

Atwater Stars for Marion

By Scott Campbell
Gazette Sports Reporter

For Larry Atwater, the water finally quit falling from the skies and he was allowed to display his football skills to an aroused Marion high school football crowd Saturday night.

The talented senior connected on 10 of 19 aeriels for 143 yards to lead the Indians to a 30-19 win over previously unbeaten Tipton, improving the Indians mark to 2-2 for the season.

"We finally got a dry football field so we could bring out our passing game," said Indian coach Bob Thurness.

"I thought Atwater threw the ball real well but we also gained a lot of yards on the ground. Steve Ransier did a fine job for us, as did all our backs."

"Really, I guess it was a whole team effort. Quite a win for us," praised Thurness.

Atwater didn't steal the whole aerial show however as the Tigers brought along a strong armed quarterback of their own, along with a glue-fingered receiver.

Jeff Cawiezell, a 6-0, 165-pounder led the vaunted Tipton offensive attack as he connected on 10 of 19 passes for an amazing 193 yards and two touchdowns.

Fleet-footed Dave Reid latched onto seven of those aeriels for 142 yards and one touchdown, a 58-yarder.

Ransier put the Indians on the board early as he blasted off right tackle from ten yards out with 10:58 left in the first half for Marion's first score. Ransier added the two-point conversion and it was quickly 8-0.

Tipton came right back with two quick scores of their own as Cawiezell hit Reid with a 58-yard scoring strike and Kevin Anderson bolted in from six yards out.

Atwater put the Indians ahead with just 54 seconds left in the half when he hit Sean Mooney with a 19-yard aerial, and with Brad McAreavy's two-point conversion it was 16-13.

Tipton scored on a Cawiezell to Mike Hopper pass with 2:27 left in the third quarter.



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Touchdown Bound

Kennedy's Tracy Crocker (30) followed a block by Kyle Galles (15) en route to a four-yard touchdown run in first quarter of Mississippi Valley game with Clinton Saturday night.

Rugged Regis Romps Past Prairie 30-0

By Bob Hersom
Gazette Sports Writer

Maybe Cedar Rapids Prairie football Coach John Oertel most accurately summed up his team's 30-0 loss to underrated C.R. Regis Saturday night.

"We got out-played in every facet of the game," said the first-year Hawk coach. "We didn't do anything right."

Pick a statistic and it will show how Regis dominated the action on Prairie's John Wall field. The Royals:

- Out-gained Prairie 339-124.
- Had 21 first downs, Prairie six.
- Were never forced to punt.

Matt Schmitt's 51-yard end run in the third quarter, which would have gone for a 65-yard Prairie touchdown if Regis cornerback John Carroll hadn't caught him at the Royals' 14, produced almost half of Prairie's total yardage.

Except for that run, the Hawks were held to 32 yards in 22 second half plays.

Regis' first win in four games also served to show how deceiving won-loss records can be.

The catch to the class 3A Royals' 1-3 record is that they have lost to three of the best prep teams in Iowa and Missouri: to C.R. Kennedy and Newton — two of the three 4A unbeaten left in Iowa — and to St. Louis Burroughs, a ranked power in Missouri.

"It would have been real easy for our kids to get down on themselves after those first three weeks," said Regis Coach Tom Good. "But they've hung in there and they looked tough tonight. We're real pleased with them."

Good, whose career record at Regis is 117-42-3, said he was especially pleased with the effort exerted by quarterback Mark Seifried, who started for the first time after illness or injury sidelined Doug Chadima and Mike O'Connell.

Regis out-gained Prairie 119-41 in the first half but held only an 8-0 lead. In the second half, Seifried guided the Royals to touchdowns the first three times they had the ball. He also tossed a pair of two-point conversion passes.

Five Royals ran for between 43 and 60 yards apiece:

John Lorel ran nine times for 60 yards and a 16-yard touchdown.

In nine carries, Dave Bomkamp ran for 43 yards and two TDs.

Klip Kula, who was injured late in the second quarter, plowed for 49 yards in 11 carries in the first half and finished with 53 in 14 attempts.

Two juniors had the most impressive per-carry averages: Dennis Miller gained 55 yards in only five carries and John Downey ramblod for 56 yards in just six runs.

Kennedy's Crocker, Oates Punish Clinton by 19-7

By Matt Novak
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Tracy Crocker ran for 196 yards as Cedar Rapids Kennedy became the only undefeated team in the Mississippi Valley conference by thumping Clinton 19-7 Saturday night at Kingston Stadium.

Crocker and Co. netted 387 yards total offense en route to the Cougars' fourth straight victory. Kennedy is 3-0 in MVC play, while Clinton slipped to 2-1.

Kennedy, Newton and Sioux City Heelan are the only undefeated teams in class 4A.

Pointers Win 12-7

CENTER POINT — Center Point defeated North-Linn 12-7 in a Tri-Rivers Conference football game Saturday. Center Point's Tim Weyant grabbed an eight-yard pass from Tim Mackey for the winning margin in the fourth quarter. Ron Jeffery scored earlier for Center Point on a five-yard run.

Mike Core scored North Linn's lone touchdown on a fourth quarter seven-yard run. Steve Zieser added the extra point kick. The game was the makeup game that was originally scheduled for Friday.

And Cougar coach Greg Reed knows it.

"I guess I'm stunned," Reed said in Kennedy's locker room following the eighth-ranked Cougars' victory. "This is the first time I've ever been associated with a team 4-0."

Crocker's school-record rushing performance came on 39 carries. The flashy 6-1 180-pound senior also scored two touchdowns and hurled a 43-yard scoring pass to Tim Kadlec.

Crocker was complemented by strong-running junior fullback Pete Oates. Oates bullied for 137 yards on 22 carries as Kennedy racked up 21 first downs rushing.

"The offensive line did another outstanding job," Reed said. "Make sure you mention Mark Lukes, Ron VanHoeck, Mark Miller, Bill Roby, Bryan Shepard, Larry Fisher and Cory Holladay. They did a super job."

"Two other guys that don't get a lot of credit because they don't carry the ball much are Kyle Galles and Scott Warren," Reed said. "But they really keep 'em honest."

Kennedy tallied twice in the first half on drives of 78- and 85-yards. Crocker capped a 14-play first-quarter drive on a four-yard plunge and his halfback pass to Kadlec resulted in the Cougars' second TD.

Clinton's Tyrone Sampson raced four yards for a touchdown in the third quarter as Clinton pulled to a 13-7 deficit. The River Kings threatened again midway through the

fourth period, but the Kennedy defense held at the 14-yard line.

"I was really proud of our defense on that drive," Reed said. "Every game we seem to have a flat spell. But once we put it all together, people are going to have trouble with us."

The Cougar offense ended any Clinton hopes by marching 86 yards for its third touchdown. The 17-play drive made the score 19-7 with just :36 left in the game.

Pitt Romps

NEWTON, Mass. (AP) — Freshman quarterback Rick Trocano scored two touchdowns and passed for another and the University of Pittsburgh defense picked off six passes as the No. 16-ranked Panthers crushed Boston College 45-7 Saturday at Alumni Stadium.

Lisbon Wins In Overtime

LISBON — John Martin's toe provided Lisbon with an overtime 21-20 victory over Lincoln of Stanwood Saturday in prep football. Lincoln's Russ Bequeath found Kurt Oxley on a 10-yard pass play in overtime to give Lincoln a momentary lead.

But the conversion attempt failed and Mike Weiben plunged for a three-yard score setting up Martin's heroics for Lisbon.

Preston Falls

EAST DUBUQUE, Ill. — East Dubuque scored a 22-6 win over Preston in prep football action Saturday. Kenny Moore scored two touchdowns on runs of four and 13 yards for the winners. East Dubuque's other score occurred when Joe Fluhr scooted 45 yards in the first quarter.

Wayne Ehlers accounted for Preston's points when he returned a kick-off 80 yards in the initial quarter.

Midland Romps

WYOMING — Midland of Wyoming crushed Clarence-Lowden 37-8 Saturday night. Midland scores included runs by Matt Schaefer, Dan Snyder, Dwight Reed, and a 14-yard pass play from Todd Lust to Joe Byers.

Dan Lang scored all eight of Clarence-Lowden's points on a 14-yard run and a conversion run.

Olin Wins

OLIN — Lance Hussman ran for three touchdowns to lead Olin (2-2) to a 28-6 homecoming victory over East Central in Mid-East Iowa Conference football action Saturday.

Benton Ties West

Benton Community and Davenport West tied for first with 14 total team points at the Pekin Invitational cross country meet held at Lake Darling State Park Saturday. Davenport West's Jane Lange had the top time with 14:01. Benton Community also won the freshman race.

Iowa State —

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left in the game and Dayton Coach Rick Carter elected to go for the three points. Strecker obliged with his third 3-pointer, this one from 37 yards out.

With Daily tossing, however, it wasn't really over until late in the game. At one time, the Flyers were pushed back to their own one but moved deep into Cyclone territory via the air lanes before a costly fumble lost 20 yards.

In fact, it was really in doubt until the final few minutes when a short kick by sub punter Jim Jensen, filling in for injured Tom Southard, gave Iowa State excellent field position and the Cyclones kept the Ohio squad with its back to the wall the rest of the way.

That, and a light rain that helped curtail the passing for both clubs, finished off the Flyers.

Dayton's Carter disagreed with the Cyclone fans who voiced complaint near halftime for the lack of offense by the Cyclones.

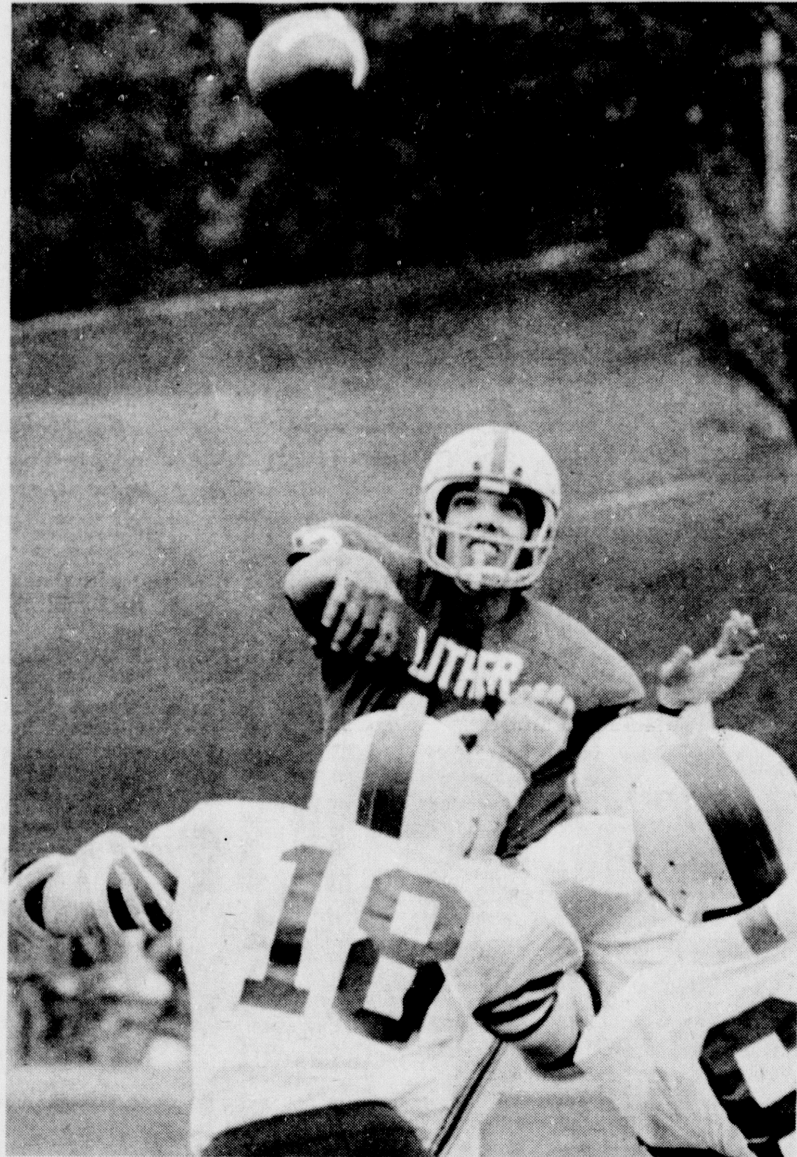
"No, I don't think the play calls were wrong," said Carter. "I think it was our defense. It may have looked like a 9-man line at times, but it wasn't. We did sometimes go to an 8-man line, but never on first down."

"It's a defense that Miami, Ohio, has used with excellent success and it worked well for us today."

Carter was asked if he thought Dayton could have won Saturday's game. "Could Dayton have won this one?" he answered. "I think that's for you guys to judge. Our people gave a good account of themselves. I think our people can go home with their heads high."

Carter denied that his defense keyed on Green, who had been averaging 4.5 yards a carry and was held to less than a two-yard average Saturday. At least, not by name.

Standout linebacker Tom Boskey was dressed Saturday "and may have been able to play. We didn't play him however, but he will be ready for Missouri next Saturday."



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On the Money

Luther's Dave Bennett fired a pass completion over Upper Iowa's Terry Flowers in 44-6 Luther victory Saturday. Bennett threw four touchdown passes.

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