

Whippets absorb season's first loss in 7-6 setback

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UPPER SANDUSKY — 'Fired up' is one of football's favorite cliches. A stranger to the game who might want to know what the term means would have only to have been in Upper Sandusky Friday.

The Shelby Whippets saw an example of it clearly enough when they faced the Upper Sandusky Rams on their home turf. When the game was over the sky-high Rams had handed Shelby its first loss of the season 7-6.

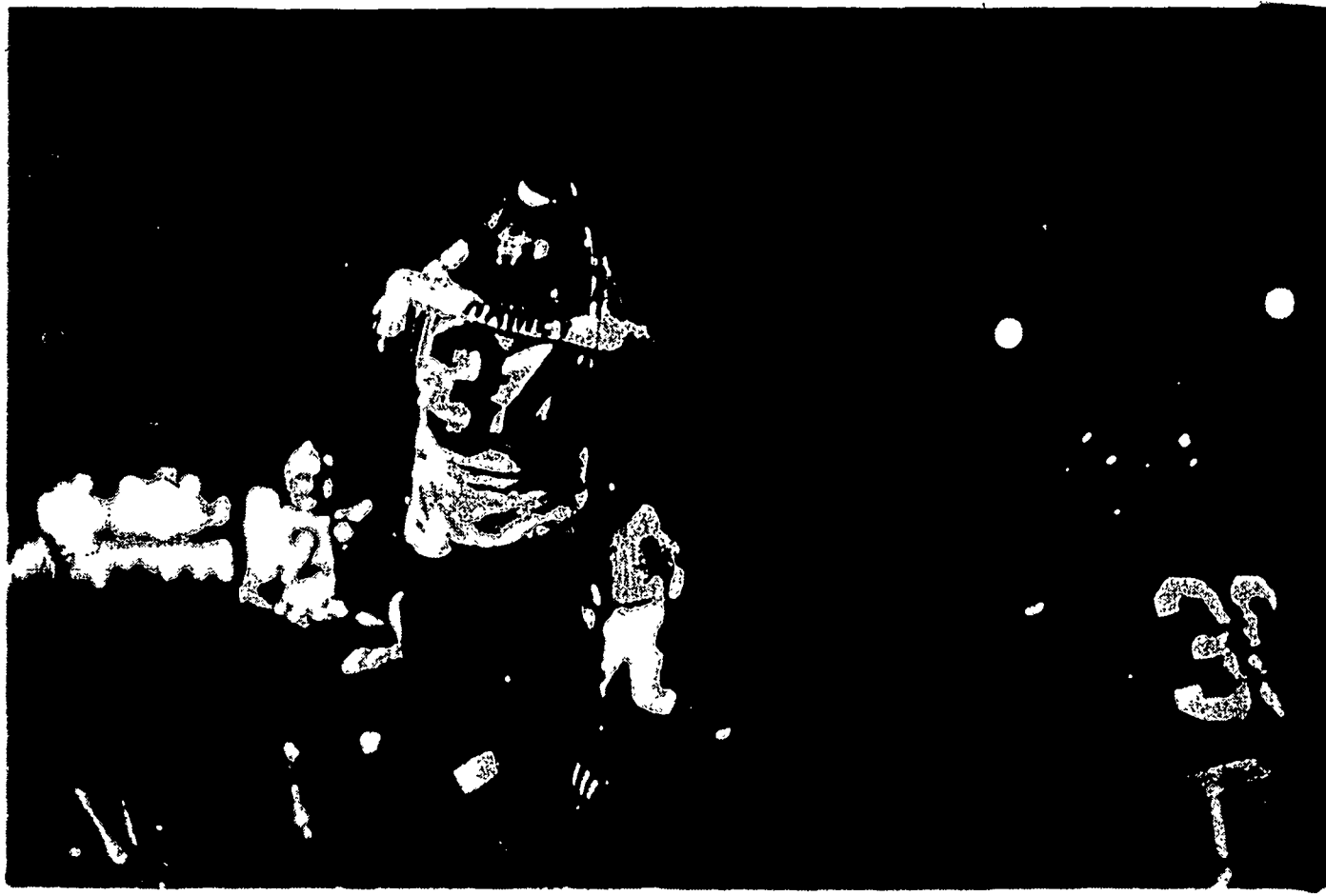
The most visibly fired up of the Rams was running back Steve Lamont. The 5-foot-7, 169-pound senior had most of the numbers in the Whippets' first loss in six outings this year, carrying the ball 28 times for 152 yards including a 63-yard touchdown run in the third period to put Upper in front 7-0.

Although the winning points didn't come until the 3:51 mark in the third frame, Shelby coach Bill Varble said the Rams had established their momentum much earlier.

It was just like the Willard game last year (the Whippets' only setback of 1980), remarked Varble. "We had a tough call early in the game and it just changed the whole complexion of things."

That tough call was a close pass interference penalty against Shelby on Upper's first possession. It came after the Whippets had apparently stopped the Rams on a third down situation, but instead gave them new life.

"You could sense something happening to them," continued the Shelby boss. "They were a



COMPLETE — Shelby's Dave Ramey (34) snags a pass from Dave Hiatt in the second quarter of the Shelby-Upper Sandusky game Friday. Defending for Upper is Mark Lambrite (30).

tired-up team from that point on.

The Rams didn't score on that possession, but when their defense took the field the Whippets found the going very rough. Shelby had a sustained drive on its first and last times holding the ball in the first half, but was unable to crack the end

zone.

The Whippets finally did score with one minute, 21 seconds to play in the game on a five-yard sweep by tailback Brad Nothacker, but the try for the two-point conversion went awry and the Rams clung to a one-point advantage. "We didn't play very well,"

Upper handed Shelby its first loss of the campaign, 7-6. (Globe photo by Linda Stotts)

said Varble, "but I don't think the kids were flat. We just didn't have field position and that allowed Upper to do a lot of gambling on defense that I don't think they would have done otherwise."

"You can't take anything away from Upper, though. They played a smart football game."

Each team got into the other ones territory once in the first two quarters. Shelby got to Upper's 29 yard line, but saw its drive die on an incomplete pass on fourth down. The Rams made it to the Shelby 13 yard strip, only to have a holding penalty kill their rally.

The second half began in much the same way the initial one had ended, with neither team looking like it would reach the other's goal line.

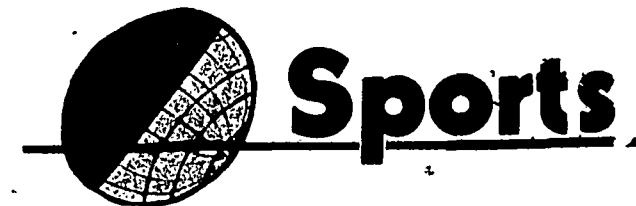
All that changed, however, when Lamont found a hole in the Shelby defensive line, burst through it and took off, outrunning the Whippet secondary, for a 63-yard scoring jaunt. Mark Griffin kicked the extra-point and the Rams had drawn first blood.

Perhaps the most crushing blow to Shelby came seconds later, when Nothacker took the Upper kickoff and scooted 83 yards to the end zone, only to have the whole thing negated via a penalty for blocking below the waist.

That brought the ball back to the Upper 48 yard marker and took a lot of starch out of the Whippets. On the next play, Shelby was nailed for off sides. Following the penalty, the Whippets fumbled the ball away to the hosts.

Shelby didn't regain its composure until three minutes to play when defensive tackle Mike Lybarger pounced on the football after Upper quarterback Doug Schilling fumbled it at the Whippets' 26. The Rams had gotten that far into Shelby territory when Dean England picked off a Dave Hiatt pass minutes earlier.

The Whippets went to work on their final time with the ball. Hiatt, who completed five of 11 passes for 94 yards on the evening, hit Tim Sherman with a throw good for nine yards. Nothacker ran for the first-down, then Hiatt lofted a pass down the left sideline that Nothacker plucked from the air



and moved to Upper's nine. Three plays later, the senior tailback pushed the Whippets into the end zone.

On the two-point conversion attempt, Nothacker took a pitch from Hiatt, then turned to throw back to the quarterback, standing alone at the other side of the field. The heave was not high enough, and Ram defensive back Scott Ogg was able to knock it to the grass, keeping the score at 7-6.

Varble defended the do-or-die effort on the conversion try. "I've never had a tie here at Shelby and we don't play for them. We had planned on going for the win all the way."

Nothacker ran the ball on 26 occasions for 84 yards. Fullback Curtis Reed had 37 yards on 11 tries. Nothacker caught two passes for 59 yards; Dave Ramey had two catches for 26 yards and Sherman had one for nine yards.

Upper is now 1-2 in the Northern Ohio League and 2-3-1 overall.

The Whippets will travel to Bellevue Friday for a clash with the first-place Redmen.

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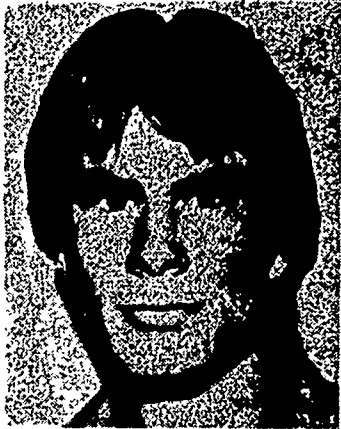
UPPER 0 0 7 0 - 7

U- Steve Lamont, 63-yard run (Mark Griffin kick)

S- Brad Nothacker, 5-yard run (pass failed)



MIKE LYBARGER
Clutch fumble recovery



DAVE HIATT
94 yards passing

Whippet golfers grab sectional championship

MANSFIELD — Phase One has been completed successfully. Phase Two will be embarked upon next week in Toledo.

The Shelby Whippet golf team, trying to do in Class AAA what they did in Class AA in 1980, win a state championship, reached the first plateau with a first-place in the sectional championship Friday at Westbrook Country Club.

The Whippets netted a team score of 320 for four golfers playing 18 holes. Coming in second place was Ashland, the only team to beat Shelby this season with 334. Malabar was third at 341.

Shelby, Ashland and Malabar as the top three teams in sectional play, will advance to the District Championship at Toledo's Detwiler Golf Course.

Junior Todd Schreck was tops for the winners with a 78, good for second place overall. Doug Ingram was right behind Schreck for Shelby at 79, tied with Malabar's Rob Barkett for third place overall.

The remainder of the Whippet entrants were Jim Ingram (81, tied for sixth place), Tim Korbas (82, tied for ninth place) and Gary Mawhorr (84).

Medalist for the Class AAA sectional was Dave Miller of Fremont Ross, who fired a 72.

The remainder of the team scoring had Ross at 342, Marion Harding with a 345, Vermilion carding a 351, Mansfield Madison at 364, Sandusky with a 365, Galion at 396, Mansfield Senior at 397 and Tiffin Columbian totalling 400.

SHS netters bumped from post-season play

BUCYRUS — The doubles teams from Shelby each won their first round matches but were eliminated in Round Two of the Class AAA tennis sectional Friday.

Tina Patton and Julie Clark had an easy time of it in the opening round, scoring a pair of 6-0 wins over Julie Armstrong and Melanie McAllister from Vermilion. The Shelby duo lost in the next confrontation by the same counts, to Katie Marrit and Diane Shurmer of Fremont Ross.

Shelly Fichter and Colbi Barkdull opened up their play by downing Laura Kulka and Timberly Blasing of Mansfield Senior, 6-4, 6-3. They fell in the following match, 7-5, 6-0, to Lauri Berger and Lani Kania of Lexington.

All three of the Whippets' singles players were defeated in first-round action. Sandy Barrett lost 6-1, 6-3 to Malabar's Connie Groves, Linnea Gayheart was swamped by fourth-seeded Nita Huggins of Galion, 6-0, 6-0; and Kellie Conley bowed to another Galion netter, Tammy Schilling, 6-3, 6-2 after fashioning a 6-4 victory in the beginning set.

Top seeded singles players are Tammy Schmidt of Lexington, Sue Conwell of Ashland, Debbie Beather of Malabar and Huggins. In doubles play, the top seeds are Emily and Bridget Heid of Fremont Ross, Anne and Ellen Carter of Mansfield Madison, Alice Rosic and Sue McCarrick of Malabar and Robin Oxenrider and Julie Park of Ashland.

Plymouth, Crestview battle to 6-6 tie

PLYMOUTH — The streak is broken, but the Plymouth Vikings still haven't experienced victory on the football field in a while.

The Vikes had to settle for a tie, 6-6, in their game with the Crestview Cougars Friday. The deadlock halts a string of 16 consecutive defeats Plymouth had suffered since 1979.

The Vikings got a second-quarter touchdown on a two-yard run by Jim Jamerson tying the score at 6-6. The attempted extra-point kick failed.

Crestview had scored first when Mark Kaple, who had 136 yards rushing on 28 trips with the ball, hit paydirt from a yard away.

Plymouth is now 0-5-1 for the campaign. Crestview now sports a 2-3-1 slate.

Richard Cunningham was the Vikes' top ball carrier, gaining 87 yards on 11 totes. Jamerson collected 51 yards on 13 carries.

Plymouth had 58 yards passing, as quarterback Rod Hampton hit on six of 18 shots. The Vikings had 188 yards on the ground.

The Cougars gained 243 yards rushing and 121 passing. Quarterback Tom Pickworth threw 19 times, completing nine.

Plymouth will be in Attica Friday to take on the Seneca East Tigers.

CRESTVIEW 0 6 0 0 - 6

PLYMOUTH 0 6 0 0 - 6

C- Mark Kaple, 1-yard run (pass failed)

P- Jim Jamerson, 2-yard run (kick failed)

NOL roundup

Bellevue belts Norwalk for league lead

The Bellevue Redmen completed the third week of Northern Ohio League play as the circuit's only unbeaten football team, having dispatched Norwalk, 20-7.

The Redmen, now 3-0 in the NOL and 6-0 overall, saw their streak of not allowing the opposition any points stopped at 21 Friday.

In other league matches, Willard slipped by Bucyrus, 7-0, and Tiffin Columbian tripped Galion, 14-7.

Bellevue 20, Norwalk 7

BELLEVEUE — Joe Green threw three touchdown passes Friday as the Bellevue Redmen stayed unbeaten with a 20-7 rout of Norwalk.

Green threw two of his TD passes to Jeff Schaffer, covering 45 and 15 yards, and one to Mike Bollenbacher for a nine-yard score. Green also hit Jeff Tackett on a touchdown conversion pass.

Schaffer caught four of Green's eight complete passes (in 18 attempts) for 91 yards, and also intercepted two Norwalk tosses.

The Trickers' only TD came on a 38-yard pass from Mike Sweet to Mike Stewart. Norwalk is now 2-4 in all games and 1-2 in the NOL.

NORWALK 0 7 0 0 - 7

BELLEVEUE 6 8 6 0 - 20

B- Jeff Schaffer, 45-yard pass from Joe Green (kick failed)

B- Schaffer, 15-yard pass from Green (Green to Jeff Tackett)

N- Mike Stewart, 38-yard pass from Mike Sweet (Bret Mason kick)

B- Mike Bollenbacher, 9-yard pass from Green (run failed)

Willard 7, Bucyrus 0

WILLARD — Todd Trushel scored from five yards out with 2:33 left to play, to lift the Willard Flashes to a 7-0 win over the Bucyrus Redmen Friday.

Willard is now 2-4 overall and 2-1 in the league. Bucyrus is 2-4 in all contest and 0-3 in the NOL. The Redmen passed for 175 yards on a 17-of-29 completion rate, but had 6 yards rushing.

BUCYRUS 0 0 0 0 - 0

WILLARD 0 0 0 7 - 7

W- Todd Trushel, 5-yard run (Kirk Holthouse kick)

Tiffin Columbian 14, Galion 7

TIFFIN — Tony Colatruglio rushed for 103 yards on 28 carries and scored both Columbian touchdowns to propel his team to a 14-7 victory

over Galion Friday.

Colatruglio scored on runs of two and 17 yards. John Erlsten, who led Galion with 109 yards on 24 hikes, tallied on a seven-yard run.

Tiffin is 3-2-1 overall and 2-1 in the league. Galion is now 1-5 for the season, 1-2 in the NOL.

Erlsten was all of the Tigers' offense, as Galion had 96 total yards, all on the ground. TC had 175 total yards.

GALION 0 0 7 0 - 7

TIFFIN COL. 7 7 0 0 - 14

T- Tony Colatruglio, 2-yard run (Ken Egbert kick)

T- Colatruglio, 17-yard run (Egbert kick)

G- John Erlsten, 7-yard run (Chris Nicholls kick)

NOL standings

Bellevue	3-0-0	6-0-0
SHELBY	2-1-0	5-1-0
Tiffin	2-1-0	3-2-1
Willard	2-1-0	2-4-0
Galion	1-2-0	1-5-0
Norwalk	1-2-0	2-4-0
Upper	1-2-0	2-3-1
Bucyrus	0-3-0	2-4-0

BASEBALL

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NL East

(Game 3)

Milw 010000010—2 84

Phila 02000220x—6130

Burriss, Lee (6), Sosa (7) and Carter, Christenson, Lyle (7), R Reed (8) and Moreland, Boone (7) W—Christenson (1-0). L—Burriss (0-1).

NL West

(Game 3)

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Los Ang 30000003x—6100

Knepper, LaCorte (6), Sambito (8), B Smith (8) and Ashby, Hooton, Howe (8), Welch (9) and Yeager. W—Hooton (1-0). L—Knepper (0-1). HRs—Houston, Howe (1); Los

Angeles, Garvey (2)

AL East

Game 3

Milw 000000320—5 90

N Y. 000100200—3 82

Merch, Fingers (7) and Simmons, John, May (8) and Cerone W—Fingers. L—John. HRs—Milwaukee, Simmons (1).

Molitor (1)

AL West

Game 3

Oakland 000100000—1103

Kan City 10120000x—4 70

Gura, Martin (4) and Wathan; Langford, Underwood (8), Beard (8) and Heath. W—Langford. L—Gura. HR—Oakland, McKay (1).

SCORES

Arlington 14, Arcadia 7	Loudonville 29, Clear Fork 0
Canton McKinley 42, Alliance 0	Mansfield Madison 41, New Philadelphia 7
Carey 20, River Valley 0	Mansfield Malabar 33, Ashland 28
Centerville 18, Beaver Creek 14	Monroeville 14, New London 0
Cin Moeller 15, Cin Elder 7	Northmor 7, Centerburg 6
Cin Princeton 24, Cin Roger Bacon 6	Orrville 37, Tuscarawas Valley 14
Col Watterson 31, Col Hartley 0	Pandora-Gilboa 7, Liberty Benton 0
Colonel-Crawford 27, Pleasant 14	Patrick Henry 19, Bryan 7
Cory-Rawson 36, Vanlue 7	Sandusky 57, Marion Harding 7
Dover 34, Wooster 14	Sycamore Mohawk 19, Wynford 7
Fostoria 24, Lima Shawnee 7	Tiffin Calvert 35, Port Clinton 0
Fredericktown 23, Marion Catholic 0	Tol St. Francis 7, Tol Stritch 0
Fremont Ross 14, Elyria 7	W. Salem Northwestern 7, Doylestown 0
Gibsonburg 27, Kansas Lakota 0	Whitehall 20, Delaware 7
Glouster Trimble 56, Federal 14	Woodridge 23, Danville 0
Hilliard 34, Mt. Vernon 8	
Huron 28, Clyde 13	

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