



No. 2 Miami tames No. 1 Oklahoma, 28-16

MIAMI (UPI)—Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer said he doesn't want a rematch. He doesn't want to play Miami in the Orange Bowl Jan. 1, or ever again.

Switzer has had his fill of Miami, following the second-ranked Hurricanes' 28-16 victory over the No. 1 Sooners Saturday. If Switzer has his way, the next time he sees Vinny Testaverde throw a pass will be when the Miami quarterback joins the NFL next year.

"I don't want to play them again," Switzer said. "I never want to play them again."

"Miami is a great team. Testaverde is too good. They shouldn't stub their toe the rest of the way with the schedule they have."

Miami may not face another ranked team until Jan. 1. No. 20 Florida State is the only rated school remaining on the Hurricanes' schedule and the Seminoles will probably fall out of the Top 20 after dropping to 1-2-1 with Saturday's loss to Michigan.

Similarly, the Heisman Trophy is Testaverde's to lose. Testaverde threw for 261 yards and four touchdowns to help snap Oklahoma's 10-game winning streak. Miami has handed the Sooners their only two losses since the start of the 1985 season.

Miami was last ranked No. 1 in the second game of the 1984 season, but lost its next game to Michigan.

"We're going for 12-0," Miami defensive tackle Jerome Brown said. "I don't think anybody can stop this team."

The Sooners couldn't stop Testaverde Saturday, even when their defensive linemen mounted a pass rush. On Miami's first touchdown drive, Testaverde eluded two rushers to throw a 13-yard pass to Alonzo Highsmith and, two plays later, scrambled across the field for a 10-yard gain—bouncing off defenders the entire way.

"He's complete," Miami Coach Jimmy Johnson said of Testaverde. "He doesn't just perform. He calls the plays, sets the formations, audibilizes, sets the play in motion and only then performs physically."

Testaverde also makes good on his promises. He told his father Al, a mason from Elmont, N.Y., he would throw a TD pass as a birthday present. Al Testaverde turns 54 Wednesday.

Testaverde might present his father with the Heisman Trophy for Christmas, but apparently doesn't believe in shopping too early.

"I try not to think about the Heisman Trophy or anything like that," he said. "The type of game I had is a reflection of my teammates. When the offensive line blocks the way they did and the receivers catch the ball, all I'm doing is standing back there and throwing."

Whippet harriers capture Galion Invitational

GALION—The Shelby cross country team continued to dominate area cross country teams by sweeping the Galion Invitational title Saturday morning at Amann's Park.

The Whippets finished with 37 points and were chased by Northern Ohio League opponents Tiffin Columbian and Galion, who finished second and third, respectively, with 67 and 68 points.

Fourth place went to Sandusky (113) and Marion Harding followed with 115. Mount Vernon was sixth (132) and Ashland last (154).

Shelby's No. 1 runner, Jim Loveless, took first place honors in the race with a time of 15:58 and teammate Doug Barnd was

second with 16:21.

SHS runner Jason Fortman was fifth with 16:56 and Mike Hall 13th (17:14) and Brent Lesseuer 16th (17:19). Brian Glenwright was 25th with 17:54 and Gary Heydinger 30th with 18:04.

Running in the open race at Galion were Brent Mitchell 13th (19:26), Brian Phelps 17th (19:35) and James Mako 42nd (24:38).

"That was our first really good run of the year," stated coach Terry Zuercher. "I hope this is an indication of what we can do the rest of the year."

"Jim (Loveless), Doug (Barnd) and Jason (Fortman) stayed with a very tough pace to finish one, two and five. Mike

(Hall), Brent (Lesseuer), Brian (Glenwright) and Gary (Heydinger) did a great job of breaking up the packs of the other teams," said Zuercher.

The junior varsity Whippets ran Saturday morning at the Ontario Invitational in the Class AAA varsity race against seven other teams.

The jayvees finished sixth with 132 points. Mansfield Senior won the race with 56 points and was followed by Akron Firestone (77), Findlay (85), Columbus Northland (92), Lexington (111), SHS, Wooster (142) and Madison (154).

Don Zehner was the first reserve to finish, taking 18th with 18:46. Following were Dan

Stroup 26th (19:04), Mark Melick 28th (19:10), Todd Martin 29th (19:10), Brent White 31st (19:11), Bob Deane 40th (19:30) and Jeff Ritchie 51st (20:14).

"I was real proud of the effort of our reserves at Ontario. They ran in the varsity division and performed very well under muddy conditions," said Zuercher.

The Whippet coach also wished to thank assistant superintendent Steve Bell and Dr. Paul Martin who took the team to Ontario.

Shelby will appear for the final time at home this year Tuesday afternoon against Willard and Clear Fork. The Whippets are 12-0 in dual meets this fall.



Exhausted Shelby cross country runner Mike Hall bends over to catch his breath while an opponent congratulates him on his effort Saturday in the Galion Invitational. The Whippet harrier finished 13th with a time of 17:14.

Robinson helps PHS dump South Central

By CHUCK RIDENOUR
Globe staff reporter

PLYMOUTH—Jason Robinson provided Plymouth with a large lead and in the end he helped preserve the Big Red's 20-18 victory over visiting South Central Saturday afternoon.

The game was the completion of Friday's contest which was delayed because of severe thunderstorms. In the fourth quarter the game was halted for 45 minutes when another storm passed through.

Robinson scored all 20 points on a variety of ways, that helped the Big Red erase a 3-0 Trojan advantage.

The Plymouth gridders scored the first points for his team on a 43-yard return of an interception and helped tally 14 points in the closing five minutes of the second frame.

Plymouth lined up for a field attempt with Robinson as the holder from the SC two-yard line, but the snap was bobbled and Robinson scampered into the endzone with 4:56 on the timer to increase the lead to 12-3.

With time running out in the first half Rodney Reed intercepted a South Central aerial and returned it to the Trojan 30. On the third play on the series quarterback Chuck Kosse hooked up with Robinson from 28 yards out with 14 seconds remaining. The same two worked for a successful PAT attempt.

In the third stanza with SC threatening, Robinson stepped in front of a pass. Later with the Trojans to within two points, the defensive back thwarted one final drive by the visitors with his third interception of the game with 2:15 to play.

"Jason had an outstanding day for us," beamed coach Dick Roll as his team ended a three-game losing streak to improve to 2-3 overall and 1-3 in the conference.

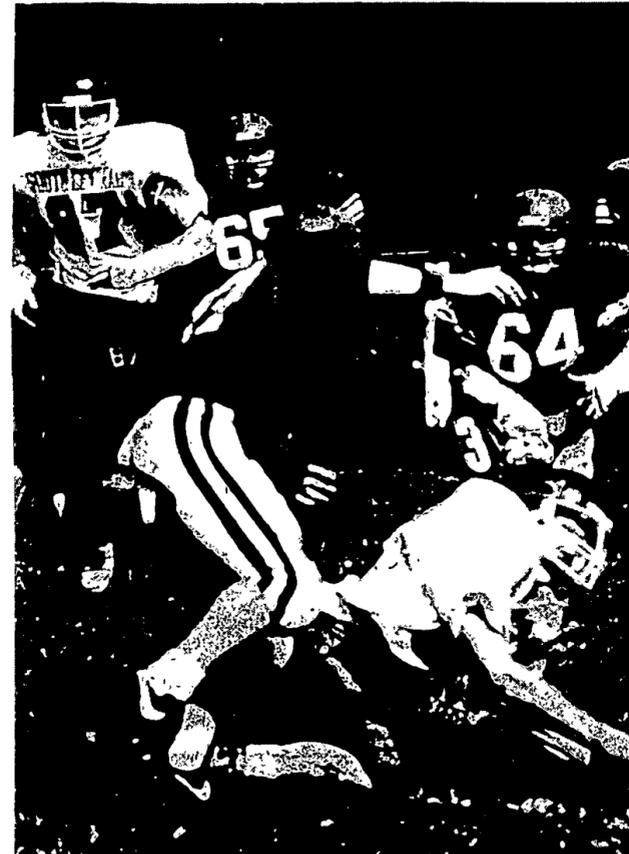
After the rain delay in the fourth turned field conditions from bad to worse, South Central struck twice for scores in the rain after two Plymouth turnovers.

Allen Beekman picked up a PHS fumbled and lateraled to teammate Mike Lowery who went the final 20 yards. Craig Conaway hooked up on a 19-yard pass from Beekman to cap off a wild three minute spree early in the fourth.

Offensively, South Central outgained Plymouth, 137-105, in yardage. The Trojans were hurt by four interceptions and four lost fumbles. PHS suffered two turnovers on fumbles.

"This game was very unusual, including the weather," said Roll. "There were a lot of breaks and the kids made some of the breaks, including the fourth quarter when we got out of being deep in our territory when Bill Castle got good blocking and ran the ball to their 46."

Plymouth hosts Danbury Lakeside Friday in a non-league contest.



Plymouth defensive back Steve Hall (17) breaks up a pass attempt during the first half in the Big Red's game Saturday afternoon against South Central. Plymouth trimmed the Trojans, 20-18, in the completion of the Friday's delayed action.

McNeil sparks Browns victory

CLEVELAND (UPI)—Between 1952 and 1957, Detroit and Cleveland met four times for the NFL Championship.

The Lions won three of those games, the final coming on Dec. 29, 1957, as Tobin Rote passed for four touchdowns in a 59-14 victory at Briggs Stadium.

Since then, the Detroit-Cleveland tradition has been left on the sideline. Sunday's meeting, won 24-21 by Cleveland, was the first meeting in three years between the teams and only the third in 17 seasons.

"This game was hardly a clash of titans, but maybe it did provide a start of a tradition for us," said Browns head coach Marty Schottenheimer.

The big gun for Cleveland was its smallest player—5-foot-7, 146-pound Gerald McNeil, who returned a punt a team-record 84 yards for a touchdown to ignite a lethargic offense.

"It felt great to make that return," said McNeil, nicknamed 'Ice Cube.' "I got the ball, I got the blocks, we got a touchdown and we got it going."

"After I scored, I found my fiancee (Paula Harris) in the stands and waved the football at her. She deserves credit for keeping my spirits high after my slow start. She's expecting our baby in May, and this is her first visit to Cleveland so we have a lot of reasons to be excited."

Matt Bahr added a decisive 24-yard field goal 4:01 into the fourth quarter, and the Browns won despite Lions quarterback Eric Hipple's three touchdown passes.

Hipple had a team record 33 completions of 48 passes for 251 yards but Detroit fell to 1-3.

The Lions led in numerous categories—first downs (25-15), total yards (333-254) and time of possession (a whopping 40:10-19:50)—but could not capitalize despite an ironic fact that McNeil's run equalled the entire output of the Browns' rushing attack.

"(McNeil's return) took a lot out of us because it gave them six quick points and our offense had to go back out with no rest," said Hipple. "My stats? They mean nothing if you lose and I'm much more concerned with that."

"We can't afford to lose like this. Our fans aren't exactly 100 percent behind us to begin with."

With the score tied 7-7 in the third quarter, Cleveland forced Detroit to punt from the Lions 46.

McNeil, the leading punt returner in the USFL with Houston last year before being signed by Cleveland, danced around a lunge by Rob Rubick at the Browns 30 and cut back toward midfield.

Punter Mike Black moved to intercept McNeil at the 50, but the latter froze the Lions player with a head fake and sped into the end zone at 5:20 to electrify a Cleveland Stadium crowd of 72,029.

"The little guy beat us by himself," said Detroit coach Darryl Rogers. "He was exceptional and I'm not surprised since he had three touchdowns off punt returns (in two USFL seasons) As for myself, I'm angry. We need to be more aggressive."

"Someone will have to step in and fill a leadership role. Once upon a time, a Detroit-Cleveland game meant great football. That's what we have to strive for."

The punt return was the longest for Cleveland since Bobby Mitchell had a 78-yard return for a touchdown against the New York Giants on Dec. 6, 1959.

Detroit answered with a 47-yard drive in nine plays, with Hipple tying the game 14-14 four seconds into the fourth quarter by flipping a six-yard scoring toss to James Jones.

Quarterback Bernie Kosar then marched Cleveland to the Detroit 6 before Bahr booted the field goal, his 39th straight from 30 yards or less.

The Browns' Curtis Dickey added his first touchdown in two years with a 1-yard run with 7:45 left. Hipple closed the scoring with 14 seconds remaining as he passed four yards to Carl Bland.

The victory was costly to the Browns, as running back Kevin Mack re-injured his bruised left shoulder in the second quarter. He finished with only 12 yards on four carries.

Cleveland took a 7-0 lead 3:19 into the second quarter as Mack fumbled at the Lions 2, but Brian Brennan fell on the ball in the end zone.

Detroit roared back to tie the game 7-7 as Hipple threw his first touchdown of the year, a three-yarder to Leonard Thompson at 11:41.

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Late in the fourth quarter the Whippets lined up for a field goal from 25-yards out, but it was wide to the right.

"We couldn't get our offense going, but we had a couple of opportunities to kick field goals and win and came up short," said coach Bill Adams. "The defense was very good."

"Bellevue has a nice aggressive team like ours," said Adams.

The Whippets host Bucyrus Saturday morning.

Shelby, Bellevue JV's battle to 0-0 deadlock

BELLEVUE—The Shelby and Bellevue reserve football teams battled to a 0-0 tie Saturday evening at BAF Stadium.

The tie leaves Shelby's record at 2-0-2.

Shelby tried two field goals, but came up empty once before halftime and another time in the fourth quarter.

With 20 seconds to play in the second quarter freshman Cory Schuck couldn't get off a punt but ran from his own 10 to the Bellevue 10 with :04 showing. The Whippets tried a field goal

Prep standings

Northern Ohio League

Galion	5-0	2-0
Shelby	3-2	2-0
Bellevue	4-1	1-1
Upper Sandusky	3-2	1-1
Tiffin	3-2	1-1
Willard	2-3	1-1
Norwalk	1-4	0-2
Bucyrus	1-4	0-2

Friday's Games

Shelby 16, Bellevue 8
Upper Sandusky 28, Bucyrus 0
Galion 20, Norwalk 6
Tiffin Columbian 21, Willard 0

Next Friday's Games

Shelby at Bucyrus
Upper Sandusky at Tiffin Columbian
Norwalk at Willard
Galion at Bellevue

North Central Conference

Colonel Crawford	4-1	3-1
River Valley	4-1	3-1
Mohawk	3-2	3-1
Carey	3-2	3-1
Buckeye Central	3-2	2-2
Wynford	3-2	2-2
Pleasant	2-3	2-2
Elgin	1-4	1-3
Riverdale	1-4	1-3
Ridgedale	0-5	0-4

Friday's Games

River Valley 13, Elgin 0
Buckeye Central 13, Carey 9
Pleasant 6, Riverdale 0

Wynford 42, Ridgedale 0

Saturday's Game

Colonel Crawford 21, Mohawk 0

Next Friday's Games

Buckeye Central at Colonel Crawford
Mohawk at River Valley
Elgin at Ridgedale
Pleasant at Carey
Wynford at Riverdale

Firelands Conference

Black River	4-1	3-0
Monroeville	3-2	2-1
Crestview	4-1	3-1
Western Reserve	4-1	2-1
Mapleton	3-2	2-2
Norwalk St. Paul	2-3	2-2
South Central	2-3	1-3
New London	1-4	1-3
Plymouth	2-3	1-3

Friday's Games

Norwalk St. Paul 29, New London 14
Black River 12, Crestview 6 (OT)
Mapleton 34, Danbury Lakeside 16

Next Friday's Games

Plymouth 20, South Central 18
Western Reserve 22, Monroeville 13

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Danbury Lakeside at Plymouth
Mapleton at South Central
Crestview at Norwalk St. Paul
New London at Monroeville

Next Saturday's Game

Black River at Western Reserve

Lady Whippets finish third at Galion invite

GALION—Shelby's girls cross country snared third place honors in the Class AA run of the Galion Invitational Saturday afternoon.

The Lady Whippets had 81 points and followed Lakota (26) and Big Walnut (69). Western Reserve was fourth (86), Galion fifth (91) and Bucyrus did not finish.

Jenny Scherger of Lakota broke the tape with a time of 20:20 and Shelby's Molly Morris was second with 21:26.

Shelby's Steph Clark was 14th (22:55), Monica Gies 22nd (24:09), Lynne Hartings 25th (24:34), Sara Morris 28th (25:53), Neatsy Rohde 29th (25:02) and Mellanie Moore 30th (25:20).

The Shelby girls will return to action Tuesday afternoon at home. This will be the final home meet of the year for SHS. Willard, Ontario and Clear Fork will also run against the Lady Whippets.

BC spikers whip Christian

NEW WASHINGTON—Buckeye Central raised its volleyball record to 12-2 with a 2-0 win over Mansfield Christian Saturday afternoon.

Mary Kehres was the leading server with 13 points and Diane Kempf topped the spikers with 19, including 12 kills.

Scores of the match were 15-9 and 15-13.

The jayvee Buckettes also won by scores of 15-9 and 16-14 as Andrea Donnersbach served up seven points. The jayvees are 11-1.

BC hosts state-ranked and undefeated Hopewell-Loudon this evening.