



Turnovers hurt Browns in 26-7 loss

CLEVELAND (UPI)—Chris Bahr converted consecutive Cleveland third-quarter fumbles into two of his four field goals Friday night, pacing the previously winless Los Angeles Raiders to a 26-7 victory over the turnover-plagued Browns.

Jim Plunkett tossed a touchdown pass to Marcus Allen and safety Stacey Toran returned an interception of a Bernie Kosar pass 29 yards for another score to help the Raiders improve to 1-3.

The Browns, which suffered four interceptions and three lost fumbles, evened their record at 2-2 before 44,926 at Cleveland Stadium.

Trailing 10-0 at halftime, the Browns cut the deficit to three points when nose tackle Dave Puzzuoli returned quarterback Marc Wilson's fumble 19 yards for a touchdown 53 seconds into the third quarter.

Wilson, who lost the ball when he was sacked by linebacker Aaron Brown, suffered a bruised lower back and did not return.

Bahr then restored the lead to 16-7 by booting field goals following back-to-back fumbles by rookie running back Greg Allen that were recovered by veteran defensive end Dave Stalls.

Allen's fumble on the Cleveland 24 led to Bahr's 29-yard field goal at 5:42.

On the ensuing Allen dropped Kosar's handoff and Stalls again recovered Bahr then padded the Los Angeles lead to 16-7 with a 25-yarder at 8:14.

With 1:26 left in the third quarter, when safety Stacey Toran picked off a Kosar pass and sprinted into the endzone.

Bahr added a 26-yard field goal with 5:21 left in the game to cap the scoring.

Turnovers plagued the Browns from the start. The hosts, with Gary Danielson at quarterback, drove inside the Raider 35 before Earnest Byner's third fumble of the preseason ended the opening possession.

Los Angeles opened the scoring with 12 seconds left in the first quarter as veteran Plunkett capped an 11-play, 75-play drive with a two-yard pass to Allen.

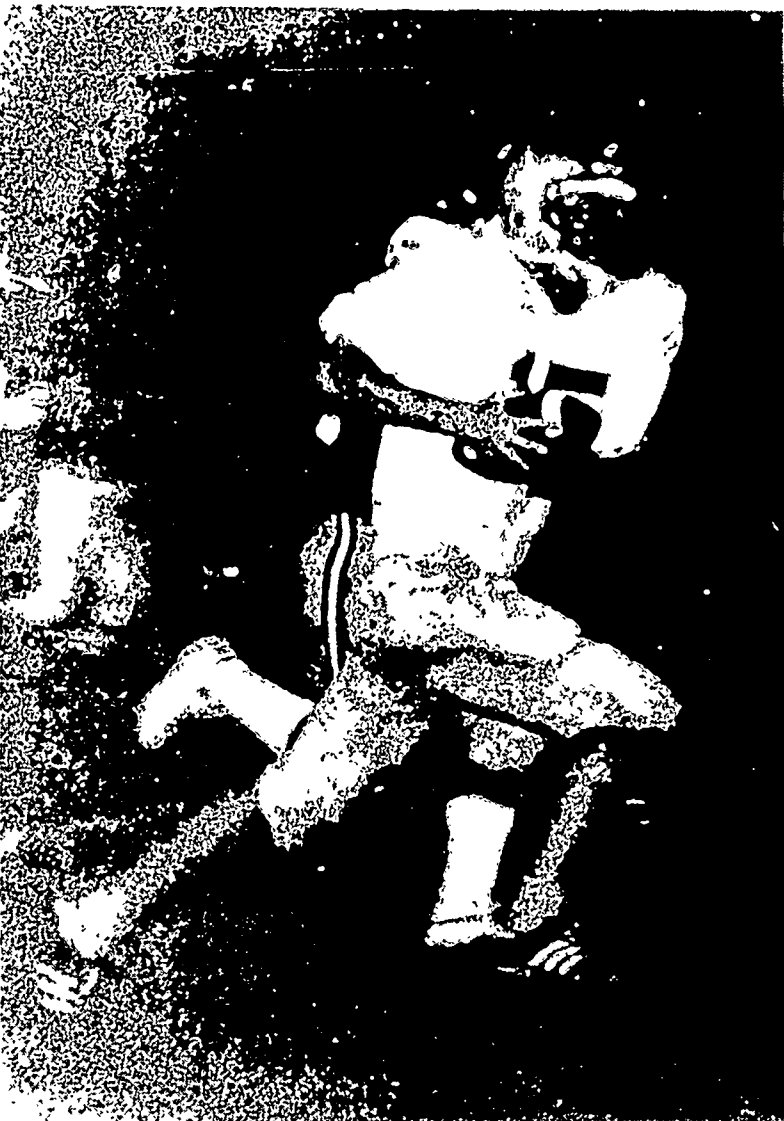
The Raiders were helped during the possession by a 31-yard gain on cornerback Frank Minnifield's pass interference penalty.

Cleveland's Matt Bahr, the younger brother of Chris Bahr, was short and wide right on a 39-yard field goal attempt with 1:52 remaining in the half.

Chris Bahr responded by giving the Raiders a 10-0 lead at intermission by booting a 46-yard field goal with seven seconds left in the half.

Danielson, named Monday as Cleveland's starting quarterback, did not appear as sharp as he was in the first three preseason games.

He was intercepted twice, sacked twice and finished with 7-of-14 passing for 71 yards.



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Off and running

Shelby junior quarterback Randy Fagg is off and running on a 36-yard second quarter run. Fagg scored the Whippets' only touchdown of the night on an 11-yard run early in the second quarter and was the leading rusher for SHS with 62 yards. SHS fell to Madison in the opener for both teams 14-6.

Gantner, Simmons lead Brewers past Cleveland

MILWAUKEE (UPI)—Jim Gantner broke a 3-3 tie with a solo home run in the seventh inning and Ted Simmons drove in four runs with a three-run homer and a single Friday night to lift the Milwaukee Brewers to a 9-6 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

Gantner's fifth home run of the year made a winner of Moose Haas, 8-6. Bob Gibson pitched the ninth. Haas allowed seven hits, walked none and struck out six. The victory was the first for Haas since he onehit the New York Yankees on June 29. Tom Waddell, 7-6, took the loss.

The Brewers added three more runs in the seventh after Gantner's homer. Waddell walked Ed Romero then was replaced by Bryan Clark. Earnest Riles singled and took second on an error by left fielder Otis Nixon with Romero ending up on third. Robin Yount was walked intentionally and Cecil Cooper hit a ground ball to shortstop Julio Franco, who forced Yount at second then threw wildly to

first, allowing Romero and Riles to score.

Cooper ended up on second base and scored when Simmons singled to center.

The Brewers scored their final two runs in the eighth on a two-run single by Romero off reliever Vern Ruhle.

The Brewers tied the score 3-3 in the sixth on Simmons' 11th home run of the season. Riles led off with a single, one out later, Cooper walked and Simmons followed with a line drive over the right-field fence.

The Indians grabbed a 1-0 lead in the second. Andre Thornton singled, moved to third on a single by Mike Hargrove and scored when Brook Jacoby hit into a fielder's choice.

Jacoby gave Cleveland a 3-0 lead in the fourth when he followed a Hargrove single with a long home run to center, his 15th homer of the season.

Cleveland added three runs in the ninth on an RBI double by Tony Bernazard, Jerry Willard's groundout and Pat Tabler's infield single.

Madison wins 14-6 Shelby falls in Rams fourth quarter rally

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MANSFIELD—Two fourth quarter touchdowns in the final six minutes propelled Mansfield Madison to a 14-6 victory over Shelby Friday night in the season opener for both teams.

Quarterback Brian Boyd provided the Rams with its scores, crossing the goal line on runs of two and eight yards.

Both scores were on drives of less than 40 yards, setup by two Whippet fumbles.

The first Madison score was courtesy of an 11 play, 28-yard drive, completed on a two-yard scamper by Boyd with 5:48 remaining in the game. Gary Foster's PAT kick turned out to be the game winner for the Rams.

Following the score, the Rams got the ball right back when the Whippets fumbled the kick off and Madison's Jeff Bosco pounced on the loose pigskin at the SHS 36 with 5:40 remaining.

The Rams covered the final 36 yards in six plays and on second and goal from the Whippet 8-yard line, Boyd dropped back and then broke toward the goal line for the score with 2:22 left to be played. Foster was again perfect on his second PAT kick.

The Whippets got the ball back and moved to the Madison 35-yard line on the strength of key pass receptions from junior quarterback Randy Fagg to senior offensive end Jeff Rickens good for 6, 30 and 22 yards.

The Shelby bid to tie the game was thwarted with time running out when Madison's Chuck Bradley stepped in front of a Whippet pass for the interception and returned it to near midfield.

The Whippets broke out on top

early in the second quarter when Fagg made good on a broken play 11:26 to play in the first half.

Fagg was running an option play to the right when the Rams over-pursued and the Shelby quarterback reversed his field and went around the left side and scored from 11 yards out. Tim Amstutz' PAT kick was blocked and the score stood 6-0.

"Randy Fagg did an admirable job for us," pointed out first-year Shelby coach Ron Stepsis. "He turned in a heads-up play when he scored the touchdown."

Fagg ended the game with rushing honors for the Whippets. He carried the ball five times for 62 yards. The big rushing play of the game for Fagg was a 36-yard run in the second quarter on a quarterback keeper off a third-and-one call.

The junior quarterback completed four of 11 passes for 81 yards. Rickens was on the receiving end of all four passes.

The Whippets won the yardage battle, both passing and rushing. Shelby totaled 186 yards rushing to compliment Fagg's 81 yards passing while Madison had 172 yards rushing and 78 passing.

First downs went in favor of the Rams 15-9.

Second on the rushing list with 47 yards on 16 carriers was Terry Baldrige while Brad Glaze has 14 carries for 45 yards. Wingback Rick Reed ran the ball three times for 32 yards.

"The real key was the play in the trenches," said Stepsis. "We didn't play very well on either the offensive or defensive lines. Madison controlled both lines of scrimmage."

"Later in the game we played too much defense. Sooner or later a team will score on you when your defense is out on the

field that long," said Stepsis. But Stepsis stressed the season is far from over.

"In every disaster there is also some ray of sunshine," said Stepsis. "There were a lot of fine individual performances, but there were some crucial mistakes that hurt. No one person inflicted the damage, but we all took our turn," said Stepsis.

"But give Madison credit. They caused some of our problems. They played quite well," said Stepsis.

Defensively, the Whippets were led by senior cornerback Bill Triska with two interceptions and one fumble recovery to go with four tackles.

Scott Meier, Steve Stiefel and Brad Butcher led the Whippets with seven tackles each while Reid Lederer and Mike Lybarger had six each. Curt Thomas had four stops.

Next week the Whippets will have their work cut out when they face Toledo DeVilbiss in another non-league clash at W.W. Skiles Field. DeVilbiss thrashed Toledo Bowsher 20-6 in its opener. The DeVilbiss team is predicted to be the team to beat in the Toledo City League this season.

VARSITY FOOTBALL				
At Madison High School				
Shelby	0	6	0	0-6
Madison	0	0	0	14-14
S	Randy Fagg	11 yard run	(Kick failed)	
M	Brian Boyd	2 yard run	(Gary Foster kick)	
M	Boyd	8 yard run	(Foster kick)	
Game Stats				
Shelby				Madison
9	First Downs			15
5	By Rushing			10
3	By Passing			3
1	By Penalty			2
186	Rushing Yardage			172
81	Passing Yardage			78
4:11	Poses(Comp-Att)			6:9
9:96	Penalties Yards			8:80
2:30.5	Punts-Avg.			-1:28.0
4:3	Fumbles Lost			1:1
2	Poses Int. By			1

Bengals edge Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Eddie Brown scored on a 15-yard reverse run with 2:18 to play to give the Cincinnati Bengals a 31-21 NFL exhibition victory over Indianapolis Friday night.

Leading 24-21 late in the game, the Bengals ran back an Indianapolis punt to the Colts 30-yard line. Five plays later, quarterback Turk Schonert pitched to Stanford Jennings, who lateraled to Brown. The speedy wide receiver scampered in for the points that put away the pesky Colts.

Indianapolis trailed 24-7 at halftime but rallied in the second half. The Colts marched the second half kickoff 76 yards in nine plays, scoring on Mike

Pagel's 18-yard pass to Pat Beach with 5:02 gone in the third quarter.

After linebacker Dave Ahrens blocked a Bengals punt on the next series, the Colts went 51 yards in 11 plays to cut the deficit to 24-21 on Frank Middleton's 1-yard TD plunge with 2:19 remaining in the quarter.

Ken Anderson, a 15-year veteran as Bengal quarterback, completed 14 of 21 passes for 221 yards in 3 1/2 quarters of action. He rattled the Indianapolis secondary at the start, completing five passes for 70 yards on the opening drive as Cincinnati marched 80 yards to score on Larry Kinnebrew's 5-yard run.

Anderson, who was 7-of-7 for 140 yards in the first quarter, began the second drive with a 49-yard pass play to Eddie Brown. The Bengals scored three plays later on a 3-yard run by James Brooks, who started right, avoided two fallen Indianapolis defenders, then cut back left to score.

After safety Robert Jackson

intercepted Colt quarterback Mike Pagel at the Bengal 40-yard line, Cincinnati drove to the Colt 5 but had to settle for a 23-yard field goal by Jim Breech and a 17-0 lead with 1:36 gone in the second quarter.

Indianapolis followed by driving 83 yards in seven plays for their only first-half score, a 15-yard TD pass from Pagel to Robbie Martin. The key play of the series was a 23-yard pass from an almost sacked Pagel to Bernard Henry on a third-down play.

Cincinnati regained its 17-point advantage at halftime by marching 92 yards in nine plays late in the half. A 45-yard interference penalty against Indianapolis set up a touchdown pass by Anderson three-plays later. The pass was deflected at the goal line by Colt safety Tate Randle and caught in the end zone by Brown for the score.

Pagel, who is competing with injured Art Schlichter for the Colts' starting quarterback job, completed 14 of 25 passes for 171 yards.

Big Red rally for two fourth quarter TD's

Robinson, Keene star in Plymouth's 34-30 win

PLYMOUTH—The Plymouth Big Red used their high production passing attack to come from behind and beat the visiting Crestline Bulldogs 34-30 in the closing seconds of the independent contest.

Sophomore running back Bill Castle reached the endzone from one-yard out with 16 seconds remaining in the game to boost the Big Red to their first win of the season.

But most of the offense for Plymouth was provided by the arm of Troy Keene and his receivers' hands.

The senior co-captain connected on half of his 42 passing attempts for 281 yards and threw for three touchdowns.

Catching most of the passes from Keene was junior wide receiver Jason Robinson. Robinson caught 14 passes for 100-plus yards (no total yardage was available) and a first quarter score.

"This was Jason Robinson's first-ever varsity game and to catch 14 passes is a super effort," said Plymouth coach Dick Roll.

Elaborating on the situation, Roll continued, "because their defense double-teamed Steve Hall most of the night it left Jason wide open. I'd also like to give the line a lot of credit for their effort, because Troy Keene was not sacked once tonight."

The Big Red scored 14 first quarter points and entered the locker room at the half with a 21-8 advantage, but Crestline

would come back to take the lead in the third quarter.

In the third period Crestline punched in 22 points onto the scoreboard, mainly with their rushing attack that compiled 235 yards in the game. Tom Finnegan provided most of the offense in the period and scored eight of the 14 points.

Leading into the fourth quarter facing a 22-21 deficit was enough for the Big Red, but the Bulldogs didn't stop their Finnegan rushed for his second score of the game and boosted the Crestline lead to 30-21.

Plymouth came back with a drive that ended with a Keene to

Junior Porter pass cutting the lead to 30-27, and a game-ending drive capped by Castle's TD run provided the difference for Plymouth.

Next week Plymouth remains home for the second game of the season when they will host the Lucas Cubs in another independent contest.

VARSITY FOOTBALL				
At Plymouth				
Crestline	0	8	14	8-30
Plymouth	14	7	0	13-34
P	Steve Hall	36 yard run	(Randy Myers kick)	
P	Troy Keene	18 yard pass to Jason Robinson	(Myers kick)	
C	Tom Finnegan	15 yard run	(Finnegan)	

(run)
P Keene 11 yard pass to Hall
C John Helmer 1 yard run (Pass failed)
C Helmer 1 yard (Finnegan run)
C Finnegan 6 yard pass to Troy Perry (Finnegan to Perry pass)
P Keene 6 yard pass to Junior Porter (Kick failed)
P Bill Castle 1 yard run (Myers kick)

Game Statistics		
Plymouth		Crestline
22	First Downs	20
00	By Rushing	00
00	By Passing	00
00	By Penalty	00
88	Rushing Yardage	235
281	Passing Yardage	66
21:42:2	Passes(Comp-Att)	4:13:2
13:110	Penalties Yards	7:60
2:32:0	Punts-Avg	3:21:0
2:1	Fumbles Lost	2:1
2	Poses Int. By	2



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