

Big Rocky Mount Class AAAA Football Team Narrowly Gets By Edenton Aces With 2-0 Score

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when the visitors made a first down on the 5-yard line, but were unable to budge the fighting Aces for more than four yards, so the Aces took over on the one-yard line. On the first play Spivey was sent around end but he was downed in the end zone, which proved to be the margin of victory.

Coaches Bill Billings and Billy Hardison were very proud of the showing the Aces made against a much bigger school and fans, too, heaped praise upon them for the calibre of ball they played.

It was the Aces' first defeat of the season and to date they have allowed only eight points to be scored against them.

The Edenton Band presented a very unique and interesting program at half time, which also won a great deal of applause from both sides of the football field.

First Quarter

Rocky Mount kicked to start the game, with Britton returning from the Aces' 15 to the 31. After Tolley picked up 3, Dixon fumbled and Rocky Mount recovered on the Edenton 33. Batts gained 4, Newell was held for no gain, Jackson was held to a yard and was then thrown for a loss, so that it was the Aces' ball on their own 30. Hopkins hit the line for 3 yards and Lassiter's pass to Britton was good for 6. Hopkins lost

a yard and Baker kicked with the ball downed on the Rocky Mount 34. Batts gained a yard and in two plays Newell was held to 5 yards, so that the visitors kicked and the ball was downed on the Edenton 45. Dixon picked up 6. Tolley then tore loose for a thrilling run but fumbled when he was tackled along the sidelines. Rocky Mount recovered on their own 27. Batts then found a hole and ran 21 yards for first down. In two plays Newell was held to 4 yards and on the next play he was thrown for a 10-yard loss, so that Rocky Mount kicked. Britton returned from the Aces 30 to the 39. Spivey crashed through the line for 8 yards and Hopkins lost a yard as the quarter ended.

Second Quarter

Tolley picked up 2 yards and Rocky Mount was penalized 5, giving the Aces a first down. Hopkins crashed through the line for 5 and Spivey made a yard. Spivey then gained 5 but Edenton was penalized 15. Lassiter in an attempted pass was smothered under, so Baker kicked, with Jackson downed on the Rocky Mount 29. Moss gained 3 and Jackson 4. Moss was thrown for a yard loss, so Rocky Mount kicked. Britton missed the ball and Jackson picked it up and ran over the goal line, but the ball was brought back to the Aces' 30. Williams snagged a pass and

raced to the 2-yard line before he was hauled down from behind. On the next play, however, Rocky Mount fumbled and Dixon recovered for Edenton on the 10. Spivey picked up 4, Dixon lost a yard and Tolley was held for no gain, so Baker kicked with the ball downed on the Edenton 43. Jackson gained 4, Newell 1 and Isgett made it to the 33 for first down. Isgett picked up 2, Newell 4 and a pass was broken up, and Rocky Mount was penalized 15. Another pass was broken up and the Aces took over on their own 40. Spivey was held to a yard, after which Lassiter connected with a pass to Hopkins which was good for 10 yards and a first down. Tolley skirted end for 5, and on the next play he caught Lassiter's pass which was good for 29 yards, but the Aces were penalized 15. Another pass to Britton was good for first down, but again it was called back and the Aces penalized 15 yards. Lassiter lost 5 yards when he was smothered in a pass attempt as the half ended.

Third Quarter

Carroll Forehand kicked to start the second half, Rocky Mount fumbled the ball and the Aces recovered on their own 45. Spivey made 6 and Rocky Mount was penalized 15, giving the Aces first down on the Rocky Mount 34. In two plays Dixon made 5, Spivey was stopped for no gain and Forehand narrowly missed first down, so that Rocky Mount took over on their own 27. Jackson got loose, going to the Edenton 41 for a first down. Newell then bulled his way to the 30 for another first down. Jackson was thrown for a 3-yard loss. Isgett made 5, Newell 3 and a pass was good to the 16 for first down. Jackson added 2, Newell 7 and Batts then made it to the 5 for first down. Jackson and Newell were held to a yard each and on the next play Jackson went to the 1 yard line. However, Rocky Mount was penalized 5 yards. Jackson then made it to the 2 and on the next play was stopped on the 1-yard line and the Aces took over. On the first play Spivey was trapped in the end zone by three Rocky Mount players, giving the visitors their lone 2 points on a safety. Forehand kicked from the Aces' 20 and Rocky Mount returned to the Aces' 47. Newell picked up 7, Jackson lost a yard and Newell then made it first down to the Edenton 30. Jackson picked up a yard and Isgett 4, but Rocky Mount was penalized 15. A pass was broken up and Fitts was thrown for a 3-yard loss as the quarter ended.

Fourth Quarter

Rocky Mount kicked, with Britton returning from the 10 to the 13. Lassiter fumbled but

recovered on the 7. Spivey picked up 6 and Lassiter then connected with a pass to Britton, good for 24 yards and a first down. Tolley picked up 2 and a pass from Tolley to Forehand was good for 2. A pass to Britton was broken up, so that the Aces lined up to kick. However, the visitors were taken by surprise as the ball was handed to Tolley, who raced 20 yards before he was stopped. Added to this the visitors were penalized 15 yards making it first down on the Rocky Mount 23. Dixon gained 3 and a pass to Britton was good for 7 but the Aces were penalized 15. Rocky Mount then intercepted Lassiter's pass on their own 11. Moss gained 8 but Rocky Mount was penalized 15. Jackson was stopped for no gain. Rocky Mount fumbled but recovered on the 4, after which they kicked and Edenton returned to the Rocky Mount 31. Spivey was stopped for no gain and Tolley was thrown for a 5-yard loss. Lassiter was smothered in an attempted pass, after which the Aces fumbled and Rocky Mount recovered on the Edenton 49. Isgett added 3, Moss 6 and Newell was stopped for no gain, after which Moss made it to the Edenton 32 for first down. Tulloss added 2. Moss and Jackson 4, after which Moss made it to the 16 for a first down. The Aces' line yielded only one yard in three stabs by Newell, Moss and Jackson as the game ended.

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MacKENZIE

"Are you ready?" Several times a day we are called upon to answer this question. Sometimes it matters but little whether or not we are ready—at other times it may mean the difference between life and death.

God, in His Holy Word, has instructed us to "be ready to every good work" (Titus 3:1). I wonder if we are.

Are we always ready to pray? The Psalmist said, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me" (Psalm 66:8).

Where there is unconfessed sin in our lives, we may utter words, but we cannot pray; the only prayer that God will heed is the old one: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner."

I know I'm old-fashioned, and not hep to this modern view of sin. I'm one of those religious crackpots who believes that lewd shows, gambling (stealing), talking about people behind their backs when we don't have

the courage to criticize them to their faces, social drinking, breaking promises, using the Church as a front to cover our sin, and cursing, are wrong. But I'm way behind the times. Nowadays we have psychoanalyzed away sin, sugar-coated repentance, and air-conditioned hell. Sins that would be tolerated in the life of an ordinary church member a generation ago are now indulged in and defended by church officers, and may God have mercy on the poor minister who raises a fuss—for no one else will. But the fact remains—we are not ready to pray until we have repented of and confessed our sins to God.

Are we ready to hear? As we read the Word of God, and as we hear it proclaimed from Sunday to Sunday, are we willing to apply it to our lives, no matter what the cost? Are we ready to yield ourselves to every demand of the Sacred Volume—or just those we choose?

Are we ready to serve? The apostle Paul met the risen Christ on the road to Damascus, and asked, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" Is this the way you and I report to our Lord for service? Or do we say, in effect, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do when I don't have anything else to do?" Or, "Lord, I'll do this, but don't ask me to do that."

Finally, are we ready to die? Life is short, and none of us knows when he shall be called upon to cross over into eternity. Are you ready to die? If you were called right now, would you spend eternity with the Lord?

If you are not ready to die, you become so by simply confessing your sins to God, and trusting His Son, Jesus, as your own personal Saviour and Lord.

Life is short;
Death is sure;
Sin, the curse;
Christ, the Cure.

THE SQUASH

By PAULINE CALLOWAY
Chowan Home Agent

Miss Pauline Calloway, Home Economics Agent, says: "Speaking of squash, there are many

different varieties on the market—multicolored and multi-shaped might well describe the fall and winter squash. Gold rimmed and thrifty, the fall squash is a wealth of good eating at budget prices. Although these brisk, cool autumn days means an end to most of our locally grown crops, it is only the beginning for the fall and winter squash. Let the color and flavor of squash add zest to menu planning during the next several weeks.

"Be a smart shopper and select top quality when buying squash. Look for vegetables that have a hard rind. Be sure to avoid bruised squash. Remember that squash stores best in a cool 45 to 50 degree, dry place. Arrange squash so that air can circulate around the vegetables and they will keep well for months. If you plan to store them for several months, select those which are un-bruised and which have the stem attached. Winter squash comes in many colors, sizes and shapes from fall until early spring. In North Carolina, the

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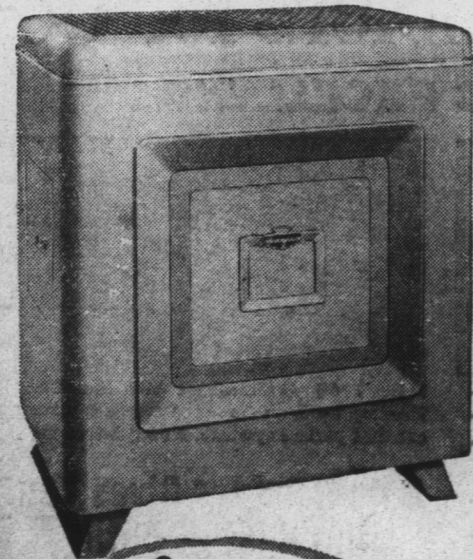
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