

Nyssa Shuts Out Parma Panthers 25-0— Stan's Stand From the Stands . . .

By STAN THOMPSON

A rain-soaked cloud hovered close overhead and shook itself several times to send rookie fans scurrying to their cars for shelter as the Nyssa Bulldogs fought out their last football battle of the season. A cold wind found its way down coat collars and up pant-legs, taking great delight in turning ears red and making noses run. But the veteran fan, with water dripping from the brim of his hat and wrapped in blankets to the tip of his nose, was right at home in this "plain old football weather. He probably wouldn't move if it snowed up to his neck.

The Parma Panthers brought over a few fans. One could hear them once in a while there across the field. But they didn't have much to cheer about.

80-Yard Pass Nets First TD

The Bulldogs started things off early with a Walker-Zobell 80-yard TD pass, but no conversion. If it rained much more the boys might have ended up playing water polo.

Nyssa wasn't satisfied with a six-point lead, so they sent Dub Jones across for another touchdown—no extra point. Well, 12-0 wasn't too bad for a first quarter's work.

Wish it would stop raining. The bleacher seats are getting all wet, and people track mud up on them. The poor players. The ball is wet and slippery. Both teams look alike — all covered with mud. Coach Mel Calhoun has to search hard for a dry blade of grass to chew on. Someone could at least have spread a blanket over some of the grass around the bench. Guess he has complained a little about the quality of the grass since the last frost. Kinsey Kevenen walks around the field shivering in the cold, holding a clock in one hand and a cold pistol in the other . . . his eyes glued to the timepiece and his finger tight around the trigger.

Bulldogs Score Again

The second quarter found the damp Panthers forced to kick. Dub Jones returns the ball to the Panther lair and Phillips bulldogs his way over the white line. But still again no extra point—18-0, Nyssa all the way.

The rain began to let up some, and a few of the rookie fans left the protection of their cars and hesitantly took a seat in the bleachers, but kept an eye out for any drops of rain that might begin to fall.

Parma's Panthers worked their way toward the Bulldog goal, but that's as far as they got. A fumble by them and a recovery by us. We began the trudge upfield.

Halftime was drawing near as Q. Smith rooted out the bandsmen from their dry seats and marched them to the end of the field. Kinsey's lower lip began to tremble and his eyes took on that glare the gunmen on TV westerns get just before the kill. He raised his weapon and fired.

There came the Nyssa high school band strutting across the field, led by pretty majorettes and followed by a muddy path. The snappy music must have awakened the forgotten rain cloud 'cause it shook itself again and tried hard to sneak a drop of rain down someone's coat collar.

Triena Rinehart Crowned

Reggie Child, in a good job of makeup as a clown, took part in the band skit illustrating what becomes of the high school's graduates—doctors, dentists, etc. The climax of halftime entertainment came when last year's Miss Football Spirit, Sharen Jaques, crowned this year's Miss Spirit, Triena Rinehart.

Well, the referee must not have been too interested in all this because he got out on the field and blew his whistle to get the game going again.

So we kicked off to the Panthers and splashed down the field after them. The ball changed hands back and forth in this third quarter without much excitement.

But in the fourth, Jones broke away for a 50-yard TD run. We faked a kick, then passed for a conversion, making the score 25-0. That's the way it ended. Fan George Phinney commented on the good job our linemen did, and it was later learned we had gained 407 yards to their 58.

Covered with mud and smiles from ear to ear, the Nyssa Bulldogs ended their football season in a blaze of glory, securing fifth place and a chance for a fourth-place tie, depending on the outcome of the Meridian-Payette game this Friday.

Nyssa JV's Win 22-7

The Nyssa junior varsity traveled twice to Ontario Monday for their last game of the season. Bus driver Sid Kelley said due to a mixup in scheduling he took the team over at 3 o'clock in the afternoon when they were supposed to play a night game.

The teams played to barely a handful of people and the sound of contacting shoulder pads was clearly heard. It was cold, but the Bullpups sported real spirit and time after time sneaked through the Ontario defense.

Leavitt, showing real promise with his kicking foot, Chuck Corak and Gene Jones sparked the scoring. Halftime entertainment consisted of watching the referees shiver in the cold.

Adrian Loses to Kuna

The Kuroi Kavemen scored 40 points to none for the Adrian Antelopes in a non-conference tilt at Adrian. It was Kuna's game all the way as they scored in every quarter with sneaks, sweeps and plain old running.

Dognappers Pay \$250 Fines, Costs

Three hunters were fined \$250 each, plus court costs, in Don Graham's justice court of Nyssa last Thursday for theft of a hunting dog belonging to Melvin Crocker of Nyssa.

They were Ray D. Turner, Tillamook; Hugh Alco Moore, Portland; Richard L. Smith, Portland. Crocker and four companions were hunting when one of the party saw the three men load the German shorthair pointer into a red and white International carryall. This was about 11 a.m. Sunday.

State police were given a description of the dog and the vehicle and the culprits were apprehended in Baker the following Tuesday where they were arrested and held in jail overnight for return here for trial. Mrs. Crocker said they had apparently hunted the dog hard until some time Tuesday as it was literally "worn out."

Lady Eagle Bowling Standings Reported

Team standings for the Lady Eagles bowling league are as follows: Flying Eaglettes, won 15, lost 5; Gutter Gussies, 13½-6½; Four Foulers, 11½-8½; Happy Handicappers, 11-9; Hi-Lows, 10-10; Four Mrs., 10-10; Eight Balls, 7-13; Odd Balls, 6-14.

Eris Bertram was high with 593 points for game series with handicap, Deanie Kohl was second high with 577 pins and Stella Ross was third with 567.

High for individual game including handicap was Eris Bertram with 212; Deanie Kohl, second high with 205 and Virginia Bybee, third with 201.

Three years ago a hunting dog was taken from the lawn of the Crocker home and never recovered, as Crocker tried to locate it without any outside help.

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