

RAMBLERS TAKE CONFERENCE LEAD BY DRUBBING ELKIN 28-7

Wilkesboro's hard-charging Ramblers took undisputed position of first place in the Highland conference here Friday night by a decisive 28 to 7 win over Elkin's Buckin' Elks.

In handing the Elks their first defeat of the season, the Wilkesboro team outclassed the visitors in every department of play. Ray Triplett, Harold Dancy, Dan Linney and Bill Byrd were outstanding on offense while the line played a strong defensive game—the best of the current season.

Elkin received, and three downs resulted in only five yards gain. After a punt Wilkesboro drove to Elkin's 30, where the ball went over on a fumble. Neither team was able to present a serious threat in the first quarter. In the second period, Ray Triplett brought the crowd of near 2,000 to their feet with a 68-yard run down the sideline to score. It was one of the most thrilling runs of his brilliant high school career. The second touchdown was set up by Dan

Linney's dazzling 50-yard jaunt to the 20. He picked up ten more and Triplett went through the Elkin team to score standing up. Score at half was 14 to 0.

Triplett's quick kick for 55 yards, which stopped on Elkin's one-yard line, was the play that set up the third Rambler touchdown. Eldridge went deep in his end zone to punt out, but the ball slid off the side of his foot, bounded inside the ten and settled on the one again. From that point Bill Byrd scored on a quarterback sneak. The final Wilkesboro touchdown was in the fourth period. An Elkin fumble was recovered on the six. Two penalties and a loss of two yards set the ball back to the 18. Dean Edwards then grabbed Byrd's pass in the end zone.

Triplett kicked all four extra points for Wilkesboro, which added greatly to his already brilliant kicking record this year. Elkin made only one scoring threat in the entire game, making it good in the final minutes of the game. It was a passing

MOUNTAIN LIONS LOSE TOUGH BATTLE TO STATESVILLE 19-7

North Wilkesboro's Mountain Lions battled on even terms with the Statesville Greyhounds, 1948 South Piedmont conference champions, at Statesville Friday night for more than half of the game but were finally overpowered as Statesville won 19 to 7 with two touchdowns in the third period and one in the fourth.

Jim More, the leading ground gainer in North Wilkesboro's backfield, fought his way for 30 yards through the Statesville line for the Mountain Lions' touchdown which climaxed an 85-yard drive in the fourth quarter.

Powers, a recent addition to the North Wilkesboro team, plunged with power to spare though the Statesville line to score the extra point. Powers is inexperienced in regular gridiron play but last year was a standout performer in six-man football in the state.

D. M. Stoker's punting for North Wilkesboro was a highlight of the game. During the first half he kept Statesville backed up far in their own territory with his booming kicks.

Statesville finally exploded in attack with Nance tossing accurately in a 65-yard drive. At the 25-yard line Transou faded back, passed wide to Nance and Nance shot a pass into the arms of Creed in the end zone. Eldridge's kick was good and the score was 28 to 7.

Play of Wilkesboro's forward wall stunned the Elks, who never had time to get their powerful backs under way. Alvin Eldridge, fullback, was the principal ground gainer for the visitors, and he did it the hard way with sheer power into the line for short gains. Not being able to get the scoring punch through the line or around the ends, the desperate Buckin' Elks used their aerial attack repeatedly in the last half.

Lineups and summary:
Pos. Elkin Wilkesboro
LE—Osborne Edwards
LT—T. James Eller
LG—Travis Staley
C—Crater Parker
RG—Eldridge Story
RT—B. James Pevette
RE—Roberts Emerson
QB—Nance Byrd
LH—Transou Triplett
RH—Wagoner Dancy
FB—Eldridge Linney

Score by periods:
Elkin 0 0 0 7—7
Wilkesboro 0 14 7 7—28
Elkin scoring touchdown—Creed. Point after touchdown—Eldridge (placement).
Wilkesboro scoring touchdowns—Triplett 2, Byrd, Edwards. Points after touchdowns—Triplett 4 (placements).
Substitutes: Elkin—Owens, Hayes, Harris, Creed; Wilkesboro—Nichols, Joiner, Mathis, J. Glass, Garwood, Pearson.

Cove Winner In Battle Of Creeks

It was the battle of the creeks here Thursday night in Memorial Park and Cove Creek made the biggest splash, winning from Millers Creek 38 to 0.

For the first quarter it was a real contest, with Millers Creek holding the faster Watauga eleven scoreless and putting on some offensive drive of their own. It was not until the second period that the visitors broke loose and scored two touchdowns. Keeping up the pace, Cove Creek scored twice in the third and twice in the fourth.

For Cove Creek the outstanding player was easily Horton, son of Sam Horton, principal of the school. The tall left half-back scored four touchdowns. He intercepted a pass to run 50 yards to score and later took off on a reverse to score after a 55-yard jaunt.

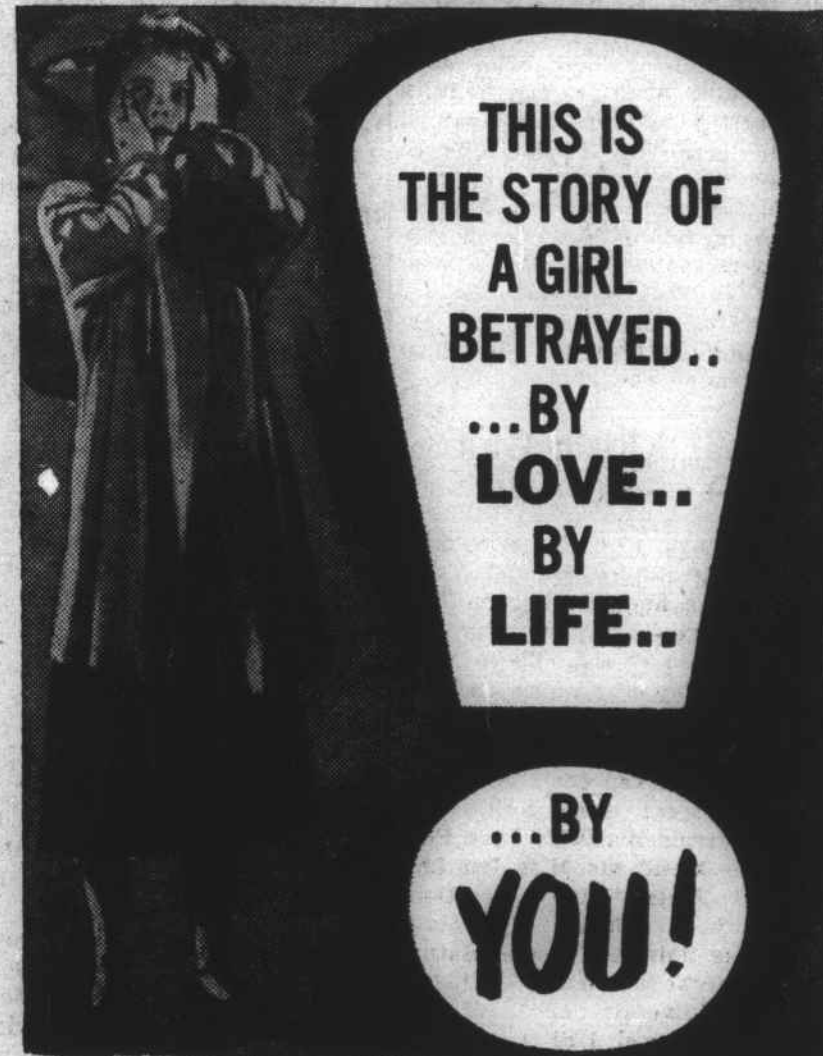
The Millers Creek lads played valiantly but were no match for the visitors. Showing lack of football experience, the Millers Creek boys on defense frequently missed tackles which would have thrown the opposition for substantial losses.

Lineups and summaries:
Pos. Cove Creek Millers Creek
LE—Keans Elledge
LT—Dodson Williams
LG—Ellott Kanupp
C—Greene Kilby
RG—McGinnis Welborn
RT—Hohmes Crysler
RE—A. Harmon Whittington
QB—O. Harmon Osborne
LH—C. Combs Church
RH—Horton Pierce
FB—Ward Crane

Score by periods:
Cove Creek 0 13 13 12—38
Millers Creek 0 0 0 0—0
Cove Creek scoring touchdowns: Horton 4, Ward, Combs. Points after touchdowns—Horton, Ward (scrimmages).
Substitutes: Cove Creek—T. Elliott, G. Greene, F. Combs, Banner, B. Ward, Baird, Millers Creek—Lael, Eller, Watts, Westheimer.

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