

Ligon Suffers First Loss As Rocky Mount Wins, 16-6

St. Aug. Wins, 18-8

Broncos Bow To Falcons At Raleigh

The Falcons of Raleigh's St. Augustine's College defeated Fayetteville State Teachers College, 18-8 here Saturday afternoon at Chavis Park after brushing aside an early 6-0 Fayetteville lead. A sparse crowd of about 300 witnessed the game.

Marion Brown went over in the first quarter to give the Broncos their early lead, but St. Augustine's came rolling back late in the same quarter on a touchdown run by Rollins to put the contest into a 6-6 deadlock that the home club broke with single scores in the third and fourth periods.

Lester Speare for the second touchdown for St. Augustine's and the last touchdown was made by Don Thompson. Fayetteville's Broncos squeezed in a safety between the last two scores by St. Augustine's. Neither team mounted an explosive offense, but the Falcons lead in all statistical departments, except passing. St. Augustine's had eight first downs to Fayetteville's five and 140 yards rushing to the Broncos' 94. But while St. Augustine's could not hit on any of its six passes, the Broncos connected on five out of 17 attempts.

BEATING THE GUN

BY BILL BROWER
This might come under the heading of obvious advice, but in heavyweights who hope for a shot at Floyd Patterson's title should stay out of Europe. In one month, Eddie Machen and Zora Folley have lost bouts to European adversaries in their own ballistics. Last week, Zolley was the victim of Henry Cooper in London. Four weeks earlier, Machen was upset - and we do mean upset - by Sweden's Ingemar Johansson in Gothenburg.

This was not only a blow to the fistful pre-fig. of the Americans, it gave Cus D'Amato a big boost in the ego, as well as in his chicanery. Machen and Folley, who fought each other to a draw, were recognized on this side of the Atlantic as the foremost, if not the most formidable contenders for legitimate heavyweight championship fights with Patterson.

That D'Amato has been evasive about giving them the opportunity is another obvious observation. He has belittled both fighters. But that's nothing new for D'Amato - he belittles all heavyweights except those he handpicks for Floyd to mop over.

Cus, of course, was in high glee when the returns were in on the 10-round bout between Cooper and Folley. There was some question about that decision, but none in the case of Machen. Johansson simply bonned him to the canvas. "I guess this proves I knew the value of these fighters better than anybody," D'Amato said. "He (Cooper) must have outgamed Folley. Cooper isn't much, but he'll stay on top of you. When Machen and Folley fought to a draw, I told everybody they were nothing."

D'Amato can have his vindication, but that doesn't help the fight game. But, as we said, D'Amato has none other, for Patterson son to fight anyone - unless the manager can pull the strings. Right after Folley was beaten, D'Amato turned down a proposed bout between Patterson and Nino Valdes, another frustrated challenger.

D'Amato apparently wants Johansson, none other, for Patterson. Why? We aren't sure, but perhaps the Swede's performance in the 1952 Olympics might be a clue. Johansson was called on to face the late Ed Sanders for the heavyweight title. There was nothing brave about Ingemar's actions on that occasion.

He backpedaled, ran, ducked and covered until the referee called the whole thing off. Johansson was disqualified in the Helsinki bout. His cowardice was so disgusting that he was denied the runner-up's silver medal in Stockholm, a newspaper headlined: "Ingemar, For Shame!"

"He's no fool," said one onlooker. Johansson was no fool. He returned to Sweden and turned pro that same year. He hasn't lost a fight since. In his fourth pro fight he won the Scandinavian heavyweight championship. In his fifteenth, he was acclaimed European champ.

These are Johansson credentials - those and a lucky punch that knocked out Machen. The International Boxing Club is trying to rematch Machen and his Swedish conqueror for a Chicago fight. We believe that if this bout comes to pass, we can get a better line on Johansson's genuine ring qualifications.



IKE GATLING RETURNS — Ike "The Whip" Gatling, 165 pound tripple-threat quarterback for the North Carolina College Eagles of Durham, returned to action last week after being out for two weeks as a result of a broken jawbone. Gatling was injured in the Eagles' fourth game of the season against Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh. He is from Newport News, Virginia.



COACH PETE WILLIAMS

Ligon High's Football At Three-Quarter Mark

BY ALTON LEE THORPE, JR.

Coach Pete Williams and his Ligon High Little Blues were handed their first football defeat of the season by Booker T. Washington High of Rocky Mount Friday night, 16-6.

Rocky Mount's upset left Ligon's record seven wins and one loss - at the three-quarter stage of the 1958 campaign. The Ligon victories fall in this order:

Sept. 5 their first victory over E. E. Smith High School of Fayetteville, 29-0.

Napoleon Johnson passed for two touchdowns, scored one and contributed to each of the four extra points Ligon scored in the E. E. Smith game. Johnson passed to William Hartsfield for Ligon's first touchdown in the second period. In the third quarter, Johnson passed 27 yards to Fletcher Snipes and followed with a 43-yard dash to Smith's three. He plunged over from there.

Sept. 26, Atkin High School of Kingston fell victim to the Little Blues by a 14-8 margin. With the score tied at 8-8, Johnson passed 32 yards to Fletcher Snipes for the winning score. That was in the final two minutes of the contest.

Oct. 3, Williston High School of Wilmington. Raymond Henderson blocked a kick on Williston's 17-yard-line after a first down. Johnson went over from the seven-yard line and William Tate added the extra point.

Oct. 10, in a game with Epps High of Greenville Ligon scored in every period for a 36-12 victory. The Little Blues wasted little time, scoring on the second play from scrimmage.

William Crockett dashed 51 yards to put Ligon in scoring position. On the second play he carried across from the six. He also ran the extra point attempt.

Ligon scored again in the second period when Nathaniel Rochelle went over from the two to cap a 47-yard drive. Johnson went over from the six in the third period to end a drive of 63 yards, then dashed to the 42-yard line in the third period.

Oct. 17, in the game with New Bern's Barber High, the Little Blues defeated New Bern 6-0 when quarterback Johnson went over from two yards out.

Raymond Henderson, Edward Thorpe, Charlie Watkins, Bobby Gardner, Fletcher Snipes and Bobby Rogers have been among the outstanding linemen this year.

In the backfield William Crockett, Napoleon Johnson, Billy Robertson, James Stewart and William Tate are among the outstanding players.

This Friday, the Little Blues will meet the Hillside Hornets of Durham. Kickoff is at 8 p.m.

First Win In 7 Years:

Eagles Whip Hawks, 26-6 In Big Homecoming Clash

DURHAM — North Carolina College's Eagles continued on their winning ways as they won their fifth straight grid victory in trouncing the Maryland State College Hawks by a score of 26-6 last Saturday at O'Kelly Field.

The victory over the Hawks marked the first time in 7 years that the Eagles have ever beaten the gridgers from the Eastern shore.

Ike "The Whip" Gatling, back in the Eagles' lineup after a two week absence recuperating from a broken jawbone, threw two touchdown passes to propel the Eagles in their victory over the Hawks.

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4,000 Homecoming Fans See Little Blues Lose Tilt

BY STAFF WRITER

A homecoming crowd of 4,000 fans saw the Little Blues of J. W. Ligon High School here lose their first football game of the season after seven straight victories. The grid team of Booker T. Washington High School, Rocky Mount upset the local by a score of 16-6 at Chavis Park last Friday night. The Rocky Mount squad has won six straight games.

A fourth down gamble that failed and a fumble by Ligon gave Washington High two chances it needed. Fullback Joseph Boyd and halfback Willie Lee Mercer powered the drive for two touchdowns.

The Little Blues, trailing 5-0 at halftime, got six points in the fourth quarter on a 27-yard run by Napoleon Johnson, ace halfback.

A fumble recovery by Rocky Mount on Ligon's 35-yard-line paved the way for the clinching touchdown, which was scored by Mercer.

Running out a single, Ligon threatened first on a 76-yard march in the opening period. Fullback Johnson and fullback William (Doodlum) Tate, alternated on off-tackle smashes that moved the ball to the 3-yard-line of Rocky Mount. Three downs later, however, Johnson was trapped on an end run and thrown for a loss of 15 yards. Fading back to pass in the fourth down, he was hit again behind the line of scrimmage. He lost nine yards this time.

During the second period, the Blues had a fourth and ten situation at their 46-yard-line. Johnson attempted to sweep right end from a punt formation, but was tackled for the loss of one yard. At this point, Booker T. Mervenc for a touchdown.

Boyd's 23-yard run to the Ligon 15-yard-line was the key play. He then carried four straight times for a first down at the 2-yard-line. Richard Hicks, quarterback, took the ball over on a third-down sneak from a foot out. Hicks also passed to Jonathan Hunter for two more points.

The Little Blues started another march in the third quarter, starting from their own 21-yard-line. Single-wing power plays ricked up three straight first downs and then Johnson swept left end for 18 yards to the 22-yard-line of Washington High.

Tate, a fullback, got 12 yards in two thrusts, but a fumble on the first play of the fourth period gave Rocky Mount the ball on its 5-yard-line.

However, Ligon retrieved the ball four plays later on a punt to the Washington High 33-yard-line. On the third play, Johnson broke through right tackle, swung to his left and went over for the only Little Blues touchdown.

Tate was halted after a yard gain as the Blues went for a tie on the extra point.

Shortly thereafter Booker T. recovered a fumble at Ligon's 35 and marched for the touchdown that clinched the game.

Broncos Ready For Homecoming Contest; Meet Va. State Sat.

FAYETTEVILLE — Fayetteville State Teachers College's Broncos are making a separate effort to redeem themselves, November 8, when they meet Virginia State for the Homecoming Game at the J. W. High School Bowl, game will be called at 2:30.

The "Broncos" will depend largely on co-captain James Brayboy, 6-ft. 190-pounds, a soft-spoken and dedicated local boy, graduate of E. E. Smith High and quarterback of the team, and on Charles Johnson, 6-ft-2inches, 205 pounds, tackle from Williamston. Johnson is said to be a natural ball player and he is "Mister Big" in the Bronco line. He is a fast and vicious tackler.

The Broncos have been in the loser bracket since entering the CIAA fold, but Coach Bryant is not discouraged. According to him, 1958 is considered a year of building with expectation of improving the ranking of the team in CIAA.

"This year's spread of 35 men include only one senior," Coach Bryant said. "Next year's team should possess experience, weight and savvy. We are singing the Old Dodger song 'Wait Until Next Year.'"

The probable starting lineup will be as follows: L.E. Thompson; LT.

Johnson; LG, Morehead; C, Williams; RT, Rodgers; RT, Talbert and RE, Arrington.

Stephens-Lee In 12-8 Win Over Dudley

ASHEVILLE—Playing before a homecoming crowd of 4,000, Charles Pickens, 204-pound fullback, bulled his way through the center of the Dudley High school line for two yards and the deciding touchdown with less than 3 minutes to play to give the Stephens-Lee Bears a well earned 12 to victory. As screen pass from Thompson to Ferguson covered 40 yards making it possible for the Bears to obtain the winning score.

Stephens-Lee grabbed a 6-0 lead when James Tobe circled left end on a beautiful executed reverse that carried 33 yards to the 5 yard line where Pickens plunged off tackle to score.

Dudley of Greensboro, drove to the 3-yard-line early in the fourth period where the Bears' line held for downs. Earl Thompson fumbled in the end-zone and Dudley recovered to score. James Brock plunged over to make the score 8 to 6.

The defensive play of Harlow Fullwood, George Lyle, and Charles Pickens stood out for the Bears.

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BASKETBALL FAN — Former Brooklyn Dodger catcher Roy Campanella smiles from his seat on the sidelines at the Harlem Globetrotters-Philadelphia Sphas exhibition game at Madison Square Garden recently. Although he still wears a neck brace, Campy seems to be making progress in his recovery from an auto accident. (UPI PHOTO.)

Undefeated Shaw Downs J. C. Smith

CHARLOTTE — The unbeaten Bears of Shaw University, Raleigh scored a 12-0 win over previously undefeated Johnson C. Smith's Golden Bulls Saturday for their fifth straight triumph.

Scoring on a 56-yard play in the second period was Glen Knight. He took a 20-yard pass from Frank Baker and ran 36 more yards for the touchdown. Eugene Hammonds went 15 yards off tackle for a third period score. Otis Clark's interception of a pass at the Smith 20-yard-line, set up the score.

The Bears, who have defeated such teams this year as the Falcons of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh; Elizabeth City Teachers College, Elizabeth City; Virginia State College, Petersburg, will travel to Washington this Saturday to tangle with North Carolina College's Eagles in the annual Capital Classics.

Shaw only has one home game left. The homecoming game will be played at 4 p. m. at Chavis Park on November 22. The opposing team is Maryland State College's Hawks.

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