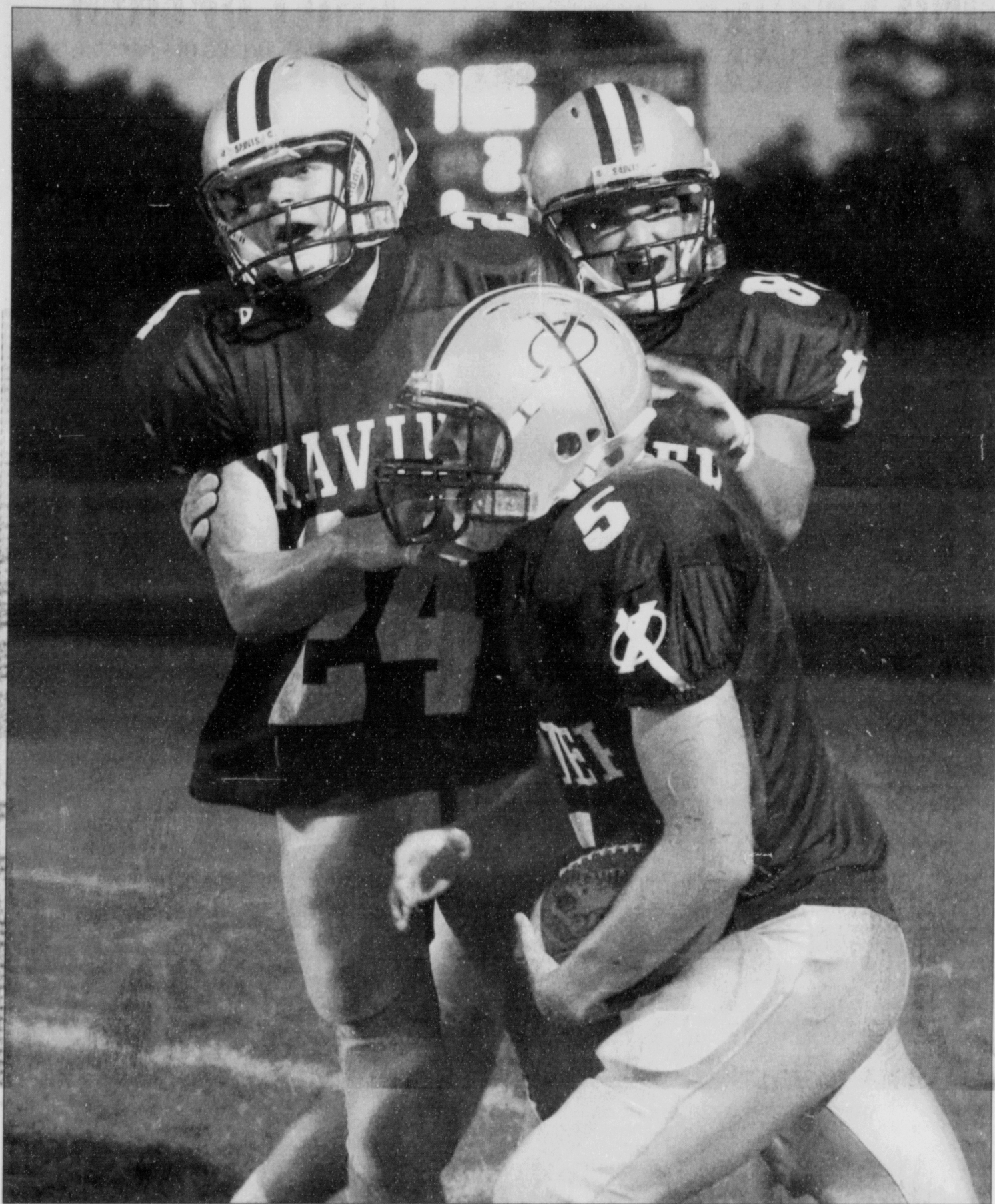




Cedar Rapids Xavier's Bryce Colston (left) and Kyle Haase (right) congratulate Corey Reed after Reed's first touchdown during the first half of the Saints' 20-3 win over Cedar Rapids Prairie last night at Saints Field.

Waterloo West QB does it all in 37-28 win

Cougars have no answer for Edwards in season opener

By Jim Ecker
The Gazette

CEDAR RAPIDS — If you arrived at Kingston Stadium early last night and counted the players on both teams, you'd have sworn Cedar Rapids Kennedy had a big edge over Waterloo West in their prep football opener.

Quantity lied. Waterloo West had Ryan Edwards on its side, and that was enough to offset Kennedy's huge 84-to-45 advantage in manpower.

Waterloo West's do-it-all quarterback beat Kennedy with his passing, running and kicking as the Wahawks stunned the Cougars, 37-28, in a Mississippi Valley Conference game filled with fireworks.

Edwards passed for three touchdowns, ran for another, kicked the extra points, boomed most of his kickoffs into the end zone for touchdowns and even pinned the Cougars at their 7-yard line with a coffin-corner kick late in the game.

Kennedy made the Class 4A playoffs last year while West struggled with a 3-6 record, but the Wahawks had the better team last night.

"It feels good. It feels really good," Edwards said as he left the field a winner, mobbed by his teammates.

Edwards connected with Dan Petullo for all three of his touchdown passes on plays covering 6, 4 and 38 yards. Edwards also ran for a 1-yard score, kicked three PATs and threw for a 2-point conversion.

Waterloo West kept Kennedy off balance most of the night with its quick, accurate passing game as Edwards connected on 14 of 20 throws for 153 yards and no interceptions.

"Our offense is going to be like that all year. I promise you," he said. "We've got all the positions covered."

Edwards, a 6-foot-3 junior who played for the varsity last year, said the Wahawks were confident they could upset the Cougars.

"We knew we were going to do this," he said. "There was no doubt in our minds."

Waterloo West jumped to a

Mississippi Valley Conference standings

Miss. Division	Conf	All
Iowa City High	1-0	1-0
Cedar Falls	1-0	1-0
Dub. Hempstead	1-0	1-0
C.R. Prairie	0-1	0-1
Iowa City West	0-1	0-1
Linn-Mar	0-1	0-1
Dubuque Wahlert	0-1	0-1
Valley Division	Conf.	All
C.R. Xavier	1-0	1-0
C.R. Washington	1-0	1-0
C.R. Jefferson	1-0	1-0
Waterloo West	1-0	1-0
C.R. Kennedy	0-1	0-1
Dubuque Senior	0-1	0-1
Waterloo East	0-1	0-1

THURSDAY

Jefferson 14, Linn-Mar 12
Cedar Falls 34, Dubuque Senior 7

FRIDAY

C.R. Xavier 20, C.R. Prairie 3
C.R. Washington 41, Waterloo East 7
Dub. Hempstead 27, Iowa City West 7
I.C. High 24, Dubuque Wahlert 13
Waterloo West 37, C.R. Kennedy 28

13-0 lead, but Kennedy scored twice in the final 64 seconds of the first half to grab a 14-13 edge at intermission.

The Wahawks scored the first two touchdowns of the second half for a 28-14 lead, saw Kennedy pull within 28-21, then grabbed a 35-21 advantage when Collin Styron escaped for a touchdown on a 98-yard kickoff return.

The Cougars pulled within 35-28 when Tim Johnson scored on a 35-yard run, but Kennedy could not find the end zone again.

Waterloo West got its last two points on a safety when Kennedy quarterback Guy Martino was called for intentional grounding in the end zone.

Martino hit 15 of 24 passes for 203 yards.

He passed for one touchdown on a 31-yard strike to T.J. Hicks and ran for another, but he also suffered a costly interception in the fourth quarter.

Johnson carried the ball 24 times for 157 yards and two touchdowns for Kennedy.

He caught six passes for 48 yards, giving him 205 yards of total offense.

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Saints/Get great play from receivers in victory

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"Bryce and Haase, they both made me look pretty good tonight. They made a lot of great catches," he said. "I didn't always make the best throws but they were able to come down with them."

The Saints weren't absent a running game. Reed rushed 15 times for 94 yards with touchdown runs of 24 and 4 yards, both in the second quarter.

The Xavier defense, behind big lineman Alex Kimbro, linebackers Mike Andries and Eric Gilmour and Colston played lights out.

Prairie struggled after its second possession produced the field goal. Quarterbacks Josh Putz and Alex Hanna combined to complete 8 of 11 passes for 115 yards but the Hawks managed just 62 yards on the ground. Tailback Derek Tharp carried 20 for 72 yards.

FYI

■ For video of the Xavier-Prairie game go to www.gazetteonline.com

Jelinek took all the blame for his team's play.

"The bottom line is I just did not do a very good job of coaching," Jelinek said. "First game, young kids, it's up to the coach and I'm going

to take the responsibility here. A lot of credit goes to Duane. He did a lot better job coaching his kids."

After Reed's two second quarter touchdowns, the only other scoring came on a 1-yard plunge by Gilmour with 25 seconds left in the third quarter. The short 27-yard drive was set up by a fumble recovery from Gilmour.

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Solon/Holds off Mustangs in second half

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Murray's 17-yard touchdown run with 1:03 left — and a two-point conversion run by Chris Kerr — made it 21-14.

But the Spartans recovered the onside kick and ran out the clock to seal the victory.

"They made a couple of big plays in the first half," said Mount Vernon Coach Duane Orr. "We had a couple plays that were an inch or two away. That was the difference."

Morrison hooked up with Collin Sleeper on a 4-yard pass to cap the first drive of the game, an impressive 12-play, 59-yard march that chewed up more than 5 1/2 minutes.

The next two scores were swing passes to Morris — one to the right side, one to the left. Morris was untouched on both of them.

The first one was an 80-yarder on the first play after a Mount Vernon punt.

The second one was a 29-yarder on fourth-and-10.

Seemingly the entire Mustangs sideline yelled, "Swing!" in a plea that could be heard across the field.

No matter. Morrison got Morris the ball, and Morris galloped to the end zone.

"It was all the blocking of the wide receivers," Morrison said. "The wide receivers are going to dictate the success of that play."

Morrison finished 10 of 18 for 188 yards; Morris caught three passes for 125 yards.

Meanwhile, Mustangs QB Kerr was 14 of 24 for 146 yards.

The ball was in the air a lot. The Ed Hansen-Jim Bellamy days are long gone.

Murray scored both of the Mus-



David Lienemann/Freelance

Solon's James Morris (28) strips the ball from Mount Vernon's Luke Murray during the Spartans' 21-14 season-opening win over the Mustangs last night at Solon. The Spartans built a 21-6 lead at halftime and held off a late Mount Vernon charge to get the victory.

tangs' touchdowns.

His 3-yard run early in the second quarter got the visitors within eight points at 14-6.

Mount Vernon drove inside the

Solon 35 on all four of its second-half possessions, but didn't capitalize until the very end.

By then, it was too late.

Solon remains at home to host

Clear Creek Amana next week; Mount Vernon entertains Iowa City Regina.

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Scoreboard

METRO/IOWA CITY

City High 24, Dubuque Wahlert 13
Dub. Hempstead 27, I.C. West 7
Marion 29, Waterloo Columbus 7
Regina 24, Mid-Prairie 21
Washington 41, Waterloo East 7
Waterloo West 37, Kennedy 28
Xavier 20, Prairie 3

Sophomores

City High at Dubuque Wahlert
Kennedy 16, Waterloo West 7
Washington 46, Waterloo East 14
Xavier 21, Prairie 6

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

C.R. Washington 41, Wat. East 7
C.R. Xavier 20, C.R. Prairie 3
Dub. Hempstead 27, I.C. West 7
Iowa City High 24, Dub. Wahlert 13
Waterloo West 37, C.R. Kennedy 28

CLASS A DISTRICT 5

Lansing Kee 30, West Central 14
Postville 21, East Buchanan 7
Tripoli 41, Dunkerton 14
Wapsie Valley 39, Riceville 6

CLASS A DISTRICT 6

Don Bosco 34, Springfield 0
GMG 35, Olin 7
Lisbon at Cedar Falls NU High, ppd.
North Tama 15, Midland 0

AREA (NON-DISTRICT)

Alburnett 21, Rockford 9
Belle Plaine 26, Grundy Center 20
Benton Comm. 14, DeWitt Central 6
Cascade 55, North-Linn 7
Clear Creek Amana 12, Durant 7
Colo-NESCO 25, English Valleys 8
Ed-Co 26, Starmont 22
Iowa City Regina 24, Mid-Prairie 21
Iowa Valley 6, Van Meter 0
Lynnville-Sully 18, Lone Tree 14
Madrid 41, HLV 12
Maquoketa Valley 41, Jesup 8
MFL MarMac 28, Clayton Ridge 12
Monticello 35, Anamosa 7
Montezuma 21, East Marshall 7
North Cedar 46, Preston-E. Central 7
North Fayette 20, Waverly-SR 0
North Mahaska 45, Highland 13
Oelwein 48, Maquoketa 13

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Area state

Today

PREPS
Volleyball — Prairie, Xavier, Marion, Jefferson, Linn-Mar at Washington's Warrior Invitational, 9 a.m.; Regina at City High Little Hawk tournament, 9 a.m.; Iowa City West at Marshalltown Invitational.
Cross country — Washington at Central College Invitational in Peia; Xavier, City High, Prairie, Jefferson, Linn-Mar at Pleasant Valley Invitational; Regina at Dubuque Wahlert Invitational.

AREA COLLEGES

Football — Iowa vs. Northern Illinois at Soldier Field in Chicago, 2:30 p.m.; Illinois Wesleyan at Coe, 1 p.m.; Loras at Upper Iowa, 1 p.m.; Cornell at Northwestern (Minn.), Luther at St. Olaf.
Volleyball — Northern Colorado at Northern Colorado tournament; Iowa State vs. Arizona State at Arizona State Classic; Northern Iowa vs. Wisconsin, BYU at Mollen Classic in Provo, Utah; Kirkwood at Iowa Lakes tournament; Coe at Elmhurst Invitational; Cornell at Illinois College Invitational; Mount Mercy vs. Sterling, Johnson & Ames in Denver; Luther at Wisconsin-LaCrosse tournament; Upper Iowa at St. Ambrose Invitational.

Cross country

Coe at Mount Mercy's Mustangs Gallop at Jones Park, 10 a.m.; Cornell at Central's Dutch Invitational; Luther at St. Mary's Invitational.
Men's soccer — Coe at Mount Mercy, 5 p.m.; Luther vs. Concordia-Moorhead at St. John's; Upper Iowa at Newman.
Women's soccer — Coe at Mount Mercy, 3 p.m.; Cornell at Knox; Luther at St. Benedict; Upper Iowa at Drury.
Women's golf — Mount Mercy at Augustana (Ill.).

OTHERS

Auto racing — ASA Late Model Series Northern Division at Hawkees Downs, 7 p.m.
Midwest League baseball — Kernels at Peoria.

TV slate

Today

European PGA Golf — Johnnie Walker Championship at Glenagais, Third Round, 8 a.m. GOLF.
U.S. Open Tennis — Men's & Women's Third Round, 10 a.m. KGAN.
College Football — East Carolina at Virginia Tech, 11 a.m. ESPN.
College Football — Alabama-Birmingham at Michigan State, 11 a.m. ESPN2.
LPGA Golf — State Farm Classic Third Round, Noon GOLF.
MLB Baseball — Houston Astros at Chicago Cubs, Noon CSN.
Track and Field — IAAF World Championships (same-day tape), 7 p.m. KWWL.
College Football — Teams TBA, 1 p.m. vs.

PGA Golf

Deutsche Bank Championship, Second Round, 2 p.m. GOLF.

College Football

Washington State at Wisconsin, 2:30 p.m. KRCR.

College Football

Georgia Tech at North Dakota, 2:30 p.m. KWWL.

MLB Baseball

New York Mets at Atlanta, 2:30 p.m. KFXA.

College Football

Teams TBA, 2:30 p.m. ESPN.

College Football

Missouri at Illinois, 2:30 p.m. ESPN2.

College Football

UCLA at Arizona, 3:30 p.m. CSN.

PGA Golf

Champions Tour Wai-Mari First Tee Open, Second Round, 5:30 p.m. GOLF.

College Football

Oklahoma State at Georgia, 5:45 p.m. ESPN2.

U.S. Open Tennis

Third Round, 6 p.m. USA.

MLB Baseball

Chicago White Sox at Cleveland Indians, 6 p.m. WGN.

MLB Soccer

Chicago Fire at Red Bull New York, 6:30 p.m. CSN.

College Football

Kansas State at Auburn, 6:30 p.m. ESPN.

College Football

Tennessee at California, 7 p.m. KRCR.

Beach Volleyball

AVP Crosse Tour Cincinnati Open, Men's Final, 7 p.m. KWWB.

Track and Field

IAAF World Championships (tape), 8 p.m. VS.

NASCAR Racing

Busch Series, 8 p.m. ESPN2.

Boxing

Victor Ogonov vs. Fulgence Zuniya, super middleweights, James Kirkland vs. Mohammad Said, junior middleweights, 9 p.m. SHO.

College Football

Ideho at USC, 9:15 p.m. CSN.

NHRA Drag Racing

Mac Tools U.S. Nationals, Qualifying (same-day tape), 11:30 p.m. ESPN2.

Radio

Weekly sports slate

(Highlights as provided by area stations)

KYGM-AM (1400)

(ESPN Radio)

M-F — ESPN All Night, midnight-5 a.m.; Mike & Mike, 7-9 a.m.; Colin Cowherd, 9 a.m.-noon; Dan Patrick, noon-3 p.m.; "Opry" with Scott Loo, 3-5 p.m.; Mark Duhaime, 5-6 p.m.; ESPN Sports Bash, 4-6 p.m.; ESPN Game Night, 6:30 p.m.-midnight (unless other programming).

Today

Coaches Corner football preview, 9 a.m.; ASA, Hawkees Downs, 7:30 p.m.

Monday

Mariners at Yankees, 11:35 a.m.; Cyclone coaches sideline show, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday

White Sox at Tigers, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday

White Sox at Tigers, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday

Saints at Colts, 6:30 p.m.

Friday

High school football: Scouting report, 7 p.m.; Jefferson at Prairie, 7:15 p.m.; scoreboard show, 10 p.m.

WMT-AM (400)

Today — Iowa vs. Northern Illinois, 2:30 p.m.

KJMM-AM (1340)

(Fox Sports Radio)

M-F — Jim Rome, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

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