

[SPORTS] In Our Opinion

By CLINT FULLER

The meeting between the Bulldogs and the Rams Friday night at Franklinton will mark the thirteenth time the two squads have tangled. Louisburg holds a big edge, having won all but one of the twelve games. Louisburg began football in 1957, a year ahead of Franklinton and the two squads met twice in the Rams' first season in 1958.

Randy Seidel, Louisburg's classy running back was picked as Back of the Week by The Raleigh Times Tuesday. The transfer student (from Rocky Mount, Va.) was chosen earlier this week for a similar honor by The Durham Morning Herald. The Herald selects the outstanding back and linesman in their own conference. The Times picks from all classifications. Seidel joins Johnny Johnson, Angier quarterback, Ronnie Earp, Clayton signal caller and Osmer Evans, Ligon fullback as the four best backs last week.

Incidentally, Seidel injured his leg at the start of the second half of the Norlina game and was still giving to the injury in Tuesday night's practice.

Louisburg, unranked in preseason ratings, was listed in 13th place after its 40-0 win over Elm City last week, has climbed to the number 9 spot today following its 50-0 romp over Norlina. Weldon is number one. The Tornadoes lost their opener to Franklin, Va. 23-20, but downed Warrenton, 20-6 last week. Ayden, Manteo and Knapp (nos. 4, 5 and 6) have lost one and won one. Warrenton hasn't won a game and is rated 13th.

Coach Tommy Twitty invited Booster President Walter McDonald, former Bulldog coach Ivie Bolton and this writer to view game films of the Norlina contest. Twitty uses the films, taken each week by Bob Versteeg—who does an outstanding job of it—to point out mistakes to his players. He also points out the good plays and some of the youngsters take some good-natured kidding from their teammates for some of their boo-boo's. It's a good program and is a great help to Twitty's training program.

The Elm City Vikings must be on the verge of believing that they are snake-bitten this year. In their opener, Louisburg snowed them under, 40-0 on a muddy and miserable playing field. Last week, the already poorly lighted facility gave up completely. A faulty transformer played out and repairmen couldn't get the lights working in time for Friday's scheduled contest with the Saratoga Central Rebels. The game was postponed until November 14. By mid-November, the Vikings could find the weather a bit messy for football.

Although most of us pay little attention to forecasts of game results, it is a pretty big thing in many quarters. One "noted" football forecaster lists the following for this weekend: (See how close he comes) Auburn 21, Wake Forest 6; Clemson 14, Virginia 13; Davidson 21, Guilford 14; North Carolina State U. 24, Carolina 14; and South Carolina 21, Duke 20. These aren't our predictions. We thought State would beat Wake Forest—just to show how far off things we are.

Whatever Homecoming surprises Coach Jimmy O'Neal and the Franklinton Rams are planning for Louisburg have been kept a deep dark secret. Franklinton isn't even reporting their games—not even the ones they win. But, then, Louisburg hasn't made any public announcements as to the plans they might have for the Rams Friday night. It should be a real good contest. The Rams are stronger than in past years and the Bulldogs are off to their best start in years.

Bulldogs, Rams Clash At Franklinton Friday Night

Two old rivals come to grips Friday night as the Franklinton Rams play host to the Bulldogs of Louisburg. The stakes are high. The Rams need a conference win after having suffered a league loss to Oxford earlier this season. The Bulldogs, sporting a 90-point, two-game offense, will meet their first conference challenge. Both will be reaching for the mythical Franklin County crown.

Word from both camps has been as scarce as the elusive hen's tooth, but it is a foregone conclusion that both squads are getting ready.

Louisburg has dominated the 12-game, 11-year series, winning 11 and losing only in 1964. The Bulldogs defeated the Raiders, as they were called then, in the first football game ever at Franklinton. The game, played on a Friday afternoon—before lights were

installed—saw the Bulldogs take the 33-0 win in the first meeting in 1958. Later in the same season, Louisburg won here at Fox Park, 34-18.

In the Rams' lone win, it was Jimmy Caudle who scored the only touchdown in 1964 after the Bulldog defense held the Rams on the one-foot line as the first half ended. Louisburg's Boyd Matthews blocked the Franklinton point-after kick.

No statistics were kept for the first meeting of the squads in the 1958 but Louisburg's Richard Marshall, B. T. Rowe, Bill Patterson and Frank Freeman were listed as Louisburg standouts in the game and Larry Senter and Bill Ragland starred for Franklinton.

The second game, played at Fox Park here saw Richard Marshall run for three Louisburg TD's, the longest being 34 yards. B. T. Rowe scored on a 37-yard romp and Bill

Patterson ran 33 yards for the Bulldogs.

Mike McDonald grabbed a Louisburg fumble and raced 70 yards for a Franklinton TD and James Moss scored on a one-yard dive and on a 26-yard run. The Bulldogs gained 787 yards rushing, Franklinton rushed for 160. Louisburg committed five fumbles, the Raiders fumbled four times.

In the second game, Charlie Ford replaced Frank Freeman at quarterback for Louisburg. Freeman chipped a bone in his ankle in practice that week.

In the intervening years, the two squads have met in some real interesting contests. For the most part, Louisburg dominated the scoring and took the wins, but more often than not, the score did not tell the full story. Franklinton usually plays its best game against the Bulldogs.

This year is not expected to be an exception.

It'll be Homecoming for the Rams and their fans Friday night and this will likely add fire to the home team.

Louisburg is aware of importance of the game and all this

combined should mean another treat for Franklin County fans. Game time is 8 P.M.



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RAM-BULLDOG RECORD

Year	L	F
1958	33	0
1958	34	18
1959	20	6
1960	28	18
1961	27	0
1962	28	0
1963	34	0
1964	0	6
1965	18	6
1966	25	6
1967	26	7
1968	26	6

MEET THE BULLDOGS



JOHNNY PERNEL
End



JERRY RIGGAN
End

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

1958

Bill Patterson's 33 yard touchdown run.
B. T. Rowe's 36 yard TD scamper.
Richard Marshall's 34 yard romp for the TD.
James Moss scoring twice for Franklinton.
Mike McDonald's 70-yard fumble return for the TD.
J. H. Mendenhall's recovery of two fumbles for Franklinton.

1959

Bill Patterson's 69-yard TD run for Louisburg.
Charlie Ford's 72-yard punt return for a Bulldog TD.
Tommy Wilson's 33-yard run for another Bulldog score.

1962

Bob Hobgood's 82-yard TD run for Louisburg.
Frankie Redmond's 30-yard TD race.

1964

Jimmy Caudle's winning TD for Franklinton.
Boyd Matthews' blocking PAT kick for Louisburg.

Sunday Race Slated

Jet Motor Speedway will present its Late Summer Championship Race Sunday with 100 laps in the Late Model Sportsman Division with time trials to determine the driver's position. Gates open at 1 P.M., time trials at 2:30 P.M., with the race getting underway at 3 P.M.

Bowling Standing

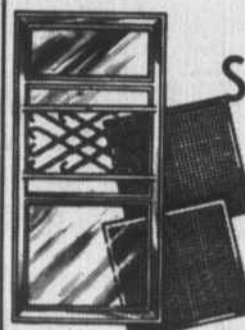
(FRK. B.W.) The standings for the eight teams of the Franklinton Bowling League are as follows:

Team	Wins	Losses
1. Alley Cats	11	1
2. Police Dept.	9½	2½
3. Fire Dept.	7	5
4. Tom Cats	6	6
5. Sterling C Mill	5	7
6. Pin Busters	4	8
7. Rescue Squad	3½	8½
8. Chargers	2	10

High Team - 3 games: 1st Police Dept. 2365, 2nd Police Dept. 2341, 3rd Fire Dept. 2264.
High Individual - 3 games: 1st Andy Hobson 556, 2nd Johnnie James 553, 3rd Leo Edwards 534.
High Team a Game: 1st Police Dept. 876, 2nd Police Dept. 846, 3rd Police Dept. 820.
High Individual a game: 1st Andy Hobson 225, 2nd Leo Edwards 220, 3rd Andy Hobson 217.

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