although matched stride-for-stride by Fremont's Jon Schwartz. Smith hung the pass over the end zone and the 6-4 Hill reached on the run above the tightly guarding Schwartz. Schwartz could not have blocked the reception without interference.

Smith's second touchdown pass and the third of the game was a perfectly executed screen pass to fullback Leroy Reed. Reed rolled 48 yards unimpeded into the end zone to give Mansfield the lead for good. In the play Hill had been flared out on the opposite side and the defense shifted toward the tail end, while the screen was set up on the opposite sideline.

Behind the one-two combination of Robin Young and Jon Schwartz, plus the rollouts of quarterback Chuck Ziemke, Ross displayed its strongest attack of the young season.

Schwartz at tailback and fullback Young each carried 22 times. Young, who filled in for the injured Larry Sheffield, was the game's leading ground-gainer with 120 yards. Schwartz added 84 and Ziemke 33 to the total rushing attack of 276 yards.

Ross trailed 14-8 when given an opportunity on a fumbled kick return. For the second time in the game a John Fahrback punt was fumbled, this time by Mansfield's Jim Sweat.

Ross recovered on the Marion 30-yard line. It took only two plays, an 18-yard quarterback rollout by Ziemke and the 12-yard scoring slash by Young, to tie the game. Mansfield defense then smothered a pitchout attempt for the extra points and the score remained tied.

After the screen pass to Reed put Mansfield in front 22-14, Ross was once more on the move when its momentum was stopped by a penalty. The Little Giants moved from their own 11-yard line to the Mansfield 43-yard line in nine plays. A clipping penalty set Ross back 15 yards

and stopped this threat. Big play in the drive has been a 21-yard run by Ziemke.

A bad punt slid 15 yards off the side of John Fahrback's foot to set the stage for the final Mansfield score. It took only seven plays until Smith slipped the final three yards into the end zone. A 29-yard Smith to Hill pass had been the decisive play of the series.

Defeat was costly for the Little Giants. For the second consecutive year 246-pound tackle Dave Rhodes suffered a broken leg. He was injured in the first 10 minutes of the game.

He was taken to Mansfield hospital and then transferred by ambulance to Fremont Memorial hospital. Doctors indicated he broke the fibula bone of the left leg, suffered head injuries and an injury to a hand. Against Lorain a hand ago Rhodes broke the fibula in his other leg and sat out the rest of the season. The current break will end his high school football career.

Coach Shuff said he will have to take a long look at his squad Monday to determine extent of injuries. Many were hobbled by ankle and leg hurts after the contest.

Little Giant Yardstick

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ROSS 0 0 0 0-14
MANSFIELD 6 0 0 15-29

ROSS — Jon Schwartz, 4, off tackle (Schwartz, run); Robin Young, 12, off guard (run failed).

MANSFIELD — Mark Smith, 5, end run (pass failed); Duane Hill, 20, pass from Smith (Merl Wintner, run); Leroy Reed, 48, screen pass from Smith (Smith, run); Smith, 3, quarterback rollout (Hugh Mack, kick).

TEAM STATISTICS

	R	M
SCHEMAGE PLAYS	30	36
FIRST DOWNS	19	17
Rushing	18	12
Passing	1	5
Penalty	0	0
PASSES ATTEMPTED	8	11
Completed	2	7
Intercepted	0	1
YARDS GAINED	297	282
Rushing	228	223
Passing	11	140
FUMBLES	0	3
Ball Lost	0	2
PENALTY	4	2
Yards Penalized	40	10
PUNTS	6	3
Average	29	20.5
KICK RETURNS	6	5
Average	12	6

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Fremont Run

Runner	Car.	Yds.	Ave.	TD
Randy Arnold	1	11	11	0
Randy Williams	2	16	8	0
Chuck Ziemke	1	33	33	0
Robin Young	22	120	5.5	1
Jon Schwartz	22	84	3.8	1
Bob Pettiford	4	12	3.0	0

PASSING

Passer	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	TD
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Chuck Ziemke	7	1	0	9	0
Randy Williams	1	0	0	0	0

PASS RECEIVING

Receiver	No.	Yds.	TD
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Jim Wiering	1	20	0
Jon Schwartz	1	0	0

KICK RETURNS

Runner	No.	Yds.	Ave.
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Bob Pettiford	1	48	48
Jon Schwartz	2	20	10.0
Jim Fahrback	1	6	6.0

Mansfield Senior

Runner	Car.	Yds.	Ave.	TD
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Greg Wardell	17	85	5.0	0
Merl Wintner	12	65	5.4	0
Stan Brooks	1	6	6.0	0
Leroy Reed	13	56	4.3	0
Mark Smith	5	21	4.2	2

PASSING

Passer	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	TD
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Mark Smith	10	6	0	129	2
Merl Wintner	1	0	0	20	0

PASS RECEIVING

Receiver	No.	Yds.	TD
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Duane Hill	4	73	1
James Barrett	2	28	0
Leroy Reed	1	40	1

KICK RETURNS

Runner	No.	Yds.	Ave.
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Merl Wintner	1	41	41
Mark Webb	1	5	5
Jim Sweat	1	0	0



DAVE RHODES
Out For Season

ROBIN YOUNG
Leading Gainer

Buckeye Conference

Sandusky 25-Game Victory String Cut

First night of action indicated the Buckeye Conference could be a season-long scramble Friday night. In the major surprise defending champion Sandusky was nipped by Marion Harding, 7-6. In other action Mansfield topped Fremont Ross, 29-15. Lorain romped past Findlay, 40-6, and Elyria defeated Lorain Admiral King, 7-0.

The Sandusky defeat broke a string of 25 Buckeye Conference

wins for the Blue Streaks. Marion posted its first win since 1960 over Marion as a first quarter touchdown held up. A 78-yard punt return by Bob Sims and Craig Gibson's kick conversion gave Marion its seven points.

Sandusky did not score until only 1:37 remained in the game. A six-yard Craig Deeter to Dick Sampson pass scored the six points but Deeter was stopped short as he attempted to run in the winning two-point conversion.

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Ross Scores On First Drive

Marion Controls Ball In Nipping Ross 12-6

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL
N.M. Sports Editor

Marion Presidents found the victory formula a week ago in upsetting Sandusky, 7-6. Friday night they found their offense and crunched to 321 yards and 22 first downs on the ground to nip Fremont Ross, 12-6. It was the fourth loss in five games for the Little Giants who gamely held on until the final minutes.

The Little Giants repeated their opening act of last week's loss to Mansfield, taking the ball across for a touchdown the first time they held it. A bad snap from center kept Marion's punter Mackey Wells from getting off a kick and Ross took the ball on the Presidents' 43-yard line. Then, ten plays later the Little Giants had cashed the break into a 6-0 lead. Jon Schwartz who slashed the final yard into the end zone carried on 10 plays in the drive and gained 37 of those 43 yards.

The opening drive was the lone offensive threat of the night for the Little Giants. Most of the rest of the night

was spent on defense trying to get in the way of the steamroller which was controlling the football. Marion held the ball for 75 plays from scrimmage and had to punt only once in the fourth quarter. In contrast the 13 plays and 43 yards were the major portion of the 44-play Ross attack which netted only 35 yards on the ground and 22 passing for six first downs.

Up until Friday night Marion had never had more than 12 first downs in a game and scored only three touchdowns in four games. The Presidents were overpowering as they threw their superior weight around in the center of the line. Moving well behind the charging line, fullback Mike Roseberry rushed 23 times for 138 yards. Roseberry led a corps of seven backs who carried the ball for Marion, four of them averaging 4.6 yards per carry or better.

The Presidents found it necessary to go to the air only twice in the contest, completing one for zero yardage.

Ross' lead was short-lived as Marion took the ball on a drive of 38 yards for a touchdown after the Little Giant

kickoff. The Presidents held the ball for 16 plays and for five minutes and 55 seconds in the touchdown drive. The drive continued despite 15-yard holding penalty assessed against Marion. Chip Benson got back the penalty yardage with an 18-yard scamper off right tackle. Roseberry was the key man in the drive with 40 yards on eight carries.

Ross had failed on a run for the extra points after its first touchdown and Bryan Cooley deprived Marion of an opportunity to take lead in the first half. He broke through to block a kick attempt by Ken Gibson.

Marion took the lead the first time it had the ball in the second half. Ross received the second half kickoff and made one first down before turning the ball over on a fourth down gamble. With fourth and one at the Marion 30-yard line Ross fumbled and Marion recovered. It then took the Presidents 10 plays to go 61 yards for the winning touchdown. Bob Thompson broke the right tackle and outran the secondary for the final 15 yards.

Ross victory chances stayed alive when Benson dove

off guard and was stopped at the goal line short of the extra points. This kept the score at 12-6.

In the fourth quarter a Chuck Ziemke to Rusty Zimmerman pass brought the partisan fans to their feet, thinking the combination had produced a 76-yard touchdown play. The official blew the play dead, ruling Zimmerman had been forced out of bounds when hit as he caught the ball on the left sideline for a 13-yard gain.

Ross got an opportunity to score when Dan Hill covered a Marion fumble on the Marion 24-yard line late in the fourth quarter. Two incomplete passes and two running plays fell three yards short of a first down. One last chance faltered an inch short of a first down at the Marion 44-yard line. With the exception of the two scoring drives the Ross defense finally gathered its wall to end Marion penetrations to the Little Giant 32, 23 and 17-yard lines.

Schwartz once more led the Ross attack with 68 yards in 25 carries, as Marion stopped up the middle and cut the effectiveness of Ross' option game to the outside.

Post-Game Comment

Shuff Lauds Team Refusal To Quit

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL
N.M. Sports Editor

"I'm amazed how these kids keep coming back. They haven't quit yet." In the subdued atmosphere of the Ross high school locker room Coach Charles Shuff paid tribute to his never-say-die Little Giants. For the fifth game in a row the Ross team has been in contention until the final minute, but for the fourth time in those five games they came out the loser. Three of those four defeats have been by a touchdown or less.

Turning to the opposing Marion team the coach praised, "They're strong... they moved better than I thought they would." Size of the giant Presidents was a factor and Shuff pointed to this as advantage. "They hurt us on size up the middle." In the first quarter Ross shut linebacks in an effort to equalize the size advantage, but it backfired. Shuff noted, "Everytime we fired linebacks they hit where the backer left." Ross retreated from this tactic until the third

quarter when the procedure was used sparingly and paid off with greater dividends.

Shuff had praise for the defensive work of tackles Tom Nighswander and Bryan Cooley and rotating back John Fairbach. The size advantage was complicated by the absence of two big Ross players. Shuff indicated the presence of Dave Rhodes, 245-pound tackle, and Ted Brunner, 200-pound guard, could have helped. Without this pair in the middle of the defensive line Marion was able to overpower the Ross linemen. Rhodes is out for the season and Brunner was held out after the opening kickoff with an ankle injury.

Going back to the determination of his team, Shuff praised the school spirit. "School spirit has been real good all week. It helps keep them (the team) up when they know the student body is behind them... I felt this was lacking the first few weeks but it is picking up." When the close defeats were mentioned, the coach shook his head. "I am going to get a head full of gray hairs... one of these days it is going to break for us."



ROSS LEADING GROUND GAINER STOPPED AFTER SHORT ADVANCE

Marion's Chuck Ellnor. Unidentified Teammate Make Tackle

Second Win In NOL Play For Bellevue

BELLEVUE - With 8:41 gone in the second quarter quarter-back Harry Lee pulled the cork out of the victory bottle for Bellevue and secured a 20-point potshot of success for Bellevue Friday. Lee scored one touchdown and threw a pass for a second as Bellevue scored 20 points in the second quarter on the way to a 20-6 Northern Ohio League victory over Upper Sandusky.

It was the second league win for Bellevue after an opening loss and raised the overall season record to two wins, three losses.

In other Northern Ohio League action the battle of the underdogs left Shelby with the only unblemished mark after a 14-0 win over Willard. Tiffin Columbian handed Newark its third loss without a win, 6-0, and Galion nipped Bucyrus, 12-6.

BELLEVUE V. SANDUSKY
UPPER SANDUSKY 0 0 0 0-6
BELLVUE 0 20 0 0-20
Scoring
BELLVUE Harry Lee 30, run (Tom Nelson pass from Lee); Jim Smith 1, run (Lee kick); Tom Nelson 27, pass from Lee (run failed); Tom Nelson 4, run (run failed); TIPPIN SANDUSKY - Bill Cava touch 4, run (run failed).

SHELBY V. WILLARD
SHELBY 0 0 0 0-14
WILLARD 0 0 0 0-0

SHELBY - Gary Moore 30, punt return; Moore kick; Moore 25, run (run failed).

NORWALK V. TIPPIN
NORWALK 0 0 0 0-6
TIPPIN COLUMBIAN 0 0 0 0-6

Scoring
TIPPIN COLUMBIAN - Chuck Heater, 1 run (run failed).

TIPPIN COLUMBIAN V. CHUCK HEATER
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Buckeye

Sandusky Falls Second Time, 18-8

Buckeye Conference action is only two weeks old and defending champion Sandusky appears to be out of the running. For the first time since 1959 the Blue Streaks lost their second consecutive game Friday, falling to Lorain, 18-8. Lorain, Elyria and Marion remained the only unbeaten in the eight team circuit after only two weeks of play. Marion stopped Fremont Ross, 12-6. Elyria nipped Findlay, 12-0, and in the fourth game Admiral King whipped Mansfield, 44-0.

Top individual performances of the Buckeye action were the three-touchdown work of Lorain's Pete Ulichewy and 10-0 touchdowns by Len Davis, Lorain Admiral King.

LORAIN V. SANDUSKY
LORAIN 0 12 0 0-18
SANDUSKY 0 0 0 0-8
Scoring
LORAIN - Pete Ulichewy, 1 run (run failed); Ulichewy, 1 run (pass failed); SANDUSKY - Rich Dexter, 1 run (Jim Hart pass from Dexter).

KINGMAN V. MANSFIELD
KINGMAN 12 12 0 0-44
MANSFIELD 0 0 0 0-0

Scoring
KINGMAN - Len Davis (3), 12 y and 1, all runs; Len Davis (2), 3 and 9, runs; Larry Barnes, 2 runs; Chuck Wenger, 2 run; Extra Points - Barnes.

STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 7-19
Rushing 11-17
Passing 6-1
Punting 1-1
PENALTY 27-6
Completed 11-11
Had Intercepted 3-0
YARDS GAINED 80-131
Rushing 30-200
Passing 50-111
Ball Lost 100-22

FINLAY V. ELYRIA
FINLAY 0 0 0 0-2
ELYRIA 0 6 0 0-12

Scoring
FINLAY - Safety on center snap over punter's head out of end zone.
ELYRIA - Coach, 1 pass from Van Kalkenood pass failed; Simpson, 1 run; Korran, kick.

STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 30-9
Rushing 10-17
Passing 6-0
Punting 4-2
Completed 10-16
Had Intercepted 10-16
YARDS GAINED 170-136
Rushing 100-104
Passing 70-32
PUNTS 4-2
Ball Lost 2-0

ST. WENDELIN V. STEVENS
ST. WENDELIN 20-0
STEVENS 20-0

Scoring
ST. WENDELIN - Stevens, 20 run (pass failed); Holdeman 62, run (run failed); Gilling 35, pass from Eng (Ewig, run).

GIBSONBURG V. JIM HENLINE
GIBSONBURG 30-0
JIM HENLINE 30-0

Scoring
GIBSONBURG - Jim Henline, 2 run (Henline pass from Bob Fries); Mike Ruggiero, 1 run (pass failed); Chuck Huggins, 1 run (pass failed); Mike Willacker, recovered fumble in end zone; Ruggiero, run; Jim Stout, 15 run (run failed); Steve Holt, pass from Fries (A, run failed).

STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 15-6
Rushing 15-5
Passing 0-1
Punting 0-1
PENALTY 10-0
Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 130-104
Rushing 100-104
Passing 30-0
PUNTS 0-1
Ball Lost 2-0

ST. WENDELIN V. STEVENS
ST. WENDELIN 20-0
STEVENS 20-0

Scoring
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STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 15-6
Rushing 15-5
Passing 0-1
Punting 0-1
PENALTY 10-0
Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 130-104
Rushing 100-104
Passing 30-0
PUNTS 0-1
Ball Lost 2-0

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STEVENS 20-0

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STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 15-6
Rushing 15-5
Passing 0-1
Punting 0-1
PENALTY 10-0
Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 130-104
Rushing 100-104
Passing 30-0
PUNTS 0-1
Ball Lost 2-0

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STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 15-6
Rushing 15-5
Passing 0-1
Punting 0-1
PENALTY 10-0
Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 130-104
Rushing 100-104
Passing 30-0
PUNTS 0-1
Ball Lost 2-0

ST. WENDELIN V. STEVENS
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STEVENS 20-0

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GIBSONBURG V. JIM HENLINE
GIBSONBURG 30-0
JIM HENLINE 30-0

News-Messenger SPORTS



MARION'S BOB THOMPSON SPRINTS FOR GAIN Races From Reach Of Little Giant Kirk Held

Gibsonburg Topples St. Wendelin, 34-20

GIBSONBURG - A grinding Chuck Willacker recovering a fumble in the end zone added turn in the top St. Wendelin offensive weapon, the quick flick on a fumbled punt in the end zone during third period play.

In addition, Coach Karl Baker credited the defensive end work of Willacker for turning in the St. Wendelin outside running, 10-0 overall and 1-2 in SBC action. St. Wendelin, is winless in four SBC games and 1-5 overall.

Mike Ruggiero, Jim Stout and Jim Henline rushed to lead a Gibsonburg attack which gained 300 yards on the ground. Ruggiero gained 88 yards in 19 carries, Stout 77 in 17 carries and Henline 93 in 18. Each of the rushing leaders scored one touchdown. In addition a Bob Fries to Steve Holt pass and

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STATISTICS

FIRST DOWNS 15-6
Rushing 15-5
Passing 0-1
Punting 0-1
PENALTY 10-0
Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 130-104
Rushing 100-104
Passing 30-0
PUNTS 0-1
Ball Lost 2-0

ST. WENDELIN V. STEVENS

Scoring

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STATISTICS

FIRST DOWNS 15-6

Rushing 15-5

Passing 0-1

Punting 0-1

PENALTY 10-0

Completed 2-3

Had Intercepted 2-3

YARDS GAINED 130-104

Rushing 100-104

Passing 30-0

PUNTS 0-1

Ball Lost 2-0

Ross-Marion Yardstick

LINKUPS

FREEMONT ROSS
ENDS - Bill Thomas, John Fairbach, Mike Goodell, Rusty Zimmerman, Steve Thomas, Mike Thomas.

TACKLES - Tom Nighswander, Tom Nighswander, Chuck Miller, Mike West.

GUARDS - Kirk Heid, Dennis Hoffman, Lavagha Cochran, Mike Wells, Bob Thompson, Ken McRoberts, Robert Cole, Chip Benson, Rick Huddle, Tom Reese, Ted McHenry.

WENDELIN
CENTER - Doug Ebert, Bruce Gledhill, Doug Ebert, Bruce Gledhill, Doug Ebert, Bruce Gledhill.

BACKS - Leonard Ferguson, Chuck Ziemke, Jon Wright, Ken Knapp, Charles Wesner, Robin Young, Jon Schwartz, Bob Pettigrew.

MARION HARDING
ENDS - Steve Shultz, John Mackay, Art Harg, Robert Sims, Chuck Ellnor, Chuck Swell, Allen Koko, Bill Foster, Ken Calhoun.

TACKLES - Dennis Edman, Craig Glimm, Steve Naff.

CENTER - Bill Phillips, Ben Green, Eben Boock.

BACKS - Mike Roseberry, Dwayne Hoffman, Lavagha Cochran, Mike Wells, Bob Thompson, Ken McRoberts, Robert Cole, Chip Benson, Rick Huddle, Tom Reese, Ted McHenry.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

MARION 0 6 0 0-12
ROSS 0 0 0 0-6

SCORING
MARION - Mike Roseberry, 4 off tackle; Jack Huddle, Bob Thompson, 15 off tackle; run failed.

ROSS - Jon Schwartz, 1 off guard; run failed.

TEAM STATISTICS

SCHEMATIC PLAYS 44-75
FIRST DOWNS 6-22
Rushing 4-22
Passing 2-3
Penalties 0-0
PENALTY 10-0

Completed 2-3
Had Intercepted 2-3
YARDS GAINED 107-121
Rushing 85-121
Passing 22-0
PUNTS 3-2
Ball Lost 1-1

PENALTIES 0-0
KICKOFFS 0-0
Average 33-1
PUNTS 3-2
KICK RETURNS 74-34
Yards Returned 11-18
Average 11-18

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

FREEMONT ROSS

Runner Car Yds Ave TD
M Roseberry 25 48 2.7 1
E. Thompson 2 2.0 0
Bob Young 6 10 1.7 0
Ziemke 1 1.0 0

PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. YD
C. Ziemke 6 2 0 22 0
P. Pettigrew 2 0 0 0 0

RECEIVER
R. Zimmerman 2 22 0
K. Huddle 2 44 22
R. Young 1 15 15
E. Thompson 1 12 12

PUNTING
Punter No. Yds. Ave.
K. Huddle 3 117 39

MARION HARDING

RUSHING
Car Yds Ave TD
M Roseberry 23 128 5.6 1
E. Thompson 11 42 3.8 1
C. Cochran 10 49 4.9 0
E. Cochran 10 49 4.9 0
B. Huddle 2 7 3.5 0
Tom Reese 7 3 4.3 0
M. Wells 1 17 17 0

PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. YD
T. Reese 2 1 0 0 0

KICK RETURNS
K. Huddle 2 44 22
R. Young 1 15 15
E. Thompson 1 12 12

PUNTING
Punter No. Yds. Ave.
K. Huddle 3 117 39

STATISTICS

FIRST DOWNS 15-6

Rushing 15-5

Ross Second Half Improved

Lorain Speeds Past Ross For 35-7 Victory

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL
News-Messenger Sports Editor

LORAIN — "Glad to meet you Mr. Shift! Welcome to the Buckeye Conference!" The Lorain Steelmen prepared a rude greeting for Fremont Ross Little Giants and their first year coach here Friday night. Striking with swiftness and taking advantage of two early pass interceptions Lorain rolled to a 35-7 victory over Ross. The Steelmen raced to a 28-0 halftime lead before Shift managed to build a halftime fire under his Little Giants.

Switching to the use of Len Ferguson and Randy Williams, a pair of little speedsters, at quarterback the Little Giants displayed spunk in the second half. The Ross team came out like a different team on both offense and defense the second half, but there was no eradicating that giant Lorain advantage.

Second time Lorain had the ball it drove 97 yards in

only seven plays for a touchdown. The scoring scamper was 25 yards by Pete Ulichney while a 50-yard skirt of left end by Dave Simpson was the big yardage eater of the drive. Lorain scored three more times the first half with two set up by pass interceptions.

Dave Kosonovich picked off a Chuck Ziemke pass at the Ross 45 and returned it to the 41. Five plays later Flynn Smith went the final two yards for a touchdown. A 41-yard Jim Sheets to Jim Soiboda pass provided the third touchdown. The fourth was set up when John Kava picked off a Ziemke aerial at the Ross 37-yard line and returned it to the 12. It took only three plays before Jim Novotny, alternate quarterback, rolled four yards to his right and into the end zone.

In that lopsided first half Lorain displayed speed and raced to a total of 253 yards, 193 on the ground and 60 passing. Ross defense tightened in the second half and

limited Lorain to 123 yards, 47 in the air and 76 rushing. The Lorain first down total was cut from 12 the first half to five in the second half.

At the same time the Little Giants, who could gain only 29 yards on the ground and 17 passing, the first half picked up 121 yards the second half. One hundred and seventeen of these came on the ground. In contrast to three rushing first downs the first half, Ross picked up six on the ground in the second half.

The wide squirts of the quick Ferguson finally found a weak spot in the Lorain defense. Ferguson worked on the defensive left side by rolling to his right. He did not hesitate to tuck the ball under his arm and scoot. This gave Ferguson 40 yards in four carries, including a 25-yard and the final three yards for the lone Ross touchdown. The Little Giants had to race the clock to get on the scoreboard.

Jim Werling intercepted a Novotny pass to give Ross

the chance to score. Only 50 seconds remained in the game when Werling stole the pass at the 43 and returned it to Lorain's 20-yard line. Ross had all it time out remaining and used them to get time for a score. Robin Young, Ross' leading ground-gainer of the game, ripped off 11 yards for a first down with 44 seconds to play. Young then carried for one and five yards before Ferguson took the ball around end for the touchdown with only 10 seconds left. Phil Carry then came on the field with John Fahrback holding and kicked the extra point.

It was the first appearance of the year for Ferguson at quarterback. It also was the first extensive use of Williams, although he did play four plays at the end of the Manfield game. Ferguson is a regular defensive halfback.

The defeat dropped the Fremont record to 0-3 in the Buckeye Conference and 1-5 overall. Lorain is unbeaten in three conference games and 5-1 overall.

Score With 10 Seconds Left

No Homecoming Victories

Green Springs Tie, Danbury Loss In Lakeshore Contests

Host teams at annual Homecoming games were unable to gain victories in Lakeshore Conference play Friday night, but the Green Springs Bobcats could at least be happy that they finally halted a losing string.

The Bobcats came away with a 6-6 tie in their homecoming game with Otsego while Danbury Lakeside, also celebrating homecoming, suf-

fered a 38-18 lashing at the hands of Northwood.

A 95 yard scoring bomb in the first quarter kept Green Springs from grabbing its first victory of the year. The 95 yard pass play, with Crispin throwing and Leyman on the receiving end, represented more than half of the total yardage gained in the game by Otsego.

Green Springs came back to tie the game on a five yard

pass play in the second quarter. Jerry Preston hit Gary Emery with the touchdown toss.

Rob Berlekamp and Mike Bordner were leaders of the Green Springs defense which held Otsego in check after that first period bomb.

At Lakeside, Northwood rushed out to a big lead with three touchdowns in the first period. The winners gained a

total of 400 yards and scored in every quarter.

Chuck McDonald and Tim Williams scored five touchdowns between them for the winners. McDonald plunged in from one, three and one yard out, while Williams scored from the 17 and the three.

The Lakeside passing combination of Hank Butchko and Steve Perry gave Northwood some defensive fits.

Butchko hit Perry for all three touchdowns. The Butchko to Perry pass plays covered 39, four and 29 yards.

Lakeside, which fumbled the ball away five times to give a big assist to the Northwood cause, gained 233 yards through the air.

GREEN SPRINGS-OTSEGO
OTSEGO 6 0 0 0-6
GREEN SPRINGS 0 0 0 0-6

SCORING
OTSEGO — Leyman, 95 yard pass from Crispin (pass failed).
GREEN SPRINGS — Emery, five yard pass from Preston (kick failed).

Statistics
GS O
FIRST DOWNS 10 5
Rushing 7 4
Passing 1 1
Penalty 2 0
NET YARDS GAINED 156 108
Rushing 129 74
Passing 27 114
PASSES ATTEMPTED 4 11
Completed 2 3
Had Intercepted 0 1
FUMBLES 2 2
Ball Lost 1 0
PUNTS 2 4
Average 30 37.5

NORTHWOOD-LAKESIDE
NORTHWOOD 18 8 6 6-38
LAKESIDE 0 12 0 6-18

SCORING
NORTHWOOD — Chuck McDonald, one yard run (pass failed); Tim Williams, 17 yard run (run failed); McDonald, three yard run (kick failed); Dave Wolfe, one yard run (Williams run failed); Williams, three yard run (run failed).
LAKESIDE — Steve Perry, 39 yard pass from Hank Butchko (run failed); Perry, four yard pass from Butchko (run failed); Perry, 29 yard pass from Butchko (run failed).

Statistics
N L
FIRST DOWNS 10 7
Rushing 10 7
Passing 2 6
Penalty 0 0
PASSES ATTEMPTED 15 30
Completed 1 2
Intercepted 1 2
NET YARDS GAINED 60 274
RUSHING 274 41
PASSING 28 233
FUMBLES 1 5
Ball Lost 1 5



GREEN SPRINGS' BILL HARTMAN PUSHES FOR SHORT YARDAGE.
Ball (Circled): Runner Surrounded By Otsego Dark Shirts.

St. Mary Tips Margaretta

CASTALIA — Sandusky St. Mary scored at each the first three quarters here Friday night to move momentarily into a tie for the Sandusky Bay Conference lead. The Panthers received indication in the confer-

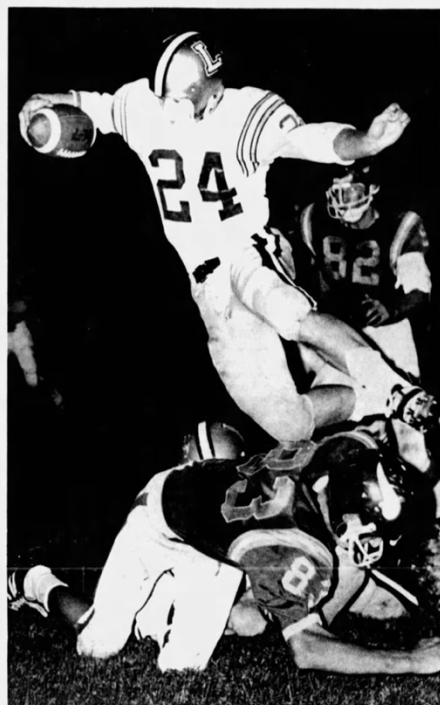
ence and fourth loss in six games overall.

St. Mary will have the lead at least until tonight when the other team met to lose an SBC game, meets Margaretta. Don Beuchman, 5-

ST. MARY — Tom Schuster, 3 run kick failed; Mike Samstag, 13 run (kick failed); Chuck Oberget, 1 run; Samstag, run.
MARGARETTA — Don Beuchman, 5-

SCORING
ST. MARY — Tom Schuster, 3 run kick failed; Mike Samstag, 13 run (kick failed); Chuck Oberget, 1 run; Samstag, run.
MARGARETTA — Don Beuchman, 5-

Calvert Senecas Sink Tomahawk



LORAIN'S DAVE SIMPSON (24) FLIES FOR EXTRA YARDAGE.
Chased By Mike Dowell (82), Leaps Over John Fahrback (83).

Score In Second Half

Port Clinton Tops Perkins

PORT CLINTON — The Powerful Port Clinton Redskins moved into high gear after the intermission and completely dominated the second half of play to defeat a big strong Perkins team 14-0 to the delight of the 1968 Homecoming crowd Friday evening.

The Redskins gained almost 15 times as much yardage as the Perkins squad did in that second half after a tough first half had ended in a scoreless tie. The Powerful Port Clinton squad, which raised its record to 4-1-1, roared its way toward 244 second half yards while holding the visitors to a total of

in the defensive alignment and attack, but he gave the credit for success to a strong performance by his squad. Lakac particularly praised Tim Kaufman, who "Really ran great", on offense, and Gary Gardner and John Lee on defense. Lakac pointed out that Linebacker Gardner played a solid defensive game despite the fact that he was playing with a slight injury. Defensive back John Lee intercepted one pass and "Came out of nowhere to knock down another that looked like a sure TD."

Ross-Lorain Yardstick

SCORE BY QUARTERS
ROSS 0 0 0 7-7
LORAIN 14 14 0 7-35

SCORING
ROSS — Len Ferguson, 1 quarterback keeper (Phil Carry kick).
LORAIN — Pete Ulichney, 25 off guard run failed; Flynn Smith, 2 off guard Smith pass from Jim Sheets; Jim Soiboda, 41 pass from Sheets; Dave Simpson, pass from Jim Novotny; 4, quarterback rollout run failed; John Kava, 18 pass from Sheets (Frank Colburn kick).

TEAM STATISTICS
R L
OFFENSIVE PLAYS 60 65
FIRST DOWNS 10 12
Rushing 7 4
Passing 1 1
Penalty 2 0
PASSES ATTEMPTED 11 14
Completed 2 3
Had Intercepted 0 1
YARDS GAINED 156 209
Rushing 129 74
Passing 27 114
FUMBLES 2 2
Ball Lost 1 0
PENALTIES 2 0
Yards Penalized 28 70
KICKOFFS 2 6
Average 48.5 35.5
PUNTS 2 4
Average 30 37.5
KICK RETURNS 10 61
Yards Returned 101 61
Average 14.1 15.1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Fremont

RUSHING
Car Yds. Avg. TD
Len Ferguson 4 40 10 0
Robin Young 14 82 5.9 0
Ken Knapp 1 4 4.0 0
Larry Sheffield 2 6 3.0 0
Randy Williams 5 10 2.0 0
Jon Schwartz 10 37 3.7 0
Chuck Ziemke 7 3 0.4 0

PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
C. Ziemke 6 2 0 0
L. Ferguson 3 1 1 4 0
R. Williams 2 0 0 0 0

PASS RECEIVING
Receiver No Yds. TD
M. Weiner 1 18 0
K. Knapp 1 4 0
L. Sheffield 1 3 0

KICK RETURNS
Runner No Yds. Avg.
J. Schwartz 1 69 17.2
R. Young 1 15 15.0
J. Fahrback 1 12 12.0
C. Ziemke 1 5 5.0

PUNTING
Punter No Yds. Avg.
John Fahrback 6 230 35

Lorain

RUSHING
Car Yds. Avg. TD
Dave Simpson 4 42 10.5 0
Jim Sheets 4 42 10.5 0
P. Ulichney 12 64 5.3 1
J. Soiboda 1 5 5.0 0
B. Logowski 2 9 4.5 0
Flynn Smith 15 36 2.4 1
J. Novotny 2 6 3.0 1
P. Restivo 3 8 2.7 0
D. Kosonovich 1 0 0 0

PASSING
Passer Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
J. Sheets 12 6 9 127 2
J. Novotny 3 0 1 0 0

PASS RECEIVING
Receiver No Yds. TD
J. Soiboda 2 66 1
Dave Simpson 1 19 0
Flynn Smith 2 16 0
John Kava 1 16 0

KICK RETURNS
Runner No Yds. Avg.
D. Simpson 3 57 19.0
Flynn Smith 1 4 4.0

PUNTING
Punter No Yds. Avg.
Jim Soiboda 5 175 35

LEN FERGUSON
To Start Friday

Ferguson Slated As Ross Quarterback

Youth will be in the drivers' seats Friday night at Findlay when Ross and Findlay battle to escape the Buckeye Conference cellar. The Little Giants and Trojans are the lone winless teams in the conference after three games. They are teams with similar circumstances of new coaches inheriting positions after the previous coach was ousted.

The new men at the helm are Bob Bockrath at Findlay and Charles Shuff of Fremont. Even newer will be the boys at the control when the two tail-enders meet. Efforts of the ball himself four times for 40

yards, scoring the touchdown, and completed one of three passes. Woodruff, who started against Sandusky when Findlay fell 12-6, will retain his job. Coach Bockrath this week stated, "He's still number one. . . . He's still number one."

Findlay and Fremont have had a similar problem in the conference, failure to generate an offense. Findlay, a team which scored 62 points in winning its first two non-conference games, has tallied only 14 points in three Buckeye battles. The

Trojans won two of three non-league games and stand at 2-4 overall for the season. Fremont won one of three pre-league games and has a 1-5 record. In the three conference battles the Little Giants have played only five or six plays last week and missed the previous game against Marion.

Coach Shuff said his ankle injury recovery is progressing and "It looks like he could be ready." Eligibility problems have sidelined Bob Pettiford, back, and Tom Kreilek, guard. With Kreilek missing there will be greater need for a return to the mission. Tackie Denny

Marquart is out for the season and reserve fullback Randy Roelke is questionable. For Fremont Ted Brunner could see more action this week. The starting offensive guard and middle guard on defense

played only five or six plays last week and missed the previous game against Marion. Coach Shuff said his ankle injury recovery is progressing and "It looks like he could be ready." Eligibility problems have sidelined Bob Pettiford, back, and Tom Kreilek, guard. With Kreilek missing there will be greater need for a return to the mission. Tackie Denny

Shuff commented that the development by Gary Butdoff at linebacker, Tom Nighswander at tackle and Dan Hill at middle guard is beginning to give the Little Giants better line depth.

The Little Giant coach expressed a hope his team was picking up offensive assignments better so the attack could open up. The mentor expressed hope based on the fact "These kids haven't quit once." He added, "This has been a second half ball club, conditioning is part of that." He indicated the team thinks it can win one in the Buckeye.

In looking ahead to Findlay, Shuff repeated a Bockrath statement that he too hoped to be able to open up the offense. To this Shuff commented, "Our scouts already have charted 29 formations on them. They motion everybody in the backfield." Against Sandusky Findlay went into a spread formation and it was with this maneuver it scored. "They are somewhat like us," stated Shuff, explaining, "They try to establish the running game and stay with the running game." The Trojans carried the game to Sandusky despite the 12-4 loss.

It was lack of offense which once more stalled the Little Giants. The touchdown drive and a drive just before the end of the first half were the only real offensive threats. In that first half drive which moved 47 yards before stopped by a fumble save the emergence of Mark Weiser as a running back. Weiser, a blocking specialist at the wingback position who had carried the ball only three times and gained a total of one yard previously, gained 39 yards in four carries. In the drive he cracked off gains of 19, 11 and seven yards on end power sweeps.

The drive ended when John Fahrback was cracked hard as he pulled down a third down pass for a first down from Ferguson. Fahrback fumbled the ball after the impact and Findlay's Jim Ferguson recovered at the Findlay 24-yard line.

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Safety Decides As Findlay Nips Ross, 8-6

FINDLAY — The intruder knocked three times only to have the door slammed in his face Friday night. Finally, Findlay got his foot in the door and a safety gave him a top inside as Findlay escaped the Buckeye Conference cellar with an 8-6 victory over Fremont Ross. The Ross Little Giants gave way to a grounding ball-control game until their backs were put to the wall.

Twice the Little Giants put up a goal line stand and a third time stopped a deep penetration which ended with an incomplete pass in the end zone. For the better part of three quarters the two teams battled to a scoreless tie. The Little Giants were immediately on the defensive the first time Findlay had the ball. The Trojans held the ball for 17 plays and marched 73 yards before Ross' goal line defense stiffened at the one-yard line.

The door was finally opened with the recovery of a Ross fumble at the Little Giant 20-yard line by Findlay's Dick Lehman. Findlay moved to the two-yard line when again it was stopped by the stubborn Ross goal line team. Three

plays after the ball was turned over to Ross it was third down on Ross' own five-yard line. Tailback Jon Schwartz hit toward the line, was forced to flare when the hole closed and was chased into the end zone. Making the tackle for Findlay's safety was 266-pound tackle Chris Houdeshell.

Fired by the break Findlay's offense suddenly found the pass after the safety. John Fahrback's post-safety punt was returned 20 yards to the Ross 38-yard line. It took only five plays to score with two of the gainers passes of 19 and 13 yards. Keith Woodruff was the author of both passes and hit Roger Routson with the 13-yarder for the touchdown. This gave Findlay an 8-6 lead.

Refusing to quit the Little Giants then generated their only sustained offense of the game. After the kickoff which Jon Schwartz returned 22 yards to the Little Giant 38-yard line, Ross moved 62 yards in 11 plays to score. Len Ferguson, getting his first start at quarterback and Schwartz teamed to score from the six-yard line. Ferguson rolled to his right with Schwartz trailing. When the quarterback's path was

blocked he pitched back to Schwartz who angled for the right corner. He was hit but managed to dive across the line with the touchdown on a play which covered six yards.

Big gainer in the drive had been a pass to Mark Weiser, which covered 27 yards and gave Ross a first down on the Findlay eight-yard line. Two plays later the Little Giants scored. The extra point attempt was a pass from Ferguson intended for John Fahrback. The aerial was batted down in the end zone. Seven minutes and 22 seconds remained in the game when Ross scored.

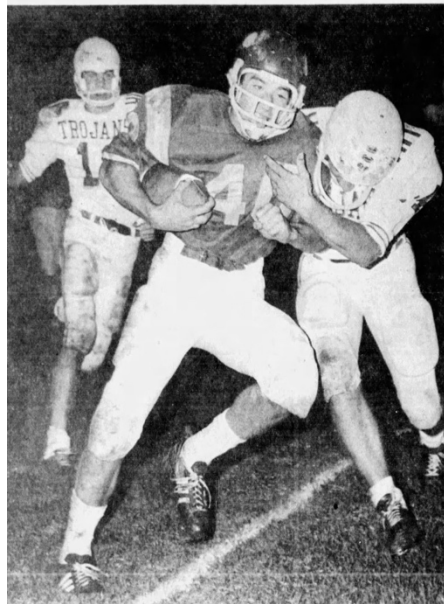
The Little Giants got the ball back with 3:39 remaining and moved to two first downs until stalled. The blocking broke down and Ferguson was thrown for two consecutive losses after Ross had moved to its own 43-yard line. Chuck Ziemke then entered the game for the first time at quarterback and completed a 14-yard pass to Schwartz. On the final play with fourth down, 13-yards to go and eight seconds to play a Ziemke pass was intercepted by Findlay's Lehman. Lehman made his presence on defense felt with the

key fumble recovery and the game-ending interception.

It was lack of offense which once more stalled the Little Giants. The touchdown drive and a drive just before the end of the first half were the only real offensive threats. In that first half drive which moved 47 yards before stopped by a fumble save the emergence of Mark Weiser as a running back. Weiser, a blocking specialist at the wingback position who had carried the ball only three times and gained a total of one yard previously, gained 39 yards in four carries. In the drive he cracked off gains of 19, 11 and seven yards on end power sweeps.

The drive ended when John Fahrback was cracked hard as he pulled down a third down pass for a first down from Ferguson. Fahrback fumbled the ball after the impact and Findlay's Jim Ferguson recovered at the Findlay 24-yard line.

Fremont now has an overall record of one win, six losses and is 0-4 in the Buckeye Conference. Findlay is 1-3 in the Buckeye and 2-5 overall.

ROSS' JON SCHWARTZ ROCKED BY FINDLAY TACKLER
Tailback Gained 50 Yards, Returned Kicks 44 Yards

Coach Shuff Says

Two Points Changed Game

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL
N.M. Sports Editor

Those two points changed a whole complexion at the one-outraged Coach Charles Shuff as he remembered the details which started the downfall of his Ross football team in early football season. The first half was not extremely sharp. We weren't moving, we didn't move off the line of scrimmage. In his appraisal

of the game, Shuff said, "We didn't move off the line of scrimmage. In his appraisal

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Ross-Findlay Yardstick

SCORE BY QUARTERS

ROSS 0 0 0 6-6

FINDLAY 0 0 2 6-8

SCORING

ROSS — Jon Schwartz 6, pitchout

(pass failed)

FINDLAY — Chris Houdeshell, safety

tackled Jon Schwartz in end zone; Roger

Routson, 13, pass from Keith Wood-

ruff, kick failed.

TEAM STATISTICS

R F

OFFENSIVE PLAYS 40 10 15

FIRST DOWNS 10 15

Rushing 7 12

Passing 3 3

Penalty 1 0

PASSES ATTEMPTED 4 4

Completed 1 1

Held Intercepted 1 1

YARDS GAINED 362 240

Rushing 122 108

Passing 50 62

FUMBLES 2 2

Ball Lost 1 1

PENALTIES 1 3

Yards Penalized 3 19

PUNTS 37 29 1/2

Average 2 2

KICKOFFS 46 62 1/2

Average 46 46

Yards Returned 144 153

AVERAGE 144 153

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Fremont Ross

RUSHING

Car Yds Ave TD

Runner 4 38 9.5 0

Mark Weiser 13 30 2.3 1

Robin Young 11 29 2.6 0

Ken Kopp 1 2 2.0 0

Len Ferguson 6 8 1.3 0

Larry Sheffield 1 0 0 0

PASSING

Att. Comp. Int. Yds.

Len Ferguson 18 6 2 0 36

Chuck Ziemke 2 1 1 14

John Fahrback 1 1 1 14

(is one completion on pass interference)

PASS RECEIVING

No. Yds TD

Receiver 1 27 0

Mark Weiser 1 14 0

John Fahrback 1 7 0

KICK RETURNS

No. Yds Ave.

Runner 3 44 14.6

Jon Schwartz 3 44 14.6

KICKER

No. Yds Ave.

John Fahrback 3 111 37.0

FINDLAY

RUSHING

Car Yds Ave TD

Roger Routson 18 38 2.1 0

Jim Ferguson 22 22 1.0 0

Keith Woodruff 13 40 3.1 0

Ron Lester 1 3 3.0 0

Rick Martinez 1 2 2.0 0

Ken Kopp 1 1 1.0 0

PASSING

Att. Comp. Int. Yds TD

R. Woodruff 1 1 1 14

Jerry Allen 2 2 0 28

John Loner 1 0 0 0

RECEIVER

No. Yds TD

Ron Lester 2 21 0

Jim Ferguson 1 21 0

Rick Martinez 2 2 0

Roger Routson 1 13 0

KICK RETURNS

No. Yds Ave.

Rick Martinez 2 28 14.0

Roger Routson 1 11 11.0

PUNTING

No. Yds Ave.

Jim Ferguson 2 39 29.5

Two Players Hospitalized

Lakota Ends Clyde Shutout String But Is 19-6 Victim

BY ROY WILHELM
News-Messenger Area Editor

KANSAS—The Lakota Raiders

became the first team in the

Sandusky Bay Conference to put

a dent in the Clyde defensive

armor, but the Fliers continued

their march toward a possible

league championship with a 19-6

win over their hosts in a bruising

battle Friday evening.

A grinding offense, accented

with two big pass completions,

combined with the normally

stiff Flier defense to provide

the victory formula. The Fliers,

driving headlong into an all-or-

nothing clash with the Sandusky

St. Mary Panthers, remained un-

defeated in the conference by

spoiling the Lakota homecoming

celebration.

The contest was a bruising

battle, interrupted several

times by coaches rushing on the

field to aid injured players. At

one time or another three of

Lakota's top running backs were

injured, with two of them miss-

ing a good portion of the game.

On one play two opponents col-

lided with such force that both

were to be helped from the field.

Two Clyde starters — flashy

running back Dick Farrar and

split end, linebacker Robert

Nobles — were hospitalized af-

ter the game. Nobles suffered

what was believed to have been

a possible kidney injury and

Farrar had an apparent injury

of the lower back.

The power driving Hal

Harnden set the Clyde offensive

pace, but a spotty appearance

of the passing attack Head

Coach Jim O'Donnell had been

hunting all season provided the

big spark.

Locked in a 0-0 battle

with time running out in the

first half, the Fliers struck for

a first down on the Lakota 17

yard line when Nobles made a diving

catch of a Dennis Mussell pass.

The play, which started with

Clyde in a second and 17 situa-

tion on the Lakota 44, covered

27 yards.

A personal foul on the next

play moved the ball to the La-

kota eight yard line and three

plays later Farrar bolted five

yards into the end zone. The

score came with 2:10 left in

the half.

Then, early in the third period

Mussell combined with big Tom

Riccardi for a 34 yard pass and

run play which took the Fliers

to the Lakota 15 yard line. The

play was the big one in an eight

play, 66 yard drive which saw

the Fliers add six more points to

the scoreboard after taking the

second half kick off. Mussell

plunged in for the touchdown.

It took a scrappy sophomore

to do what the stars of five

other Sandusky Bay conference

teams were unable to do: dent

the Clyde goal line. Jim Carter

plunged in from one yard out

just after a pass interference

call had given the Raiders a

first down just outside the end

zone. The Raiders moved 45

yards in ten plays after recover-

ing a Clyde fumble.

There were eight minutes and

ten seconds to go when the

Raiders ended the Fliers' string

of shutout quarters in confer-

ence play this year at 21, but

that grinding Clyde offense took

over and ran the remaining

highly right out of the hard

charging Lakota squad.

The Fliers took the following

kick off and marched 60 yards,

using 13 plays and six minutes

and 36 seconds to wipe away

all doubts. Ray Baker dashed

five yards for the game's final

touchdown.

Harnden was a workhorse for

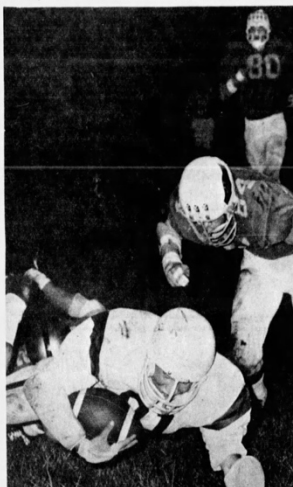
the Fliers, blasting through the

Lakota line for more than 100

yards.

Clyde-Lakota

Yardstick



Injuries Slow Streaks

Sandusky Invades Ross Friday

Up Sandusky way they report Coach Bob Reublin "Is fiddling around this week" to see if he can make his squad into a football team again. The Blue Streaks, once more favored this year to be the power of the Buckeye Conference have mysteriously slipped to near the depths of the standings. In fact, Sandusky needs a victory Friday night over Fremont Ross to stay out of a tie for the cellar.

Indication of problems at Sandusky were slow coming with pre-league victories over East Chicago, Ind., 14-6, Cleveland East, 34-0, and Toledo Woodward, 12-0. Then came the stunner in the Buckeye Conference opener, a 7-6 loss to Marion. This was followed by an 18-8 loss to Lorain, a 12-6 win over Findlay and a 27-6 loss to Elyria.

The fall really is not so mysterious. In-

juries have cut at the wrong places and forced some shifts. Quarterback has been the number one sore spot with the early loss of starter Steve Corder. Rich Deeter was moved from a halfback backup spot to quarterback. This will be his fifth game at the field general slot. Ross Coach Charles Shuff remarked this week, "Deeter is getting the job done. He is capable of running and did throw against Findlay. Inexperience at this position has hurt them but this is his fifth game at quarterback and he is coming along."

Coach Reublin may also have to experiment at center on offense Friday night. Terry Hehl, 225-pound senior, injured a knee in Monday practice and is doubtful for Ross.

Shuff fears a well-balanced Sandusky backfield. "All four can get loose." Key

men in that backfield are speedsters Ike Brown, 6-1, 180, and Bo Rather, 6-2, 190. In looking forward to Friday's foe, Shuff noted, "I was surprised when they lost to Marion. They are a better club than Marion." Marion beat Ross 12-6. Shuff expects to see an unbalanced line, similar to that used part of the game against the Little Giants by Findlay. Sandusky has shown this technique in recent weeks.

Defensively, the Blue Streaks will be tough to move against, primarily due to their two strong linebackers. Lino Venerucci, all-conference a year ago, missed some action due to injury but is now back in action. Venerucci, 6-3, 200, and Steve Rogers, 6-1, 215, who plays tackle on offense, are both big and mobile in backing up the line.

Shuff will not be as bothered by injuries

this week as he has been in recent weeks, but will have one hole to fill. That is a big hole since end John Fahrback turned in his equipment Monday and left the squad. Fahrback was the team punter, an end on offense and defensive backfield rotator. The search for a punter continues in practice. Steve Tooman, who has seen action much of the year, will be at the offensive end with Rusty Zimmerman. On defense Mark Weiser will work with Jim Werling at the rotator spots on defense. Both are veteran defenders. The two defensive halfbacks will be Len Ferguson and Jon Schwartz. Both will double on offense full time. Ferguson with his performance at Findlay earned another shot at the offensive quarterback slot for Friday.

Friday night will be the traditional homecoming for Ross high school.

Little Giants Lose 13-3 Opening Pla

Both offenses failed to stave off the pendulum would not peter to either side until Steve Rogers picked off two interceptions and Lino Venerucci one early in the fourth quarter. The Ross defense would hold a penetration, the Little Giants take possession only to turn the ball over on pass interference. Rogers and Venerucci at linebackers were the men on the spot. The score remained 63-14 when Venerucci scored a Chuck Zienke pass at the Ross 43-yard line and ran the ball in for a touchdown. Only 1:30 remained in the game when this play insured the outcome.

Rogers' feat of two interceptions was matched by Ross Jim Wering. Both Wering pickups halted deep Sandusky penetrations. He took a John Rizzo pass at the Ross 20-yard line moments before the half. In the fourth quarter a Sandusky drive halted when pulled down another Ross interception.

Leaders Showdown-Bound

**Ross
Yardstick**

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
SANDUSKY	6 0 0 7-13
ROSS	6 0 1 0-3
SCORING	
SANDUSKY Ike Brown, 51; off tackle run (run failed); Lito Venerucci, 41; kick.	
ROSS Phil Garry, 27; field goal.	
TEAM STATISTICS	
OFFENSIVE PLAYS	S R
First Downs	40 40
Passing	13 6
Penalty	0 0
Plays	55 55
Yards Permitted	10 10
Completed	2 3
Had Intercepted	2 3
YARDS GAINED	
Running	200 222
Passing	200 150
PENALTIES	
Ball Lost	0 0
Penalties	10 10
Yards Penalized	90 35
PUNTS	
Average	42.7 34.4
KICKOFFS	
Average	3 2
KICK RETURNS	
Yards Returned	52 62
Blocked	0 1

NBA Results			
Friday's Results			
Detroit 122, Philadelphia 122	C. Zmorski	3	2
Los Angeles 111, Baltimore 111	M. Zerkow	1	1
Seattle 123, Atlanta 112	J. Ferguson	3	2
Only games scheduled			
Today's Games	Passer	Att. Comp.	Int.
Milwaukee at Boston	P. Williams	5	3
Cincinnati at New York	R. Williams	6	1
Chicago at Philadelphia	R. Williams	6	1
Baltimore at San Francisco	Pass/RECEIVING		
Only games scheduled	R. Williams	5	1
Sunday's Games	J. Wiering	1	1
San Diego at Los Angeles	R. Williams	5	1
Atlanta at Phoenix	Steve Thomas	1	1
Baltimore at Seattle	R. Williams	5	1
Only games scheduled	R. Williams	5	1
Monday's Games	C. Zmorski	3	2
No games scheduled	P. Williams	1	1
NBA Results			
Friday's Games			
Kentucky 99, New York 92	P. Williams	5	3
Only games scheduled			
Today's Games	R. Williams	6	1
Indiana at Kentucky	R. Williams	6	1
Miami at New York	KICK/RETURNS		
Only games scheduled	D. Barber	5	1
Sunday's Games	D. Barber	5	1
Mimal at Minnesota	PUNTING		
Only game scheduled	R. Williams	5	1
Today's Games	K. Lighten	3	2

Final Little Giant Home Game

Fourth-Ranked In State Elyria Invades

Fourteen seniors will be in uniform, playing their last home game, Friday night when the Fremont Ross Little Giants try to redeem an otherwise dismal season against the fourth best team in the state. An attempt to win its first Buckeye Conference game of the season will be monumental with the opposition provided by Elyria.

Elyria currently is the leader in the Buckeye Conference standings and ranked fourth in Ohio Class AA schools by the Associated Press. Coach Charles Shuff rates it a tossup in comparing Lorain and Elyria. Lorain, the one team to run away from Ross in a 35-7 victory, will meet Elyria next week in the game billed as the conference title decider. This is based on Elyria getting past Ross and Lorain beating Marion Friday night. Elyria is unbeaten and Lorain unbeaten but once tied.

Shuff looks at Elyria's strength in its balance. "They are well balanced, they can run about anywhere," Elyria

runs from a strictly I offense with a split end, very similar to the brand of attack used by the Little Giants. Approximately 75 per cent of the Elyria plays originate from the Power-I type attack.

Elyria defensively presents another problem. They utilize a 4-3 defense, difficult to pass against. To date the Little Giants have been plagued by the lack of a passing attack, unable to pass against defenses not designed primarily to halt the air game. "Their defense reacts well," noted Shuff after viewing scouting reports and films, adding "It makes it tough to stay with them."

There is possibility that three different quarterbacks will be at the helm for Ross Friday in an effort to generate an offense. One of these, Chuck Ziemke, who started the first six games of the season, is doubtful. Ziemke injured an ankle late in last Friday's game against Sandusky. At the start of the game Shuff plans to alternate Len Ferguson, junior who

has received the starting call the last two weeks, and sophomore Randy Williams.

Injuries have cut a deeper hole at other positions and the chief losses will be Jim Schwartz from tailback and tackle Bryan Cooley. Schwartz, the team's leading ground-gainer and scorer, has been lost for the season with a knee injury suffered against Sandusky. Cooley, 238-pound starting defensive tackle, suffered a leg injury and also is out for the season. Cooley has not returned to school since the injury last Friday night.

Another casualty is likely to be Tom Kreilick, junior who has shared duties at offensive guard and linebacker. Kreilick was hit in the eye by a piece of steel during Monday shop classes at the high school. He is extremely doubtful for Friday.

To replace Schwartz, Shuff will try as many as three runners at tailback. Jim Werling, key man on the defense, could get the nod as a starter. Mike Ruland, who filled in

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after Schwartz was hurt a week ago, will see action. Also bolstering the position could be the return of Bob Pettiford, a sophomore, to the eligibility list.

Three men should see action at fullback—Randy Arndt, who earned a shot with his work against Sandusky, Robin and Young and Larry Sheffield, who have shared the spot much of the season.

To salvage the season with a win over the fourth best team in the state is a tough assignment, but Shuff has not given up. "We have been right there on all of them. I have the feeling the kids think they can move the ball against them."

Seniors playing their last home game for Ross Friday will be: Dowell, Marc Shulz, Phil Garry, Gary Fitzgerald, Brunner, Billman, Jim Wilson, Carl Wolf, Ebert, Dave Lopez, Weiser, Knipp. Also seniors but out with injuries are Schwartz and Cooley.

Starting Lineups

OFFENSE	
Ross	Elyria
Rusty Zimmerman (180)	LE LaRond Corn (180)
Chuck Miller (210)	LT Neil Mitchell (187)
Dennis Billman (180)	LG Don Buttle (180)
Doug Ebert (200)	C Harold Kehler (207)
Ted Brunner (200)	RG Ed Elerson (210)
Mike Wetzel (190)	RT Tom Stamcoff (210)
Steve Tooman (112)	
or Bill Thiesen (162)	RE Bill Couch (194)
Len Ferguson (150)	
or Randy Williams (135)	QB Al VanValkenburg (175)
Ken Knipp (160)	
or Mark Weiser (170)	WB Cliff Simonsen (188)
Jim Werling (155)	
or Bob Pettiford (150)	TB Tony Godbolt (165)
or Mike Ruland (166)	FB John Husband (198)
Randy Arndt (165)	

DEFENSE	
Ross	
LINEMEN — Mike Dowell (175) and Bill Thiesen (162), ends: Tom Nighswander (180) and Wetzel or Miller, tackles: Dan Hill (160), middle guard.	
LINEBACKERS — Ed Palmer (160) and Billman or Gary Butdorf (167).	
BACKS — Werling, Ferguson, Pettiford or Sheffield, Knipp or Weiser.	
Elyria	
LINEMEN — Wayne Clemens (198), Ed Green (234), Mark Harvey (168), Chris Zaffer (205).	
LINEBACKERS — Bob Svoose (180), Tim Welch (188), Colin Messaro (167).	
BACKS — Gary Berry (150), Tim Plato (165), Mac Thomas (144), Jim Orwig (158).	

Friday Night Foe

Balance Gives Key To Elyria Success

Balance is the key word to the Elyria Pioneers who hope Friday night to make Fremont Ross another stepping stone to a Buckeye Conference title. The Pioneers have four running backs averaging 4.5 to 4.7 yards per carry. They display a defense which is equal to its offense in grabbing headlines.

The running attack has gained the majority of the yardage but the passing attack is evident with the efforts of quarterback Al VanValkenburg. VanValkenburg, who broke a nose in his team's last game, has completed 25 of 56 passes for 400 yards. He has had only three interceptions.

In the running game Tony Godbolt, tailback, is the leading ground-gainer. He has 892 yards in 198 carries for 4.7 average. Other key runners with their statistics are Greg Edwards, 75 carries, 354 yards, 4.7 average; John Husband, 77 carries, 350 yards, 4.5 average; Cliff Simonsen, 67 carries, 307 yards, 4.5 average.

Backing up VanValkenburg at quarterback is Bob Barton, son of the Elyria coach, who has completed eight of 18 passes for 217 yards. He also has had three interceptions. Leading target for the two passers is 6-2, 180-pound end LaRond Corn, who has caught 12 passes for 241 yards.

The attack has netted 649 yards passing and 1,810 rushing. In contrast, the Pioneer defense has given up only 30 first downs rushing in the first eight games. They have limited the opposition to 609 yards rushing.

Elyria enters the game unbeaten in eight contests. Four of their victories have been by shutout—Cleveland West Tech, 30-0; Toledo Start, 57-0; Admiral King, 7-0; and Marion, 37-0. No team has scored more than one touchdown against Elyria and only 24 points have been yielded. The other victories were over Toledo Bowsler, 20-0; Findlay, 13-2; Mansfield, 36-0; and Sandusky, 27-0.

Ross 8-Week Statistics

POINTS	Ross	Opp.
FIRST DOWNS	85	117
Yards	67	95
Passing	10	21
Rushing	75	72
PASSES	27	28
Intercepted	9	8
YARDS GAINED	1405	2214
Passing	1225	1002
Rushing	280	302
PENALTIES	10	29
Yards Penalized	157	284
FUMBLES	21	17
Lost	11	7
KICK RETURNS	549	431
Yards Returned	144	113

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS			
RUSHING	Car.	Yds.	Ave.
Mark Weiser	4	28	4.7
Randy Williams	8	36	4.5
Jon Schwartz	127	588	4.6
Bob Young	67	270	4.1
Randy Arndt	10	44	4.0
Jim Werling	1	4	4.0
Larry Sheffield	27	86	3.2
Ken Knipp	1	9	2.4
Bob Pettiford	5	13	2.6
Mike Ruland	13	28	2.2
Chuck Ziemke	44	76	1.7
Mike McGuire	8	10	1.0
John Husband	2	3	1.5
John Husband	1	2	2.0
PASSING	Att.	Comp.	Int.
Chuck Ziemke	45	6	10
Len Ferguson	18	6	3
R. Williams	9	2	0
John Husband	1	0	0
PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD
Mark Weiser	3	55	0
Randy Arndt	3	51	1
John Husband	4	41	0
Jon Schwartz	4	26	0
Jim Werling	2	36	0
Ken Knipp	2	13	0
Larry Sheffield	2	3	0
Steve Tooman	1	3	0
KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Ave.
Bob Pettiford	7	120	17.1
Len Ferguson	2	32	16.0
John Schwartz	17	271	15.9
Bob Young	2	30	15.0
Bill Thiesen	1	13	13.0
John Husband	1	11	11.0
Chuck Ziemke	2	49	9.5

Warren high schools are in the football spotlight this week as a pair of players that could shake up the AP scholastic rankings.

Onrushing Warren was Steve Reserve, which zoomed into the top 100 of the AP poll after an unblemished 8-0 record against seventh-ranked Canton McKinley.

And Warren Harding, double-digit for 11th place at 6-2 marks on No. 9 Winterville home Saturday.

The Panthers could crash atop ten with a victory over unbeaten Canton, which boasts a 26-6 game winning streak. Harding bounced Milan 23-12 last week and the Tigers slugged with 14th place Western, losing 14-13.

Warren's season points behind 11 ranked teams per Arlington, will be bidding to bolster its position against rugged Canton, which has lost only to Niles McKinley.

The two Warren schools closed Oct. 4 with Reserves

Area Schedule

FRIDAY	
Buckeye Conference	Elyria at Ross
Admiral King at Sandusky	
Marion at Lorain	
Mansfield at Findlay	
SUNDAY	
Sandusky Bay Conference	Margaretta at Gibsonburg
St. Wendelin at Huron	
St. Mary at Clyde	
Great Lakes League	
Port Clinton at Bowling Green	
Bellville at Port Huron	
Toledo Whitecaps at Sandusky	

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Scholastic Sidelights

All Eyes Focus On Warren

By HAL PARIS

Associated Press Sports Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—Two

Warren high schools are in the

football spotlight this weekend

in a pair of games that could

shake up the AP scholastic rat-

ings.

Onrushing Warren Western

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ond place this week, risks its

unblemished 8-0 record against

seventh-ranked Canton McKin-

ley.

And Warren Harding, dead-

ed for 11th place on a 6-2 mark,

takes on No. 9 Wintersville at

home Saturday.

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top ten with a victory over un-

beaten Wintersville, which

boasts a 28-5 game winning

streak. Harding bounced Mas-

sillon 23-12 last week and sent

the Tigers skidding to 14th place.

Western Reserve, only 13

points behind No. 1 ranked Up-

per Arlington, will be bidding

to bolster its position against a

rugged McKinley team that has

lost only to Niles McKinley.

The two Warren schools col-

lided Oct. 4 with Reserve the

victor, 14-6.

Scholastic sidelights — Un-

beaten Shelby, ranked eighth in

Class AA, has won 22 straight

and is led by middle guard Cal-

vin Dietz, a 6-foot-7, 245-pound

senior who is being courted by

Purdue.

When Garaway defeated Jew-

ett 52-45 Saturday, 71 of the 97

points came in a wild first half,

which could be a record.

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Highland to bring his total for

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Nothing Goes Right

Elyria Enhances Poll Rating In 72-0 Romp

By B. JERRY CAMPBELL
News-Messenger Sports Editor

You fumble the opening kickoff and give the opposition the ball on your own 10-yard line. Four times you fumble and four times you give up the football. Two of your defenders collide protecting against a pass and both are knocked cold. It was that kind of night at Harmon field Friday night as the Ross Little Giant claim that it had never been embarrassed this season was shattered with authority. The claim that Ross had been in all its games despite a 137 record dissolved in an awesome 72-0 shellacking by the Elyria Pioneers, fourth-ranked team in Ga.

The Pioneers established a new colony in their championship land, which now is one game from statehood. Elyria now is the lone unbeaten, untied team in the conference with a game remaining against Lorain. Lorain has a single tie with Admiral King to mar its record.

Ross Little Giants were never in the contest as Elyria put on a display of precision attack and mobile defense. The

Little Giants never got across the 50-yard line until only 1:30 remained in the third quarter. For the entire game Ross was in Elyria territory for a mere seven plays, five of those the final five plays of the game. Until the final two minutes and 15 seconds of the game Ross had been in Pioneer land for only two plays.

The last time Ross had the ball it held it for nine plays and gained 63 of its 118 yards in the game.

Elyria Coach Bob Barton appeared to be doing all possible not to run up the score, but his team so outclassed the hobbled Little Giants that the game was beyond control. Eleven different backs carried the ball for Elyria and 25 different defenders made tackles for the winners. Barton's starting quartet of backs carried the ball only three plays in the second half after Elyria rolled to a 38-0 midway lead. Despite mass substitution Elyria failed to score only three of the 13 times it had the ball. Long after not only starters but many second stringers had departed from action, Elyria scored the final five times it handled the football.

As if the impact of a 72-0 whipping was not severe enough, the growing list of wounded swelled to giant proportions. The Ross locker room looked like the emergency ward of a hospital after the game. Ross went into the game with six boys that at one time could have been considered starters missing. The injury list swelled after the Sandusky game. Friday night seven more names were added to the limping legions.

The list may grow even more. Those known to have suffered injury in the game were Jim Werling, Ken Knapp, Randy Arndt, Bob Pettiford, Doug Ebert, Gary Butdorf and Ted Brunner. Pettiford and Arndt had to be assisted from the field when they collided in knocking down an Elyria pass at the Ross goal line. Both had to be revived before they could leave the field.

It took Elyria only 8:07 to score its first touchdown the second time it had the ball. After giving up the opening kickoff on that fumble at the 10-yard line, Ross managed to hold at the start of the game. The next time Elyria was

not to be denied in marching 56 yards in eight plays with Cliff Simonsen taking a pincushion around right end for the final 21 yards.

The parade was launched as the Pioneers found the Ross defense made to order for their off-tackle slants. Tony Godbolt found this area a paved road to long yardage and led the early Elyria attack. Before retiring shortly after halftime he had gained 120 yards in 10 carries, all off tackle, scored two touchdowns, one on a 17-yard screen pass play and one on a one-yard plunge.

John Holt, a substitute fullback, matched Godbolt's two-touchdown feat. Leading gainer percentage-wise was Greg Edwards with a 15.6 average on 94 yards in six carries. Eight different Elyria ball-carriers averaged 4.7 yards per carry or more. Elyria's runners exploded through the retreating Ross defense for 19 gains of 10 yards or more, four of more than 20 yards and three of 40 or better.

It all added up to an offense which gained 576 yards and had a 27 first downs.



FORCED ROYAL SMILE — Gwyn Waggoner, Ross Football Queen, manages to smile during the 72-0 beating the Little Giants were taking on the football field Friday night. The game outcome and numerous injuries spoiled the annual Seniors Night celebration. Making no effort to hide her distress is Margaretta, the puppy mascot of the Ross team. (News-Messenger Photo)

Northern Ohio League

Redmen Win, Shelby King

Final night was a topsy-turvy one in the Northern Ohio League with Shelby barely hanging onto its unbeaten record. The Whippets slipped past Tiffin Columbian 6-3 to conclude the NOL campaign with a 7-0 record and the championship. Bellevue was one of the few teams that went according to expectations with a 16-4 victory over Bucyrus. The win kept Bellevue into a tie for third place in the conference.

In other games second place Willard was surprised by Calumet 23-20. The victory moved Galion into a tie with Bellevue for third, while Willard ended the campaign with a 5-2 league mark. Norwalk snapped a 21-game losing streak by surprising Upper Sandusky, 20-6. Craig Stoldt scored two touchdowns to lead Bellevue to its win. Both touchdowns were short-gainers, one of one and another of five yards.



RETURN
Donald W. FOREMAN
To The Office Of

Ross-Elyria Yardstick

SCORE BY QUARTERS
ELYRIA 42 30 14-72
ROSS 0 0 0 0-0

ELYRIA — Cliff Simonsen, 21, PITCH OUT (run failed); John Husbard, 1, plunge (Lalland Com. pass from Al Van Valkenburg); Tony Godbolt, 1, off tackle (run); Van Valkenburg, run; Godbolt, 17, screen pass from Van Valkenburg (run failed); Com, 43, pass from Van Valkenburg (run failed); Randy Williams, Tackle and end safety; John Holt, 2, off-tackle run; Greg Edwards, run; Edwards, 40, off-tackle run (run failed); Tom Wilson, 28, off-tackle run (Wilson, run); Holt, 2, plunge (Tom Korzan, kick); Jerry Weinstein, 13, pass from Brad Barton (Korzan, kick).

TEAM STATISTICS
R E
FIRST DOWNS 20 71
Rushing 9 27
Passing 11 44
Penalty 2 1
PASSES ATTEMPTED 5 17
Completed 1 9
Had Intercepted 0 0
YARDS GAINED 118 576
Rushing 110 424
Passing 8 152
FUMBLES 4 2
Ball Lost 0 0
PENALTIES 10 75
Yards Penalized 2 20
KICKOFFS 42 45
Average 7 11
PUNTS 21 4
Average 21 4
KICK RETURNS 15 134
Yards Returned 15 167
Average 15 167

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Fremont Ross

RUSHING
Car. Yds. Avg. TD
Romer 7 30 7.1 0
Holt 4 14.0
J. Werling 5 17 3.4
B. Pettiford 4 12 3.0
B. Barker 1 3.0 0
B. Adams 2 4 2.0
J. Ferguson 2 4 2.0
R. Arndt 6 16 14.0
K. Knapp 2 3 1.5
L. Sheffield 6 9 1.5
M. Wesner 3 2 0.6
R. Williams 5 14 2.8 0

PASSING
Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
B. Barton 4 1 0 3
J. Ferguson 1 0 0 0

PASS RECEIVING
Receiver No. Yds. TD
Romer 1 3 0
KICK RETURNS
Car. Yds. Avg. TD
B. Pettiford 4 73 18.3
L. Sheffield 2 20 10
B. Barton 1 12 12
J. Ferguson 2 15 7.5

PUNTING
Kicker No. Yds. Avg. TD
J. Arndt 7 21 3.0

ELYRIA
Car. Yds. Avg. TD
G. Edwards 6 34 5.7 0
T. Godbolt 10 120 12.0
T. Wilson 6 54 9.0
J. Lines 1 4 4.0
C. Simonsen 8 60 7.5 1
M. Thomas 5 20 4.0
J. Husbard 8 41 5.1
J. Holt 4 10 2.5
B. Barton 1 3 3.0
J. Weinstein 1 1 1.0
A. Van Valkenburg 2 4 2.0

PASSING
Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
B. Barton 9 5 0 66 1
A. Van Valkenburg 8 4 0 86 2

PASS RECEIVING
Receiver No. Yds. TD
L. Com 2 45 1
J. Weinstein 2 27 1
M. Thomas 2 24 0
T. Godbolt 1 17 1
C. Simonsen 1 18 0
J. C. Clark 1 12 0

KICK RETURNS
Car. Yds. Avg. TD
Romer 3 42 14.0
M. Thomas 2 22 11.0
T. Godbolt 1 22 22.0
J. Orwig 1 9 9.0

Payne Tosses For Two TDs

Port Clinton Notches Seventh Win

PORT CLINTON — The trusty arm of quarterback Tom Payne was a point sling-shot again Friday night leading Port Clinton to a 25-8 victory over Bowling Green. Bowling Green is a new member of the Great Lakes League but the victory will not count in league standings because the new team does not play all league members. Victory raised the Port Clinton season record to 7-1-1.

Payne tossed two first half touchdown passes to get the Redskins poy on the victory path. Both were long aerials off finding their marks for a 56-yard gain to Mike Kern and a 56-yard gain to Paul Ihnat. Bob Fritz added the kick after

Rossford Throttles Lakota

ROSSFORD — The Lakota Raiders, who concluded their Sandusky Bay Conference record with a 4-4 loss to Rossford, Rossford, leader in the Northern Lakes League, cruised on the passing arms of John Reban and Ron Emch plus the sure hands of Don Tisdale.

Tisdale scored three touchdowns, running one and pulling in passes for two others. Tisdale caught one pass from Emch and one from Reban, who tossed three touchdowns passes in the game. John Creps added two Rossford tallies on runs, while Gary Weber caught two touchdowns passes from Reban.

Rossford's attack netted 423 yards to 185 for Lakota.

SCORE BY QUARTERS
ROSSFORD 10 10 0 0-20
LAKOTA 0 0 0 0-0

ROSSFORD
Car. Yds. Avg. TD
J. Reban 34 34 11.3 2
D. Tisdale 30 100 33.3 3
J. Creps 13 30 2.3 0
G. Weber 2 20 10.0 2
R. Emch 19 38 19.5 2
M. Kern 1 5 5.0 0
B. Fritz 1 1 1.0 0

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Att. Comp. Int. Yds. TD
J. Reban 11 7 0 113 3
D. Tisdale 10 6 0 100 3
J. Creps 13 30 2.3 0
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T. Wilson 6 54 9.0
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M. Thomas 5 20 4.0
J. Husbard 8 41 5.1
J. Holt 4 10 2.5
B. Barton 1 3 3.0
J. Weinstein 1 1 1.0
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B. Barton 9 5 0 66 1
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FAMILIAR SCENE — This was a familiar scene Friday night as Head Coach Charles Shuff leaned over a fallen Little Giant to give him assistance. Injuries were numerous for Ross in its 72-0 defeat by Elyria. Here Coach Shuff and guard Ed Palmer come to the aid of Guard Gary Butdorf, injured slightly in the first half. (News-Messenger Photo)

Margaretta Rallies To Nip Gibsonburg

GIBSONBURG — The Margaretta Polar Bears came clawing back from a first half deficit and took advantage of Gibsonburg errors to grab a 24-14 Sandusky Bay Conference victory Friday night.

The Gibsonburg Golden Bears, fresh from an upper victory over the Clyde Flyers, set the first half pace, scoring a pair of touchdowns and leading 14-0 at the intermission.

Margaretta's home advantage

Buckeye Showdown Is Next

The schedule maker's dream has been realized in the Buckeye conference. The championship will go down to the final game and the winner next Friday of the Elyria-Lorain game will be Buckeye king. The stage was set for the deciding clash Friday as Elyria romped over Fremont Ross, 72-0, and Lorain romped past Marion, 32-7. In a pair of surprises Sandusky upset Admiral King, 7-0, and Mansfield nipped Findlay, 3-2.

With one weekend left on the schedule Elyria is unbeaten and Lorain unbeaten but once tied. The pair meet at Lorain's Daniels field next Friday night.

	W L T
Elyria	6 0 0
Lorain	5 0 1
Admiral King	3 2 1
Marion	3 0 3
Sandusky	3 3 0
Mansfield	2 4 0
Findlay	1 5 0
Fremont Ross	0 6 0

Score By Quarters
MARION 0 7 0 0-7
ELYRIA 6 6 6 14-32

Scoring
MARION — Sims, 34 pass from Reece (Green kicked).
ELYRIA — Simpson, 29 run (run failed); Seeboda, 30 pass from Norstrom (run failed); Smith, 1 run (Pass failed); Smith, 1 run (Norstrom's kick); Norstrom, 3 run (Norstrom's kick).

STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 8 19
Rushing 3 15
Passing 3 3
Penalty 0 1
PASSES ATTEMPTED 14 11
Completed 3 3
Had Intercepted 2 0
YARDS GAINED 107 329
Rushing 53 244
Passing 54 85

MANSHFIELD-FINDLAY
Score By Quarters
FINDLAY 0 0 0-0
MANSHFIELD 0 0 0-2

Scoring
MANSHFIELD — Ron Mack, 31 field goal.
FINDLAY — Smith tackled in end zone safety.

STATISTICS
FIRST DOWNS 8 12
Rushing 7 7
Passing 1 0

Admiral King Last Chance For Ross Victory

Clump! Scrape! Clump! Scrape!

The sound you hear could well be the clump of a crutch and the drag of a foot as the Fremont Ross Little Giants hobble into Lorain Friday night. Licking their wounds both to body and dignity the Ross football team will be grasping at a last opportunity to redeem one of the worst football seasons in its history against Admiral King. Last Friday night insult was added to injury as the Little Giants (1-4) were thumped by Elyria, 73-0. The lacing came despite efforts of Elyria coach Bob Barton to hold down the score. It left a casualty list that looked like the daily command report from the Viet Nam front lines.

Four starters of recent weeks will definitely be out of action for Ross. The hoped for return of Jon Schwartz, the team's leading ground-gainer and scorer, will not materialize. Coach Charles Shuff Wednesday night indicated he will not use Schwartz, who received a knee injury two weeks ago against Sandusky. "There is no sense playing him and ruin him for the rest of sports."

Also sure to be on the sidelines for the battle with Lorain Admiral King are Gary Butdorf, Doug Ebert and Chuck Ziemke. It was discovered that Ziemke, who dressed but did not play against Elyria, has a broken bone in his foot. Butdorf and Ebert have both been stopped by head

injuries received against Elyria. Doubtful is middleguard Dan Hill.

Ken Knipp, who injured an ankle, and Ted Brunner, who reinjured an ankle, should be ready for action. Also expected in action are Jim Werling, Randy Arndt and Bob Pettiford, all of whom received head injuries against Elyria.

A hobbled team will be bad news Friday when dealing with the speed of the Admirals. King has the quickest team in the Buckeye Conference. Ross Coach Shuff pointed to speed and good-sized backs as leading assets of the Admirals. Admiral King has a fondness of running inside the tackles from its basic Split-T offense. It was a similar procedure which tore apart Ross defenses last week for Elyria.

Stopping this procedure will be a major problem with the depleted Ross tackle corps. Missing since the start of the season are Dave Rhodes, 255, and Bryan Cooley, 238, who have been sidelined for the season. There are only two front-liners left at the tackle spots, Mike Wetzel, 190-pound junior, and Chuck Miller, 210-pound sophomore. "I can't afford to use Wetzel and Miller on defense," stated Shuff, realizing their value to the offensive platoon. Filling in at the defensive tackles will be Tom Nighswander, 180-pound sophomore who has been a starter in recent weeks, and either Gary Fitzgerald or Bryan Molyet. Fitzgerald, a senior, and Molyet, a junior, are the two biggest men left on the squad

at 225 pounds. Both were pressed into service for the first time last week against Elyria.

Shuff indicated he will likely give the starting quarterback nod to sophomore Randy Williams. Len Ferguson, the junior who has started the last two games, will alternate at the quarterback spot with Williams.

Elsewhere in the starting offensive unit Shuff intends to use Robin Young, Larry Sheffield or Arndt at fullback. Werling and Mike Rutland will share the tailback duties. Shuff is going to watch Werling closely because of concern over the head injury. At the swing back Mark Weiser will get the first call since Knipp is slowed by leg injury. Sophomore Bill Burkett has made a good practice showing and could spell Weiser at the swingback. On the line Rusty Zimmerman and Steve Tooman will start at offensive ends, Wetzel and Miller at the tackles, either Dennis Billman, Ed Palmer, Tom Kreilick or Brunner at guards and Bruce Gulde for Ebert at center.

On defense Shuff will give first call to Bill Thiessen and either Tooman or Mike Dowell at ends; Nighswander and either Molyet or Fitzgerald at tackle, Kreilick and Billman at linebackers with middle guard a questionmark without Hill. The backfield will use Ferguson and Bob Pettiford or Mike Gerber at halfbacks, Werling and Weiser or Knipp at rotators.

Admiral King, which lost only 7-0 to Elyria and tied

Lorain, both teams to whip Ross easily, has a 3-2-1 Buckeye Conference record. Overall the Admirals are 5-3-1. The King attack is led by the top scorer in the Buckeye Conference, Lemmie Davis. For the season Davis has eight touchdowns and two extra points for 50 points. He has gained 589 yards in 121 carries, 4.9 per carry. In the same backfield at the other halfback spot is Louie Davis and fullback Larry Barnes. Barnes has scored 32 points, carried 114 times for 548 yards. Louie Davis has gained 280 yards in 78 carries and scored 20 points.

Adding balance to the attack is Ruben Lopez, quarterback, who has completed 22 of 57 passes for 272 yards and three touchdowns. All three touchdown passes have been directed at Harold Taylor. Taylor has caught 10 passes this season for 224 yards. Lopez has allowed seven pass interceptions. Seeing some action at quarterback is the corner of the team, Sophomore Tim Kish. Kish has completed six of 19 tosses, for 125 yards and allowed one interception.

As a team Admiral King has rushed to 1,507 net yards in 404 carries, an average gain of 3.7 yards. King foes have been held to 968 yards in 374 carries, 2.6 yards average. King is on the way to a defensive record, allowing the least number of points in one season of any school in its history. The previous low was 75 points in the 9-1 season of 1962. This year's team has given up only 52 points to date.

Schwartz, Ebert All-Buckeye Picks

Jon Schwartz was named to first team and Doug Ebert second team on the All-Buckeye Conference football team announced today. Schwartz was selected as a defensive deep back and Ebert as an offensive lineman on the honor selections.

The Buckeye Conference coaches departed from tradition this season in selecting their honor team. They did not choose by position, but split the offensive units only into backs and linemen. The defensive selections were made according to down linemen, linebackers and deep backs. On defense the choice amounted to a 4-4 defense with a tie leaving four linebackers and a 12-man first unit.

Speakers for the coaches said the effort was to get the best 22 ball players on the first unit, regardless of their exact position. The result was the honoring of Schwartz on defense, although his greater local reputation was as an offensive tailback. He did go both ways however and was outstanding with his speed as a defensive corner back. Coach Charles Shuff of Ross normally assigned Schwartz to

the defensive side against the opposition's top pass receiver, particularly if the receiver was fast.

Although named to the second team, Ebert was the only offensive center selected by the coaches. Return to the method of past selection could well have put Ebert on first team. Coach Shuff indicated opposing coaches were impressed with Ebert's carrying out of assignments from his center post. The 5-10, 196-pound senior also filled in at end on defense for the Little Giants. On offense Ebert handled the long snap on punts with only one bad snap all season to the kicker.

Schwartz and Ebert both had their seasons abbreviated by injury. Ebert missed the last game with a head injury and Schwartz sat out the last two after hurting a knee against Sandusky. He was injured in an emergency roll as a punter. Pressed into action when the regular punter left the squad, Schwartz averaged 36.2 yards on four kicks before injured.

Although not playing the final two games Schwartz was

the team's leading ground-gainer with 598 yards and scorer with four touchdowns. He averaged 4.4 yards per carry from the tailback in the Power-I formation. He was the lone Ross offensive threat much of the season. In addition to his 598 rushing yards he caught four passes for an additional 26 yards and ran back 17 kicks for 271 yards, an average of 15.9 per carry. Once Schwartz was out of the lineup Ross did not score a touchdown in more than three games.

Buckeye Conference champion and lone-unbeaten Elyria dominated the honor team selections. The Pioneers placed six players on the two first units and three on second team. Runerup Lorain was close behind with four first team and four second team selections. Admiral King had three on first units and four on second. Marion and Sandusky placed three on each and Mansfield two on each. Ross had its two honorees and Findlay had one first teamer and two second teamers.

Due to the change in selection methods a coach would have to do some juggling to field an offensive unit. The first

team offense included five ends and two guards on the line, two quarterbacks—Al Van Valkenberg of Elyria and Jim Sheets, Lorain—and two running backs in the backfield. Two more offensive ends appear on the second unit. Ends named to the first unit were Dick Sampson, Sandusky, Duane Hill, Mansfield; Bill Couch, Elyria; Jim Svoboda, Lorain, and Dave Simpson, Lorain.

Only one junior cracked the first units—Marion linebacker Bob Coffey. Lone first team repeater from a year ago was Dave Simpson, the Lorain end who was the pick of the coaches a year ago. Steve Rogers of Sandusky, a first-team linebacker, was a second team tackle choice last season. Ron Skarupa, Admiral King, who was first team in 1967, this year slipped to second team defensive deep back in the All-Conference team.

In addition to its two top choices, Ross placed 10 players on honorable mention. These were linemen Ted Brunner, Dennis Billman, Bryan Cooley, Mike Dowell, Bill Thiesen and Mike Wetzel; backs Ken Knapp, Mark Weiser, Jim Werling and Dan Hill.

Earthquake Use Gets Orange Juice Squeezing Tryout

College football's version of the run for the roses comes up Saturday when top-rated Southern California and O. J. Simpson entertain 13th-ranked Oregon State and Bill "Earthquake" Enyard with the winners going to the Rose Bowl.

"Oregon State is a better team than California," says Coach John McKay, whose unbeaten Trojans trimmed the ranked Golden Bears 35-17 last weekend. "They're a veteran team and probably the biggest team in the country."

The nationally televised Simpson-Enyard duel should be something to see. Simpson is second nationally in rushing with 1,211 yards and 17 touchdowns while Enyard, a line-busting fullback has 1,038 yards and 13 TDs.

"Enyard doesn't have great speed but he has quick feet," notes McKay. "You've got to tackle him head-on. You can't get him from the side and expect to keep him from getting four or five yards. Maybe he's not a great runner but he's a real good one behind an offensive line that averages something like 245 pounds, and that includes the ends."

"And their quarterback, Steve Preece, is by far the best we've seen in recent years at running the option."

The Beavers are the only team to beat Simpson—30 last year—in his two seasons at Southern Cal.

The nation's ranking teams will be involved in a raft of games that will go a long way toward deciding the conference races and the bowl picture.

While Oregon State-Southern Cal will settle the Pacific Eight,

there are three key contests in the Big Ten and two each in the Big Eight, Southeastern and Southwest Conferences.

Unbeaten and second-ranked Ohio State visits Iowa, which has developed an explosive offense with Larry Lawrence at quarterback and Ed Poddak at halfback, where he set a one-game Big Ten rushing mark a week ago.

The Buckeyes are tied for the Big Ten lead with fourth-ranked Michigan, and 19th-ranked Indiana is only one game back.

Missouri, ranked sixth, leads the Big Eight by a game but must tackle rugged Oklahoma on the road. The Sooners, led by Steve Owens, the country's No. 5 runner, topped previously unbeaten Kansas into second place a week ago. Seventh-ranked Kansas also is on the road at Kansas State.

The key Southeastern games are fifth-ranked Georgia at 12th-ranked Auburn and Mississippi at No. 11 Tennessee. Auburn, on the strength of three straight upsets, leads with 5-0 record, while Georgia is 4-0-1, Mississippi 3-1 and Tennessee 1-1-1.

The perennial Southwest scramble finds eighth-ranked Texas, 10th-ranked Arkansas, Southern Methodist and Texas Tech at the top with 4-1 records. Texas is at Texas Christian in a night game, Arkansas entertains SMU at Little Rock and Texas Tech visits Baylor.

Penn State, the nation's only unbeaten major independent, takes its third-place ranking and second-ranked rushing defense to Maryland. Notre Dame, ranked ninth, faces Georgia Tech at home without Terry Hanratty, lost for the season with a knee injury. Sophomore Joe Theismann takes over.

Television fans are in for a doubleheader. Besides Oregon State-Southern Cal, ABC-TV will air a night game featuring 16th-ranked Alabama and Miami, Fla., in the Orange Bowl.

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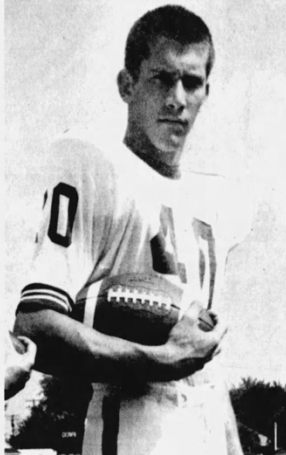
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Pro Football Picks

Sayers Loss Not To Slay Bears

By JACK HAND
Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — Things ran true to form in pro football last week, with the exception of Dallas' upset by New York, but we went down picking upsets with the 49ers and Eagles.

The toughest picks appear to be Minnesota-Detroit, and Los Angeles-San Francisco in the Cleveland 30, Pittsburgh 17—National Football League and New York-Oakland in the American Football League. We're going to stick with most of the favorites.

Last week's 9-3-1 made it 69-32-3 for the year (42-20-2 in the

NFL and 27-11-1 in the AFL). Let's try again. All games are to be played Sunday.

NFL
Chicago 20, Atlanta 10—Despite loss of Gale Sayers, Bears seem to have too much for Falcons, who have been giving up almost 31 points a game.

Los Angeles 17, San Francisco 14—Scared of the four Los Angeles defense should do it but San Francisco should be ready for all-out effort before home folks. Rams won in Los Angeles 24-10.

Green Bay 21, New Orleans 17—It's shocking to find Packers

a rejuvenation of Sonny Jurgensen, who may be able to play without his protective corset, can make this close.

Minnesota 21, Detroit 14—Would like Vikings better if game not in Detroit where Lions play their best. Vikings took first game 24-10.

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3-5-1 at this stage, but they can't be counted out yet. Saints' defense will pressure Bart Starr. Milwaukee site favors Green Bay, especially if the snow is flying.

New York 27, Philadelphia 17—Giants sky high after beating Dallas. Eagles, booed at home and losers of nine straight, in angry mood. Everybody runs on Eagles so why not Giants? Giants won first game 34-25.

Baltimore 31, St. Louis 17—Colts appear to be steaming toward Super Bowl with fine blend of offense and solid defense. Jim Hart may be running for his life from Colt rush.

AFL
Kansas City 27, Boston 14—Pat Holmes emerging as real rookie star and Jan Stenerud still is booting those field goals. Pats without Nick Buoniconti again.

Miami 21, Cincinnati 20—Bob Griese's passing and Jim Kiick's running make up for weak defense that has allowed 29 touchdowns. Paul Robinson's running makes Bengals dangerous. Home field favors Dolphins. Miami won earlier 24-22 when Cincinnati failed on two-point conversion try.

Houston 17, Denver 14—Floyd Little could make things hot for Oilers.

Oakland 24, New York 23—7-4 minutes without making a basket in the second quarter and fell behind 54-41 at halftime.

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Detroit capitalized from the free throw line in the fourth period and withstood a late Phoenix surge in outlasting the Suns.

Robertson, who missed all or part of 30 games, last season, scored 39 points, handed out six assists, and returned to action late in the game to break a

Knick rally by scoring five straight points.

It was another typical Big O performance as was that of another Cincinnati veteran, Jerry Lucas, who scored 21 points and snared 20 rebounds.

The Knicks, picked as a serious contender in the East but off to a 5-11 start, were so far apart—and off the target—in the second quarter against the Royals that it cost them the game.

New York had numerous turnovers, hit on just six of 26 field goal attempts and went almost 7-14 minutes without making a basket in the second quarter and fell behind 54-41 at halftime.

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All-Buckeye Stars

First Team Offense

LINEMEN			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Dick Sampson (Sandusky)	6-0	185	Sr.
Bob Cyders (Marion)	5-9	208	Sr.
Duane Hill (Mansfield)	6-5	190	Sr.
Bill Couch (Elyria)	6-1	194	Sr.
Jim Svoboda (Lorain)	6-3	215	Sr.
Dave Harris (Admiral King)	6-0	175	Sr.
Dave Simpson (Lorain)	5-9	165	Sr.

BACKS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Al Van Valkenberg (Elyria)	5-11	170	Sr.
Jim Sheets (Lorain)	6-0	180	Sr.
Lemmie Davis (Ad. King)	5-11	180	Sr.
Cliff Simonson (Elyria)	5-11	188	Sr.

First Team Defense

LINEMEN			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Wayne Clemon (Elyria)	6-1	195	Sr.
Tim Jenkins (Lorain)	6-0	210	Sr.
Chris Zaffer (Elyria)	5-11	205	Sr.
Mark Smith (Mansfield)	6-0	185	Sr.

LINEBACKERS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Mike Roseberry (Marion)	5-11	183	Sr.
Steve Rogers (Sandusky)	6-1	210	Sr.
Lino Venerucci (Sandusky)	6-2	195	Sr.
Bob Coffey (Marion)	5-9	180	Jr.

DEEP BACKS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Jon Schwartz (Fre. Ross)	5-11	165	Sr.
Steve Dunlop (Admiral King)	5-10	165	Sr.
Jim Ferguson (Findlay)	5-8	175	Sr.
Gary Beury (Elyria)	5-9	165	Sr.

Second Team Offense

LINEMEN			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
John Porter (Mansfield)	5-10	200	Sr.
John Wilcox (Mansfield)	5-10	170	Sr.
Doug Ebert (Fremont Ross)	5-10	195	Sr.
Frank Celozzi (Lorain)	6-0	210	Sr.
Craig Hamilton (Lorain)	6-0	210	Sr.
Bob Sims (Marion)	5-9	155	Jr.
Dave Rafter (Sandusky)	6-2	180	Sr.

BACKS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Larry Barnes (Ad. King)	6-0	175	Jr.
Flynn Smith (Lorain)	5-9	165	Sr.
Pete Ulichney (Lorain)	5-9	180	Sr.
Chip Benson (Marion)	5-9	170	Jr.

Second Team Defense

LINEMEN			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Ed Green (Elyria)	6-0	230	Sr.
Frank Bastilone (Sandusky)	5-8	170	Jr.
Ed Losano (Admiral King)	6-2	200	Jr.
Lavaughn Cochran (Marion)	5-11	180	Sr.

LINEBACKERS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Tim Walsh (Elyria)	6-0	188	Sr.
Colin Mezzaros (Elyria)	6-0	167	Sr.
Joe Demisse (Admiral King)	5-9	160	Sr.

DEEP BACKS			
Player	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Ron Skarupa (Admiral King)	5-7	155	Sr.
Rich Deeter (Sandusky)	6-0	175	Sr.
Dick Lehman (Findlay)	5-9	165	Jr.
Rick Martinez (Findlay)	5-10	175	Jr.

Honorable Mention

FREMONT ROSS — Ted Brunner, Dennis Billman, Bryan Cooley, Mike Dowell, Bill Thiesen, Mike Wetzel, Ken Knapp, Mark Weiser, Jim Werling, Dan Hill.

Ebert Named Honorary Ross Grid Captain

It was a moment of pride for a father — a moment of pride, accentuated by happiness and tempered by sadness. It has been a good many years since Gordon Ebert was a high school football player in Sandusky, but Tuesday night he walked forward twice to accept trophies for excellence in high school football. It was a proud and happy moment because he was accepting honors for his son. It was sad because his son, Doug Ebert, was confined to bed with illness, unable to experience one of the greatest days of his young life.

The flu bug and recurrence of football head injury symptoms deprived young Doug of being on hand to accept the Ross high school honorary captain and most valuable offensive lineman trophies. Presentation of five football trophies and a cross country most valuable trophy highlighted the annual Ross fall sports banquet Tuesday in the high school cafeteria.

Also honored with trophies were Jon Schwartz, most

valuable offensive back; Jim Werling, most valuable defensive back, and Bill Thiessen, most valuable defensive lineman, all in football, and Charles Cheek, cross country most valuable. Werling and Thiessen are juniors, the others seniors.

In football the four most valuable awards were the selections of the coaches. The honorary captain's award was by vote of the football team. Cheek earned his cross country award by being the leading point man in that sport.

Ebert this past week also was named second team All-Buckeye Conference lineman. He was the offensive center for the Little Giants, handling the kick snap chores in addition and filling at defensive end when needed. Schwartz was the team's leading scorer with four touchdowns and 28 points, top ground-gainer with 598 yards and a 4.4 yards per carry average, caught four passes for 26 yards and returned 17 kicks for an average of 15.9 yards. Schwartz was also a defensive back and named to All-Buckeye Conference first unit on defense.

Werling on defense played an inside rotator position, the equivalent of safety. During the course of the season he intercepted seven opponent's passes. Thiessen, a defensive end, came on strong as the season progressed. He had particularly strong games against Sandusky and Elyria.

Cheek had 110 points, nipping teammate Chuck Boskovich by one point, for the cross country most valuable award. Cheek this year established an 11:04 Hodger-Young-Thornwood Golf Links course record. He lowered the old mark by 15 seconds.

Coach Ron Brant introduced the 12 runners who gave Ross an 8-2 dual meet record, second in district and fifth in the Buckeye Conference. They were seniors Cheek, Boskovich, Melvin Hoffman, Tim Grayson, Thomas Thompson and Roger Melson; juniors Robert Ballenger, Thomas Hoffman and Randall Karg; sophomores Cy Connors, Paul Kerns and James Bauer.

Football coaches indicated that 36 letters will be awarded

for this year's football season. Of this number 16 will go to seniors, 13 to juniors and seven for sophomores. In announcing the letter winners head football Coach Charles Shuff explained, "A letter is given for merit, for a job done. It is given basically on discretion of a coach. . . . If we gave letters to everyone, there would be no value to that letter. They have to be earned."

Senior letter winners introduced were: Dennis Billman, Theodore Brunner, Bryan Cooley, Michael Dowell, Doug Ebert, Gary Fitzgerald, Philip Garry, Ken Knipp, David Lopez, David Rhodes, Mark Schulz, Jon Schwartz, Mark Weiser, James Wilson, Carl Wolf and Chuck Ziemke. Junior lettermen are: Leonard Ferguson, Michael Gerber, Bruce Gulde, Daniel Hill, Tom Krelick, Edward Palmer, Larry Sheffield, Bill Thiessen, Steven Tooman, Jim Werling, Mike Wetzel, Robin Young and Russ Zimmerman. Sophomore lettermen are Randy Arnold, Gary Butdorf, Charles Miller, Tom Nighswander, Robert Pettiford, Michael Tooman and Randy Williams.

Junior High Sets Schedule

Forty-seven athletic events and at least one tournament are scheduled for Fremont junior high school participation during the winter sports season. The schedule of basketball, wrestling and swimming teams was released this week by Al Zienke, junior high school athletic director. The local junior high school will conclude the winter season as hosts to the Freshman Invitational basketball tournament, February 20, 25, 27.

Coaching the junior high school athletic teams are: Dave Fleming and Mark Froning, freshman basketball; Henry Miesle and Buz Paeth, eighth grade basketball; Asa Sabers and Jim Robison, seventh grade basketball; Robert Ford, junior high school wrestling; Gary Shelt, junior high swimming.

Schedules for the various teams are:

Freshman Basketball



FOOTBALL TROPHY WINNERS—Coach Charles Shuff, second from left, is surrounded by three of the four football trophy winners at Tuesday's Ross high school fall sports banquet. The award winners are Jon Schwartz, best offensive back, left; Bill Thiessen, best

defensive lineman, and Jim Werling, best defensive back. Honorary Captain and most valuable offensive lineman trophies winner Doug Ebert was ill and not present. (News-Messenger Photo)

Ross Season Wrapup

Passing Attack Is Lacking

The woes that ended in one win and nine losses for the Fremont Ross Little Giants are very evident when you look at season statistics. The opposition's offense ran away from the Giants but really until the final two games the defense was not the major problem. As injury depleted the Ross team, they did do a defensive fold in allowing 114 points in the last two games.

The lack of an offense, particularly a passing game, was the major downfall. Only the running of Jon Schwartz, which was erased from the attack by injury the past two and a one-half games, rolled to major yardage. Schwartz, running from the tailback slot in the Power-I offense, gained 598 yards in 137

carries, 4.4 per carry. Second leading groundgainer in total yardage was Robin Young, fullback much of the season with 322 yards. Tied in rushing average with Schwartz was Bob Pettiford, sophomore who filled in at tailback the final two games. Pettiford averaged 4.4 with 107 yards.

Statistics show the offense faltered for the lack of a passing attack. The Little Giants completed only 24 of 85 passes for 243 yards. Ross managed only 10 first downs in 10 games by the aerial route.

If there was an encouraging thing about the season, it was the number of younger players who got to play. Of the 22 starting positions on offense and defense in the final game against

Admiral King only six were manned by seniors. Of 36 lettermen on the team 20 are underclassmen.

It was a year in which injury wiped from the starting lineup at various times tackle Dave Rhodes, guard Ted Brunner, center Doug Ebert, tailback Jon Schwartz, quarterback Chuck Ziemke, tackle Bryan Cooley, middle guard Dan Hill, fullback Larry Sheffield and defensive back Jim Werling. Rhodes, Ebert, Schwartz, Ziemke and Cooley, all seniors, were on the sidelines for the final game.

Ross' only win was a non-conference victory over Toledo Bowsher, 14-6. In pre-league warmups the Little Giants lost to Toledo Rogers, 14-6, and Cleveland West, 14-12. Ross was

winless in seven Buckeye Conference games, losing to Mansfield, 29-14; Marion, 12-6; Lorain 35-7; Findlay, 8-6; Sandusky, 13-3; Elyria, 72-0; and Admiral King, 42-0.

TEAM STATISTICS		
	Ross	Opp.
POINTS SCORED	60	251
FIRST DOWNS	180	160
Rushing	79	128
Passing	10	31
Penalty	11	1
PASSES ATTEMPTED	85	106
Completed	24	44
Red Intercepted	10	9
NET YARDS GAINED	1,662	1,960 1/2
Rushing	1,419	2,409 1/2
Passing	243	560
PENALTIES	23	41
Yards Penalized	198	414
FUMBLES	29	24
Ball Lost	10	7
KICK RETURNS	34	46
Yards Returned	801	572
Average	14.9	14.3
PUNTS	29	25
Yards Kicked	1,279	838
Average	32.8	33.5



Schwartz Tops Ross Statistics

Jon Schwartz, All-Buckeye Conference first team choice, was the statistical leader for Fremont Ross Little Giants this past season. Final statistics show the 160-pound senior led the team in total yards, yards per carry, touchdowns, points, was second among pass receivers and third in kick return average yardage.

Schwartz averaged 4.4 in carrying the ball 598 yards in 137 carries. His per carry average matched the 4.4 figure of Sophomore Bob Pettiford, who was his replacement after a Schwartz knee injury in the seventh game.

Schwartz led all scorers with 28 points and four touchdowns.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING:

Runner	Car.	Yds.	Ave.	TD
Jon Schwartz	137	598	4.4	4
Bob Pettiford	24	107	4.4	0
Robin Young	76	322	4.2	1
Bill Burkett	2	7	3.5	0
Barry Askins	2	6	3.0	0
Larry Sheffield	33	95	2.9	0
Jim Werling	16	47	2.9	0
Mark Weiser	12	35	2.9	0
Ken Knipp	5	12	2.4	0
Mike Ruland	12	28	2.3	0
Len Ferguson	15	32	2.1	1
Chuck Ziemke	44	76	1.7	3
Randy Arndt	17	26	1.5	0
Mike McGuire	2	3	1.5	0
Randy Williams	22	11	.5	0
John Fahrbach	1	-2	-2.0	0

PASSING:

Passer	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.	TD
C. Ziemke	48	15	6	152	1
Len Ferguson	19	6	3	52	0
R. Williams	17	3	0	39	0
J. Fahrbach	1	0	0	0	0

PASS RECEIVING:

Receiver	No.	Yds.	TD
John Fahrbach	4	41	0
Jon Schwartz	4	26	0
Mark Weiser	3	55	0
Rusty Zimmerman	3	51	1
Ken Knipp	3	16	0
Jim Werling	2	36	0
Larry Sheffield	2	3	0
Steve Tooman	1	3	0

KICK RETURNS:

Runner	No.	Yds.	Ave.
Bob Pettiford	14	275	19.6
Robin Young	3	51	17.0
Jon Schwartz	17	271	15.9
Bill Thiessen	2	25	12.5
Larry Sheffield	2	25	12.5
John Fahrbach	1	12	12.0
Len Ferguson	6	70	11.7
Mike Dowell	1	11	11.0
Chuck Ziemke	2	19	9.5
Rusty Zimmerman	1	5	5.0
Jim Werling	1	-2	2.0

SCORING:

Player	TD	EP	FG	Pts.
Jon Schwartz	4	4	0	28
Chuck Ziemke	3	0	0	18
Rusty Zimmerman	1	0	0	6
Robin Young	1	0	0	6
Len Ferguson	1	0	0	6
Phil Garry	0	1	1	4

