Whitley Shines In Opening Games

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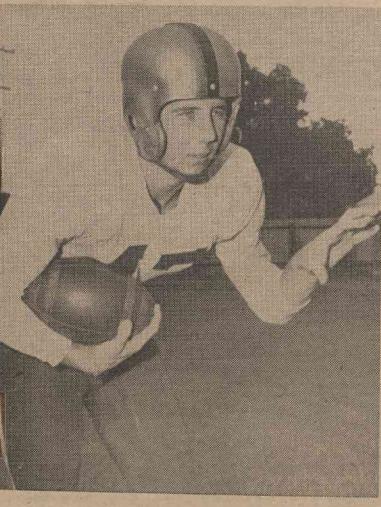
The Blackbirds now have a record of wins and loses. Their conference record is and Durham, last years champs, have been beaten twice, once each by Burlington, 9-7 and Raleigh, 12-0.

The football team has been well ; ported in the last two games. A large crowd went to Goldsboro by cars and a train, "Blackbird Special," carried a load to the big game with Wilmington.

The Birds will probably be in better shape for the Fayetteville game than ony other game so far this year with the exception of the opening game. Billy Cooper and Eddi. Pennington will be in good condition but Cooper's leg still bothers him.

The Babybirds have a very unimpressive record of three straight loses and one victory. They have a lot of good boys but most of them are inexperienced. In Durham the Bulpuppies used seven men that are on the thirty-five man traveling squad of the Bulldogs. The Durham coach came over after the game and told Coach Lundy there had been some mistake about the varsity being on the team.

The New York Yankees won the American League pennant, although they had only two men hitting over 300. They were Gil Mc-Dougle and Hank Bauer. New York had three top pitchers. They were Allie Reynolds, Vic Rashi and Ed



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Pinetops Boy Becomes Thorpe At It Again

"It's Pinetops' loss and our gain," says Rocky Mount high school fans of Dudley Whitley, a transfer student from Pinetops.

Star For Blackbirds

Dudley, a star halfback, has already helped Rocky Mount in four

"Bo" Thorpe, former Rocky Mount High School student, was recently elected as head cheerleader at Eastern Carolina College in Greenville. This is Thorpe's first year at E. C. C. and his electtion to the post is quite an honor, a

conference. "Bo" was also respon-

Boys Lose Hard Fight, 26-0

R. M. Beats Goldsboro After Stubborn Fight

Rocky Mount's Blackbirds squeezed out a victory over the stubborn Earthquakes in Goldsboro on the 28th of this month. It was a hard cought battle with the Birds' of- are rated to win the conference fense moving only twice as it had | layed heads up ball against the in preceeding games. Both these injury ridden Blackbirds, who playtrives ended in T. D.'s.

The Blackbirds drew first blood by scoring in the opening quarter. With Bobby Owens and Boug Whitey leading the running attack 'own to the Quakes' two yard line, Clarence Skinner plowed over to pag Norman Casey made good the onve sion but it was called back to the 17 yard line on a holding penaity. Bob Patterson was caught ehind the line on an attempt_d pass on the second try.

Goldsboro went out ahead later in the first quarter when Billy Gibson, took a kickoff and raced 90 yards down the sideline after laking a hand off. They made their brought the pigskin to the R. M. kick to make the score Goldsbolo 7-Rocky Mount 6.

The Blackbirds went ahead to stay in the second quarter when Bobby Patterson passed to Doug Whitley from the Goldsboro thirty to their three yard line. On the very next play Owens scampered over for the touchdown. Again Casey's tick was good but called back on penalties. This time Patterson again was caught behind the scrimmage on a pass play.

Injury Ridden Birds Hold Cats First Half

R. M. Blackbirds lost their first game of the year when they met the wild cats in Wilmington last Friday night. The Wildcats, who ed excellent ball considering the condition of the boys.

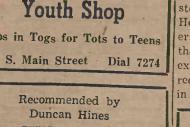
The first half was a fairly equal attie with the difference being an ight yard run by Worrell. Worrell and Wilkins together brought the call to this point from the Cat's 7 yard line. Tim Kermon blocked the kick. The score was 6-0 at the nd of the half.

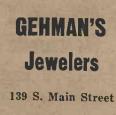
When the second half opened, the Wildcats broke loose. Worrell ook Ed Bandy's kick-off and scampered 77 yards for the T. D. Grant's kick was good, making it 13-0. After battling it at midfield for a shile, Worrell, and Grant 5 yard line. Then Grant bucked over for the touchdown. Grant nade the conversion good to make it 20-0.

The last score came in the fading minutes of the game when Grant passed to Rogers who raced 60 vards for the score. The extra point failed and the final score was 26-0.

Ed Pennington, Baxter Savage, and Dickie Taylor played excellent defensive ball. Doug Whitley hurt his knee in the second quarter to make the backfield, with the ex-







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