

# Late drive sparks Madison win

# Whippets see bright spots despite defeat

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MANSFIELD — A bit of bad luck turned a superb performance by the Shelby Senior High School varsity football team into defeat Friday night. The Whippets, hurting in size and in depth, played right alongside the gigantic Mansfield Madison Rams until a blitzkrieg scoring drive in the fourth quarter gave Madison a 12-7 victory over the gutsy Whippets in the first 1979 contest for both teams.

Ram Field was packed to capacity with an excited opening-night crowd that saw a fired-up Shelby team take charge right from the start.

The first quarter ended scoreless but by that time Shelby was already 17 yards into a 92 yard scoring drive that gave the Whippets a 7-0 lead.

The long-scoring drive featured fine running by senior quarterback Pat Rose, some powerful legwork by fullback John Lewis and a one-yard scoring plunge by senior tailback Bob Stidam. On the first play of the second quarter, Rose scampered 20 yards to the Madison 45-yard line. A holding penalty by the Rams gave Shelby the ball on Madison's 30.

Lewis bulled his way for eight yards and then made it to the Ram 12. Stidam carried to the eight, Lewis took the ball to the one and on a first and goal, Stidam took the ball over for the touchdown. Tom Moore's extra point gave the Whippets a 7-0 lead they never relinquished until the fourth quarter.

"That 92-yard drive was a super job by the guys," said Roger Ebersole, Shelby offensive coordinator. "The kids showed a lot of class."

Madison took the ball to the Shelby 23 midway through the second quarter, but Todd Plocher recovered a Madison fumble to stymie the Rams.

Shelby took the ball back to midfield before sophomore Brad Nothacker booted one of his impressive punts and Madison had the ball on their own 20-yard line with 1:26 to go in the half.

Madison quarterback Steve Dörner began throwing the ball and the Rams soon found themselves in business with time running out in the second half. Four passes took Madison to Shelby's 32-yard line. On a third and seven situation, Dörner completed a sideline pass to 6-1 senior, Curt McVicker, who stepped out of bounds at the 1-yard line. Greg Gordon dove over center on the next play for Madison's touchdown. The Shelby defense blocked the extra point attempt and Shelby took a 7-6 lead into the locker room.

The teams battled to a standoff again in the third quarter, playing much of the quarter around the mid-field stripe.

In the fourth quarter, Madison was driving steadily when the Whippets came up with another big play this one an interception by Doug DeVito at the Ram 49 with eight minutes to play in the game. Shelby was stymied on the next series and on fourth and two, Nothacker punted a beauty that nearly was downed on the one-yard line but it rolled into the end zone for a touchdown and Madison took over on their 20. Gordon and powerful Vic Schambre got the Rams a first down to the Ram 34 and then to the 36-yard line. Schambre broke loose on the right side for a 43

yard run that took him to the Shelby 11-yard line. Jeff Hammett took off on the other side on the next play and went in for the TD. The conversion attempt failed and Madison held a 12-6 lead with 3:36 to go in the contest and it proved enough for the win.

Shelby got a drive going when Madison's kickoff bounced out of bounds, giving the Whippets the ball on their own 40. On a second and six situation, Pat Rose launched an aerial to John Johnson near the 10-yard line which went incomplete. Shelby fans insisted Johnson had been bumped away from the ball, but the referees did not see it that way and the pass was incomplete. On a fourth and six situation, Shelby went for the first down, completing a pass over the middle to Johnson at the Madison 29 for the first down. On the next play, however, Bob Stidam carried the ball and fumbled it away as he was tackled by a mob of Madison defenders.

"This was one super football game," noted a disappointed, but somewhat satisfied Shelby Head Coach Bill Varble. "Our kids deserved to win the game. They played super defense and ran a lot of good plays. Staying with a team the caliber of Madison for as long as we did shows we're going to be able to hold our own against anybody this year."

Varble pointed out the lack of depth of the Shelby squad hurt late in the game when some of the starters suffered leg cramps due to the hot weather.

"We had three young kids in on the play they made the long run (Schambre's 43-yarder)," Varble said. "Our pass defense may have not looked tight, but we're staying right with them and that's a young group, too."

"That our kids could play so closely against kids as big as Madison really says a lot for our boys. Sure I'm disappointed, but I'm also satisfied. They did a good job."

Pat Rose showed the opposition he is willing to run with the ball and Lewis and Stidam showed they are capable of grinding out yardage on the ground.

Shelby rushed for 168 yards in 38 carries. Through the air, Rose was one for six for 11 yards.

"We'd like to pass more," Ebersole said, "but we just didn't have enough plays." Rose was intercepted twice on the night.

Lewis was Shelby's leading ground-gainer, picking up 79 yards on 21 carries. Nothacker punted three times for 118 yards, an impressive 39.3 yards per punt average.

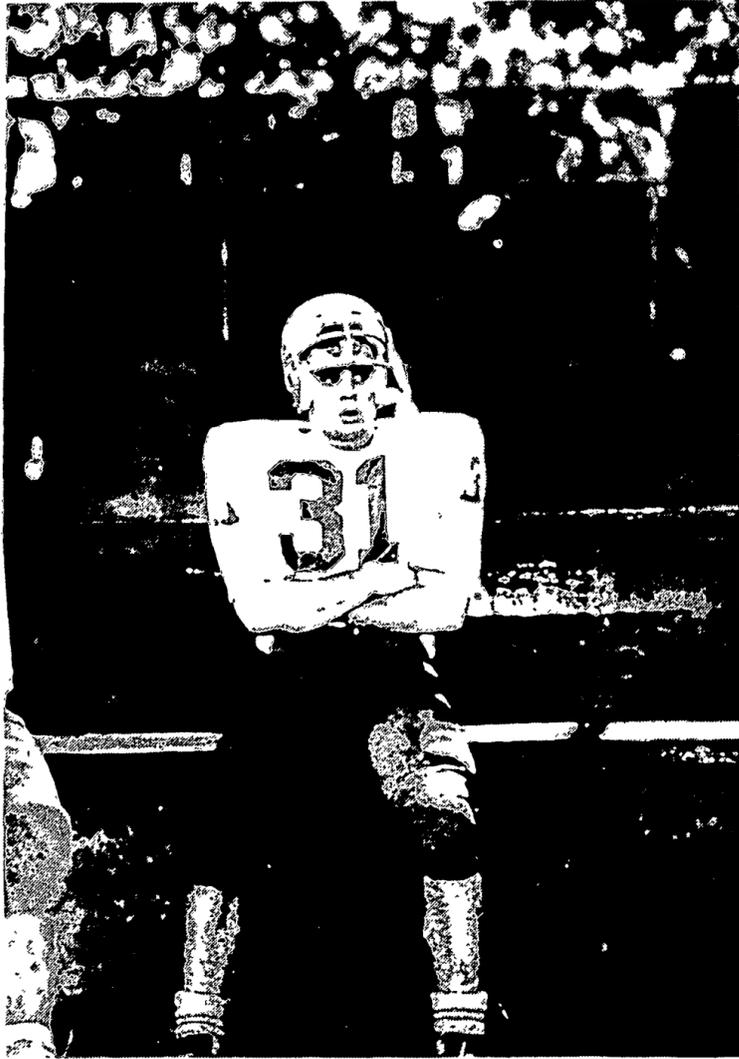
Madison rushed for 201 yards on 41 carries. Dörner completed 10 of 15 passes for 138 yards.

"I'm really proud of the defense," said defensive coordinator Ron Stepis. "They did a heck of a job against a much bigger team."

Shelby comes home to W. W. Skiles Field next Friday for a game against Sandusky Perkins.

Northern Ohio League foe Tiffin Columbian, a narrow 14-12 victor over Delaware Hayes Friday travels to Madison next Friday.

MADISON	0	6	0	6-12
SHELBY	0	7	0	0-7
SHS — Stidam, 1-yard run (Moore kick)				
MHS — Gordon, 1-yard run (kick blocked)				
MHS — Hammett, 11-yard run (conversion failed)				



BRIFATHER — Shelby's Doug DeVito takes a break on the bench after a tough series of downs. DeVito intercepted a Madison pass in one of Friday's key plays. (Globe Photo by Mark Pattullo)

## Friday's results

- Avon Lake 29, Cleveland Lincoln West 0
- Clear Fork 20, Fredericktown 7
- Crestline 7, Ontario 0
- Marion Harding 13, Mansfield Senior 7
- Medina 28, Cloverleaf 0
- Mt Vernon 20, Coschocton 12
- Sandusky Perkins 39, Keystone 0
- West Holmes 14, Loudonville 13

## BASEBALL STANDINGS

American League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Balt	87	45	.659	—
Milwaukee	81	55	.596	8
Boston	78	53	.595	8½
New York	72	59	.550	14½
Detroit	73	62	.541	15½
Cleveland	69	66	.511	19½
Toronto	43	91	.321	45

National League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Calif	72	63	.533	—
Kan City	71	63	.530	½
Minn	69	64	.519	2
Texas	64	71	.474	8
Chicago	58	75	.436	13
Seattle	57	79	.419	15½
Oakland	44	92	.324	28½

Friday's Results  
Toronto 5, Seattle 4, 11 inns  
Boston 9, Texas 6  
Minnesota 3, Baltimore 1  
California 9, Cleveland 8  
New York 7, Kansas City 3  
Oakland 5, Detroit 3  
Chicago 6, Milwaukee 1

Sunday's Games  
Oakland at Detroit  
California at Cleveland  
Seattle at Toronto  
Milwaukee at Chicago  
Minnesota at Baltimore  
Kansas City at New York  
Texas at Boston

# BC running sets mark as Bucks whip Plymouth

PLYMOUTH — Buckeye Central Senior fullback Steve Heydinger set a school rushing mark as he ran the ball 23 times, chewing up 243 yards to lead the Bucks to a 39-0 whitewashing of Plymouth Big Red Friday night.

The Bucks hit paydirt in the first quarter at the 4-11 mark when Heydinger scored on a 24-yard run. Duane Stacklin's kick was good for a 7-0 lead.

Dan Wurm scored twice in the second stanza on a pair of aeriels from Scott White. The first was a 30-yarder at the 11:53 mark and the second came at 2:15. It was a 50 yard pass

In the third quarter Stacklin scored on an 11-yard run with 8:32 left in the third quarter through his kick failed.

Four minutes and four seconds later Heydinger scored on a five-yard run at the 4:28 mark. Stacklin booted the extra point.

The Bucks' last touchdown strike was in the fourth quarter on a 20-yard pass from Scott Moore to Stacklin with 11:37 left in the game.

Buckeye Central had 13 first downs to go with its 287 yards rushing on 40 carries.

Plymouth had to settle for

five first downs and ended the game with 100 yards rushing on 36 carries.

The Buck passing department was six of ten for 160 yards with no interceptions although the Bucks mishandled the ball four times on fumbles.

Plymouth completed two of five aeriels for seven yards with one interception.

Big Red also had five fumbles, losing three of them.

Buckeye Central did not punt

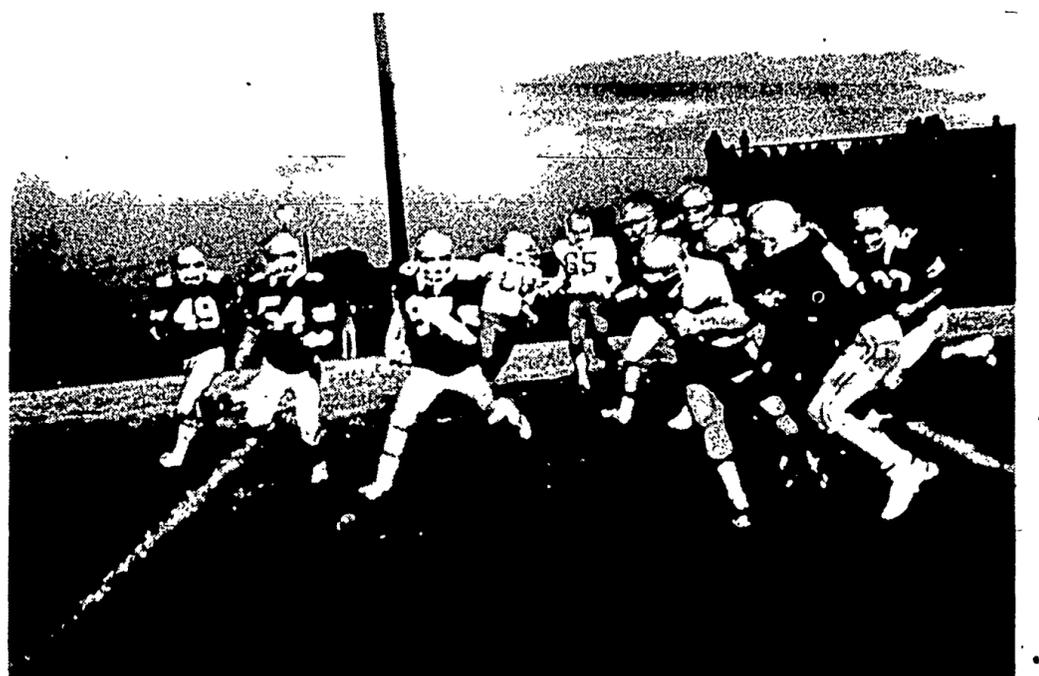
while Plymouth punted six times for an average of 22.5 yards.

The Bucks were penalized seven times for 85 yards while Plymouth was tagged with 55 yards on seven penalties.

"It was a big win," noted Buckeye Coach Bill Pierce. "I'm still disappointed in the turnovers and penalties I guess

we'll have to iron out the problems or we could get into trouble."

BC	7	12	13	7-39
PLYMOUTH	0	0	0	0-0



BIG GAIN — A Shelby running back heads toward the sidelines after a gain of 10 yards during second quarter action Friday.

The Whippets played even with the formidable Madison Rams despite losing 12-7. (Globe Photo by Mark Pattullo)

# Phillies fire Danny Ozark

ATLANTA (UPI) — Danny Ozark, who in one sudden moment became the ex-manager of the Philadelphia Phillies, will be back in sports after the Labor Day weekend but it won't be in baseball.

He will be playing golf on Tuesday, said a somber but gracious Ozark when asked during a press conference about his immediate plans.

Ozark fired Friday just one month short of completing his seventh season with Philadelphia, said he has no regrets.

Owner Ruly Carpenter and Paul Owens have been super to me and what's done is done, he said.

But he added I hate to leave as a failure. The Phillies record dropped

below 500 for the first time this late in the season since 1974 earlier in the week with losses against the Cincinnati Reds.

When I look back, I've won a lot of games here (in Philadelphia), continued Ozark. I would have liked to have won a few more, but that's an impossibility now."

He had only good wishes for his interim successor, minor league director Dallas Green, but indicated Green was stepping into a tough job.

Dallas is taking over a club that hasn't performed well and I wish him all the luck in the world, Ozark said.

Green directed the Phillies to a 6-2 victory over the Atlanta Braves Friday night in a rain-shortened game.

General Manager Paul Owens, who announced the move at a hastily called Atlanta Stadium news conference before the Phillies' game against the Braves, said Green, 45, would evaluate the team's players over the last 30 games of the season.

He said Green then will report to him at the end of the season to determine whether any changes will be made in the team.

Ozark, 55, joined the Phillies in 1973 from the Los Angeles Dodgers' organization, where he spent 31 years as a player, coach and minor league manager.

He brought the 1973 sixth place Phillies to third in 1974 and second in 1975. He was

named "Manager of the Year" after winning the National League East in 1976.

Ozark, who had led the Phillies to three consecutive Eastern Division titles but never to the World Series was considered expendable after the Phillies sputtered to a record of 65-67, their worst showing this late in the season in five years.

"I felt we had to do something for the good of the organization, and there's not much more I can say about it," Owens said. "I've let a lot of people go but this is different. I think Danny knows how I feel about him. I thought when I let Frank Lucchesi go (in 1972) that was the toughest thing I had ever done."



FORMATION — Quarterback Pat Rose gets set to take the snap from center during a first quarter play Friday. (Globe Photo by Mark Pattullo)

## NOL roundup

# Galion blanks Ashland, 26-0

A full slate of non-league games were played Friday night by Northern Ohio League schools, with NOL schools winning three and dropping five, including Shelby's tough 12-7 loss to Mansfield Madison.

**Gallion 21, Ashland 0**  
The NOL champion Gallion Tigers picked up where they left off in 1978 by kicking Ashland.

Dave Agee scored two touchdowns and picked up 159 yards on 16 carries to lead the Tigers. His two touchdown runs were 46 and 45 yards. The other Gallion score came on a Jack Shuck pass to Bradd Cass for 23 yards. The Gallion defense totally stopped the Arrows, allowing them only 25 yards. Gallion totaled 316 yards in the win.

**Tiffin Columbian 14, Delaware Hayes 12**  
Tiffin Columbian scored a narrow victory over Hayes as Joe Hunter scored a touchdown and ran for 99 yards. Mike Parker threw two touchdown passes for Delaware in a losing cause.

**Mansfield Malabar 40, Willard 9**  
The Crimson Flashes had trouble with both their offense and defense as Malabar brushed Willard with 14 second-quarter points and 13 more in the final frame. Mark Miller accounted for all of Willard's points with a field goal and a one-yard run.

**Upper 14, River Valley 7**  
Tony Turley scored on a four-yard run in the second quarter and Craig Marshall went in on a three-yard jaunt to pace the Rams.

**Huron 7, Bellevue 0**  
Bellevue could get only as far as their own 43-yard line as they were shut out by Huron. Huron scored on a one-yard run in the third quarter.

**Swanton 6, Norwalk 0**  
Stewart Sims scored the only points of the game on a four-yard run in the fourth quarter to hand the Truckers a defeat.

**Wynford 12, Bucyrus 6**  
Jeff Klingenberg hit Jeff Gabriel with a 39 yard pass for the Redmen's only score. Wynford's scores were one-yard affairs.

# Angels top Tribe

CLEVELAND (UPI) — The California Angels have cashed in their first dividend on newly acquired relief pitcher John Montague.

After Brian Downing singled home Don Baylor with the winning run in the ninth inning Friday night, Montague took over with a tying run on base and retired the side, the Angels snapping a five-game losing streak with a 9-6 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

After Rick Manning opened the Cleveland ninth with a single off reliever Mark Clear, Montague got Bobby Bonds to ground into a double play and Toby Harrah grounded out to end the game.

"It really felt good," said Montague, who came to the Angels Thursday in a cash deal with the Seattle Mariners. "I threw sliders to Bonds, but I threw him a fast ball in a spot where I didn't want to put it and he hit into a double play," added Montague.