

Fourth quarter drive provides Sandy 8-7 win

Pioneers 8 and Tigers 7. Final score pretty well tells the story of this hardfought battle which opened the football season for High School. The total win equals the total loss which the Pioneers had all last season when they were 1-7. After the win, the Pioneers are very confident that they can win the first game of the season. They are ready for our first test Friday against the Pioneer head coach Allen. The Pioneer will come to Sandy and rebound from a 24-3 loss to the hands of Astoria. The Pioneer is seen along with Home as the best in the Valley Division of the Valley League. The Pioneer, if they can win Canby, can then win the Valley title. The Pioneer was the only Valley team to win in cross division with Coastal Division last week. The win over Canby counts on the overall record, but does not count in the race for the Valley title. The Pioneer marks the beginning of a new era for both the Pioneer and the Panthers. The Pioneer defense will have to hit as they did in the past win and our offense will provide us with more wins as we are going to beat Canby. The Pioneer is basically a team, according to reports. They control the middle of the line and run from a formation. The Pioneer can show the desire and hustle to win against Newberg. The Pioneer, said Kostuba, played probably the best game of the season. The Pioneer played in the past few years according to the staff. The Pioneer defense is the key to winning football. The Pioneer defense caused Newberg fumbles and turnovers with two of them. One

of the fumble recoveries came late in the first quarter to stop the first Newberg drive on Sandy's one yard line.

"It's hard to point out individuals on the defensive side who were not outstanding," said Kostuba. "It was the type of team effort we need to win ball games."

The team play was evident in the amount of tackles made by the defensive unit. Mike McMahon at linebacker led the unit with 10 tackles or assists while linebacker Mike Wecker, linemen Tim Keller and Eric Lundeen each totaled nine tackles or assists. Also, defensive back Keith Jensen got in on eight tackles or assists.

Newberg got their score on a second quarter drive and kicked the extra point. The Pioneer then were stopped by penalties every time they began to mount a drive.

Then in the final quarter, the Pioneer began their winning drive scoring with 2:20 left on the clock on a one yard dive by McMahon.

Sandy then went for the win and a two point conversion.

Quarterback Dan Turin rolled to his right on an option play. He was hit at the line of scrimmage and pitched to halfback Dubbie Hayes who gathered in the pitch and just made it into the end zone for two points with a Newberg defender on his back.

The winning drive by the Pioneer began on their own 15 yard line.

Key plays in the drive were two completed passes by Turin, and two runs by transfer Bill Gregus. He made seven yards on a third down and four carrying tacklers the last three yards and made 14 yards on an end sweep to take the Pioneer to the Newberg seven yard line.

Following Sandy's winning drive, the Tiger got the ball and began to move again.

A big play in stopping them was made by Keller as he broke through the line and sacked the Newberg quarterback on a fourth down and three play at the Pioneer 30 yard line to end the threat.

Newberg got one more try, but a 55 yard punt by Turin put the Tiger in a hole.

Hayes got special mention

from the coaches for his running on offense. The junior halfback picked up 58 yards on 13 carries and twice nearly broke tackles to turn short gains into longer gains.

McMahon ran for 12 yards on seven carries and the TD, Jeff Jackson picked up five yards on two carries and Gregus ended with 24 yards on five carries.

Turin picked up 36 yards on the ground and 25 yards on three complete passes in 10 tries.

The Pioneer also did not lose one of the three fumbles they committed to help prevent giving the Tiger any golden opportunities.

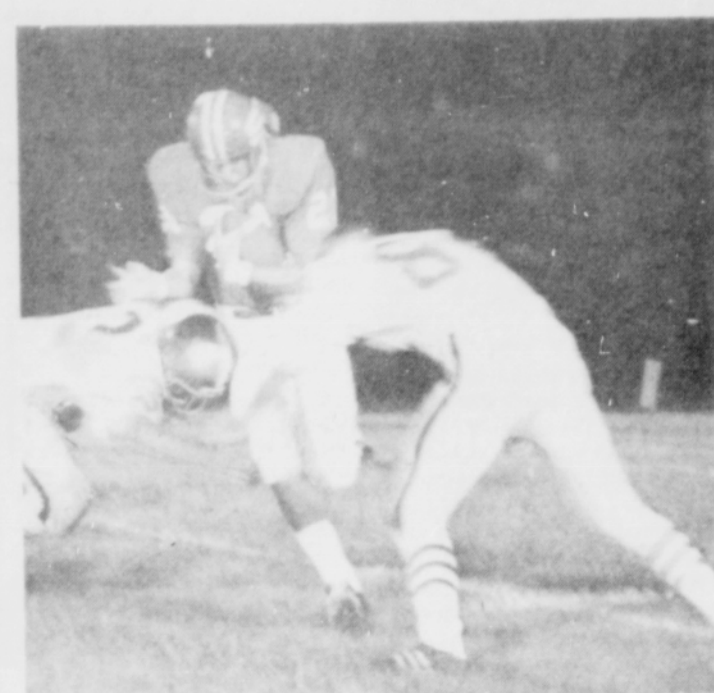
In total offense, Newberg gained 207 yards and Sandy 160 yards. Newberg had 12 first downs to Sandy's 9, while Sandy ran off 55 plays to Newberg's 53.

The Pioneer were hurt by 86 yards in penalties while Newberg had 60 yards.

The Pioneer will carry this one game win streak into the Canby game Friday. The game begins at 8 p.m. at Sandy High athletic field.



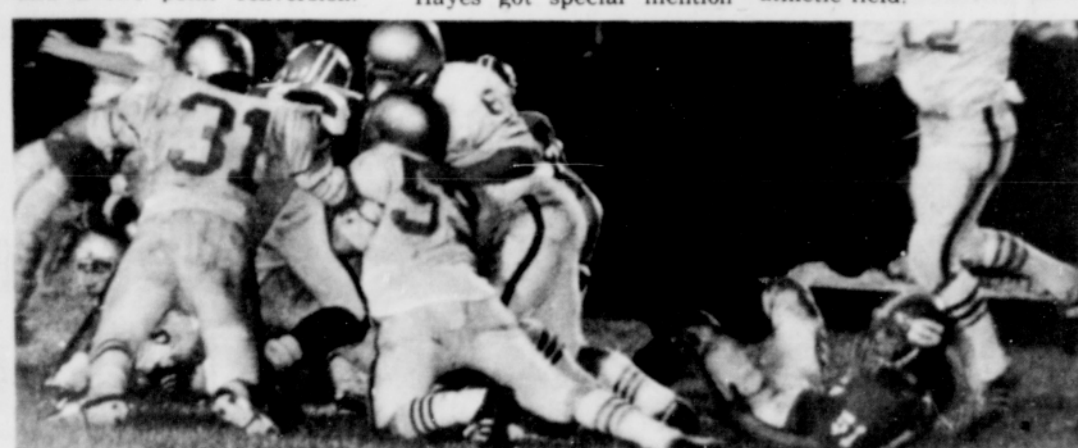
TWO SANDY defenders greet a Newberg runner in second half action of game last Friday won by Sandy. The Pioneer host Canby this Friday at 8 p.m. (Post Photo)



SANDY'S HALFBACK Jeff Jackson gets the squeeze put on him by two Newberg defenders. Jackson made short gain on the play. The Pioneer scored a TD and two point conversion with 2:20 to play winning 8-7 over Newberg. (Post Photo)



ERIC LUNDEEN (75) dumps a Newberg runner as teammate John Alps (45) rushes in to give Eric some help. The Pioneer dumped Newberg 8-7 and face Canby Friday in first division game here at 8 p.m. (Post Photo)



SOMEWHERE AT the bottom of this pile of white shirted Newberg defenders is Sandy's Mike McMahon scoring the Sandy TD. The Pioneer then converted a two point conversion play to win 8-7 over the Tiger. Friday the Pioneer will host tough Canby at 8 p.m. (Post Photo)



conversion giving Sandy an 8-7 win in the season's opener against Newberg. (Post Photo)

THIS IS THE play that won the game for Sandy last Friday night. Pioneer quarterback Dan Turin (17) rolls out on an option play while halfback Dubbie Hayes (25) awaits the pitch. The play worked and Hayes just made it in for the two point

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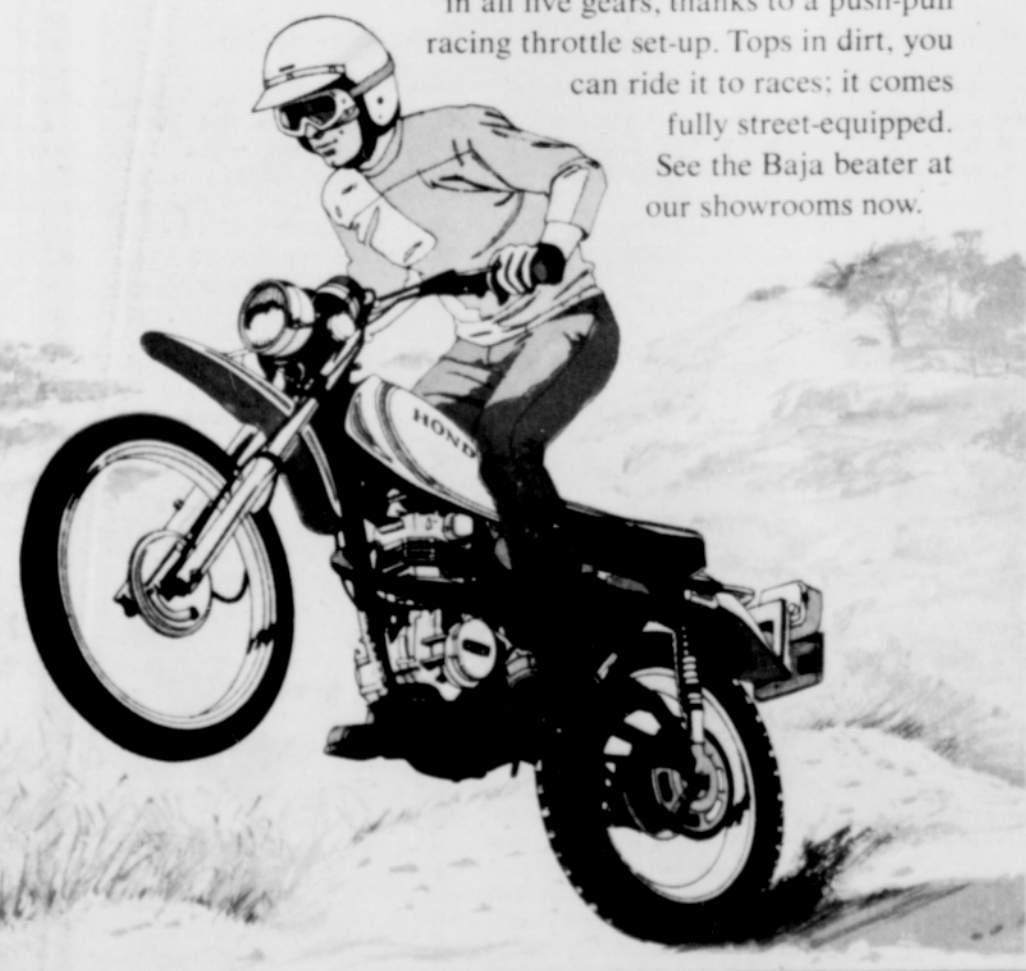
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