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Margaretta quarterback Randy Fredrick scrambles on a sweep to the right with Perkins tackle Jack Buchanan (74) in pursuit.

Margaretta comeback thwarted

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drive with a sweep to the right covering the final four yards. John Gaydos split the uprights and Perkins led by a 7-0 score with exactly nine minutes left in the game.

During the drive, Kenne carried the ball on 11 of the 12 plays. An interception by Tim Holkenborg, the second for the defensive back in the game, gave the ball right back to the Pirates at the Margaretta 45.

And, it took just seven plays to reach scoring territory again with Kenne going around left end for the final 29 yards and the

touchdown. Gaydos again converted for a 14-0 lead with 3:23 showing on the clock.

"Kenne had another excellent game but you've got to credit those guys up front for clearing the way. They were sure pushing the defense back. Also, our passing game and fullback Rich Buathier kept the defense honest. We had some success with our passing the first half and really didn't need to throw the ball during the second half," added Stauffer.

Woodring noted that field position played a key role in his team's strategy.

"We didn't have good field position that often and that kept us from going to our passing game earlier and really took its toll on us. Late in the game, we went to our hurry-up offense and had some success with our post offense crossing over the middle. Our defense was on the field a lot and that meant that six players were going both ways. And, I think they (Perkins) were able to wear us down."

Perkins is home again Friday, hosting Fremont St. Joe while Margaretta entertains St. Mary's Central Catholic the same night.

Plymouth 4-0 after stunning Monroeville

PLYMOUTH — Dick Roll stressed to the Plymouth players that Friday's game with Monroeville was the biggest game they've ever played.

Now, the second-year mentor has changed that following a 17-14 come-from-behind win over the Eagles.

"The game with Monroeville was the biggest game until now. But, now the biggest game will be next Saturday when we go to Edison. It'll be the biggest crowd our players have ever played in front of and the game will carry a lot of meaning," noted Roll who watched his team move its record to 4-0 with a win in the Firelands Conference opener.

"I'm just very proud of the comeback. Right after

Monroeville went ahead (14-7), we came right back and scored. Then, we settled down and played good defense. Early in the game, our defense had a goaline stand and our specialty teams also performed well."

With just 1:05 left to play, Mike McKenzie split the uprights from 22 yards away to give the Big Red its best start since 1978 when they also won their first four enroute to a 7-3 season record.

"He (McKenzie) had missed an earlier field goal attempt because of the angle. He kicks the ball high and it's sometimes hard to tell if it goes through or not. He's got good range. We went for the winning field goal on second down only because we wanted to have an extra down to

play with in case there was a bad snap from center or mistake. If there was a mistake, I told the kids to just fall on the ball so we could get another shot at a field goal."

After McKenzie's field goal, the Eagles were driving when a fumble occurred on a pass play and was recovered by Plymouth at the Monroeville 41.

Earlier, Jeff Stieber scored from four yards out and Dave Keszei passed to Roger Smith for the two-point conversion as Monroeville, now 2-2 and losers of two straight, went ahead by a 14-7 score with 3:18 left in the third quarter.

But, Plymouth came roaring back and tied it at 14-14 following a four play, 42-yard drive capped off by quarterback Rodney Hampton's five-yard scoring toss to Darren Branham and Mike McKenzie's point after.

It was the second time in the game the two had hooked up for a score as Hampton had connected with Branham for another five-yard touchdown pass and McKenzie had converted as Plymouth took a 7-0 lead at the 8:55 mark of the second quarter.

With just ten seconds left before halftime, Roger Smith hauled in a six-yard pass from Keszei as the visiting Eagles narrowed the deficit to 7-6.

"He (Hampton) has been doing a good job at quarterback and we're pleased with the passing game."

STATISTICS

	Mon	Ply
First Downs (total)	15	16
net yards rushing	135	105
passes attempted	16	26
passes completed	8	14
had intercepted	0	0
net yards passing	134	161
Total Net Yards Gained	269	266
Fumbles (number)	3	0
ball lost	1	0
Penalties (number)	5	6
yards penalized	50	40

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	Mon	Ply
Monroeville	0	6
Plymouth	0	7
Scoring:		
Plymouth — Darren Branham, 5 pass from Rodney Hampton. (Mike McKenzie, kick).		
Monroeville — Roger Smith, 6 pass from Dave Keszei. (PAT failed).		
Monroeville — Jeff Stieber, 4 run. (Smith, pass from Keszei).		
Plymouth — Branham, 5 pass from Hampton. (McKenzie, kick).		
Plymouth — McKenzie, 22 yard field goal.		

Seneca East knocks off four-time king Danbury

LAKESIDE — Seneca East evened its record at 2-2 and also recorded its initial win in the Lakeshore Conference as they shutout perennial champion Danbury 13-0 Friday evening.

The Lakers have won four conference crowns in the last five years.

"I was very pleased with the play of our defensive unit," stated Tiger mentor, Mike Cool, following the game.

"We had a nose for the football as we picked off three of their passes," he added. Rick Ehresman, Jon Siesel and Jim Reesman each collected one.

The Tigers grabbed a 6-0 lead at the 5:50 mark of the opening period when Dave Daniel, the games leading rusher with 113 yards in 19 attempts, raced 39 yards for the score. The two point bonus failed.

The only other score of the night came in the final eight minutes of action as Daniel again scored, this time from the one with 2:10 on the clock.

"You must give Danbury a lot of credit. Our down lineman said that was the hardest they have been hit all season. We made a number of offensive mistakes and must iron them out before

next weeks homecoming game against Northwood," added the winning coach.

For the night the Tigers rushed for 199 yards and added three for eight in the passing department good for 41 yards, giving them 240 yards of offense.

The Lakers were held to 38 rushing yards and just 43 thru the airways for 81 total yards.

Danbury collected just four first downs with two of them by the penalty route in suffering its third shutout loss of the season.

The Lakers now 0-4 play travel to Lucas on Saturday for a non-conference tilt.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	SE	Dan
Seneca East	6	0
Danbury	0	0
Scoring:		
Seneca East — Dave Daniel, 39 run. (run failed).		
Seneca East — Daniel, 1 run. (Dan Seisel, kick).		

STATISTICS

	SE	Dan
First Downs (total)	15	4
by rushing	11	1
by passing	3	1
by penalty	1	2
Rushes (total)	8	12
net yards rushing	3	3
passes attempted	0	3
passes completed	0	3
had intercepted	41	43
net yards passing	240	81
Total Net Yards Gained	5	1
Fumbles (number)	2	0
ball lost	7	2
Penalties (number)	45	20
yards penalized		

Whittington gets 100th win as Chargers bomb Trojans

GREENWICH — Edison executed to perfection Friday night in a 42-8 romp over South Central.

And, it was the 100th coaching victory for the Chargers' Jim Whittington.

Whittington, who has compiled a 100-45-6 record in his career, watched his team score on its first six possessions of the game and roll up 364 yards total offense in the Firelands Conference opener.

The veteran mentor is in his 12th season at Edison and stands 88-21-4.

"It was an easy one and a fine job by the assistant coaches just like in the previous 99 wins," said Whittington.

"Execution was critical for us and the players performed well both offensively and defensively."

The starting backfield duo of Jeff Springer and Kurt Ostheimer sparked the Chargers.

Ostheimer reached paydirt twice in the opening period, once on a 43-yard run and another coming on a 14-yard pass from quarterback Joe Taylor. Pat Landoll ran the conversion following the second score as the Chargers led by a 14-0 count after twelve minutes of play.

On their first possession of the second quarter, Taylor scampered to paydirt from six yards out and Springer ran the conversion for a 22-0 advantage. Then, Springer scored on the

next three Edison possessions. He tallied from five, eight and two yards with Shawn Fox converting after two of the scores as the Chargers pulled out in front by a 42-0 count.

South Central avoided the shutout in the final quarter when Mike Tuttle broke loose for a 46-yard touchdown run and Steve Lewis ran the two-point PAT for the final 42-8 score.

Both teams enjoyed considerable success running the ball.

Edison, now 3-1, was led by Ostheimer who had 120 yards in 13 carries. And, Springer chipped in with 104 yards in 17 rushes. Also, the Chargers added 104 yards through the air as

Taylor was perfect on six passing attempts.

South Central, which has lost three in a row after opening with an impressive win over Galion Northmor, was led by Eric Dendinger with 109 yards in 19 carries while Tuttle added 104 in 15 tries.

The win by the Chargers, coupled with Plymouth's triumph over Monroeville, sets the stage for next Saturday's visit by the Big Red to Edison.

STATISTICS

	Edis	SC
First Downs (total)	11	11
net yards rushing	260	247
passes attempted	6	3
passes completed	6	1
had intercepted	0	0
net yards passing	104	0
Total Net Yards Gained	364	247
Fumbles (number)	4	4
ball lost	0	1
Penalties (number)	2	4
yards penalized	20	50

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	Edison	South Central
Edison	14	15
South Central	0	0
Scoring:		
Edison — Kurt Ostheimer, 43 run. (kick failed).		
Edison — Ostheimer, 14 pass from Joe Taylor. (Pat Landoll, run).		
Edison — Taylor, 6 run. (Jeff Springer, run).		
Edison — Springer, 5 run. (Shawn Fox, kick).		
Edison — Springer, 8 run. (Fox, kick).		
Edison — Springer, 2 run. (kick failed).		
South Central — Mike Tuttle, 46 run. (Steve Lewis, run).		

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