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Big Hole for Washam

Bettendorf's Al Washam (21) found a big hole in the Kennedy line during this action Friday night at Kingston stadium. He went for eight yards on the play in the Mississippi Valley conference game. No. 16 for Kennedy is Kevin Clapp.

Warrior Offense Chalks Up 319 Yards

Wash Routs Muskies, 27-0

MUSCATINE — An offense that gained 319 yards and a defense that allowed just one yard rushing spurred Cedar Rapids Washington to a 27-0 mauling of the winless Muscatine here Friday night.

The victory boosted the Warriors' Mississippi Valley conference record to 3-0 and 4-1 overall. The loss was Muscatine's 29th in succession and 30th straight in Valley competition. The Muskies have been shut out three times and outscored 112-14 in four outings.

Three pass interceptions, a high-powered running game and a stingy defense spelled the Warriors' third straight win since losing to Metro rival Regis, 21-7.

An interception by Aaron Smith led to Wash's first score. Smith's grab gave Wash possession on its own 48. Eight plays later, Otto Moore dove one yard to cap the 52-yard drive. A big play was a 19-yard run by Bill Keister, who later scored two touchdowns.

In the second quarter, Wash lost a fumble at the Muskie two but, after a Muscatine punt, the Warriors went 32 yards in five plays to lead 13-0. Keister scored his first touchdown on a 15-yard run.

Wash upped its lead to 20-0 in the third period and an interception once again preceded the Warrior scoring drive. Leon Mehring picked

off a Muskie aerial 20 yards from paydirt and, two plays later, Keister scored again on a 21-yard run.

Yet another Wash interception, by Charles Meier at the Warrior 49, helped Wash score its final points. On the Warriors' first play after the turnover, Todd Stout tossed

his first pass of the game to Vernon Brown, who broke two tackles while completing the 51-yard scoring play.

While the Wash defense allowed the Muskies just one yard rushing, the Warrior offense was never forced to punt.

Oelwein Tips Waukon

OELWEIN — Kelley Kimball's 23-yard fourth-quarter field goal gave Oelwein its third straight Northeast Iowa conference football victory, 17-14 over Waukon Friday night.

He provided the only scor-

ing in the second half after sending Oelwein into intermission with a 14-14 tie on a 20-yard TD run and a run for the extra points.

Waukon, going for its fourth straight win, drew first blood in the first period when Mark Straate pounced on an Oelwein fumble in the end zone.

Straate then snagged a 23-yard scoring pass from brother Russ.

Tony McAllister matched that with a 26-yard run.

Oelwein is now 3-1 on the season. Waukon has a 2-1 conference mark.

Hovda Stars In Decorah Win

A 305-yard running attack, led by David Hovda, sparked Decorah to a 25-14 Northeast Iowa conference football victory over Charles City at Decorah Friday night.

Hovda, a 5-foot-9, 167-pound junior, returned the opening kickoff 90 yards for a touchdown and added scrimmage scores of 82 and 17 yards while scooting for 166 yards in only 15 runs.

Decorah's other touchdown came on a three-yard run by Steve Burrenson. John Sacquette added a point-after kick.

Decorah's offense was forced to punt just once and the winners' defense intercepted six Charles City passes.

Randy Koenigsfeld starred for Charles City, scoring on a pass from Carey Burkett and adding two extra-point kicks.

The Hawks stand No. 6 nationally in total defense and No. 4 in pass defense, but tonight their big problem will be Ricky Bell, the top ground-gainer in the U.S.

The state's other NCAA Division I team, Drake, will be a vast underdog in today's game against Colorado in Boulder, Colo. UNI will meet North Dakota in Grand Forks.

Cougars' Williams Gains 67 in 13-0 Setback

Bulldogs Tip Kennedy

By Steve Allspach

When your football team is 0-4, you've got to look for the bright spots and Cedar Rapids Kennedy Coach Greg Reed found at least two in a 13-0 Mississippi Valley loss to Bettendorf, Friday in Kingston stadium.

First, Reed accentuated the positive, although the loss put a damper on Kennedy's homecoming festivities and brightened Bettendorf's outlook because the Bulldogs won for the first time after three losses.

"Harley Williams ran like a million dollars when we finally got the football to him in the second half and Ty Payton played another terrific game defensively.

"Other than that, though, we just didn't do the job. They beat us on the line of scrimmage. We just couldn't get our defense off the field and eventually they wore us out."

Williams was the only offensive weapon that bothered Bettendorf. The fleet senior carried only twice for six yards in the first half, but picked up 61 in 12 second-half trips. He finished with 67.

Payton, the tackling terror who operates at defensive end, was shifted to middle linebacker in what was basically a seven-diamond defensive setup.

"We did that because people were running away from him," explained Reed. "We figured by putting him in the middle there was no way to elude him. We shifted him back to end later in the game, though," added Reed.

Payton did make five unassisted tackles in the first quarter but durable Dave Horton was one Bulldog back who evaded Kennedy defend-

ers all night. The 5-8, 155-pounder carved out 105 yards rushing in 22 carries before a head injury sent him to the sidelines midway in the fourth quarter.

Horton also tossed a 23-yard halfback pass to Bob Ahlers that provided the impetus to an opening scoring drive that spanned 72 yards and culminated in Doug Irvine's six-yard run.

That drive used up half the quarter and took 12 plays. The Bulldogs second touchdown march covered less than half the first distance, but took 11 plays.

With Horton smashing the line seven times, Mike Brown

capped the effort with a one-yard touchdown. A fumble by Kennedy quarterback Tracy Crocker had given the Bulldogs the ball at the Cougar 34.

Kennedy's deepest penetration was to Bettendorf's 28 as time ran out in the first half and one of their two first-half first downs came via penalty. The Cougars got to their own 47 early in the final quarter, but Crocker was then dropped for a six-yard loss and then suffered one of his two pass interceptions.

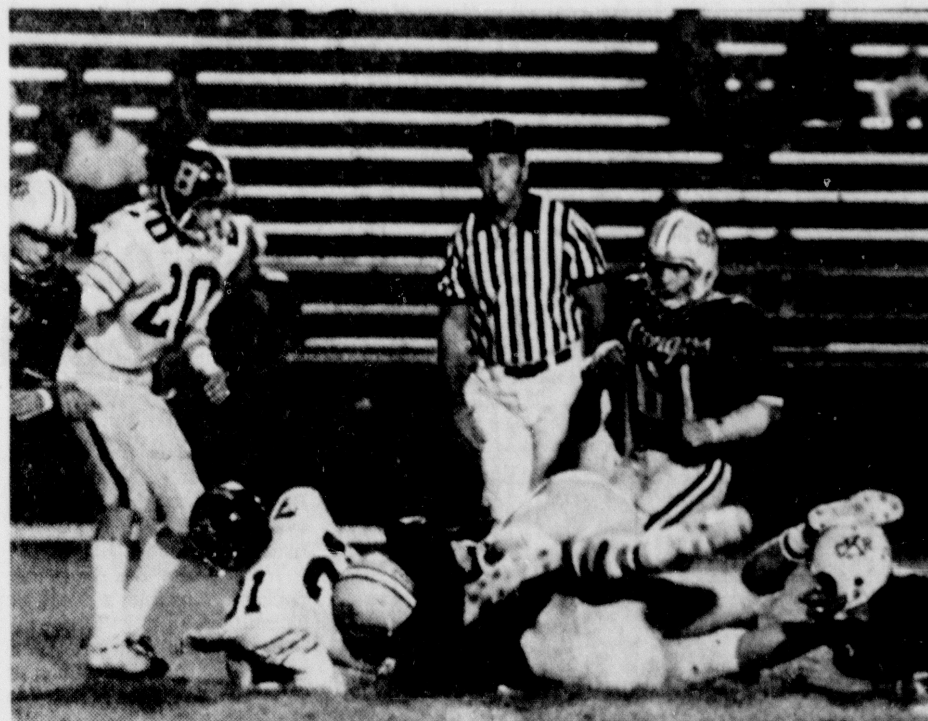
Bettendorf prevailed despite losing a fumble and got flagged for nine penalties.

Six of those were of the 15-yard variety.

The Bulldogs rushed the football 59 times for 214 yards, while Kennedy managed only 95 in 31 tries. Crocker hit on just two of his 14 passes to gather 20 yards. Bettendorf had 44 in the air.

Now 0-4, Reed now faces his old prep coach (Tom Good) and sixth-ranked Cedar Rapids Regis next week.

"No, we haven't quit," vowed Reed, in his first year as head coach. "We talk about playing successfully and the rest will come. We were enthusiastic and emotional tonight and we'll be that way next week."



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TD for the Bulldogs

Bettendorf's Bulldogs scored on this play Friday night at Kingston stadium with 6:53 left in the first quarter. Doug Irvine (on the ground) got the TD.

Kral Leads Solon Past West Branch

OLON — Solon quarterback Jeff Kral tossed two touchdown passes and rushed for 115 yards to lead the Spartans over East Iowa Hawkeye foe West Branch 22-8 Friday night.

Randy Beranek hauled in both scoring receptions for the winners. Kral scored Solon's third touchdown of the second quarter with a six-yard run.

Solon is now 3-0 in conference play and 3-1 overall. West Branch fell to 1-3 with the loss.

Koehn Leads, Mt. Vernon Wins

MOUNT VERNON — Jay Koehn scored three touchdowns on a 47-yard pass reception and runs of four and six yards as Mount Vernon blanked Wilton 28-0 in high school football action Friday night.

Koehn also tallied one two-point conversion. Paul Holtz scored the remaining Mount Vernon TD on a four-yard jaunt. Bob Raim ran in for the final two-pointer.

Mount Vernon is now 2-1 in the East Iowa Hawkeye conference, while Wilton dropped to 1-2.

Bakker Runs; Dike Wins, 30-0

DIKE — Larry Bakker scored two touchdowns on runs of 52- and 21-yards as Dike posted its first win of the season, downing Dysart-Geneseo 30-0 Friday night.

Bakker totaled 108 yards rushing in the lop-sided contest. Todd Lynch scored one TD on a six-yard run and QB Kevin Juel scored on a one-yard dive.

Tim Heerts scored a safety. Kirk Christensen kicked two extra-points and Matt Murphy scored a two-point conversion on a pass from Juel to round out Dike's scoring.

Dike now owns a 1-3 season record.

Twins Rally, Delay K.C. Pennant Clinching

By Dan George

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Steve Braun drove Mike Cabbage home with a one-out bloop single to center in the ninth inning Friday night and the Minnesota Twins delayed Kansas City's title drive with a 4-3 victory over the Royals.

The Royals, who have clinched a tie for the West division crown in the American league, took a 3½-game lead into the game and needed just one more victory or a loss by the second-place Oakland A's to win the title outright.

Cabbage led off the ninth with a walk, went to second on a bunt by Bob Randall, then scored on Braun's first hit of the game.

Minnesota reliever Bill Campbell, 17-5, retired the first two Kansas City batters in the ninth. Cookie Rojas then singled to left, but pinch-runner Willie Wilson

was gunned down trying to steal second, ending the game.

The AL batting race also tightened, as Kansas City's Hal McRae, the league leader, slipped to .330, with an 0-4 showing. The Royals' George Brett had his 28th three-hit game of the season, raising his average to .330, while Minnesota's Rod Carew had two hits in four tries, lifting his mark to .327.

Kansas City took a 2-0 lead into the seventh, but the Twins jumped in front by erupting for three runs off Royals' starter Doug Bird.

Butch Wynegar and Larry Hise delivered one-out singles, then Bird walked Dan Ford, loading the bases. Cabbage, who had grounded out twice, then doubled to the right-centerfield wall, clearing the bases before Bird got Randall to bounce to third. Reliever Steve Mingori then came in and retired

Steve Braun on a fly to right.

The Royals bounced back and tied the game in the bottom of the seventh. Al Cowens led off with a single, went to second on a sacrifice by John Wathan, and moved to third on starter Dave Goltz' second wild pitch of the game. Cookie Rojas, pinch-hitting for Frank White, then brought Cowens in with a base hit.

The Twins threatened to break the game open in the eighth when Carew singled, Steve Brye doubled and Wynegar walked with one out. But Mark Littell held them scoreless by getting Hise to force Carew at the plate, and Ford struck out swinging.

Minnesota's Lyman Bostock, batting .323, left the game with torn ligaments in his thumb after he attempted a diving catch of Tom Poquette's RBI triple in the fifth. Twins officials said he would return to Minneapolis for surgery.

Busy Football Day

It's a busy day in football today for Metro area fans, with a pair of prep games slated at Kingston stadium, Coe playing host to Ripon at 1:30 p.m. at the Marion field, and the Cedar Rapids Falcons entertaining the Quad Cities at 7:30 p.m. on John Wall field at Prairie.

The opener today at Kingston matches ranked and unbeaten Regis against improved Prairie at 1:30 p.m. Then, at 7:30, Benton takes on LaSalle in an East Central Iowa conference test.

Bettendorf Nips Kennedy Sophs 7-0

Bettendorf handed Kennedy a 7-0 defeat Friday in sophomore football. Bettendorf is 1-3 and Kennedy 0-4.

Murtaugh Resigns, This Time for Good

By D. Byron Yake

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Danny Murtaugh made it official Friday and resigned as manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, ending a reign that included four separate stints as field general.

The gentle Irishman shed no tears at his swan song, going out with the same composure he used to lead the Pirates to two World Series titles and four division championships. His parting words displayed his usual dry wit and a final needle for reporters, with whom he always enjoyed friendly banter.

"I'm happy to announce that I'll be back for two more years. I just signed a new contract with Joe," quipped Murtaugh.

"That would be a surprise," someone said.

"Yeah, that would be a surprise," replied Murtaugh. "I'm stepping down this time — unequivocally."

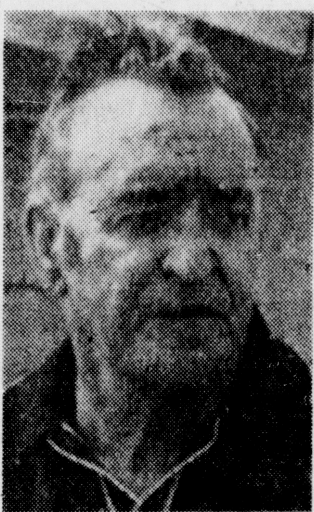
Murtaugh's resignation came just two days after Joe L. Brown, his close friend and boss, retired after 21 years as general manager of the Pirates.

It was not immediately known who would be named to the posts of manager or general manager, but the two resignations marked the end of one era and the beginning of another one.

Murtaugh said his health was the primary reason for stepping down.

"This year was one of the worst I've had in three years," he said, declining to give details.

Murtaugh said he will spend his time scouting for



Danny Murtaugh

the Pirates, attending spring training and playing with his five grandchildren.

"I think I've been around long enough," he said. "In my younger years, I don't think I spent enough time with my children. I'm going to kind of make it up with my grandchildren."

Murtaugh, who will be 59 next Friday, broke into the major leagues as a player in 1941 with the Philadelphia Phillies. He was traded to the Pirates in 1947 and played second base for four years.

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