

WTHS, Bears Clash In Thanksgiving Day Classic

Unbeaten Canton Slight Favorite To Win Finale

Waynesville's Mountaineers and Canton's Black Bears will clash in their 43rd football meeting Thanksgiving Day at Canton.

And the situation will be the reverse of what it was a year ago that day.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1949, the Mountaineers entered the game with a record unstained by a loss.

The only smirch was a 6-6 tie with Sylva that had opened the season.

Among the eight other opponents that the Mountaineers had overpowered was Canton, by only a 6-0 score.

The Mountaineers had a Paper Bowl bid all wrapped up, and the fans were afraid that the Bears would spoil the record.

But the Mountaineers ruined a 7-0 Canton lead and won the game by a comfortable three touchdowns.

Next Thursday's situation will be about the same in reverse.

Canton has won ten straight, hasn't lost any.

One of the Bear victories was the 6-0 verdict they collected in the first game with Waynesville the night of October 6.

Waynesville has lost two games, and won seven.

The other loss on the record, besides the one to Canton, was by an even narrower margin.

Lenoir was responsible for that, but only by 14-13.

The Mountaineers, incidentally, claim the distinction of being the only team Canton has met so far to hold the Bears to less than a four-touchdown winning margin.

Both teams have been hit by injuries since their last meeting, and may not be up to full strength on Thanksgiving Day.

Canton sustained the worst blow, losing starting Wingback Jimmy Abbott with a fractured leg in the Marion game about two weeks ago.

The Mountaineers have been hit by less serious but at the same time crippling injuries in the line. However, the main performers are expected to be ready to go.

These include Joe Hipps, fiery 160-pound Mountaineer guard; centers Jerry Evans and Tommy Boyd, and End Wade Francis.

Among the regular starters, Hipps and Francis missed the Marion game entirely, and Boyd saw very little action.

However, both teams have improved at least 50 per cent since their last meeting.

The Mountaineer offensive, inept in the first Canton game, underwent revision.

The results have proven satisfying in the last five games, though the offensive did look spotty in the Marion game last Friday night.

Greatest single improvement in the Waynesville operations was in the blocking, both in the line and the backfield.

Coach Carleton Weatherly has been drilling his boys heavily on this fundamental ever since that sad October weekend.

This also has aided in giving the attack much more diversity that early season performances showed.

The power-driving J. C. DeWeese was the big gun—and, some said, the only gun—in the Waynesville offensive in the Mountaineers' first few games.

However, a few changes here and there have greatly improved the efficiency of the other running backs, though DeWeese is still a heavy gainer.

Last weekend, for instance, Perk Fugate, the starting quarterback, was the Mountaineers' greatest ground gainer. Carroll Swanger and James Moss also figured heavily in the running attack.

The power department at the same time doubled its punch.

This has come about through the development of Sophomore Gerald Ross into a first-rate line smasher and blocker.

The 195-pound sophomore has Waynesville's longest touchdown run of the season to his credit. His 73-yard return of an Asheville School kickoff was accomplished through sheer power and speed.

The improvement in the running of the Waynesville wingbacks, coupled with the improvement in blocking has compensated to a great extent for the lack of speed in the backfield.

Canton's Bears still rate the edge in speed, even with the loss of Abbott.

The Canton passing attack also has grown more dangerous, and whether the Waynesville pass defense has kept pace with it remains to be seen.

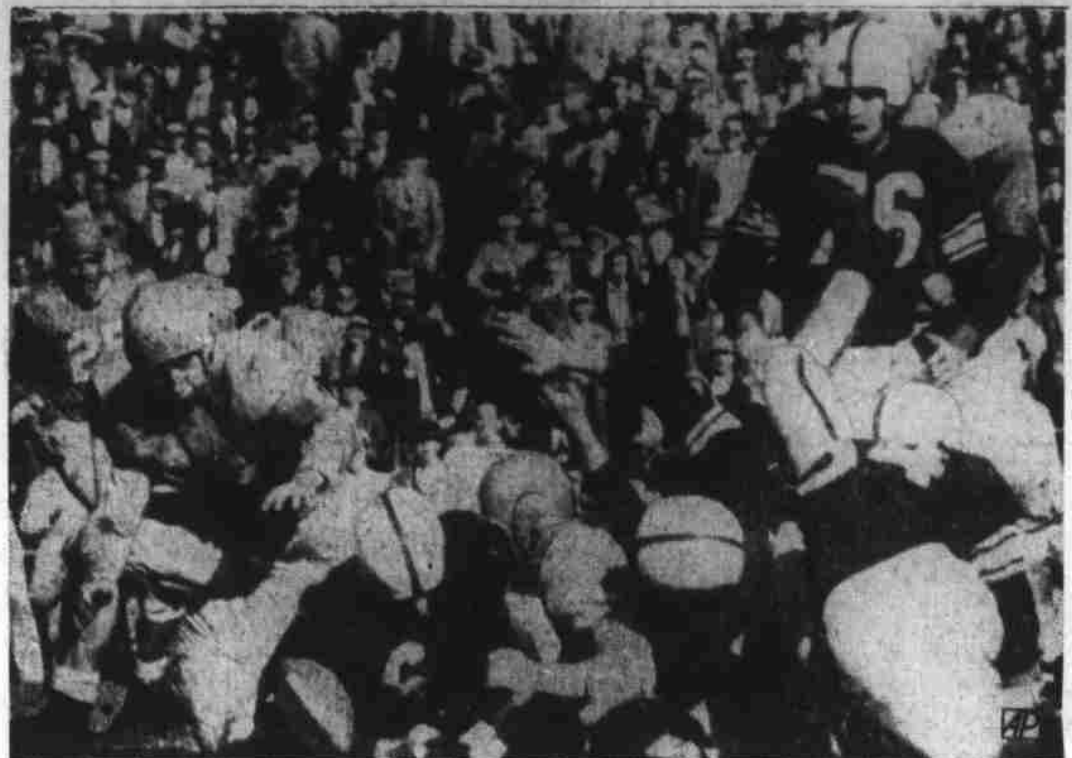
Considering past performances, a Canton victory would come through the air, as it did in the first game, and a Waynesville victory on the ground.

So far, the Waynesville line has given up only three touchdowns in nine games.

The winning tallies scored by Lenoir, a recognized ground power, and Canton came on passes. Asheville School scored the other on a long dash.

The Mountaineer line also has given up an average of about 78

Fumble Action In Battle Of Carolinas



North Carolina back Dick Bunting, fumbles after being tackled following his interception of a South Carolina pass in game at Columbia Saturday. The ball was recovered by his teammate, Chalmers Port (34) and set up the decisive touchdown for the Tar Heels. North Carolina won, 14-7. (AP Photo).

1950 Records

| WAYNESVILLE | |
|-------------|---------------------|
| WTHS | Opp. |
| 42 | Sylva—0 |
| 13 | Lenoir—14 |
| 14 | Elizabethton—0 |
| 0 | Canton—6 |
| 26 | Hendersonville—6 |
| 20 | Christ School—7 |
| 41 | Brevard—0 |
| 40 | Asheville School—21 |
| 28 | Marion—0 |
| CANTON | |
| C | Opp. |
| 27 | Rutherfordton—6 |
| 34 | Sand Hill—0 |
| 6 | Waynesville—0 |
| 26 | Asheville School—6 |
| 20 | Morganton—7 |
| 45 | Hendersonville—19 |
| 34 | Christ School—7 |
| 39 | Marion—0 |
| 38 | Brevard—7 |

College, Pro Gridders Are Blocking, Tackling Again

By JIM BECKER

NEW YORK (AP)—Blocking and tackling are back. And football fans are glad to see them.

After four seasons when too many coaches, college and pro, seemed to concentrate on brush blocking, trickery and forward passing, the gridgers this season seem to be returning to the days when blockers knocked a man flat, and tacklers came in low and hard.

Some of the early season college games have been savagely played, North Carolina, for example, showed Notre Dame one of the hardest hitting teams the Irish have seen for a long time. And Coach Frank Leahy's Irish banged right back. The blocking was of the old smashing school type and the tackling on both sides was deadly. It was a pleasure to watch.

The renewed accent on fundamentals may stem from the success of many coaches who continued to stress these aspects even when they were considered "old fashioned" by some.

In the Pacific Coast Conference, the slamming single wing style of attack instituted by Harold (Red) Sanders at UCLA opened the eyes of many who had forgotten all about the hard-hitting ground game.

Even the pros are getting the point. In a field where blocking and tackling had reached proportions of near-perfection before the war, these same fundamentals were being sadly neglected of late as the accent was on the aerial game. Teams actually were throwing more passes than they were using running plays.

Those real rock-'em tackles of old were no more. It seemed to be the idea to bump the ball-carrier out of bounds with a shoulder or try to tear his head off.

The tip-off on the current pay campaign came when the New York Giants pulled their almost unbelievable upset of the mighty Cleveland Browns. The Browns, top team in football for five years, have been relying more and more each season on the passing of Otto Graham. As a

Nebraska's Ace



Bob Reynolds, Nebraska's red-hot halfback, is a leading candidate for All-America. He turned in a run of at least 40 yards or better in his first five games, scored all his team's points in four of them. In a game he called his "worst" his running gained 156 yards against Kansas—though the Kansas boys were tackling him on every play—whether he had the ball or not.

MORE ABOUT C of C

(Continued from Page 1) Tuesday night's meeting. During the session also the organization decided that the Chamber of Commerce office would be closed from December 16 through January 15.

Correspondence, of course, will be handled during that period.

The nominating committee will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Mr. Kilpatrick's Main Street office to draw up ballots.

The ballots will be sent to Chamber members, who will vote on the candidates by mail.

The votes are to be returned in time to be tabulated for the determination of officers prior to the next regular meeting December 18.

On that date, the new and old directors will meet.

MORE ABOUT Teachers

(Continued from Page 1) holding graduate certificates and having 12 years' experience.

The size of the individual checks will vary from that top to the minimum.

But principals of the "big" elementary schools won't get these extra checks, even if they have been teaching.

These include the principals at Waynesville, Hazelwood Elementary, Bethel, Fines Creek and Clyde.

result, their running game has suffered. The Giants, with Steve Owen teaching old-time football, threw a team at the Browns that wanted to hit and hit hard, and they shut-out the monsters from Cleveland.

If this trend continues, football games will look less like basketball games in the future.

Catamount Wrestlers



Left to right: Phil Walker, Bill Ervin, Davis Whitesides, Joe Hester, Don Loggins, Jimmy Whitman, Brud Jarrett, Charles Womack, Bob Halliburton, Bob Hornaday, David Raynor, and Charlie Bagwell. Not shown in picture: Boz Burleson, Jack Nolan, and Clyde Bumgarner.

Here's How It Is Done



Coach Don Thames shows Bobby Halliburton the way it's done while wrestling team looks on.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

By FRANK ECK
AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor

PREDICTIONS FOR GAMES ON THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV. 23
ARKANSAS to take TULSA (Figures close)
COLUMBIA over BROWN (Lions have slight edge)
MISSOURI to halt KANSAS (Could go either way)
UTAH to trounce UTAH STATE (Utes lead series, 32-12)
VMI to edge VPI (Keydets in close battle)
WASHINGTON & LEE to rout RICHMOND (Generals stronger)
WYOMING to crush DENVER (It was 25-6 last year)

(PREDICTIONS FOR GAMES OF SATURDAY, NOV. 25)
FORDHAM to trample NYU (Rams hold 19-6 series edge)
GEORGETOWN to rout GEO. WASHINGTON (Hoyas lead 14-2)
HOLY CROSS over TEMPLE (Figures either way)
PENN to crush CORNELL (Big Red on downgrade)
PITT to edge PENN STATE (Could go either way)
PRINCETON to take DARTMOUTH (Tigers have Kazmaier)
RUTGERS over COLGATE (Hopes to even series)
YALE to trim HARVARD (Ellis lead 38-22)

MIDWEST
ILLINOIS over NORTHWESTERN (Illini stouter defense)
INDIANA to take PURDUE (Hoosiers due here)
KANSAS STATE to upset OKLAHOMA AGGIES (Leads series 6-4)
OHIO STATE to nip MICHIGAN (Buckeyes prolific scorers)
OKLAHOMA over NEBRASKA (Figures to be a thriller)
WISCONSIN to edge MINNESOTA (A tight defensive battle)

SOUTH
CLEMSON to rout AUBURN (Tigers by at least 4 TDs)
DUKE over NORTH CAROLINA (Blue Devils in thriller)
FLORIDA to edge ALABAMA (Gators hope for upset)
GEORGIA to rout FURMAN (Bulldogs hold 20-2 edge)
GEORGIA TECH to trim DAVIDSON (Wildcats lost all nine)
KENTUCKY to clip TENNESSEE (A real powerhouse)
NO. CAROLINA STATE over WM. & MARY (Figures very close)
VANDERBILT over TULANE (Edge to Commodores)
WAKE FOREST over SOUTH CAROLINA (On defensive strength)

SOUTHWEST
RICE to nip TCU (Owls in a thriller)
SMU to beat BAYLOR (Bears might make it close)
TEXAS TECH to route NEW MEXICO (Red Raiders lead 12-1)
*WEST VIRGINIA over TEXAS WESTERN (13-13 tie last year)
*Night game.

FAR WEST
CALIFORNIA over STANFORD (Indians had tough season)
COLORADO to beat COLORADO AGGIES (Buffaloes lead, 36-12)
*IOWA STATE to nip ARIZONA (Can go either way)
OREGON to edge OREGON STATE (Webfoots have edge)
UCLA over SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (Has better record)
WASHINGTON to beat WASHINGTON STATE (Huskies lead 25-11)
*Night game.

RECORD: 236 Right, 92 Wrong, 14 Ties. Pct: .719.

MORE ABOUT Neighbors

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the stricken family.

Mrs. Parham today renewed the plea for donations of household articles, clothing, furniture, or anything else that would help the family.

The blaze, which one of the children said was started when the stove pipe fell down and ignited the walls, roared through the neat, four-room frame house so quickly Waynesville firemen found it beyond control when they arrived.

Some of the volunteer firemen and people attracted by the blaze managed to snatch some of the things from the burning house just before it collapsed.

But bedding, clothing, and all but a few pieces of furniture were lost in the flames.

Mr. Prevost said the house was covered by insurance, but Mr. West had no insurance protection personally against the destruction.

The Wests have three boys, nine, ten and eleven years of age, and four girls, four, five, fourteen and sixteen years old.

MORE ABOUT Festival

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The selection of the court of the Festival queen.

During the evening events, Otis Thompson's Gospellers from Buncombe county and Canton, and the Friendly Five of Haywood county.

Another full program is lined up for Saturday, the closing day of the Festival.

At 1:30 p.m., a parade will start from the First Baptist Church of Waynesville.

After that, Jack Lynn, assistant director of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will speak at the Court House.

The selection and coronation of the 1950 Festival-queen will high-

Many Visitors At Champion Plant In Past Fifty Days

Although this is normally an off-season for industrial sight-seeing, Mr. and Mrs. Public appear to be taking an increasingly avid interest in the operation of heavy industry. This has been manifested here by the fact that 420 persons have toured the huge Canton plant of the Champion Paper and Fibre Company within the past 50 days.

A total of fifteen states and the District of Columbia have been represented by these visitors.

One remarkable aspect of the so-called mill tour is the place that it is taking as an educational function. There have been two excellent examples of this in the past week.

A group of 40 chemical engineering students from the Georgia School of Technology spent half a day in the Champion plant, observing the practical application of the technical knowledge they were absorbing in the class room, with the result that their professor commented "This will save me thousands of words in future lectures."

A class of the West Buncombe high school found the Champion plant an advantageous place to watch the actual performance of the principles of economics they were studying.

Next Friday, November 24th, approximately half a hundred newspaper men and women of the

light the closing of the Festival Saturday night at the Waynesville Armory.

1949 Queen Jennie Mae Early of Thickety will reign over the Festival until her successor is chosen.

The night's closing festivities also will feature square dance and string band contests, with some of Western North Carolina's finest combinations competing for the

title.

W.N.C. Press Association will be guests of Champion for a mill tour. In addition to gaining a first-hand knowledge of modern pulp and paper making methods, this group will take a keen interest in obtaining a closer grasp of the relation of industry to agriculture in Western North Carolina, as exemplified by Champion's promotion of the reforestation of waste lands with fast growing Southern pine to produce a money-crop of pulpwood.

Alabama Civic Leader To Speak Here Tonight

The address of Mrs. Dorothy Vredenburg of Birmingham, outstanding Alabama civic leader, will headline tonight's program in the Haywood County Tobacco Harvest Festival.

Mrs. Vredenburg will be introduced by Miss Mary Cornwell, Haywood County home demonstration agent.

Her address will follow the music concert which will open the program at 7 p.m. at the Waynesville Armory.

Prior to her appearance there Mrs. Vredenburg will be received at an informal dinner at the Towne House here at 6 p.m.

Haywood County's women's organizations' leaders will attend.

Mrs. Vredenburg is scheduled to arrive by plane at the Asheville-Hendersonville airport this afternoon.

Invited to the dinner are Miss Edna Summerrow, president of Beta Sigma Phi sorority, Waynesville chapter; Mrs. Harry Lee Linger, Jr., vice-president of Beta Sigma Phi; Mrs. Doyle Alley, president of the Waynesville Business and Professional Women's Club; Mrs. J. R. McCracken, vice-president of the club; Miss Mary Medford, president of the Waynesville chapter, National Secretaries, Association; Mrs. Rufus Siler, president of the Waynesville Garden Club.

Mrs. Charles E. Ray, Jr., of Waynesville, member of the board of trustees, Western Carolina Teachers' College; Mrs. T. L. Gwyn, Waynesville, member of the State Library Board; Miss Margaret Johnston, librarian of the Haywood County Public Library; and Mrs. Gordon Schenck, secretary to the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce.

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Coach Uses Heavy Metal Cleats To A Good Advantage

Coach Elmer Smith of Magnolia A&M College takes metal cleats from a mold in his garage workshop. Smith's players wear the heavy cleats on their shoes in practice. When they switch to regulation cleats for a game, their feet feel lighter, he says.

Wrestling Team Of WCTC Ready To Open Their Season

CULLOWHEE—Special

Catamount wrestlers—a squad of hard work already behind them—are getting smoothly off to the Knoxville "Y" match December 1.

Coach Don Thames has been pleased with the workouts that are being held every night. Some of the freshman boys are coming along exceptionally fast, he says.

We have a rough schedule this year, said Thames, but we have some returning lettermen on the squad to offset the schedule.

Six seasoned veterans strengthen the mat team this year. Last year the team had an 8-2-1 record of wins.

Returning lettermen are Bobby Hornaday, 136 lbs. 140 win-lose.

Bob Halliburton, 145 lbs. 50 win-lose.

Don Loggins, 155 lbs. 34 win-lose.

Don Thames, 155 lbs. 41 win-lose.

Bozo Burleson, 175 lbs. 82 win-lose.

Clyde Bumgarner, Heavy, 65 making a strong bid for the 128 lb. class. He has been looking very good in workouts.

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