

Garverick field goal gives Whippets victory margin

Shelby defense beats back Upper

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They say if you score, you might win but if they never score you'll never lose

All it took for Shelby to prove that was a 25-yard field goal by Scott Garverick as the Whippets obtained their first Northern Ohio League win of 1980 with a 3-0 decision over previously unbeaten Upper Sandusky Friday.

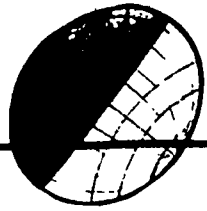
Garverick's boot came in the second quarter after he had set up the field goal by intercepting an Upper pass at their 22-yard line.

We were telling him Garverick that he'd win a game for us with his kicking and tonight was the night commented Assistant Coach Roger Ebersole.

Despite the Whippets' lowest point total of the season no one on the coaching staff was complaining about Shelby's offense which turned in a fine performance against the Rams.

This was as fine a victory as we've had at Shelby said Coach Bill Varble. We've come back from losses before but never under this kind of a situation.

The situation Varble referred to was the absence of two starting running backs Brad Nothacker and Doug DeVito



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Nothacker injured an ankle in last week's loss to Willard, while DeVito is currently nursing a knee injury sustained two weeks ago in a win over Ashland.

In their places were Tim Sherman at fullback and Curtis Reed at tailback. When Sherman left the contest with a bruised knee quarterback Don Strine went to the running back spot and second-string signal caller Dave Hiatt went in over the center.

The youngsters remained cool under fire. The Whippets suffered no fumbles, and were able to control the ball through most of the tense fourth quarter.

"Our versatility paid off," said Ebersole. "We were wounded, but the line did a real job blocking for those kids. The transition from one quarterback to another went smoothly."

It was a stunting defense, however, that really shut down Upper's straight-ahead offense, which had entered the game

averaging 22 points an outing.

"The spirit was so great," added Assistant Coach Dick Reed. "The fellows didn't have a good game last week but they weren't going to be down for this one, and it made such a difference."

It looked as if the contest would be one for the Rams early in the first period. After holding Shelby on its first possession, Upper marched from its own 22 to the Whippets' 10-yard mark. The Rams were stymied on the ground, but two key completed passes and a fumble on Shelby's punt return got them deep into Whippet land.

But the Shelby defense came up with its first big play of the game after halting the drive on the 10-yard line. Quarterback Tony Turley attempted to put the initial score on the board with a 27-yard field goal only to have it blocked and returned by Brad Armstrong to the Whippet 41.

Shelby moved to Upper's six, thanks to Sherman eating up 39 yards of real estate and Strine coming through with a crucial 29-yard gallop. The effort was stalled when Garverick attempted a field goal from 25 yards away and missed.

The senior kicker got a second chance two plays later when he snagged a Turley pass and gave Shelby the ball back.

Strine got the Whippets within range of Garverick's kicking ability by hitting Scott Lysinger with a pass at the Ram five-yard line. On his second attempt from the 25-yard mark Garverick boogied his second field goal of the season.

The Rams, held to only 15 yards rushing in the first half, began to show a little life on a drive midway through the third period. The visitors advanced to

Shelby's 29, but a holding penalty forced them back 15 yards and the drive withered. That Upper drive did contain the Rams' only big gainer of the evening, as fullback Brad Batton broke free on a 28-yard trot.

Upper got another break a few minutes later when Scott Garverick collided with Steve Lamont on a fair catch call following a Shelby punt. The Rams, however, elected to have the Whippets' kick over, and punter Mark Argo made the most of it with a booming kick that sent Lamont back to his own 38-yard line.

"If there was a turning point," indicated Varble, "I guess that was it. That punt really put them in a hole."

Upper never climbed out of that hole. The Rams had possession three more times in the game, only to have one die when Turley was smothered for a 19-yard loss and two expire by way of a pair of interceptions by Brad Armstrong.

Armstrong, now with four pick-offs for the campaign, allowed the offense to effectively sit on the football during the final two minutes.

The Whippets amassed 178 yards of total offense Friday, with 163 of them coming on runs and 15 coming on pass completion. The Rams were limited to 70 rushing yards, while picking up 61 yards through the air on five of 11 throws.

Strine was the Whippets' top ball carrier churning up 83 yards on 20 carries. Sherman had 46 yards before leaving the game.

Rick Sherman led the defense in tackles with 10. Tim Swanger was right behind with nine.

Argo punted four times for 122 yards, a 30.5 average.

The Whippets will take on another defensive power next weekend when Bellevue comes to Skiles Field.

UPPER	0	0	0	0-0
SHELBY	0	3	0	0-3
S - Scott Garverick, 25-yard field goal				



'CHARGE' — Shelby tailback Curtis Reed heads straight into the Upper Sandusky defensive line in Friday's Northern Ohio League grid battle at Skiles Field. The Whippets got their first

NOL win of the year by nipping the Rams, 3-0 (Globe photo by Linda Stotts)



TURNING THE CORNER — Don Strine (7) attempts to get outside against Upper Sandusky defender Dana Patchett (34) in

Friday's game. Strine was the Whippets' top rusher with 83 yards. (Globe photo by Linda Stotts)

AREA FOOTBALL SCORES

Ashland Crestview 12, Ontario 10	East Knox 20, Lucas 0	14 Mansfield Sr 24, Cleveland Collingwood 9	Norwalk St Paul 13, Black River 7
Colonel Crawford 20, Marion Pleasant 13	Hopewell-Louden 7, Seneca East 6	Mapleton 28, Collins Western Reserve 8	Orrville 33, Loudonville 0
Crestline 50, Centerburg 0	Mansfield Madison 13, Ashland 3	Milan Edison 8, South Central 0	Ridgedale 19, Riverdale 14
Doylestown 34, Hillsdale 6	Mansfield Malabar 36, Wooster 7	New London 18, Monroeville 7	Sycamore Mohawk 6, Wynford 0
			Wooster Triway 20, West Holmes 9



BASEBALL STANDINGS

National League				Baltimore	93	60	608
East				Milwaukee	83	72	535
W	L	Pct.	GB	Boston	80	70	533
Phila	85 <td>68</td> <td>556</td> <td>Detroit<th>78</th><th>75</th><th>510</th></td>	68	556	Detroit <th>78</th> <th>75</th> <th>510</th>	78	75	510
Montreal	84 <td>70</td> <td>545</td> <td>Cleveland<th>76</th><th>77</th><td>497</td></td>	70	545	Cleveland <th>76</th> <th>77</th> <td>497</td>	76	77	497
Pittsburgh	80 <td>74</td> <td>519</td> <td>Toronto</td> <th>64</th> <td>89</td> <td>418</td>	74	519	Toronto	64	89	418
St. Louis	71	83	461				
New York	63	91	409				
Chicago	61	92	399				
West				West			
W	L	Pct.	GB	x-Kan City	92	62	597
Houston	88	66	571	Oakland	78	77	503
Los Ang	86	68	558	Minn	72	82	468
Cincinnati	85	70	548	Texas	71	83	461
Atlanta	80	74	519	Calif	64	88	426
San Fran	72	82	468	Chicago	64	88	421
San Diego	69	86	445	Seattle	59 <td>95</td> <td>383</td>	95	383
				x-crowned division title			
Friday's Results				Friday's Results			
Chicago 9, Pittsburgh 8				Boston 3, Toronto 1			
Atlanta 5, San Francisco 3				Cleveland 5, Baltimore 0			
St. Louis 5, New York 1				New York 7, Detroit 5			
Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1				Minnesota 3, Kansas City 1			
Houston 2, Cincinnati 0				Chicago 5, California 4			
San Diego 3, Los Angeles 2				Milwaukee 10, Oakland 7			
				Seattle 7, Texas 2			
Saturday's Games				Today's Games			
St. Louis (Rincon 2-0) at New York (Bomback 9-7), 2:05 p.m.				(All Times EDT)			
Pittsburgh (Bibby 18-5) at Chicago (Martz 0-2), 2:15 p.m.				Kansas City (Gura 18-10)			
Montreal (Sanderson 15-10) at Philadelphia (Carlton 23-8), 2:25 p.m.				Minnesota (Koonsman 11-35 a.m.)			
Cincinnati (Soto 10-6) at Houston (Niegro 17-12), 2:20 p.m.				Boston (Tudor 7-5) at Toronto (Clancy 13-14), 1:30 p.m.			
San Francisco (Ripley 8-9) at Atlanta (Matula 11-13), 7:35 p.m.				Baltimore (McGregor 19-10)			
Los Angeles (Sutton 12-5) at San Diego (Rasmussen 4-10), 10 p.m.				Cleveland (Barker 18-10)			
American League							
East							
W	L	Pct.	GB				
New York	99	55	643				

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Elgin falls, 20-7

BC stays in thick of NCC race

MARION — Buckeye Central, a team more noted for its offensive prowess, showed it could be stingy on defense as the Bucks held Elgin to 34 yards on the ground in a 20-7 win Friday.

The Bucks are now 4-1 overall and 3-1 in the North Central Conference.

Dan Shell passed for two touchdowns against the Comets, both in the second quarter. Shell teamed with Dan Pifer on an 11-yard strike and hit Dale Nease with a 15-yard connection.

Dave Richards got the Bucks last score on an 18-yard touchdown run.

On the evening, BC passed 14 times, completing nine for 87 yards. Dan Wurm paced the receivers with five catches for 60 yards.

It was the defense however that shone for the Bucks. BC coach Bill Pierce pointed to Doug Shell, with eight tackles, five assists and five quarterback sacks as having an outstanding night's work.

Elgin finally cracked the end zone when Jay Erwin caught a 20-yard TD pass from Dave Salmons late in the final game.

Doug Nease paced Buckeye with 64

rushing yards.

The Bucks are now tied for third in the NCC behind Colonel Crawford and Mohawk.

BUCKEYE	0	13	0	7-20
ELGIN	0	0	0	7-7

BC — Dan Pifer, 11-yard pass from Dan Shell (Dale Nease kick).

BC — Nease, 15-yard pass from Dan Shell (kick failed).

BC — David Richards, 18-yard run (Nease kick).

E — Jay Erwin, 20-yard pass from Dave Salmons (Erwin kick).

NOL roundup

Galion, Norwalk hold first

Galion and Norwalk took over a share of first place in the Northern Ohio League through victories Friday. The Tigers rolled over Tiffin Columbian, 20-6, and Norwalk edged Bellevue, 9-7.

Willard and Bucyrus battled to a scoreless tie.

Galion 20, Tiffin 6

GALION — John Erlsten gained 171 yards on 27 carries and scored on a 49-yard run to help Galion to a 20-7 win over the Tornadoes Friday.

Galion's other two scores came on runs of three and two yards by Jack Shuck.

Tiffin's only touchdown came on an 18-yard pass from Tony Colatruccio to Chris Bellville.

The Tigers are now 4-1 overall and 2-0 in the NOL. Tiffin fell to 1-4 in all games and 0-2 in the league.

TIFFIN	0	0	0	6-6
GALION	0	13	0	7-20

G — John Erlsten, 49-yard run (Chris Nicholls kick).

G — Jack Shuck, 3-yard run (kick failed).

G — Shuck, 2-yard run (Nicholls kick).

T — Chris Bellville, 18-yard pass from Tony Colatruccio (kick failed).

Norwalk 9, Bellevue 7
NORWALK — Brett Mason

split the uprights on a 27-yard field goal with 37 seconds to play to lift Norwalk to its second NOL win in as many attempts, 9-7 over Bellevue Friday.

Norwalk is now 3-3 overall. Bellevue is 1-4 in all affairs and winless in two league games.

Mason's field goal came after Bellevue had gone ahead in the fourth quarter on a 39-yard pass from Bill Nasonti to Mike Raifsnnyder. The Truckers' initial TD came on an 11-yard run by Larry Buckhannon.

BELLEVUE	0	0	0	7-7
NORWALK	0	6	0	3-9

N — Larry Buckhannon, 11-

yard run (kick failed).

B — Mike Raifsnnyder, 39-yard pass from Bill Nasonti (Sam SanGregory kick).

N — Brett Mason, 27-yard field goal.

BUCYRUS 0
Willard 0

BUCYRUS — Even though the Crimson Flashes outgained the Redmen 212-126 in total yards, Willard had to settle for an 0-0 tie against underdog Bucyrus.

Homer Naveja of Bucyrus was the game's top runner, with 106 yards on 30 carries. Dave

Plymouth blanked by Danville

DANVILLE — Greg Ferenbaugh scored two touchdowns as the Danville Blue Devils registered their fourth shutout of the season at the expense of Plymouth, 26-0.

Plymouth now stands winless in five games so far this fall. Danville, a non-conference opponent, is 4-1.

The Devils hopped on the Big Red early, scoring two touchdowns in the first quarter. Ferenbaugh opened the scoring by hitting paydirt from four

yards out. Gene Matheny then scampered 63 yards and Joe Durbin added a two-point conversion to up the count to 14-0.

Five plays later, Ferenbaugh struck again as he went into the Plymouth end zone unmolested to hike Danville's lead to 20-0.

The final tally of the game was set up when Matheny intercepted a pass off of Big Red quarterback Steve Tackett

Tackett rushed for 83 yards in 24 carries for the Flashes.

Willard stands 1-2-2 in all games and 1-0-1 in the league. Bucyrus is 0-1-1 in the circuit and 2-2-1 overall.

WILLARD	0	0	0	0-0
BUCYRUS	0	0	0	0-0

NOL Standings

	W	L	T	W-L-T
Galion	4	1	0	2-0-0
Norwalk	3	2	0	2-0-0
Willard	1	2	2	1-0-1
Shelby	4	1	0	1-1-0
Upper	4	1	0	1-1-0
Bucyrus	2	2	1	0-1-1
Bellevue	1	4	0	0-2-0
Tiffin	1	4	0	0-2-0

Blue Devil signal-caller Pat Mickley, then connected with Durbin in the end zone to fashion the 26-0 final count.

PLYMOUTH	0	0	0	0-0
DANVILLE	14	6	0	2-6

D — Greg Ferenbaugh, 4-yard run (conversion failed).

D — Gene Matheny, 63-yard run (Joe Durbin run).

D — Ferenbaugh, 6-yard run (conversion failed).

D — Durbin, pass from Pat Mickley (conversion failed).