

Williamston High Green Wave Wins State Class A Title

Defeat Bessemer City Friday 19-13

Air Attack Gives Local Team Edge In Exciting Game

Wallace Warren Tosses Two Passes For Scores, Rogers Runs Over One

With several hundreds fans to give them support 280 miles or so from home, the Green Wave football team of Williamston High School defeated Bessemer City's Yellow Jacket on the Jacket's home field last Friday night, 19-13, in a thrilling game that decided the Class A Championship of the State of North Carolina.

Coach Stuart Maynard's team won the toss and marched to a touchdown when they received the ball. Russell Rogers started it off with a 26-yard return, then he teamed with and Lindelle Ward and Jack Edwards to move the

FIRST RATE

The cordial treatment accorded the Williamston High School football team after it had won the State Championship at Bessemer City puts the Bessemer City team and its fans and supporters in a class of sportsmanship that must be rated as strictly first class.

Not only did the team play a good clean game in a sportsman like manner, but they held no ill-will toward the victors, a rare thing in these days of win-or-bust sports in high school and college.

Bessemer City may well be proud of its showing on the field and even more so of its behavior after the smoke of battle had cleared.

Warren kicked off and Bessemer City lost a net of 2 yards in two plays and

kicked to Williamston with the Green Wave moving on for a second score just as the quarter ended. Bessemer City had held the ball but for three plays in the opening quarter.

After a promising drive had been halted by a fumble, Bessemer City finally got a break mid-way the second quarter when Horn intercepted a pass by Jack Edwards and went over for the first tally for the Yellow Jackets. The Green Wave moved their margin to 12 points by scoring after taking the Bessemer City kick-off on the 30. The touchdown was set up by a pass from Warren to Reginald Coltrain which was good for 45 yards to the one yard line. After losing 4 on a running play Warren passed to Edwards in the end zone. That ended the Williamston scoring, but Bessemer City was still fighting back and in the third period got another T. D. on a nice end run by K. Kiser. The point try on the second failed although Robinson had got the extra point over on the first Bessemer City score by running through the middle.

The game was exciting all the way as Williamston hit hard and fast in the early moments and the Bessemer City team of Coach Frank King came back in the last half with a bag of tricks that kept everybody alert. His was one of the fastest, trickiest teams the Williamston boys have met this year.

For Williamston it was a team victory, the boys moved when the occasion demanded and played a conservative game after they had built up a lead. Especially good was the play of Jimmy Myers and Joe Robertson who stopped several attacks for losses while Wallace Warren did a good job on both offense and defense. Jack

Edwards, playing his last game, did some of the best kicking of his career and ran well on reverse plays. Russel Rogers and Lindelle Ward ran steadily, Russell getting some nice kick returns and also picking up 30 yards on two plays during the opening drive of the Green Wave. He scored the first touchdown on a line plunge from the one.

Coach Maynard used 18 men in the game and Bessemer City used a similar number. Those getting into the battle for Williamston included Reginald Coltrain, Gloyd Stewart, Raymond Robertson and Buddy Fussell at ends, Jimmy Myers, Joseph Robertson and Wilbur Edwards at tackles, Harrell Everett, Norwood Keel, Bobby Goff, at guards, Jack Ross at center and David Davis, Billy Spruill, Lindelle Ward, Russell Rogers, Watson McKeel, Wallace Warren and Jack Edwards in the backfield. Others making the trip to Bessemer City included Jack Daniels, a guard, Jack Welch, center, Ben Andrews, a back, Theodore Bowen, a back and the managers, William Manning and Billy McKeel. Assistant Coach A. J. Abdalla, Principal B. G. Stewart also accompanied the boys and Joe Blythe drove the chartered bus.

In the air Williamston picked up 123 yards while gaining 197 yards rushing for a total of 320 yards while Bessemer City gained 131 yards rushing and 15 on passes. First downs were 11 for Williamston and 5 for Bessemer City.

Ward picked up two yards on the first play of the game, Edwards worked a reverse for 18 and a first down on the 42 of Bessemer City. Ward gained 1, Rogers 3, and Edwards went for a first down on the 32 as he worked the reverse again. Rogers picked up 7 and then 23 to move the ball to the 2 where Ward picked up 1 and then was held for no gain. On third down Rogers went over for the touchdown and Warren kicked the point for a 7-0 lead. Although they returned the kickoff 17 yards to their 27, Bessemer City could not get rolling and Thomas kicked to Rogers who moved the ball back for 44 yards to the Bessemer City 16. Rogers gained 4 but was stopped on the next play. Warren then picked up 6 for a first down on the 6. Warren got 5 but Williamston drew a 15-yard penalty for illegal use of the hands and Edwards lost a yard on a reverse which failed to work for the first time. Back on the 17 yard line, Warren tried one pass that missed Spruill but on another the catch was good and Williamston moved out front 13-0 as the quarter ended.

Warren kicked off to open the second period. Bessemer City was penalized 5 for backfield in motion but H. Kiser picked up 6 and then Huffstetler worked the end around for 14 yards and a first down on the 44. Robinson gained 3 and then 10 more for a first down on the Williamston 43. Harmon lost 5 but then made a gain of 9 and H. Kiser made 3 before a fumble was recovered by Watson McKeel for Williamston. Putting the ball in play on the Williamston 25, Rogers made 5, Ward 2 and Rogers 5 more to move the ball to the 37. Edwards lost 1 on a reverse and Rogers was trapped for a loss of 6. On third down Edwards faded to pass, was hemmed in and when he went to pass Horn took the ball and went on over the Williamston goal for the first Bessemer City score. Robin-

son ran the ball over for the extra point and the score was 13-7.

Rogers brought the kickoff back for 20 yards and put it in play with a 1-yard gain at the 30. Ward made 7, and Warren 5 for a first down on the 43. Warren then traveled 13 yards to the Bessemer City 44. Rogers gained 1, Edwards made 3 on a reverse and Warren picked up 9 before a clipping penalty set the Green Wave back 15 yards. Warren then passed 45 yards to Coltrain and he was stopped at the one. After losing four on a running play Warren passed to Edwards for the touchdown but the point try was not good.

Robinson returned the kick-off 22 yards as the half ended.

Warren kicked off to open the second half and H. Kiser put the ball into play with a 5 yard gain starting at the 38. A 5 yard penalty for backfield in motion wiped out the gain and Huffstetler lost 2 and an attempted end-around play and a 9 yard gain on a pass play failed to make the yardage needed. After the punt Rogers put the ball in play on the Williamston 14. He picked up 2, and then 3 for a first down on the 26 but on the next play fumbled and Bessemer City took over on the 22. Taking too much time, Bessemer City drew a 5 yard penalty. Robinson made 1, then 3, and K. Kiser took the ball around left end for 22 yards and the second score for the Yellow Jackets. The point try failed.

Warren returned the kickoff to the 45 and Coltrain was injured. Warren made 3 but lost 1. He then passed to Edwards for a 15 yard gain and a first down on the 45. Ward gained 3 and Warren hit Edwards with another pass for 11 but a 15 yard clipping penalty set them back. Warren then passed to Raymond Robertson who lateralled to David Davis and the play was good for 30 yards. Warren was held for no gain, then lost 7. Warren's pass was intercepted to stop the threat and Kiser picked up 5, Robinson 3, and Kiser 6 as the third quarter ended with the ball on the Williamston 42. Huffstetler made 2, King 5 and Robinson 23 to move the ball to the 11. Robinson was thrown for an 11 yard loss but H. Kiser made 4. A 5 yard penalty set the Yellow Jackets back, however, Myers was hurt but remained in the game. A pass gained 6 but the next one was incomplete and the ball went over on the 12. Rogers

Jamesville Edges Williamston Five

The Jamesville All Stars edged the Williamston Martins 47-42 in the opening tilt of the Goober Belt Basketball League in the Jamesville High School gym last night.

Jerry Forehand was the leader for Williamston with 17 points, followed by Bobby Taylor with 10 and Junie Peel with 8.

Spit Martin pitched in 22 points for Jamesville with E. L. Martin adding 11.

Starters for Williamston were: David Carson and Bobby Taylor at forward, Peel at center and C. T. Roberson and Jerry Forehand at guard. Earl Roberson was the only substitute.

Spit Martin and Gardner started at forward, E. L. Martin at center, and Brown and Mizelle at the guard spots for Jamesville.

Manager Junie Peel of the Martins has called a practice session Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock.

Unemployment In November Greater

The Labor Department's Bureau of Employment Security reported a slight rise in unemployment for the first 2 weeks in November, but states that the trend is normal for this time of year. Initial claims for unemployment insurance—indicating new layoffs—averaged 186,000 for the first two weeks of November, compared with a weekly average of 155,700 new claims in October and 131,600 in September—the 1950 low month for unemployment so far.

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The Yellow Jackets could not gain and were forced to kick after a penalty of 5 yards. Starting on the Williamston 46, Rogers gained 2, Ward 3 and Edwards went 38 on a reverse to put the ball on the Jackets' 11. Warren picked up 2, then 1 and Edwards made 1. A fourth down pass, Warren to Spruill was incomplete and the ball went over on downs as the game neared an end. Three plays netted 13 yards for Bessemer City to move the ball out to the 21 as the contest ended and the championship was decided.

More Than Two Million On Rolls

The Civil Service Commission reports that the number of civilian employees working for the Government increased to 2,128,500 during October, a rise of 34,000 over September. The military departments, expanding with the rearmament program, accounted for practically all the increase.

CARROLL BLACKERBY WILL COACH AT JAMESVILLE HI

Carroll Blackerby, former star quarterback of Wake Forest College, will report to the Jamesville High School next Monday to take over the duties of athletic director succeeding Darwin McCaffity who is entering the armed services. It is not likely that he will move his family to Jamesville until after the holidays. McCaffity was entering his second year as coach at Jamesville.

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