

Plymouth drops 13-7 battle to St. Paul in league opener

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NORWALK — Plymouth started off on the wrong foot in Firelands Conference play Saturday evening after dropping a 13-7 battle to Norwalk St. Paul at Whitney Field.

The Big Red fell to 0-1 in the league and stand at 1-1 overall. The Flyers are 1-0 in the loop and also 1-1 on the year.

Plymouth's run-and-shoot offense fired blanks when it came close to the St. Paul endzone, evidenced by three drives that stalled at the St. Paul 27-yard line twice and once at the 23.

All three drives saw momentum taken away by three costly penalties. Twice the Big Red were slapped with holding penalties and another for illegal procedure.

"Hey, we beat ourselves. It's that simple," groaned Plymouth coach Dick Roll. "Penalties stopped two of our drives in the first half. We should have had some points by halftime."

If penalties weren't enough for Plymouth, then the ground game compounded matters. Plymouth ran the ball 30 times for 40 yards, which was a third of St. Paul's total. The Flyers stopped the Big Red cold in the second half, allowing 13 carries for a net of zero. Almost three-quarters of Plymouth's rushing yardage came on their first drive of the game when Steve Hall ripped off runs of 18, 4 and 7 yards. Hall finished with 30 yards on 10 carries.

Plymouth's air attack netted 121 yards, including a 70-yard

strike from Hall on the halfback option to Jason Robinson that eventually led to the Big Red's only score of the night. Robinson hauled in two passes for 84 yards.

The Big Red lit up the scoreboard in the third period, trailing 13-0 at the time.

Following a the Flyers' final score and the ensuing kick-off, Plymouth was slapped with consecutive clipping penalties, marking the ball at their own eight-yard line. On first-and-22, Hall found Robinson wide open along the right sideline and took the pass down to St. Paul's 22. Facing a third-and-eight situation, quarterback Jeff Staggs found Robinson on a route across the middle for 14 yards and the first down at the six-yard line. Two plays later, Plymouth's version of the "refrigerator", offensive guard Bill Castle blasted his way through the right side for the score with 3:12 remaining in the third stanza.

Castle, who started last year in the offensive backfield for Plymouth, had to be moved to the offensive line this season because of a lack of size across the front, but responded to the challenge of the Flyers. Castle weighs about half of the Chicago Bears' William Perry, tipping the scales at 165.

St. Paul struck first in the opening stanza, driving the ball 75 yards in nine plays before Gary Sprague went in over left tackle from three-yards out with four seconds showing.

The score stayed at 6-0 at the half and the Flyers got rolling

near the middle of the third can- to after waging a successful war of field position with the Big Red.

St. Paul's Matt Camp put his foot into a 53-yard punt that rolled dead at the Plymouth five-yard line and four plays later the Big Red were forced to punt from their own four. Randy Smith booted a 35-yard punt for Plymouth that gave the Flyers the ball at the PHS 39.

From there the hosts reached the Plymouth seven in three plays and a lucky bounce led to the Flyers' final touchdown. St. Paul quarterback Paul Myers went to hand off the ball, but his runningback lost the handle and the ball took a flyer bounce back into Myers' hands and he raced around the right side for the score. Mark Volcheck's PAT kick made the score 13-0.

St. Paul put together a 13-play march that ended at the Plymouth eight-yard line when the Big Red's Dave Powers intercepted a pass in the endzone with 4:52 to play in the game.

Plymouth got a chance to look for a potential tying or winning march, but the Big Red lost six yards in the process and were forced to give up the ball. From there the Flyers ran out the clock.

"All the mistakes are correctable," said Roll. "We have a lot of work to do in practice this week."

Things don't get any easier this week for Plymouth when Firelands Conference favorite Crestview invades Friday night. The Cougars are off to a 2-0 start and have outscored their opposi-

tion 87-8.

"We didn't stop St. Paul's slant play," pointed out Roll. "The kids didn't react to the play and we worked on it all week in practice. The slant is similar to what Crestview runs and if we don't stop that Friday we'll get our butts kicked."

The Flyers tallied 120 yards rushing and Sprague led the way with 69 yards on 16 totes. Through the air the Flyers were 4-of-8 for 79 yards and two interceptions.

"I thought our defense did a nice job of stopping Plymouth," said winning coach Joe Widman.

"Plymouth played a nice physical game against us," remarked Widman. "Coach Roll has got to be happy. He has a young team that has to be reckoned with the rest of the season and he's also building for next season."

Next Friday the Flyers take on backyard rival Monroeville, which sports a 2-0 record.

Varsity Football			
At Norwalk St. Paul			
Plymouth	0	0	7 0 7
Norwalk St. Paul	6	0	7 0 13
St. Paul	Gary Sprague	2 yard run	(kick failed)
St. Paul	Paul Myers	7 yard run	(Mark Volcheck kick)
Plymouth	Bill Castle	3 yard run	(Randy Myers kick)
Game Statistics			
	Plymouth	Norwalk St. Paul	
8	First Downs	12	
3	By Rushing	7	
5	By Passing	4	
0	By Penalty	1	
40	Rushing Yardage	120	
121	Passing Yardage	79	
6 14 0	Passes (Comp-Att-Int)	4 8 2	
7 77	Penalties-Yards	10 70	
4 34 7	Punts-Avg	3 41 6	
1	Fumbles-Lost	3 2	

BC spikers lose 2-1 to Willard

NEW WASHINGTON—Buckeye Central suffered its first setback of the season, losing 2-1 to Willard in varsity volleyball action Saturday afternoon.

The Buckettes won the first game 15-12, but the Crimson Flashes stormed back with 15-8 and 15-12 wins.

Tammi Kehres was the leading scorer for BC with nine points.

The BC junior varsity spikers defeated Willard 15-2, 15-5. Leading server was Shannon Kimmel with seven points.

Next match for Buckeye Central is 6 p.m. tonight at home against New Riegel.

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Prep standings

Northern Ohio League		
Galion	2 0	0 0
Tiffin	2 0	0 0
Bellevue	2 0	0 0
Shelby	1 1	0 0
Norwalk	1 1	0 0
Willard	1 1	0 0
Bucyrus	1 1	0 0
Upper Sandusky	1 1	0 0

Friday's Scores		
Shelby 30	Toledo DeVilbiss 0	
Upper Sandusky 15	Fostoria 8	
Huron 40	Norwalk 33	
Bellevue 7	Port Clinton 2	
Bucyrus 25	Ontario 0	
Willard 10	Mansfield Sr. 6	
Tiffin 40	Toledo Macomber 20	

Friday's Games		
Shelby at Ashland		
Clyde at Upper Sandusky		
Norwalk at Vermilion		
Lexington at Bucyrus		
Marion Harding at Galion		
Sandusky Perkins at Bellevue		
Willard at Margareta		
Tiffin Columbian at Fostoria		

North Central Conference		
Colonel Crawford	2 0	1 0
Mohawk	1 1	1 0
Carey	1 1	1 0
Elgin	1 1	1 0
Riverdale	1 1	1 0
Buckeye Central	1 1	0 1
River Valley	1 1	0 1
Wynford	1 1	0 1
Pleasant	0 2	0 1
Ridgedale	0 2	0 1

Prep scores

Ohio High School Football Scores By United Press International Saturday		
Avon 12	Hudson Wes Rsv 7	
Bridgeport 27	Beallsville 7	
Buckeye N 20	Bergholz Spring 14	
Can Cent Cath 27	New Philadelphia 0	
Cin Wal Hills 28	Ham Badin 0	
Col Watterson 13	Westerville S 12	
Cortland Lakeview 39	Lakeview (Pa) 8	
Dalpos St John 22	Tri County N 12	
Erie (Pa) Prep 14	You Ursuline 7	
Garfield His Trinity 41	Steub CC 15	
Gat Mil Hawken 43	Chagrin Falls 8	

Ohio colleges

Ohio College Football Scores By United Press International Saturday		
Bowling Green 21	Ohio Univ 16	
Kent State 18	Toledo 16	
Miami 45	Ball State 7	
Cincinnati 24	Virginia Tech 20	
Akron 35	Salem (WVA) 0	
Ashland 25	Northwood (Mich) 7	
Central St 41	Saginaw Valley 39	
St Josephs (Ind) 27	Muskingum 26	
Dayton 17	Butler (Ind) 16	
Wash & Jeff 23	Ohio Wesleyan 2	
Findlay 35	Valparaiso (Ind) 6	
Duquesne (Pa) 28	John Carroll 17	
Wilmington 46	Waterloo (Can) 6	
Tiffin 38	Alma (Mich) 32	
Nicholls 34	Youngstown State 17	

Friday's Scores		
Marion Elgin 7	Buckeye Central 0	
Colonel Crawford 27	Marion Pleasant 7	
Mohawk 7	Wynford 6	
Carey 13	River Valley 10	
Riverdale 15	Ridgedale 7	

Friday's Games		
Riverdale at Buckeye Central		
Colonel Crawford at Wynford		
Mohawk at Marion Elgin		
Ridgedale at Carey		
River Valley at Marion Pleasant		

Firelands Conference		
Monroeville	2 0	1 0
Black River	2 0	1 0
Crestview	2 0	1 0
Norwalk St. Paul	1 1	1 0
Western Reserve	2 0	0 0
Plymouth	1 1	0 1
Mapleton	1 1	0 1
South Central	1 1	0 1
New London	0 2	0 1

Friday's Scores		
Monroeville 19	South Central 6	
Crestview 37	New London 8	
Black River 17	Mapleton 6	
Western Reserve 14	Firelands 0	

Saturday's Scores		
Norwalk St. Paul 13	Plymouth 7	

Friday's Games		
Crestview at Plymouth		
South Amherst at Black River		
Mapleton at New London		
Norwalk St. Paul at Monroeville		
Saturday's Game		
South Central at Western Reserve		

Grand Valley 42	Midld Card 7	
Ironton St Joe 26	Symmes Val 12	
Ledgemont 9	Venango (Pa) Chr 7	
Licking Valley 35	N Union 14	
Lima Sr 35	Findlay 7	
Linsly (WVA) 25	Bellaire St Johns 0	
Lisbon 20	Columbiana 13	
Minford 22	Oak Hill 0	
Niles 34	Cle E 14	
Norwalk Paul 13	Plymouth 7	
Parkersburg (WVA) Cath 48	E Meigs 0	
Petersburg Spring 39	E Palestine 7	
Warren Wsn Rsr 35	Mentor 6	
You E 15	Can Timken 0	

Bowling scores

Jim Dandy		
Results	Team 3 (3) def Team 7 (1)	Team 1 (3) def Team 6 (1)
	Team 2 (4) def Team 9 (0)	Team 10 (4) def Team 5 (0)
	Team 8 (4) def Team 4 (0)	
High series	Barb Burky 503	Jan Burton 486
	Isy Viers 479	Ginny Swanger 479
High games	Barb Burky 185	Ginny Swanger 176
	Margaret Duff 174	Jan Burton 170
Debb Abbott	170	
High team series	Team 1 (1,771)	Team 8 (1,739)
	Team 2 (1,730)	Team 6 (1,727)
Standings	Team 1 (6-2)	Team 8 (6-2)
	Team 2 (5-3)	Team 3 (4-4)
	Team 5 (3-5)	Team 7 (3-5)
	Team 4 (3-5)	Team 6 (2-6)
	Team 9 (1-7)	Team 10 (0-8)

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