

Beaufort, Eagles Blank Foes in Football Openers

Seadogs Crush New Bern JV, 38-0; Pittman Stars

By RIP WILDER

Beaufort football coach Hugh Gordon unleashed his pack of 1954 Seadogs Thursday night and they swarmed over New Bern's JVs, 38-0, before an estimated 950 spectators who sat in intermittent showers.

The Beaufort squad displayed a well-rounded offensive machine which was sparked by the hip-swinging running of Murray Pittman and pass-catching of Gehrmann Holland.

Beaufort took control of the game early in the first quarter when Harold Willis electrified the crowd with a blazing 70-yard touchdown sprint.

The New Bern attack was bottled up most of the night by the defensive play of Holland, Pittman, and tackle Alex Copeland and Ed Willis.

The only serious Bear threat came late in the third quarter and was halted when Ed Willis intercepted a lateral on the Beaufort 6-yard line.

Pass Pays Off

Beaufort garnered their second score of the night in the second quarter on a 21-yard pass from Pittman to Holland.

A few minutes later, the pulsating Pittman zig-zagged his way 45 yards to the third Seadog tally on a punt return.

Coach Gordon sent in a completely new team late in the second quarter. The squad took over on their own 18 and thrilled the crowd with a 72-yard drive which was capped by a 40-yard dash by Jimmie Norris as the half ended.

At halftime Beaufort held a 19-0 margin.

The Seadogs were stymied in the third quarter but started moving again in the final period.

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New Bern Club Sponsors Cruise

The Eastern Carolina Yacht Club, New Bern, is sponsoring a small boat cruise Saturday and Sunday which will start in New Bern at 12:30 p.m. Saturday and will end in New Bern Sunday.

All owners of boats 21 feet long and under, both inboard or outboard, are invited to enter the cruise.

After leaving New Bern the cruise will have a rendezvous at Minnetonk Beach for refreshments and regrouping. Another rendezvous is set for Core Creek Bridge in the intracoastal waterway.

After the meeting at the Core Creek Bridge, the group will cruise to Morehead City Yacht Basin, arriving about 5 p.m.

Sunday the fleet will move to Beaufort and Harkers Island before starting the return journey to New Bern.

Registration of captains and crews will be at the Eastern Carolina Yacht Club in New Bern Saturday morning.

yards to the 39. An offside penalty set Beaufort back to the 34.

After H. Willis gained 2, Mason pitched out to Pittman for a 12-yard gain and J. Willis got a 2-yard gain. Pittman punted to New Bern 22 as first quarter ended.

Second quarter — New Bern couldn't move the ball and punted to their own 49. H. Willis smashed through center for seven and Holland snared a 15-yard pass, fumbled and Harold Willis recovered on the 21.

Quarterback Harold Mason pitched out to Pittman who passed to lanky Gehrmann Holland in the end zone for the second Seadog tally. Holland missed the extra point, making it 13-0.

Holland kicked off to New Bern end zone, bringing it out to the 20. The Seadogs snapped off the Bears' offensive tries and Hogan got set to punt.

Pittman Thrills Crowd

Murray Pittman took the punt, juggled it once and set sail up the sideline near the Beaufort bench. He twisted loose from the eager hands of three New Bern players, reversed his field completely and went over into the end zone standing up after a 45-yard jaunt. Holland's extra point try was no good. Beaufort led, 19-0.

Three New Bern punts netted 7 yards and Hogan punted to Seadog 18. A new Beaufort team came in.

Jamie Norris picked up 3 yards up the middle and then smashed for a 7-yard gain and a first down. Peeewe Parkins, quarterback, bulldozed 7 yards on a sneak and Norris got a first down. Norris slipped loose and sprinted 40 yards to the Bear 10 as the half ended with the Seadogs leading, 19-0.

Third quarter — New Bern couldn't move the ball and Beaufort took over on their own 15 after a punt. Pittman took 4 and Jerry Willis 1. Pittman's pass to Holland on fourth down was incomplete and the Bears took over on Beaufort's 22. Davis and Hogan moved the ball to the Beaufort 6. The drive was stopped by Seadog end Ed Willis as he intercepted a lateral.

Pittman took a pitchout on the 15 and went to the 45 after H. Willis gained 4 yards and the Bears were penalized 5 yards for delay of the game.

Holland went up in a group to bring down a pass for a 5-yarder and Harold Willis split the middle for 7 more yards.

Jerry Willis slammed for 2 yards and Harold Willis pushed to a first down on the New Bern 45 as the quarter ended.

Fourth quarter — H. Willis rumbled for 2 yards and Mason passed 23 yards to Holland. Mason followed with a jump pass to Owens good for 10 yards. Pittman took a pitchout, reversed his field, and was stopped on the New Bern 4 after a 6-yard pickup. Pittman tossed to Holland for the score. Holland's extra point try failed and Beaufort led 25-0.

Parkins Tallies

After the kickoff, Henry Safrit recovered a Bear fumble on the New Bern 15. Parkins sneaked to the 1-yard line and then plowed over on the following play. Norris ran across the extra point. Beaufort 32, New Bern 0.

New Bern moved to the 40-yard line on runs by Hogan and Lamb. Whisnot faded to pass and fumbled. Copeland scooped it up and went 60 yards behind protection thrown up by Pittman.

Holland's extra point try was no good and the Seadogs possessed a 38-0 margin.

Holland kicked off to New Bern's 45 where the ball was fumbled and recovered by Beaufort. Norris sprinted around end for a 1-yard gain as the game ended.

The Beaufort team picked up Coach Gordon and rode him off the field on their shoulders.

Guthrie Boats Take Sailfish

Two of Leroy Guthrie's party fishing boats boasted sailfish Thursday with each of the fish measuring over 7 feet a piece.

The two boats, Gulf Breeze and Southwind, were fishing near each other in the vicinity of the radio buoy about 25 miles offshore when the sail fish were hooked, according to Mr. Guthrie.

The Gulf Breeze was carrying a party from Lynchburg, Va., and a party of jet pilots from Cherry Point were aboard the Southwind.

The two parties also caught about 20 amberjack a piece. The amberjack weighed between 20 and 35 pounds.

Willard Lewis is captain of the Gulf Breeze and Arthur Lewis captains the Southwind.

New Bern Course Ready Soon

Play on the new nine holes at the New Bern Golf and Country Club is expected early in November. It was announced at a recent meeting at the country club.

Norman (Red) Strader, former Yankee football coach, is scouting 14 games for the San Francisco 49ers this season. He is also in the construction business in Berkeley, Calif.

MC Backs Race To 28-0 Victory Over Swansboro

Morehead City's Eagles rode to a 28-0 victory on the churning legs of a hopped-up backfield Saturday night as they dumped Swansboro in their first outing of the '54 grid season.

The Eagles sailed to several long runs during the night with Kemp Wickizer, Norman Larkee and Danny O'Neal being the top "get-away" boys. Co-captain Bobby Willis proved to be a masterful quarterback with running and passing included in his versatility.

The rain which peppered down at intervals failed to dampen the enthusiasm of approximately 1,400 spectators and the Morehead City team.

Larkee Dashes 40 Yards

Norman Larkee, 150 pounds of speed and sprinting ability, shot the Eagles out to an early lead in the first quarter with a 40-yard scam into paydirt on the first series of downs in which Morehead City had handled the ball.

On the following kickoff Swansboro's Millard Johnson got off the visitors' longest run as he started on his own 15 and, following good blocking, moved up the sidelines to the Morehead City 40.

Bobby Willis pushed over the Eagle's second tally on a quarterback keep play from the 10.

A flying Irishman named Danny O'Neal brought the score to 21-0 in the second quarter with a zig-zagging 30 yard touchdown excursion.

Willis Snags Pass

The scoring for the night was ended in the third quarter as Jimmie Willis, Eagle end, got behind the Swansboro safety and brought in a 36-yard pass without breaking stride and crossed standing up making it 28-0.

The Eagle's second team played most of the fourth quarter. The second stringers threatened late in the game as Jimmy Parker hit Walter Willis with a pass on the 6-yard line. On the following play a fumble was recovered by Swansboro as the game ended with Morehead City holding a 28-0 victory in their first game of the young season.

Play-by-Play:

First quarter — Swansboro won the toss and elected to receive. Larkee's kickoff carried to the 10 where Swansboro co-captain Warren Ward took it and pushed to the 25. Johnson got one in the middle and Ward was stopped for no gain around the end. The visitors punted on third down with Larkee receiving on the 40 and plunging to the 45.

Wickizer punched one through the line and Larkee picked up 4 more up the middle.

The Eagles switched to a single wing formation and Wickizer skirted the end to the Swansboro 30 but stepped out of bounds on the 40. Bobby Willis didn't gain on the keep play.

Willis handed off to Norman Larkee who hit a hole on the left side of the line and broke into dash form as he went 40 yards untouched to the first score of the night. Big Kemp Wickizer smashed the line for the extra point and the Eagles possessed a 7-0 margin.

Johnson Runs Well

Larkee kicked off for Morehead City and 130-pound Millard Johnson gathered it in on the 15. He got loose from two tacklers and followed several good blocks up the sidelines and appeared to be on his way until he was headed off by Bobby Willis on the Morehead City 40-yard line.

Bill Kay got a 1-yarder and quarterback Jay Cardy dropped back to pass. Larkee intercepted on the 30 and ran it back to the 44.

Ken Brown hit the line for 1 yard and Bobby Willis marked off 8 yards on the keep play. On a quarterback sneak, Willis pushed to five yards and a first down.

The Eagles shifted to the single wing and Wickizer was thrown for a yard loss by tackle Jimmy Tyn-dall. A jump pass was incomplete and O'Neal couldn't gain on a pitchout.

Swansboro took over and Ward waltzed 7 yards before he was stopped by Larkee. Walter Willis stopped Johnson for no gain and Swansboro punted on third down. The ball rolled out on Swansboro's 45.

Bobby Willis Scores

Kemp Wickizer, erroneously nick-named "Baby," bulldozed and stiff-armed his way to the 10 yard line. Bobby Willis faked a hand-off and went around end on a keep play. Running like a man who was not to be denied, Willis, hit twice, pushed off and finally pulled three men across the goal line bringing the score to 13-0. Wickizer plunged to the extra point, 14-0.

Second Quarter — Wickizer stopped Privette on the 30 with a hard tackle on the kickoff. Johnson lost a yard and Buddy Midgett stopped Ward. Swansboro again punted on third down.

Larkee got it on the 25 and moved to the 32.

Connor made 6 yards on a spinner play up the middle. O'Neal picked up the first down on a 4-yarder and then lost 4 around end. Bobby Willis ran the option play and decided to keep. He swivel-hipped his way 20 yards to the 40. O'Neal picked up 6 and Willis

got 3 on a sneak. Willis was thrown for an 8 yard loss attempting to pass. Larkee was stopped for no gain and Swansboro took over on their own 37.

David Privette was stopped for a 1-yard loss and Jay Cardy gained a yard. Swansboro punted on third down to the Morehead City 43.

Running from the single wing, Wickizer picked his way 16 yards on an end sweep to the Swansboro 41. Larkee plunged to a 4-yarder before being stopped by Leonard Parker. Morehead City was penalized 5 yards for off-sides.

O'Neal Dashes to TD

Willis churned out 4-yards and Wickizer, from the single wing, rammed to a first down on the 30. Dashing Danny O'Neal went off the left side of the line and outran the Swansboro safety for a 30-yarder touchdown sprint. Wickizer plowed over with the extra point making the score read 21-0.

Bradley McIntosh, center, stopped Ward had on the following kick off as the half ended.

Morehead City led at half time, 21-0.

Third quarter — Bobby Willis took the second half kickoff on the 25 and zipped to the 40. A clipping penalty pushed the ball back to the 25. Wickizer powered his way to the Swansboro 42 on an exciting 33 yard run.

Larkee got 4 yards on a pitch-out and O'Neal picked up a first down. Willis lost 2 and faded to pass on the following play. Jimmy Willis, 185-pound end, got open and (Bobby) Willis hit him on the 5-yard line and he went over for the final tally of the evening. Wickizer bulldozed the extra point across. Morehead City 28, Swansboro 0.

Willis Recovers Fumble

The kickoff carried to the 37. Ward stepped 8 yards. Walter Fulcher hit Dick Kellum who fumbled and Walter Willis recovered for the Eagles on the 40 yard line.

O'Neal got 7 yards and Ronald Howland moved the ball to the 32 for a first down. Larkee twisted his way to the 19. Johnson intercepted a pass and ran to the 15. Swansboro tried to punt out of trouble on first down. Larkee took the punt and was dropped hard by Alton Strain at the 40 as the quarter ended.

Fourth quarter — Wickizer took a pitchout and went 4 yards. Limber-legged Larkee moved to a first down on the 30 and Bobby Willis took 5 yards on the keeper.

Connor hit the middle for 3. A pass fell incomplete. Wickizer rolled to a first down and Larkee was stopped for no gain. Bobby Willis chucked up 2 yards around end.

Dick Kellum intercepted a pass on the 9 yard line and again Swansboro punted out of trouble on first down.

UNC Tackle Asks For More Work

Chapel Hill — It sounds incredible, in view of what a football player normally has to take on the practice field, and, in the sweltering weather that candidates have had with them during this humid September, but it's true.

A 224-pound junior tackle on the University of North Carolina squad approached Coach George Barclay and Trainer Fitz Lutz and asked if they could find him some work chopping down trees between the two drills daily. He said he wasn't getting enough work.

He wasn't kidding, so Roland Perdue of College Park, Ga., currently running on the first team, was found some trees and handed an axe by grounds maintenance chieftain Raymond Hutchins.

Jones Unveils Boat

Elizabeth City, N. C. — Ted Jones, unlimited class hydroplane driver and designer of the world record holder Slo-Mo-Shun, expects to unveil a new unlimited class racer at the International Cup Regatta here Oct. 2-3. Commodore Tilton Hayman, of the Pasquotank River Yacht Club, which is sponsoring the event, said that Jones expects to put the new boat in the mile record trials, which have been sanctioned by the American Power Boat Association.

The ball went out on the 24. Bobby Willis was smothered on the keep play and Walter Willis skirted end for 3 from the single wing.

Larkee gained a yard around end. Jimmy Parker dropped back and tossed to Walter Willis who took it and was hit on the 6 yard line. Swansboro recovered an Eagle fumble as the game ended with Morehead City wrapping up a 28-0 opening game win.

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