

Bulldogs Tie Number One Ranked Ferrum 3-3



Cue's Corner

By ERVIN RHYMER

Saturday night the Bulldogs ranked 10th among the 20 top junior colleges in the nation, won their second straight Western Carolina Junior College Conference football championship.

For the Bulldogs, the road hasn't been easy. Several injuries since the opening game with Carolina Military Academy has sidelined key players but many of the reserves have been doing an outstanding job as a replacement.

Following Saturday's game with the Davidson Frosh the Bulldogs will be meeting Chowan for the second time in Murfreesboro.

To Coach Norman Harris it will also be another top game. A win for Coach Harris will assure Gardner-Webb at least a tie for the Region 10 championship. Last year they were runner-up to Ferrum.

Tom Gillis is the team's top ground gainer. The 145 pound half-back has carried 108 times for 390 yards and an average of 3.6 yards per try.

Bethind Gillis is Larry Harrell. Harrell has rushed 94 times for 315 and a 3.3 per carry average.

G-W Sports Line

Supporters of Gardner-Webb College's sport program can get the inside story on just what is taking place by listening to "Gardner-Webb Sportsline," a five minute program carried by radio stations, WOHS of Shelby and WBBO of Forest City.

The program features Wayne Epley with a complete rundown on sports activities throughout the year. After football, the program will continue to cover basketball, baseball and the spring sports. The show consists of general sports information and also interviews with two members of the team and one of the coaches.

The program is heard at 5:55 on WOHS on Friday afternoons and at 9:45 each Saturday morning on WBBO.

Roy Thompson, who plays both defense and offense, leads the team in scoring with 26 points. He has scored on three pass catches from quarterback Pinckney Guardard, scored on a pass interception, and has two safeties.

Extra point specialist, Ronnie Hendrix, has hit on 13 of 17 extra point tries and two of three field goal attempts for 19 points.

On the ground G-W has rushed for 936 yards and an average of 133.8 yards per game.

Led by the voracious defense which has scored five touchdowns and three safeties, the Bulldogs have been able to hold the opposition of an average of 60 yards per contest on the ground. They have given up five touchdowns, one safety and one fieldgoal for a total of 35 points in seven contests.

Saturday night the Bulldogs will be seen for the last time this year in Boiling Springs. Every student should remain or make it a point to be at the game and give them your support.

After Saturday G-W will be in Murfreesboro and take on The Citadel freshmen the following week.

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Ferrum, defending national junior college football champions, had to settle for a 3-3 tie with the 12th ranked Gardner-Webb Bulldogs in the first homecoming game in the new Spangler Stadium before some 5,000 fans, including the Honorable Gov. Dan K. Moore.

The Bulldogs met the Ferrum Panthers last year on their home field where they were edged 6-0 in the final minute of play. The Panthers then went on to win the junior college football championship.

Playing under a cover of fog, the first 23 minutes and all of the second half was a punting duel between Kenneth Morris of the Bulldogs and Jim Huff of the Panthers. Huff sailed the ball through the air eight times for an average of 52.5 yards per kick. His longest punt of the game came in the third period when he sent one 64 yards from scrimmage. Morris kicked 11 times and averaged 36.5. His longest punt was 43 yards.

Both teams played almost perfect ball. Neither team fumbled. Ferrum was penalized 58 yards while the Bulldogs played errorless ball in that department.

Through the airways the Bulldogs Larry Pyle intercepted two Panther passes and Dale Rucker intercepted for Ferrum.

Although the Bulldogs had ball control most of the first half, they were unable to get things going their way as Ferrum's defense stifled each time they got the ball.

At the halfway mark of the second period Dale Rucker returned Morris' shortest punt of the night to the G-W 38. This was the longest penetration of the game in the first half for Ferrum.

Four running plays by Rucker and quarterback Jim Schubert gave the visitors a first at the G-W 23. After Alfred Shires threw Schu-

bert for a two-yard loss, Rucker came back with a five-yard gain. On the fourth and ten at 25, Huff entered the game and executed the fieldgoal attempt which gave Ferrum a 3-0 edge with seven minutes remaining.

Pyle's pass interception gave the Bulldogs their best field position of the day at their own 49. Quarterback Pinckney Guardard connected with Larry Harrell for a 36 yard gain and a first on the Panthers 14. Robert Spain and Tom Gillie moved for four yards to the 11. With third and eight at the 11, Ronnie Hendrix split the uprights to tie the score at three-all.

Ferrum received the second half kickoff grinded their way to the Bulldog 30 in 16 running plays. Schubert went to the air but Pyle intercepted his second aerial of the day to end the Panthers final scoring drive.

In the final three minutes the Bulldogs hopeful scoring drive was also brought to an end when Ferrum's Rucker intercepted Guardard pass at the Ferrum 25.

The tie gave the Bulldogs of Coach Norman Harris a conference mark of 2-4-1 and an overall record of 4-0-2.

Tom Gillis, who has been the workhorse for the Bulldogs this season, topped the group attack with 40 yards in 17 carries. Larry Harrell picked up 38 on twelve carries and Robert Spain 30 on ten attempts.

STATISTICS		Ferrum
G-W	9	10
105	First downs	163
4-13	Yards rushing	4-15
61	Passes	47
2	Yards passing	1
0	Passes intercepted by	0
0	Fumbles	0
0	Fumbles penalized	58
11-36.5	Punting average	8-32.5
SCORE BY PERIODS		
Gardner-Webb 0	3 0 0-3
Ferrum 0	0 0 0-3

Bulldogs Win WCJAC T title

Gardner-Webb College's Bulldogs captured the football championship of the Western Carolina Junior College Conference Oct. 29 as they defeated Lees-McRae 10-0 in Earnest W. Spangler Stadium. This extended Gardner-Webb's record to 6 straight football titles in WCJAC play. The conference is composed of only Gardner-Webb and Lees-McRae as several teams have dropped football.

The game turned into a defensive battle as both teams were having their offensive troubles. The first half ended in a 0-0 tie with each team punting five times each.

Gardner-Webb took the opening kickoff for the second half and

marched 63 yards for a score. Bobby Spain capped the drive with a four yard plunge for the score. Ronald Hendrix converted the PAT for a 7-0 lead.

Gardner-Webb drove deep into Bobcat territory once again in the third quarter when Pinckney Guardard broke loose for an 18 yard run to the 24 yard line. Lees-McRae so stopped the Bulldogs on the 20 yard line where they had to settle for a field goal by Ronald Hendrix.

The victory ran G-W's record to 5-0-2. The Bulldogs ended the contest ranked 10th in the nation by virtue of their tying Ferrum 3-3 the previous week.

November Calendar Of Events

- Nov. 12 Chowan A
- 15 Jeff Espina
- 18 Citadel A
- 23 Thanksgiving Holidays
- 28 Classes Resume
- HAPPY THANKSGIVING