

# Louisburg Upset, Rams Sink Waves



McDonald Bites The Dust

Photo by Clint Fuller.

## Ayden Takes 13-12 Thriller

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Times Sports Editor

Louisburg's inability to score points after a touchdown cost the Bulldogs their second one-point defeat in a row here Friday night as defending Class A champion Ayden edged the locals 13-12 in a bruising gridiron battle.

Louisburg fumbled the opening kickoff giving Ayden possession. However, the Bulldogs held and as the first period ended, had the ball on the Tornado nine-yard line. Danny Oakley kicked off a Larry Fuller pass as the second period got underway to kill the Louisburg threat.

With nine minutes left in the half Louisburg's Boo Boo Pergerson recovered an Ayden fumble on the Tornado 18. Randy Seidel ran to the 13 and then picked up a first and ten on the Tornado nine. With 6:39 remaining in the half, Fuller hit Robbie McDonald with a pass good for the touchdown. Fuller's pass to Jimmy Wrenn fell incomplete on the point-after attempt and Louisburg took a 6-0 lead.

Charlie Hobgood intercepted an Alan Wilson toss at the five minute mark giving Louisburg the ball on their own 39-yard line. After completing a pass to Robbie McDonald inside Ayden ter-

ritory, Fuller had his second interception of the night on the Ayden 21. Jimmy Wrenn returned a Mike Tripp punt at the 1:46 mark to midfield but the Tornadoes forced the Bulldogs to kick with 30 seconds left in the half. Johnny Parnell drove Wilson out-of-bounds as the half ended with Louisburg holding a 6-0 edge.

Three minutes into the third period, Ayden had moved to the Bulldog twenty-yard line with the aid of two 15-yard penalties. The Bulldogs was then taxed with a five-yarder on an offside, giving Ayden the ball on the Louisburg 15 and a first down with five yards to go. Wilson was thrown for a loss. On the next play, Carey Wrenn ran Wilson out-of-bounds on the Louisburg 15 where the Bulldogs drew another 15-yard penalty. Charlie Hobgood killed that Ayden drive with a fine save on a Wilson pass.

At the 7:39 mark, Robbie McDonald returned an Ayden kick to the Louisburg 15 where a clipping penalty hit the Bulldogs for 15 yards on the second play from scrimmage. The Bulldogs failed to move the football and with 5:23 left in the third frame, Fuller kicked to the Ayden 43. Another clipping penalty was assessed against Louis-

burg and Ayden moved the ball to a first down on the Louisburg 27. On second and eight, Louisburg drew an off-sides penalty followed by a first down picked up by Wilson on the Louisburg 19. Oakley carried to the 17; then to the 11 with Wilson moving the ball to the six yard line and a first down. On first and goal Wilson scampereed in for the Tornado score. The kick was good and the Tornadoes led, 7-6.

As the third period ended, Fuller carried for ten yards to the Ayden 42. Neil McDonald carried to the Ayden 37 where Fuller hit Seidel with a pass good on the Ayden one yard line. Then followed the Bulldogs' most frustrating experience of the night.

Trailing by a point, with 11 minutes left in the game, a fumble recovered by Louisburg hurt. Seidel tried to score and failed; Fuller's knee touched on an attempted handoff and the young quarterback was nailed on the three yard line when his receivers were covered on fourth down. The failure to score here cost the Bulldogs the game.

At the 7:28 mark, Jimmy Wrenn returned an Ayden punt to midfield and on first down, hauled to the Tornado 32. Wrenn was tackled right in front of the Louisburg bench and a heated argument took place following the play. The disagreements halted play for several minutes as officials, coaches and local law officers converged on the scene.

Reports from the sidelines say that an Ayden player threatened to take a punch at Wrenn after the Louisburg flanker was grounded. Louisburg coach Tommy Twitty cautioned the Ayden player and this prompted three Tornadoes to threaten Twitty. When the smoke cleared, Louisburg—as it had all night—was taxed with a 15-yard penalty. The reasons were not given.

The Louisburg drive, was halted a play later when Wilson intercepted another Fuller toss with 7:09 left. On the Ayden first and ten, Neil McDonald recovered a Tor-

nado fumble on the Ayden 15 and carried to the Tornado 12. With 6:33 left, Seidel ran for the score from the Ayden 12. The point after attempt ended with a fumble on a handoff and Louisburg took the lead, 12-7.

Louisburg kicked off at the 6:27 mark, Wilson returning the kick to the Ayden forty. On a draw, Wilson moved to the Bulldog 47 and then picked up a first down on the Louisburg 39. Stopped once, Wilson picked up another first down at the 4:36 time mark. Then Wilson hit Debro Blount with a pass on the Louisburg five yard line. Oakley was stopped on the first carry, but Wilson hauled for the score with 3:25 left. The PAT kick was blocked and Ayden took a 13-12 lead.

Larry Romero returned the Ayden kick off to the Louisburg 35 and a five yard penalty against Ayden on the kick resulted in Louisburg having possession again on the 35 after the second kick. On first down, Fuller's pass was incomplete; his second toss was missed by Steve Perdue and Mike Griffin intercepted on fourth down to kill the Bulldogs chances.

Ayden ran out the clock on the ground following their take over at the 2:32 mark. An offside penalty against Louisburg aided the Tornadoes in maintaining ball possession in the closing moments.

## Rams Romp 47-0 Over Norlina

The Franklinton Rams kept up their winning ways Friday night as they defeated Norlina 47 to 0. It was the Rams 4th win in a row and brought them to a 6-2 record.

The Rams scored the first time they received the ball. On the 6th play on offense Bobby Kearney ran for a 16 yard TD with 6:46 left in the 1st period. The PAT was no good. The second TD came with 11:35 left in the second quarter when Kearney scored from the 5 yard line. The PAT was no good.

Jerry Simmons ran a quarterback sneak for 10 yards and the third TD with 9:55 left in the half. He also ran the conversion for 2 points. With 1:26 left in the half Cliff Williams ran for a 1 yard TD and the PAT was no good.

As the half ended the Rams enjoyed a 26 to 0 lead. The Rams next score came in the third quarter when line-backer, Donnie Beckham, intercepted a pass and ran for a 40 yard TD. The PAT conversion was made by Williams.

On the next series of downs for the Rams, Cliff Williams ran for an 85 yard TD longest of the year for Franklinton. The final TD came on a 7 yard pass from Glenn Phelps to W. B. Tim Leonard.

As has been the case time after time the Ram defense rose to the occasion when needed to stop the Blue Waves from scoring. As usual it was a team effort both on defense and offense. Although some boys gave outstanding performances, Donnie Beckham seemed to be in on almost every tackle, David Thompson played one of his best games at defensive end. Bobby Ayscue, Al Sandling, and Buck Pearce did fine jobs at their respective positions. Everette Frye at center gave a fine performance on offense.

Cliff Williams carried 14 times for 156 yards for an average of over 11 yards per carry and scored 14 points. Bobby Kearney carried 14 times for 91 yards rushing.

The Rams had 5 boys score TDs. The total offense gained 314 yards rushing and 125 yards passing for a total of 439 yards.

On Friday the Rams travel to Weldon to take on the No. 1 team in the Eastern Class A Division.



JERRY SIMMONS  
1TD, 1 Conversion



BOBBY KEARNEY  
2 Touchdowns



CLIFF WILLIAMS  
2 Touchdowns



TIM LEONARD  
Caught TD Pass



Rampaging



Rams

Photos by Cindy Seor.



DONNIE BECKHAM  
Ran Intercepted Pass TD

## Youngsville Boosters Meet

Youngsville - Mr. L. A. Woodlief, president of the Youngsville Booster club, presided at the first meeting of the new year which was held at the school cafeteria Thursday night. Plans for the club were discussed. To get the year off to a good start, efforts will be concentrated on a membership drive. Citizens interested in supporting the athletic program of

the schools are invited to join the club. Membership fees will be used in financial support of the athletic department.

Club Treasurer Rudy Evans gave the current financial report.

A nominating committee appointed to recommend a slate of officers is composed of Ben Hudson, Epp Catlett and Bob Cheatham. All

Booster Club members and former members are urged to be in attendance for the next meeting which will be held on Thursday night, November sixth.

IT'S COMING

## SPORTS In Our Opinion

By CLINT FULLER

Louisburg will soon be getting a complex about this one-point loss business. The Bulldogs couldn't move the football into the end zone on four tries Friday night and failed to make the two conversions and had to settle for a one-point loss to powerful Ayden.

It was an emotion-filled contest with both teams wanting the win. Perhaps none thus far have been as hard fought as this one. Louisburg played one of its best games.

There was a great deal of criticism of the officiating following the contest by local fans. A number of obvious mistakes were made and when the four men working the game stayed on afterwards and tried to explain some of their actions, the situation got rather sticky.

It pointed up the need for more control over officials and for better training for them. They have a tremendous responsibility and those here Friday night almost allowed the situation to get out of hand.

With the exception of the Friday foursome and those working the Scotland Neck contest, officiating this year has been exceptionally good. And the fact that Louisburg lost these two games by one-point has nothing to do with the statement. Win or lose, the fans have a right to expect good officiating and more importantly, so do the players on both teams.

Donnie Beckham of Franklinton was chosen Linesman of the Week by the Durham Herald for his ten tackles, several assists and a pass interception which resulted in a TD for the Rams against Norlina. Bobby Kearney and Cliff Williams scored two touchdowns in the game and Jerry Simmons and Tim Leonard scored one each.

It is unusual to note that The Herald has placed Oxford Orphanage ahead of Louisburg in the Class A ratings. Since The Herald only rates the four Franklin Area teams, this is ridiculous. Louisburg beat Oxford and has lost to a 2-A school and to defending state champs Ayden—by one point in each game. Oxford has lost two, one to Louisburg and a second to 3-A Hope Mills.

The Rams tackle the No. 1 team in the state Friday night as they travel to Weldon. With the Rams clicking this year, this should be a good game and what a chance to collect a bit of glory.

Louisburg will play Weldon in the playoffs on November 14. A neutral field is now being selected by the two schools and a meeting will be held soon to settle a number of incidentals pertinent to the all important contest.

Some Ayden players said Friday night that Louisburg is tougher than Weldon. Warrenton and Norlina have earlier reported the same. The Bulldogs haven't played Weldon since 1963 and that 40-6 loss is remembered here.

## Franklinton Bowling Results

	W	L		
Police Dept	22 1/2	9 1/2	HIGH TEAM Game	
Sterling Cotton Mill	22	10	Police Dept	876
Alley Cats	20	12	Sterling Cotton Mill	854
Tom Cats	20	12	Police Dept	848
Fire Dept	16	16	HIGH INDIVIDUAL 3 Games	
Chargers	9	23	Johnnie James	596
Pin Busters	10	22	Andy Hobson	586
Rescue Squad	8 1/2	23 1/2	Johnnie James	553

			HIGH INDIVIDUAL Game
HIGH TEAM 3 Games			
Police Dept	2378	Andy Hobson	225
Fire Dept	2371	Leo Edwards	220
Police Dept	2365	Andy Hobson	217

## Out Of It

A lady approached a surgeon and asked him if he would perform an operation. "What for?" he inquired. "Oh, anything you like. You see, I attend a lot of women's bridge parties and, never having an operation, I simply can't take part in the conversation."

## Hunting Material

The Soph: "How do you pronounce your name, sir?" The New Professor: My name is Ticklefeather—pronounced just as it is spelled." The Soph: "Thanks, I'm chairman of a class committee on yells and I'm looking for something that sounds ridiculous to put into a new one."

## Two New Installments

"How do you like my new frock, Jack? I bought it on the installment plan." "Better take it back and get a few more installments. We're going to a respectable party."



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Jimmy Wrenn On The Run

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