

Birds Achieve 3 Goals, Now Its Up To Palmer

By United Press International
Manager Earl Weaver had every reason to celebrate. After all, it isn't every day that your team clinches the division championship and two members of your starting rotation join the 20-game winners circle.

Weaver joined the rest of the Orioles in celebrating Baltimore's clinching of its third straight American League East championship. To add icing to the cake, Mike Cuellar and Pat Dobson each posted their 20th victory as the Orioles swept a doubleheader from the

Cleveland Indians, 9-2 and 7-0 Friday night.

"You didn't hear any cheers between games after we clinched the title but the boys really let loose after the second game," said Weaver, who was pouring champagne over his play-

ers in the post-game celebration. Cuellar and Dobson joined teammate Dave McNally as 20-game winners for the Orioles. If Jim Palmer, who has 19 victories, reaches the 20-game mark, the Orioles will become the first team in 51 years to boast four 20-game win-

ners. "I feel real good and I'm looking forward to the playoffs," said Cuellar, who reeled off his third straight 20-victory season.

"Heck, I had only two victories on June 1 and I never thought I would win more than 15 games this season," said Dobson who was acquired in an off-season deal with the San Diego Padres.

The Orioles will go for their third straight American League pennant when they meet the Oakland Athletics in the playoffs starting Oct. 2.

In other American League action, Milwaukee blanked Minnesota 1-0, Detroit whipped New York 8-5, Boston shut out Washington 4-0 and California edged Chicago 4-3. Minnesota at Kansas City was postponed because of rain.

In the National League, Cincinnati nipped San Francisco 6-5, Los Angeles blanked Atlanta 2-0, St. Louis topped

Montreal 10-6, Pittsburgh edged New York 3-2, Philadelphia tripped Chicago 6-1 and Houston beat San Diego 2-1 in 21 innings before losing the second game 5-4.

Jim Slaton fired a five-hitter and rookie Roger Moret pitched his first major league shutout with a four-hitter and drove in a run as the Red Sox defeated Washington. It was his fourth complete major league game.

Jim Northrup blooped a two-run double to drive home the last two runs of a seven-run seventh as Detroit topped New York and Joe Coleman earned his 19th victory.

Jim Fregosi singled in Sandy Alomar from second base with none out in the ninth inning to give Andy Messersmith his 19th victory.

Maxwell, Liggins In Personal Duel

Tom Liggins has been groomed for All-Ontario honors, but Elyria's Ike Maxwell is also making a strong bid for state wide recognition.

Liggins raised his touchdown total for the season to eight with a pair of short scoring bursts in Fremont's 46-6 cake-walk over Invading Toledo Bowsher.

Meanwhile, Maxwell was establishing an Elyria single game rushing standard with 239 yards in 33 carries in the Pioneers' smashing 31-0 decision over Cleveland East Tech.

tal points thus far.

In the opening period, Maxwell darted 20 yards to paydirt, then knifed in from the two in the second quarter as the hosts grabbed a 13-0 lead. The electrifying kickoff return ended any hopes East Tech had for another upset. The Scrabs stunned Marion Harding just last week.

Quarterback John Gawlik plunged one yard and Phil Oliver sliced off-tackle from three yards for the other Elyria markers.

Statistics

	L	B
First Downs	10	15
Net Yards Gained Rushing	47	169
Yards Gained Passing	100	95
Total Net Yards Gained	147	264
Passes attempted/completed	18/9	10/6
Passes intercepted by		
Fumbles/lost		
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First Downs	18	6
Net Yards Gained Rushing	299	14
Yards Gained Passing	56	102
Total Net Yards Gained	355	116
Passes attempted/completed	5/2	28/7
Passes intercepted by	1	1
Fumbles/lost	4/3	2/0

	F	TB
First Downs	17	14
Net Yards Gained Rushing	311	130
Yards Gained Passing	91	62
Total Net Yards Gained	402	192
Passes attempted/completed	15/7	22/9
Passes intercepted by	1/0	1/1
Fumbles/lost	7/65	9/71
Penalties		

FINDLAY AND Lorain Admiral King also struck paydirt in compiling victories as the Buckeye posted an overall 4-3 log in the final tuneup for conference activity which begins next Friday night.

The Trojans rolled in the second half for a 32-14 win over Dayton Patterson, and Lorain Admiral King displayed an awesome offensive attack in humiliating Lorain Southview, 54-0.

Lorain fell for the second time in three meetings, 13-0, and Marion Harding remained winless as a result of a 19-0 loss at Lima Senior. Sandusky was jolted by Toledo Woodward, 21-20, in the other battle.

MAXWELL ERASED an 11-year Elyria record with his superb performance in which the 185-pound senior tailback scampered to paydirt three times. The old mark was 233 yards in 17 rushes by Harrison Hilbreth in 1960.

Maxwell also returned the second half kickoff 88 yards for his third tally of the night, but that doesn't count in the rushing figures compiled by the veteran speedster who has seven TD's and 47 to-

Elyria finished with a whopping 299-14 bulge in rushing yardage and forced East Tech to search the air lanes 28 times during the contest.

FREMONT CONTINUES to pile up the points. Coach Chuck Shuff's squad now has hammered away for 133 points in the three lopsided verdicts.

Rob Lytle and Liggins each scored twice for the Buckeye title contenders. Lytle scooted six yards in the first period and raced 48 yards early in the fourth canto. Meanwhile, Liggins jogged 16 yards late in the second period, and smacked over from the one in the third canto.

Tom Pitts dashed 78 yards on a pass interception, quarterback Ben Lopez plunged one yard and sub quarterback Mike Feasal hit on a 14-yard touchdown pass to end Don Moore to round out Fremont's touchdown parade. Liggins bolted two PAT's and now has 54 points in three games.

The Little Giants collected 392 yards in total offense, while the Rebels added 212.

Bowsher connected on nine of 22 aeriels for 82 yards, while Fremont made good on seven of 15 for 81 yards.

END CARLOS CATO hauled in three touchdown passes from Don Fritz as the Admirals pulverized Southview. Cato nabbed scoring receptions covering eight, 23 and 10 yards as the Admirals capitalized on fumbles to score each time. Howie Smith lumbered seven yards with a fumble recovery 20 seconds before intermission to account for King's fourth marker, and a 27-0 halftime bulge.

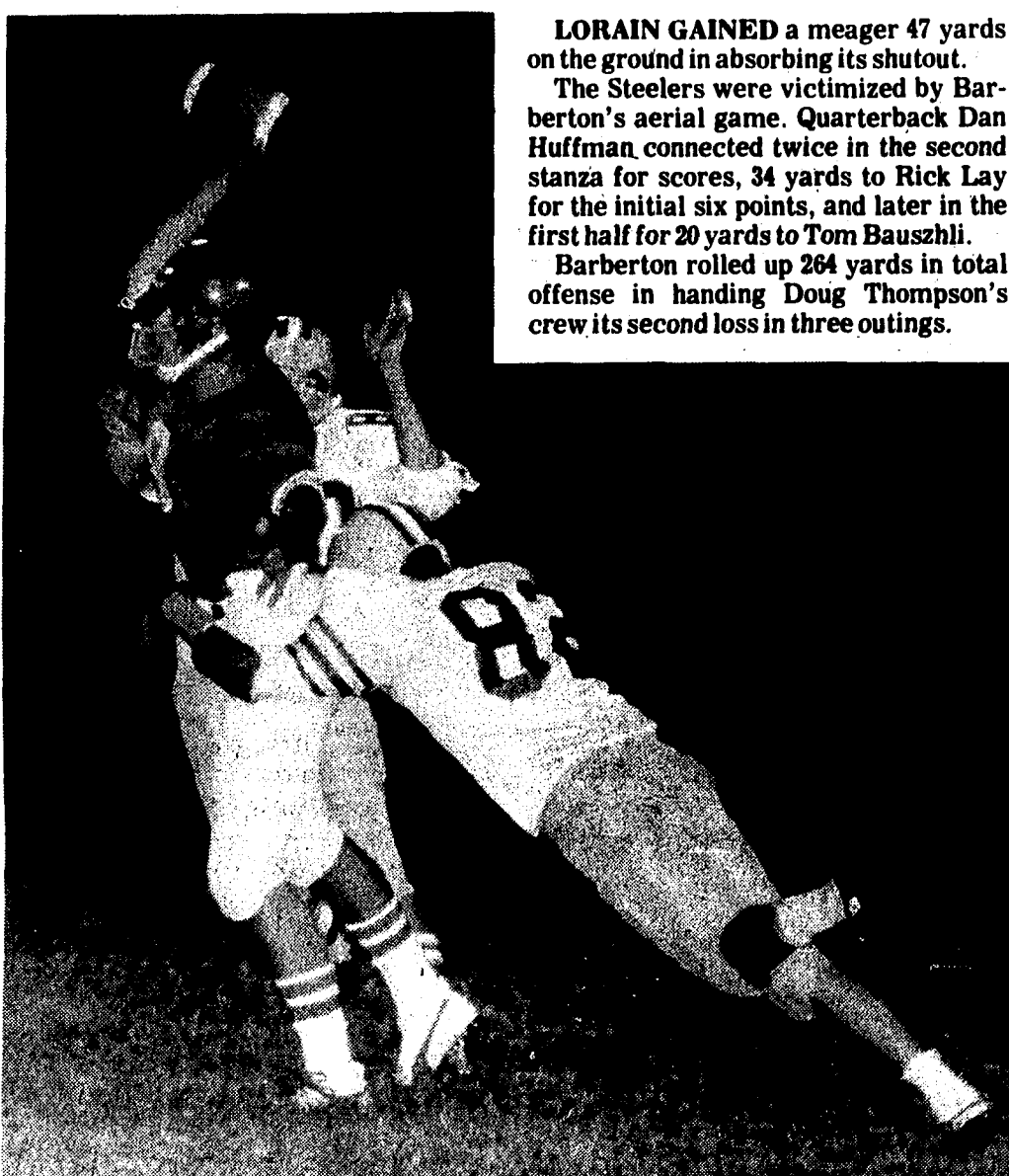
In the second half, Larry Blackman bolted two yards, Fritz hurled his fourth scoring strike, this time for 18 yards to Mike Jackson, and substitute Greg McCovey rumbled nine and two yards. Ed Santos booted the extra points six times.

The Admirals amassed 21 first downs and accumulated 381 yards in total offense with 249 coming on the ground. Fritz was eight for 13 and 132 yards in his finest aerial display of his prep career.

LORAIN GAINED a meager 47 yards on the ground in absorbing its shutout.

The Steelers were victimized by Barberton's aerial game. Quarterback Dan Huffman connected twice in the second stanza for scores, 34 yards to Rick Lay for the initial six points, and later in the first half for 20 yards to Tom Bauszli.

Barberton rolled up 264 yards in total offense in handing Doug Thompson's crew its second loss in three outings.



REDSKIN QUARTERBACK JOHN RUSINKOVICH IS HIT ...by two Clay defenders just after releasing ball. (Photos — Lewis).

Danbury Records First

Steadily-improving Lakeside notched its first grid win of the season last night, shutting out visiting Hilltop 19-0.

The shutout win was sweet for the Lakers, since they had themselves been shut out in their first two contests this season.

AFTER A scoreless first period, the Lakers jumped out on the season's first score, a three-yard run by junior John Leggett. The hosts had to beat the clock

Statistics

	L	H
First Downs	12	5
Net Yards Gained Rushing	230	134
Yards Gained Passing	101	4
Total Net Yards Gained	331	138
Passes attempted/completed	15/6	8/1
Passes intercepted by	0	1
Fumbles/lost	4/3	3/2
Penalties	5/32	7/85

for the tally, and crossed the end stripe with just 31 seconds to go in the first half. Junior Pete Fontana grabbed a 22-yard scoring pass from junior quarterback Bob Meterko in the third quarter, for a score at 10:21. Senior Bill Tracey was successful on the kick for the extra point.

LEGGETT AGAIN haunted the visitors in the final period, as he brought the crowd to its feet with an electrifying 65-yard scoring journey, to end the scoring.

The Lakers easily won the battle of the statistics, with 331 yards total offense to just 138 for Hilltop, despite losing three fumbles. Lakeside also held a 12-5 edge in first downs.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Lakeside	0	6	7	6	19
Hilltop	0	0	0	0	0
Scoring:					
L — Leggett 3 run. (kick failed)					
L — Fontana, 22 pass from Meterko. (Tracey kick).					
L — Leggett 65 run. (kick failed)					

Firelands Gets First

Firelands High's Inland Conference grid opener was a rousing success last night, as the host Falcons scored once in every quarter to down winless Avon 28-6. The win was the first in three attempts for new head coach Vern Long and his charges.

Senior fullback Mike Mills got the hosts on the scoreboard first in the contest, as he romped in for a six-yard scoring jaunt. The senior also added the two-point conversion on a run.

TOM COULTRIP, a senior end, grabbed a 20-yard scoring pass from senior quarterback Jack Love in the second stanza, for the Falcons' second score. Junior Jim Hill ran for the conversion, and a 16-0 halftime lead.

Firelands scored again in the third period, as Mills tallied again on a five-yard run. The run for the conversion failed, leaving the Falcons with a 22-0 advantage.

Avon's Jeff Grimm scored the visitors' only touchdown of the game in the third stanza, as Jeff Grimm picked up a Firelands fumble and rambled 21 yards for the score. The run for the two points failed.

THE HOSTS added six more points to their total in the final period, as freshman Steve Holovacs scored on a six-yard burst. Again the run for the conversion failed.

The win may have been a costly one for Long's squad, as three players were injured. Coultrip was taken to the hospital with a knee injury, while sophomore defensive halfback Jim Naro and senior tailback John Cline were also injured.

The Falcons completely dominated the contest with 286 total net yards gained, to just 57 for Avon. Firelands led in first downs 15-5.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Avon	0	0	0	0	0
Firelands	8	8	6	6	28
Scoring:					
F — Mills, 6 run. (Mills, run)					
F — Coultrip, 20 pass from Love. (Hill, run)					
F — Mills, 5 run. (run failed)					
A — Grimm, 21 run with fumble. (run failed)					
F — Holovacs, 16 run. (run failed)					

Port Clinton In 6-6 Draw!

Port Clinton's Redskins took a giant step closer to a Great Lakes League championship last night, as the hosts sparked in the final period to down powerful Oregon Clay 6-6. Last week Oregon had opened its season with a 28-6 defeat of defending champion Bowling Green.

Both teams now sport 2-0-1 records overall, and 1-0-1 marks in league play.

THE VISITORS took a 6-0 lead with 6:04 remaining in the first half, when Brad Watterworth wedged his way over

from the one-yardline. This marked the first touchdown allowed by the stingy Port Clinton defense this season.

The Redskin defenders, probably enraged by the score, broke through to block the attempted kick for the extra point.

The score remained the same, until the hosts mounted their only scoring

Statistics

	PC	O
First Downs	18	11
Net Yards Gained Rushing	92	173
Yards Gained Passing	74	37
Total Net Yards Gained	166	210
Passes attempted/completed	14/6	15/4
Passes intercepted by	0	1
Fumbles/lost	1/0	0/0
Penalties	9/60	7/41

drive in the final period. Junior halfback Larry Smith plunged over for the score from one yard out, with just 2:53 remaining on the clock, to cap a 60-yard scoring drive.

A STALEMATE resulted, when the Oregon defenders also broke through to block the placement kick.

Oregon rallied, and sent shivers down the spine of every Port Clinton fan in attendance, when the Eagles drove on the next series to the Port Clinton five-yardline. Here the Redskin defense was equal to the test, halting a fourth-down-and-one situation, and taking over possession of the ball.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Port Clinton	0	0	0	6	6
Oregon Clay	0	6	0	0	6
OC — Watterworth 1 run (kick failed).					
PC — Smith 1 run (kick failed).					

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Plymouth 14-8 Loser

Plymouth lost its initial Johnny Appleseed League grid encounter last night to favored Loudonville, 14-8. The winners scored once in each of the final two periods, to overcome an early 8-0 Plymouth advantage.

The Big Red scored the second time it had the ball in the contest, marching 31 yards in 10 plays, after receiving a Loudonville punt. Senior back Larry Taylor applied the clincher, scoring from the one. The senior also ran on the successful conversion attempt.

LOUDONVILLE TIED the game early in the second half, as the hosts

Statistics

	P	L
First Downs	10	15
Net Yards Gained Rushing	95	209
Yards Gained Passing	113	43
Passes attempted/completed	15/9	9/5
Passes intercepted by	0	0
Fumbles/lost	2	2
Penalties	3/25	3/15

scored on their first opportunity. Kenneth Krupp ran 17 yards for the score with 8:50 showing on the clock, to cap a 58-yard drive. Bob Taylor added the two points on a run.

The winners' final score was set up when Plymouth failed to make a fourth-down play on its own 49-yardline. Two plays later, Bob Donaldson broke through the Big Red defense for a 46-yard run and the winning score. The run for the conversion was halted.

With four minutes to go in the contest, Plymouth drove to the Redskins' 40-yardline, but again had to give up the ball.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Plymouth	8	0	0	0	8
Loudonville	0	0	8	6	14
Scoring:					
P — Taylor, 1 run. (Taylor, run)					
L — Crupp, 17 run. (Taylor, run)					
L — Donaldson, 46 run. (run failed)					

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