

'Dogs entertain Newberry Saturday

Jaynes predicts improvement

Gardner-Webb will attempt to even its South Atlantic Conference record at 1-1 Saturday night, when the Bulldogs entertain Newberry at Spangler Stadium. Kick-off for the game, the first of the season for Newberry, is 7:30.

Gardner-Webb opened its 1975 campaign last week, losing to Lenoir Rhyne, 19-14, when the Bears marched 99-yards for the winning touchdown late in the fourth quarter.

Disappointed, but not discouraged, Bulldog head coach Oval Jaynes anticipates a better effort against the Indians.

"I saw some signs that pleased me, and I think we'll be better this week," Jaynes said. "Good teams make improvement every week. That's what we're striving to do."

Since Newberry has not played, the Bulldogs will enter the contest knowing little about their opponents except that the Indians return 35 lettersman from last year's injury-plagued squad.

"We do know Newberry has three good running backs in Rufus Johnson, Russ Jackson and Kenny Brown. Johnson was their leading rusher last year, and Jackson, a transfer from South Carolina, started several games there," stated Jaynes.

Newberry, with sophomore quarterback Danny Williams at the helm, operates from a split veer backfield. Defensively, the Indians play a typical "50" defense.

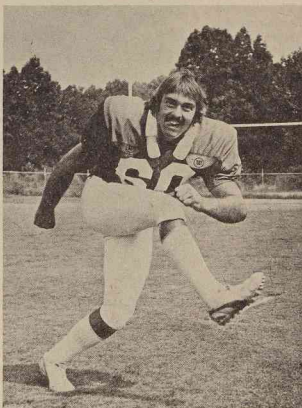
"At one time last year Newberry had 11 starters out with injuries, so their 3-7 record was not indicative of their ability," Jaynes pointed out. "Also, because of the injuries, they had to play a lot of their younger people. That means Newberry will have an edge in experience."

Gardner-Webb has spent the week concentrating on controlling the line of scrimmage, both on offense and defense. Also the Bulldogs have been working on scoring points from inside the 40-yard-line.

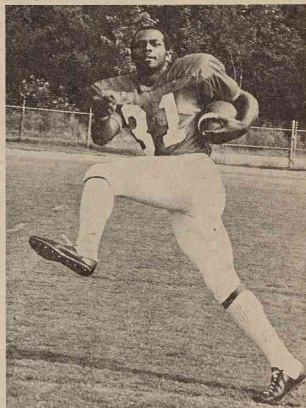
"I was concerned about our inability to score against Lenoir Rhyne when we had the opportunities, plus our defense allowing them to drive the football 99 yards," Jaynes said.

"What pleased me was the attitude of the squad. They gave a super effort and played a much stronger team right to the wire. Our kicking return teams also did well. Obbie Todd and Po Rogers each had kickoff returns over 30 yards, and Rogers made a tremendous run with a punt. I believe we'll break a long one before the season's over."

Jaynes has announced only one change in the 'Dogs starting lineup. Andy George, the most outstanding defensive lineman against Lenoir Rhyne, gets the nod at right tackle.



Bulldog starters Marcus Trivette (L) and Frank Taylor set their sights on Newberry. Trivette, a line-



backer, had 12 tackles and 6 assists against Lenoir Rhyne, while Taylor scored on a 37-yard run.

Bulldog effort earns respect; Bears rally in opener, 19-14

Obviously disappointed in dropping his season's opener to Lenoir Rhyne, 19-14, Saturday night, Gardner-Webb head coach Oval Jaynes is satisfied that his Bulldogs earned some respectability in the South Atlantic Conference.

Trailing 13-0 at the half, Gardner-Webb struck for two touchdowns in the third period and led the Bears 14-13 in the fourth quarter before Lenoir Rhyne marched 99 yards for the clincher with 4:39 to play. Lenoir Rhyne had entered the game as a 20-point favorite.

"Before you can be a winner, you have to establish respectability," said Jaynes. "I believe we accomplished that. Also, we

gained some confidence in ourselves."

Jaynes displayed his confidence in the 'Dogs with 3:00 showing on the third quarter clock. After halfback Frank Taylor had burst 37 yards for the touchdown that put Gardner-Webb behind, 13-12, Jaynes never hesitated in telling quarterback Eddie Tyndall to go for the two-point conversion. Tyndall flipped a pass to Po Rogers in the end zone, and the Bulldogs were ahead, 14-13.

"There was never any doubt," explained Jaynes. "I was confident our defense would hold and we could win, 14-13. Even after LR scored its third touchdown I felt like we'd score again. The mo-

mentum was in our favor."

The Bulldogs threatened to regain the lead when Po Rogers returned the kickoff 96 yards and a pass from Tyndall to Mark Morningstar gave Gardner-Webb a first down at the LR 45. But there the Bears recovered a fumbled handoff that killed the 'Dogs hopes.

"Our inexperience showed in certain areas during the game," said Jaynes. "But I saw some signs that pleased me. I can't find any fault in the effort our young men gave. They gave us 100 per cent."

"If we can take this game and build from here, we'll win some games. We're going to get better, and by the time it's over, we're going to have a good football team."

Gardner-Webb's first touchdown of the year came on a four-yard run by Tyndall that capped a 58-yard drive. Terry Williams' kick for the extra point failed.

Lenoir Rhyne built its first-half advantage on a five-yard run by halfback Scott Crawford and a nine-yard pass from Mike Everett to Randy Britton. Rick Padgett kicked one of two placements.

Crawford, only a junior, was the game's leading rusher with 177 yards in 21 carries. As a team, LR had 377 yards on the ground and another 84 passing.

Taylor was the leading carrier for Gardner-Webb with 80 yards in 18 attempts. Rogers added 46 yards in 13 trips. In the passing category, Tyndall completed 9 of 18 for 127 yards. Morningstar and Bryan Florence each had three receptions.

The Bulldogs compiled 116 yards rushing and 127 passing for 243 yards total offense.

George, Bolick, top slate of 'Winners'

Nine Gardner-Webb players were designated "winners" by the Bulldog coaching staff for their performances in last week's 19-14 loss to Lenoir Rhyne. The selections were determined after the staff graded the game film.

Five were declared offensive "Veer" winners. They were tight end John Smith, guards Jeff Carter and Bob Bolick, split end Elvin Webber and halfback Frank Taylor.

Defensive "Bruin" honors went to tackle Andy George, end Phil Wright, linebacker Monte Walker and cornerback William Peppers.

Bolick and George were named the most outstanding offensive and defensive linemen.

Special defensive awards went to end Bob Johnson for two fumble recoveries and Walker for one quarterback sack.

Veer winners are offensive linemen with a grade better than 70 per cent and backs and receivers with a grade of 90. Bruin winners are defensive linemen with a 70 grade, linebackers with a 75 score and defensive backs with an 85 mark.

Two other honors went to Obbie Todd for best offensive "Scout Team" member, and Charles Cook for best defensive "Scout Team" member.

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