

Wildcats Gain Revenge By Annihilating DHS, 42-12

Lima Bath Was More Than Prepared

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LIMA—Lima Bath Wildcat coach Steve Basinger wasn't kidding earlier in the week when he said his squad would be totally prepared for their Western Buckeye League opener against the Defiance Bulldogs. The veteran coach noted before hand that "no stone would be left unturned" in Bath's preparation for Defiance and that the Defiance game was a "red letter" contest for Bath.

BATH PLAYED UP TO its coach's expectations here Friday night as it controlled the contest from the word go in chalking up an impressive 42-12 victory over the Bulldogs.

For Defiance, the contest was a total letdown. The Bulldog defense was characterized by a lot of arm tackling and the offense once again was incapable of controlling the ball with DHS biting the dust for the second time this season in as many outings.

It took the Bulldogs six possessions on offense before it could record a first down, and by that time, Bath had already

mounted a 21-0 early second quarter lead. This failure of offense showed up on the statistical charts.

For the evening, Defiance rushed for just 53 yards (which included a minus two-yard rushing total during the first half) and compiled 32 yards via the aerial lanes. This added up to a total offense of only 85 yards. Meanwhile, Bath steamrolled 230 yards on the ground and 64 through the air for a total offense of 294 yards.

UNDERSTANDABLY, DHS coach Jim Hodakievic was a disappointed and silent figure afterwards.

"I don't know where to go from here," the Bulldog coach said as his eyes stared toward the darkness outside the DHS lockerroom. "We hit so hard this week in practice and I really thought we were starting to come. To say the least, we sure didn't look good tonight. I guess it's going to be a matter of personal pride now."

In the other lockerroom, Basinger had nothing but compliments for his squad.

"It sure is a lot better to get started off in league play with a win for a change," the Wildcat mentor said with a big smile. "We came out at the beginning of the game with

1st. Downs	14	6
Rush Yds.	230	53
Pass Yds.	64	32
Total Yds.	294	85
Pass Att.	5	19
Pass Comp.	3	5
Had Inter.	1	3
Fumbles	6	3
Fumb. Lost	2	1
Yds. Penal.	65	20
BHS	1470	21-42
DHS	006	6-12
BHS-Snyder 44-yd. pass to Wilkin (PAT—kick failed)		
BHS-Snyder 8-yd. run (PAT—Snyder pass to Daekin)		
BHS-Camper 8-yd. run (PAT—Snyder kick)		
DHS-Schultz 10-yd. pass to Weidenhamer (PAT—kick failed)		
BHS-Wilkin 9-yd. run (PAT—Snyder kick)		
BHS-Mauk 28-yd. run (PAT—Snyder kick)		
BHS-Camper 57-yd. punt return (PAT—Snyder kick)		
DHS-Costello 49-yd. fumble return (PAT—pass failed)		

a lot of intensity and got that big lead which forced Defiance to play catch up ball.

"I was a little bit concerned during half time though," Basinger noted. "In past years Bath has had a tendency to come out of the lockerroom after holding a big first half lead and being nice guys by letting the other team come back. I told our guys to come out on fire to open the second half. I let them know that I would be the one to call things off when it really got bad."

After Defiance recieved the opening kick off on its own 38-yard line, the Bulldogs could only move the ball five yards before they were forced to punt.

BATH THEN PRECEDED to march from its own 43-yard line to paydirt in five plays with the clincher being a 44-yard pass from all-league quarterback Lyle Snyder to junior Rodd Wilkin at the 7:32 mark. An attempted kick was wide.

After that it didn't take the Wildcats long to put more points on the board as they immediately forced Defiance to punt and then carried the ball 53 yards for a touchdown with an eight-yard jaunt by Snyder

capping the six-play drive. Snyder tossed the ball to Jeff Dackin in the wide open left flat for the extra point, giving Bath a 14-0 first quarter lead.

The Wildcats struck for blood once more before the half ended when Steve Camper carried a host of Bulldog defenders with him into the endzone on an eight-yard run with seven minutes remaining in the second quarter.

DEFIANCE RECEIVED ITS only glory of the game during the third quarter. It was here that the Bulldogs mounted their big offensive drive of the night when they moved the ball 61 yards for a touchdown.

The DHS initial score was capped by a little trickery when the Bulldogs faked a field goal on a fourth and ten situation on the Bath 10-yard line. Bob Schultz took the snap for DHS, sprinted to his right and found Mark Weidenhamer all alone in the endzone for six points. The point after attempt, a kick, failed, and the score at the end of three quarters stood, 21-6.

The fourth quarter saw a lot of substituting by both teams with Wilkin and

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Paulding Stymies DJ

DELPHOS—A tremendous defensive effort propelled the Paulding Panthers to their initial win of the '76 season here Friday night—a 20-0 whitewashing of the Delphos Jefferson Wildcats.

"We just stuffed them," noted Panther head coach Steve Clark while describing Paulding's defense.

Paulding held the Wildcats to -32 yards on the night. Jefferson had -33 yards rushing and completed two of eight passes for one net yard. Of the six backs who carried the ball for the Wildcats, four lost yardage. The leading Delphos ground gainer had 18 yards, and three of the four starting backs lost ground.

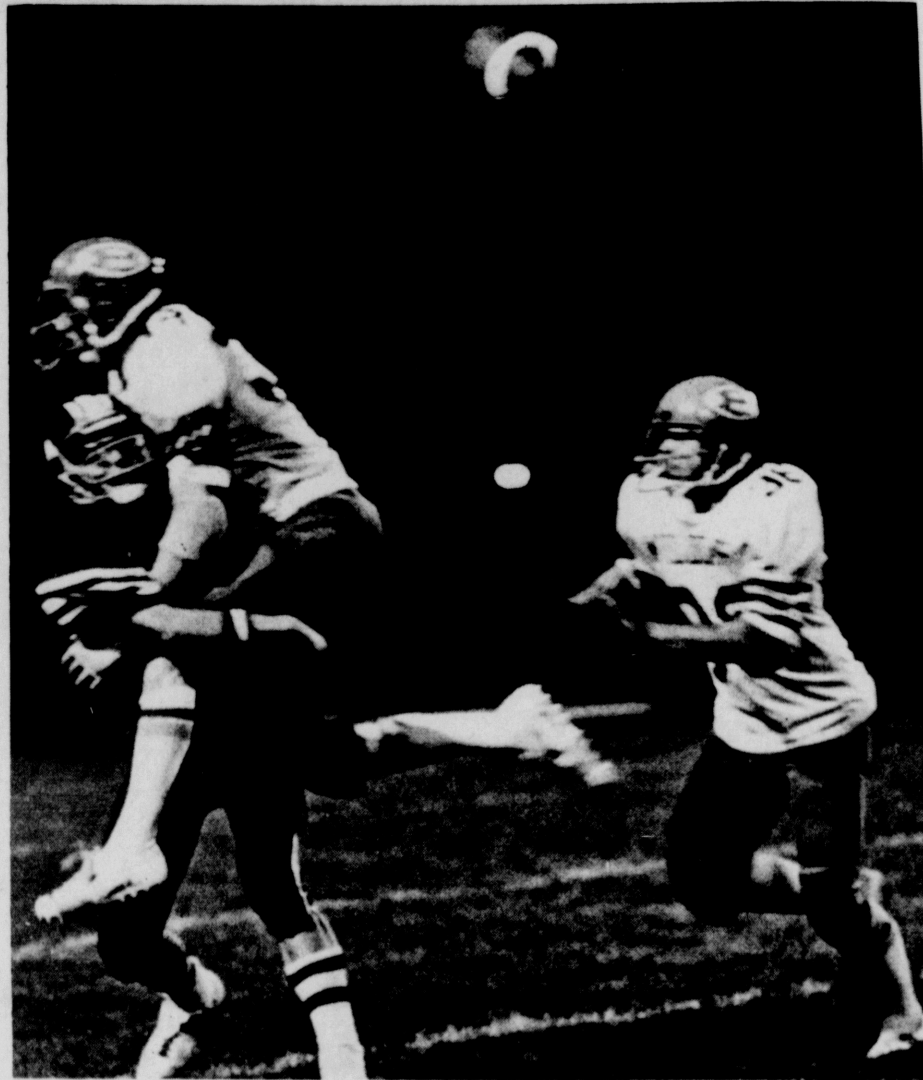
"They lost yardage every quarter," said Clark. "I have to give all the credit in the world to our defense."

While the Paulding defense stole most of the show, the offense did its share in posting TD's in the first, third and fourth quarters. Bob Estle put the Panthers on the board with a two-yard burst with 7:05 left in the first canto.

Estle then followed with a one-yard blast in the fourth while teammate Dick Bakle reached the endzone on a five-yard run.

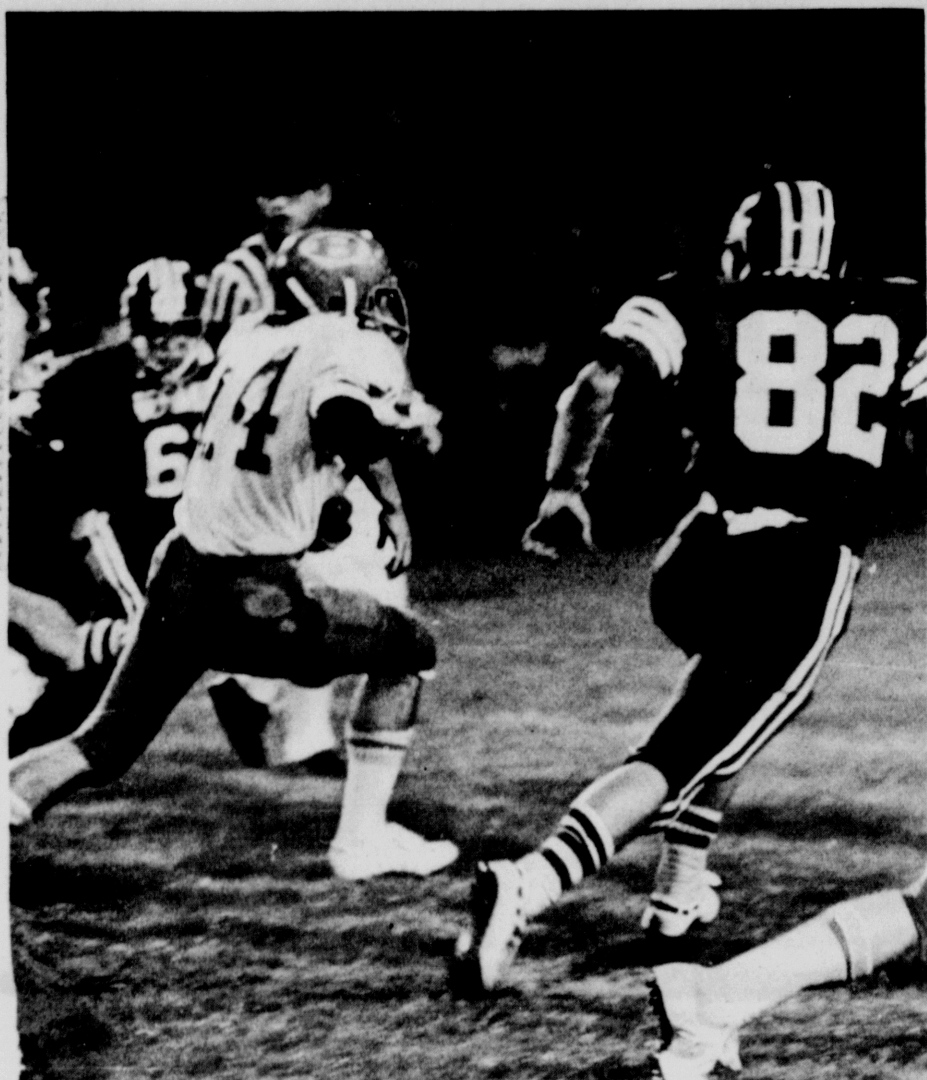
PHS	DJHS	
1st. Downs	17	0
Rush Yds.	184	-33
Pass Yds.	30	1
Total Off.	214	-32
Pass Att.	4	8
Pass Comp.	1	2
Had Inter.	0	2
Fumbles	3	2
Fumb. Lost	2	2
Yds. Penal.	20	25

PHS
DJHS
PHS—Estle 2-yd. run (PAT—run failed)
PHS—Estle 1-yd. run (PAT—run failed)
PHS—safety
PHS—Bakle 5-yd. run (PAT—run failed)



JUST IN TIME—Defiance High School sophomore quarterback Butch Flint found the going rough Friday at Lima Bath as he is smothered by a Bath defensive lineman after just letting go of his pass. Flint was

under constant pressure throughout the night and so were the Bulldogs as Defiance lost its Western Buckeye League opener, 42-12. C-N Photo by Marty Pardo.



IN PURSUIT—Defiance Bulldogs' Mark Ensign (82) tries to corner Lima Bath quarterback Lyle Snyder (24) after the all-league quarterback broke off another long gainer. The Bulldogs found themselves

chasing the Lima runners throughout the contest as Bath won the Western Buckeye League opener between the two schools, 42-12. C-N Photo by Marty Pardo.

Grid Scores

Ohio High School Football Scores By United Press International	Alliance 26 Tol Scott 6 Jackson 13 Louisville 6 Marlington 20 Perry 14 Akron Buchtel 7 St. Thomas Aquinas 3 Central Cath 0 Akron Hoban 0 Minerva 12 Sandy Valley 7 Dalton 10 Tuslaw 0 Akron N 14 Cuyahoga Falls 6 Akron Elliot 7 Akron Springfield 6 Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary 15 Akron E 0 Barberton 6 Wadsworth 3 Col Eastmoor 28 Col Watserson 7 Upper Arlington 21 Worthington 17 Col East 36 Cin Hughes 0 Col West 7 Col Ready 6 Col Independence 25 Col North 7 Whitehall 7 Cin Anderson 6 Col McKinley 20 Hamilton Garfield 13 Groveport 13 Lancaster 6 Hamilton Twp 7 Col Wherrie 6 Col Westland 6 Westerville N 0 Tol Whitmer 13 Newark 7 Olentangy 19 Buckeye Valley 0 Hilliard 10 Logan 6 Col Walnut Ridge 29 Col Whetstone 0 Bexley 14 Grandview 10 West Jefferson 48 Madison Plains 8 Marysville 21 Fairbanks 7 Middletown 17 Cin St. Xavier 6 Reading 14 Madiera 0 Taylor 0 Turpin 0 (tie) Cin Sycamore 15 Cin Aiken 14 Marion 20 Greenhills 3 Cin Mosier 20 Cin Princeton 9 Cin Roger Bacon 14 Cin Withrow 0 Colerain 21 Western Hills 0 Glen Este 15 Norwood 6 Garfield Heights 41 Mayfield 8 Valley Forge 13 Parma Padua 0 Solon 20 Bedford 14 Maple Heights 14 Nordonia 6 Avon Lake 22 Elyria West 6 Fairview 8 Strongsville 6 Brunswick 34 Medina 0 Olmsted Falls 22 North Royalton 7 Brunswick 11 Cin Central Catholic 0 Rootstown 13 Independence 0 Geneva 10 Chardon 0 Ashland St. John 26 Fairport 6 Oberlin 19 Keystone 0 Lorain 42 Southview 28 Lake Catholic 14 Cleveland Holy Name 0 Cin St. Edward 2 Cin St. Ignatius 0 Cuyahoga Heights 29 Newbury 0 Kenston 14 Madison 0 Grand Valley 14 Crestview 6 Eastlake North 9 Wickliffe 6 Wooster 6 Cin East Tech 6 Triway 17 Waynesdale 6 East Holmes 18 Smithville 6 Mapleton 9 Hillsdale 6 Loudonville 16 Northwestern 7 Bishop Donahue (WVa) 12 Union Local 7 Shenandoah 34 Sistersville (WVa) 6 Bay Village 19 Lakeswood 14 Cin Chanel 0 Warrensville 0 (tie) Orange 13 University School 0 Spencerville 56 Crestview 8 Steubenville 30 Youngstown S 0 Struthers 14 Youngstown S 0 Brookfield 22 Campbell 6 Warren Harding 14 Akron Howland 0 Lakewood 20 Liberty 14 Lakewood 22 Warren JPK 6 Garfield 14 McDonald 0 Youngs Cardinal 7 Champion 7 Newton Falls 36 Aurora 0 Ravenna 12 Salem 10 Southeastern 29 Mechanicsburg 28 Liberty 19 Benton 33 Arcadia 0 Portsmouth 10 Waverly 6 Pickerington 21 Amanda Clearcreek 13 Bloom Carroll 26 Liberty Union 0 Circleville 7 Teays Valley 0 Frankfort Adena 6 Jamestown Greenview 0 Day Jefferson 9 Westfall 0 North Gallia 25 Zane Trace (Ross) 6 Greenfield McClain 13 Springfield Shawnee 12 Oak Hill 41 Vinton County 14 Martins Ferry 14 Toledo 14 Jefferson Union 14 Buckeye South 0 Woodfield 14 Frontier 0 Stanton 3 Shadyside 0 Bellaine St Johns 16 Cadiz 7 Meadowbrook 28 Buckeye W 6 Bishop Donahue (WVa) 12 Union Local 7 Steubenville 30 Youngs S 0 Hannibal River 18 Barnesville 6 St. Clairsville 44 Fort Frye 23 Belpre 13 Caldwell 6 Ridgewood 24 Strausburg 6 Marietta 16 Parkersburg (WVa) S 8
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BREAKS LOOSE—Fairview Apache Rob Bergman (13) breaks loose from Antwerp Archer Mark Bissel (44) Friday night in their contest played at Fairview. The Apache quarterback carried the ball on this particular play for 11-yards to the Antwerp six-yard line. The run set up

Fairview's fourth touchdown, which came two plays later, making the score 28-0. The Apache defense prevailed in the game as Fairview whipped the Archers, 34-8, in the Green Meadows Conference battle. C-N Photo by Gerald Burdick.

WT Blanks Edon, 14-0

HAVILAND—The Wayne Trace Raiders took a step out of league action Friday night to pick up their first win of the 1976 season. The Raiders downed the Edon Blue Bombers, 14-0 in a non-league contest played at Wayne Trace High School. The Raiders now stand at an even 1-1 on the season and Edon dropped to 0-2.

Wayne Trace put together a scoring drive in the middle of the first quarter with Tom Wannemacher carrying the last seven yards to pick up the touchdown. Quarterback Jim Dotson connected with Steve Bidlack for the extra points.

Kent Fulk blasted across the goal line in the second quarter for the only other score of the game. Fulk's one-yard carry upped the score to 14-0 with the run for the extra points failing.

On paper, it seemed as if the two teams each ran up the points on the scoreboard as Wayne Trace rambled for 246 yards on the ground and added 88 more yards in the air for 268 total yards. Edon, who actually out-gained the Raiders, roamed up and down the field between the thirty yards lines as they tallied 157 yards on the ground and 118 yards in the air for a total of 275 for the game.

Wayne Trace's Robert Williams was the leading rusher on

the night as he picked up 121 yards on 19 carries.

The Raiders will travel to Tionra next week to meet the Rams in Wayne Trace's first Green Meadows Conference game of the year. Edon will look for their first win of the season next week when they entertain the Hilltop Cadets in a NWBL game.

	WTHS	EHS
1st. Downs	15	9
Rush Yds.	246	157
Pass Yds.	22	118
Total yds.	268	275
Pass Att.	4	18
Pass Comp.	2	7
Had Inter.	0	0
Fumbles	3	3
Fumb. Lost	1	1
Yds. Penal	75	50
WTHS	8600-14	
EHS	0000-0	
WTHS—Wannemacher 7-yd. run (PAT—Bidlack pass from Dotson)		
WTHS—Fulk 1-yd. run (PAT—run failed)		

Fairview Defense Shuts Off Antwerp

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SHERWOOD—If Ken Whalen quits his job as head football coach at Fairview High School, he wouldn't have to worry about finding work. He could become a mason.

At the beginning of the season, the Apache mentor termed the year as "rebuilding," but if the first two games are any indication, Whalen has built the Fairview squad into a strong cement wall.

Last week against the Edon Blue Bombers, the Apaches won 12-0. Not only did the defense shut out Edon on the scoreboard, it held it to only 111 total yards and six first downs. This week, Fairview was even more awesome.

Friday night the Apaches registered a 34-8 win over the Antwerp Archers while holding them to just 97 total yards, all on the ground. The Archers' usually potent passing attack was held in check all night long by a fervent Fairview pass rush.

"I'M HAPPY WITH our

defensive performance," commented Whalen while relaxing after the game. "We really worked on our pass rush this week because we respected Antwerp's quarterback, Craig Savage. We also knew they have some good backs, but an adjustment at halftime helped

that happened last week. Our offensive and defensive lines just haven't come around. I saw some fresh people tonight who may be in the lineup next week."

THE FAIRVIEW DEFENSE not only played excellently, but

STATISTICS

FHS	AHS
1st. Downs	11 10
Rush Yds.	238 97
Pass Yds.	0 0
Total Off.	238 97
Pass Att.	2 6
Pass Comp.	0 0
Had Inter.	0 2
Fumbles	4 1
Fumbles Lost	1 0
Yds. Penal.	75 5
FHS	88 12 6-34
AHS	00 08-8
FHS—Jesse 1-yd. run (PAT-Bergman pass to Heater)	
FHS—Jacob blocked punt recovery (PAT-Bergman run)	
FHS—Jesse 2-yd. run (PAT-Kick failed)	
FHS—Jesse 2-yd. run (PAT-Kick failed)	
AHS—Bissel 1-yd. run (PAT-Baker run)	
FHS—Jesse 17-yd. run (PAT-Kick failed)	

stop them."

"Stop" is a mild word for what the Apaches did to Antwerp. Dominate would be better. The Archers didn't get into the positive yardage until late in the third quarter.

Savage, one of the top area quarterbacks, couldn't complete any of his five passes. Two of his aerials ended up as interceptions. Three other times Savage dropped back to pass and didn't even have a chance to throw as he was sacked for 34 yards. He was hounded by the Apaches the remainder of the time.

"Fairview played a strong ballgame tonight," stated Jim Becker, the Antwerp head coach. "We just didn't get it together and move the ball. That's all there is to it."

"They had good pass coverage and our line didn't hold them out long enough," he continued. "It's the same thing

the offense didn't do too bad itself. Throwing only two passes the entire night, both incomplete, the Apaches amassed 238 yards on the ground.

This was especially pleasing for Whalen as the backfield was his main concern prior to the season. Lost from the 1975 squad were Fairview's three leading scorers; Roger Letso, Mike Johnson and Ken Karnes.

"It was frustrating having a whole new backfield," remarked Whalen. "This summer we had to start over with green people but they've really come along. The only thing that bothered me tonight was the ball handling — it wasn't too swift."

The Apache backfield lost the handle four times, losing the ball to Antwerp only once.

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