



Willard's Durr and Storts run wild in victory over Norwalk

WILLARD — It's not often two coaches come out of one game feeling good about his football team.

But that's what it sounded like Friday after Willard defeated Norwalk 29-20 in a wild Northern Ohio League game.

"I think this is the real Norwalk team," losing coach Terry Hehl said. "This is the team I talked about in two-a-days (practices in the summer). We've been playing quality opposition, and tonight was no exception. Willard could easily be 5-0."

Instead, the Flashes are 3-2 overall and 1-1 in the NOL, while Norwalk dropped its fourth straight game and stands 1-4 and 0-2.

But Hehl was pleased with 243 yards of offense — including 114 yards in 25 carries by fullback Frank Staley — and a comeback that pulled the Trickers within 22-20 in the fourth quarter.

Willard scored first when Clay Stephens scored on a three-yard run in the first period, then scored the two-point conversion on a run to put the Flashes ahead, 8-0.

Norwalk tied the score when quarterback Ken Moore scored on a one-yard run, then hit Sean Oglesby for the two-point conversion pass with 5:48 left in the first period.

The Trickers took the lead when Moore picked off a pass

and raced 45 yards for a touchdown one minute later. The kick failed, leaving Norwalk ahead, 14-8.

But Willard came right back when Curt Storts rambled 29 yards for a touchdown, capping an 83-yard drive that took eight plays. Pudge Maudsley caught a two-point pass from Chris Thompson to give Willard the lead back at 16-14.

All this in just the first period. Willard widened its lead to 22-14 in the third period when Ryan Durr exploded on a 50-yard touchdown run, set up by an interception by Maudsley. The run for two-points failed.

In the fourth quarter, the Trickers put on a monumental drive, going 92 yards in 11 plays for a touchdown, with Oglesby catching a nine-yard scoring pass from Moore. The run for two points, which could have tied the game, failed.

Willard scored inside the last minute when Thompson snuck over from one yard out and Storts kicked the extra point.

Storts and Durr had outstanding nights running, as the Flashes gained 402 yards on the ground. Storts had 25 carries for 169 yards, while Durr carried 18 times for 175 yards.

"Storts killed us," Hehl said. "We knew Durr was good, and if you can't stop Storts, Durr will kill you."

"Ryan had a little more definite idea of where he wanted to run tonight," Willard coach Terry King said. "This game is a step in the right direction because we didn't fumble tonight."

In its two losses, Willard has lost fumbles inside its 10 yard line, and led the league in fumbles.

But King was concerned by some ill-timed passes when the Flashes had the lead.

"I could kick myself for going to the air when we had some good field position anyway," he said. "We got a little greedy."

Norwalk will travel to Upper Sandusky (0-5, 0-2) Friday, while Willard will host unbeaten Galion (5-0, 2-0) in what will be a key NOL game.

At Galion, the undefeated Tigers (5-0) were hard-pressed to edge Bellevue, 14-6.

Bellevue, dropping to 2-3 overall and 0-2 in the NOL,

fumbled away an early scoring opportunity on the Galion one-yard-line.

Still, the high-scoring Tigers, 2-0 in the NOL, were unable to reach paydirt until the 4:19 mark of the third quarter when Marc Hottenroth hauled in a 29-yard scoring pass from quarterback Carl Johnson.

The Tigers, who had outscored the opposition by a 158-24 margin in winning the first four games and earning a spot in the UPI top 10, maintained the 6-0 lead until late in the contest.

With 1:55 left to play, Mike Remy plunged over from the one-yard-line and the two-point conversion was also successful with Johnson firing a strike to Hottenroth for a 14-0 lead.

Bellevue, which had also suffered an interception on the Galion five-yard-line earlier in the fourth quarter, avoided the shutout when sophomore Ed Haynes grabbed a three-yard touchdown pass from Chris Turner as the final seconds ticked off the clock.

The Redmen, with a 21-of-39 showing for 213 yards through the air, finished with a 292-236 edge in total offense.

At Tiffin, the Tornadoes struck for a score in every quarter while turning back winless Upper Sandusky, 33-12.

Columbian, 5-0 overall and 2-0 in the NOL, built a 19-0 lead by halftime with Jeff Bierly scoring twice on runs of one and two yards and Mick Thallman also scored on a fumble recovery.

The winners increased the lead to 26-0 with a third period two-yard run by Arnie Rochester before the visiting Rams could get on the board.

Bierly gained 147 yards in 34 carries while Rochester chipped in with 110 yards in 15 tries. In all, Columbian rushed for 284 yards while the visitors totaled 196 on the ground, 93 by Ben Barnes.

At Shelby, the Whippets moved to 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the league with an impressive first half showing.

Jeff Rickens got Shelby rolling early with a pair of pass receptions for scores in the first period and the Whippets went on to grab a 33-0 lead at intermission.

Another Bear theft—Polar Bear defensive back Jim Wiedenheft (right) grabs one of his two interceptions Friday night during Margareta's 40-10 victory over St. Mary's Central Catholic.

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South Central thunders from behind to defeat Edison for first time in 18 tries

GREENWICH — South Central has finally chalked up its first football win over Edison in the school's history.

Coach Bill Lewis was elated following the Trojans' 32-12 come-from-behind win over the Chargers Friday in a Firelands Conference battle.

Edison had chalked up 17 straight victories over South Central and had held the Trojans without a point in the first 10 meetings dating back to the initial duel in 1968.

In the 17 losses, South Central had produced just 50 points — 28 coming in a 29-28 loss in Lewis' first year — and the Chargers had exploded for a total of 497 points.

"I've been in coaching for 20 years and this is certainly one of the happiest moments of my life. I guess we had 20 former players in the dressing room after the game to help us celebrate and I really appreciated that. I know

the kids did too," Lewis said after his first win over the Chargers in 8 endeavors.

It was also the last time the two teams will play in the Firelands for Edison is entering the Sandusky Bay Conference next fall.

"We didn't play well at all the first half and trailed 12-6, but we certainly put it all together in the second half. It was the first clean half of football for us this year. We didn't make any mistakes and had control of the line scrimmage on both offense and defense," Lewis continued.

"We have a young football team and maybe a year away, but we have a much better team than our record shows," Lewis added.

The Trojans are 1-1 in the Firelands and 2-3 overall, while Edison dropped to 1-1 in the conference and 2-3 overall. South Central is in the South and Edison plays in the North division.

Tailback Craig White sparked the Trojans' 26-0 second half performance with three touchdowns in succession before junior slotback Alan Beekman capped the outstanding 24 minutes of play with a 10-yard scoring jaunt.

White had 4 scores for the night.

"We gave a couple of games away but maybe this one will get us on the right track for the second half of the season," Lewis noted.

White galloped for 172 yards on 26 carries and Beekman had 5 receptions for 105 yards in the balanced attack.

The Trojans gained 236 yards on the ground and 144 in the air. Edison rushed for 183 yards,, most coming before intermission.

White bolted 2 yards at the 5:39 mark of the first period to get the hosts on the board, but Edison came back with the next two scores.

John Glider ran 5 yards with 2:21 left in the first period to tie the game and Jim Bond sprinted 22 yards with 3:42 left in the second quarter to send the Chargers out to a 12-6 lead.

It remained that way until the third period when the Trojans struck for a pair of touchdowns.

White dashed 13 yards at the 7:42 mark to tie the game again at 12-12, but the hosts missed the kick.

South Central struck moments later as White plunged 1 yard with 5:17 left in the period and Beekman ran for the two-point conversion.

White's final score came with 7:43 on the clock in the fourth quarter on a 5-yard burst off-tackle and Beekman added the final points with 2:32 remaining in the game.

STATISTICS		Edis	SC
First Downs (total)		9	20
by rushing		6	14
by passing		3	5
by penalty		0	1
Rushes (total)		183	236
net yards rushing		6	13
passes attempted		4	8
passes completed		2	0
had intercepted		0	1
net yards passing		57	144
Total Net Yards Gained		234	380
Fumbles (number)		4	4
ball lost		3	3
Penalties (number)		3	11
yards penalized		20	60

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Edison	6 6 0 0 12
South Central	6 0 14 12 32
Scoring: South Central — Craig White, 2 run. (kick failed).	
Edison — John Glider, 5 run. (kick failed).	
Edison — Jim Bond, 22 run. (kick failed).	
South Central — White, 13 run. (kick failed).	
South Central — White, 1 run. (Allen Beekman, run).	
South Central — White, 5 run. (pass failed).	
South Central — Beekman, 10 run. (kick failed).	

Monroeville rocks Plymouth, 31-13

PLYMOUTH — Sophomore quarterback Kevin Smith hurled two touchdown passes and Brian Liedorff returned the second half kickoff 75 yards for another score in sparking Monroeville to a lopsided 31-13 win over previously unbeaten Plymouth Friday.

In an inter-divisional battle of teams who won their opening Firelands Conference games a week ago, coach Steve Ringholz's Eagles took undisputed possession of first place in the Northern division with their second win.

Western Reserve is 1-0 in the

North and meets Black River, 1-0 in the South, today in an early showdown of powers who are each 4-0 records.

Plymouth, which had won its first 4 games with comparative ease, dropped to 1-1 in the South.

Monroeville, which had been a run-and-shoot offensive football team in 1984 and the early stages of 1985, balanced its attack although Smith was on the money for the big plays.

Smith, who played exclusively at linebacker early in the year, connected on a 20-yard touchdown pass to Chris Pfeiffer

in the second period and also tossed a 29-yard scoring strike to Ron Stang on the opening play of the fourth period.

Pfeiffer opened the scoring with a 27-yard field goal on the first play of the second period and he kicked the PAT after Smith's first touchdown pass to give the Eagles a 10-0 halftime lead.

Liedorff then gave Monroeville additional momentum with his 75-yard kickoff return to suddenly give the Eagles a 16-0 lead. Pfeiffer's kick was good.

The Eagles hiked the lead to 31-0 when Steve McGinn plunged one yard to cap a short 29-yard drive which took 9 plays after the Eagles picked off a Plymouth pass.

Plymouth scored twice in the last 4 minutes.

Dave Powers ran 3 yards with 4:02 left and Jeff Staggs tossed a 3-yard touchdown pass to Errin Echelberry in the final seconds of the game.

STATISTICS		Mon	Ply
First Downs (total)		18	15
Rushes (total)		100	110
net yards rushing		12	28
passes attempted		4	12
passes completed		0	1
had intercepted		0	1
net yards passing		39	86
Total Net Yards Gained		139	196
Fumbles (number)		2	4
ball lost		0	3
Penalties (number)		10	4
yards penalized		94	57

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Monroeville	0 10 7 14 31
Plymouth	0 0 0 13 13
Scoring: Monroeville — Chris Pfeiffer, 27 field goal.	
Monroeville — Pfeiffer, 20 pass from Kevin Smith. (Pfeiffer, kick).	
Monroeville — Brian Liedorff, 75 kickoff return. (Pfeiffer, kick).	
Monroeville — Ron Stang, 29 pass from Smith. (Pfeiffer, kick).	
Monroeville — Steve McGinn, 1 run. (Pfeiffer, kick).	
Plymouth — Dave Powers, 2 run. (Randy Myers, kick).	
Plymouth — Errin Echelberry, 3 pass from Jeff Staggs. (kick failed).	

St. Paul explodes for 35 points scoring first time

ASHLAND — Norwalk St. Paul did more than score its first points of the season Friday.

The Flyers gave first-year coach Joe Widman his first victory in the process by lashing host Mapleton in a Firelands Conference clash, 35-12.

Blanked in their first 4 games, St. Paul relied on an awesome running attack and piled up 355 yards on the ground in destroying the Mounties who have lost both conference encounters after opening 3-0 against non-conference rivals.

Junior fullback Gary Sprague scored twice for the Flyers who built their 35-0 lead before Mapleton tallied twice in the last period.

Sprague, who had 122 yards rushing on 17 carries, tallied on a two-yard burst in the third period and sprinted 43 yards in the opening moments of the last quarter to complete St. Paul's scoring.

The Flyers wasted no time putting their first points on the board this season. They took the

opening kickoff and marched with ease to paydirt and Dave Myers slipped into the end zone at the 8:09 mark. Mark Volcheck booted the first of two extra points.

Charlie Meyer scored on a four-yard run in the second period and Volcheck's kick gave the invaders a 14-0 halftime lead. Sprague's first TD hiked the lead to 20-0 and it remained that way until the last period.

Jeff Nickoli plunged one yard, then the Flyers picked up two more points on a safety before Sprague's sparking run.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Norwalk St. Paul	7 7 6 15 35
Mapleton	0 0 0 12 12
Scoring: Norwalk St. Paul — Dave Myers, 3 run. (Mark Volcheck, kick).	
Norwalk St. Paul — Charlie Meyers, 4 run. (Volcheck, kick).	
Norwalk St. Paul — Gary Sprague, 2 run. (kick failed).	
Norwalk St. Paul — Jeff Nickoli, 1 run. (kick failed).	
Norwalk St. Paul — Safety.	
Norwalk St. Paul — Sprague, 43 run. (Volcheck, kick).	
Mapleton — Brian Barnett, 9 pass from Jeremy Drause. (pass failed).	
Mapleton — Craig Richey, 9 pass from Drause. (pass failed).	

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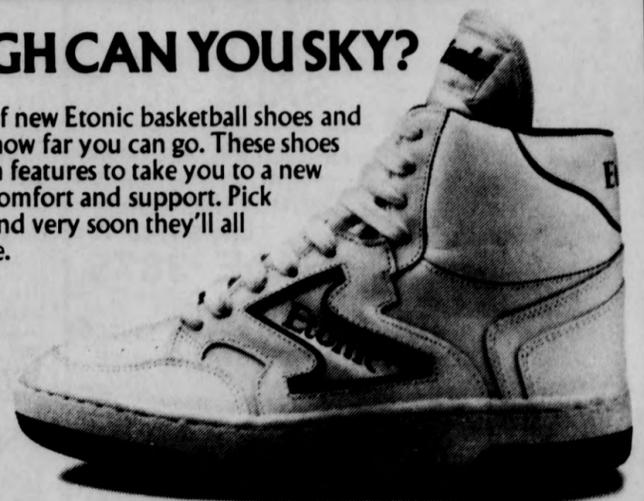
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