

Red bombs sink Loudonville for first conference victory

Plymouth came on strong in the second half in Mary Faye park Friday night to win a richly earned 12 to 6 victory over Loudonville in the first Johnny Appleseed conference game of the season.

The play is that such a disappointing crowd turned out to see it.

It was Band Parents' night and while a new stands across the field was formally opened for the first time, nevertheless there were seats to burn in the main bleachers.

The Big Red spotted the visitors a score with just 10 seconds left in the first half, after thwarting Loudonville on fourth down at the Plymouth three and after itself running out of steam by fumbling away possession at the Redbird 20 midway in the second period.

FROM ITS 20, LOUDONVILLE marched 80 yards in 11 plays, the last two aerial shows that produced the score.

The Redbirds advanced to the Plymouth 38, whence Dick Taylor got eight on some hipper dipper. On first down, the visitors passed. Plymouth was called for pass interference and Loudonville had the ball at the Red 15. With 20 seconds on the clock, Jim Hartschorn threw to Bob Donelson for the touchdown. The run for PATS was short.

The first half was all Loudonville and the Redbirds seemed to be on their way to victory. They had racked up 10 first downs, 118 yards rushing, 49 yards passing and had lost no fumbles. Plymouth, on the other hand, had only four first downs, the first one with slightly over eight minutes left in the half, 65 yards rushing, none passing and had lost one of three fumbles.

It was Plymouth's opportunism that forced the issue.

Loudonville lost a fumble at the visitors' 48 early in the second half. Plymouth could not ad-

Here some demoralizing penalties struck Plymouth.

The first was a motion penalty that nullified a penalty that nullified a sneak by Ray Hughes that just missed scoring.

After Carter had made two off left tackle, Plymouth was socked with three straight penalties, one of them for 15, two for five. The latter were deserved. The referee called illegal shift. Two Red backs were moving at the same time, a condition that generally developed when an inexperienced team tries a new formation.

It was proper justice that it should have been Hughes, who was the culprit on both occasions, and one must be equally thankful that the pass defense wasn't further tested. Loudonville put the ball up only 11 times, completing six.

Donelson is every bit of what's said about him. He carried 15 times for exactly 100 yards. Kim McFarland, a big full-back, did well also, getting 59 yards on 17 carries.

Plymouth was not without its hero. In addition to Hamman and Hughes and Carter, they included Strohm, Rich Stover and Jor Woodmansee.

Score by periods:
L 0 6 0 0 -- 6
P 0 0 6 6 -- 12


STATISTICS

No. of plays	59	46
First downs	14	8
Rush yardage	127	96
Passes	11	10
Completed	6	5
Pass yardage	73	105

Having recovered another Red fumble, the Redbirds struck into Plymouth territory and took a chance at the Plymouth 25, only to be detected for holding on a play that scored what would have been the go-ahead touchdown. It was a dandy pass from Hartschorn to Dick Koppert with 8:45 remaining.

Forced to settle for the penalty, Loudonville could not advance satisfactorily so long as there was time left. After that crushing penalty, it put the ball in play exactly seven times for a net yardage of minus eight. Rick Strohm forced Hartschorn to eat the ball on fourth down from the Plymouth 34, losing 14 yards. And the Big Red took up the fight from here and marched through the air to a threatening position at the Loudonville six.

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Here's scores of last week --

Here're results from last week:
Edison 64, South Central 0;
Mapleton 46, Western Reserve 0;
St. Paul's 28, Black River 16;
New London 18, Monroeville 0;
Plymouth 12, Loudonville 6;
Ontario 10, Lexington 0;
Fredericktown 33, Crestview 0;
Clear Fork 19, Crestline 6.

Here's slate this week --

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FRIDAY GAMES:
Ontario at Loudonville; Plymouth at Crestline; Black River at South Central;
Western Reserve at Monroeville;
SATURDAY GAMES:
Fredericktown at Lexington;
Clear Fork at Crestview;
New London at Edison; Mapleton at St. Paul's.

Clear Fork sets new stadium for 1974 play

By THE OLD TIMER
Clear Fork's football field will be moved from the downtown Belleville site to the new high school site in Route 95 east of Belleville for the 1974 season.

Architects have been engaged to plan for new school facilities at the latter site, to include enlarged athletic locker rooms.

And against the recommendation of the superintendent, Clark Lees, the board of education approved spending \$1,113 for a new gymnasium scoreboard for the Coits.

CRESTLINE is staging a community festival next weekend. Police advise Plymouth fans attending the Big Red-Bulldog game in Crestline stadium to approach the city from the west, via Route 50N, turning right at the church and proceeding south to the end of the street, thence left and across the railroad tracks to the stadium.

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Ties to stand in all games in conference

All Johnny Appleseed conference football contests will be settled on the basis of the score after 48 minutes of play. There will be no overtime in event of ties.

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THE ENERGY CRISIS IS THREATENING YOUR WAY OF LIFE

Offshore Blockade threatens the Economy and Environment

The Gulf of Mexico covers over 372 million acres. There's great fishing in its waters. There's also a lot of natural gas and oil locked in the earth at its bottom.

Unfortunately, unusual concern about the effect of offshore drilling on the environment is blocking further development of the Gulf as a valuable source of energy. And the blockade is forming at a time when America must have adequate supplies of energy to protect both its environment and its economy.

The federal government has leased some of this offshore land, important quantities of natural gas and oil are being supplied from wells drilled in the Gulf. However, as production in these fields declines, new areas must be developed to replace the old ones.

But what's happening? The Department of the Interior's most recent lease sale, involving the Gulf of Mexico, was blocked in court by environmental groups concerned with the possibility of oil spills. We share this concern for the environment. The reality must be faced that producing petroleum in ocean waters poses potential problems. However, the record shows that over the years, the industry has developed its ability to drill for and produce this much needed fuel without permanent environmental damage.

Since 1947, over 14,000 wells have been drilled in federal and state waters. In these 25 years, only three oil spills have been large enough to attract widespread attention. Evidence to date indicates that even these three accidents resulted in no lasting harm to the environment.

It's time to balance our nation's urgent need for energy with the need for a clean environment. The growing energy crisis is the most serious problem confronting America today. Our nation must have adequate supplies of clean energy to solve all of its other major problems. Unless we act quickly to correct the situation, it could have a devastating effect on our economy: create widespread unemployment, a lower standard of living and a higher cost of living.

It is urgent that the government lease more offshore acreage for oil and gas exploration. Lease sales must be held more frequently with greater areas of land involved. Leases in the Gulf of Mexico must be granted on a minimum of 450,000 acres annually through the balance of this decade, if there is to be any hope of holding production of natural gas from that area at its present level.

You owe it to yourself, your family and your community to voice your concern about the problem. Write to your Senators and Representative. Tell them to act now to prevent the energy crisis from becoming a national disaster. They're responsive to your wishes when you make them known.

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