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Teachers Were His Inspiration

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A minister in Scranton, Pa., where Charles (Chuck) Green was born influenced him to study in the South at Piedmont College in Demorest.

Now Green, who is completing his second year at Valdosta High School as principal, considers South Georgia his home.

The 36-year-old administrator says the teachers he had as a student inspired him to go into education as a career.

Green got his undergraduate and master's degrees on scholarships. It cost him \$200 of his own money to attend college. The GI bill paid part of the expense and academic and work scholarships provided the rest.

The principal worked in the college president's office at Demorest and was student manager of the dining hall while getting his undergraduate degree. He received his master's from the University of Georgia in Athens.

Green taught English in Habersham County for three years and has been a principal since he was 26 years old. His job at Eastside Elementary School in Thomasville was the most challenging he's ever faced until this past year at VHS, he said.

He was involved with a three-year project of getting Eastside Elementary accredited by the Southern Accrediting Association. At that time few elementary facilities were approved by the Southern Association, but Green and his faculty got the prestigious nod for their plant.

Green served as principal of Thomasville High School and was with that school system for eight years. He was an assistant principal under Foster Goolsby, Valdosta



school superintendent.

It was at Goolsby's urging that Green left Thomasville and moved to Valdosta. VHS, with 800 students in grades 10-12 in the fall of 1968, was a larger school. It was to get larger.

This year 1,306 students attended VHS. The school consolidated with former all-Negro Pinevale High School. Pinevale has been converted to house all ninth graders and is now part of VHS.

"I think this year has been the most challenging job I've ever had in merging two high schools," said the principal.

Green and faculty members created a biracial student committee composed of young leaders in the school to help promote harmony between the races.

The principal, who is a past president of the Thomasville Kiwanis Club and Jaycees,

says next year will not be without its problems. An additional 300 students are expected this fall.

The school is to operate on a semi-double session program with about 300 students attending morning classes and another 300 in the afternoon study. The other 1,000 students are to attend classes on a regular basis.

A new \$4.1 million comprehensive Valdosta High School is to be built here and ready for occupancy in September of 1972.

"Until the new school is completed, VHS will offer a minimum program planning toward a comprehensive operation for when we move into our new school," said Green.

The principal has plans to begin training his teachers for the new plant this fall. The maintenance department is to prepare two areas in the old facility for modified open space teaching.

"We'll be doing experimental work in social studies and English and working with large groups. I think this will help our staff somewhat and give them some idea of what to expect in the new building," he said.

Green, who opens the school about 7:30 each morning and sometimes stays until 5:30 or 6 p.m., says his spare time is spent with his wife Barbara, a pharmacist and their three children.

Green, president of the Valdosta Education Association, is a director of the Boys Club. His sons, Kip 9, and Ceg, 11 are active members in the club's football and baseball programs.

The Greens' 3-year-old daughter Kelly is a familiar sight at her father's side.

Friends of the principal describe him as "real family man."



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Spanish Teacher Betsy Thrash Resorts to Tape Recorder for Class: Language Lab Needs Repairs

They Need Paint, Repairs

By MARY CROUSE

A \$10,000 language laboratory is practically inoperative at Valdosta High School-Pinevale Campus. It needs servicing and repairs.

This is the second year administrators at Pinevale have sought to get the lab in working condition. Assistant principal Jack Coffey said he has tried to enlist the help of local electronics repairmen but each one has said it is out of his line.

He intends to try the Valdosta Area Vocational Technical School for help. There is also an engineer from Tallahassee, Fla., who services the language lab at Valdosta State

College.

"We haven't had any luck with that fellow but we're going to keep trying," said Coffey.

The Spanish teacher at Pinevale has a tape recorder which she uses with her lessons. It is a one-way approach and if there is any noise in the classroom, the students lose part of the lesson.

"We really need the language lab fixed. I've tried to do what I can but it needs somebody who really knows the equipment," said Coffey.

He and principal C. T. Dickerson said there are visual aids which teachers in the

math department need. The science department was equipped this fall with the necessary supplies and material for a good program, said Dickerson.

The brick masonry department has been turned over to the art class for use but it needs a paint job. Two requests for paint work have been turned down.

"I guess we'll have to let the students do the painting for us if we can get hold of some paint and brushes," said Coffey.

The VHS campus for ninth graders has about 560 students this fall. The racial ratio is 50-50. The attitude of the students is different from what was seen on that campus last year.

Students seem concerned with the image of their school. They want to start a beautification program inside and out.

Coffey and Dickerson attribute much of this attitude to Lloyd Mims and his faculty at Valdosta Junior High School. "They deserve much of the credit. Students come here interested in doing something for the school and maintaining order," said Coffey.

The principal explained that discipline is no longer the problem it once was at Pinevale. "We have rules and regulations and enforce them. The students are used to this at junior high and it is a continuation here now," said

Dickerson.

Coffey said a big problem at the school is the litter on the campus for which Pinevale students get the blame.

"People dump trash, and the campus has beer cans and bottles all over it. It gives the school a black eye and the students are tired of it. We are going to make this place a school the whole community can be proud of it, but it'll take students, residents and administrators working hand in hand," said Coffey.

The assistant principal said three students have been expelled from school this year and several others have been suspended.

"We've got a new breed of students out here and we won't stand for the troublemakers giving the others a bad name. I feel the parents want this and the students appreciate it," he said.

"Listen to how quiet it is. When they are changing classes, it's quiet. We're on to something and we aren't quitting. We're doing something at this school," said Coffey.

A couple of students passed by his office and giggled at the big Hang Ten footprint on the floor. He waved and smiled back.

"See, getting them to laugh a little is worth having this thing on the floor. It breaks the monotony. Last year they might not have even laughed," said Coffey.

Speech Dept. Blooming

VHS Gives Fair Warning

By MARV CROUSE

Valdosta High School has a speech department now and is giving fair warning to other schools that it means to compete in the AAA literary events this year.

"And we may not come back with the first place trophies this first year, but we're going to be in there competing. We have a lot to do to build a strong department and we're going to give it everything we've got," said speech teacher Marcia Owens.

A native of Spanish Fort, Ala., the small blonde is a graduate of Valdosta State College. She is the first speech teacher VHS has had in many years.

A veteran of debate, drama and other speech events, the teacher knows her students will be up against stiff competition in literary strongholds such as Lowndes High School here.

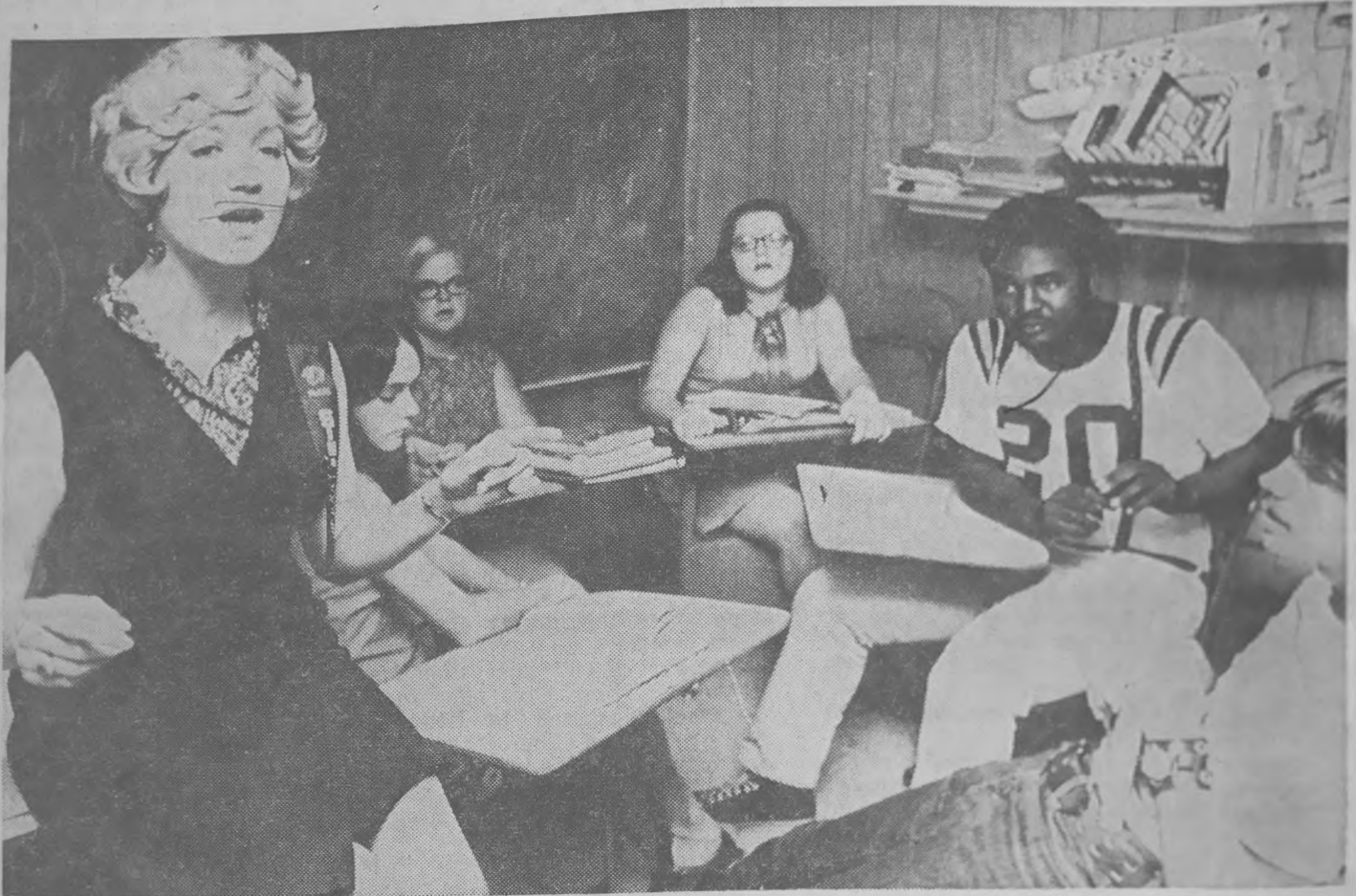
"They've really got a department out there but we're going to have a good one, too. It'll mean work, but we'll have the foundation for a good department when the new high school is built," said Miss Owens.

She teaches her 50 students in one of the portable air-conditioned classrooms on the back of the main campus. "It's not too bad really. We're short on stage equipment and other things, but we'll make out," she said.

Miss Owens' enthusiasm has helped to double her enrollment. She started out with 25 in the classes and the number has increased to 50.

"We'll have more next year. The kids are really interested in this. They're learning but at the same time it's fun," she said.

And they've undertaken money raising projects at their own initiative. The students are selling empty soft drink bottles, baking cookies and selling tickets to the fall



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Marcia Owens in Speech Class: Class Has Doubled Since It Began and She Still Wants More

VHS production to raise money for new ropes for the school stage.

"We need a new set of ropes badly. Someone left material for some curtains. It was a thrill and we don't know who did it. It just appeared but we were so happy to get it," said Miss Owens.

She said the October production is a three-act comedy, "Don Quixote -USA." The VHS art department is to do the sets for the play while the cast is to provide its own contemporary costumes.

"And speaking of cast, the play calls for a cast of thou-

sands and I have half that many in the production. Many of the students have two and even four roles," she said.

Set for Oct. 8-9 at 8:15 p.m. in the VHS auditorium, the play is the first of three major productions to be presented by the new department.

"I'm excited because students outside the speech classes have taken parts," said the teacher.

The speech and the home economics departments are teaming to present a dinner theater effort in January. The speech students will put on Tennessee Williams' "Case of Crushed Petunias" while the home ec students serve dinner, said Miss Owens.

The winter play is a three-act courtroom drama, "The People VS. Maxine Lowe," while the spring effort is Miss Owens' favorite, an old fashioned melodrama, "Love Rides the Rails or Will the Mail Train Run Tonight."

"We want to present this exactly like it should be done. If we can make enough money off the plans to buy new ropes for the stage and get drops and hiss boxes, we can do it. I think the kids will love this one," said the teacher.

She also plans to have a debate team this year. She feels VHS could be strong in

this area and she doesn't want to leave potential debaters out in the cold.

"There is no reason why Valdosta High School can't be one of the best in the literary field. What we don't have in

equipment right now we have in interest and enthusiasm. We want the community to know what we're doing because I feel they will support something like this," she said.

1-AAA (South) Meet Set

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will be among those in field when the Region 1-AAA (South) track meet is held Friday at Thomasville.

Host for the event will be coach Sherman Hall's Central Yellow Jackets. While this is their first year in the league, the Jackets are rated as the favorite in the battle for the 1-AAA (South) team track crown.

Central was a state track power at power in Class A before joining the "AAA" ranks at the beginning of the current school year.

In the meet Friday, along with Valdosta, Lowndes and Cent-

ral will be Bainbridge, Thomasville and Moultrie.

The 1-AAA (North) meet is to be held at Albany, with Crisp County (Cordele), Dougherty (Albany), Tift County (Tifton), Albany, Westover (Albany) and Monroe (Albany) in the field for that event.

The top three finishers in each event in the two sub-division meets will qualify for the overall 1-AAA meet, which is slated for May 14 at Central.

Top finishers in the various region events will, in turn, earn places in the state Class AAA meet, which is slated for May 21-22 at DeKalb County's Memorial Stadium.

Penalty-Plagued 'Cats

Turn Back Bainbridge

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

BAINBRIDGE — Valdosta High's football Wildcats defeated the Bainbridge Bearcats, 27-7, here Friday night with VHS' victory a lot more convincing than the final tally might seem to indicate.

Penalties stopped the Valdosta attack more often than the Bearcats' defense. VHS was

	Valdosta	B'Bridge
First Downs	18	5
Yards Rushing	295	36
Yards Passing	109	93
Passes	8-17	5-10
Passes Intc. by	1	1
Fumbles Lost	2	1
Punting	2-32.5	3-8
Penalties	10-60	5-55

charged with 10 infractions and had four touchdown and a successful PAT boot wiped out by officials' decisions.

And Bainbridge's touchdown didn't come until the closing minutes of the game when the outcome of the contest was no longer in doubt and Valdosta had its reserves in on defense.

A crowd of approximately 5,000 turned out to see the Region 1-AAA duel between coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and coach J.B. Roland's Bearcats.

The win was the fourth in a row for 'Dosta this season and kept it atop the 1-AAA standings. Bazemore's charges have now gone 31 consecutive games without a loss. There is one tie in the string.

The defeat was the first this year for the Bearcats, following a victory and a tie in their two initial starts.

On a field which has been soaked by a late-in-the-afternoon shower, Valdosta ripped for 295 yards rushing and passed for 109 more. Meanwhile, VHS' stop'em crew limited the Bearcats to 99 yards in total offense. Bainbridge accounted for 73 of those yards and its lone TD on a pair of air strikes in the closing minutes of the game.

Of the four 'Dosta touchdowns which the officials allowed to stand, Dan Johnson got three and Robert Daniels accounted for the other. One of Johnson's tallies came on a 15-yard pass from Stanley Bounds. He ran six and 14 yards for the other two. Robert Daniels scored on a two-yard romp. Curt Bazemore actually had four successful PAT boots, but one was wiped out by a penalty.

Johnson and Darrell Branam each had one touchdown nullified by penalties and Charles Daniels had two TD juants called back by the officials.

VHS' front-line defenders stopped Bainbridge's attack cold and chipped in with a pass interception by Robert Daniels and a fumble recovery by Ralph Hendry which set up scores.

"We won," Bazemore said after the game, "but it's obvious we're still having our problems. The penalties really hurt us, but we also hurt ourselves with the kind of mistakes we shouldn't be making at this stage of the season. We've got to do better, much better."



—Times Staff Photos

VHS' Robert McCaskill (42) Drags A Bainbridge Defender Along With Him

Here's the way things went: First quarter — VHS took the opening kickoff and ripped down to the Bearcats nine. Johnson scored, but it was called back and the Wildcats were put back to the 14. Charles Daniels scored on the next play. But here came another penalty. 'Dosta was setback to the 19 and finally lost the ball on downs at the eight.

Second quarter — The Wildcats got moving again late in the first period and finally scored a TD which was allowed to stand on the initial play of the second stanza. Johnson returned a punt 27 yards to the Bainbridge 19 and two plays later Bounds passed to Johnson for the tally. Curt Bazemore booted the PAT.

Bainbridge recovered a fumble at the VHS 18, but was stopped cold. A little later Valdosta's Robert Daniels intercepted

a pass and went 26 yards with it to the Bearcats' 49. Valdosta needed 13 plays to go from there to paydirt, but then they were setback three times by penalties. One infraction wiped out a one-yard TD romp by Branam. The tally which stood came on a six-yard run by Johnson. Bazemore booted the PAT, but the penalty markers flew. He had to try it again from the nine, and just missed this time.

Third quarter — Hendry recovered a fumble at Bainbridge's 44 and Valdosta went 56 yards in five plays to score. A pair of Branam passes, one for 12 yards to Stanford Rome and another for 22 to Johnson, put 'Dosta close and Robert Daniels took it in from the two yard line. Curt Bazemore's PAT boot was good.

Fourth quarter — Valdosta

wheeled from its own 44 to the Bainbridge four. Charles Daniels went crashing into the end zone and here came another penalty to nullify the tally. Setback to the nine, the 'Cats tried a pass but it was intercepted in the end zone.

VHS was still free wheeling on offense and drove 65 yards in five plays to score again. McCaskill started the march with a 30-yard run and Johnson ended it with a 14-yard TD sprint. The PAT was good.

Time was running out when the Bearcats finally got on the scoreboard with a 41-yard TD aerial which went from Danny Bryant to Ervin Flanders.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta-Branam 9-45, Bounds 3-15, Johnson 7-61, McCaskill 11-115, C. Daniels 11-52, R. Daniels 1-2, O'Neal 1-2, Parker 1-3; Bainbridge-Chastain 8 minus 8, Long 13-24, Barker 6-20.

Passing: Valdosta-Branam 2-2-34, Bounds 5-14-55, Johnson 1-1-19; Bainbridge-Chastain 4-9-52, Bryant 1-1-41.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta-Johnson 3-46, S. Rowe 3-28, C. Daniels 2-24; Bainbridge-Long 1-9, Brooks 1-4, Kirksey 1-32, Flanders 1-41, Washington 1-8.

Punt Returns: Valdosta-Johnson 3-27; Bainbridge-Brooks 2-1.

Kickoff Returns: Valdosta—C. Daniels 1-27, R. Daniels 1-16, Netter 1-13; Bainbridge-Brooks 3-57, Howard 1-28.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta—Quillin 5, Hendry 4, Bazemore 5, R. Daniels 4, Rowe 3, Hampton 3, Ronald Daniels 2, Eyerson 4, Marshall 2, Lester 3; Welch 2; Bainbridge-Corker 8, Wright 6, Hunt 5, Washington 5, Chip Thomas 4, Stubbs 4, Rambo 4, Clark 3, Chateau 3.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: S. Rome, Marshall, Payton, Demersman, Clarkston, Roundtree, R. Rome, Netter, Nichols, Berrian.

Tackles: Quillin, Hendry, Cox, Beazley, Earnest.

Guards: Tillman, Simpson, Mabry, Heron, Eyerson, Register, Lester, Joseph, Gordon, Lester.

Centers: Stanaland, Godfrey, Lore, Inby, R. Daniels.

Backs: Bazemore, Branam, Bounds, Welch, Johnson, Moore, Bell, R. Daniels, Griffin, Lee, Rowe, Savage, Pompey, W. Anderson, Fordham, Hampton, McCaskill, C. Daniels, Lane, Packer, DeLoach, Goodin, O'Neal.

BAINBRIDGE

Ends: Charles Thomas, Corker, Rambo, Duncan, Flanders, Howard, Sims.

Tackles: Wilbourn, Hunt, Nussbaum, Parker, Stubbs, Livingston.

Guards: aie, Porter, Bryant, Gordon, Strickland.

Centers: Banks.

Backs: Chastain, Wheeler, Chip Thomas, Clark, Washington, Chatraw, McCant, Howard, Barber, Kirksey, Long, Grimsley, Jones, Benton.

Score by Quarters:

Valdosta 0 13 7 7—27

Bainbridge 0 0 7 0—7

Scoring: TDs — Valdosta: Johnson 3 (15 yd. pass from Bounds, 6 yd. run, 14 yd. run), R. Daniels (2 yd. run); Bainbridge: Flanders (4) yd. pass from Bryant), PATs: Valdosta-Bazemore 3 (placements); Bainbridge-Barker (placement).

VHS Going After Fourth Triumph

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be trying to hold on to first place in the Region 1-AAA standings when they tangle with Bainbridge's defense-minded Bearcats Friday night at Bainbridge.

The league duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach J. B. Roland's Bearcats, who are newcomers to 1-AAA, is slated for 8 p. m.

Valdosta owns the region lead with a 3-0 record, but right there with them are Moultrie's Packers, who have a 2-0 chart. And there are several other challengers, including the Bearcats who stand 1-0-1.

The 'Cats' victories have come over Thomasville (35-21), Dougherty (34-0) and Crisp County (26-0). Bainbridge has beaten Crisp (7-6) and battled to a 0-0 tie with Thomasville Central.

This is Roland's first year as Bainbridge's head coach, but he's no stranger to prep football or to the Wildcats. He put in eight years as a member of the VHS staff before becoming the grid boss first at Glyn Academy (Brunswick) and then at Bainbridge.

"We had our troubles with Crisp County last week and that's a team Bainbridge has beaten," Bazemore said. "That certainly should tell our players something."



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JOSHUA MABRY Versatile Lineman

"And since coach Roland is very, very familiar with our style of football we aren't likely to surprise him with anything we do on either offense or defense.

"He is going to put a team on the field which will be well coached, which will hit hard and which, I guarantee you, will be fired up to the hilt. We've got to be ready for a tough game because we're going to have one."

"Bainbridge has a very strong defense and an offense which is

fast improving."

That "trouble with Crisp County" which Bazemore referred to concerns the game the 'Cats played last week at Cordele.

VHS struck for six points in the opening moments of the contest, but wasn't able to add to that lead and really start moving out of danger until midway the third quarter.

Bazemore has announced some changes in the Wildcats' probable starters for the Bainbridge game, and most of them are in the offense line.

Jim Clarkston is to start at split end, Steve Stanaland has been moved from tackle to center and Joshua Mabry has been changed from guard to tackle, with Joe Tillman to take his place on the left side of the pivot spot.

Mabry has already seen some duty at tackle. In fact, he was on the receiving end of a tackle-eligible pass which accounted for a touchdown against Crisp last week.

One of the 'Cats' top halfbacks, Jimmy LeFiles, has a knee injury and isn't expected to be able to see action tomorrow night.

Valdosta's and Bainbridge's probable starters, as announced by the coaches, follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense — ends Jim Clarkston (175, jr.) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersemann (200, jr.) and Joshua Mabry (190, sr.), guards Joe Tillman (165, sr.) and Wayne Simpson (190, sr.), center Steve Stanaland (200, jr.), quarterbacks Darrell Branam (175, sr.) or Stanley Bounds (165, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Dan Johnson (155, r.) and fullback Willie Anderson (195, jr.) and Robert McCaskill (190, jr.).

Defense — ends Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and George Rountree (170, soph.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Everson (210, sr.), inside linebackers Robert Daniels (190, fresh.) and Robert Savage (180, sr.), outside linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.) and John Bell (160, sr.), deep backs John Hampton (180, sr.) and Curtis Lee (165, sr.).

BAINBRIDGE

Offense — ends Ronald McCant (161) and Johnny Howard (170, tackles Burt Parker (182) and Tuffy Nussbaum (170), guards Ronnie Banks (165) and Eugene Parker (162), center Al Kale (205), quarterback Ronnie Chastain (160), halfbacks Dargan Long (158) and Ed Wheeler (165) and fullback Curtis Barker (175).

Defense — ends Haywood Corker (155) and Carlton Rambo (152), tackles Calvin Hunt (215) and Terry Welbourn (196), middle guard Bruce Gordon (195), inside linebackers Wright Duncan (185) and Wayne Kirksey (168), outside linebackers Van Chatrow (148) and Larry Clark (158), deep backs Bobby Washington (162) and Chip Thomas (158).



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Pinevale Tiger By The Tail

These cheerleaders for the Valdosta High School-Pinevale Campus keep up the spirit for the Pinevale Tiger football team. Cheerleader mascot Angela Walker is the girl in the tiger outfit. Cheerleaders on the back circle are left to right, Jennifer Stafford,

Suzette Creson, Susan Davis, Robin Sheffield, Mary Anna Smith, Melody Howard, Wanda Smith and Kath Smith. Front circle, Jeannie Wilson, Lavern Harper, Cora Davis and Wilma Pierce.

'Cats Host Tribe; Vikes At Cordele

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A battle here Friday night between the Valdosta Wildcats and Albany Indians, a pair of traditional rivals, will be the highlight attraction on the area's

AREA GRID SLATE

Friday
Albany at Valdosta
Lowndes at Crisp
Worth at Brooks
Berrien at Appling
Clinch at Patterson
Famu at Hamilton
Madison at Macclenny
Cook—open date

week.

high school football slate this week. The 'Cats, who top the Region 1-AAA standings with a 4-0 mark, will be making their first

appearance here at Cleveland Field after three straight road contests.

Meanwhile, Lowndes' Vikings must continue to travel. They've been on the road two weeks in a row and must go to Cordele this coming Friday night to face Crisp County's Cougars.

In other area games set for Friday, Worth County (Sylvester) will be at Brooks County (Quitman), Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) at Appling County (Baxley), Clinch County (Homerville) at Patterson, Famu High (Tallahassee, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Madison, Fla.) and Madison, Fla., at Macclenny, Fla. Cook (Adel) has an open date and will be idle this week.

Coach Wright Bazemore's VHS Wildcats have built their 4-0 record by beating Thomasville (35-21), Dougherty (34-0), Crisp (26-0) and Bainbridge (27-7).

Albany's Indians, under new head coach Ferrell Henry, have a 2-1 mark. The Tribe has beaten Westover (7-2) and Thomasville Central (27-20). The Indi-

ans fell before Monroe (16-0).

Coach Noel George's Lowndes Vikings have a 1-3 record and ambitions to halt a three-game losing streak. They opened with a 6-0 win over Central, but since have bowed to Moultrie (28-6), Thomasville (34-7) and Westover (7-6).

Coach Tom Avret's Crisp Cougars, who are newcomers to 1-AAA, are still looking for their first win after four starts. Crisp has been beaten by Tift County (18-0), Bainbridge (7-6), Valdosta (26-0) and Thomasville (42-0).

Brooks' Trojans, who own a perfect 3-0 record, and Worth's Rams, who have a 3-1 chart, will be locking honors in a Region 1-AA (West) test. It will be the first league start for both of them.

Berrien's Rebels and Appling's Pirates are a pair of Region 1-AA (East) rivals and they have matching 1-3 records.

Clinch's Panthers, who are 0-3-1, will be meeting a Region 2-B toughie when they go against Patterson's Eagles.

Wildcats, Vikes On Road Tonight

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will both be on the road tonight playing against Region 1-AAA high school football opponents.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and coach J. B. Roland's Bainbridge Bearcats are to tangle at Bainbridge. Meanwhile coach Noel George's Vikings are to battle coach Jerry Clark's Westover Patriots at Albany.

In other action tonight involving area teams, Appling County (Baxley) is to be at Brooks County (Quitman), Camden County (Woodbine) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Clinch County (Homerville) at Montgomery County (Mt. Vernon), Cairo at Cook (Adel) and Madison, Fla., at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

Valdosta has a 3-0 record and tops the 1-AAA standings. The Wildcats will be risking both their perfect record and their league leadership against a defense-minded Bainbridge team which owns a 1-0-1 mark and has yielded just six points in two games.

Lowndes has a 1-2 record and will be trying to level it off with a triumph tonight. Westover is 0-2, so the Pats will be trying to break into the victory column for the first time this year.

Brooks' Trojans, who had an open date last week, will be shooting for their third straight win against the Appling Pirates, who have a 1-2 chart.

Berrien's Rebels, who are 1-2, and Camden's Wildcats, who have a perfect 2-0 chart, will be locking horns in a Region 1-AA (East) affair. It will be the first league test for both of them this season.

Clinch's Panthers, after a pair of losses and a tie, hope to break into the victory column by shooting down Montgomery's Eagles tonight.

Since bowing on opening night Cook's Hornets have put victories back-to-back. They will be trying to stretch their win streak to three games when they host Cairo's highly regarded Syrupmakers. The team from Grady County stands 1-1.

Madison's Cougars and Hamilton's Trojans are a pair of traditional rivals. Both got their new seasons started last week with triumphs and both will be seeking victory No. 2 tonight.

Pinevale Now No Misfit

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Students at the Valdosta High School-Pinevale Campus are working with the VHS youth to bring about more cooperation between the two campuses this year.

And the Pinevale students are taking an interest in forming clubs and having extra-curricular activities of their own, said assistant principal Jack Coffey.

The school for ninth graders is to be included in the 1971 VHS yearbook. Patty Norris has been appointed the Pinevale representative to work with the VHS annual staff.

Students at Pinevale, which is officially a part of Valdosta High, felt slighted last year during the initial period of desegregation and consolidation. The ninth graders are separated from the main campus by a couple of miles and were not included in the high school activities, according to the students.

Students contended they felt like step-children and misfits. This year, VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green and his staff have taken steps to see that it won't happen again.

"The high school administrators have been here and had some of the Pinevale students at VHS for conferences and so forth. It's all the difference in the world out here now," said Coffey.

Students interviewed said that while they didn't feel as close to the VHS youth as they'd like, they didn't feel left out either.

Coffey said this year's crop of ninth graders is taking an interest in sprucing up the school and organizing clubs on campus.

Cheerleaders for the football team have been elected. They include Jennifer Stafford, Suzette Creson, Susan Davis, Robin Sheffield, Mary Ann Smith.

Wanda Smith, Kathy Futch, Jeannie Wilson, Lavern Harnner, Cora Davis, Wilma Pierce and Angela Walker, mascot.

YMCA director Jimmy Gilmer is to meet with the students to organize Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y clubs.

The Beta Club will be organized in time for students making high grades this six weeks to be taken into membership, said Coffey.

The Future Homemakers of America chapter was formed last year and is functioning this fall. An Industrial Arts Club is active and a newspaper staff is getting organized.

Student Council elections are to be held soon, said Coffey. He said the main purpose of the student group will be to act as a liaison between the students and faculty.

"The main thing is that these students want to participate and we don't want to do anything to discourage it," said Coffey.

Valdosta DE Club Names New Officers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

All but the top officer of the Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club were elected at the first meeting of the club Thursday night.

The top officer, that of the president, had already been taken care of. David Bentley, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bentley of 1023 West Alden Ave. was elected at the annual president's breakfast last April.

Nine officers and a club sweetheart were elected at the hamburger supper at the VHS cafeteria Thursday night.

They are vice-president—Becky Eager, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Eager of Millpond Road; second vice-president — Mary Alice King, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. King of 2408 Georgia Avenue Extension.

Secretary — Patti Parrish, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Parrish Jr. of 507 University Drive; reporter — Judi Barnard, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Barnard of 2002 Sherwood Drive; treasurer—Jo Lynne Johnston, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnston of 1306 Thomwall Drive.

Parliamentarian — Robert Orr, 16, son of Mrs. Sherwood Dennis of 2306 Riverhill Drive; historian — Beth Howell, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Howell of 1201 Hickory Drive.

Sergeant-at-arms — Larry Staley, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Staley of 410 University Drive; Chaplain — Roxanne Williams of 2207 Jerry Jones Drive and sweetheart—Terry Brantley, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shell Hartley of 10 Sunnymead Drive.

Team Teaching Is Showing Good High School Results

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two small classrooms have been turned into one large area. The floor is carpeted and reading areas are located on either side of the room.

The room can now accommodate up to 60 students at one time without anyone feeling crowded. That's the way it was planned.

It's all part of the team teaching program at Valdosta High School this year. And according to principal Charles (Chuck) Green, the project is already showing good results.

"We are finding out things that are good even now in this program. We couldn't be more pleased with the way it has gone so far," said Green.

The carpeted classroom upstairs is for some of the junior English courses. Bethel Phillips and Mary Leonard team teach in the room throughout the school day.

"And love it," said Mrs. Phillips. She said the converted classroom and team teaching approach have had positive effects on the students involved.

"We've seen nothing but positive reaction from this. Not only does the carpet keep down noise, we're like Indians in this room, but it instills a little more pride in the students," said the teacher.

She said students are given

time during the classes to make use of the reading tables and reading materials in the room.

Mrs. Phillips said that the team teaching approach allows the instructors to cover more material and do a more effective job of teaching students.

"The size of the class is really not important because there are two of us. Right now we have between 45 and 55 each period but we could take 60 and it wouldn't affect the learning situation," said Mrs. Phillips.

History teacher Jack Crouse and English instructor Ivey Tucker team up for another approach to junior English. Green said this has proved to be a valuable move because it gives the students an opportunity to learn the historical aspects of the American literature.

Crouse said he is able to help the students relate to literature through history. "The students seem to comprehend more if they understand what motivating factors were involved in American literature," he said.

Students agree with this. They said they are getting the best from each teacher and that classes are more interesting.

The social studies department combines Eva Holt and Gwendolyn Woods.

Green said he plans next year to try math and science team teaching and expand the English and social studies efforts.

"By the following year we'll have had the experience and will be ready for the new building. We will be evaluating the team teaching program all during this year and next term.

"There will be some areas which will need refining and we'll work on those," said Green.

The principal said he doesn't want his staff to enter the new \$4.5 million VHS, to be completed by fall of '72, without some experience in team teaching.

"Of course the new school will have carpet and large classroom areas so anything we can do now will be a big help," he explained.

Pinevale Selects Council President

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A petite brunette, Jeannie Wilson, is the new Student Council president at the Valdosta High School-Pinevale Campus.

The daughter of Mrs. Peggy Wilson of 726 Vallotton Drive, she was elected by popular vote in elections held this week.

Alfred Bea is vice president and Rachel Nelson is secretary-treasurer. Others on the council include Mary Ann Smith, Rosemary Cox and Susan DeGange.

Miss Wilson is co-captain of the ninth grade cheerleaders and plans to join the Tri-Hi-Y.

She said the main project of the Student Council will be to improve the looks of the school. One way will be to put flowers in the lunchroom and encourage students to keep the school grounds neat.



JEANNIE WILSON
Cites Projects

Drug Raid Results In Nine Arrests

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

A joint raid by city and county officers resulted in the arrest of nine persons on drug charges Wednesday night, including a member of the recently-organized community drug council.

Sheriff J. L. Futch said the raid also netted a quantity of marijuana, five syringes and assorted tablets which have not been identified. They are to be sent to the State Crime Laboratory in Atlanta for analysis.

Futch said the raid was conducted about 11 p.m. by chief of detectives W. F. (Billy) Cowart, Stan Ross and Sgt. A. W. Ganas, all of the sheriff's office, and Capt. C. C. Derriso and patrolman Jim Norton of the city police.

The group raided the residence of George Autry Phillips, 17, of 2409 Oxford Drive, said Futch. Phillips and the eight other persons, including two juveniles, reportedly were sitting in a ring smoking marijuana when officers moved in.

According to Futch, the officers had previously obtained a legal search warrant. No resistance was offered by any of the group.

Besides Phillips, those arrested were identified by Futch as Rick Fiveash, 19, of 333 Gonwood Circle; David Hoyle, 18, of 112 Breckenridge Drive; Tray Tudor, 18, of 2506 Winding Way; Mike Mullis, 19, of 519 Winding Way; Richard Clark Lee, 18, of 200 E. Mary St.; Deborah Wheeler, 18, of 314 Smithland Place; and the juveniles, a boy and girl, both

age 16. Phillips, a member of the drug council, was placed under \$2,000 bond, Futch said, and the others were released on \$1,000 bond each. The juveniles are to be turned over to juvenile authorities.

Thus far in the investigation, said Futch, there has been nothing turned up to link the material with the burglaries of two Hahira drug stores in which more than \$700 worth of drugs were stolen.

"This is just the first step in an effort to eliminate the drug problem in Lowndes County," said Futch. "We intend to intensify our efforts to get the pushers.

"We aren't interested in arresting users so much as we are in getting the man supplying the drugs to them. I want to repeat that a n y user who wants help will find our doors open to them."

The sheriff hinted that other arrests, not necessarily connected with those Wednesday night, may be in the offing.

State law prohibits publication of the names of juvenile offenders under 17 years of age.

The maximum penalty resulting from a conviction of possession of dangerous drugs charges is \$2,000 fine and five years imprisonment for the first offense, said Futch.

Grid Glimpses

See Stories on Pages 10 and 11

Valdosta 39, Albany 0

Valdosta's Wildcats took an early lead and were never in danger of losing the advantage as they made the Albany Indians' their fifth Region 1-AAA victim this season.

Lowndes 19, Crisp 14

Lowndes' Vikings nipped a Crisp County rally in the closing seconds of play to beat the Cougars in a thriller at Cordele.

Brooks 20, Worth 12

Brooks County spotted Worth County 12 points, then the Trojans rallied in the second half to triumph and extend their unbeaten streak to four games.

Berrien 17, Appling 0

Berrien's Rebels used a stout defense not only to stop Appling's attack but to set up their scoring in this Region 1-AA (East) test.

Hamilton 8, FAMU High 2

A rugged defense and the passing arm of Malachiah Riggins carried Hamilton County's Trojans to victory over the FAMU High Rattlers.

Madison 25, Macclenny 8

Madison quarterback Tony Macarages scored a pair of TDs himself and passed for another as he led the Cougars to a onesided win over Macclenny.

Patterson 7, Clinch 6

Clinch's Panthers, after trailing by seven points, scored a last minute touchdown, but failed on a two-point PAT try as they suffered a heart-breaking loss at the hands of Patterson's Eagles.

Pep Rally Set Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A city-wide football pep rally is scheduled here tonight at 8 o'clock in the parking lot of the Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center.

The rally is being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club and it comes on the eve of a crucial Region 1-AAA duel between the Valdosta Wildcats and Albany Indians.

The 'Cats and Tribe, a pair of traditional rivals, are to meet here Friday night at Cleveland Field.

On hand for the rally tonight will be the VHS tri-captains Charles Daniels, Curt Bazemore and Mike Everson, Valdosta's head coach Wright Bazemore and the Marchin' 'Cats band.

The grid Wildcats are atop the 1-AAA standings with a 4-0 record. Albany, which has a 2-1 record, is one of Valdosta's strongest challengers.

Tomorrow night's game will renew one of the oldest prep football series in the state.

Wildcats Rip Indians With Potent 'Combo'

By SAMMY GLASSMAN

Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats combined their offensive and defensive efforts smoothly as they whacked down Albany's Indians, 39-0, here Friday night.

A crowd of approximately 9,500 looked on as coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats scored on their first offensive series and then kept the upper hand until the finish against coach Ferrell Henry's Tribe.

The win was the fifth in as many starts this year for the 'Cats and kept them atop the Region 1-AAA standings. Valdosta

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Albany
First Downs	17	5
Yards Rushing	209	18
Yards Passing	121	60
Passes	10-16	10-26
Passes Intc. by	4	0
Fumbles Lost	1	3
Punting	3-25.5	7-38.2
Penalties	6-95	2-20

ta has now gone 32 games without a loss in a streak which dates back to the 1967 season. There is one tie in the string.

The defeat leveled Albany's record off at 2-2 and virtually eliminated the Indians from regional title contention.

Valdosta's attack unit piled up 17 first downs and 330 yards in total offense. The VHS defenders limited Albany to just 78 yards in total offense and in the process intercepted four passes and recovered three Tribe fumbles.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds hit on 9 of 14 passes for 121 yards, with one a 35-yard TD strike to halfback Charles Daniels. Bounds scored once himself on a one-yard sneak and Daniels, who romped for 79 yards on 17 carries, got another tally on a four-yard run.

With Darrell Branam sidelined by a knee injury, Bounds carried most of the load at QB. In Valdosta's first four games they alternated at the signal-calling post.

A 26-yard scamper by Robert McCaskill, a 17-yard run by Dick Parker and a 26-yard punt after a pass interception by linebacker Robert Savage accounted for VHS' other three TDs.

Besides that aerial theft by Savage, Curt Bazemore picked off two Albany passes and returned them a total of 41 yards. One nipped off the Indians' only scoring threat. Robert Daniels accounted for the fourth interception. The fumble recoveries were made by Vance Quillin, Herman Godfrey and George Rountree. Two of them helped pave the way for touchdowns.

Middle guard Mike Everson was credited with 10 tackles. Savage, Bazemore, Quillin, Ralph Hendry and John Hampton each made five or more steps.

"That was better," VHS grid boss Wright Bazemore said after the game. "We still looked so-so in spots and we missed out on a couple of scoring opportunities. But all in all, we gave a pretty good effort on both offense and defense."

Here's the way the scoring went:

First period — VHS, on its first offensive series, covered 47 yards in five plays to score. The TD came on a 26-yard burst along the ground by McCaskill.

Moments later the 'Cats wheeled down to the Albany 10, but were set back to the 15 by



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats' Charles Daniels Is About To Make A Rough Landing

a penalty. They finally lost the ball on downs at the one. The VHS defense held, the Tribe got off a shot kick and there were the Wildcats at the Indians' 26. Seven plays later Daniels had put Valdosta's second TD on the scoreboard. He tallied from four yards out.

Second period — Albany's only threat came early in this stanza. This time Valdosta got off a shot punt and the Indians took over on VHS' 31. The Tribe moved down to the 13, but a

pass interception and a 20 yard runback by Curt Bazemore wiped out the threat.

The 'Cats got another march started, but his one also died on the Albany one when the Indian defenders held.

But when Quillin pounced on a Tribe fumble, 'Dosta was back in business at Albany 36. The 'Cats moved to the 18 and were then set back to the 35 by a penalty. Bounds took to the air and hit Daniels for a touchdown on a play which cov-

ered 35 yards.

Third period — It was early in the second half when Savage intercepted an Albany pass and went 26 yards the other way to add more points to VHS' already comfortable lead.

Fourth period — The 'Cats kept right on moving the football. They marched 61 yards in nine plays to score TD number 5. Bounds did the honors on a one-yard sneak.

Rountree covered an Albany fumble at the Indians' 46 and the Wildcats went wheeling down the field for their sixth tally. Parker got this one on a 17-yard sprint.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 5-0, Johnson 6-17, McCaskill 7-45, C. Daniel 17-79, R. Daniels 5-33, Parker 4-24, DeLoach 1-1, O'Neal 3-11; Albany — Hardin 6-3, Howard 3-14, Deiter 1-1, West 7-0.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 9-14-121, Parker 1-2-minus 2; Albany — Howard 10-26-60; Hardin 0-2-0.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — S. Rome 2-26, R. Rome 4-45, Johnson 1-17, C. Daniels 1-35, Netter 1-minus 2; Albany — Fletcher 1-9, West 1-11, Daniels 4-37, Deiter 1-3.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Johnson 3-14, Lee 1-12.

Kickoff Returns: Albany — Daniels 4-48, Hardin 2-27, West 1-14.

Defense (number of Tackles): Valdosta — Everson 10, Savage 6, Bazemore 6, Quillin 5, Hendry 5, Hampton 5, R. Daniels 4, Bell 4, Lee 4, Ronald Daniels 3, Godfrey 3; Albany — Hardin 11, Knighton 7, Payne 6, Smith 5, Sirmans 5, West 5, Dufy 4, Ellis 4.

Mets Duel Cubs For Second Spot

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The National League East battle—for the No. 2 spot—will be settled tonight when the New York Mets and Chicago Cubs meet while in Philadelphia the surprising Montreal Expos can avoid a basement finish with a victory as the regular season comes to a close.

Bill Hands stifled the Mets on seven hits Wednesday as the Cubs moved into a second place tie with their 2-0 triumph, setting up a confrontation between Chicago's 21-game winner Ferguson Jenkins facing Jim McAndrew, 10-13.

Second place is worth approximately \$1,000 per man while the losing team will pick up about \$300 apiece. The East champion Pirates have a five-game lead as they get ready for Saturday's opening playoff game against the Cincinnati Reds.

The Expos exploded for four third inning runs to stop Philadelphia 5-4 and move one-half game ahead of the Phillies into fifth place.

Carl Morton, Montreal's rookie right-hander will be on the mound today trying to push the Phils into the cellar. The youngster has taken 18 games this season and is a prime candidate for NL Rookie of the Year honors.

In other NL action, Houston edged San Francisco 4-3, St. Louis shaded Pittsburgh 4-3 and San Diego topped Los Angeles 2-1. Cincinnati and Atlanta were not scheduled.

In the American League, Baltimore topped Washington 6-2, New York nipped Boston 4-3, Detroit nudged Cleveland 4-3, Minnesota downed Kansas City 6-4, California trimmed Chicago 5-1 and Milwaukee beat Oakland 4-1.

The Cubs snapped a scoreless

tie in the sixth inning as Mets' starter Nolan Ryan walked four Cubs for a run and Chicago added a tally in the seventh on Tommy Davis' run-scoring double.

The Expos trailed 3-1 in the third, when with two out, Jim Gosger drove in a run with a single, John Bateman followed with a two-run hit and Bobby Wine capped the inning by driving in Bateman with a triple.

In the West, Houston clinched fourth place, beating the Giants on John Edwards' run-scoring single with one out in the ninth off reliever Don McMahon. Larry Dierker, 16-12, was the Astros winner.

Juan Marichal went the first eight innings for San Francisco. Bobby Bonds ripped his 26th homer for the Giants.

The Dodgers missed a chance to clinch second in the West as the Padres snapped a three-game losing string. Los Angeles leads the Giants by one-half game.

Pat Dobson, 15-16, tossed a seven-hitter as the Padres ended a three-game losing string getting a run-scoring single from Chris Cannizzaro and a sacrifice fly by Ollie Brown.

Lou Brock's run-scoring single in the ninth after Jose Cardenal had powered a tying homer, gave the Cards their victory, snapping Pittsburgh's five-game winning streak.

The Pirates had taken a 3-2 lead in the top of the inning on a run-producing single by John Jeter. Matty Alou stroked three Pirate hits, giving him 201 for the season.

Big League Umps Want Pay Raise

NEW YORK (AP) — There's a chance the major league umpires could call a strike against their employers Friday on the eve of the playoffs.

"I don't know what's going to happen, but we're going to ask for more money," Augie Donatelli, a National League umpire and a director of the Major League Umpires Association, said Wednesday night.

More money, said Donatelli, means a minimum of \$5,000 for each man who works the play-

offs and \$10,000 apiece for those assigned the World Series. Last year the umpires got \$2,500 for the playoffs and \$6,500 for the World Series.

Donatelli said the Umpires Association and its attorney, John Reynolds Jr., would meet Friday in Chicago and that the money situation would be discussed and voted on at that time. The playoffs open Saturday.

Donatelli would not predict what action would stem from the meeting. One possibility is a boycott. Reynolds said in Chicago a boycott is conceivable.

Other umpires contacted at various major league cities Wednesday night either said they had not heard about any boycott or they declined comment.

Maclaurin Keeps Lead

Quits

day, he asked the coach to "sleep on it."

Tate slept on it. He quit Wednesday.

The son of a former Jacksonville railroad man has been in coaching for a quarter of a century. He was not available to talk about his future.

"It's like having your father die suddenly," said quarterback David Teal. "I can't believe he

VHS Performance Rated 'Improved'

Valdosta High's football Wildcats rolled past Albany's Indians, 39-0, here this past Friday night and drew an "improved" rating from VHS head coach Wright Bazemore for their performance.

The 'Cats blended their offensive and defensive efforts smoothly. They scored early against their traditional rival and never appeared to be in any real danger of losing the advantage after that.



GLASSMAN

"That was better," Bazemore allowed after the contest. He didn't flash one of those big smiles he reserves for special triumphs, but his mood was on the pleasant side.

"We eliminated some of our mistakes," the coach said. "But in some areas we're still hurting ourselves. We scored more than enough points to win, but in the first half we were stopped on two occasions on Albany's one yard line. I may sound like a broken record, but I've got to keep saying it. We can't afford to keep letting opportunities slip away from us."

"Sure, yardage is tough to make when you get close to that goal line. It means we've got to get tougher in those situations and punch that football across."

"And we've still got plenty of room for improvement. We're at midseason and the pressure is really starting to mount. If we slack up now we're going to be in serious trouble."

Speaking about the build up of pressure, the 'Cats have an open date this week and then must go to Moultrie to tackle coach Bud Willis' powerful Packers on Oct. 16.

VHS has a 5-0 Region 1-AAA mark. Moultrie is now 4-0 and will be meeting Central's Yellow Jackets this weekend. The Pack is virtually certain of boosting their record to 5-0 and moving into a tie for the region lead.

And if the prospects of that showdown battle with Moultrie—AT Moultrie—Friday after next doesn't inspire the 'Cats to keep striving hard for improvement, then look out. Yes indeed, the pressure is building toward the breaking point.



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Miss Thrash with Lab Repairman Durham and Shirley and Assistant Principal Coffey: Works Like a Charm Buddies Do The Job

Language Lab Finally Back In Action

By MARY CROUSE

The language laboratory at Valdosta High School-Pinevale Campus is back in working condition today thanks to a couple of Jack Coffey's service buddies.

Coffey, assistant principal of the ninth grade city school, said Tom Durham and M.Sgt Ted Shirley called him last week after reading the story in the Times about the inoperative lab.

"They said they'd like to try and fix it for us and I told them to come ahead," said Coffey.

He and Shirley were stationed

together in the B-52 outfit in Thailand several years. Coffey and Durham, who is a retired Technical sergeant, worked together at Moody Air Force Base.

"I know these guys pretty well and I was confident that if they said they could fix it, they could do just that," said Coffey.

Durham said he read about the lab story and thought it was a shame a piece of equipment was sitting around the school in need of repairs.

Coffey said the lab was not in working condition last year when the school was converted

to ninth grade use. The \$10,000 facility sat idle most of the time, he said.

"It seemed like too expensive a piece of equipment to just leave around broken that long," said Shirley.

A native of Woodstock, Durham has a small repair shop in his home at 1501 Williams St. He and Shirley used their Air Force electronics training and personal equipment to fix the lab.

"We were pretty confident about getting it fixed. It took time to do the job but it wasn't that hard for somebody with some training," said Shirley.

The two men took the 28 headsets, tape recorders, and microphones home over the weekend. By Monday afternoon, the repairs had been made and the lab was ready for use Tuesday morning.

"We wanted to do it for him and the kids," said Shirley nodding at Coffey.

"They wouldn't let me pay them. They won't accept anything," said the assistant principal.

Coffey said he had been turned down by local repairmen he'd asked to fix the lab. "We've been trying for a year to get someone to fix it. We're mighty glad to have it in operation again," he said.

Durham said he has a daughter in the Spanish class which can now use the lab. "It'll help her to have it fixed," he said. He is an engineer for a local radio station.

Spanish instructor Betsy Thrash said the lab helps all the students.

"I'm so glad to have this thing fixed. I can monitor the students now and see individually if they are getting the pronunciation and where they need work," she said.

Miss Thrash has been using a small tape recorder to play lessons for the entire class. She said this was not a satisfactory way to teach a foreign language.

"If somebody moves or scraped a chair then the class lost out on that part of the lesson. That's over now. The lab is working like a charm," said Coffey.



JERRE BARKER
Twirler



ANN MORROW
Senior



JANICE WILSON
Flag Corps

Junior Miss Pageant

Entry Roll Is Adding Up

By Times Staff Writer

Four more girls have completed their applications for the first Junior Miss Pageant to be held here Oct. 17.

But a pageant official said about 10 more girls are completing their entry forms and will be announced next week.

The four contestants, Jerre Barker, Janice Wilson, Ann Morrow and Debra Wells, join Lucy Stewart among the Junior Miss hopefuls.

Sponsored by the Valdosta High School Band Boosters Club, the pageant is to be held at Mathis city auditorium. Proceeds are to go toward traveling expenses for the band on special invitational trips.

Miss Barker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Barker. She is a senior at VHS and is one of the feature twirlers for the Marchin' Cats Band.

The brunette was the flag corps instructor for the Berrien High School band this summer. This is the first year that Berrien High has had a flag corps in its band. She works part time at her mother's flower shop.

Miss Wilson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson. A VHS senior, she is captain of Flag Corps for the Marchin' Cats. A part-time sales clerk at a dress shop, she was a finalist in the Miss VHS beauty contest last year.

Miss Wilson was also a runner-up in the Miss Spirit of Patriotism Pageant this sum-

mer. She is a basketball cheerleader.

Miss Wells is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wells. She is a VHS senior and is vice president of the Tri-Hi-Y.

Also a VHS senior, Miss Morrow is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Morrow.

Band Booster Jayne Barker said it is hoped that enough money can be raised through the contest to send the band to all their invitational trips. She said \$75 has been paid for the contest franchise.

The contest is open to girls at VHS, Lowndes High School and students in area high schools. Mrs. Barker said several girls in neighboring counties have indicated they will participate in the pageant.

The winner must be a high school senior between the ages of 16 and 19. Contestants are to be judged on personality, talent, scholarship, and personal appearance. The entrants must be single and must never have been married.

The local winner is to be given a scholarship and a Junior Miss trophy. The winner also earns a free trip to St. Louis, Mo., to compete in the district



DEBRA WELLS
Tri-Hi-Y Officer

finals, said Mrs. Barker.

The district winner then competes in the national finals next spring at Mobile, Ala.

"We'd like to have a girl make it to the national pageant. It'd be an exciting experience for them," she said.

She said deadline for entries is Tuesday. Prospective contestants may obtain entry blanks from the VHS band department. Barnes Drug Store, One Hour Martinizing at Castle Park and from area high school principals.



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Whole Flock Of 'Em

It's a flock of Valdosta High School football cheerleaders and everyone looks behind the team 100 per cent. Nita Brantley is the captain with the megaphone. Others include front row,

Gay Robertson, Joy Johnson, Kat Coats and Joy Paine; back row, Donna Pitts, Beth Howell, Sharon Flanders, Martha Alice Giddens and Jan Nutt.



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Relax—It's Not For Real

Stan Cunningham's gun isn't loaded. And he won't really shoot classmates Cathy Morgan and Jim Tomlin. It's all part of the fall production at Valdosta High School. The speech de-

partment effort is to be presented Thursday and Friday at 8:15 p.m. in the VHS auditorium. Tickets for the play, "Don Quixote U.S.A.," can be purchased at the door.

VHS Band Works On Troy Program

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

With an overall superior rating still fresh on their minds, members of the Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats band are preparing for the big halftime show at Troy State University in Alabama next month.

Band director Frank Butenschon said his group will present the entire half-time show at the Troy State football game Nov. 21. "And we are working hard to put on a fine

program for them," said the director.

The band received an overall superior rating from the Mid-South Marching Festival in Gadsden, Ala., a week ago. The Gadsden event is the largest half-time marching contest in the country.

Butenschon said 50 high schools from all over the South participated in the rating contest. "And there were 28 bands on the waiting list. They only accept 50 bands each year," he explained.

The contest doesn't have one winner because the bands all receive ratings. There were nine bands including the Marchin' Cats to receive superior scores.

Butenschon said the band did the same half-time show that was presented at the VHS-Bainbridge High football game last month.

The band played its fanfare, performed the downfield drill to "Mexico Bound" and "You Made Me So Very Happy." This was followed by a medley of popular tunes, the band's Mardi Gras drill and "By the Time I Get to Pheonix." The finale was "Scarborough Fair," "Sounds of Silence" and "You'll Never Walk Alone."

Butenschon said the band is also going to put on a half-time show at the Atlanta Falcon professional football game Dec. 13.

"Besides the annual Christmas parade here Thanksgiving these are the only special appearances we've booked through December," said the director.

Students Given Trial Period

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Student Council, largest in the school's history, has elected Robert Orr, a junior, its temporary chairman.

Orr said a permanent chairman and officers will be chosen in January.

Other temporary officers elected by the group include, John Fisher III, vice chairman; Beth Sullivan, secretary; Louise Marshall, treasurer and Donna Pitts, chaplain.

The Student Council which has only been organized about a week is set up differently this fall. VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green said every student who signed up to run for a spot on the council will be a temporary member until the first of the year.

There are 52 students in the group. Orr said there probably won't be that many in January because of the way the permanent members will be chosen.

"We are on a trial basis this semester. This program is set up by the students and will be run by the students. However, only the people who have worked and shown an active interest in the council will have a permanent place for the rest of the school year. "After this has been done, we'll elect permanent officers," he explained.

Orr said there are advantages and disadvantages to the large council.

"For one thing, it is hard to get 52 people together at any one time for a meeting because of the split schedule. Everybody isn't on campus at the same time.

"And this thing which is hurting us is the fact we've just gotten organized. We have a lot of things to do and a short time to do them in. If we had been organized at the beginning of school, we'd be coasting right now. Most of our work would have been done," said the temporary chairman.

On the plus side of the picture, the large group involves more students. And this is one of the things Orr said the council hopes to accomplish this year.

"We feel it would be a great boost to the school to have as many students as possible working for the school. We can distribute the work load better with more students," he said.

Fisher said the council is

writing a new constitution because the old one is felt to be out of date.

"The main thing we're trying to get out of the way now is homecoming. We are in charge of this and we haven't got much time," said Fisher.

The council has selected "The Sprit of VHS" as the homecoming theme. Homecoming is Nov. 6 and Valdosta is host to the Tifton Blue Devils.

"With a large group, we'll have a little easier time than if we just had a dozen or so students," said Fisher.

The council is also setting up elections for class officers. The elections are usually held at the beginning of the school year.

"And we need to go ahead with it because the classes support homecoming and also sponsor their own projects which they need to get to work on," said Orr.

He said the council will again sponsor a Christmas



JOHN FISHER III
Vice Chairman



ROBERT ORR
Many Projects

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food drive, man the parking lot for home football games and draw up a dress code for the students.

Orr said the council was asked to participate in a statewide drive to collect clothing

for needy children in Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and Valdosta.

But since "Bundle Day," as the drive is called, is slated for Thursday, the council has turned this project over to

the Distributive Education Club for sponsorship.

Others on the council include:

Seniors — David Bentley, Lawton Blanton, Kay Coats, Henry Coachman, Becky Eager, Andrea LaRue Johnson, John Johnson, Brenda Martin.

Marsha Noble, Joy Paine, Patti Parrish, Corky Renschler, Lucy Stewart, Beth Sullivan, Gwendolyn Thompson, Elizabeth Wade, Mike Welch and Debra Wade.

Juniors — Ernie Carter, Melanie Eanes, Delores Gatewood, Paula Hargarett, Terry Hiers, Linda Hodge, Reginald Holt, Jack Jenkins, JoLynne Johnston.

Donna Pitts, Gregory Price, Pearce Scott, Gwen Stickley and Sherri Teffeteller.

Sophomores — Bonnie Budd, Linda Cadou, Polly Durden, Martica Griffin, Karol Hendrix, Doug Jewett, Richard Joseph, Karen Lyon, Louise Marshall.

Cindy Miller, Bernard Moorehead, Christopher Morgan, Melani Noble, Peggy O'Neal, Janet Parrish, Willie Roberson, Renee Smith and Lori Stemen.



LEAH CORK
VSC Student



KAY COATS
Cheerleader



DELOIS HUNTER
Band Member



JAN ALDERMAN
Flag Corps

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Four More Enter

Junior Miss Slated Friday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two band members, a cheerleader and a part-time Valdosta State College student are among the contestants in the first local Junior Miss Pageant to be held Friday night.

The girls, all seniors, are among the 14 entrants in the beauty pageant scheduled for 8 p.m. at Mathis city auditorium. The four contestants are Jan Alderman, Jay Coats, Delois Hunter and Leah Cork.

Miss Alderman and Miss Coats are both students at Valdosta High School while Miss Hunter is attending Lowndes High School. Miss Cork is enrolled at Valwood School, a private facility here.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cork, Miss Cork is attending VSC under a spe-

cial program for high school students. She is earning college credits in addition to work needed for high school graduation.

A member of the flag corps, Miss Alderman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Alderman.

Miss Coats, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Coats, is a football cheerleader at VHS and a member of Student Council.

The daughter of Theodore Hunter, Miss Hunter is a member of the marching Viking Band at Lowndes High.

The contest is sponsored by the VHS Band Boosters Club

in an effort to raise funds to finance invitational trips the Marchin' Cats have received this school term.

Jayne Barker, band booster, is directing the pageant which was open to high school senior girls. Co-directors are Mrs. Mark Jeffery and Mrs. Botie Chitty.

Contestants are judged on personality, talent, scholastic achievement and personal appearance.

There is only one contestant who does not live here. Brenda Jo Cole is a student at Berrien County High School.

Other contestants include Carol Colson, Leah Cork, Sher-

rie Snider, Pattie Stewart, Ruby Davis, Ann Morrow, Janice Wilson, Lucy Stewart and Debra Wells.

The local winner is to compete in the district event at St. Louis, Mo. Should she win that contest she'll participate in the national pageant at Mobile, Ala.

"We're expecting a big turnout Friday night. We have pretty girls and some talented ones in the contest so competition should be keen," said Mrs. Barker.

She said tickets for the event can be purchased at the auditorium box office the night of the pageant.



RUBY DAVIS
Lowndes High



BRENDA JO COLE
Miss Golden Leaf



PATTI STEWARD
Lab Band

Pageant Saturday

14 To Compete For 'Miss'

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The reigning Miss Golden Leaf, Brenda Jo Cole of Nashville, is a contestant in the Junior Miss Pageant here.

Miss Cole, a senior at Berrien County High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cole.

She is among 14 contestants in the first Junior Miss Pageant here. Miss Cole is also the only entrant who is not a local resident.

The pageant, set for 8 p. m. Saturday at Mathis city auditorium, is sponsored by the Valdosta High School Band Boosters Club. The contest was open to high school seniors in local and area school systems.

The last four contestants who have completed application procedures include Carol Colson, Sherrie Snider, Patti Steward and Ruby Davis.

Miss Colson is co-captain of the VHS Marchin' Cats Flag Corps. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Colson.

A feature twirler for the VHS band, Miss Snider is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Snider.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Steward, Miss Steward plays in the Marchin' Cats band and in the lab band.

Miss Davis, one of two Lowndes High entrants, is a member of the Marching Viking band. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen H. Davis Sr.

Other contestants previously announced include Leah Cork, Jan Alderman, Janice Wilson, Kay Coats, Jerre Barker, Delois Hunter, Debra Wells and Ann Morrow.

The girls are to be judged on talent, beauty, poise and scholastic achievement.

According to band boosters spokesman, the pageant is being held in an effort to raise money for the Marchin' Cats invitational trips this year.

The winner of the local event is to compete in the district pageant at St. Louis, Mo. The national contest is at Mobile, Ala. Tickets for Saturday night's contest are to be on sale at the Auditorium box office.

A tea for the contestants and



CAROL COLSON
Flag Corps



SHERRIE SNIDER
Feature Twirler

judges is to be held at the Garden Center Saturday from 2-4 p. m. Saturday. The event is sponsored by the Town and Country Garden Club. Mrs. Botie Chitty and Mrs. Jefferys are coordinating the Junior Miss Contest.

'Cats Vs Pack

Now let's switch to a game that's on tap for this coming Friday. We, of course, are talking about the duel between coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats and coach Bud Willis' Moultrie Packers at Moultrie.

They have matching 5-0 records and will be battling for undisputed possession of first place in Region 1-AAA.

The victor will move into the driver's seat in the race for the region crown, but won't actually clinch anything.

After this week Valdosta still must play Monroe, Westover, Tift and Lowndes. And the Packers will still have games with Thomasville, Bainbridge, Albany and Crisp County.

We certainly should mention Thomasville in this discussion, because the Bulldogs have a 4-1 record and are still very much in contention. Right now T'ville is riding the crest of a four-game victory streak.

Anyway, VHS and Moultrie are traditional rivals and they're going to fight it out for the region lead. It goes without saying that the Wildcats' and Packers' fans are already in a high state of excitement.

'Cats Keep Place In Passing Stats

COLUMBUS — For the third week there's a new rushing leader in Region 1-AAA, but Valdosta's Wildcats keep rolling along ahead of the passing parade in this high school football league.

Moultrie's Tony Monk (36-188) has taken over the top spot in the rushing department, with Thomasville's David Lamb, last weeks leader, now second with a 50-181 mark.

As for Valdosta's domination in the aerial department, the Wildcats have the top two passers and three leading receivers in the loop.

VHS' top pitchers are Stanley Bounds (22-32-417) and Dannel Branam (7-17-166). The leading receivers are Dan Johnson (10-238), Roger Rome (10-165) and Stanford Rome (136).

Department leaders and figures on other Valdosta and Lowndes players follow:

Rushing			
	Yds.	Att.	Avg.
1. Monk, Moultrie	36	188	5.2
2. Lamb, Thomasville	50	181	3.3
3. McKinney, Monroe	14	137	4.4
4. Stancil, Moultrie	45	134	3.4
5. Anderson, Valdosta	50	134	4.3
6. Johnson, Monroe	31	131	4.3
7. Warren, Thomasville	37	127	3.4
8. Coleman, Tift	17	118	6.7
9. Hopkins, Central	34	114	3.4
10. Poole, Dougherty	43	111	3.8
14. Branam, Valdosta	23	91	2.5
23. Cowart, Lowndes	18	63	2.8
25. Johnson, Valdosta	11	57	3.7
28. LeFiles, Valdosta	7	48	4.8
39. Stafford, Lowndes	4	35	3.8
41. C. Daniels, Valdosta	4	34	3.4
42. Williams, Lowndes	12	33	2.7
45. Lowery, Lowndes	11	29	2.4
48. Allen, Lowndes	10	25	2.0
49. Bounds, Valdosta	4	23	3.2
51. Edwards, Lowndes	8	14	1.7
53. R. Daniels, Valdosta	4	9	1.50

Passing			
	Att.	Comp.	Yds.
1. Bounds, Valdosta	32	23	417
2. Branam, Valdosta	17	7	166
3. Lamb, Thomasville	30	10	147
4. Morris, Tift County	31	10	134
5. Bizzard, Crisp	40	14	125
10. Mitchell, Lowndes	14	5	68
12. Linahan, Valdosta	14	7	56
14. Johnson, Valdosta	3	2	48
15. Parker, Valdosta	8	4	43

Receiving			
	Comp.	Yds.	Td's
1. Johnson, Valdosta	10	238	3
2. R. Rome, Valdosta	10	165	2
3. S. Rome, Valdosta	4	136	1
4. Spriggs, Lowndes	8	86	0
5. Roche, Crisp	9	77	0

Interceptions			
	Inter.	Ret.	
1. Williams, Monroe	1	25	
2. Kirksey, Bainbridge	1	28	
3. Kavoukile, Thomasville	2	27	
4. Hancock, Moultrie	1	28	
5. M. Jackson, Monroe	1	28	
10. Stafford, Lowndes	1	1	

Punts			
	Kicks	Yds.	Avg.
1. Howard, Albany	5	212	42.40
2. Peoples, Thomasville	17	669	39.35
3. Griffin, Dougherty	19	666	35.05
4. Barber, Bainbridge	8	292	36.50
5. Hare, Lowndes	12	382	31.84
10. LeFiles, Valdosta	13	434	33.34

Punt Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Johnson, Valdosta	7	68	
2. Williams, Thomasville	5	37	
3. Spencer, Dougherty	1	20	
4. McEachin, Central	1	22	
5. Brooks, Bainbridge	2	23	
6. Lee, Valdosta	3	27	
7. Stafford, Lowndes	3	27	
8. Johnson, Thomasville	3	18	
9. Row, Valdosta	1	17	

Kick-off Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Rankin, Tift County	3	93	
2. Spomer, Dougherty	7	81	
3. Hankins, Westover	3	65	
4. Stafford, Lowndes	5	59	
5. Bryan, Westover	2	43	
6. Burrows, Dougherty	3	41	
7. R. Daniels, Valdosta	2	40	
12. Allen, Lowndes	1	38	

Scoring			
	Yds.	Ret.	Yds.
1. Lamb, Thomasville	5	0	30
2. Anderson, Valdosta	3	0	18
3. Johnson, Valdosta	3	0	18
4. Jackson, Monroe	1	3	17
5. Monk, Moultrie	2	0	12
6. Williams, Thomasville	2	0	12
7. Rankin, Tift	2	0	12
8. Coleman, Tift	2	0	12
9. R. Rome, Valdosta	1	0	12
10. S. Rome, Valdosta	1	0	12
11. Bazemore, Valdosta	0	11	11
12. Peoples, Thomasville	1	0	10
13. Hopkins, Central	1	1	9
14. Thompson, Lowndes	1	0	9
15. Stafford, Lowndes	1	0	9
16. Cowart, Lowndes	1	0	6
17. Mabry, Valdosta	1	0	6
18. Bonds, Valdosta	1	0	6
19. Branam, Valdosta	1	0	6
20. S. Rome, Valdosta	1	0	6
21. LeFiles, Valdosta	1	0	6
22. C. Daniels, Valdosta	1	0	6

Wildcats At Moultrie; Vikes To Host Trojans

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats face a showdown with Moultrie's Packers at Moultrie on Friday in the area's high school football headliner this week.

While the 'Cats are at Moultrie fighting it out for undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings, Lowndes' Vikings will be at home meeting the Dougherty Trojans from Albany.

In other area action, Brooks County (Quitman) will be at Irwin County (Ocilla), Berrien

County (26-0), Bainbridge (27-7) and Albany (39-0). Moultrie has tripped up Lowndes (28-6), Tift County (19-0), Dougherty (27-0), Monroe (28-6) and Thomasville Central (47-0).

Coach Noel George's Lowndes Vikings will carry a 2-4 record into their Region 1-AAA outing against coach Luther Welch's Dougherty Trojans, who owns a 2-3-1 mark.

The Vikes have beaten Thomasville Central (6-0) and Crisp

County (19-14), while bowing to Moultrie (28-6), Thomasville (34-7), Westover (7-6) and Tift County (16-0).

Dougherty has trimmed Westover (14-6) and Bainbridge (20-0) and played Monroe to a 0-0 tie. The Trojans have fallen before Valdosta (34-0), Moultrie (27-0) and Crisp County (14-6).

Brooks County's unbeaten Trojans (5-0) must go to Ocilla to meet Irwin County's once

beaten (4-1) Indians. It's a non-region affair, but figures to be a thriller.

Cook's Hornets and Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets will hook up in a Region 1-AA (East) tilt at Adel. The Hornets are 4-1 for the season a 1-0 in subdivision play. Jeff Davis is 2-3 in all games and 0-1 in loop play.

Berrien's Rebels (2-4) will be on the road meeting Fitzgerald's Purple Hurricanes (4-1). This will be a Region 1-AA (East) affair.

Clinch's Panthers, who are 0-5-1, will face Brantley in a Region 2-B test at Homerville. Madison's Cougars will put a 3-0-1 record on the line when they host Santa Fe. Hamilton will also carry a 3-0-1 record into its home game with Lake Butler. The Trojans from Jasper have now gone 13 games without a loss in a string which stretches back into the 1969 season.

Other games of interest including the following:

Friday — Americus at Mitchell, Atkinson at Wheeler, Appling at Camden, Thomasville at Bainbridge, Charlton at Blackshear, Quincy, Fla., at Cairo, Thomasville Central at Crisp, Ware at Coffee, Worth at Early, Wayne at Glynn, Waycross at Groves and Westover at Monroe.

Saturday — Tift at Albany.

AREA GRID SLATE

Friday

Valdosta at Moultrie
Dougherty at Lowndes
Brooks at Irwin
Berrien at Fitzgerald
Brantley at Clinch
Jeff Davis at Cook
Santa Fe at Madison
Lake Butler at Hamilton

(Nashville, Ga) at Fitzgerald, Brantley County (Nahunta) at Clinch County (Homerville), Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst) at Cook (Adel), Santa Fe, Fla., at Madison, Fla., and Lake Butler, Fla., at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

Coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats and coach Bud Willis' Moultrie Packers will carry matching 5-0 records into their contest at Moultrie. They currently share the 1-AAA lead.

VHS has beaten Thomasville (35-21), Dougherty (34-0), Crisp

Grid Glimpses

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Valdosta 27, Bainbridge 7

Despite having four touchdowns and a successful PAT boot wiped out by penalties, Valdosta's Wildcats finished with a comfortable victory margin over Region 1-AAA foe Bainbridge.

Westover 7, Lowndes 6

Lowndes' Vikings generated a lot of offense, but were hurt by penalties and fumbles, got just six points on the scoreboard and dropped a close decision to Westover's Patriots.

Brooks 17, Appling 7

After being idle last week with an open date, Brooks County's Trojans came back strong to dump Appling County and run their unbeaten string to three games.

Cook 20, Cairo 12

Cook's Hornets used a fumble recovery and two passes to score three times in the second period and triumph over Cairo's Syrupmakers.

Hamilton 6, Madison 6

Hamilton scored in the second period and Madison tallied in the final stanza. The result was a tie between the traditional North Florida grid rivals.

Camden 27, Berrien 6

Berrien's Rebels struck for an early TD, but Camden's unbeaten Wildcats then took command and went on to win this Region 1-AA (East) match.

Montgomery 41, Clinch 20

In a game which produced plenty of offensive fireworks, Clinch County's Panthers didn't have quite enough firepower to stay with Montgomery County's high-flying Eagles.

Baze Gives 'Cats Another Warning

Valdosta High's football Wildcats have posted four straight wins this season and have scored 122 points in the process while allowing just 28.

But if you think head coach Wright Bazemore is in a relaxed mood you're dead wrong.



He, of course, is pleased with the four wins which have put VHS atop the Region 1-AAA standings.

But the 'Cats have had their troubles, in one form or another, in three of the four games they have played.

In the season opener against Thomasville they had to rally in the final period to win. In their third game they carried a shaky six-point lead well into the third period before scoring again and moving out of Crisp County's reach.

And this past Friday they beat Bainbridge's Bearcats 27-7 with penalty flags flying and with what Bazemore described as "another rash of our same old mistakes."

GLASSMAN

"The penalties certainly hurt us," Bazemore said, "but we're also still hurting ourselves by missing opportunities and making some of the same mistakes we made on opening night.

"Our schedule is very definitely going to get tougher as we move along and we aren't improving as rapidly as we should.

"The night is bound to come when we're up against a very strong opponent. We may not get but one or at the very most two chances to score. If we don't cash in on them, we're going to be in very serious trouble. At the same time there's going to be a night when just one defensive mistake can cost us a ball game.

"I've tried to get all this across to our players. We simply can't afford to stay where we're at. We've got to move forward. We've got to eliminate the mistakes and we've got to do it in a hurry."

And that's the kind of mood Bazemore is in these days.

VHS' Defenders Face Tough Test

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers will both carry impressive statistics in their Friday night showdown grid battle at Moultrie.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Bud Willis' Packers who have matchng 5-0 records, are slated to meet at 8 p.m. Friday in Moultrie's 10,000 - seat Mack Thorpe Memorial Stadium.

What the traditional rivals will be battling for is undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings. Right now they share the top spot.

VHS' triumphs have come over Thomasville (35-21), Dougherty (34-0), Crisp County (26-0), Bainbridge (27-7) and Albany (39-0). Moultrie has zip-ped Lowndes (28-6), Tift County (19-0), Dougherty (27-0), Monroe (28-6) and Thomasville Central (47-0).

While winning five in a row this year the Wildcats have scored 161 points and allowed just 28. The 'Cats have averaged 208 yards a game rushing and 180 passing. The VHS stop'em unit has limited the opposition to an average of 31 yards a tilt along the ground and 46 through the air.

Moultrie has racked up a total of 149 points and allowed



RALPH HENDRY
Defensive Vet

just 12. The Packers have been averaging 206 yards a game rushing and 60 passing. Moultrie's defenders have yielded an average of just 59 yards rushing and 67 passing.

"I know the fans like to compare statistics," Bazemore said, "but there's more to it than that. For instance, Moultrie hasn't made too many

yards passing. But that's because they haven't had to throw much because their ground attack is so strong. "They both can and will throw. They have not one, but three good quarterbacks."

Moultrie's strong ground attack is led by halfback Tony Mock and fullback James Stancil, a pair of seniors.

Mock, who tips the scales at 182, is the region's leading rusher with 480 yards on 67 carries and is 1-AAA's top scorer with 54 points. Stancil, a 215 - pounder, has picked up 255 yards on 73 tries and has tallied 30 points.

"Mock has speed, balance and agility," Bazemore said. "He's capable of scoring from any place on the field any time he gets his hand on the football. Stancil is big and powerful and can really hurt you. "The pressure is going to be on our defense on every play."

The VHS stop'em crew members likely to be called on to carry most of the load Friday night are ends Kim Marshall, George Rountree, Mike Welch and Scott Griffin, tackles Ralph Hendry and Vance Quinn, middle guard Mike Everson, linebackers Curt Bazemore, Robert Savage, Robert Dantlett and John Bell and deep backs Curtis Lee and John Hampton.

Football Pep Rally Slated Here Thursday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A city wide football pep rally has been scheduled here for 8 o'clock Thursday night in the parking lot of the Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center.

The rally will be sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club and its purpose will be to show Valdosta High's Wildcats that they will have solid fan support when they go to Moultrie Friday night for a crucial game with the Moultrie Packers.

Valdosta and Moultrie both have 5-0 records and at stake in their contest will be undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA title race.

"The game with Moultrie is a crucial one for the 'Cats and we really want to show them that everyone is backing them all the way," Paradise Goodie, president of the TD Club said.

On hand for the rally will be VHS head coach Wright Bazemore, the 'Cats' tri - captain Charles Daniels, Mike Everson and Curt Bazemore and Valdosta High's Marcellus 'Cat' East.

New High School

Structure Seen Completed By July '72

By MARY CROUSE

Valdosta architect Zeb Lackey told the city Board of Education Tuesday night that the general contractor should be through with the new \$4.5 million high school by July 1, 1972. Lackey said the school officials will need at least two months to get equipment and furnishings in the building and provide inservice training for the faculty.

"We are in hopes that we can get in a little sooner by picking up some additional time with

our pre bids on the steel," said the architect at the regular board meeting.

Lackey, who is designing the new Valdosta High School to be built two-tenths miles north of Northside Drive, said the bids will be taken in November on the steel to avoid any delay on the steel orders.

Final plans on the building for 2,200 students will be sent in December to the State School Building Authority in Atlanta for approval.

"We'll put the word out that the plans will be available to

contractors around the last of December or first of January and we'll take bids the last of January.

"If everything is fine, we'll sign a contract that day. The contractor will be told to be through with the building no later than July 1," said the architect.

The board accepted Lackey's recommendation that the new school be total electric. Lackey and W. L. Tribble of Tribble and Associates, consulting engineers of Jacksonville, Fla., said the advantages of total elec-

tric are greater, in their opinion, than a combination of electric and gas.

"It is our opinion that with gas as fuel the necessary added pumps, burners, combustion controls and heating water system devices will add a maintenance cost of not less than \$1,000 a year," said Tribble.

He said the boiler plant with pumps, piping, flues and other necessary equipment will cost at least \$30,000 more than an all electric system.

"I'm not here to sell you on anything. I merely did some

calculations to present to you to help you make a decision. This is information for you," said Tribble.

He said the best output from the lighting system in the school will provide more than sufficient warm air for the building.

Board member Dr. Robert Quattlebaum asked Tribble and Lackey if there is not a risk involved in going total electric.

"Everything I've been reading indicates that we're taking a big risk because in about five years we will face a critical

cutback in electric power," he said.

Board member Hulyn Smith said the same is true with gas and fuel oils.

Board member I.H. (Bubber) Tillman Jr. said that this is the time to begin accepting donations to the new high school. His recommendation that the building committee be authorized to accept gifts for the new VHS was unanimously passed.

"We are at the point now where if someone wants to me-

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moralize a wing or any part, we need to know so the architect can plan for it," said Tillman.

He said the first project should be a Wright Bazemore trophy room at the front of the school. "My idea is to get the Touchdown Club and former VHS players to get behind this. This will be the easiest project of them all. That's why I selected it first," said Tillman.

Bazemore is the VHS head-football coach.

The new school is to be financed with \$2.3 million in local bonds, a \$1.8 million state grant and about \$390,000 in federal allotment.

Finance director Jack Kent said he has been notified that the \$2.3 million from the bond sale will be here next week. He said the board needs to take action on what banks and or savings and loan associations should handle the money and how it should be deposited.

Board chairman John Howell appointed Reuben Yancey, J.L. Newbern Jr. and Tillman to the committee with power to act. They are to work with Kent on the placement of the money.

Club Collecting Clothing At VHS

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

They're bundling up clothes at Valdosta High School this week and the recipients are to be children from low income families.

Sponsored by the Distributive Education Club on campus, the clothes drive is part of a statewide effort to collect wearable items for local children and those living in the Appalachian area.

State School Supt. Jack Nix has asked all secondary institutions to participate in the drive.

The local project will end Friday, said DE coordinator Norman Greene.

The Student Council was originally asked to handle the VHS effort, but the group asked the DE Club to sponsor it. "The Student Council has a lot of other things going right now and didn't really have the time to put into this like they wanted so we were glad to help out," said Greene.

He said students have been asked to bring any wearable clothes and shoes they might have in their family to school.

All sizes will be accepted, he said.

"We'll take baby things, children's clothes and adult things," said the coordinator.

So far the drive which began Monday has only produced a half box of clothes. Greene said he is disappointed in the first day of collection but expects it to pick up after students return to school Wednesday.

"We're really going to be pushing it Wednesday through Friday. We'll be hitting groups and individuals," said Greene.

All clubs on campus have been asked to encourage their members to bring clothes. Further incentives to pile up the bundles are the spirit and service trophies given at the end of the year.

The class which displays the most school spirit and compiles the most points for participation during an academic year wins the spirit trophy.

The DE club gives a trophy each year to the club that shows the most support for school sponsored activities and participates in service projects.

"Participation in 'Bundle Day' could help clubs and the classes win points towards these trophies. It would be an excellent way to get needed points," said Greene.

The coordinator said the DE Club will box up the clothes and send them to Atlanta for distribution among children in Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia.

Means Less Clerical Work

VHS Students Get Non-Returnable Report Cards

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Report cards for students at Valdosta High School and the VHS - Pinevale Campus have a new look about them this year. And the new system is designed to give the parents more complete information about their offspring.

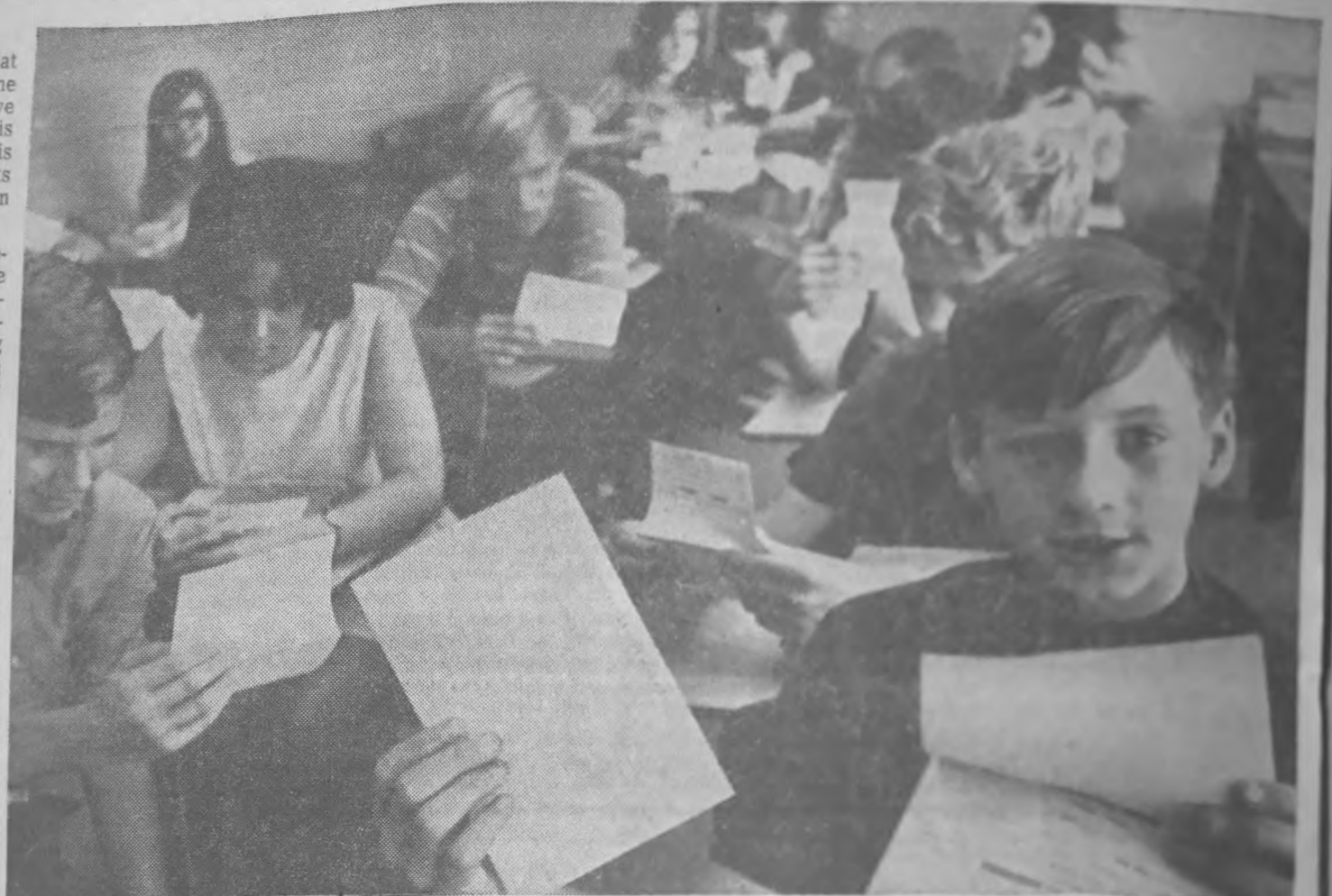
When students get their report cards Friday, they'll be given a record for each subject in which they are enrolled. But they don't have to bring the cards back. Parents can keep them or throw them away each six weeks.

"And the nice thing about these cards is that the information will be accumulative. In other words, the first six weeks information will also be on the second six weeks form and so forth," said VHS principal Charlie (Chuck) Green.

He said the instructors actually fill out the report cards for students in their classes. This is superior to the old system of record keeping which called for grade sheets to be made out by each teacher and compiled on the record cards by the homeroom instructor, said the principal.

"I think parents will be pleased with this new method. It certainly gives them more information on their child's classes. Our concern is people like to keep report cards. They can do this now or throw them away because at the end of the year they'll get the complete record to keep," said Green.

Green said the new system will give the teachers more time for instruction and less clerical busy work. "It'll benefit the students in the long run



-Times Staff Photo

John Allen of VHS-Pinevale Campus Looks at New Report Cards To Go Out Friday

and that's what we are interested in."

The cards are four-by-six inches. Information includes the student's name, birthdate, school, subject and homebase teacher, level of instruction, grade, days absent from that course and conduct.

There is also a section for semester grades and the course yearly average.

"We felt that putting the number of days the student missed from each class would enable the parents to be better informed by the period rather than the day," said Green.

This year parents signatures are not required on the report cards. Green said that it is the school's responsibility to give the grade information to the students to carry home.

"It is not our responsibility to see that it reaches home. That responsibility lies with the students," he explained.

Pinevale's Jack Coffey said several of the teachers on his faculty are requesting that students obtain their parents signature on the forms and bring them back Monday.

These are the failures and we have left this up to the individual teachers," said Coffey, assistant principal.

He said the parents should be aware that a card is filled

out for each course their children are taking at Pinevale or VHS.

Green said VHS main campus will have parent visitation Monday afternoon until 5 o'clock. Pinevale parent hour is from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Monday.

"We are encouraging the parents to come by the schools, meet the teachers and discuss any problem they want with the instructors," said Coffey.

Elementary schools and Valdosta Junior High School report cards went out Wednesday.

Valdosta - Moultrie Grid Duel Has Title Flavor

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be meeting Moultrie's Packers in a game Friday night at Moultrie which is attracting state-wide attention and has a championship flavor.

The matchup between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Bud Willis' Packers is set for 8 p.m. at Moultrie's 10,000-seat Mack Thorpe Memorial Stadium.

A glance at the teams' records shows why the fans are in a high state of excitement and an overflow crowd is expected.

Valdosta and Moultrie have identical 5-0 records and they currently share the top spot in the Region 1-AAA standings. Friday's victor won't actually clinch anything, but it will move into the driver's seat in the race for the 1-AAA crown.

The 'Cats had an open date last week, giving them two weeks to prepare for the Packers. Bazemore isn't sure the extra time in actually going to help the VHS cause.

"We got a chance to rest some of our injured players and perhaps that will help," Bazemore said. "But when you have to wait that long between games you can lose some of your sharpness, especially on offense."

VHS has reclaimed one injured player from the ailing list. Fullback Willie Anderson is ready for duty after being out for two weeks because of illness. But still doubtful be-

cause of knee injuries are quarterback Darrell Branam and halfback Jimmy LeFiles.

Moultrie warmed up for the 'Cats by sailing to a 47-0 victory over the Thomasville Central Yellow Jackets last week.

So far the 'Cats have offered a balanced attack which has been averaging 387 yards in total offense per game. But whether the VHS go-unit can click against a Moultrie defense which Bazemore rates "very, very tough" remains to be seen.

"Moultrie has what for it is a typical defensive unit. They have size where it counts the most and they have exceptional speed and agility. And they will hit you, you better believe

they will hit."

The Wildcats' aerial leader is quarterback Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 36 of 60 tosses for 593 yards. Before he was injured Branam connected on nine of 16 passes for 191 yards. VHS' top receivers are halfback Dan Johnson (14-301) and ends Roger Rome (14-210) and Standford Rome (11-190).

'Dosta's rushing leaders are halfback Charles Daniels (40-220), fullback Robert McCaskill (22-172), Anderson (30-136), Branam (34-136) and Johnson (24-135).

Regulars in the offensive line in addition to the Rome brothers are tackles Paul DeMersseman and Steve Stanaland, guards Wayne Simpson, Joshua Mabry and Joe Tillman and

center Robert Dewar.

Moultrie can counter with a one-two running punch which is the most potent in the region. They have halfback Tony Mock, who has gained 480 yards on 67 tries, and fullback James Stancil, who has picked up 255 yards on 73 carries.

"One important thing which hasn't been mentioned," Bazemore said, "is the fact that Moultrie will have the home field advantage. They have an excellent team and having to play them in their stadium, well, we've certainly got the odd stacked against us."

The probable starters, as announced by the coaches, follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense - ends Stanford Rome (170, fresh) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (200, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (190, sr.), center Robert Dewar (215, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (160, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Dan Johnson (155, jr.) and fullback Robert McCaskill (190, jr.) or Willie Anderson (190, jr.).

Defense - ends Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and George Rountree (170, soph.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Everson (210, sr.), linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.), Robert Daniels (190, fresh), Robert Savage (180, sr.) and John Bell (160, sr.) and deep backs Curtis Lee (165, sr.) and John Hampton (165, sr.).

MOULTRIE

Offense - ends Ronnie Robinson (140, sr.) and Johnny Collins (172, jr.), tackles Wayne Burroughs (182, jr.) and Dick Carter (220, sr.), guards Richard Bass (171, sr.) and Roger Plymel (167, sr.), center Bruce Boring (174, sr.), quarterback Roger Singletary (163, sr.), halfbacks Tony Mock (182, sr.) and Freddy Hammock (165, jr.) and fullback James Stancil (215, sr.).

Defense - ends Dale Holloway (159, jr.) and Collins, tackles Frank Palmore (181, sr.) and Chuck Ellis (212, sr.), middle guard James Weathers (200, jr.), linebackers Hammock, Steve Bass (164, sr.) and Joe Stephens (170, sr.), corner backs Robbie Faircloth (160, sr.) and Keith Harvey (158, sr.) and safety Ray Goff (180, soph.).

'Cats And Vikes Seen As Victors

Pass the crying towel please, the buttom dropped out of my football prediction average last week.

Among the high school and college games I tried to forecast I was right just 29 times and wrong 15 for a dismal .659 mark. It was my worst week of the season and chopped 16 points off my average for the season, which now reads 155-60 - .720.



GLASSMAN

Well, let's try it again. I'll start with the prep games and do some guessing about the college contests later.

VALDOSTA VS MOULTRIE - Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers are meeting at Moultrie tonight in a game which is attracting statewide attention. The traditional rivals have matching 5-0 records and will be battling for undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings. The football fur is going to fly and my forecast is that the 'Cats will win by a very narrow margin.

LOWNDES VS DOUGHERTY - Lowndes' Vikings

'Cats Do Or Die

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

While Valdosta's Wildcats go to Moultrie for a do-or-die struggle with the Packers, Lowndes' Vikings will be at home meeting Dougherty in two of eight area high school football games on tap for tonight.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats and coach Bud Willis' Moultrie Packers own identical 5-0 records and will battle it out for undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings tonight at Moultrie.

Meanwhile, coach Noel George's Vikings, who own a 2-3-1 mark, will be meeting in a 1-AAA contest here which is rated as a tossup. The game is set for 8 p.m. at Martin

Stadium on the LHS campus.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Brooks County (Quitman) will be at Irwin County (Ocilla), Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) at Fitzgerald, Brantley County (Nahunta) at Clinch County (Homerville), Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst) at Cook (Adel), Santa Fe, Fla., at Madison, Fla., and Lake Butler Fla., at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

In that shoot out at Moultrie, neither the Wildcats or Packers can clinch anything with a triumph tonight. But the victor will move into the driver's seat in the 1-AAA title race.

The game is attracting state wide attention and is expected to draw an overflow crowd to Moultrie's 10,000-seat Mack

Thorpe Stadium.

Both the Lowndes Vikings and Dougherty Trojans will be trying to get back into the win column when they meet here tonight. Last week the Vikes bowed to Tift, 16-0, and Dougherty was tripped up by Crisp County, 14-6.

Brooks' Trojans will be shooting for their sixth straight when they tangle with Irwin County's once beaten (4-1) Indians at Ocilla.

Berrien's Rebels (2-4) will be the underdogs in their tussel with Fitzgerald's highly regarded Hurricanes. Fitz has a 4-1 mark.

Cook's Hornets have won four in a row since a loss in their liflifter. Jeff Davis is a Region 1-AA (East) rival which has a 2-3 chart.

Madison's Cougars and Hamilton County's Rebels will both be trying improve already fine 3-0-1 records when they host Santa Fe and Lake Butler.

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

MOULTRIE — Valdosta High's never-say-die football Wildcats rallied for a pair of touchdowns in the final period for a 19-12 come-from-behind victory over the Moultrie Packers here Friday night in a contest which packed a season worth of thrills into just 49 minutes of playing time.

When it was over coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats owned

STATISTICS		Valdosta	Moultrie
First Downs	.....	11	8
Yards Rushing	.....	159	122
Yards Passing	.....	183	49
Passes	.....	15-24	4-21
Passes Int. by	.....	5	3
Fumbles Lost	.....	3	1
Punting	.....	7-34.2	9-39
Penalties	.....	5-41	3-15

undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings and the approximately 10,000 fans who had turned out to see the game were limp.

It was Valdosta's sixth straight and most important win this season. For coach Bud Willis' Packers the loss was their first after five consecutive triumphs and bumped them down into second place on the 1-AAA chart. VHS has now gone 33 games without a defeat in a string which stretches back into the 1967 season. There is one tie in the streak.

The traditional rivals fought it out in a game which featured a dozen turnovers and a steady stream of surprises.

Valdosta intercepted five Moultrie passes and recovered one Packer fumble. Meanwhile, Moultrie picked off three VHS aeriels and recovered three 'Dosta bobbles.

In the final period it was the passing combo of quarterback Stanley Bounds and end Roger Rome which put VHS into position to score the points it needed to go ahead and a crucial fumble recovery by middle guard Mike Everson that nipped off a Packer march at the Valdosta 15 which enabled the 'Cats to preserve their hard-earned lead.

A total of 30 VHS players saw action in the game, all made a contribution and all drew verbal praise from Bazemore, who flashed a big victory smile after the contest.

"That was something, that was really something," Bazemore said. "We needed a team effort to pull this one out of the fire and that's what we got—a great team effort at the finish. I'm very, very proud of our boys. They came through when it really counted."

"We had 'em (the Wildcats) down, but just couldn't hold them," Moultrie's Willis allowed. "That was some more kind of football game."

For the night VHS generated 333 yards in total offense to 182 for Moultrie.

Bounds hit on 13 of 25 passes for 183 yards. He fired one 60-yard scoring bomb to Charles Daniels early in the game then hit Roger Rome with tosses of 30, 8, 11, 6 and 17 yards in VHS' two final TD marches. Fullback Willie Anderson led the 'Dosta ground assault with 86 yards on 11 carries.

Running back Tony Mock got one Moultrie TD on a 13-yard romp and defensive end Johnny Collins produced the other by going 29 yards with the football after a do-it-yourself pass interception.

In addition to his crucial fumble recovery late in the game Everson made 15 tackles, a season high for a VHS defender. He



—Times Staff Photo.

Packers' James Stancil (32) Is Bumped By 'Cats Vance Quillin (74) As Mike Everson (60) Moves In

had plenty of help. Vance Quillin made 12 stops, Curt Bazemore accounted for nine and Robert Savage, Curtis Lee, Ralph Hendry, Robert Daniels, George Rountree, Gary Rowe, Kim Marshall and Joe Bell were each credited with four or more tackles. Bell, Lee and Rowe accounted for VHS' pass interceptions.

Here's the way things went: First period — On Valdosta's second offensive series the 'Cats struck for a touchdown on a 60-yard pass from Bounds to Charles Daniels. The PAT boot was wide and 'Dosta had a shaky 6-0 lead.

Before the opening stanza ended Moultrie reached paydirt. The Packers covered 60 yards in 14 plays. The march started with a 25-yard run by Roger Singletary, was helped along by a 15-yard penalty against VHS and was climaxed by a 13-yard scoring run by Mock. Hendricks got nother try and missed tried to kick the PAT, but missed. VHS was penalized. Hendricks got another try and missed again. That made the score 6-6.

Second period — Moultrie threatened early in this stanza when the Packers recovered a fumble at the VHS 34 and moved to the 'Cats' 17. A pass interception by Bell put the brakes on.

It was almost time for intermission when VHS tried a pass from its own 29. Bounds was back trying to throw when the Packers' Collins crashed into him. The football went straight up in the air. Collins fielded it like a pop fly and rambled to paydirt. Moultrie tried for a two-point PAT on a run by Mock, but the 'Dosta defenders stopped him cold. The Packers carried early a 12-6 lead into the dressing room.

Third period — Valdosta took the second half kickoff and wheeled from its own 30 to the Moultrie 15, where the 'Cats lost the football on a fumble. This march featured a dazzling 44-yard run by Anderson.

Fourth period — Valdosta tried a long bomb through the air, but it was picked off at the Packers' seven. But VHS' stop-'em crew held firm and forced a punt, which was a shortie and gave 'Dosta possession of the ball on the Moultrie 41.

Five plays later VHS had its second touchdown. The key plays were a 30-yard pass from Bounds to Roger Rome, which carried to the 10, and an eight-yard air strike, again Bounds to Rome, which put the ball at the six inch line. Bounds sneaked over for the TD and when Curt Bazemore booted the PAT, under tremendous pressure, VHS had a 13-12 lead.

The next time Valdosta got possession of the football it covered 55 yards in nine plays to score again. Bounds clicked with Rome for passes of 11, 6 and 17 and the quarterback chipped in with a crucial 15-yard run. Robert Daniels did the TD honors on a one-yard run. The PAT boot was wide and 'Dosta had a 19-12 lead with 6:09 left to play.

Moultrie still wasn't out of it since the Packers still could overhaul the 'Cats by scoring a TD and making good on a two point PAT try. That's what they wanted, but they didn't get it.

The Packers did launch a last-minute drive. They went from their own 39 to the Valdosta 15. Then the middle of VHS defensive line, namely Hendry, Everson and Quillin, crashed through and jarred Singletary loose from the football. Everson claimed the pigskin for the 'Cats to end Moultrie's last serious bid for victory.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 19-53, Johnson 2-6, C. Daniels 8-21, Anderson 11-86, Branam 1-1, R. Daniels 1-1; Moultrie — Singletary 9-35, Mock 17-58, Hammock 6-5, Stancil 7-14, Lamar 3-0, Stephens 1-2, Tucker 3-5.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 13-25-183, Johnson 0-1-0; Moultrie — Singletary 4-20-40; Lamar 0-1-0.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — R. Rome 5-85, C. Daniels 1-40, Johnson 4-18, S. Rome 3-20; Moultrie — Mock 4-40.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Johnson 1-5; Moultrie — Faircloth 1-7.

Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Clarksten 1-10; Moultrie 1-17, Lamar 1-18, Stephens 2-50.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Everson 15, Quillin 12, Bazemore 9, Savage 7, Lee 5, Hendry 5, R. Daniels 5, Rountree 4, Rowe 4, Marshall 4, Bell 4.

C. Daniels 2, Ron Daniels 2; Moultrie — Ross 10, Hammock 4, Woodberry 3, Collins 7, Faircloth 5, McWilliams 5, Fipps 4, Downmeyer 3, Tucker 1.

LINEUPS

Valdosta

Ends: Roger Rome, Stanford Ross, Rountree, Marshall, Clarksten, Tackles: Demerrosman, Dewar, Hendry, Quillin, Johnson, Branam, Guards: Thomas, Mabry, Everson, W. Lester, Centers: Dewar, Ronald Daniels, Goffrey.

Backs: Charles Daniels, McCaskill, Anderson, Savage, Lee, Robert Daniels, Bell, Johnson, Bounds, Moore, Bazemore, LaFite.

Moultrie

Ends: Robinson, Collins, Tony Downmeyer, Tackles: Carter, Edna, Palmer, Burroughs, Guards: Woodberry, Ross, McWilliams, Durham, Mabry.

Centers: Herring, Fipps, Backs: Singletary, Faircloth, G & F, Harvey, Mock, Stevens, Howard, Turner, Hammock, Holloway, Tucker, Jordan, Howell.

Scores By Quarters

Valdosta 6 0 0 13-19
Moultrie 6 6 0 0-12
Scoring: Valdosta — TD — C. Daniels (60 yd pass from Bounds), Bounds (25 yd run), R. Daniels (17 yd run); PATs — Bazemore (placekicks) Moultrie — TD — Mock (17 yd run), Collins (15 yd run after pass interception).

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'Dosta, Moultrie Provided Thrills

There were happy fans on one side of the field and disappointed ones on the other, but everyone in the stadium got their money's worth of football excitement.

That's the way things went this past Friday night at Moultrie when coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats trimmed coach Bud Willis' Packers, 19-12, in a high school grid battle which took more sharp and unexpected turns than a switch-back trail up a mountain.



GLASSMAN

Because Valdosta triumphed, it was the 'Cats' faithfuls who were happy. That also included Bazemore, who for the first time this year flashed a big victory smile, which is something he reserves for special occasions.

"I'm very proud of our boys, all of them, for the way they hung in there and pulled the game out of the fire," Baze said.

Willis and the Packer fans were disappointed. They had the 'Cats down 12-6 after three quarters. But as the Moultrie coach said, "couldn't hold them." VHS rallied in the final stanza to triumph.

The win was the sixth straight for 'Dosta this season and the loss was the first for Moultrie after five victories. VHS now has undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings.

What made the game such a thriller, and almost gave Bazemore and Willis nervous breakdowns, were the number of turnovers and the fact that the contest could have gone either way until the final couple of minutes of play when a fumble recovery by the 'Cats' stopped a Moultrie march at the Valdosta 15.

VHS lost the pigskin six times, on three fumbles and three pass interceptions. Moultrie gave up the football six times, on five pass interceptions and that last minute bobble.

It was a game of vital importance and the players of both teams were obviously keyed up, which accounts for many of the things which happened.

What pleased Bazemore was the fact that the 'Cats, despite the wild and woolly nature of the game, did what they had to when it counted the most on both offense and defense. And that, in the final analysis, is most often the difference between winning and losing.



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Happy Junior Miss Winners

Janice Wilson, center, won the Junior Miss title here Saturday night over 13 other contestants. First runner-up was Debra Wells, right, and second runner-up was Brenda Jo Cole of Nashville, Ga. Other finalists were Kay Coats, third runner-up, and Ann Mor-

row, fourth runner-up. The pageant was sponsored by the Valdosta High School Band Boosters. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson, Valdosta's first Junior Miss is a senior at VHS. She is to compete in the district competition in St. Louis, Mo.



MISS MARCIA JANE OWENS

Betrothal Of Miss Owens To Mr. McRae Announced

SPANISH FORT, Ala. — Dr. and Mrs. Robert N. Owens of Spanish Fort announce the engagement of their daughter, Marcia Jane Owens, to John Henry McRae, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Hamilton McRae of Melbourne, Fla.

The wedding will take place on Dec. 19 at Christ Episcopal Church at Valdosta, Ga.

Miss Owens was graduated from Fairhope, Ala., High School and Valdosta State College, where she was secretary and parliamentarian of Sock and Buskin drama club, secretary - treasurer of Alpha Psi Omega drama fraternity, received 1966 best stage technical award, 1968 outstanding performance award and was a member of Cardinal Key honor sorority and DSR - TKA debate fraternity. She is employed as a teacher of speech and drama at Valdosta High School.

She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Parker of Sand Springs, Okla., and the late Dr. and Mrs. Mead B. Owens of Newport, Ark.

Mr. McRae was graduated from Melbourne High School and Middle Georgia College, where he was named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. He expects to be graduated in December from Valdosta State College and is a member of Beta Phi Gamma honorary journalism fraternity, Alpha Psi Omega honorary drama fraternity and Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity. He won the Ulysses Grant Dubarh scholarship award, best affirmative award for debating 1969 - 70 and outstanding performance award 1969 - 70.

He is the grandson of Mrs. John Henry Williams of New Orleans, La., the late Mr. Williams, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Hampton McRae of Blackshear.

'Cats Notch Seventh Win With Sparkling Air Show

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats put on a sparkling aerial show as they tripped up Monroe's Golden Tornadoes, 40-6, here Friday night.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats struck for 244 yards and four touchdowns via the air route in the Region 1-AAA triumph over coach Winfred Binson's Tornadoes from Albany.

A crowd of approximately 7,500 looked on as Valdosta racked up its seventh straight win

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Monroe
First Downs	21	7
Yards Rushing	145	76
Yards Passing	244	46
Passes	15-23	3-8
Pass Int. by	1	1
Fumbles Lost	3	3
Punting	0-0	5-40.6
Penalties	10-60	9-71

this season and kept a firm grip on the 1-AAA lead. VHS has now gone 34 games without a loss in a streak which stretched back into the 1967 season. There is one tie in the string.

The setback left Monroe with a 2-3-2 chart.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds was the man who triggered most of Valdosta's aerial bursts. He connected on 14 of 21 tosses for 239 yards, threw for three TDs and scored another himself, after helping set it up with an aerial bomb.

Bounds hit and Roger Rome with one 12-yard scoring strike through the air and got off TD pitches of 20 and 25 yards to end Stanford Rome.

The quarterback scored on a six-inch sneak, which followed a 40-yard pass completion to halfback Dan Johnson.

Reserve QB Dick Parker got in on the act by throwing five yards to Roger Rome for a TD. Johnson accounted for the other VHS tally on a determined 13-yard run.

While the go-unit was free wheeling, Valdosta's defenders did a very efficient job of holding the Tornadoes' attack in check. Monroe got 122 yards in total offense, and accounted for most of that during an 81-yard scoring march against the VHS reserves in the final minutes of the game. The visitor's lone TD came on a one-yard run by full back Lorenzo Stubbs.

Middle guard Mike Everson was credited with 10 tackles and middle linebacker Robert Savage accounted for nine stops to pace the 'Cats in this department.

Valdosta recovered three Monroe fumbles with Everson, Vance Quillin and Edwin Pompey doing the honors. Outside linebacker Curt Bazemore chipped in with a pass interception.

Here's the way things went: First quarter — On Valdosta's first offensive series the Wildcats moved 80 yards in 15 plays to score. The payoff was a 12-yard TD pass from Bounds to Roger Rome. Curt Bazemore's PAT boot was blocked by Monroe's Willie Kelson and VHS had a 6-0 lead.

Second period — VHS' Quillin recovered a fumble at mid-field and Valdosta started moving again. The 'Cats actually



Valdosta Quarterback Stanley Bounds (15) Has Spotted An Open Receiver And Is Ready To Fire A Pass

scored, on a nine-yard toss for two points. Valdosta owned from Bounds to Roger Rome, a 14-0 lead at the half.

Third period — Valdosta racked up three touchdowns in this stanza to put the game out of reach. Monroe tried an onside kickoff, but VHS wound up with the football at the 50.

Five plays later Bounds tossed one 25 yards to Stanford Rome for a score.

Then VHS covered 80 yards in 11 plays for another tally. Johnson got this one on a 13-yard sweep around left end. He appeared trapped at the five, but ducked his head, kept digging and didn't stop until he

reached paydirt.

Moments later Everson recovered a Monroe bobble at the Tornadoes 20. On the next play Bounds tossed a TD pass to Stanford Rome.

Fourth quarter — In the face of a big rush, Monroe failed to get off a punt and VHS got possession at the Tornadoes' 30. Five plays later Parker tossed one five yards to Roger Rome for Valdosta's sixth touchdown.

For the first time Monroe got its attack going and covered 81 yards in 15 plays for its only touchdown of the night. Stubbs got the TD on an one-yard plunge. The big plays in the drive were a 23-yard run by Stubbs and a 22-yard pass from Richmond Davis to Dewey Gibson.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 7-13, LeFiles 5-10, Anderson 4-7, C. Daniels 8-49, Johnson 1-14, R. Rowe 1-2, Mabry 1-2, Parker 1-5, Clarkston 4-21, O'Nealy 3-19; Monroe — Davis 4-minus 20, Gibson 17-42, McKinney 5-11, Johnson 2-0, Stubbs 3-29, Perry 6-20, Jackson 1 minus 6.
Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 14-21-239, Parker 1-1-5, R. Rowe 0-1-0; Monroe — Davis 3-8-46.
Pass Receiving: Valdosta — R. Rowe 4-46, C. Daniels 1-8, Johnson 4-85, LeFiles 1-13, S. Rowe 5-93; Monroe — Clemons 1-5, Johnson 1-8, Gibson 1-22, Perry 1-11.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Johnson 2-0. Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Mabry 1-5, Parker 1-26; Monroe — Clemons 1-0, Perry 2-32, Spencer 1-18, Johnson 2-28, Gibson 1-4.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Everson 10, Savage 9, Quillin 7, Rowe 5, Godfrey 4, Hendry 4, Rountree 3, Ron Daniels 3, Lee 3, Bazemore 3, R. Daniels 3; Monroe — Williams 7, Brown 6; Smith 5, S. Smith 5, St. Jackson 4, Clemons 4.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA
Ends: Rome, Welch, Marshall, tree, Roger Rome, Netter.
Tackles: Quillin, Hendry, Dewar, Johnson, Wilbon, Akins, Earnest.
Guards: Everson, Herron, Simpson, Tillman, Mabry, Calvin Lester, Joseph Register.
Centers: Stanaland, Godfrey, Ronald Daniels, Lester, Lloyd, Irby, Lore.
Backs: Bazemore, Bounds, Johnson, Bell, Robert Daniels, LeFiles, Lee, Rowe, Savage, Pompey, Anderson, Charles Daniels, Clarkston, Griffin, Strickland, O'Neal, Parker, Deloach, Lane, Sansberry.
MONROE
Ends: Myron Jackson, Williams, Clyde, Clemons, Kelson, Burch.
Tackles: Allen, Barrance, Ward, Gibson, Nelson.
Guards: Smith, Nelson, Brown.
Centers: Lemon, Lewis Smith, Whaley.

Backs: McKinney, Johnson, Boone, Spann, Dewey Gibson, Davis, Isreal, Smith, Robinson, Stubbs, Cochran, Perry.
Score by Quarters:
Valdosta 6 8 19 7-40
Monroe 0 0 0 6-6
Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — R. Rome 2 (12 yd. pass from Bounds, 5 yd. pass from Parker), S. Rome 2 (25 yd. and 20 yd. passes from Bounds), Bounds (1 yd. run), Johnson (13 yd. run); PATS — Bazemore 2 (placements), Johnson 2 points from Bounds), Monroe — TDs — Stubbs (1 yd. run).

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Emotional Election

VHS Seniors Pick Officers

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

In an emotion filled election to choose senior class officers this morning at Valdosta High School, David Bentley won over his Negro opponent, Gwendolyn Thompson.

Bentley, a white youth who is also president of the Distributive Education Club at VHS, won by a solid block white vote in the election held in the auditorium.

Only a handful of Negro students bothered to cast their votes for Miss Thompson after it was evident that Bentley had a plurality victory.



DAVID BENTLEY
New President

There are about 360 seniors at VHS this year. The racial ratio is about 65 per cent white to about 35 per cent Negro.

Less than 300 seniors were in the meeting today because of the extended day program which has students arriving on campus all day from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Using Roberts Rules of Order to conduct the class election in

an impartial way VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green repeatedly looked up various issues raised by students during the two hour elections.

Green told the students that if a white class president was elected, a Negro vice president would have to be chosen or vice versa. He said the offices of secretary and treasury could go to either race.

He also gave the seniors a choice of how they wanted to declare winners. The Negroes, with some whites, block voted on the plurality method while most white students chose the majority technique. The plurality method was won by 138 for to 114 for the majority.

Several students were nominated for the top class office and declined in an effort to keep one candidate from each race in the running.

There was some question as to whether David Lassiter, who signified his acceptance of the nomination by going to the front of the auditorium, would withdraw after the nominations were closed.

Green, in an obvious attempt to conduct a fair election consulted the Roberts Rule Book. He told the group that he could not find anything which covered this particular situation.

The Negro students indicated they wanted Lassiter in the running in hopes the white votes would be split between the two boys.

Green asked the students to settle the issue by a vote as to whether Lassiter's name should remain in nomination.

There were 168 whites voting to allow him to withdraw while 115 Negroes voted to keep his name before the class.

Green called for the vote between Miss Thompson and Bentley after that issue was settled. The majority of Negroes did not even vote after the solid white vote.

When Green declared Bentley winner, a heated verbal exchange broke out in the rear of the auditorium between a white and Negro youth. Teachers and other students moved in to prevent any further happenings.

The students later apologized outside the auditorium for the incident.

Miss Thompson asked for all students to cooperate with the officers elected and said "what is fair is fair." She pledged her support to Bentley and received a burst of applause from students and faculty members of both races.

The other offices are to be decided upon by written ballot taken in the auditorium this morning.

Nominated for vice president are Miss Thompson and football star Roger Rome. The secretary's post is being sought by Patricia Ann Johnson, a Negro, and Becky Eager, Martha Alice Giddens and Jeanie Guest, all white students.

Carol Rutland, a Negro, and Beth Sullivan, a white student, are candidates for treasurer.

The winners are to be announced this afternoon. Sophomore elections are to be held this afternoon and junior elections are scheduled for Thursday.

VHS 9th Grader Wins Essay Honor

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Charlotte Eanes, a ninth grader, has been elected president of the Tri - Hi - Y at the Valdosta High School - Pinevale Campus and has won second place in a state essay contest.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Eanes, the student received \$100 for her prize in the state contest sponsored by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Miss Eanes' award winning essay was "Causes of The War Between the States."

The student was one of two state winners cited by the Georgia Municipal Association for their outstanding research projects in the 1970 Social Science Fair.

Miss Eanes was a student at St. John Catholic School here when she submitted her entry in the regional fair in Valdosta. She did her project on housing conditions here.

She and other Tri-Hi-Y officers were elected by popular vote for the 1970-71 year. Other officers include Judy Wethington, vice president; Lucille



CHARLOTTE EANES
Tri-Hi-Y Head Too

Gates, secretary; Nancy Johnson, treasurer, and Carol Harrison, chaplain.

According to Miss Eanes, the club is working on beautification projects on campus. So far the group has made 29 flower arrangements for tables in the lunchroom.

VHS Has Sights On 7th Victory

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be gunning for their seventh straight win and trying to hang on to the Region 1-AAA lead when they meet Monroe's Golden Tornadoes here Friday night.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and Winfred Binson's Tornadoes from Albany is set for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.

Valdosta boosted its record to 6-0 and took over undisputed possession of first place in the 1-AAA standings with a 19-12 win over previously unbeaten Moultrie last week.

VHS will be risking both its victory streak and its league leadership against a Monroe team which owns a 2-2-2 record and has upset ambitions.

"Our boys really shouldn't need to be reminded that both Moultrie and Thomasville have 5-1 records and are breathing right down our necks in the region race," Bazemore said. "We've had our share of tough games and we're in for another one against Monroe."

"The Tornadoes have a strong-armed quarterback, a set of fleet running backs, a



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VANCE QUILLIN Defensive Vet

pass receiver who is 6-7 and very agile and a tough defense which is anchored by a line-backer who weighs 232 pounds."

Monroe's strong-armed quarterback is Richmond Davis, a three-season veteran. Among the Tornadoes' swift running backs are Marion Mc-

Kinley, Frank Johnson and Lorenzo Stubbs. The 6 - 7 pass catching dandy is split end Myron Jackson. The 232-pounder on defense is middle line-backer Willie Gibson.

In a come-from-behind win over Moultrie last week Valdosta's attack featured the passing of quarterback Stanley Bounds, who threw for one touchdown and set up the other two with his air strikes.

VHS' defensive effort include five pass interceptions and a lot of hard-nose play from three veterans in the middle of the line, tackles Vance Quillin and Ralph Hendry and middle guard Mike Everson.

The 'Cats did have their problems. They lost the football six times on fumbles and interceptions.

"We're winning, but were still making some of the same mistakes game after game," Bazemore said. "We've got to eliminate the mistakes. Monroe, as usual, has speed to burn. If we make a mistake against them they're really going to make us pay for it."

In the Moultrie game deep back John Hampton, one of the 'Cats more experienced defensive back, suffered a broken arm. He not only won't play against Monroe, but it is feared he's lost for the remainder of the season.

On the plus side, offensive halfback Jimmy LeFiles, who has been hampered by a knee injury, is reported much improved and is listed among Valdosta's probable starters for tomorrow night.

The full list of probable starters for both teams follows:

VALDOSTA

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (170, fresh.) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (200, jr.) and Steve Stanaland (200, jr.), guards Wayne Simpson (190, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (190, sr.), center Robert Dewar (215, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (160, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Jimmy LeFiles (165, sr.) and fullback Willie Anderson (190, jr.).

Defense — ends Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and George Rountree (170, soph.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Everson (210, sr.), linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.), Robert Daniels (190, fresh.), Robert Savage (180, sr.) and John Bell (160, sr.) and deep backs Curtis Lee (165, sr.) and Gary Rowe (165, soph.).

MONROE

Offense — ends Myron Jackson (170, sr.) and Emmanuel Clemons (160, sr.), tackles Marvin Barrance (184, jr.) and Charles Nelson (168, soph.), guards Logan Nelson (158, sr.) and Tim Allen (180, jr.), center Lewis Smith (165, sr.), quarterback Richmond Davis (180, sr.), halfbacks Marion McKinley (175, sr.) and Frank Johnson (172, sr.) and fullback Lorenzo Stubbs (163, sr.).

Defense — ends Willie Clyde (179, sr.) and Nelson, tackles Marcus Whaley (195, jr.) and Willie Ward (168, jr.), linebackers Ulysses Williams (175, sr.), Willie Gibson (232, sr.), Wallace Brown (180, jr.) and John Jackson (180, sr.), corner backs Bernard Spann (195, soph.) and Walter White (165, jr.) and safety Jackson.

Wildcats Picked To Beat Monroe

Just about all you can say about my football predictions last week is that I maintained my average for the season.

I picked the right team in 34 games and made 13 bum guesses for a .723 mark. That added just one point to my season average and it now stands at 189-73—.721.

We've now moved into the second half of both the high school and college campaigns. But believe me, it isn't getting any easier to make accurate forecasts.

Let's start with the prep offerings and then look at the collegiate list a little later.

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VALDOSTA VS MONROE

— Valdosta's Wildcats will be gunning for their seventh straight win when they host Monroe's Golden Tornadoes here tonight. Monroe has a 2-2-2 record and ambitions to trim the 'Cats and knock them out of the Region 1-AAA lead. I don't think 'Dosta will get caught napping. I'm picking the Wildcats.

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'Cats Play Friday

Just so there won't be any doubts in the minds of any fans, Valdosta High's football Wildcats are to meet Westover's Patriots on FRIDAY night at Albany.

Some printed schedules which have wide distribution among the VHS fans have the game listed for Saturday — but Friday is the correct night.

The confusion occurred because four schools in Albany, Westover, Monroe, Dougherty and Albany High, all must play their home games at the same stadium.

They get together and decide among themselves who will use the stadium on Friday and who will use it on Saturday when two of them are to play at home the same weekend.

One pre-season announcement out of Albany had the VHS-Westover game set for Saturday, Oct. 31. Then after some schedules had been printed and distributed here, word was received that the 'Cats and Pats would meet on Friday, Oct. 30. It was too late to correct the printed slates.

Suit Watches Game, Then Politicks

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Hal Suit said he was coming to Valdosta Friday night to watch a football game, and the busy politician actually took two hours out of his politicking schedule to do it.

Suit, the Republican gubernatorial candidate, stationed himself in the south stands and remained seated until Valdosta High School was through thrashing Monroe of Albany, 40-6, before he started shaking hands and asking for help against Jimmy Carter Nov. 3.

Maybe it was because he enjoys football that much, and maybe it was because he knows Valdosta people are bigger foot-

ball fans than they are governor fans.

Regardless it paid off because the response was warm. When he was introduced over the public address system, there was a polite applause, and afterwards children flocked to Suit asking him to autograph football programs, school spirit ribbons and admission tickets.

Suit, formerly of Albany, hadn't seen Valdosta play since 1958 when Albany High School defeated the Wildcats and went on to win the State Class AAA championship.

After Friday's game Suit had the usual words of praise

for Valdosta grid accomplishments and then went to work talking politics.

He said although there is a belief among many that Carter is running ahead of him at this point, "if the election were today I wouldn't bet a nickel on how it would go."

He pointed out that although Carter got many more votes in Democratic primaries than he got in the GOP primary, people tend to forget that 400,000 of Georgia's registered voters sat out both primaries.

He attributed the larger turnout in the Democratic primary to local races and Lester Maddox.

On the subject of Maddox, Suit reminded that he and another newsman gave the governor a place to sleep in 1964 when he arrived late at Atlantic City, N.J., for the Democratic National Convention. Suit was then working as a newscaster for WSB-TV in Atlanta.

He criticized Carter for being too much of a "politician" in making bad deals with the "Ralph Dawsons and the Hosea Williams" when he didn't need to because he already had the Democratic nomination in the bag.

He called Carter a "Hubert Humphrey liberal" pointing out he supported a straight Democratic ticket in the 1964 and 1968 national elections.

Of his own party, Suit said he would not support a Republican merely because he is a Republican. He said he would go down the line with a Richard Nixon-Spiro Agnew ticket and people similar to their philosophy but would balk as a Republican at New York Mayor John Lindsey.

"Lindsey ought to get out of the Republican Party," Suit said.

Asked about Agnew's planned visit to Albany Wednesday, Suit said: "I'm not bringing him in. The people of South Georgia are bringing him."

He said the purpose of Agnew's visit is to meet the peo-

ple and he does not know how much good it will do his campaign.

Operation's Over

DE Club Still Collects Clothes

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Clothes are still coming into the distributive education department at Valdosta High School although Operation Bundle is officially over.

for poor families netted about 40 boxes of clothing, said DE coordinator Norman Greene. The clothes drive, sponsored locally by the DE Club, was part of a statewide effort to collect clothing for needy families here and throughout Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia.

Operation Bundle began last week, but after a couple of days, less than half a box had been collected. A plea from DE members for more clothes resulted in a community wide participation in the project.

"We had a lot of student participation plus a lot of outside response from adults," said Greene.

He explained that clothes are still continuing to come in to the DE department. The clothes are being packed by

club members and are to be sent to Atlanta for distribution.

In other DE news, four club members attended the officers training conference held at Macon this week. Students attending the meeting were president David Bentley, southeast district chairman David Hunt, secretary Patti Parrish and parliamentarian Robert Orr.

The purpose of the OTC was to help develop leadership in local club offices and to give officers instructions on how to better carry out their individual duties.

Housed at the Dempsey Motel in Macon, about 350 delegates from all over the state took part in the conference.

Other officers of the club include Becky Eager, vice president, Mary Alice King, second vice president; JoLynn Johnson, treasurer; Judi Bernard, reporter; Beth Howell, historian; Larry Stalvey, sergeant-at-arms, and Terrie Hartley, sweetheart.

VHS Coach Isn't Ready To Relax

Everyone seemed to be in a relaxed mood after Valdosta High's football Wildcats racked up Monroe's Golden Tornadoes, 40-6, here Friday night.

Well, not exactly everyone, VHS' head coach Wright Bazemore had a worried look and admitted there is still cause for concern in the Wildcats' camp.

"We're on top, but the pressure is building rather than diminishing," Bazemore said. "Sure I'm worried."

That triumph over Monroe was the seventh in as many starts this season for the Wildcats. They are leading the Region 1-AAA race and are the only team in the league to make it this far without a loss.

But Moultrie, with a 6-1 chart, and Thomasville and Tift County (Tifton), with matching 5-2 records, still haven't been eliminated from contention.

Valdosta still must play Westover (Albany), Tift and cross-town rival Lowndes. The key match in the trio appears

to be the one with Tift, but Bazemore doesn't see it that way.

"You've got to play the games as they turn up on your schedule," Baze allowed. "If we go to Albany next Friday to play Westover and are thinking about Tift, we could get into trouble quickly. And let me tell you (coach) Noel George is bringing Lowndes along swiftly. They're improving every week. And Westover, you tell me something about them. We've never played them before. We don't know what to expect."

"At the start of a season everyone is keyed up, and if you're fortunate enough to win a few games early you don't seem to mind the pressure. But being on top and having everyone shoot at you week after week gets to be a heavy burden to carry.

"We're feeling the pressure. We know it's there. We all want to relax, but if we do we're going to get nailed.

"What our boys have got to do is reach down and come up with that extra effort we're going to need from here on out. You better believe I'm worried. We're leading the region race, but we haven't clinched a thing."

Yes, indeed, the pressure on the 'Cats is building each week rather than diminishing.

'Dosta-Westover Pass Duel Seen

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats are to meet the Westover Patriots at Albany Friday and Region 1-AAA's two leading passers will be tossing the pigskin from opposite sides of the line of scrimmage that night.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and coach Jerry Clark's Pats is slated for 8 p. m. at Albany's Mills Memorial Stadium.

Valdosta quarterback Stanley Bounds is 1-AAA's leading passer. He's hit on 63 of 106 tosses for 1,005 yards. His nearest rival is Westover signal caller Danny Joiner, who has connected on 55 of 95 tosses for 583 yards.

With the help of Bounds' accurate right arm the 'Cats have rolled to seven straight wins this season and top the 1-AAA standings. A win against Westover is a must if the 'Cats are to stay out front.

Westover, a newcomer to the region, has a 2-3-2 mark, but has come on strong lately with Joiner leading the charge.

Bounds' favorite aerial targets are ends Roger Rome (24-347) and Stanford Rome and halfback Dan Johnson (22-402). They're the top three receivers in the region.

Joiner's favorite receiver is end Neal Allen, who has pulled in 13 tosses for 281 yards.

While both teams are air-minded, they also have talented runners. VHS rushing leaders are halfback Charles Daniels (56-292) and fullback Willie Anderson (45-213). Westover's leading rusher is fullback Mike Baxter, who has picked up 319 yards on 79 carries. Last week in a 14-13 win over Bainbridge, Baxter ripped off 116 yards on 21 tries.

"Westover has a big, strong offensive line which gives Joiner good protection when he throws," Bazemore said. "And he's a fine passer, you can be sure of that. He's sure to give us lots of trouble."

The blocking by the men up front on VHS' offensive unit

must also be given a big share of the credit for Bounds' passing success. They include the Rome brothers, Roger and Stanford, at end, tackles Paul Demersseman and Steve Stanaland, guards Wayne Simpson and Jashua Mabry and center Robert Dewar.

It figures to be a busy night for the defensive units of both teams, and the Valdosta stop'em unit has been hurt by injuries.

Two weeks ago deep back John Hampton went to the sideline with a broken arm. Tackle Vance Quillin suffered a bruised hip against Monroe last week. Then Ralph Hendry, also a tackle, stepped on a nail in an off-the-field mishap this past weekend. Hampton is out for the remainder of the season and Quillin and Hendry are doubtful for tomorrow night.

The 'Cats also have three offensive backs on the ailing list. They are quarterbacks Darrell Branam and Dick Parker, both

with bad knees, and fullback Robert McCaskill, who has a bum leg.

The probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

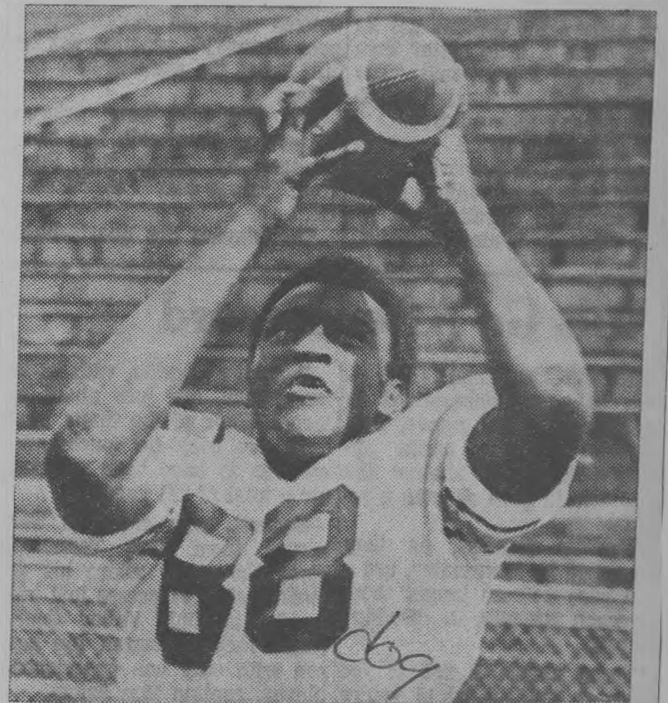
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Defense — ends — George Rountree (170, soph.) and Mike Welch (165, jr.), tackles Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and Mike Everson (210, sr.), middle guard Willie Lester (165, sr.), linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.), Robert Savage (180, sr.), Robert Daniels (190, fresh.) and John Bell (160, sr.) and deep backs Curtis Lee (165, sr.) and Gary Rowe (165, soph.).

WESTOVER

Offense — ends Richard Trimbill (148, sr.) and Neal Allen (172, sr.), tackles Carlos Blankenship (188, sr.) and Asa Kelly (190, sr.), guards Jeff Green (200, jr.) and Brocky Brock (228, jr.), center Bill Brown (192, jr.), quarterback Danny Joiner (155, sr.), halfbacks Ricky Hankins (155, sr.) and Robert Russell (140, sr.) and fullback Mike Baxter (182, jr.).

Defense — ends Eddie Loosier (155, sr.) and David Lawhorn (173, sr.), tackles Mike Moore (173, sr.) and Warren Field (182, jr.), linebackers Kenny Harrison (187, sr.), Warren Field (182, jr.) and Neil Dixon (160, sr.), corner backs Lee Johnson (150, jr.) and Donnie Bryan (130, sr.) and deep backs Mike Haggerty (155, sr.) and Bud...



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VHS' Talented Receiver Roger Rome



-Times Mail Photo

Ricky LeFiles and Eddie Barham Look Over Questionnaires: Found Students To Be Honest in Answers

VHS Survey

Many Students Favor Pot

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Out of 351 students at Valdosta High School who participated in a drug abuse survey, 104 said they had been offered marijuana.

There were 37 who said they had tried marijuana and 60 who indicated they would smoke pot if it were legalized.

The results of the questionnaires have been compiled by VHS students in a senior survey class taught by Jimmy Copeland. The students who conducted the survey and compiled the results were Ricky Fiveash, Turner Brice, Richard LeFiles and Ed Barham.

The four seniors took on the drug survey as a project to earn a grade and to find out for themselves what was happening at VHS on the drug scene.

Some faculty members have been surprised at the findings, others said the results were in line with what

they thought to be going on among VHS youth.

LeFiles and Barham also thought the survey would turn out as it did. They think the students who participated in the project were honest in their answers.

"They didn't have any reason not to be. They didn't sign their names," said LeFiles.

Barham explained that the questionnaires were handed out to students in early morning classes. They were asked to indicate their sex, race, age and class.

"I think the faculty could have done the same thing we did and gotten the same thing out of it as long as the students didn't have to sign their names," said LeFiles.

The questionnaire was given to Negro and white students from all three grades.

There were 87 who felt marijuana should be legalized while 256 said it shouldn't.

Do you think the penalty for marijuana is too strict brought 106 affirmatives to 203 negatives.

There were 215 who said they thought marijuana "a harmful narcotic even though it has been proven it is not a narcotic." There were 131 who felt it isn't harmful.

Do you think marijuana is more or less harmful than alcohol had 214 who felt it more harmful and 124 who felt it was less harmful.

There were 84 who said they wanted to smoke marijuana but haven't tried it while 259 said they'd never try.

A parent of a high school student who asked not to be identified said the significant thing is that 37 out of 351 students admit trying marijuana while another 84 say they have wanted to try it.

"Now if they want to try it, they'll no doubt do so, at

least most of them. I think this says a lot. According to these figures, marijuana is attractive to about 1-3 of those surveyed," said the parent.

The 46 students in the class are divided in their feelings about drugs. There are about 15 who have no comment on the subject, about seven who are for legalizing pot and others who are opposed to marijuana, said Barham.

LeFiles said he thinks no more than five students at VHS take acid and he hasn't heard of any heroine users.

"That isn't to say there isn't any. I just haven't heard about it," he said.

LeFiles and Barham are both opposed to any sort of legalization of marijuana. They feel marijuana is just a stepping stone to hard drug use.

"I don't feel we really know enough about marijuana," said Barham.

Wildcats Blitz Pats For Eighth Triumph

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

ALBANY — Valdosta High's football Wildcats stayed on the victory trail as they blitzed Westover's Patriots, 47-0, in a Region 1-AAA outing here Friday night.

The win was the eighth in a row this season for coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and kept them atop the 1-AAA standings. VHS has now gone 35

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Westover
First Downs	17	4
Yards Rushing	199	7
Yards Passing	251	70
Passes	13-21	9-23
Passes Intc. by	3	0
Penalties	10-125	5-25
Punting	2-37.5	6-36.0
Fumbles Lost	3	3

games without a loss in a string which dates back into the 1967 campaign. There is one tie in the streak.

Westover's loss left coach Jerry Clark's Patriots with a 2-4-2 chart. It was Westover's first football meeting ever with Valdosta.

A slim crowd of approximately 2,000 turned out for the tilt with the threat of rain in the air. VHS dominated all the way on both offense and defense.

The 'Cats piled up 450 yards in total offense while limiting the Pats to just 77. VHS' yardage and point totals both would have been much higher if they hadn't drawn 10 penalties which cost them 125 yards and nullified three touchdowns.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds had a direct hand in the scoring of five of the seven VHS TDs which were allowed to stand. He tallied three times himself, on runs of 3, 12 and 8 yards, and passed 16 yards to Dan Johnson and six yards to Roger Rome for two more.

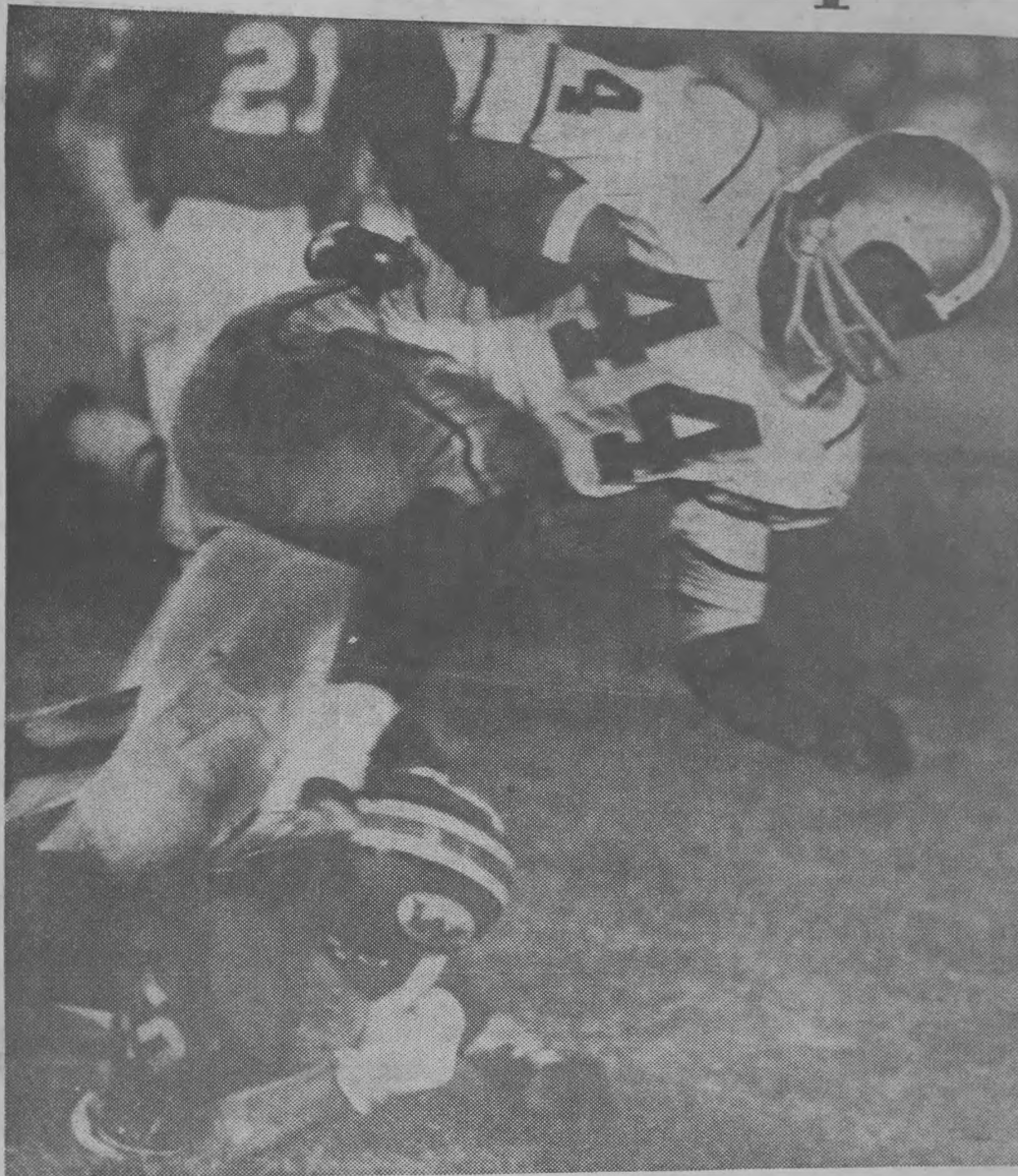
Johnson got another marker on an 11-yard romp and linebacker Robert Savage tallied one when he picked up a Westover fumble and scampered 37 yards to paydirt. A 30-yard return after a pass interception set up another of VHS' marker.

Wiped out by penalties were scoring runs of 15 yards by Bounds, 70 yards by Willie Anderson and one-yard by Charles Daniels.

For the night Bounds hit on 12 of 19 passes for 239 yards and he finished with a net of 23 yards rushing on six tries. Stanford Rome pulled in five of Bounds' tosses that were good for 123 yards.

Valdosta's hard-hitting defenders limited the Pats to seven yards rushing. And Westover quarterback Danny Joiner was able to hit on just nine of 23 tosses for 70 yards. Three of Joiner's aerials were intercepted.

Here's the way things went:
FIRST QUARTER — The game was still very young when VHS' Gary Rowe intercepted a pass at the Westover 44. The 'Cats moved to the nine but stalled. They got another drive



—Times Staff Photos

VHS' Charles Daniels (44) Runs Over A Westover Defender

going, but a fumble at the Pats' 33 stopped this march.

SECOND QUARTER — Valdosta settled this issue with a four-touchdown outburst in this period. Willie Lester recovered a Westover bobble at the Pats' 35 and seven plays later Bounds scored on a three-yard run.

Lester covered another Westover bobble at the Pats' 37. 'Dosta moved into the two, was set back to the 20 by a penalty and then moved forward again to the 12. When a high snap from center sailed over Bounds' head he went back to the 35, chased down the football, picked it up and raced to the end zone. Bounds did some nifty broken field running and got several excellent blocks along the way.

VHS was moving like a steamroller now. The 'Cats wheeled 57 yards in seven plays to score again. The payoff was a 16-yard pass from Bounds to Johnson. Big gainers were a 23 yard Bounds-to-Jashua Mabry pass and an 19 - yard aerial from Bounds to Charles Daniels.

The 'Cats got still another TD

ly before the half by covering 71 yards in five plays. A 50-yard air strike from Bounds to Stanford Rome was the big gainer and the QB tallied on an 8-yard romp. Bounds ran 15 yards for another TD, but a penalty wiped this one off the books.

THIRD QUARTER — The second half opened with VHS' Anderson galloping 70 yards to paydirt, but it was nullified by a penalty. Valdosta, however, was to score two TDs which counted in this period.

Savage intercepted a pass and ran 30 yards to the Pats' one. Charles Daniels scored, but a penalty nullified the tally and put Valdosta back on the six. Bounds passed six yards to Roger Rome, and this time the score was allowed to stand.

Westover bobbled the football, Savage scooped it up and went 37 yards to paydirt.

FOURTH — Valdosta's and the game's final scoring drive covered 72 yards in 10 plays. Johnson got the TD on an 11-yard run. The big gainer was a 32-yard sprint by Pat O'Neal.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 6-23, Johnson 4-14, LeFiles 4-16, Anderson 8-41, C. Daniels 10-52, Branam 1-1, O'Neal 5-34, Clarkston 2-9, R. Dames 1-2, DeLoach 2-7, Westover — Joiner 5 minus 4, Godwin 6-4, Hancock 2-3, Dollar 3 minus 3, Harris 1-0, Dixon 4-18.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 12-19-239, Branam 1-2-12; Westover — Joiner 9-23-70.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — C. Daniels 3-49, S. Rome 5-123, Johnson 2-28, Mabry 1-22, R. Rome 2-18, Westover — Hancock 4-33, Gibson 1-17, Blankenship 2-18, Trimbell 1-2.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — C. Daniels 3-28.

Kickoff Returns: Westover — Bryan 5-72, Moree 1-7, Trimbell 3-22.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Rountree 6, Godfrey 4, Lane 4, Griffin 3, Savage 3, Lester 3, Bazemore 3, Lee 2, Everson 2, Westover — Loosier 10, Stephenson 9, Harrison 5, Hancock 4.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: S. Rome, Lester, W. Johnson, Bea, R. Rome, Gordon, Wilbon, Cox.

Tackles: Everson, Herron, Mabry, Simpson, Tillman, Hendry, Quillion, Lore, Lloyd.

Guards: Dewar, Marshall, Payton, Demersseman, Berrian, Clarkston, Rountree, Strickland, Brantley, Nichols.

Centers: Stanaland, Godfrey, Akins, Irby.

Backs: Bazemore, Bounds, Welch, D. Johnson, Moore, Bell, Lane, R. Daniels, C. Daniels, Griffin, LeFiles, Lee Rowe, Savage, Pompey, W. Anderson, Fordham, DeLoach, Goodin, O'Neal.

WESTOVER

Ends: Lawhon, Loosier, Trimbell, Allen, Moree.

Tackles: Kelly, Blankenship, Ferbee, Guards: Green, Harrison, McCall, F. Brown, Brock.

Centers: Stephenson, B. Brown, Field. Backs: Joiner, Hancock, Bryan, L. Johnson, Hankins, Haggerty, Baxter, Rudasill, Dixon, Dollar.

Score by Quarters:

Valdosta 0 26 14 7-47

Westover 0 0 0 0-0

Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — Bounds 3 (3, 12 and 8 runs), Johnson 2 (16 pass from Bounds, 11 run), R. Rome (6 pass from Bounds), Savage (37 run after fumble recovery), PATs — Bazemore 5 (placements).



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Must Be Sorcery'n Brewing

Apparently the witch has Carol Cheshire in her grips in a pre-Halloween haunt through the halls of Valdosta High School. But the witch is only a spectre hung from thin wire in

Carol's classroom and the big thing brewing is a reminder that tonight is the night for those little witches and goblins to roam.

Junior Miss Is Planning For Atlanta Competition

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

When Janice Wilson, 17, goes to Atlanta Jan. 28 for the Georgia Junior Miss pageant, she'll be up against some of the prettiest and most talented high school seniors in the state.

And that's what has the blue-eyed blonde daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson of Valdosta worried. "Now that I think about going to Atlanta I get really scared. I think about all those other girls and how good they'll be," she said.

Miss Wilson won the Junior Miss contest here last month.

The judges for the local event said they feel Valdosta's winner will do well in the state pageant and that she shouldn't worry about the competition.

The vivacious teen-ager is captain of the flag corps in the Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats Band. She is a part-time fashion model and works afternoons and weekends in a dress shop.

Miss Wilson is a member of the Distributive Education Club and was a basketball cheerleader last year.

"With DE and band I don't have time for much else," she explained.

Miss Wilson was first runner-up in the Miss VHS beauty contest last year and was runner-up in the Miss Spirit of Patriotism beauty contest this summer.

The student says her band activities are the most important portion of high school life.

"I enjoy it more. The band



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Janice Wilson: Working on State Title

has done a lot for me and has given me the chance to meet so many different people. The people in our band act like one big family. We all get along and there aren't any problems," she said.

This enjoyment, which stems from pride in oneself and the band, is evidenced each time the group makes an appearance, she said.

"You feel this pride when you join and the atmosphere created by it just grows. Everyone wants to keep up the pride in the band and we always go out there and feel we have to do our best no matter what we're doing," said Miss Wilson.

It was this same competitive spirit which some say helped the flag corps captain to win the local title. The Junior Miss pageant judges select the winners on the basis of personal appearance, scholastic achievement, school activities, personality, talent and general knowledge.

Miss Wilson has never taken ballet lessons in her life but she learned a dance routine which included many ballet steps for the contest. Her teacher for the event, Eleanor Strickland Eldridge, said the VHS senior learned quickly.

"Everybody feels Janice will represent us well in the state event. She has all the things necessary for a Georgia Junior Miss," said a VHS Band Booster. The local contest was sponsored by the band boosters.

School Club Leaders

They Hold Part-Time Jobs

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The new president of the Diversified Cooperative Training Club at Valdosta High School works part-time in a beauty shop as a hair stylist.

The president, Darla Young, attended cosmetology school for her training. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Young of 1714 E. Jane St.

John Williams has been elected to head the Vocational Industrial Club of America chapter at VHS. He is the son of Mamie L. Williams of 917 Lake Park Road.

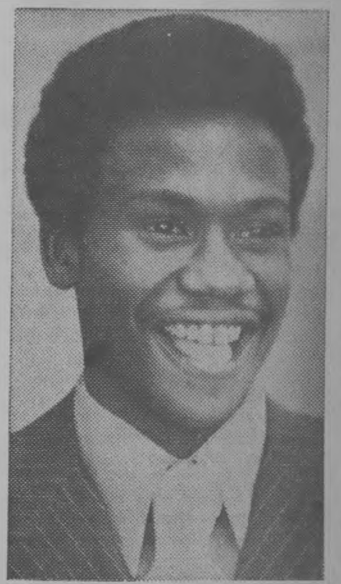
According to DCT coordinator Jim Horn, the VICA is a national organization, while DCT is a state group. The two clubs develop occupational skills for employment in business or industry. Students receive on the job training and work on a part-time basis.

Livi Taylor, DCT coordinator, is advisor for the VICA club.

One of the main DCT projects is the barbeque sponsored jointly each year in the



DARLA YOUNG
Hair Stylist



JOHN WILLIAMS
VICA President

fall with the Distributive Education Club at VHS. DCT members also sponsor an employer - employee banquet each spring.

Williams and VICA member Curtis Head attended the fall planning conference of the Georgia Association of VICA last weekend in Macon.

The two-day affair was held to coordinate activities to be held during this school year, according to a club spokesman.

Other officers of VICA include Linda Stump, vice

president; Patricia Johnson, secretary; Saundra Alderman, treasurer; Mitchell Beaton, chaplain; Mary Lee Guyton, historian.

Rose Clark, sergeant-at-arms; Curtis Head, reporter, and Shirley Jones, assistant reporter.

DCT officers besides Miss Young are Allan Cato, vice president; Marsha Nobles, secretary; Leigh Green, treasurer; Lucy Neal, reporter; Richard Burrows, parliamentarian, and Neal Babcock, chaplain.

'Cats And Vikes Have Home Games

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

High school football fans here are in for a double treat this coming weekend with Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings playing home games on consecutive night.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats are to face coach Ray Dalton's Tift County (Tifton)

Friday
Tift at Valdosta
Americus at Brooks
Ware at Cook
Jeff Davis at Berrien
Dixie at Madison
Macclenny at Hamilton
Saturday
Bainbridge at Lowndes

Blue Devils in a crucial Region 1-AAA game on Friday night. It is set for Cleveland Field.

Then on Saturday coach Noel George's Lowndes' Vikings will tackle coach J. B. Roland's Bainbridge Bearcats in another

1-AAA test here. This one is to be played at Martin Stadium.

Adding spice to the tilts is the fact that both the 'Cats and Vikes will be celebrating homecoming.

In other area action, all on Friday night, Americus will be at Brooks County (Quitman), Ware County (Waycross) at Cook (Adel), Jeff Davis (Hazelhurst) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Dixie County, Fla., at Madison, Fla., and Macclenny, Fla., at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.). Clinch County (Homerville) has an open date and will be idle this weekend.

Valdosta's Wildcats own an 8-0 record and are atop the 1-AAA standings. But Tift is a traditional rival and looms as a big threat to the 'Cats. The Imps have a 6-2 record and are riding the crest of a five-

game winning streak. In their last five starts the Blue Devils super-tough defense has allowed the grand total of just six points.

VHS's wins have been over Thomasville (35-21), Dougherty (34-0), Crisp County (26-0), Bainbridge (27-7), Albany (39-0), Moultrie (19-12), Monroe (40-6) and Westover (47-0). Tift has beaten Crisp (18-0), Monroe (7-0), Lowndes (16-0), Albany (3-0), Dougherty (30-6) and Thomasville Central (10-0). The Imps have bowed to Thomasville (16-14) and Moultrie (19-0).

Lowndes' Vikings own a 4-4 record and will be shooting for their third straight win when they face Bainbridge's Bearcats here Saturday night. Bainbridge will come to town with a 1-6-1 mark.

The Vikes' wins have been over Thomasville Central (6-0), Crisp (19-14), Dougherty (18-6) and Monroe (25-0). Lowndes has bowed to Moultrie (28-6), Thomasville (34-7), Westover (7-6) and Tift (16-0). Bainbridge has beaten Crisp (7-6) and tied Central 0-0. The Bearcats have been defeated by Valdosta (27-7), Dougherty (20-0), Albany (20-0), Thomasville (28-0), Westover (14-13) and Moultrie (29-15).

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Over at Quitman on Friday night the football fur is sure to fly when Brooks County's undefeated (8-0) Trojans host Americus' once beaten (7-1) Panthers.

Both own perfect 3-0 marks in Region 1-AA (West) play and at stake will be undisputed possession of first place in that league's standings.

Cook's Hornets (5-3) will hook up with Ware's Gators (6-2) in a Region 1-AA (East) test at Adel. Cook will be trying to get back into the victory column after losing on the road in its last two starts. Ware, with one of its strongest teams ever, looms as a big hurdle for the Hornets.

Berrien's Rebels (2-6) will also be at home for a 1-AA (East) affair with Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets (3-5). This one is rated as an even match.

Madison's Cougars will be trying to improve on an already fine 5-1-1 mark when they host Dixie County. Hamilton's Trojans, who were idle last week, will carry a 3-2-1 record into their home game with Macclenny.

Other games of interest include the following:

Friday — Moultrie at Albany, Appling at Fitzgerald, Montgomery at Atkinson, Bacon at Blackshear, Camden at Bradwell, Early at Cairo, Dougherty at Thomasville Central, Westover at Crisp, Jenkins at Waycross and Johnson at Wayne.

Saturday — Thomasville at Monroe.

'Dosta, Lowndes Seen As Victors

Coaches like to have their seasons finish on a successful note. Keeping that in mind, it would have been nice if my football forecasting campaign had ended last week.

I enjoyed my best weekend of the year and I'm not likely to come close to duplicating it the rest of the way. I tried to form chart 41 college and high school games and was right 4 times and wrong seven times for an .829 mark.

That added 13 points to my average for the season and it now reads 253-93-.731. Oh, well, let's try it again. I'll start with the prep games and my college selections later.

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VALDOSTA VS TIFT — Valdosta's Wildcats and Tift County's Blue Devils are ancient rivals. The 'Cats have an 8-0 record and must win to stay atop the Region 1-AAA standings. Tift is 6-2 and is riding the crest of a five-game victory streak. The Imps always get sky high for their annual meeting with the 'Cats. It should be a thriller, and my choice is Valdosta.

VHS Homecoming Won't Have Queen

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There are to be no homecoming elections at Valdosta High School, but a parade, dance and elaborate halftime show for the football game are planned to help welcome back alumni for the football game are planned to help welcome back alumni Nov. 6-7.

"Through mutual agreement of the administration, faculty and students, we've come to the conclusion that homecoming will be a better, happier one without elections," said VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green.

He said students are enthused about the homecoming next weekend and are making big plans to make alumni feel welcome at all activities.

"We want to capitalize on building school spirit and be involved in school activities which will generate this. We don't want those things which seem to cause too many upheavals. We have too much responsibility to educate the students and that's what we are trying to do," said Green.

Last year's homecoming elections resulted in a massive protest walkout by most of the Negro students after a white student received the highest number of votes by secret ballot. The first votes were never counted because of alleged ballot box stuffing by both races.

There was some talk earlier this year of possible homecoming elections but some faculty members, administrators and students felt the balloting would only further polarize the two races. VHS is in its second year of total desegregation.

Green said the students will be engaged this year in activities which are meaningful.

"This is an attempt to build school spirit through activities which everyone can enjoy and participate in. What we hope we can get across is that we will work with those things that

we can work in together and can all enjoy. Overall, it'll be an uplift to our school," said the principal.

He said students are looking forward to the happiest homecoming of their lives. "Homecoming is traditionally a happy time and that's what we are after," he said.

The parade Nov. 6 through downtown Valdosta is to feature the Marchin' Cats Band, floats and club sweethearts. This year's homecoming theme is "The Spirit of VHS".

That night the Wildcat football team hosts the Tift County Blue Devils on Cleveland Field. The halftime band show is to be dedicated to the students and VHS alumni.

The annual homecoming dance is set for Nov. 7 at the W. G. Nunn Elementary School auditorium. The dance is to begin at 8 p.m.

Valdosta, Tift In Crucial Test

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Tift County's Blue Devils are to renew their ancient high school football rivalry here Friday night and both will put victory streaks on the line.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Ray Dalton's Blue Devils from Tifton is slated for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.

Valdosta has clicked off eight straight wins and must produce another tomorrow night if the Wildcats are to stay atop the Region 1-AAA standings. Moultrie, with a 7-1 record, is right on VHS' heels.

Tift has a 6-2 record and the Imps will come to town riding the crest of a five-game winning streak. While reeling off those five consecutive wins, Tift allowed the grand total of just six points.

"Other teams get 'up' when they play us (Valdosta)3," Bazemore said. "Tift goes completely into orbit. You better believe they will be floating up around the top of the light poles. They've got an excellent football team, one with size, speed and a lot of experience. And their defense is one of the toughest in our or any other league."

The Tift defense, which has produced five shutouts, has been allowing an average of just 85 yards rushing and 51 passing this season.

On offense Dalton's charges have been averaging 250 yards per game. Just two of the attack leaders are quarterback Stretch Morris and fullback Mike Coleman. Morris is a talented runner and passer and is one of the top punters in 1-AAA.

Coleman is Tift's leading rusher with 450 yards on 79

carries.

Valdosta will counter with an attack which has been averaging 388 yards per game and a defense which has been limiting the opposition to an average of 94 yards per tilt.

The 'Cats' aerial leader is Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 75 of 125 tosses for 1,244 yards. His favorite targets include Dan Johnson (24-430), Stanford Rome (23-148) and Roger Rome (26-365). VHS' rushing leaders are Charles Daniels (66-350) and Willie Anderson (53-254).

Valdosta's stop'em crew has been effective against both the run and the pass and the defenders have done their share to help put points on the scoreboard.

An example would be the play of linebacker Robert Savage against Westover's Pa-

triot last week. He went 30 yards after a pass interception to set up one TD and scored one himself by picking up a Pats bobble and scooting 37 yards to paydirt.

"Tift is a well-coached team and one which is very alert. We're going to pay dearly for any mistakes we make against them on either offense or defense.

"I can't overstress the importance of our being mentally ready for the game. This will be the first time many of our players have started against a Tift team and it's going to be quiet an experience for our boys."

The probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense - ends Stanford Rome (170, fresh.) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (200, jr.) and Steve Stanaland (200, jr.), guards Wayne Simpson (190, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (195, sr.), center Robert Dewar (215, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (165, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Jimmy LeFiles (170, sr.) and fullback Willie Anderson (195, jr.).

Defense - ends Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and George Rountree (170, soph.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Emerson (210, sr.), linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.), Robert Savage (180, sr.), Robert Daniels (190, fresh.) and John Bell (160, sr.) and deep backs Curtis Lee (165, sr.) and Gary Rowe (165, soph.).

TIFT

Offense - ends Ronnie Wilson (160, jr.) and Arthur Crapps (155, sr.), tackles Theophilus Bryant (232, jr.) and John Goodman (170, sr.), guards Robert Waters (160, sr.) and Hal Sutton (195, jr.), center Chip Baggett (226, jr.), quarterback Stretch Morris (170, jr.), halfback Andrew Foster (170, sr.) and Meade Rankin (160, sr.) and fullback Mike Coleman (150, jr.).

Defense - ends Mills Cottle (165, sr.) and Randall Young (160, jr.), tackles Nathaniel Thornton (190, sr.) and Jimmy De-shazer (200, jr.), middle guard Larry Bryant (210, soph.), linebackers Dennis Shumock (155, jr.), Robert Branch (185, sr.), Rick Norman (195, jr.) and Rodney Goff (195, sr.) and deep backs Ray Henderson (170, sr.) and Gary Corbin (160, sr.).



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VHS Linebacker Robert Savage

Wildcats Blast Devils To Remain Undefeated

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats mixed some offensive fireworks with hard-nose and alert defensive play as they whacked down the Tift County Blue Devils, 34-7, here Friday night.

A crowd of approximately 9,000 turned out for VHS' homecoming game and saw coach

	Valdosta	Tift
First Downs	17	12
Yards Rushing	122	187
Yards Passing	299	24
Passes	15-35	9-18
Passes Int. by	3	2
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Punting	2-39	8-37.7
Penalties	5-45	5-63

Wright Bazemore's Wildcats roll to their ninth straight win this season and assure themselves of at least a tie for first place in the final Region 1-AAA standings. Moultrie is second with an 8-1 chart and regular season play ends next week.

VHS has now gone 36 games without a loss in a string which stretches back into the 1967 campaign. There is one tie in the streak.

The setback left coach Ray Dalton's Imps from Tifton with a 6-3 record and snapped a five-game victory streak they had going. In eight previous games Tift had allowed a total of just 41 points, but VHS came close to matching that in one night.

Valdosta piled up 421 yards in total offense, with quarterback Stanley Bounds hitting on 15 of 34 tosses for 299 yards and a new Region 1-AAA one-season passing record. His total for the year is now 90-159-1,543, wiping out the old league mark of 114-207-1,541 set by Jordan's Ronnie Richardson in 1966.

Bounds has also picked up 160 yards along the ground this season for a total offense of 1,703 yards, just 78 short of the region mark of 1,781 set by another VHS quarterback, Glenn Davis, in 1965.

Bounds unleashed a pair of TD strikes, one of 79 yards to Dan Johnson and another of 33 yards to Charles Daniels. Johnson got another TD on an eight-yard run and Daniels tallied again on a 14-yard sprint. VHS' fifth score was made by Roger Rome on a five-yard, end-around run.

As he has all season, Bounds did his pitching to Johnson (5-151), Roger Rome (4-44), Charles Daniels (1-33) and Sanford Rome (4-71).

Valdosta also had a flock of defensive heroes. The 'Cats intercepted three Tift passes, with deep back Curtis Lee snagging two and linebacker Curt Bazemore picking off one. Both defenders set up Wildcat touchdowns. A fumble recovery by linebacker Robert Savage set the stage for another 'Dosta tally and end Alvin Payton prevented a Blue Devil tally with a bobble recovery in the end zone late in the game.

Up front Mike Everson made 10 stops and Vance Quillin was credited with seven tackles to



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'Cats' Stanley Bounds (15) Escapes The Clutches Of A Tift Defender

pigskin for the 'Cats.

Here's the way things went: **FIRST PERIOD** — Valdosta kicked off and quickly forced a punt. On VHS' third offensive play of the game Bounds tossed one to Johnson, who streaked down the sideline 79 yards to paydirt. The PAT boot was blocked.

Moments later Lee intercepted a Tift pass and the 'Cats had the football at Tift's 26. Five plays later Daniels zig-zagged his way for 14 yards for Valdosta's second touchdowns. Daniels ran for two extra points and the Wildcats had a 14-0 lead.

Before the period ended, 'Dosta got another drive going but this one stalled at the Devils' 21.

SECOND PERIOD — Valdosta was still free-wheeling it on offense. The 'Cats went from their own 30 deep into Tift territory. A 25-yard scoring pass from Bounds to Johnson was nullified by a penalty. Later Bounds scored on a 10-yard run, but again a penalty wiped this one off the books. The half ended with VHS still holding a 14-0 lead.

THIRD PERIOD — Tift came out after intermission and went into a "shotgun" formation, which clicked well enough for the Imps to move from their own 27 to Valdosta's 25. But here the 'Cats' stop'em crew held firm to nip off the Imps'

plays later Roger Rome went five yards on an end-around for a tally.

Then Savage picked up a Tift fumble on the Imps' 15 and carried it to the 10. Two plays later Johnson scored on an eight-yard run.

The VHS reserves came in on defense and Coleman promptly broke loose for 65 yards and tallied a touchdown which put Tift on the scoreboard for the first time.

The Imps got another drive going and went from their own 42 to the VHS end zone. But as Coleman neared the goal line from 12 yards out he fumbled. VHS' Payton covered the bobble in the end zone and the threat was over.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — R. Rome 1-5, Bounds 6-34, C. Daniels 8-37, Lefiles 2-0, Anderson 2-2, Johnson 3-8, O'Neal 2-7, Clarkston 2-3. Tift — Morris 14-26, Foster 11-37, Coleman 13-113, Carmichael 2-1.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 15-34-299, Johnson 0-1-0; Tift — Morris — 6-15-12, Coleman 3-3-12.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Johnson 6-151, R. Rome 4-44, C. Daniels 1-33, S. Rome 4-71; Tift — Crapps 6-20, Rankin 1-1, Foster 1-7, Coleman 1 minus 4.

Kickoff Returns: Tift — Foster 3-36, Coleman 3-24, Goff 1-13.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Everson 10, Quillin 7, Hendry 5, Savage 5, Lee 5, Rowe 5, R. Daniels 4, Bazemore 4, Lester 4, Rountree 3, Bell 3; Tift — Branch 8, Henderson 7, Goff 6, Shumock 5, Bryant 5, Norman 4, Cottle 4, Young 4, Thomanton 3.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA
Ends: Marshall, Roundtree, Roger Rome, Payton,
Tackles: Stanaland, Quillin, Hendry,

Cox, Akins, Earnest, Wilton, Ben. Gads: Everson, Simpson, Tillman, Gordon, Mabry, Register, Joseph, Lewis, Strickland, Calvin Lester.

Centers: Godfrey, Ronald Daniels, Lester, Dewar, Lloyd, Lore.
Backs: Bazemore, Standofrd Rome, Johnson, Moore, Bell, Robert Daniels, Griffin, Lefiles, Lee, Rowe, Savage, Pompey, Anderson, Clarkston, Charles Daniels, Welch, Irby, Lane, Sansberry, DeLoach, Goodin.

TIFT

Ends: Wilson, Cottle, Young, Crapps, Tackles: Theophilus Bryant, T. Hornton, Deshazer, Brown.

Guards: Sutton, Waters, Norman, Branch, McMillan,
Centers: Baggett, Larry Bryant,
Backs: Henderson, Morris, Rankin, Corbin, Goff, Foster, Shumock, Coleman, O'Neil, Richard Henderson.

Score by Quarters:
Valdosta 14 0 7 13—34
Tift 0 0 0 7—7

Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — Johnson 2 (79 yd. pass from Bounds, 8 yd run); C. Daniels 2 (3 yd. pass from Bounds, 14 yd. run); R. Rome (5 yd. run); PATs — Bazemore 2 (placements), C. Daniels 2 (run); Tift — Coleman (65 yd run); PATs — Henderson (placement).

Success Result Of Team Effort

I remember that quite a few years ago a fellow wise in the ways of football said that since a high school grid coach can't recruit players he must take what talent is available and use it to the best advantage.

That man was Wright Bazemore, super successful boss of the Valdosta High Wildcats and his current team is an excellent example of using the talent available to the best advantage.

After licking Tift County's Blue Devils from Tifton, 34-7, this past Friday the 'Cats boosted their 1970 record to 9-0. They still have one game to go, against cross-city rival Lowndes, and a win or a tie in that one will give the 'Cats the Region 1-AAA crown for the third season in a row and put them in the state Class AAA playoffs.

Those accustomed to watching Bazemore teams in the past, and I've been following the 'Cats since 1960, know the style offense he likes is a driving ground attack with an occasional pass to keep the defense loose.

But as this season has progressed it has become evident that the 'Cats, have had difficulty generating sustained drives along the ground. So they have leaned heavily on their air game — and it has paid dividends.

The trigger man is Stanley Bounds, a 165-pound junior, who has already earned a niche for himself in the record book.

Good Receivers

He hit on 15 of 34 passes for 299 yards against Tift, boosting his total for the season to 90-159-1,543. That topped the old 1-AAA one-season passing record of 1,541 yards set by Jordan's Ronnie Richardson in 1966. That year Richardson hit on 114 of 207. With 160 yards rushing, Bounds' total offense mark now stands at 1,703 yards, just 78 short of the region record in this department of 1,781 set by another VHS quarterback, Glenn Davis, in 1965.

For any passer to have success it takes good receivers, and the Wildcats have four very good ones this year. Members of this foursome and their receiving totals are Dan Johnson (30-581), Stanford Rome (27-489), Roger Rome (30-409) and Charles Daniels (10-217).

An aerial attack works only when the linemen and the backs who aren't potential receivers are blocking well. Bounds has gotten the protection he's needed most often from tackles Paul Demersseman and Steve Stanaland, guards Wayne Simpson and Joshua Mabry, center Robert Dewar and backs Jimmy LeFiles and Willie Anderson.

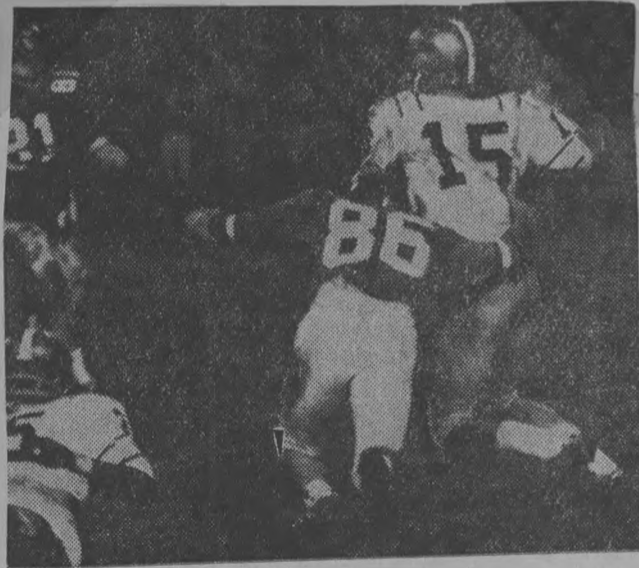
Defense Vital

And it's very important to have good field position from which to launch an aerial assault. That's where the defense comes in, VHS' stop'em crew has certainly been doing its part and then some.

Because of hard-nose and alert defensive play, the VHS offensive unit has had excellent field position time after time this year. Against Tift, for instance, pass interceptions by Curtis Lee and Curt Bazemore and fumble recovery by Robert Savage, set up three of VHS' five TDs.

It all boils down to this. Bounds has become the leading passer in the 19-year history of Region 1-AAA. But as he will be the first to admit, it has taken a team effort to get the job done.

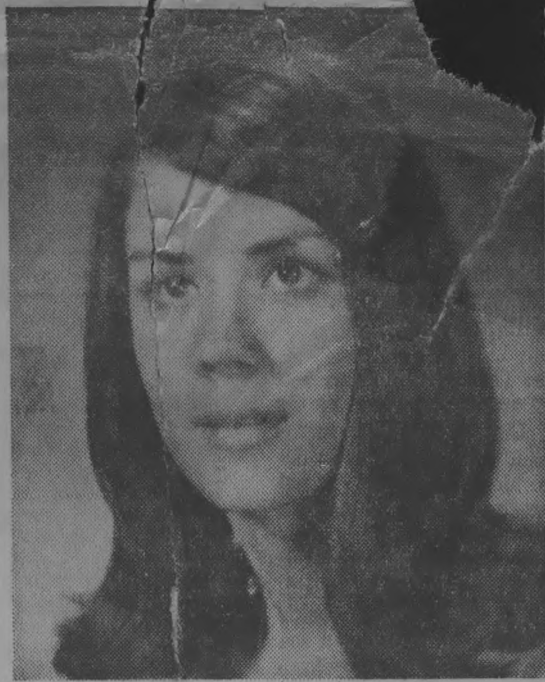
And that brings us around to another one of Wright Bazemore's often repeated theories about football. It goes like this: "Success comes only with team effort — there's no other way to get the job done."



Valdosta quarterback, Stan Bounds (15), had the Valdosta offensive machine rolling early against the Tifton Blue Devils. The birthday boy had his own private party with the help of the entire Wildcat squad as he broke the season passing record for Region 1-AAA with a total of 90 completions of 154 attempts for 1543 yards. By the way, Valdosta won 34-7.



DAVID HOBBS
Georgia Tech



KATHY MALONE
Valdosta State



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Valdosta State



TUTTA BIRD
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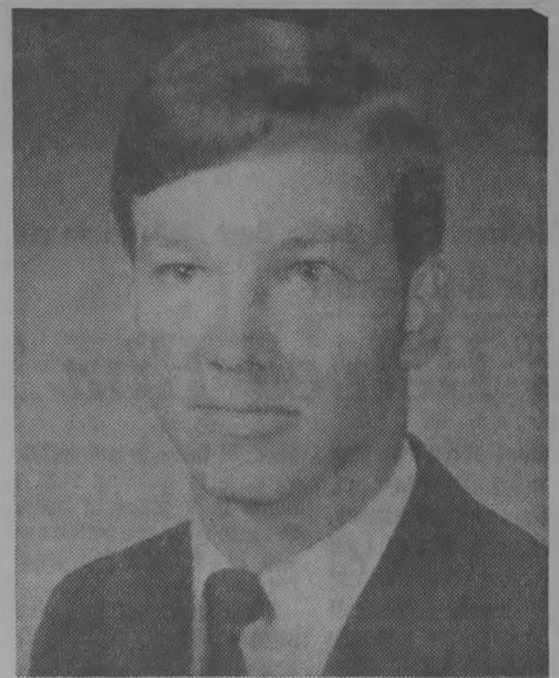
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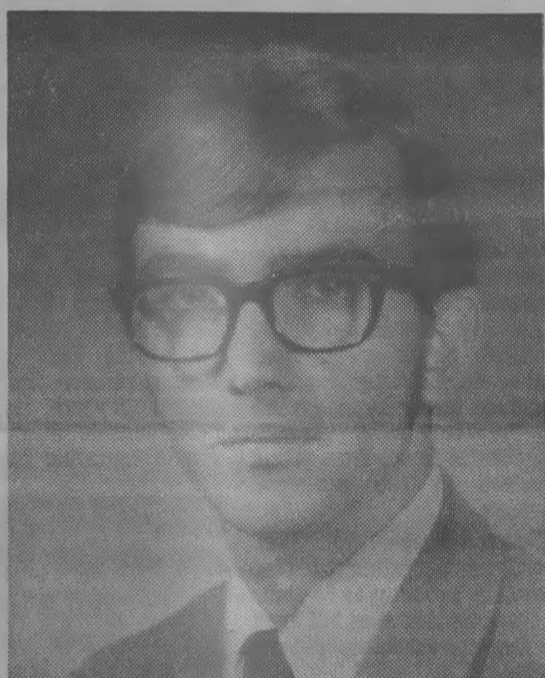
By NORMAN GREENE

"Well, I thought D. E. students couldn't go to college?" This is the question heard over and over again by the D. E. coordinator and students alike. The fact is that many of our D. E. students — approximately 28% — attend schools of higher learning after they graduate from high school. Many of these students often attend on scholarships offered only to D. E. students. During the past decade, we have seen more and more emphasis put on higher education, and we in Distributive Education are very proud that we are making tremendous strides in our own organization in helping our students receive higher education. D. E. students are urged to further their education after graduation from high school. Students from the program are eligible to enter most training schools and colleges. During the school year, the average D. E. student will earn \$25 to \$30 per week. This is a golden opportunity to provide the

student with the finances to pay for part of his future education and we coordinators are trying to encourage the student to put aside a portion of his wage earnings for this purpose. Coordinators have often found that a student may enter the program in September with no thoughts of ever furthering his education, but attitudes often change and by the Spring, the same pupil will have decided to further his education. But, he has not enough money to pay for his schooling. Therefore, to avoid this situation, we encourage the student to decide now about furthering his education and starting a systematic savings program. The coordinator and guidance counselor have information, concerning most schools, to help the students plan their future, and, through the efforts of these two departments, the student receives information that is needed to help him decide on a career for himself.



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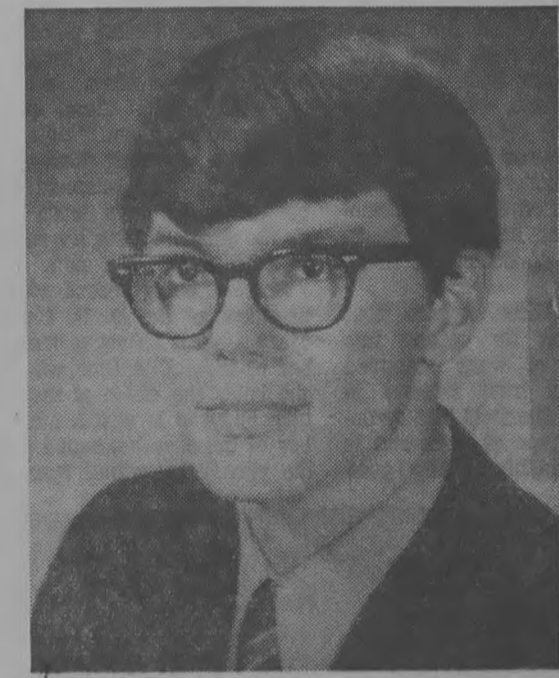
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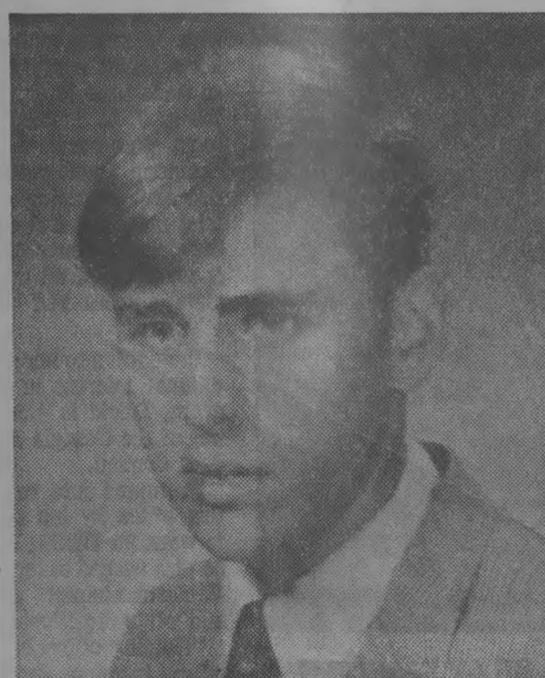
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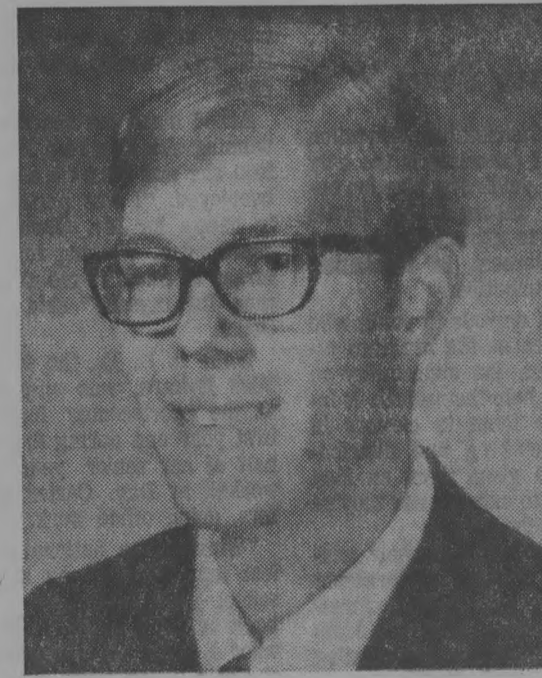
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VHS Mourners: Kent Nesse, Ray Ann Kelly March in Homecoming Parade

Valdosta High did not have homecoming election this year. Principal Charles (Chuck) Green said the elimination of the queen and court would allow the students to work together on the other activities which included a big parade, dance and football game.

This year both races went all out for the homecoming parade through downtown Valdosta. Club sweethearts rode in cars or on floats. Some students contend this was the biggest student participation for the homecoming parade in the history of VHS.

The theme was the "The Spirit of VHS," and the Future Teachers of America came up with one of the cle-

rest ideas in the parade. Led by club members dressed in black mourning garb, a hearse and coffin carried by FTA'ers filed silently past the spectators.

The coffin contain a warm body, however, and about half-way through the march, the pallbearers gave up the ghost. The corpse rode in the hearse for the remainder of the parade.

Wildcats, Vikes Ready For Duel

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings, a pair of cross-town high school football rivals, are to meet here Friday night and both teams have plenty of reasons for wanting a victory.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Noel George's Vikes is slated for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field, which is Valdosta's home stadium. Both will be ending

regular season play.

Valdosta will carry a 9-0 record into the contest and needs a win or a tie to clinch the 1970 Region 1-AAA crown and gain a state Class AAA playoff berth. Moultrie, with an 8-1 mark, still has a chance to tie for first and force a playoff for the region crown.

Lowndes has a 4-5 record and would like a victory to level its record off at .500. This will be the Vikes' third meeting with the 'Cats on the gridiron. Valdosta won the other two

times, but LHS would like to turn the tables this time.

Valdosta is being favored, but Bazemore isn't taking anything for granted. "Lowndes is one of the most improved teams in our region. We're looking for a tough ball game — you can be sure of that."

George rates the 'Cats "very strong on both offense and defense," but is sure his players "will give it 100 per cent effort, because they've been doing that all season."

Valdosta is expected to lean heavily on its air game while on the attack.

The 'Cats aerial leader is quarterback Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 90 of 159 tosses for 1,543 yards and has already eclipsed the old 1-AAA passing mark of 1,541 yards set by Jordan's Ronnie Richardson in 1966.

Bounds has also rushed for 160 yards, giving him a total offense mark of 1,703, which is just 78 yards short of the region record of 1,781 set by another VHS quarterback, Glenn Davis, in 1965.

The Wildcats' top receivers are Dan Johnson (30-581), Stanford Rome (27-489), Roger Rome (30-409) and Charles Daniels (10-217). Daniels is VHS' top runner with 387 yards on 74 carries.

Lowndes' ground attack is led by Stanley Cowart, who has 529 yards on 132 carries, and Jim Williams, who has a 62-235 chart.

Vike quarterback Willie Linahan has hit on 26 of 73 tosses for 329. Lowndes' top receiver is Ricky Spriggs, with 16 catches for 264 yards.

On defense safety man Leonard Stafford has been Lowndes' kingpin. In addition to being a sure tackler, he has intercepted four passes and has returned a total of 31 punts and kick-offs a total of 519 yards.

Probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (170, fresh.) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (200, jr.) and Steve Stannard (200, jr.), guards Wayne Simpson (190, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (190, sr.), center Robert Dewar (215, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (165, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Jimmy LeFiles (170, sr.) and fullback Robert Daniels (190, fresh.) or Jim Clarkston (175, jr.).

Defense — ends Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and George Rountree (170, soph.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Everson (210, sr.), linebackers Curt Basemore (175, sr.), Robert Savage (180, sr.), John Bell (160, sr.) and R. Daniels or Herman Godfrey (180, sr.) and deep backs Curtis Lee (165, sr.) and Gary Rowe (165, soph.).

LOWNDES

Offense — ends Rick Spriggs (180, sr.) and Elbert Daniels (174, sr.), tackles Chuck Hitchcock (215, sr.) and Rocky Jackson (220, sr.), guards Sidney Zipperer (180, sr.) and George Biles (175, sr.), center Nathaniel Corbett (175, jr.), quarterback Willie Linahan (160, jr.), halfbacks Stanley Cowart (170, sr.) and Sammy Harris (175, jr.) and fullback Jim Williams (165, jr.).

Defense — ends Daniels and Zipperer, tackles William Thompson (220, sr.) and Robert Seither (185, sr.), middle guard Steve Goble (285, soph.), linebackers John Henry (175, sr.) and Luther Matchett (180, sr.), corner backs Vernon Stibbins (160, sr.) and Gene Henderson (160, sr.), and deep backs Lonnie Mitchell (185, sr.) and Leonard Stafford (160, sr.).

Wildcats Picked To Beat Vikings

Many of the area's high school football teams will be closing out their seasons tonight and the college elevens are nearing the end of their slates.

With the kind of gridiron forecasting average I have, it's a good thing the end is almost in sight.

Last week I tried to form chart 44 games. I picked 32 correctly and missed on 12 for a .727 mark. That nipped one point off my average for the season and it now reads 285-105—.730.

Starting with the prep tilts, here's the way I see them this weekend:

VALDOSTA VS LOWNDES
— Valdosta's Wildcats are 9-0 and need a win or a tie to clinch the Region 1-AAA crown and a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. Lowndes is 4-5 and with a victory could level their record off and stall VHS' title bid. Valdosta is favored and I'm going to make the Wildcats my choice.

Wildcats Trim Vikings And Claim Loop Crown

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

There were some anxious moments along the way, but Valdosta High's football Wildcats trimmed Lowndes' Vikings, 26-0, here Friday night and with the triumph claimed the 1970 Region 1-AAA championship and a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.

A crowd of approximately 9,000 was on hand as coach Wright Bazemore's VHS charged

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Lowndes
First Downs	14	5
Yards Rushing	196	-6
Yards Passing	251	77
Passes	19-30	9-32
Passes Int. by	4	1
Fumbles Lost	3	2
Punting	3-34.3	9-34.1
Penalties	9-110	0-0

closed out regular season play with a 10-0 record to win their third loop title in a row and their eighth league crown in the last 11 years.

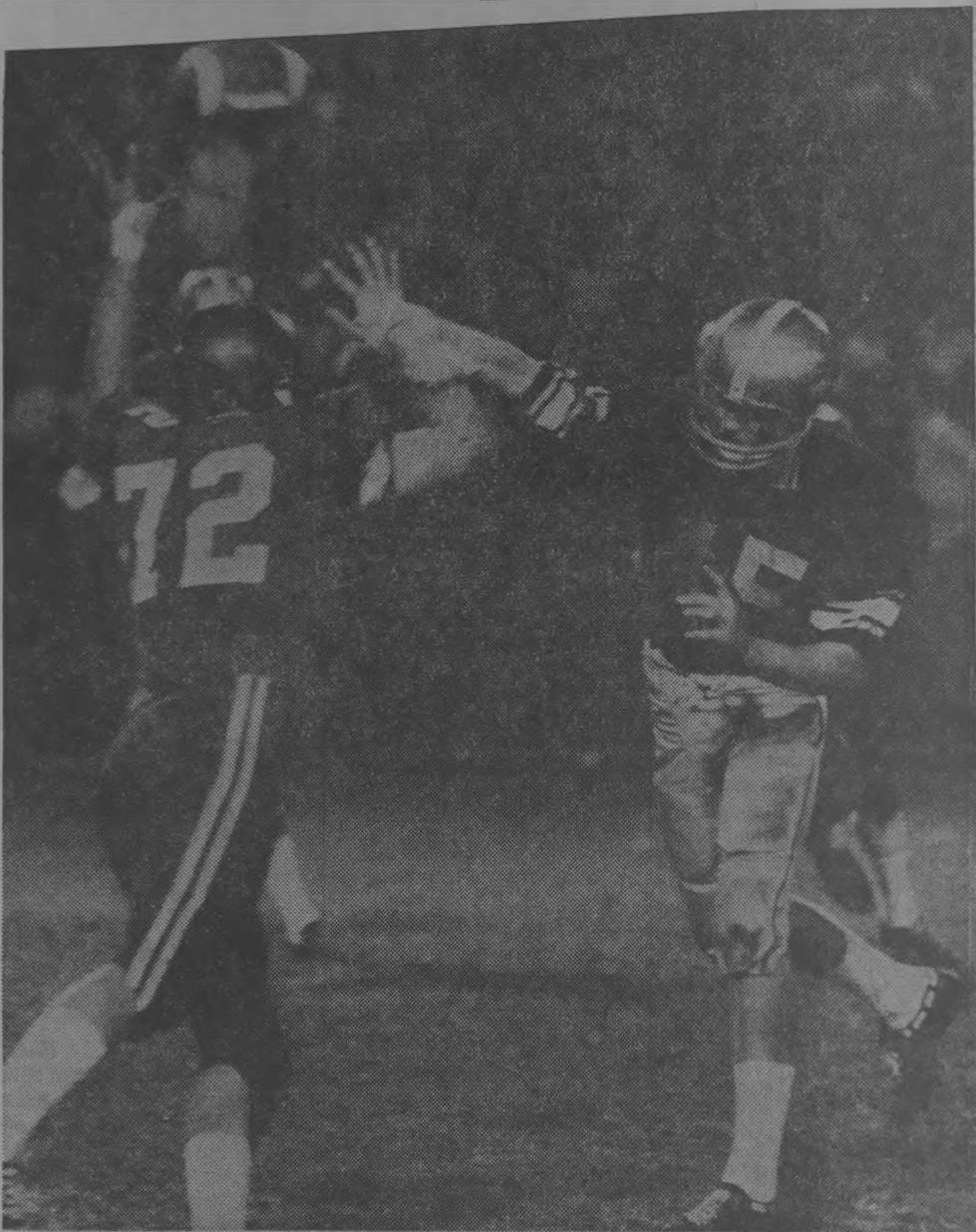
Valdosta has now gone 37 games without a loss in a string which stretches back into the 1967 season. There is one tie in the streak.

The 'Cats are to meet the Region 2-AAA champs in the first round of the state playoffs. The title issue in that loop is to be decided in a playoff next Friday at Macon between subdivision champs Central (formerly Lanier) of Macon and Kendrick's of Columbus.

They met each other in a regular season affair last night with Central posting a 29-13 win. But that one didn't count in the league standings and they will have to tangle again next week to decide the 2-AAA championship issue. Under a rotation system the 2-AAA winner will get to pick the site for its contest with Valdosta.

In the game here Friday the setback left coach Noel George's Vikings with a 4-6 record and ended the season for Lowndes. The Vikes gave the 'Cats a battle from the opening whistle to the final buzzer.

Valdosta compiled 447 yards in total offense to Lowndes' 71. But the 'Cats, facing a Lowndes defense which was both alert at times, had to produce one



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VHS' Stanley Bounds (15) Fires Pass As Vikes' Robert Seither (72) Rushes

on downs and were halted the other two times by a fumble and a pass interception.

Valdosta picked off four Lowndes passes, with Curt Bazemore, Curtis Lee, Gary Rowe and John Bell doing the honors. VHS' tackle leaders included Mike Everson, with eight, and Vance Quillin and Robert Savage, with seven apiece. The Vikes' leaders were William Thompson and Stafford, each with seven stops, and Matchett and Gene made six tack-

les and were halted the other two times by a fumble and a pass interception.

FOURTH QUARTER — The 'Cats got another drive going and went from their own 47 to the Lowndes five. But a pass interception by Matchett halted this thrust.

A 42-yard punt return by Daniels, which carried to the Lowndes 10, set up Valdosta's final tally. After gaining just five yards on three plays the 'Cats lined up as if they were going to try a field goal. But Bounds passed and hit Stanley Rome in the end zone.

bounds broke clean

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Clarkston 2-20, Anderson 1-8, C. Daniels 5-90, Johnson 6-86, S. Rome 3-38, R. Rome 2-9; Lowndes — E. Daniels 3-40, Spriggs 5-37.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Lee 2-7, C. Daniels 4-56

Kickoff Returns: Lowndes — Stafford 3-129, Tumbling 2-15, Cowart 1-1

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Everson 8, Quillin 7, Savage 7, Bell 5, Hendry 5, Lee 4, Bazemore 3, Marshall 3, Rowe 3, Rountree 3; Lowndes — Thompson 7, Stafford 7, Matchett 6, Henderson 6, E. Daniels 5, Mitchell 4, Stubbins 4, Gobel 3, Burdman 2.

LINEUPS

Valdosta
Ends: Stanford Rome, Welch, Marshall, Demerssman, Roundtree, Roger Rome, Netter.

Tackles: Stanaland, Quillin, Hendry, Dewar, Cox

Guards: Savage, Everson, Simpson, Tillman, Lester, Mabry, Register, Joseph, Gordon.

Centers: Godfrey, Ronald Daniels, Irby, Lore.

Backs: Bazemore, Bounds, Johnson, Moore, Bell, Robert Daniels, Griffin, Lee, Rowe, Pompey, Anderson, Clarkston, McCaskill, Charles Daniels, O'Neal, Parker, DeLoach.

Lowndes

Williams, Daniels, Hen-

ington, Jackson, Goble,

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Lincolnton 0
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Washington Co. 49, Hancock 0
Washington Co. 26, Hepthab 8
Ridgeview 35, Spraysberry 0
Perry 17, Campbell of Smyrna 3
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Wilcox Co. 18
5, Vienna 0
Moultrie 56
Irwin Co. 21, East Laurens 6
Brazwell Institute 28, Vidalia 26
Camden Co. 33, Southeast Bollock 15
Southwest 12, Jeff Davis 8
Marist 31, Cherokee 0
Harper 15, Buford 12
North 13, Fort 12
Galaxville 15, Alsteta 0
Americus 41, Norcross 8
Group 21, Cairo 6
Pacelli 25, Campbell of Fairburn 14
Central Macon 29, Kendrick 13
Columbus 20, Joydan 0
Blackshear 32, Patterson 6

term problems...
Passing: Valdosta
Johnson 0-1-0, Parker 2-2-7
Linahan 1-0-25, Morris 8-27-56



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Wildcats' Charles Daniels (44) Makes A Rough Landing On His Back After Catching Pass



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Memories and Expectations: Lowndes Veteran Robert P. Snow Flanked by Wreath, VHS Flag Girls

Central Favored For 2-AAA Title

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Valdosta is again region champ after another undefeated season and Macon Central is an odds-on favorite to repeat as region 2-AAA champion after big victories to highlight the last full weekend of high school football action.

Valdosta's 26-0 rout of Lowndes clinched its eighth 1-AAA title in 11 years and ran its string of games without a loss to 37. Included in the string is one tie, a 26-26 deadlock with Athens in the AAA championship game last season.

Central beat the team it will have to beat next Friday for the region 2-AAA title but the game had no bearing on the standings. Kendrick, champion of half the region, trailed all the way but was behind only 17-13 when Charles Haugabrooks's 65-yard touchdown run and Alonzo Wade's 62-yard interception return broke the game open and gave the Big Orange the 29-13 decision.

Moultrie's Tony Mock scored on a five-yard run and a 70-yard pass while leading the Packers to a 56-20 shellacking of Crisp County. Mock set a new 1-AAA rushing record on the way gaining 1170 yards in 10 games.

Lyons whipped Georgia Military College, 47-8, to claim the region 4-B title. Lyons was led by Russell Ellis. Ellis scored six touchdowns, including a 78-yard punt return, rushed for 235 yards and netted over 350 yards total offense in the game.

Gainesville downed South Cobb, 14-13. Jerry Kinsey's touchdown brought the Red Elephants from behind to tie and Trece Battle's PAT put them ahead with five minutes remaining. Reggie Sexton accounted for the other Gainesville score on a three-yard run.

Pebblebrook beat St. Joseph's 38-21, with Jim Pollock and Scott Thompson scoring twice each.

In other games it was: Lovett 41, Buford 12; North Fulton 34, Northside 0; Lafayette 15, Norcross 8; Americus 41, Cairo 6; Columbus 20, Jordan 0; Black-

shear 32, Patterson 6. Fitzgerald downed Ware County 32-22; Statesboro swamped Swainsboro 34-0; Brooks County outscored Early County 21-9.

It was North Springs 40, Roswell 20; Avondale 41, Walker 0; Richmond 28, Butler 14; Ridgeview 35, Sprayberry 0; Marist 20, Campbell of Smyrna 3; Irwin County 21. East Laruens 6, and Metter 33, Southeast Bulloch 15.

Eight Teams Eye Playoff Berths

There are eight of the 43 teams in four Class AAA high school football regions in the southern half of Georgia still in the running for state playoff berths.

Down in this part of the state are regions 1-AAA, 2-AAA, 3-AAA and 4-AAA. The first round of the playoffs, slated three weeks from now, will match the 1-AAA victor against the 2-AAA winner and the 3-AAA pacesetter against the 4-AAA titleholder.

The first round winners will then go for the South Georgia crown, and that survivor will meet the North Georgia king in the state championship battle.

Anyway, here's the way things look in the south.

Region 1-AAA: Valdosta's Wildcats are leading with a 9-0 record and Moultrie's Packers are second with an 8-1 chart. 'Dosta meets Lowndes' Vikings this coming Friday and a win or a tie for VHS will put the 'Cats in the 1-AAA throneroom. Should Valdosta lose to Lowndes this week and Moultrie win against Crisp County (Cordele) there would be a tie and a playoff

between the 'Cats and Packers would be needed to settle the issue.

Region 2-AAA: This loop is sub-divided. Central (formerly Lanier) of Macon owns a 9-0 mark and has already clinched the Eastern title. Kendrick (Columbus) is 8-1 and already has the Western crown sewed up. Central and Kendricks will be meeting in Macon this coming Friday, but that regular season game won't count in the standings. They'll have to tangle again at Macon on Nov. 20 in the official playoff for the 2-AAA diadem.

Wayne Vs Brunswick

Region 3-AAA: This league is also sub-divided. Wayne County (Jesup), with a 9-1 mark, is the Coastal Division champ and Brunswick, with a 6-4 chart, has the Empire Division title nailed down. They are to play off for the 3-AAA championship in a game set for Nov. 20 at Brunswick. In a regular season meeting, which didn't count in the standings, Brunswick won 16-14.

Region 4-AAA: Richmond Academy (Augusta) is out front in this circuit. The Musketeers are 8-1 for the season and 4-1 in loop play. But Baldwin (Milledgeville), with a 3-2 loop chart, still hasn't been eliminated. There are just four teams in this region, but they elected to play each other twice this season and count all the games in the standings. Richmond needs a win or tie against Butler this week to move out of reach.

As you can see none of the four races we've been talking about are actually over. And two of the circuits, 2-AAA and 3-AAA, must have playoffs between division champs to settle their issues. We can, however, do a little guessing about how things might go in the immediate future.

Will Chart Hold?

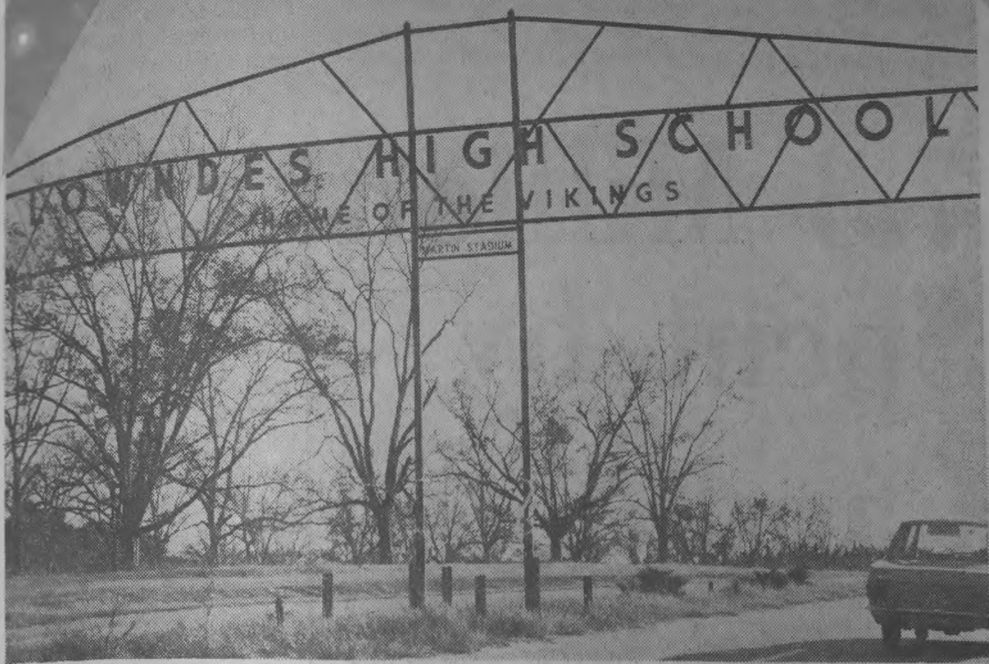
Valdosta certainly isn't taking Lowndes for granted, but the 'Cats are favored over the Vikes in this meeting of cross-town rivals on Friday.

Let's suppose VHS does nail down the 1-AAA championship. Its first round foe would probably be Central of Macon. As we said, this is old Lanier playing under a new name, which it acquired when Bibb County schools were fully integrated this year.

Richmond is the likely champ in 4-AAA and Wayne is being given the nod in 3-AAA, despite that 16-14 regular season loss to Brunswick, its region playoff foe.

There's a rotation system which determines the sites of the playoff games. If things go as we figure then the first round duels will match Valdosta (1-AAA) against Central (2-AAA) at Macon and Wayne (3-AAA) against Richmond (4-AAA) at Augusta.

You all know how unpredictable things can be in high school football circles. Perhaps our form chart will prove out and perhaps it won't. We'll just have to wait and see.



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Sign Proudly Proclaims Entrance to Vikings' Martin Stadium

EDGE IN SCHOOL SPIRIT NOTED

Lowndes High Team, Band 'Trying Harder'

VALDOSTA, Ga. — What do you do when you represent the "other" high school in a city which has one school with both a football team and a band which annually rank among the best in the nation?

The answer is you try harder and I believe that is what Lowndes High students, adult fans, ball players and band members do. My observation at the Valdosta-Lowndes game recently was that the Lowndes fans might have an edge over Valdosta in at least one category — school spirit.

Valdosta has a few really rabid fans who will yell on every play in a 45 to 0 romp but its hard for the rank and file fans to "get up" for anything but the Moultrie and Thomasville games and the playoffs. Since few, if any, schools in the nation have won as many games and as many state titles as the Wildcats in the past 30 years, its impossible to explain this situation to someone from outside of Valdosta.

Lets just say that 47 to 0 victories over teams you have beat by just as wide a margin every year for a decade gets boring. Therefore its not an insult to Valdosta fans to say Lowndes has the edge in school spirit when Moultrie's not in town.

Although Lowndes finished with a 4-6 won and loss record there are signs that new head coach Noel George is building a competitive team out at the school on I-75 and a brighter future is ahead. Lowndes tried hard against the Cats in a losing effort.

The Lowndes band is looking good under Billy Martin and if it had not been on the field with the fabulous "Marchin' Cats" its show would have probably been the best offered. Its just that a lot of Southern and Eastern college bands wouldn't stand up good against a VHS band that is as good this year as ever. It has

ACCORDING TO wire service reports, 2nd District Rep.-elect Dawson Mathis will



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with Carey Cameron

be the youngest member of the next Congress and not just things to claim. For instance if a man 109 years old claims to be the world's oldest tight rope walker, some guy 110 in California is liable to contact you with a protest. The point is the gremlin which edited the feature on Mathis to cut the superlative out meant well but the Mathis superlative is one that can be checked out. I assume the wire service that sent out the story had checked this out by checking ages of all the next congressmen. Mathis turns 30, Nov. 30. Best I remember is the next youngest was already 30 and several others including Rep. Barry Goldwater Jr. are 31.

son this is newsworthy is because Big Jim's telephone may just have launched a promising statewide political career. One night several years ago my phone rang and Big Bobby Pafford, then a state representative from Lakeland, was on the other end of the line. It was obvious that all 265 pounds of Pafford were angry.

Pafford wanted me to try to telephone Sen. Bobby Rowan in Enigma. Seems he kept trying to call Rowan and kept getting Big Jim's Cafe. He was so mad he was thinking about trying to call Public Service Commissioner Alpha Fowler in Atlanta to complain about General Telephone service. He wanted Fowler to try to call Rowan. At the time Pafford and Rowan were fighting a proposed phone rate increase.

I didn't get Rowan when I tried to call him but I didn't get Big Jim's either. I don't know if Pafford got Fowler or not that night but he sure got Fowler Nov. 3 of this year. He ran against him and beat the incumbent. I couldn't say for sure but "the night of Big Jim's telephone" might just have started Pafford thinking about running for PSC.



HIGHEST RANK —

Wesley Cox, 16-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Jerome C. Cox of Valdosta, has been named to the rank of Eagle Scout. A Boy Scout five years, he is a member of Troop 402 at First Methodist Church where he is junior assistant scoutmaster. He is a student at Valdosta High School and is a member of the Interact Club and the football team.



SCOUT LEADER—Six-

teen - year - old Sidney Earnest, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chubby Earnest of Valdosta, has been in the Boy Scouts five years and has been named an Eagle Scout. He attended the National Scout Jamboree last year in Idaho and is planning to attend the world jamboree in Japan next summer. A member of Troop 410 at First Christian Church, he is senior patrol leader. He is also lodge chief of the Order of the Arrow and a member of the football team at Valdosta High School.

Have Happier Thanksgiving

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two families had a happier Thanksgiving because of the Distributive Education Club at Valdosta High School.

Club members bought staple foods and turkeys for the families from the organization's funds. The Thanksgiving baskets for needy families are annual club projects.

VHS Graduate To Receive Scholarship

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School graduate, Bonnie Ashcom, has received a scholarship to study nursing through the student aid program of the State Scholarship Commission of Georgia.

Miss Ashcom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ashcom Sr., of Valdosta, is attending Valdosta State College.

The commission administers state funds appropriated by the legislature for scholarships in vocational, college or post-graduate fields in which an acute shortage of skilled personnel exists. Recipients repay the scholarships by working in these critical fields in the state.

Marchin' Cats Get Trophy For Troy State Appearance

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats have brought back a 4-foot trophy and honor band status from Troy State University where they represented the state in the annual battle of the Bands Contest over the weekend.

VHS band director Frank Butenschon said that this year the judges did not name a top winner but declared both the Marchin' Cats and the Emma Sansom High School of Gadsden, Ala., honor bands.

The VHS and Emma Sansom groups were the only two bands asked to participate in the prestigious event. Butenschon said high school bands from different Southern states are asked to take part in the contest each year.

"And we had our work cut out for us. The Emma Sansom band is one of the most recognized bands in the country for its outstanding talent and shows. We've competed against them before and it's always been tough.

"I was real proud of our band.

They did just fine and come home with honors," said Butenschon.

The band director said the two groups put on haltime shows and were judged on musical and marching performance.

"I think we were asked to do this along with Emma Sansom because we had both gotten superior ratings at the Mid South Marching Contest held in Gaston, Ala., earlier this year. This is the largest haltime show type competition in the South and we both got superiors," said the director.

Butenschon said the Marchin' Cats are getting haltime shows ready for the football games in playoff competition in Class AAA playoff. The team plays Kendrick High School.

"We're also looking forward to the pre-game and haltime shows we're putting for the Falcon - Pittsburg Steeler pro-football game in Atlanta Dec. 13. We've heard that some state officials might be in the stands to look over the band to possibly use us in later functions.

"This may or may not happen

but I've alerted the band students that the Falcon game is an important one for us in more ways than one. They (band members) will give it everything they've got I know," said Butenschon.

He said some of the trip expenses will be borne by the Falcons and that proceeds from the band's record sale will hopefully take care of the rest.

The VHS Band Boosters Club held a drive last week to sell copies of the Marchin' Cats long playing album. All but 200 of the 1,000 copies have been sold so far, said Butenschon.

"We're hoping to sell the rest of them by Christmas. If we sell all 1,000 we'll make \$1,700 on the project," he said.

Santa Coming Thursday

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Some of the area's prettiest girls are to share the spotlight here with a bearded fat man Thursday night during the annual Thanksgiving parade.

Sponsored by the Valdosta Jaycees, the parade is to boast at least 85 units, a dozen beauty queens, six bands, clowns, antique cars, city and county governmental officials, representatives from local civic and service organizations and Santa Claus.

And it's old St. Nick that the estimated 20,000 youngsters will line the streets of Valdosta to see, said a Jaycee spokesman.

The march, which kicks off the holiday shopping season here, is to be the longest ever held on Thanksgiving. Jaycees contend the parade will last from 1½ to two hours.

This year's parade is to form at the Valdosta State College parking lot, cross Brook-

wood Drive and turn south of Patterson Street. The march is to continue down Patterson Street and terminate at the C and S National Bank parking lot.

The city's Christmas lights, which are being put up all over town, are to be turned on when the parade begins at 6 p. m.

Jaycees are asking spectators to get positions along the parade route early to avoid any traffic jams. A record crowd of 40,000 persons is expected for this year's effort, according to the Jaycees.

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats band is to lead the parade. The VHS band and Lowndes High School marchers alternate having the prime spot each year. Last year the



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Lowndes High group led the march.

Lowndes County Sheriff Jewell Futch is the parade grand marshal and is to head the units. He is to be the only participant to ride a horse in this year's march.

Other bands lined up for the event include, Lowndes High, Valdosta Junior High, Hahira Junior High, VHS - Pinevale Campus and Lowndes Junior High schools.

Miss Valdosta, Deborah Williams of Okeechobee, Fla., is to be featured on a float. The Valdosta State College sophomore was a participant in the Miss Georgia beauty pageant last summer.

Other beauty queens include Miss VHS, Leslie Hunt; Sweet Potato Queen, Betty Rigdon of Tifton; Valdosta's Junior Miss Janice Wilson; Miss Valdosta Tech, Linda Hed.

Miss Hahira, Kim Dennis; Miss Lowndes High, Odessa Moss; Miss Spirit of Patriotism, Sigrid Grondahl; Little Miss Spirit of Patriotism Elaine Chitty.

Clyattville and Echols County will also have beauty queens in the march, said Jaycee Wallace Sholar.

Kendrick Next Foe For 'Cats

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be going against the Kendrick Cherokees in the first round of the state Class AAA playoffs, with the contest likely to be held next Friday night at Columbus.

Coach Art Williams' Cherokees claimed the Region 2-AAA championship and the right to

STATISTICS

	Kendrick	Central
First Downs	12	10
Yards Rushing	133	89
Yards Passing	67	74
Passes	8-15	7-7
Passes Intc. by	2	1
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Punting	6-31.6	4-40.2
Penalties	42	20

meet VHS, the Region 1-AAA titleholder, by trimming the Central Big Orange Chargers (formerly Lanier Poets), 16-15, in a game played last night at Macon.

Actually the two played to a 14-14 tie, but when a statistical formula used to break deadlocks in playoff games was applied, Kendrick had its victory. The Cherokees and Chargers were sub-division champs in 2-AAA. They had met in a regular season game last week which didn't count in the standings. Central won the game, 29-13, but Kendrick turned the tables last night when it really counted.

Kendrick will carry a 9-2 record into its duel with the 'Cats, who posted a 10-0 mark in their march to the 1-AAA crown.

Valdosta's head coach Wright Bazemore and Williams are to make firm plans for the 'Dosta-Kendrick game on Sunday. But under a rotation system the Cherokees get to pick the game site and they are sure to select Columbus. Both coaches have said they favor Friday as the night for the contest.

This marks the eighth time in the last 11 years the Wildcats have gotten into the state playoffs. Kendrick is a school which is only three years old. This is its first campaign in 2-AAA and initial appears in the state playoffs.

In last night's game, Kendrick picked up two points for leading in first downs, 12-10, and in total yardage, 200-163. The Chargers were given one point for the most penetrations inside the 20 yard line, 3-2.

The Cherokees opened the scoring in the first quarter when they recovered a Central fumble on the Charger 17 and drove in for a TD of the

fourth play. Donald Byrd did the honors, hitting paydirt on a two yard plunge.

It was early in the third quarter before the Chargers were allowed their chance at the scoreboard. Central recovered a Byrd fumble on the Cherokee 29 and scored in seven plays, with quarterback Ronnie Nixon hitting end Rick Veal with a three-yard aerial for the TD with 8:28 remaining in the quarter.

Bob Giddens kicked his first PAT of the night to tie it up at 7-7.

Before the quarter was to end, the fumble grabbing Cherokees went to work again. This time they recovered a fumble after a punt to take over on the Central 29.

Quarterback Rudy Allen launched one pass 19 yards to the Charger 10 and then hit tight end Jim Baker with a 10-yard pass in the end zone. Rob-

by Jernigan kicked his second PAT of the night and Kendrick led 14-7.

The final touchdown came with 9:44 remaining in the final stanza when Central drove 86 yards in 15 plays.

Charles Haugabrooks tallied on a three-yard dive and Giddens kicked his second PAT of the night to tie it at 14-all.

Byrd led the rushing department for the Cherokees with 104 yards on 19 carries. But the Kendrick stop'em crew put the brakes on the Central leading rushers, Haugabrooks and Andy Summers, holding them to 26 yards apiece.

Charger quarterback Ronnie Nixon who completed all of seven pass attempts for 74 yards was also the leading rusher for the Macon team with 58 yards on 10 carries.

Score by Quarters:

Kendrick7 0 7 0 2-16
Central0 0 7 7 1-15

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Chargers Picked In 2-AAA Battle

Last week I was able to add a few points to my football prediction average for the season, but the gain must be classified as modest.

I tried to forecast the outcome of 47 high school and college games. I was right 36 times and wrong 11 times for a .766 mark. But this did boost my overall average by four points and it now reads, 321-116-.734.

All but three of the prep teams in the area have finished their seasons. Two will be playing regular season tilts tonight and Valdosta's Wildcats, the Region 1-AAA champs, have to wait a week before they begin playoff action.

And of the four college teams in this section with the largest fan following, three have open dates. Georgia, Georgia Tech and Florida are the teams which will be idle this weekend.

But there are still a few games, at both the prep and collegiate levels, of interest and we'll try our hand with them.

Let's start with the high school offerings:

Only Loop Champs Left In Running

There are a total of 81 teams in Georgia's eight Class AAA high school football regions and as of right now just eight are still in the running for state title honors.

In the southern half of the state the candidates are Valdosta (1-AAA), Kendrick of Columbus (2-AAA), Wayne County of Jesup (3-AAA) and Richmond Academy of Augusta (4-AAA).

Up in the northern half the survivors include Dalton (5-AAA), R. E. Lee of Thomas-ton (6-AAA), Columbia of Decatur (7-AAA) and Lakeside of Atlanta (8-AAA).

First round playoff games this week in the south call for Valdosta to meet Kendrick and for Wayne to go against Richmond. Up north it will be Dalton facing Lee and Columbia vs. Lakeside. Semi-finals are on tap for next week and the title game will be played the week after that.

Of primary concern for fans in this area is that coming duel between coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and coach Art Williams' Kendrick Cherokees, which is definitely set Friday night at Columbus.

Byrd And Allen To 'Test' VHS

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Members of the Valdosta High football Wildcats' defensive unit can expect trouble from a pair of talented foes named Donald Byrd and Rudy Allen when the 'Cats go against Kendrick's Cherokees at Columbus on Friday night.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats, who own a 10-0 record and rule as the Region 1-AAA champs, and coach Art Williams' Cherokees, who have 9-2 mark and own the Region 2-AAA crown, will be meeting in a first round game in the state Class AAA playoffs.

Starting time for the game is 8 p.m. and is to be played at Columbus' 25,000 - seat Memorial Stadium.

The loser will go to the sidelines while the victor will advance to the semi-finals next week and face the winner of a battle between Richmond Academy of Augusta, the 4-AAA king, and Wayne County of Jesup, the 3-AAA ruler.

As for Byrd and Allen, between them they have accounted for more than 2,500 yards and 25 touchdowns. They're two very big reasons Kendrick, a school which is only three years old, is making an appearance in the state playoffs in its initial season of regional competition. The 'Cats are in the playoffs for the third year in a row and the eighth time in the last 11 years.

"We very definitely haven't had to face a runner like Byrd or a passer like Allen this season," Bazemore said. "And nobody has been able to stop or even slow up either one of them. Byrd has size, speed and some out-of-this-world moves. Allen is a poised and talented passer who can hit them throwing both short and long. We're going to have problems, lots of problems, trying to defense Kendrick."

Byrd is a fullback who tips the scales at 195 pounds and Allen is a lanky quarterback who weighs in at 165. Both are juniors.

In 11 games this season Byrd has ripped off 1,381 yards along the ground on 203 carries. He's scored 16 TDs and has run for five, two-point PATs (106 total

points). He's also caught 10 passes for 170 yards. Byrd is 2-AAA's leading rusher and scorer.

Allen has completed 75 of 132 passes for 1,011 yards, with nine of them going for touchdowns. He claimed the 2-AAA passing title.

The Cherokees have other talented runners, such as Eddie Mahone (60-306), Pink Dillard (39-152) and Mark Humphrey (26-126). In addition to Byrd, Allen's favorite aerial targets include Carnelius Richardson (17-270), Jim Baker (3-162) and Dillard (5-99). Mahone has also returned a total of 16 punts and kickoffs a total of 182 yards.

As a team Kendrick has scored 203 points and the Cherokees have racked up two or more touchdowns in each of their last eight games. They're

averaging 303 yards per contest in total offense (204 rushing and 99 passing).

Bazemore list VHS' probable starters on defense as ends Kim Marshall and George Rountree, tackles Ralph Hendry and Vance Quillin, middle guard Mike Everson, inside linebackers Gary Rowe and Robert Savage, outside linebackers Curt Bazemore and John Bell and deep backs John Hampton and Curtis Lee. Hampton is returning to action after being out for several games with a broken arm.

They and their stop'em crew help mates have been giving up an average of just 102 yards per game (54 rushing and 48 passing), but trying to stop Byrd Allen and company figures to be their toughest assignment of the year.

Pep Rally Set Thursday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A city wide football pep rally has been scheduled for 8 p. m. Thursday in the parking lot of the Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center.

The pep rally, being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club, is to be held in anticipation of the Valdosta High Wildcats game with the Kendrick Cherokees at Columbus on Friday night. They will be meeting in a first round duel in the state Class AAA playoffs.

On hand for the rally will be VHS head coach Wright Bazemore, the Wildcat tri-captains Mike Everson, Charles Daniels and Curt Bazemore, the VHS cheerleaders and the Marchin' 'Cats band.

"I don't think it's necessary to tell the fans how important this game with Kendrick is going to be," Pardee Goodloe, TD Club president said. "We should have a very big crowd at the pep rally so we can show the Wildcats that everyone is backing them all the way."



—Times Staff Photo by Jimmy Brooks

Chugging Away: 'Cat Charles Daniels Cuts Past Kendrick Defender

'Cats Take Giant Step Toward Crown

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

COLUMBUS — Kendrick got in the first and the last scoring licks, but in between Valdosta High's football Wildcats free — wheeled it on offense and played it hard - nose of defense to whip the Cherokees, 28-12, here Friday night.

The victory was the 11 straight this season for coach Wright Bazemore's Region 1-AAA champions and earned them a berth in the state Class

AAA semi - finals. They are to go against the Richmond Academy Musketeers at Augusta next week. Richmond, the 4-AAA titleholder, advanced in the playoffs with a 33-0 victory over Wayne County (Jesup) last night.

Richmond gets to pick the site for its duel with 'Dosta and is sure to select Augusta. The game will be played either next Friday or Saturday, with Valdosta and Richmond officials to confer Sunday and decide the matter.

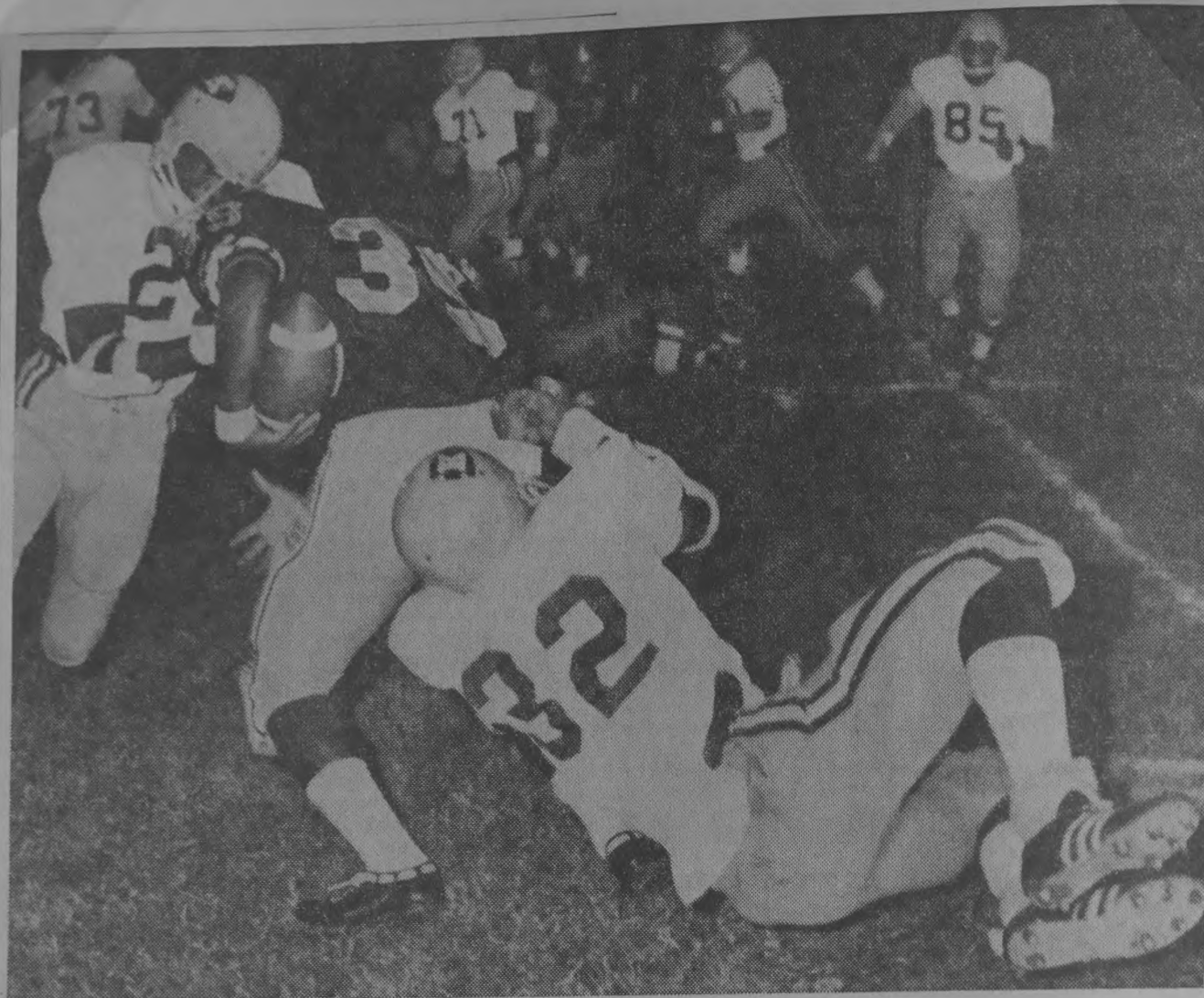
A crowd of approximately 15,

000 turned out to see VHS' battle with Kendrick. Most of the fans came expecting to see some offensive fireworks — and they did. When it was over Valdosta was still in the running for state title honors and they did. When it was over Valdosta was still in the running for state title honors and coach Art Williams' Cherokees, the 2-AAA winners, were left sitting on the sideline with a 9-3 record.

Kendrick took the opening kickoff and moved 76 yards to paydirt. In the closing minutes of the game the Cherokees marched 61 yards for another TD. In between it was all Valdosta on both offense and defense.

More than 50 Valdosta players saw action in the game and Bazemore said all deserve a share of the credit for the win. "After Kendrick scored quickly I was very proud of the fact that our boys kept their poise and came back with the kind of team effort it took to win," Bazemore said.

The Wildcats scored four touchdowns and had another nullified by a penalty. VHS piled up 23 first downs and 479 yards in total offense, 211 rushing and 268 passing. Meanwhile, Kendrick's vaunted ground attack was limited to 58 yards by 'Dosta's tough stop'em crew. The Cherokees did pick up 173



—Times Staff Photo

Valdosta's Willie Anderson (35) Strains For Yardage As Cherokees' Donald Byrd (32) Tries To Hold On

'Cats Pound Kendrick

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yards passing, but had three of their aerials intercepted.

Dan Johnson was involved in three of Valdosta's TDs which were allowed to stand. He passed 35 yards to Stanford Rome for one, caught a 42 yard pass from Stanley Bounds for another and got the third on a 23-yard sprint. A five-yard run by Jimmy LeFiles accounted for Valdosta's fourth marker.

One of the 10 penalties which

STATISTICS		Valdosta	Kendrick
First Downs		23	11
Yards Rushing		211	58
Yards Passing		268	173
Passes		18-27	12-18
Passes Intc. by		3	1
Fumbles Lost		0	1
Punting		0-0	4-32
Penalties		10-82	4-50

cost the 'Cats 82 yards wiped out a 44-yard scoring aerial from Bounds to Johnson. The 'Cats also had other thrusts which carried to the 12, 33, 25 and 9. Rudy Allen and Donald Byrd climaxed both of Kendrick's scoring marches with one-yard runs. The Cherokees had one other thrust which was stopped at the 11.

On the night Bounds hits on

17 of 25 passes for 225 yards and Stanford Rome caught seven aerials for 149 yards to become VHS' leaders in those two departments. Willie Anderson led VHS' ground attack with 102 yards on 14 carries. Byrd, Kendrick's highly touted running back, was limited to 45 yards on 12 carries. Allen hit on 12 and 18 tosses for 173 yards, but was intercepted three times.

Robert Daniels, Ralph Hendry Mike Everson, Kim Marshall and Vance Quillin were Valdosta's tackle leaders with six or more stops apiece, and they had plenty of help from a lot of their teammates. Daniels, Robert Savage and John Hampton came through with interceptions.

Here's the way things went: **FIRST PERIOD** — Kendrick took the opening kickoff and moved 76 yards to paydirt. A 36-yard run by Byrd, his only big run of the night, and a 16 yard pass, were the key plays. Allen sneaked over from the one.

The 'Cats came roaring back and wheeled 85 yards in eight plays to knot the count at 6-6. The payoff was a 35-yard air strike from Johnson to Stanford Rome.

SECOND PERIOD — The 'Cats were really moving now and zipped 89 yards in eight plays for their second TD. The tally came on a 42-yard pass from Bounds to Johnson. Then Bounds threw to Roger Rome for two extra points and VHS had a 14-6 lead.

THIRD PERIOD — The 'Cats kept moving the football and covered 67 yards in five plays for their third TD. This one came on a 23-yard run by Johnson and when Curt Bazemore booted the PAT Valdosta led 21-6. Big plays were a 16 yard pass from Bounds to Stanford Rome and a 20-yard run

by Anderson.

FOURTH PERIOD — Kendrick, helped along by two 15-yard penalties against Valdosta, moved from their own 30 to VHS' 11. The 'Dosta defense dug in and stopped them there.

The Wildcats fired back with an 89-yard scoring march which required 10 plays. LeFiles got the marker on a five-yard sprint. The big gainer was a 42-yard pass from Bounds to Stanford Rome.

Time was running out, but the Cherokees launched an aerial assault, hitting on passes good for 7, 43 and 10 yards. That carried them to the VHS one, and Byrd punched it across. But it was far too little and much too late. The Wildcats already had the game sewed up.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Anderson 14-102, C. Daniels 8-40, Johnson 4-17, McCaskill 3-17, Bounds 5-10, LeFiles 3-12, O'Neal 2-2, Clarkston 1-2, DeLoach 1-1; Kendrick — Byrd 12-45, Humphrey 6-16, Dillard 5-9, Mahone 1-7, Allen 7-minus 9.
Passing: Valdosta — Bounds — 17-25-225, Johnson 1-1-35, Branam 1-1-8; Kendrick — Allen — 12-18-173.
Pass Receiving: Valdosta — S. Rome 7-149, R. Rome 6-56, Johnson 2-46, C. Daniels 2-9; Kendrick — Richardson — 3-72,

Mahone 4-78, Byrd 3-46, Humphry 1-4, Baker 1-4.

Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — C. Daniels 1-2, R. Daniels 1-11, LeFiles 1-0; Kendrick — Byrd 2-19, Mahone 1-16, Richardson 1-9, White 1-8.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — R. Daniels 9, Hendry 9, Everson 9, Marshall 8, Quillin 6, Lee 5, Welch 4, Savage 4; Kendrick — Dillard 13, Byrd 12, White 8, Johnson 8, Stafford 8, Works 7, Baker 6, Richardson 5.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: Cox, R. Rome, S. Rome, W. Lester, Joseph, C. Lester, Johnson, Bea.

Tackles: Quillin, Demersseman, Everson, Tillman, Register, Herron, Malery, Stanaland, Lore, R. Daniels.

Guards: Simpson, Clackston, Rountree, Netter.

Centers: Godfrey, Hendry, Dewar, Earnest.

Backs: Bazemore, Bounds, Welch, Johnson, Moore, Bell, R. Daniels, C. Daniels, Griffin, LeFiles, Lee, Rowe, Savage, Pompey, Anderson, Fordham, Hampton, Branam, DeLoach, O'Neil, McCaskill.

KENDRICK

Ends: Richardson, Clements, Works, Dillard.

Tackles: Drake, Morris, Britton, Douglas, Dunley.

Guards: Brandenburg, Gallagher, Cannington, Beasley, Johnson, Drew.

Centers: Johnson, Iden.

Backs: Allen, Williams, White, Booth, Stafford, Mahone, Byrd, Humphry, Jernigan.

Score by Quarters:

Valdosta 6 8 7 7-28

Kendrick 6 0 0 6-6

Scoring: Valdosta — TD's — Johnson 2 (23 yd. run, 42 yd. pass from Bounds), S. Rome (35 yd. pass from Johnson), LeFiles (5 yd. run); PATS — R. Rome 2 (pass from Bounds), Bazemore 2 (placements); Kendrick — TDS — Allen (1 yd. run), Byrd (1 yd. run).

Quick TD Didn't Rattle Wildcats

Up at Columbus this past Friday night the fireworks out on the football field were over and Valdosta High's head coach Wright Bazemore stood near the Wildcats' dressing room answering newsmen's questions.

The 'Cats had just clipped coach Art Williams' Kendrick Cherokees, 28-12, in a first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs.



GLASSMAN

"And when Kendrick marched right on down and scored I thought our boys were going to have to battle back as they had on several occasions, I'm proud to say that's exactly what they did.

"We got hit with that quick TD and we got ourselves into trouble a few more times during the game. And we got some penalties which hurt us, but for that matter so did Kendrick.

"But our boys kept their poise, as they've done under similar circumstances this year, and they came back to give the kind of team effort it takes to win in a game of this importance. I'm proud of them, very proud of them. But we aren't out of the woods yet, not by a long shot."

Balanced Attack

The Wildcats gained well over 400 yards in total offense, with good balance between their running and passing game. The VHS stop'em crew held Kendrick's fabled running back Donald Byrd to less than 50 yards. He'd been averaging 126 per tilt. Cherokee quarterback Rudy Allen was able to sting the 'Cats with some passes, but three of his tosses were intercepted.

Penalties hurt the 'Cats and one that the Cherokees drew kept VHS' first scoring march going.

There was one call, however, which I'm still trying to figure out. A VHS defender grabbed a Kendrick ball carrier by the back of the jersey with one hand and pulled him down. An official tossed a penalty marker and 'Dosta was docked 15 yards. I was stunned when the signal given was for grabbing the face guard. That one was very tough to take and the big Valdosta delegation in the crowd of approximately 15,000 howled in protest.

Past History

Oh well, that's past history now and nothing anyone says will change things.

The 'Cats have won 11 straight this season and have now gone 38 games without a loss in a string which stretches back into the 1967 season. There is one tie in the streak.

They're also going to be going against the Richmond Academy Musketeers of Augusta later this week in the playoff for the South Georgia "AAA" crown and a berth in the state finals against the North Georgia king. Richmond won the 4-AAA crown with a 9-1 record, then blasted 3-AAA titleholder Wayne County (Jesup), 33-0, in their playoff duel this past Friday.

In the upper half of the state Lakeside of Atlanta and Dalton will be meeting this week for the North Georgia championship.

As Bazemore said, the Wildcats aren't out of the woods yet—not by a long shot.

Kendrick had received the opening kickoff and promptly marched 76 yards to take a quick 6-0 lead. The Cherokees were to get six more points in the closing minutes of the game. In between the 'Cats dominated on both offense and defense and produced a well deserved victory.

"What did you think when Kendrick scored so quickly, were you worried?" one Columbus scribe asked Bazemore.

"Yes, I was worried," Bazemore answered. "We knew Kendrick had a good team, one that could really move the football. We were worried before the game and all through it.

The 'Cats, who posted a 10-0 record in their march to the 1-AAA crown, are in the state playoffs for the third year in a row and the eighth time in the last 11 seasons.

Kendrick, well, this is its first shot at state grid honors. The school is just three years old and this is the first time the Cherokees have campaigned in 2-AAA.

But in 1969, playing a non-region slate, Kendrick notched a 9-1 record and this time they have a 9-2 mark, including a 16-15 win over Central (formerly Lanier) in the 2-AAA playoff this past Friday.

The two had met the week before in a regular season affair which didn't count in the standings. Central won that time, 29-13, but when the title went up for grabs it was Kendrick which prevailed.

Winning Attitude

As for Art Williams, the Cherokees' head coach, some fans might remember him when he was a standout quarterback at Cairo High in the early 1960s and from a few years back when he turned out some very successful teams at Appling County (Baxley). He's very wise in the ways of football and has instilled Kendrick with a winning attitude.

I've talked with some other coaches and several newsmen and all agree that Kendrick is the strongest team to come out of the Columbus area in many, many years.

You'll be hearing more about the Cherokees between now and their game with Valdosta. But it should be noted right now that the Wildcats really have their work cut out for them.

While the trip to Columbus is going to be a long one for local fans, they won't have to worry about getting a seat for the game. The stadium at Columbus will hold 25,000 people, which should be more than adequate to take care of the anticipated crowd.

Stat Formula

There is one thing to keep in mind. Should the game end in a tie, a statistical formula will be applied to break the deadlock. This is true for all playoff duels leading up to the state championship match. A tie in the title game will result in co-champions. That was the case in 1969 when VHS and Athens hooked up in a 26-26 affair.

Under the tie-breaking formula a point is awarded to the team with the most first downs, the most yards gained in total offense and the most penetrations inside the other teams 20-yard line.

Actually, Kendrick and Central tied 14-14 last week. But the Cherokees had the most first downs and most yards gained, while Central led in penetrations. That made the adjusted score 16-15 in favor of Kendrick.

There will be a pair of statisticians, one representing each team, appointed to keep the official figures.

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CENTRAL VS KENDRICK — Central's Big Orange Chargers (formerly Lanier Poets) and Kendrick's Cherokees will be meeting tonight at Macon with the Region 2-AAA crown on the line. Central has a 10-0 record and beat Kendrick, 29-13, in a regular season game last week which didn't count in the standings. I believe Central will repeat tonight and that will make it Valdosta's opponent in the first round of the state Class AAA playoffs next week.

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WAYNE VS BRUNSWICK — The Wayne County (Jesup) Yellow Jackets and Brunswick Pirates are playing for the Region 3-AAA crown tonight, with the winner to face 4-AAA king Richmond Academy (Augusta) in a state playoff duel next week. Wayne is 9-1 and Brunswick has a 6-4 chart. Brunswick beat the Jackets during the regular season, 16-14, but I think Wayne will triumph this time.

Valdosta Awaits Verdict In 2-AAA

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

While Valdosta's Wildcats wait to find out who their play-off foe will be next week, two other area high school football teams are slated to see action tonight.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats closed out regular season play last week with a 10-0 record, which gave them the Region 1-AAA crown and a berth in the state Class AAA play-offs.

Valdosta's next foe is to be the Region 2-AAA titleholder, an issue which is to be settled tomorrow night when sub-division victors Central (formerly La-

nier) of Macon and Kendrick of Columbus clash at Macon.

On the area scene, Madison, Fla., is to host Chipley, Fla., and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) is to play at Perry, Fla., Friday night. Madison's Cougars (7-1-1) will be closing out their season. Hamilton's Trojans (3-4-1) will wind up their campaign next week against Newberry, Fla.

The 2-AAA victor, under a rotation system, will get to pick the site for its game with 'Dosta. That means the 'Cats will have to go to either Macon or Columbus to play, with Fri-

day, Nov. 27, the likely date for the duel. Firm plans for the game won't actually be made until Sunday.

Regardless of how things go in the 2-AAA showdown tomorrow night, the 'Cats will be facing a tough opponent next week.

Coach Godfrey (Goot) Steiner's Central Big Orange Charges have a 10-0 record and coach Art Williams' Kendrick Cherokees have an 8-2 chart.

Both are blessed with strong running games and potent air attacks, and Central owns an eye-popping set of defensive statistics.

Actually, this will be the second week in a row that Central and Kendrick have met. They tangled in a regular season affair last Friday which didn't count in the standing. Central was a 29-13 victor in that one.

Before that the Chargers reeled off triumphs over Northside (Warner Robins), 41-0; Baldwin (Milledgeville), 48-0; Peach (Ft. Valley), 35-6; Jordan (Columbus), 40-0; Northeast (Macon), 20-0; Hardaway (Columbus), 30-6; Southwest (Macon), 26-7; Baker (Columbus), 9-0, and Warner Robins (7-0).

In addition to that loss to Central, Kendrick dropped a 14-12 decision to Warner Robins. But the Cherokees bounced Central (Phoenix City, Ala.), 8-2; Carver (Columbus), 35-19; Columbus, 6-3; Hardaway (Columbus), 18-6; Southwest (Macon), 12-0; Jordan (Columbus), 28-0, and Baker (Columbus), 15-12.

Central's ground attack is led by Charles Haugabrook, a 155-pound junior who has picked up 1,112 yards on 173 carries, and Andy Summers, a 175-pound senior who has gained 620 yards on 135 carries. The Chargers aerial leader in Ronnie Nixon (150, sr.), who has hit on 56 of 99 passes for 847 yards.

On defense Steiner's charges have allowed an average of just 45 yards rushing and 21 yards passing per game.

The kingpin in Kendrick's running attack is Donald Byrd, a 195-pound junior who has galloped for 1,270 yards on 184 carries. And quarterback Rudy Allen (165-jr.) has connected on 67 of 117 tosses for 944 yards.

Regional Titles Go Up For Grabs

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sub-region champs around the state will be fighting it out for region titles while only five regular season games are scheduled as the regular season ends and the playoffs begin.

Among the titles to be settled by playoffs are region 2-AAA where Macon Central will meet Kendrick and 3-AAA where Wayne County will meet Brunswick.

Central's game with Kendrick will be a replay last week's game between the two. Kendrick trailed all the way but was down only 17-13 before Central got two long touchdowns in the fourth quarter to break the game open for a 29-13 decision. The winner of the contest will reap the dubious honor of playing region 1-AAA champions, Valdosta, next week.

The winner of the Wayne County-Brunswick game can look forward to playing Richmond Academy, winner of region 4-AAA.

Other region winners, Dalton in 5-AAA, R. E. Lee in 6-A, Columbia in 7-A and Lakeside in 8-A will be idle until November 27th when the AAA quarter finals will be played.

AA powerhouses West Rome and Gainesville will be among several AA teams involved in title bouts. West Rome will have to get by Lafayette for the region 7-AA title while Gaines-

ville must defeat Greene County for the 8-AA crown.

Four other AA region titles will also be up for grabs. Fitzgerald will take an Americus for the 1-AA trophy while the 2-AA championship will be decided between Mary Persons and Statesboro. Woodward Academy will take on Lakeside for the 3-AA title. Westminster will battle Marist for the 4-AA championship.

Most notable among the class A region titles to be decided by playoffs is the McEachern tilt for the region 4-A title. Carrollton, who started slow before six straight wins put it in the playoff, has the edge in playoff experience, having won its sub-region for the past 11 years. But McEachern still might be favored after regular season victories over some strong opponents.

Region 1-A will also be decided when Wilcox meets Turner County.

Two class B region champs will also be crowned after Friday night games. Rabun County will play Lovett for the 8-B title in a battle of giants. Hogsansville and Pacelli will playoff a regular season tie for the 5-B crown.

The five regular season games scheduled are: Druid Hills at Athens, Chamblee at Briarcliff, Tucker at Henderson and Sequoyah at Lakeside Friday night. Habersham Central is at Cross Keys Saturday for the last game of the regular season.

Six Teams Left In Title Chase

Eleven weeks ago a total of 43 Class AAA teams began their 1970 seasons with high hopes. Now just six are left in the running for the South Georgia "AAA" crown and a shot at the state title.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats have finished their regular season with a perfect 10-0 record and claimed the Region 1-AAA crown for the third year in a row and the eighth time in the last 11 years.

Since the 'Cats have already nailed down a playoff berth and will be playing some more we won't say too much about them now.

It should, however, be noted that this is a team which began the season with just six returning starters from 1969. The fact that the 'Cats of '70 have, despite their inexperience, won 10 in a row and repeated as region champs is a credit to all the players and their determination and the outstanding coaching job done by all the members of VHS' staff.

Valdosta's foe in the first round of the playoffs will be the Region 2-AAA victor. This title issue is to be slated this

coming Friday with a playoff between the Central of Macon Big Orange Chargers (formerly Lanier Poets) and the Kendrick Cherokees of Columbus. Central, with a 10-0 mark, and Kendrick, with an 8-2 chart, are the sub-division winners in this loop.

They met this past Friday in a regular season game which didn't count in the standings. Central won, 29-13, and is favored to lick Kendrick again in their playoff duel this weekend.

Under a rotation system, the 2-AAA winner gets the right to pick the site for its game with Valdosta. It means the 'Cats will probably have to go to Macon, provided Central triumphs over Kendrick as expected.

Richmond Is In

The other first round game in the southern half of the state is to be between the 3-AAA and 4-AAA victors.

Richmond Academy's Musketeers from Augusta own a 9-1 chart and have already clinched the 4-AAA diadem. Region 3-AAA is split and the sub-division winners are the Wayne County Yellow Jackets from Jesup, with a 9-1 mark, and the Brunswick Pirates, with a 6-4 record. They are to stage their playoff this coming Friday at Brunswick.

In a regular season affair which didn't count in the standings Brunswick nipped Wayne, 16-14. But a lot of folks in that league think the boys from Jesup will turn the tables on Brunswick in their playoff duel and emerge as the 3-AAA king.

So the six teams left are Valdosta (the 1-AAA champ), Central of Macon and Kendrick of Columbus (the 2-AAA sub-division winners), Richmond of Augusta (the 4-AAA titleholder) and Wayne County (Jesup) and Brunswick (the 3-AAA sub-division victors).

From here on the football fur is going to fly.

VHS And Richmond High Score Teams

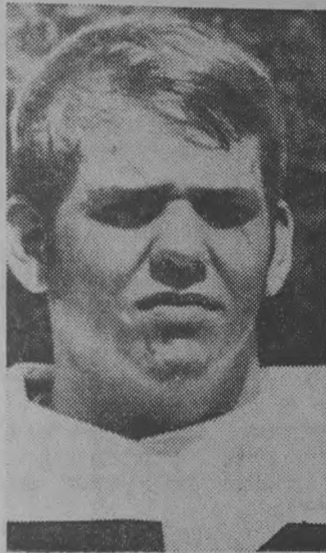
BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Richmond Academy's Musketeers, a pair of high school football teams with potent attacks, are to clash head-on at Augusta Friday night with the South Georgia Class AAA championship up for grabs.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's undefeated 'Cats (11-0) and coach Colley Cassidy's once beaten (10-1) Musketeers is set for 8 p. m. at Augusta's Butler Stadium.

The victor will earn the right to face the North Georgia titleholder in the state "AAA" championship game on Dec. 12. The issue in the northern half of the state is to be settled Friday night when Lakeside of Atlanta and Dalton, a pair of teams with 11-0 charts, meet.

Richmond, led by talented quarterback Wayne Hooks and halfback Chris Edenfield, have tallied 358 points, an average of 32.6 per game. They were almost exactly on their average when they crushed Wayne County (Jesup), 33-0, in a first round



ROBERT DEWAR
VHS Center

playoff game last week.

Valdosta, going after the South Georgia crown for the third year in a row and the eighth time in the last 11 years, also has some impressive offen-

sive statistics.

The 'Cats have scored 365 points, an average of 33.1 per outing. Their total offense average for the year is 403 yards per game, 187 rushing and 216 passing.

VHS' aerial attack is led by Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 124 of 211 tosses for 1,999 yards. Counting in 173 yards he's made along the ground his total offense mark is 2,172 yards.

His favorite receivers are Dan Johnson (38-713), Stanford Rome (37-686), Roger Rome (38-474) and Charles Daniels (17-324).

Willie Anderson is the rushing leader with 536 yards on 86 carries. He is followed by Daniels (85-440), Robert McCaskill (25-189) and Jimmy LeFiles (26-106).

Very important cogs in the VHS offensive machine are interior lineman Paul Demersseman, Steve Stanaland, Wayne Simpson, Joshua Mabry and Robert Dewar.

As in all playoff games short of the state title match, should VHS and Richmond play to a tie a statistical formula will be applied to break the deadlock. The official tally will be kept by a pair of statisticians on the sideline. One point each will be awarded to the team with the most first downs, most yards gained in total offense and most penetrations inside the other team's 20 yard line.

This will be the fourth playoff meeting between 'Dosta and Richmond. They tangled before in the South Georgia title games of 1960, 1961 and 1962. VHS triumphed those three times, but tomorrow night it will be a brand new deal.

Probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense - ends Stanford Rome (170, fresh.) and Roger Rome (220, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (200, jr.) and Steve Stanaland (200, jr.), guards Wayne Simpson (190, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (190, sr.), center Robert Dewar (215, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (165, jr.), halfbacks Charles Daniels (195, sr.) and Jimmy LeFiles (170, sr.), fullback Willie Anderson (195, jr.).

Defense - ends - Kim Marshall (185, sr.) and Mike Welch (185, sr.), tackles Ralph Hendry (225, sr.) and Vance Quillin (215, sr.), middle guard Mike Everson (210, sr.) or Willie Lester (165, sr.), outside linebackers Curt Bazemore (175, sr.) and Gary Rowe (165, soph.), inside linebackers Robert Daniels (190, fresh.) and Robert Savage (180, sr.) and deep backs John Hampton (180, sr.) and Curtis Lee (165, sr.).

RICHMOND

Offense - ends Rick Thompson (170, sr.) and Jerry Wesse (185, jr.), tackles Phillip McKagel (195, sr.) and Sonny Merritt (200, jr.), guards David Sharp (180, sr.) and David Duke (175, sr.), center Mickey Gunnels (190, sr.), quarterback Wayne Hooks (185, sr.), halfbacks Chris Edenfield (160, jr.) and Willie Lam (165, sr.), fullback Wayne Price (185, jr.).

Defense - ends David McKnight (200, sr.) and Brad Thompson (185, jr.), tackles Dennis Atkins (195, jr.) and Crad Jaynes (180, sr.), outside linebackers Tommy Yowens (185, jr.) and Jack Hudson (185, sr.), inside linebackers Tommy Harrell (175, sr.) and Bobby Borders (19 sr.), corner backs Barry O'Neil (160, sr.) and Price, safety Lam.

Playoffs Reach Showdown Stage

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Valdosta will try to lengthen its string of 37 games without a loss in playoff action this weekend while Gainesville, Roswell and Lovett also took for important semifinal round victories.

Valdosta's streak of 36 victories and a tie will beat stake when the defending AAA co-champs take on Richmond Academy.

Both teams advanced to the semi-finals on strong victories. Richmond Academy dumped Wayne County 33-0 and never allowed the losers a serious threat. Valdosta whipped Kendrick 28-12 and was led by Dan Johnson's two touchdowns.

In the other AAA playoff game Dalton will meet Lakeside. Lakeside swamped Columbia 34-2 for its semifinal berth. Dalton won entrance to the elite group with a 27-7 victory over R. E. Lee.

The AA final berths will be decided in two games. Dykes will take on Gainesville for one and Statesboro will square off against Woodward Academy for the other.

Gainesville, who was picked in most preseason polls as the team most likely to succeed, edged out powerful West Rome

last weekend 7-6 in a defensive struggle. Dykes had no trouble advancing over North Fulton, whipping the Bulldogs 35-0.

Statesboro remained the only undefeated AA team in the playoffs with a 14-12 victory over Americus. Its opponent, Woodward Academy, won its semifinal slot with a 17-15 victory over Westminster.

Roswell seems to be the fair-haired child in Class A after its 27-6 rout of Carrollton. The Hornets will meet Murray County, champion in region 6-A, who did not play last week.

Wilcox County, who downed Metter 27-12 for its semifinal berth, will also play a team that was idle last week, Warren County. Warren County is the region 3-A champion.

Lovett cruised by Hapeville 20-0 last Friday night in Class B play. They will meet Pacelli, 25-16 victor over Dade County last week.

Blackshear and Savannah Country Day will meet in the other Class B game by virtue of earlier triumphs. Blackshear advanced with a 23-6 victory over Macon County and Savannah Country Day won its berth defeating Lyons, 28-25.

Wildcats Picked In Playoff Duel

We're moving closer and closer to the finish of the high school and college football action and my prediction average is going down, down, down.

Last week I tried to form chart 13 games, and all were prep playoffs or collegiate battles between traditional rivals. Things didn't go well for me at all. I was right eight times and wrong five times for a dismal .615 mark.



GLASSMAN

That chopped four more points off my average for the season and it now reads 347-132-.721.

On this week's schedule all the high school games are semi-final round contests in the state playoffs for various classifications. There are few college tilts, but one is a Southeastern Conference affair of importance.

Let's start with the prep offerings and look at the college list later.

VALDOSTA VS RICHMOND - Valdosta's Wildcats (11-0) and Richmond Academy's Musketeers (10-1) will be meeting tonight at Augusta for the South Georgia Class AAA crown. The winner will earn a berth in the state

"AAA" title game, which is set for next week.

Both the 'Cats and Musketeers have averaged scoring better than 30 points a game this season, so don't be surprised if this tilt produces a lot of offensive fireworks.

Richmond will have the home field advantage, but I think the Wildcats will emerge as the victor.

LAKESIDE VS DALTON - Lakeside's Vikings and Dalton's Catamounts have matching 11-0 records and are to tangle tonight for the North Georgia "AAA" title. The winner of this game will meet the VHS-Richmond victor in the state championship bout. I'm giving the nod to Lakeside.



—Times Staff Photo by Robert Wister III

He Was the Hooker: Musketeer Quarterback Wayne Hooks Fires Pass over Charging Wildcats

But Loss Heartbreaking

It Had To Come Sometime

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Winning streaks are made to be broken.

Valdosta's football streak was broken Friday night. The Wildcats had gone 38 games without a loss until they tangled with the Musketeers in Augusta's Butler Stadium for the South Georgia AAA title.

But while a streak of 38 is impressive, the football 'Cats have done better. In the 1950s when Valdosta was winning state titles in double A, the 'Cats compiled a streak of 40 games without a loss. There have been other streaks of 37 and 30 since 1940 when Valdosta won its

first state championship.

In Augusta Friday night, Richmond Academy scored with less than two minutes to play to go ahead 18-14 and capture the South Georgia title. Until that closing minutes touchdown the 'Cats had held the lead through most of the game.

You have to go all the way back to the 1967 season to find the last time Valdosta lost a football game. That year in the next to the last game of the season Tift County's Blue Devils defeated Valdosta 13-7.

In the last game of the '67 season the 'Cats topped LaGrange 20-13. That was the

start of the 38-game streak.

In 1968 the Wildcats put it all together for 13 wins and the state championship in a 37-12 victory over Forrest Park on a miserably cold night in Atlanta.

The 1969 season saw the 'Cats win 12 in a row leading to a state championship match with Athens in Valdosta. The Trojans put the only blemish on the 38-game streak by gaining a tie and a co-share of the championship.

At the start of the 1970 season, no one really believed Coach Wright Bazemore could put it all together again. But the miracle man did

just that in leading the Valdosta High gridders through an undefeated season and region championship, a playoff victory over Kendrick of Columbus and a shot at the South Georgia title.

But Richmond Academy closed out the 'Cats season and hopes for their 8th state championship in the past 10 years.

Against Richmond, the 'Cats ran up against the kind of team and had the kind of breaks about which Coach Bazemore has been having nightmares all season. As in practically all football games,

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another step or two in crucial moments meant the difference.

For Valdosta fans a football loss doesn't come easy. They aren't used to losing. For Coach Bazemore, losing doesn't come easy. He's not used to it, either.

Since 1940 when Wright Bazemore joined the Valdosta coaching staff, his teams have compiled an almost unbelievable record 277 wins against 43 losses and six ties. Probably no coach in the history of football can boast such a record.

Bazemore and his teams are living legends. Following the 1969 season he was chosen national high school coach of the year. He had been selected Georgia high school coach of the year five times and in 1960 was inducted into the state Football Hall of Fame, the first active player or coach so honored.

So rings down another season, and another precedent-setting coaching job for Bazemore and his staff. And it is hard to believe that the Wildcats actually lost in a football game.

It is hard for others to believe, too. An Albany sports writer called The Valdosta Daily Times office this morning and offered to write the game story for the newspaper. "I know you fellows don't know how to write a game story about a loss," he said. "But we're used to losing."

No, not many stories about Valdosta football losses have appeared in the pages of the newspaper. But then streaks are to be broken and everyone, but everyone, wants to knock off the king.

The question now: What about next year, and the start of another streak?

Elks Honor Two VHS Seniors For Leadership

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two Valdosta High School seniors, David Bentley and Martha Alice Giddens, have won the Elks Leadership Awards.

The two winners were announced this week by Alex McFadden, youth committee chairman for the Valdosta Elks Lodge. Miss Giddens and Bentley are now competing for state honors in the leadership program.

The students have been awarded \$50 each for the local honors.

Miss Giddens, daughter of Mrs. Alice Jo Giddens and Wilson Giddens, is editor of "The Dosta Outlook". She is a member of the Biracial committee at VHS and is a cheerleader. Miss Giddens was president of the ninth grade

Student Council and served as representative for two years. She was vice president of the sophomore and junior classes and was on the tennis team her junior year.

She is president of the Youth Fellowship at Park Avenue United Methodist Church where she teaches Sunday school. She is secretary of Sigma Delta Theta Junior Cotillion Club.

Miss Giddens has participated in UNICEF Drives, March of Dimes campaigns and Heart Fund drives. She works parttime at a local department store.

Miss Giddens said that even though she makes straight A's in academic studies, she has time for extra-curricular activities. She doesn't think a

person can be well-rounded without outside interests.

Bentley, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Bentley Jr., is president of the senior class. He is also president of the Distributive Education Club for the second year, a member of the Student Council, the Inter-Club Council, Key Club and Hi-Y.

He participated in the city-wide 1969 and 1970 Spring Cleanups, the March of Dimes drives and is a member of the Church of Christ.

Bentley won the W. E. Glenn Award for outstanding leadership in the Valdosta DE chapter and was cited for leadership at the state DE convention last year. Under his leadership last year, the DE chapter was named the club of the year for the state.



DAVID BENTLEY
Bridging Gaps



MARTHA GIDDENS
Strong Backing

Wildcats Battled Hard For Success

Valdosta High's football Wildcats always aim for victory and so there had to be a feeling of disappointment when they dropped an 18-14 decision to the Richmond Academy Musketeers this past Friday night at Augusta.

With quarterback Wayne Hooks, a very talented young gridder leading the way Richmond overcame a 14-6 VHS lead with a pair of touchdowns in the final six minutes of the game to win.



GLASSMAN

The loss knocked the 'Cats out of the state Class AAA playoffs and snapped their string of 38 games without a defeat. They had won 11 in a row this year as they claimed the Region 1-AAA crown and then trimmed Kendrick of Columbus, 28-12, in the opening round of the playoffs.

Certainly the 'Cats themselves and all of the Valdosta fans were hoping this would be another state championship year, but Richmond ended those title dreams.

After the game, however, coach Wright Bazemore stood with his head held high and without hesitation expressed his pride in the Wildcats of 1970. "They've battled hard

all the way this year and that certainly includes the game tonight," he said with justification.

You better believe this was a battling VHS team, it had overcome some big odds to gain the large measure of success it attained. And you also better believe that Bazemore, a football miracle man, and his aides Charlie Greene, Joe Mercer, Jack Randolph, Julian LeFiles, Edward Jones and Joe Mercer, turned in one of the most outstanding coaching jobs in VHS' long football history.

Few Returnees

At the beginning of the season they faced a major "rebuilding" job. Of the 22 players who started for VHS in the state title game of 1969, just six were still available for duty.

In this day of two-platoon football it meant that Valdosta had only a handful of experienced performers and the plain truth is that virtually no one outside the VHS camp figured the 'Cats were going to be able to offer much of a challenge.

If you think back you'll recall that all of the pre-season talk in 1-AAA was about Moultrie and Tift County (Tifton), a pair of teams loaded with returning regulars. Many were saying it would be either the Packers or the Blue Devils who would rule the region roost.

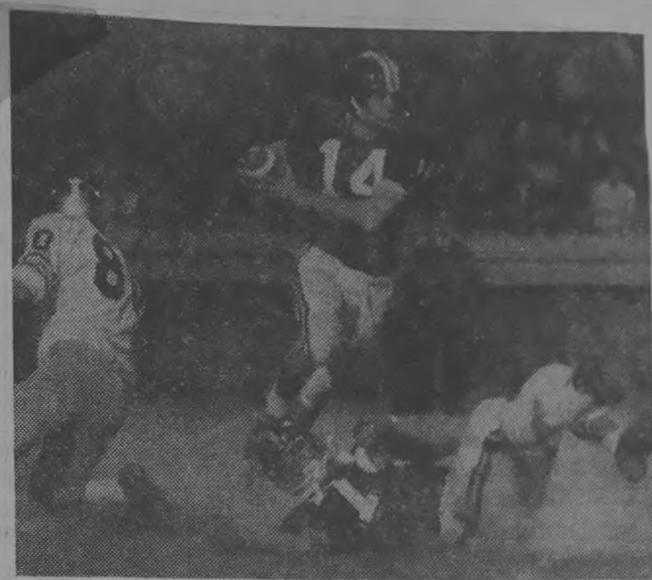
Upheld Tradition

When the hard, cold facts about the Wildcats were put on paper the logical conclusion was that they would be very fortunate to finish anywhere above the .500 mark.

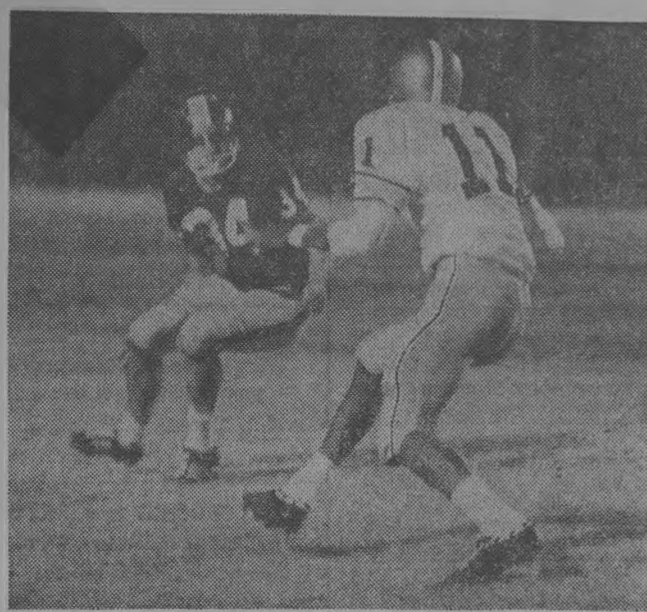
But with the VHS staff doing a tremendous job and the 'Cats offsetting their lack of experience and natural football talent with determination and a never-say-die spirit, Valdosta posted an 11-1 record and made it all the way to the state semi-finals.

When they finally lost it was on the road to a veteran Richmond team by a very slim margin in a game which remained in doubt until the final few seconds of play.

Yes indeed, Bazemore has a right to be proud of his charges. And every member of the team should hold his head high. Considering all things, the 1970 Valdosta High football Wildcats had a great season, one in keeping with VHS' proud gridiron tradition.



Richmond Academy's Wayne Hooks (14) begins to scramble with the football as the Wildcat defense closes in.



Valdosta's Stanford Rome (11) hauls in a pass from Stan Bounds and heads for paydirt. Several mistakes by the 'Cats plus some excellent offense enabled the Richmond Musketeers to ease by Valdosta 18 to 14 in the South Georgia Playoff.

In City Schools

New Dress Code Shaping Up

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A new dress code is shaping up at Valdosta High School, but the decision of okaying pants suits for classroom attire is up to the Valdosta Board of Education.

VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green said the faculty has voted 34 to 33 in favor of pants suits but that he personally does not approve of the outfits for campus dress.

He said he will not make any sort of recommendation to the school board at its regular December meeting.

"It'll be up to the board. We are drawing up a new dress code here and the question of pants suits came from the faculty members throughout the system rather than our students," he said.

Green said the 34 to 33 vote doesn't really tell him anything decisive about the feeling among the high school faculty on pants suits.

"When it comes that close I don't believe we are ready to make a decision," he said.

Should the board go along with the simple majority wishes at VHS, female teachers and

students would be allowed to wear pants suits to class.

Supt. Foster Goolsby said the dress code subject will not be acted upon at the Monday meeting. "The pants suit idea is just one aspect. The dress code will encompass much more than this before it is finished," he said.

The superintendent said that when the entire dress code policy is put together at VHS and a completed copy is sent to his office "I'll send copies to all the board members. I would not ask them to act on this question cold without the full policy."

When told that the U.S. Attorney General's office had sent memos to his staff okaying pants suit for work in Washington, D.C., Goolsby said it appears "things are moving in that direction."

"I've been checking other school systems and places and it seems this is what is being done," he said.

But the U.S. Justice Department isn't the only group which favors pants suits. The 25 VHS students interviewed by The Valdosta Daily Times on the pants suits issue were all in

favor of the look.

"They are really great looking. I wear them all the time outside of school. If they are accepted at other places why not at school?" said a junior.

Another girl said businesses now allow their female employees to dress in pants. "It's a fashion and a good looking one at that. I wish the school administration would see it that way. Things change and people's opinions should, too," she said.

The VHS faculty members are not the only ones in favor of pants suits. There are other teachers in the system who opt for the covered leg look and this doesn't mean a midi length.

"It helps in the classroom. When you have to bend down as much as I do during the day and have such active first graders, believe me, pants suits would be a relief," said a teacher who didn't want to be identified.

She put it this way:

"No one would object, except some men and really older women, if we wore midis. But most women think they are horrible, and, fortunately, the majority of men do, too. Pants suits are fashionable and taste-

ful like the mini.

"Now, I like the mini, but it isn't always practical for my job. But I refuse to wear a midi. Pants suits are the answer. I wouldn't wear them everyday, but I like having the choice. I don't want anyone dictating fashion to me. John Daley tried and look what happened to 'Women's Wear Daily.' For older girls, junior high and high school age, the pants suits look good, too. Why be so old fashioned about the whole thing?"

Green said he objects because it would be hard to enforce the dress code. "It would be a step to slacks and then even more casual outfits. Then this spring the boys would want to wear Bermudas," he said.

Defenders of the pants suit contend it is easy to tell the difference between a suit and slacks and shirt.

Student Council president Robert Orr said a committee from the council has been appointed to work with the administration if the board approves the idea. Becky Eager is chairman of the committee.

Orr said he favors the pants suits as long as no one takes advantage of it.





MIKE EVERSON
Middle Guard



CURT BAZEMORE
Coach's Son

Local Gridders May Go To Tech

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two of Valdosta High's stand-out performers, Curt Bazemore and Mike Everson, have indicated they plan to continue their football careers at Georgia Tech.

Saturday is the day senior prep stars in the state may officially accept college football scholarship offers, and Bazemore and Everson say they plan to cast their lot with coach Bud Carson's Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets at that time.

Curt Bazemore is the son of Valdosta High's super successful head football coach Wright Bazemore. He tips the scales at 185 pounds and has been a defensive regular at a corner linebacker spot for the last three seasons.

Everson, a 225-pound interior lineman, has also been a Wildcat regular for three years and has seen duty on both offense and defense.

The two Georgia Tech-bound gridders were tri-captains of the 1970 VHS team, along with running back Charles Daniels.

Throughout his prep career Curt Bazemore has shown outstanding talent as a tackler and pass defender. As a guard on offense Everson is a sure blocker and as both a middle guard and linebacker on defense he has been one of the 'Cats' most effective defenders.

Everson was a pre-season high school All-America selectee and has just been named to the 1970 prep All-America squad picked by Parade Magazine. Parade named 33 players from around the nation to its A-A team.

During the three seasons Bazemore and Everson saw action for VHS the Wildcats compiled an overall record of 36-1-1, won the Region 1-AAA cro three times, ruled as state Class AAA championship twice (1968 and 1969) and this year reached the state playoff semi-finals. Both played major role in those accomplishments.

'Cats And Vikes Prep Grid Picks

You'd have to say that my football forecasting average this season has been following a rise-and-dive pattern.

I started the first week with a fairly strong effort, then lost points the next time. The third week my average went up and this past weekend it took another dive.



GLASSMAN

In my latest effort I was right about 30 games and wrong about 11 for a .732 mark. That knocked six points off my average for the season, dropping it to 94-35-.721.

So here I go again, hoping for another rise. Let's start with the high school games and save the college picks for later.

VALDOSTA VS ALBANY

— Valdosta's Wildcats will put their perfect 4-0 record on the line against the Albany Indians, who have a 2-1 mark. It will be the first home game for the 'Cats after three straight tilts on the road. Albany is a traditional rival which always plays very tough against VHS. It won't be an easy task, but I think Valdosta will win tonight.

Two More 'Cats Ink Grid Pacts

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Two more members of Valdosta High's 1970 football team, tackles Vance Quillin and Ralph Hendry, have accepted the offer of college grid scholarships.

Quillin, a 220-pounder, and Hendry, who tips the scales at 245 pounds, were both "signed" Tuesday by the University of Southern Mississippi.

This brings to four the number of VHS seniors picked by colleges in the current recruiting cycle. Linebacker Curt Bazemore and interior lineman Mike Everson cast their lot with Georgia Tech this past Saturday.

Both Quillin and Hendry were three-season regulars with coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats.

During the just completed campaign they helped anchor VHS' extremely tough defensive line.

Quillin and Hendry have been two big reasons for the 'Cats compiling an overall record of 36-1-1 over the past three seasons. During that span the 'Cats won the state Class AAA crown twice and this year reached the semi-finals in the state playoffs.

TD Club Honors VHS Grid Staff

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's head football coach Wright Bazemore and his staff were honored here Tuesday night by members of the Valdosta Touchdown Club, who are some of the 'Cats' most ardent boosters.

The club members gathered to watch a football film, then climaxed the evening by presenting Bazemore and his aides with gifts.

The Wildcats' head coach was presented a home entertainment set, which included a color television, stereo, radio, and tape player. To make things easier for the mentor, a remote control unit was added so he could turn things on and off while sitting in his favorite chair.

"I've always said this is the greatest place to live and coach and you people are the greatest," Bazemore said. "It's wonderful for you folks to still do something like this when we lose."

Bazemore's charges actually didn't have a losing season. They won 11 straight games and boosted their streak to 33 games without a loss before Richmond Academy ended the string with an 18-14 victory in the state semi-finals last Friday night at Augusta.

Those were the game films the TD club members and coaching staff reviewed last night.

"We didn't play that sorry," Bazemore said about the Richmond game. "We met a fired-up team an almost hopped up team. And I've always said a team that won't be beat, can't be beat."

"And the only way to get young boys that high is to have a couple of losing seasons and get them hungry for a victory. That group had been playing together for three years, they had

23 seniors and they were as strong and ready to play.

"I can only remember what M. E. Nichols said to me at the school one day. He said, 'If you play long enough, you'll get beat.' It was as hard for me to take as for anybody. I almost wished they'd buried me up there Friday (at Augusta) night."

The Bazemore's life-time record since taking over the helm of the Wildcats in 1941 includes 277 wins, 43 losses and five ties. His 'Cats have claimed 13 state championships.

The rest of the VHS coaching staff, Julian LeFiles, Joe Wilson, Charlie Greene, Joe Mercer, Jack Rudolph and Edward Jones, and VHS band director Frank Butenchan were given cash rewards for their aid to the 'Cats this season.

"I've got the greatest coaching staff in the world," Bazemore beamed, and our cheerleaders and band members have been a very big boost to the team all season."



JOHNNY ROWE
Boy Of Year



DR. JIM DANIELS
Man And Boy Award

Boys' Club Honors Rowe And Daniels

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A Valdosta High School junior, Johnny Rowe, who has demonstrated that the Boys' Club is his first love, has been chosen as the club's Boy of the Year.

While 17-year-old Rowe was cited for the coveted award, Jim Daniels, Valdosta State College dean of the school of arts and sciences, was chosen for the club's Man and Boy Award.

The two were cited at the annual meeting of the Boys' Club board of directors Monday night.

The Boy of the Year award is selected by the club staff and goes to the boy who has contributed most to the club program and activities during the year.

Rowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rowe of 902 Ridgewood Drive, has been involved in all aspects of the club program. According to Charles Milhorn, assistant staff director, Rowe has contributed more than 100 hours work in the program.

He was a life guard at the pool this summer and was coordinator for the Pony League baseball program. "He's the kind of boy that is always there when you need him," said Milhorn.

Daniels, a board member, Midget League football coach and Little League baseball coach, was chosen for the Man and Boy Award because of his "dedicated interest in youth," said Flucker Stewart, who presented the award.

"Jim daily demonstrates an untiring effort in behalf of youth," Stewart said.



ARTHUR MCLANE
New President

In accepting the award, Daniels commented, "A lot of special things have happened to me in my life, but none of them have come up to this."

Daniels has been on the VSC faculty two years. In addition to his work at the Boys Club, he is an elder at the First Presbyterian Church and is on the counseling staff at Valdosta Junior High School.

In other business, the Boys' Club board elected Arthur McLane, Valdosta lawyer, as its new president. McLane replaces John B. Lastinger, who has served as club president for the past two years.

VHS Band Given Funds For Trip

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats band is \$800 closer to its budget to get them to Atlanta and back Sunday for the Falcon - Pittsburg Steeler football game.

The Valdosta Board of Education after an hour's discussion Monday night about band trips and finances voted 4-2 with one abstaining to give the Marchin' Cats \$800 out of the Athletic Association fund to make the trip.

The motion also stated that the board disclaims any responsibility for underwriting band expenses for the inaugural activities to which the VHS band has been asked to participate.

VHS principal Charles (Chuck) Green told the board that he had accepted the invitation for the band to play at the inaugural festivities for Governor-elect Jimmy Carter in January.

Board members I. H. (Bubber) Tillman Jr. and Dr. Robert Quattlebaum voted against the motion to give the band \$800 from Athletic Association funds. Joella Blackburn abstained because she said the board should also give the band some help on the inaugural trip.

The Atlanta Falcons are providing \$1,000 to help with the band's expenses for Sunday's performance. Green said band director Frank Butenschon estimated it would cost about \$2,100 for the one day trip.

But Green said the band wants to leave Saturday afternoon so that they can practice Sunday

morning for the game shows that afternoon. "If they leave Sunday morning it'd have to be no later than 6:30 and then the kids would have to get up real early just so that the buses could leave on schedule. By the time they get to Atlanta, practice and then get on the field for the game, they'll be worn out," said the principal.

Expenses for the overnight trip would be about \$2,900, he said.

The board told Green that if the band spent the night in Atlanta, they (band) would have to finance that portion of the trip.

Green raised the question of what to do with "a great band like the Marchin' Cats that gets the invitations to perform." He said the VHS band is one of two bands in the state to be asked to play for the reception in Governor's mansion in January.

Green said he understands the problem of trying to budget for the year but that invitations to the band do not come 12 months in advance.

"These things come all along. Personally I'd like to see the band's activities financed through tax monies instead of going from door to door like we have to do. I'd rather see the revenue come from one source instead of dribble, dribble, dribble," he said.

The principal, speaking for band director Butenschon who was attending a band clinic in Waycross, asked if there is anything left from gate receipts at athletic events to help finance the band activities other than football trips.

Board member Hulyn Smith suggested that a board committee be set up to look into a band budget, recommend policy on invitational trips and seek means of getting revenue for the group.

Board chairman John Howell appointed Smith, Mrs. Blackburn and Gordon Southwell to the committee.

Tillman warned the board that the budget will not be cureall for the band's problems. He said the Athletic Association money should be used in the same way that it has been used in the past.

"Every nickel of that money has been spent on school projects in which everyone could benefit. I feel we are opening the gate on this thing," said Tillman.

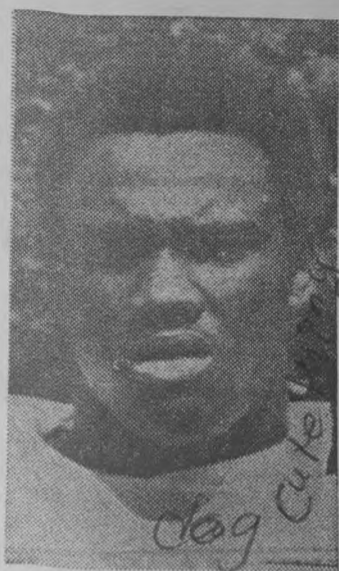


PLANS FOR EAGLE —

Marc Butterick, has been awarded the God and Country badge in Boy Scouting and said he plans to get his Eagle badge, also. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Jan Butterick, he is a sophomore at Valdosta High School and plays basketball. Butterick, a member of First Christian Church, prepared for his badge under the church's associate pastor, the Rev. Boh Raiford. The Scout said he did many projects around the church to earn the badge.

VHS Cage Teams Show New Faces

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor



ROGER ROME
Only Returner

point list with a 10.16 average. The long returning regular is Roger Rome, and he figures very big in plans for the new

season. Rome is a 6-6 senior. He averaged 13.2 points a game last winter and is expected to be much improved this time out.

There are four other returnees who saw some action last season. They are John Rowe (6-5, jr.), Stanley Bounds (6-0, jr.), Dan Johnson (5-11, sr.) and Joshua Mabry (6-0, sr.).

But Bounds and Johnson are slowed down right now with injuries they carried over from football. And two more of the 'Cats' brighter young prospects Stanford Rome (6-3, fresh.) and George Rountree (6-3, soph.), are also on the ailing list. Stanford Rome has a bad hip and Rountree has a broke ankle.

"We have just one returning regular and a total of just three seniors on our squad," Wilson said. "It means we must 're-build', and we must do it with a lot of inexperienced players. But I'm enthusiastic about the potential of some of our young players and I'm hoping we're going to have another successful season."

While this will be Mercer's first season as the Kittens' coach, he is no newcomer to the Valdosta staff or girls basketball. He's been serving as head baseball coach and as assistant in football at VHS. And he has two years experience under his belt as the girls basketball coach at Waycross.

Last season, under veteran mentor Bill Davis, the Kittens posted a 9-11 mark.

Just three of the 1969-70 regulars are still in the fold. They are Joy Johnson (5-2), Nita Brantley (5-8) and Evelyn Graham (5-8). All are seniors. Two other juniors, Sharon Flanders (5-2) and Gay Robertson (5-9), saw some basketball duty last winter.

"We have only a limited amount of both height and experience," Mercer said. "But the girls have been working hard and they have a lot of enthusiasm. We're all going to do our very best."

VHS Hoop Openers Set For Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats and Kittens are to get their 1970-71 seasons underway when they go against traditional rival Moultrie in a Region 1-AAA twin-bill here tonight.

The 'Cats and Kittens will play their home games in the gym on the Valdosta Junior High campus. Action is slated to begin there at 7 o'clock tonight.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.) will be at Broxton, Charlton County (Woodbine) at Echols County (Statenville), Cook (Adel) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Cairo at Brooks County (Quitman) and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Live Oak, Fla.

While the VHS cagers will be getting their first taste of action tonight, Moultrie's Packers and Packerettes are rolling along with 4-0 records.

Coach Travis Allgood's Packers are paced by 6-8 Gene Tate, who is averaging better than 18 points a game. The girls from Moultrie are paced by 6-1 Ronda DeMott and Dell Bridges, a 5-7 sharpshooter.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats posted a 19-6 record and claimed the Region 1-AAA boys crown

last winter. However, four starters on that team are no longer in the VHS fold. The lone returnee is 6-6 Roger Rome. He averaged 13.2 points a game last season and figures very big in the 'Cats' plans for 1970-71.

Valdosta's Kittens will be making their debut under their new head coach Joe Mercer. Last season, with Bill Davis at the helm, the 'Dosta girls had a 9-11 mark. The Kittens return three 1969-70 starters, 5-2 Joy Johnson, 5-8 Nita Brantley and 5-8 Evelyn Graham.

"We have a very young squad and so it goes without saying we lack experience," Wilson said about the 'Cats. "But we have some newcomers with potential and we're hoping to have a suc-

cessful season. Since Moultrie has one of the strongest teams in our region, we've in for a big test in our first game."

Mercer rates the Packerettes from Moultrie as "one of the most talented girls team in 1-AAA."

The VHS cagers will be making two more home court appearances this week. They will be the host for games with Bainbridge Friday and cross-town rival Lowndes on Saturday.

Three of the area teams which will be seeing action tonight are rolling along with perfect records. Coach Billy Pafford's Lanier Bulldogs have a 7-0 mark. And coach Stanley Simpson's Berrien Rebels are 6-0 while his Rebelettes have a 5-0 chart.

The rosters and schedule follow:

BOYS - Roger Rome (6-6, sr.), John Rowe (6-5, jr.), Stanley Bounds (6-0, jr.), Dan Johnson (5-11, sr.), Joshua Mabry (6-0, sr.), Stanford Rome (6-3, fresh.), David Demersseman (5-11, fresh.), Jerome Fluit (6-2, soph.), Ken Furth (5-9, soph.), William Peterson (5-9, jr.), Ronnie Crump (5-10, soph.) and George Rountree (6-3, soph.).

GIRLS - Joy Johnson (5-2, sr.), Nita Brantley (5-8, sr.), Evelyn Graham (5-8, sr.), Phyllis Nichols (5-5, sr.), Annette Norris (5-9, jr.), Sharon Flanders (5-2, jr.), Edna Bryant (5-7, jr.), Jamie Miller (5-5, jr.), Gay Robertson (5-9, jr.), Mickey Folsom (5-5, jr.), Elaine Robinson (5-6, soph.), Vickie Wilson (5-5, jr.), Polly Durden (5-3, soph.), Martica Griffin (5-7, soph.) and Sue Robertson (5-8, soph.).

SCHEDULE - Dec. 15, Moultrie, here; Dec. 18, Bainbridge, here; Dec. 19, Lowndes, here; Jan. 5, Thomasville Central, away; Jan. 8, Westover (Albany), away; Jan. 12, Thomasville, away; Jan. 15, Tift County (Tifton), here; Jan. 21, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), here; Jan. 22, Crisp County (Cordele), away; Jan. 26, Moultrie, away; Jan. 29, Monroe (Albany), here; Jan. 30, Bainbridge, away; Feb. 2, Thomasville, here; Feb. 5, Albany, away; Feb. 6, Lowndes, away; Feb. 9, Central home; Feb. 12, Dougherty (Albany), home and Feb. 13, Berrien, away.

'Cats Top Pack In Hoop Opener

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packerettes rang the victory bell in a Region 1-AAA basketball doubleheader here Tuesday night.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats got their 1970-71 season underway with a 63-59 victory over coach Roy Saturday's visiting Packers. The loss was the first for the Moultrie quintet after four straight wins.

In the girls game the Packerettes surged in the closing minutes to break up a very close game and hand coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens a 43-32 setback. The Moultrie sextet now owns a 5-0 mark.

In the boys game Valdosta went out front early and in the third period led by as much as 14 points. But the Packers ral-

lied. On three occasions they got within a point of catching up. Each time the 'Cats held firm and then widened their advantage again. The last time this happened there was just 2:08 left to play in the contest.

The fivesome of Roger Rome, Stanford Rome, Dan Johnson, John Rowe and Stanley Bounds carried most of the load for the Wildcats. The scoring leaders were Roger Rome, 21; Stanford Rome, 14, and Johnson, 16.

In addition to his 21 points, Roger Rome picked off almost that many rebounds and blocked at least a half dozen Moultrie shots under the basket.

Donald Greene, with 20 points, and James Stancell, with 14, led the Packers attack. They got most of their markers from long range.

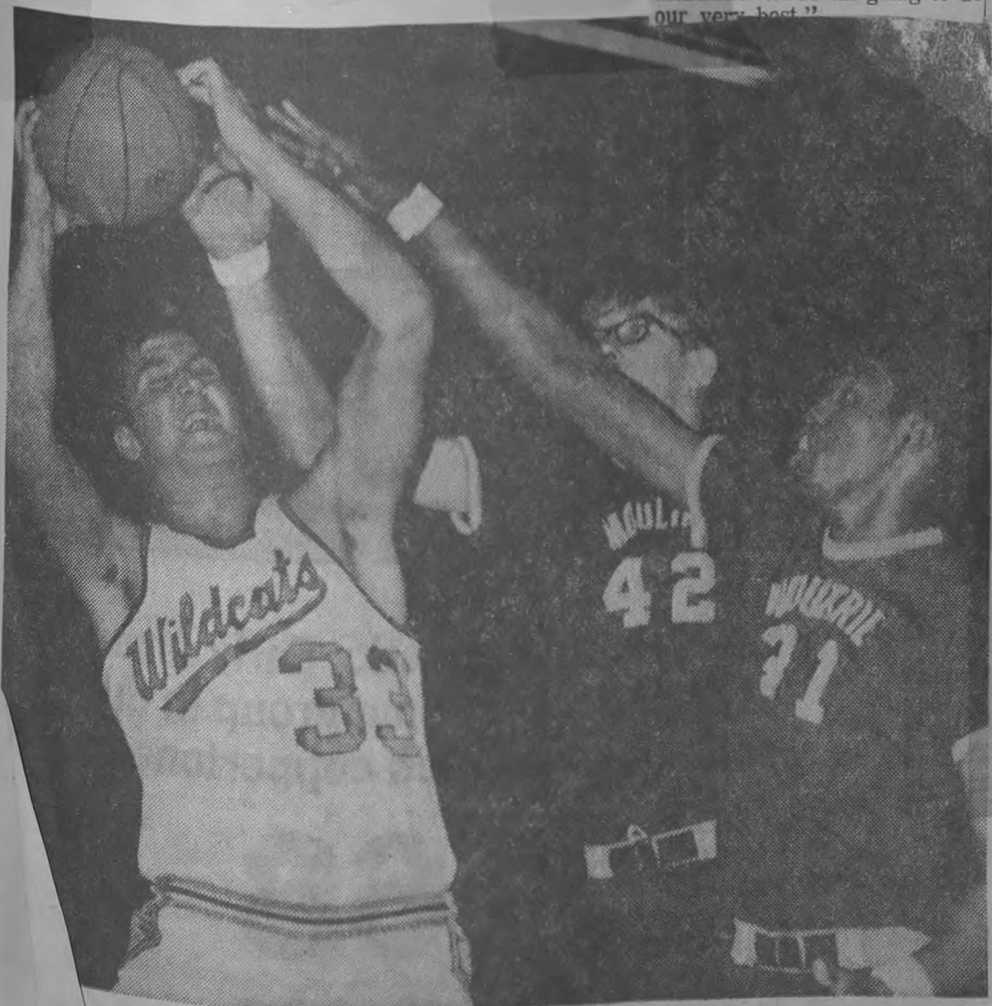
The girls game was a see-

saw affair for three periods with the score being tied or the lead changing hands nine times. The Packerettes broke up the close duel with a 10-point outburst in the final three minutes of play.

Rhonda DeMott led the Moultrie attack with 19 points. Nita Brantley was VHS' leader with nine points.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	8 15 27 32
Moultrie	11 20 29 43
VALDOSTA (32) - Johnson 8, Brantley 9, G. Robertson 8, Flanders 8, Graham, Folsom 1, E. Robertson, Wilson, Miller.	
Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 8 of 23, fouls 23.	
MOULTRIE (43) - DeMott 19, Moss 8, Bridges 8, Causey, Thornton 8, McGee, Mathews, May.	
Team totals: field goals 17, free throws 9 of 19, fouls 19.	

BOYS	
Valdosta	9 24 41 63
Moultrie	6 13 35 59
VALDOSTA (63) - Bounds 4, Fluit 4, Mabry, S. Rome 14, R. Rome 21, Johnson 16, Rowe 2.	
Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 19 of 29, fouls 11.	
MOULTRIE (59) - Greene 20, Stancell 14, Hammock 2, Pale 6, Allman 4, Hightower 7, Goff, Holloway 6.	
Team totals: field goals 24, free throws 11 of 12, fouls 22.	



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Food For Thought

About 2,000 cans of food and scores of boxed goods were collected during the annual Christmas food drive at Valdosta High School. The two-week drive, sponsored by the Student Council, ended Thursday with the senior classes bringing in the most food. The

seniors are to be given points toward the spirit trophy for their collections. The food was turned over to the Salvation Army Friday for distribution to needy families during the Christmas holidays.

Bearcats Defeats VHS In Thriller

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Kittens scored an easy win while the Wildcats suffered a heart-breaking loss in a Region 1-AAA basketball twin-bill with Bainbridge here Friday night.

Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens jumped off to an early lead and then coasted to a 33-21 triumph in the girl contest. In the boys game Bainbridge's Bearcats came away with a 54-53 win when a fourth period rally by coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats fell just short of the mark.

Both VHS teams now have 1-1 records. The Bearcats are 5-1 and the girls from Bainbridge are 1-5. Valdosta is to return to action tonight when it hosts Lowndes' Vikings and Vikettes in a twin-bill slated to begin at 7 o'clock at the gym on the Valdosta Junior High campus.

Last night's boys game had a cliff-hanging finish.

Bainbridge led most of the way and with just seven minutes left in the contest had a 12-point advantage. Then the 'Cats got their attack in high gear for the first time in the contest. With just 17 seconds to go VHS had whittled Bainbridge's lead to two points at 53-51.

The Bearcats' Ivey Thigpen then hit a field goal to make it 54-51. The 'Cats scored a quick field goal and that made it 54-

53. With only one second left, VHS got the ball out of bounds under its own basket. The 'Cats got off a shot before the final buzzer sounded. The ball rolled around the rim of the goal, but didn't go in.

Thigpen, with 17 points, was Bainbridge's leading scorer for the night. Next in line for the Bearcats was Eddie Jenkins with 13.

For VHS Roger Rome was the leader with 21 points, followed by Stanford Rome with 13.

In the girls game Valdosta's starting unit of Joy Johnson, Nita Brantley, Gay Robertson, Sharon Flanders, Evelyn Graham and Mickie Folsom staked the Kittens to a 28-4 lead in the first half. Reserves took over and finished out the game for VHS after intermission.

Johnson, with 12 points, and Brantley, with 10, were 'Dostas' scoring leaders.

In a preliminary game in the Valdosta High - Pinevale Campus Tigers posted a 64-62 win over the VHS "B" team. Pinevale was led by Dewayne Smith, 20; Walter Thomas, 13, and Ronald Williams, 11. Top scorer for the Baby 'Cats were Kenneth Thomas and Archie Lewis, each with 18 points.

GIRLS

Valdosta	15	28	32	33
Bainbridge	2	4	13	21
VALDOSTA (33) - Johnson 12, Brantley 10, G. Robertson 7, Flanders 2, Graham, Folsom, Robinson, Wilson 1, Miller, Norris, Nichols, Griffin, Durden, Bryant, S. Robertson.				

Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 5 of 12, fouls 16.

BAINBRIDGE (21) - Spooner, Sims 8, Jackson 7, Tyson 1, Brown 1, Rich 2, Sanders 2, McCormick, Button, Jarrett, Weatherington, Johnson.

Team totals: field goals 6, free throws 9 of 18, fouls 14.

BOYS

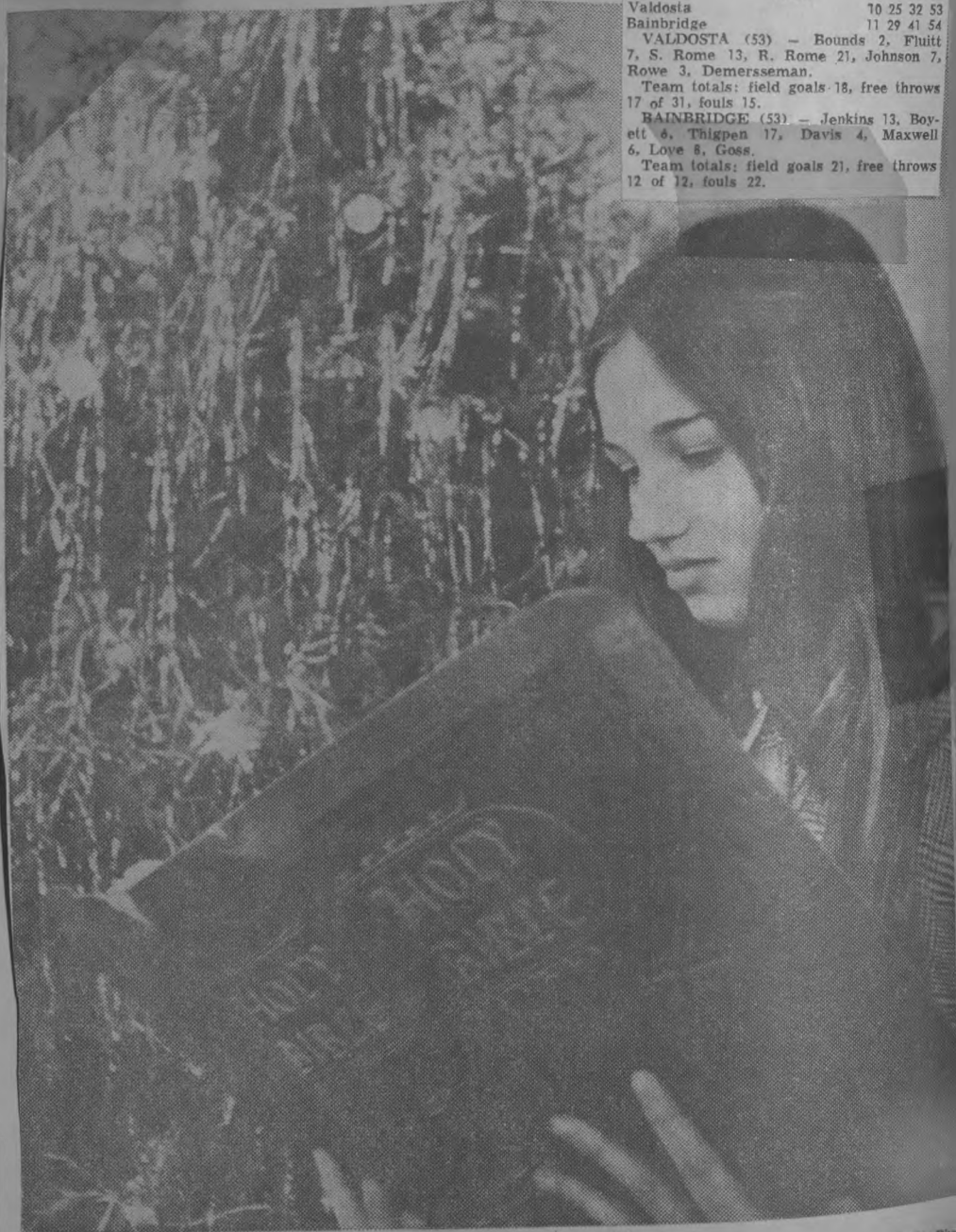
Valdosta	10	25	32	53
Bainbridge	11	29	41	54

VALDOSTA (53) - Bounds 2, Fluitt 7, S. Rome 13, R. Rome 21, Johnson 7, Rowe 3, Demersseman.

Team totals: field goals 18, free throws 17 of 31, fouls 15.

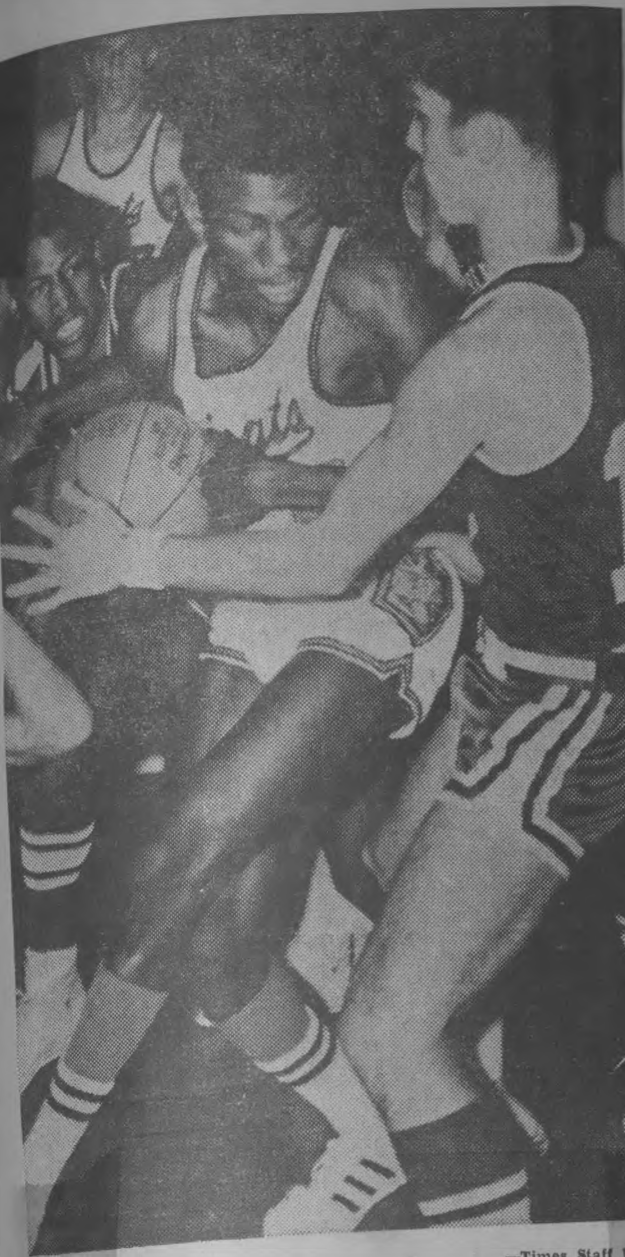
BAINBRIDGE (53) - Jenkins 13, Boyett 6, Thigpen 17, Davis 4, Maxwell 6, Love 8, Goss.

Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 12 of 12, fouls 22.



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VHS Student Peggy King Finds the 'Family Bible' Tells Story Well



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Vikes Close In On 'Cats' Dan Johnson

'Dosta, Lowndes Split Twin-Bill

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikettes came away with victory honors in a Region 1-AAA high school basketball twin-bills here Saturday night.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats trimmed coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings, 68-59, and coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes defeated coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens, 37-18.

In the first of two regular season meetings between the cross-town rivals, Valdosta was the host.

With their victory the 'Cats boosted their record to 2-1. The setback left the Kittens with a 1-2 chart. The Vikettes are now 5-3 and the Vikings are 3-5.

In the boys game the Wildcats built up an early lead then withstood a strong challenge by Lowndes' hustling Vikes in the third period.

Early in the second stanza the 'Cats were 16 points ahead. Midway the third period Lowndes pulled within one point at 40-39. VHS quickly stretched its lead to five markers and then kept a lead which ranged between three and 10 points until the finish.

Stanford Rome, a freshman forward, poured in 30 points to spark the VHS attack. He hit for 11 field goals and picked up eight points more at the charity line. The only other Wildcat in double figures was Roger Rome with 11. Stanley Bounds,

6; Dan Johnson, 6; John Rowe, 8, and David Demersseman, 5, contributions to the 'Dosta cause.

Leading the way for the Vikes were Barry Saengerhausen, 16; Tommy Haines and Bernard Register, each with 12, and David DeLoach, 10. Saengerhausen got all of his points in the second half. Haines sparkled on both offense and defense before he fouled out with one minute left to play in the third period.

The girls game was a low-score affair for two periods. At the half Lowndes led, 7-6. But the Vikettes got their attack in high gear in the third stanza, built up a 13-point lead and went on from there to victory.

Susan Shaw, with 14 points, and Lou Lumpley, with 11, were the Vikettes' offense leaders. Nancy Webb chipped in with eight points and Tana Dawkins, Cathy Vann and Rhonda Jackson played major roles in the LHS win.

The Kittens' scoring leaders were Nita Brantley, 9, and Joy Johnson, 8.

In a boys "B" team game the trio of Jerry Lewis, 24; Kenny Hendrix, 12, and Edwin Nichols, 12, paced Lowndes to a 69-58 victory. The win was the fifth in six starts for the Baby Vikings.

Scoring leaders for the Baby Wildcats were Archie Lewis, 12, and Robin Holley and Jerome Coachman, each with 10.

GIRLS

DOSTA, LOWNDES 2-34-2 BG
Valdosta 3 6 11 18
Lowndes 7 7 22 37

VALDOSTA (18) — Johnson 8, Brantley 9, Robertson, Flanders, Graham, Folsom, Robinson 1.

Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 4 of 14, fouls 12.

LOWNDES (37) — Shaw 14, Webb 8, Lumley 11, Dawkins 1, Vann 1, Jackson, Cooper, Fiveash, Garvin, Hagen, D. Martin 2, N. Martin, Moore, Nesmith, Adams, Wisenbaker.

Team totals: field goals 16, free throws 5 of 16, fouls 15.

BOYS

Valdosta 23 38 53 68
Lowndes 6 29 49 59

VALDOSTA (68) — Peterson, Bounds 6, Fluit 2, S. Rome 30, R. Rome 11, Johnson 6, Rowe 8, Demersseman 5.

Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 22 of 34, fouls 18.

LOWNDES (59) — Haines 12, DeLoach 10, Register 12, Humphrey 2, Saengerhausen 16, Wetherington 2, Pridgen, Brooken, Barfield 7.

Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 17 of 27, fouls 23.

Play Opens In Christmas Tournament

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Echols County's Kittens from Statenville and Pelham's Wasps are scheduled to begin the opening round of the 19th annual Christmas Basketball tournament here tonight.

Coach Billy Ellis' Kittens will bring a 5-3 record into battle Tuesday along with Simpson's Rebelettes, defending state Class AA champions, who are 7-0 with a 37-game winning streak.

The Rebelettes open the action Tuesday when they meet against coach Larry Cowart's 4-6 Wasps in the opening game at 5:30 p. m. in the Lowndes High gym.

In the second game on tap tonight, Coach Arthur Atwell's Tift County Blue Devils (3-5) from Tifton are to meet Ellis' Echols Wildcats (2-5) at 6:45 p. m.

In the final two games of the opening rounds, cross-town rivals Lowndes and Valdosta are scheduled to match up with the girls seeing action at 8 p. m. and the boys playing at 9:15 p. m.

Coach Steve Kebler's Lowndes Vikettes will put a 5-3 record on the line against coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta Kittens (1-2). Then Coach Joe Wilson is to aim his 2-1 Wildcats toward the 3-5 Vikings coached by Charles Cooper.

Seeded first in the tourney for the second straight year are the undefeated Berrien Rebels and Rebelettes from Nashville, Ga. These two teams have dominated the tournament since it was moved to the Lowndes gym four years ago.

The tournament was initiated in 1952 in the Hahira gym and was held there until the county high schools consolidated in 1967.

Coach Stanley Simpson's powerful Rebels will bring an 8-0 record into the tournament when they enter the second round

Holiday Tourney Has Fast Field

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The 19th edition of the Christmas Invitational Basketball Tournament is scheduled to get underway here Monday at the Lowndes High gym with five region and one state champion in the lineup.

Included in the 12 girls and boys high school cage teams in the field are both squads from Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Valdosta, Lowndes, Tift County (Tifton), and Echols County (Statenville). Georgia Christian's boys from Dasher and Pelham's girls fill out the list.

Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes, defending tourney champions for the past three years both claimed Region 1-AA crowns last season, while the Rebelettes continued undefeated all the way up through the State AA playoffs.

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikettes, coached by Steve Kebler, rolled to victory in the 1969-70 Region 1-AAA races, while coach Jon Hazelip's Georgia Christian Generals captured the Region 1-C title last winter.

And from the way it looks now, coach Stanley Simpson's Berrien teams are the ones to beat for the fourth consecutive year.

The Rebels have opened their season by winning their first eight games, while the Rebelettes, 7-0 so far this season, have not been beaten in 37 games.

The rest of the seedings un-

der the Rebels finds GCS second, with an 8-2 chart, followed by Valdosta (2-1) Lowndes and Tift (3-5), and Echols (2-5).

Tift's Angels are seeded second in the girls pairings with a 6-1 record, followed by Lowndes and Echols (5-3), Pelham (4-6), and Valdosta (1-2.)

If Berrien should make another clean sweep title honor in the tourney, it will mark the first time in the history of the meet that teams from the same school have won four times in a row. Valdosta's Kittens, won the crown four times in the years 1958-1961 and 'Dosta made two clean sweeps in 1960 and '61.

But all that happened when

the tournament was played in the Hahira gymnasium. Since it was moved to the new Lowndes site in 1967, it has been Berrien all the way.

The pairings follow:

Monday — Echols vs Pelham girls, 5:30 p. m.; Tift vs Echols, boys, 6:45 p. m.; Lowndes vs Valdosta, girls, 8 p. m. and Lowndes vs Valdosta, boys, 9:15 p. m.

Tuesday — Berrien vs Echols-Pelham winner, girls, 5:30 p. m.; Berrien vs Tift-Echols winner, boys, 6:45 p. m.; Tift vs Lowndes - Valdosta, girls, 8 p. m.; GCS vs Lowndes-Valdosta, boys, 9:15 p. m.

Wednesday — girls final, 7:30 p. m.; boys final, 8:45 p. m.

Lowndes Surprises 'Dosta

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

The 19th annual Christmas Invitational Basketball Tournament is scheduled to enter the second round tonight with the top seeded teams seeing action. But all the Wildcats and Kittens are out of it.

The Valdosta and Echols County Wildcats and Kittens all ended up on the low end of the scoreboard in the four opening round games Monday in the Lowndes High gym.

In the biggest upset of the night, Lowndes' Vikings defeated Valdosta 78-67 in a game that took over two hours.

In other action, Lowndes Vikettes downed the VHS Kittens, 34-27, Tift County's Blue Devils from Tifton upended Echols' 'Cats from Statenville 71-50 and Pelham's Wasps defeated the Statenville sextet, 47-36.

Tonight the first and second seeded teams in each division are scheduled to enter the picture. Leading the list are Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes from Nashville, Ga., both coached by Stanley Simpson.

The Rebelettes are scheduled to start the action by putting their 7-0 record and 37-game winning streak on the line against the Pelham sextet at 5:30 p.m.

Also putting an undefeated record on the line will be Simpson's 8-0 Rebels, who are to lock horns with Tift at 6:45 p.m. Tift's Angels, seeded second with a 6-1 record, are to square off against the Vikettes at 8 p.m. while Georgia Christian's Generals from Dasher put their 8-2 mark against the Vikings at 9:15 p.m.

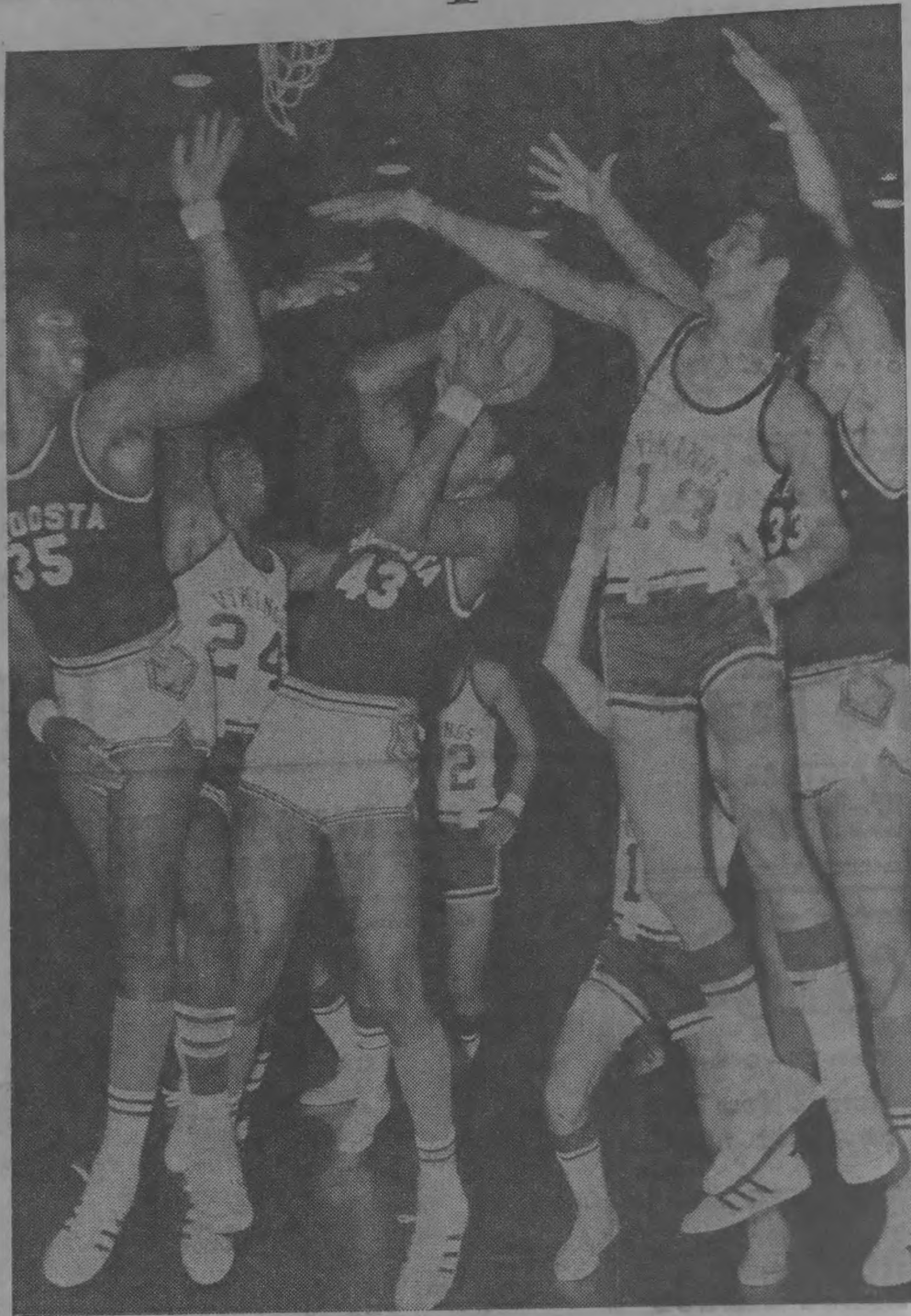
Lowndes vs Valdosta, boys

Coach Charles Coopers' Vikings shocked coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats by picking up 16 points in the opening quarter while holding the 'Cats to just three.

The heated action came in the third quarter when Valdosta's star, 6-5 Roger Rome kicked Lowndes Tommy Haines between the eyes rendering him unconscious for several minutes.

For his effort, Rome was ejected from the game and condemned to sit on the bench where he spent the rest of the game reportedly scribbling on the gymnasium floor with a pencil.

Haines came through to score four more points to boost his total to 13. Leading the attack for Lowndes was David DeLoach with 21 points, followed by Bar-



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The Rome Brothers, Roger (35) and Stanford (43) Are Caught In Crowd Of Vikings

ry Saengerhausen with 17 and Bernard Register with 8.

Roger Rome's little brother, 6-3 freshman Stanford Rome, took over and led the 'Cats with 16 points. He was followed by Stanley Bounds, 14, Roger Rome, 13, and David Demersseman, 10.

The victory boosted the Vikings to a 4-5 record while leveling the 'Cats at 2-2.

Lowndes vs Valdosta, girls

Coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes found they had to play catch up basketball after coach Joe

Mercer's Kittens build up a 13-9 lead in the first quarter.

But in the second quarter, Lowndes' Susan Shaw sank four free throws and a foul shot before the Kittens could score to push her team ahead 19-13. Then the chase began.

The Kittens surged slowly closer to the leading Vikettes for two quarters. Sharon Flanders finally evened the score with seven seconds remaining in the third quarter at 27-all when she chalked up a layup.

But in the final quarter the

Vikettes defense went to work. Lowndes girls held the Kittens scoreless while Nancy Webb added six points to lead Lowndes to a 34-27 victory.

Shaw and Webb were the leading scorers for the Vikettes, who are now 6-3. They scored 16 and 10 points respectively. The Kittens who are now 1-3 were paced by Johnson with 14 and Gay Robertson with seven points.

Tift vs Echols, boys

Tift's Blue Devils never lost the lead after breaking a 10-all

tie in the first quarter. But for the first three stanzas, it looked like anybody's ball game.

The Imps lead at the first quarter 19-14 but the 'Cats mowed them down to a 31-30 lead in the closing seconds of the half. Paced by Tift Joseph Burns the Imps moved ahead again to lead 43-38 going into the final quarter. But that's when Echols' Morris Swilley fouled out and Tift went on to win, 71-50.

Morris Swilley and Jackie Carter scored 17 and 10 points for Coach Billy Ellis' 'Cats. They now have a 2-6 record. The Blue Devils were paced by Ricky McRae with 13, John Thompson with 11 and Reid Thomas, Jeff Kincaid, Rick Winkler and Burns with eight each. They are now 4-5.

Pelham vs Echols, girls

These Kittens also started off with the lead in the opening stanza as they jumped ahead 15-9. But the persistent Wasps began edging close in the second stanza and took the lead in the opening moments of the second half.

Jackie Tinsley scored 28 points to lead the Wasps followed by Kathy Roberts with 12. Donna DeLoach was the top pointmaker for Echols with 20.

The victory left Pelham with a 5-6 mark while putting Echols out of action at 5-4.

Girls

Echols	15 23 29 38
Pelham	9 21 38 47
ECHOLS (36) — DeLoach 20, Williams 10, Carter 6, Zeigler, Crosby, Webb, S. Carter, Raulerson, Raven.	
Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 8 of 13, fouls 22.	
PELHAM (47) — Tinsley 26, Roberts 12, Braswell 3, Jones 4, Adams, Rackley.	
Team totals: field goals 17, free throws 13 of 27, fouls 13.	

Girls

Lowndes	9 22 27 34
Valdosta	13 17 27 27
LOWNDES (34) — Shaw 16, Webb 10, Lumley 6, Dawkins 2, Jackson Vann, N. Martin.	
Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 6 of 20, fouls 19.	
VALDOSTA (27) — Johnson 14, Robertson 7, Brantley 4, Flanders 2, Graham, Folsom, Robinson, Wilson.	
Team totals: field goals 11, free throws 5 of 22, fouls 15.	

Boys

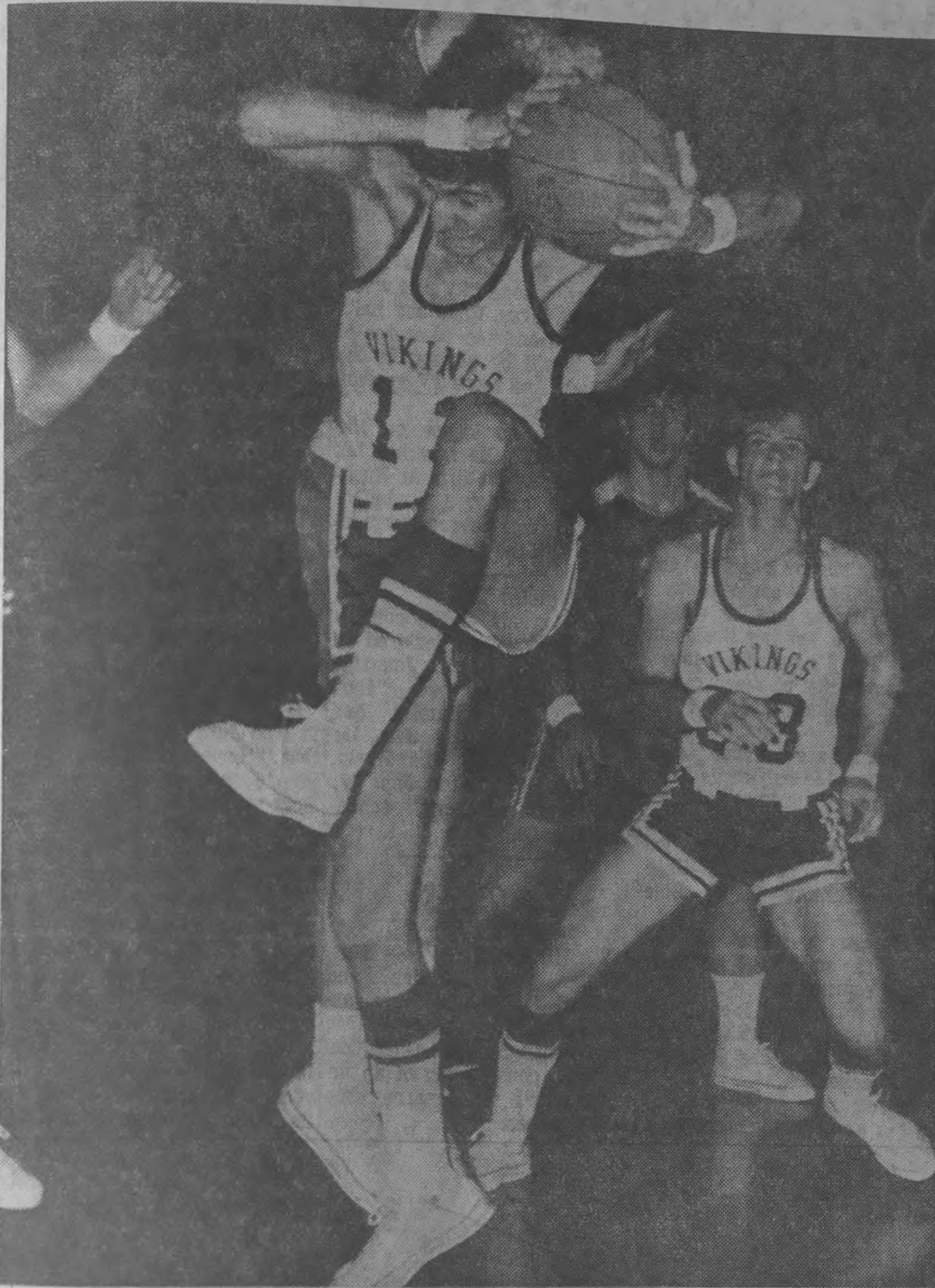
Lowndes	16 31 35 78
Valdosta	3 19 43 67
LOWNDES (78) — DeLoach 21, Register 18, Saengerhausen 17, Haines 13, Bartfield 4, Humphrey 1, Wetherington 2, Brooks 2.	
Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 36 of 52, fouls 32.	
VALDOSTA (67) — S. Rome 16, Bounds 14, R. Rome 13, Demersseman 10, Johnson 7, Rowe 1, Fluitt 6, Furth, Peterson.	
Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 21 of 50, fouls 31.	

Boys

Tift	19 31 43 71
Echols	14 30 38 50
TIFT (71) — McRae 13, Thompson 11, Burns 8, Winkler 5, Kincaid 8, Thomas 4, Mims 5, Rick Henderson, Ray Henderson 1, Daniels 4, Brown.	
Team totals: field goals 28, free throws 13 of 28, fouls 25.	
ECHOLS (50) — Swilley 17, J. Carter 10, Treaday 8, Zeigler 6, Canady 5, Crosby 4, Tut, Richardson, Tomlinson, Staten.	
Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 24 of 29, fouls 21.	

Top-Seeded Teams Enter Finals

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer



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Left, Lowndes' Mason Barfield Tries to Get Rebound From GCS's Tim Vick; Right, Vikettes' Lou Lumley Is Blocked By Tift's Dickins (44)

Only the top seeded teams are left in the running as the 19th Annual Christmas Invitational Basketball Tournament enters the finals here tonight and watch out world, here comes Berrien — again.

The Berrien Rebels and Rebelettes from Nashville, Ga., who have made clean sweeps in the tournament for the past three years, showed why they are heavy favorite's to do it again this season by breezing to two victories in the semi-finals at the Lowndes gym Tuesday night.

Coach Stanley Simpson's Rebels exploded for a 59-29 victory over Tift County's Blue Devils from Tifton to push their undefeated record to 9-0. Then Simpson's Rebelettes raised their season record to 8-0 and a 38-game winning streak by trimming Pelham 52-26.

The second seeded teams, Coach Sandra Withrow's Tift Angels slipped past Lowndes Vikettes, 37-33, while Georgia Christian's Generals nipped Lowndes' Vikings, 62-60.

The finals are scheduled tonight with the Rebelettes and Angels squaring off at 7:30 p.m. and the Rebs and Generals clashing at 8:45 p.m.

Here's the way things went:

Berrien Vs Pelham, girls

Coach Larry Cowart's Wasps picked up the first two points on a field goal and then sat by awed as Donna Jernigan led the Rebelettes to a 20-point rally while allowing only one more marker in the first quarter.

Berrien, the defending Class AA state champion, eased its defense in the remaining time but the offense kept the Rebelettes comfortably ahead for the rest of the night.

Cynthia Bailey gave her best performance of the season to lead the Rebelettes with 18 points. Jernigan and Brenda Rudeseal chipped in 13 and 12 points respectively.

Betty Braswell was the only Wasp to enter the double figures. She scored 13 points. The loss put the Wasps on the sidelines with a 6-4 chart.

Berrien Vs Tift, boys

George Sorrell and the rest of the Rebels stunned the Blue Devils, coached by Arthur Otwell, by blocking their first four shots and building up an 11-2 lead in the first four minutes.

That's the way things went for the rest of the game. The Rebels slowly edged farther and farther away from the pursuing Devils until, as in the girls game, Simpson was able to clear

the bench early in the final stanza.

Sorrell, a 6-5 senior, turned in as sharp a defensive job as his 23-point offensive effort. Bobby Taylor added 14 points to the Rebel cause.

Joseph Burns' 13-point total was high for the Imps, who leave with a 4-6 record.

Lowndes vs Tift, girls

Lowndes' Vikettes, coached by Steve Kebler, were having a hard enough time keeping up with the taller Tift sextet. But when their leading player, Susan Shaw, collected her final foul in the third quarter, the Angels turned the power on.

The lead was either tied or changed hands 17 times the first three periods before the Angels went ahead for good in

the final stanza.

Shirley Strawter, a 6-1 senior dominated the backboards for the Angels and Anita Hamen and Juanita Dickens teamed up to pump in the Tift points. Hamen totaled 14 while Dickens added eight.

The Vikettes were ahead 29-27 when Shaw fouled out with 1:58 remaining in the period. She had scored 16 points and was just as important in the Lowndes defensive plays.

Lowndes, sextet left the tourney with a 6-4 record.

Georgia Christian vs Lowndes, boys

The trouble Lowndes' girls found could have happened to Coach Jon Hazelip's Generals when top player Tim Vick left the game with six minutes re-

maining. But Royce Howard and Chuck Davis stepped in to prevent it.

The two teams played nip-and-tuck for the first three quarters with neither team getting more than three ahead in the second and third stanzas.

But Vick started a 16-point scoring binge in the third stanza while adding some ball handling and rebounding feats to lead the Generals to a 50-39 lead before collecting his fifth foul.

Then Royce Howard stepped in to keep the GCS attack moving until he fouled out four minutes later. But another General was ready to take his place.

Chuck Davis pumped in four straight field goals to keep the visitors ahead of Coach Charles

Cooper's Vikings.

Vick chalked up 32 points for the Generals while Davis added 17. The scoring trio of David DeLoach, Barry Saengerhausen and Bernard Register scored 16 points each to lead the Vikings who are now 4-6.

Girls	
Berrien	20 33 43 52
Pelham	3 15 18 26
BERRIEN (52) —	Bailey 18, Jernigan 13, Durrance 7, Rudeseal 12, Swain, McNab, Bennett 2, McMillian, Futch, Harrell, Moore, Close.
Team totals:	field goals 23, free throws 6 of 15, fouls 14.
PELHAM (26) —	Braswell 13, Roberts 5, Adams 4, Tinsley 1, Rackley 1, Brinkley 2, Powell, Jones, Cross, Turner, Glenn.
Team totals:	field goals 9, free throws 8 of 17, fouls 12.

Boys	
Berrien	18 30 44 59
Tift	7 14 22 29
BERRIEN (59) —	Sorrell 23, B. Taylor 14, W. Taylor 9, Guess 4, Wright 2, Sims, Shaw 2, Moore 2, Conway, Bobo, Rowe.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 15 of 29, fouls 12.

TIFT (29) — Burns 13, Mims 2, Thomas 2, Kincaid 4, Winkler 2, Rogdon 3, Thompson, Parkman 1, Correy, R. Henderson, McRae, Holliday.

Team totals: field goals 9, free throws 11 of 14, fouls 18.

Girls	
Lowndes	11 21 32 33
Tift	11 21 30 37
LOWNDES (33) —	Shaw 16, Webb 6, Lumley 6, Dawkins 2, Vann 1, Jackson 1, D. Martin, Wisenbaker.
Team totals:	field goals 11, free throws 11 of 23, fouls 14.

TIFT (37) — Haman 14, Dickins 8, Hamin 2, Strawter 5, Jones 6, Guest, Whittington 1, Crowley 1, Allen.

Team totals: field goals 16, free throws 5 of 17, fouls 16.

Boys	
Lowndes	15 32 39 64
GCS	19 34 48 63
LOWNDES (60) —	DeLoach 16, Register 16, Saengerhausen 16, Barfield 4, Wetherington 8, Haines, Pridgen, Carter.
Team totals:	field goals 21, free throws 18 of 23, fouls 17.

GEORGIA CHRISTIAN (62) — Vick 32, Davis 17, Howard 4, Naylor 4, Copeland 1, Lewis, Hines 4, Wilkins.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 18 of 26, fouls 20.

Berrien Again Claims Hoop Tourney Honors

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Staff writer

Berrien's Rebelettes don't like to be called quitters.

Their head coach, Stanley Simpson, called them a bunch of quitters here Wednesday night and they responded by defeating Tift County's Angels to give Simpson's teams their fourth consecutive clean sweep of trophies in the 19th annual Christmas Invitational Basketball Tournament.

The Rebelettes overcame tremendous odds to hand the towering Angels a 38-34 defeat in the girls finals and then Simpson's Rebels came on court and put down a Georgia Christian uprising to take the boys trophy with a 74-43 decision over the Generals.

"We have to be real fortunate to win a tournament like this in both boys and girls for four years in a row," Simpson said after his teams received their trophies. "Our kids just seem to work harder every year."

"My philosophy of life is work hard and sacrifice a lot and success will come your way and our teams both worked hard. I just can't say enough about them, each and everyone."

Simpson also had praise for coach Jon Hazelip and his Generals who launched a hard fought attack against the Rebels in the first half.

"Jon (Hazelip) really had his team up for us. They were tough."

But the Berrien teams had a lot more to smile about. The victories kept both teams undefeated. The Rebels now have a 10-0 record while the girls are 9-0 and own a 39-game winning streak.

Simpson admitted his Rebelettes turned out an outstanding performance against the Angels coached by Sandra Withrow. The Rebelettes were much shorter and less experienced than the Tifton sextet.

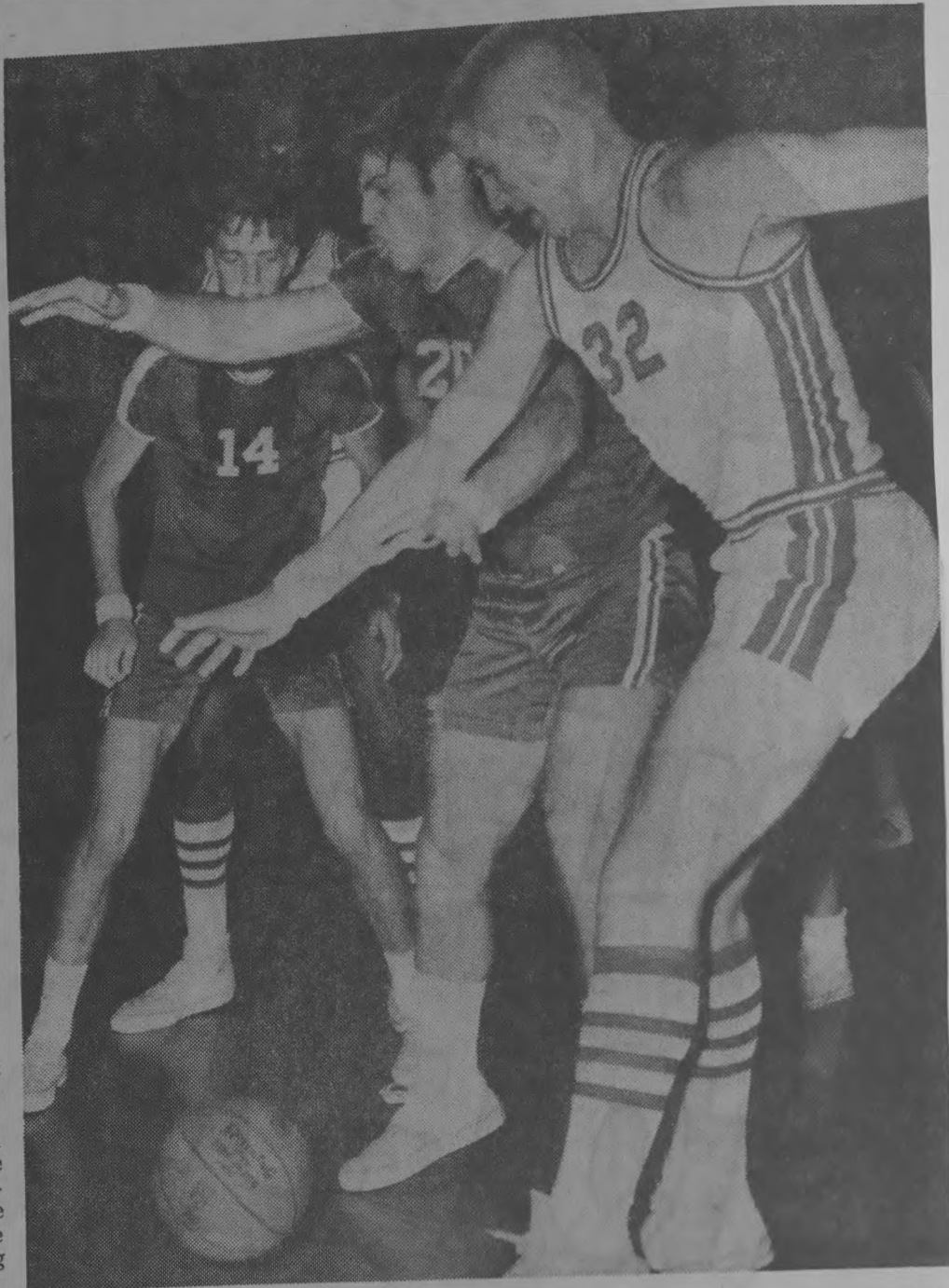
But the Rebelettes kept their offense moving and their defense in high gear to stay ahead of the Tifton foes until the two teams tied at 16-all in the last minute of the half.

In the second half the Angels moved ahead 18-16 with a field goal by 6-1 Shirley Strawter.

That's when the Berrien mentor called time out and told his girls, "you've quit haven't you?"

An unanimous 'no' rang out. "You have too! You've quit and I want nothing to do with a bunch of quitters," he responded and sat down.

That's when the Rebelettes' Judy McNab, Donna Jernigan



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GCS' Tim Vick (14) and Royce Howard (20), And Rebel Bob Conway Dive For Ball

and Brenda Rudeseal, teamed-up in a 10-point scoring binge that put Berrien out front with two minutes remaining in the third quarter. They never lost the lead again.

McNab, Rudeseal and Jernigan led the Berrien defense with Jeannie Durrance, Cynthia Bailey, Debra Swain and Carole McMillian all lending a hand. Rudeseal and Jernigan paced the scoring for with 12 and 10 points respectively.

Jaunita Dickens, a ball-handling and outside shooting star led the Tift scoring with 12 points while Anita Haman added 11.

The boys game actually turned out to be a two-man show between Berrien's George Sor-

rells and GCS' Tim Vick. Sorrells won the scoring "title" with 38 points, but the Georgia Christian speedster and sharpshooter brought in 32 points for the Generals.

The difference came when the versatile Berrien cager was moved to guard Vick on defense in the second half.

Berrien had only a 3-0 lead when the Generals began to stall under their own goal. It worked for four minutes before the Rebels regained possession and pushed the lead to 9-0.

Then Vick began to shoot and score. Shooting from outside, inside, under the basket, running, standing, jumping and occasionally flying by behind the goal.

Meanwhile Sorrells, at his usual position in front of the goal was snagging rebounds galore and pumping in points under his own goal. He even "scored" four points for the Generals when he was called twice for goal tending.

The Rebels never got breathing room from the hot shooting Generals until the third quarter when Berrien scored 20 and held GCS to only nine to take a 51-30 lead.

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Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 8 of 19, fouls 25.

Boys	
Berrien	14 31 51 74
BCS	9 21 30 43

BERRIEN (74) - Sorrell 38, W. Taylor 9, B. Taylor 6, Guess 6, Wright 6, Moore 2, Shaw 2, Sims 2, Rowe 2, Bobo 1, Conway.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 22 of 28, fouls 13.
GCS (43) - Vick 32, Davis 6, Howard 2, Hines 2, Copeland 1, Naylor, Lewis, Wilkins.
Team totals: field goals 17, free throws 9 of 14, fouls 21.

Girls	
Berrien	7 16 27 38
Tift	5 16 25 34

BERRIEN (38) - Jernigan 10, Rudeseal 12, McNab 5, Durrance 3, Bailey 2, Swain, McMillian 6.

Team totals: field goals 10, free throws 18 of 20, fouls 17.
TIFT (34) - Dickens 12, Haman 11, Strawter 7, Hagin, Evans, Allen, Jones.

DE Alumni Here Organize; Malone Elected President

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A young advertising man, Bill Malone, has been elected president of the first Distributive Education Alumni Association to be formed this year.

According to Norman Greene, DE coordinator at Valdosta High School, four more DE alumni clubs will be organized during the academic year.

The alumni clubs are open to all former participants in high school DE programs.

'We've had several hundred to go through the DE program at VHS and many of them are living in this area. We want to

encourage as many as possible to join the alumni associations and get behind the drive to make the VHS DE club the best in the country," said Greene.

Malone, 19, is a member of the advertising sales staff at The Valdosta Daily Times. He has been with the Times for 2½ years.

A graduate of VHS, he was president of the DE Club his senior year. Malone is a sophomore art major at Valdosta State College.

Other officers elected include Frankie Norman, vice president; Kathy Malone, secretary,

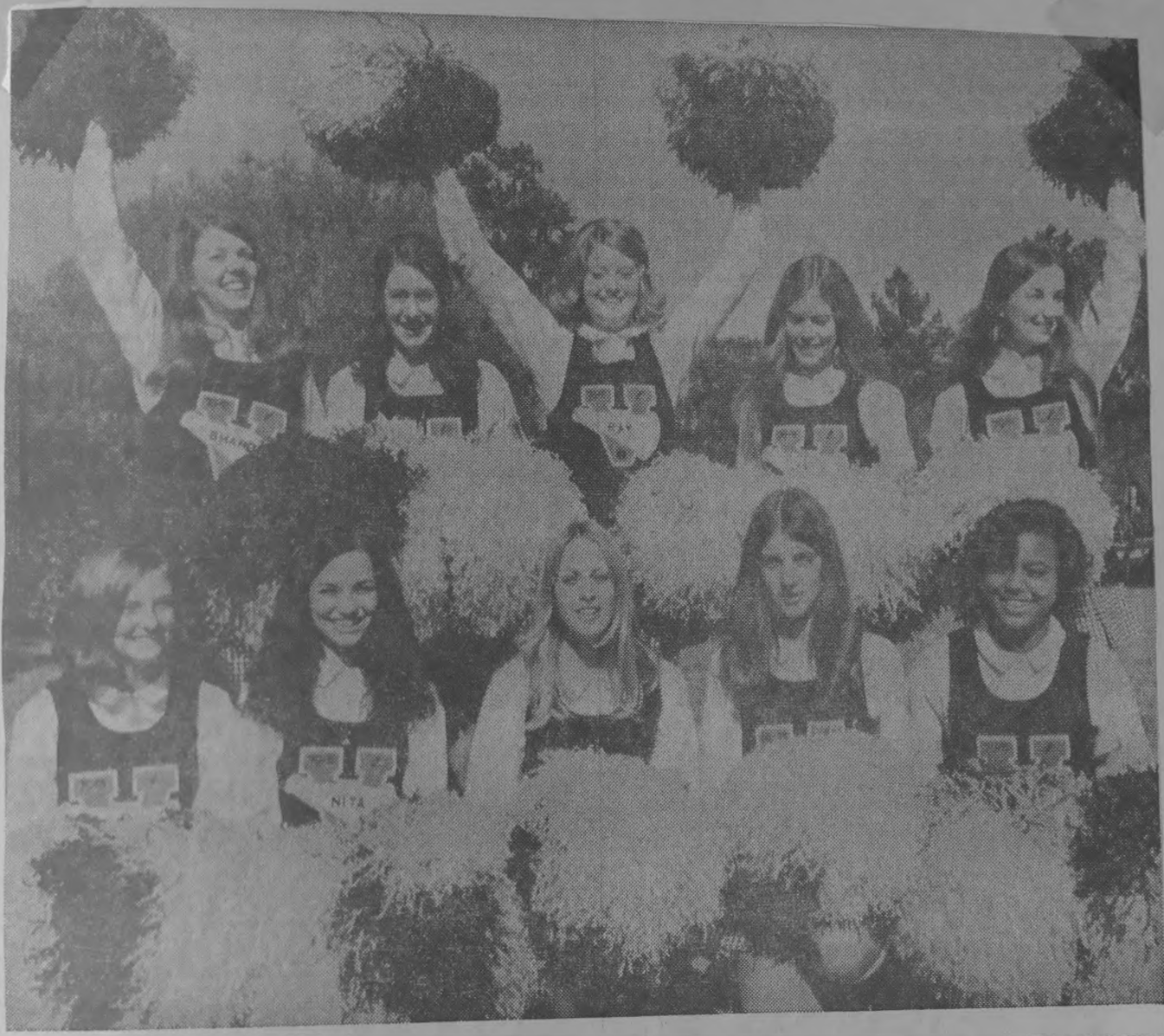
and Debbie Daniels, treasurer. Greene said the DE alumni groups will act as advisors to the VHS club, department and the coordinators.

"They'll work with us in our programs and help us get ready for local, state and national events. We'll divide the groups up to work in all phases of DE study," he said.

"We think we have a good thing going and want it to grow. I have no doubt but that we can easily have five alumni clubs here. We just need to get the word out to people that we're organizing and need their help,"



BILL MALONE
Advertising Man



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VHS Cage Supporters

There are 10 girls on the Valdosta High School basketball cheerleading squad and they are present for all home games. The cheerleaders include, top row left to right, Sharon Everson, Beth Sullivan,

Ray Kelly, Ann Morrow and Mary Alice King; front row, left to right, Carol Reddick, Anita Sharp, Dee Dee Durden, Judy Bernard and Julia Davis.



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Herbert House of VHS: Examples of the Learning Process To Be Shown

Lowndes, VHS Art Pupils To Display Work At VSC

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The learning process in high school art departments might be a fitting theme for the new art show which opens Sunday at Valdosta State College.

About 100 examples of student work from art classes at Valdosta High School and Lowndes High School go on public display in the Art Gallery of the Fine Arts Building at VSC.

This is the first time that the VSC Art Gallery in the Fine Arts Building has been opened to allow high school display.

"And we are delighted over it. It's really an honor for the art department at VSC to ask us to show in the gallery. A lot of people and groups have tried to get in to display their work and haven't been able to. It's great that we've been asked to put on a show," said VHS art department head Jerry Pilcher.

The combined high school display is to be shown in the gallery for the rest of this month.

An open house is to be held in the gallery from 2-4 p.m. Sunday for the first day's showing. Pilcher and Lowndes High art department chairman Hilda McElvey said their students are to be pres-

ent to talk with visitors about the work.

"The college is really doing a nice job for us. Refreshments have been planned and a brochure has been printed about the exhibit," said Pilcher.

The VHS art instructor is particularly excited about the show because he is a VSC graduate.

"We've been hoping for a chance to show one day over there (VSC) but never knew if we could anytime soon," he said.

Pilcher said visitors at Sun-

day's opening can park in the VSC parking lot across from the Fine Arts Building.

Mrs. McElvey said her portion of the show will include five or six examples in each of the art areas in which Lowndes High students study.

This includes ceramics, graphics, art structure, oil, constructive design, figure drawing and water color.

"We are trying to show representative examples of how the students learn in our classes and what they go through to learn certain principles and techniques," she said.

Pilcher said the VHS students are to exhibit mostly paintings and sculpture.

"This isn't to show what great things the students can produce. We are picking examples that illustrate the learning process," said the art teacher.

VSC's Russell McRae, who is chairman of the art gallery, said the high school students were asked to show during the winter quarter because the youth have annual spring exhibits.

"We are glad to have the high school work on display and know that a lot of people will be visiting our gallery to see the show," said the VSC art professor.

School Bids Seen Near \$3.7 Million

By MARY CROUSE

Bids on the new comprehensive Valdosta High School are to be opened here Feb. 11 and architect Zeb Lackey, who designed the facility, said he expects bids "to come in at about \$3.7 million."

Lackey said it has been his estimate all along that the school can be built for \$3.7 million. "I haven't changed that estimate," he said.

Bids are to be opened at 3 p.m. Feb. 11 in city school Supt. Foster Goolsby's office at the rear of the present VHS campus.

Advertising for bids is to begin Friday and plans are to be available to prospective bidders Monday, said Lackey.

He said the building plans are in Atlanta and final approval is expected this week. Semi-final approval has already been given by all state officials connected with school buildings including the state fire marshal, said Lackey.

"We don't expect any holdups or problems," said the architect.

The new high school, to replace overcrowded and outmoded VHS, is expected to be ready for occupancy by September 1972. The facility is to be built on a 60-acre tract at the intersection of Forrest Street and Highland Heights Drive, north of Northside Drive.

State, local and federal funds amounting to about \$4.5 million are financing the construction and equipment costs of the new plant.

Designed on a modified open space concept for flexibility of classroom arrangement, the school is to be airconditioned and carpeted for year-round temperature and sound control.

The school is designed to handle to a maximum of 2,400 students. Shaped like an arrow with a tip on each end, the new plant is to be one of the largest and best equipped secondary facilities in South Georgia.

The comprehensive school is designed to offer expanded stu-

dies in business education, industrial arts, vocational training and the regular academic program.

The present VHS does not have an industrial arts program and does not offer vocational training.

The fine arts area of the new school is to have a small lecture hall complete with stage and lighting suitable for plays. The science departments are to have fully equipped laboratories.

Each department is to have a materials center for quick reference. Passageways are also designed for individual or small group study areas.

A gymnasium, dressing rooms, physical education rooms and a lunchroom are also included in the plans.

There has been some talk that the Valdosta school system will switch to the quarter method of operation when the new plant opens. The Lowndes County secondary school system began operating on the quarter system this fall.

Marchin' Cats To Provide Music At Carter Reception

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats, all 130 of them, are to leave Tuesday morning for Atlanta where they are to play at governor-elect Jimmy Carter's inaugural reception.

The local band is one of two high school groups asked to provide music outside the governor's mansion during the reception honoring Carter and his wife Tuesday afternoon.

VHS band director Frank Butenschon said his group is to play from 2-4 p.m. and the Hapeville High School band is to take over from 4-6 p.m.

"I don't know how we were fortunate enough to be asked to play at the governor's reception, but we are going to try and do a good job and make them happy they had the Valdosta band up there," said Butenschon.

The band director said he and his young charges are to leave at 8 a.m. from the VHS band room. The group is to make the trip in chartered buses. Butenschon said the financial arrangements are being handled by the VHS Band Boosters.

"I don't know what the arrangements are. I do know, however, that the Boosters are partially financing the trip while some of the cost is being paid for, I believe, by the state Democratic committee," said Butenschon.

The band director said that the VHS group will be met outside Atlanta and taken to facilities where lunch will be served and the students can change into uniforms.

An escort of state patrolmen and military police will lead the buses to the area designated for unloading, he said.

"We'll then set up on the lawn of the mansion and give a two-hour concert of light music. Tents will be set up for us in case of rain so that we'll be able to play," he said.

explained Butenschon.

The band will play a special request from Governor-elect Carter, "My Georgia Land" and other selections including "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head," "You've Made Me So Very Happy," "Beguine Festival," "You'll Never Walk Alone" and other types of background music, said Butenschon. The flag corps and honor guard are to do several routines.

After the performance, the band and director are to go through the mansion, meet Carter and return to their buses for the trip home.

"We are really looking forward to this trip. It's a first for the students. None of them I don't believe have been participants in a state inaugural event before. It's quite an honor and we are tickled to death over it," said Butenschon.

The band accepted in Decem-

ber the invitation to play for the governor's reception.

"I hope to do more than just play at the reception. We plan to do a little politicking while up there. We hope this concert means that we might be getting our foot in the door with some state folks. We've been trying to get some state money to finance our ventures for some time so we'll be doing a little politicking on the side," said the director.



Patti Norris, Melody Howard, Leann Coxwell, Onnie Phillips Ready for Dress Code

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'Dosta Students Take To Change Young Ideas...

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Mini skirts were hard to find Thursday on the Valdosta school system campuses. Taking advantage of the new dress code which went into effect Thursday, the girls showed up in pant outfits and maxi skirts.

There were even Gauchos, knickers and jump suits in the classrooms. The dress code, on a trial basis for 60 days, was approved by the Valdosta Board of Education this week upon the recommendation of Supt. Foster Goolsby.

The city board's dress code is similar to the dress provisions approved by the Lowndes County Board of Education over the Christmas holidays.

Some students were so elated over the chance to wear pant suits to class or tie dye outfits that they bought new

ones for Thursday.

"I have a closet full, but I thought it would be nice to have something new. This is a cause for celebration, said one Valdosta High School junior on her way to class.

Several of the girls polled at the VHS-Pinevale Campus for ninth graders said they probably won't wear pant outfits everyday to class.

"I probably will most of the time but it's good to know we can if we want to," she said.

Students and teachers have been asking school officials since the beginning of the academic year to approve pant outfits for classwear.

"It's much more comfortable this way. I didn't see hardly anybody in a skirt today," said Lynn Polonsky, a VHS junior.

Melody Howard of Pinevale said pant outfits are more fun to wear and more stylish than many of the dresses on the market today.

Billy Smith of VHS said the pant suits do not destroy a girl's femininity and that the males on campus approve of

the outfits.

"When you go to art class or sit informally in a classroom for a rap session, it's easier on the girls to wear pant suits or a similar outfit. It's just part of the fashion world and part of the changing times," he said.

Another male student, who was dressed in a tie dye shirt and neatly pressed navy bellbottoms, said the trend in education is to sit around a room on the floor and talk.

"Girls can't do this very well in short skirts and you know they aren't going to wear the mid calf styles when they are so hideous," he said.

Sammy Williams of VHS said the outfits a person wears has nothing to do with the way he studies. "I think some people feel that if you wear pant suits or bellbottoms, you won't study. It's the same thing with beards or mustaches. They immediately think you are a hippie or a weatherman about to blow up the post office," he said.

City Board Okays New Dress Code

By MARY CROUSE

The Valdosta Board of Education has voted to adopt a new dress code, which allows pant suits in the classroom, on a trial basis for 60 days.

The board at a meeting in the Valdosta, High School library Monday night unanimously approved the new dress proposals drawn by the VHS Student Council and faculty on the recommendation of Supt. Foster Goolsby.

The board's regularly scheduled monthly meeting for tonight was moved up a day because of the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet being held tonight.

The new dress code, which goes into effect Thursday in all the city schools, is similar to the one adopted by the Lowndes County Board of Education in December on a 60-day trial basis.

One difference in the two codes is the section on the enforcement of what is and is not acceptable for school wear. Students have been given the responsibility of determining what is not acceptable for the classroom at Lowndes High. At VHS every home base teacher and two students to be selected in each home base section are to police the dress code.

Robert Orr, president of the VHS Student Council told the board he feels the students and teachers could enforce the dress code.

Goolsby told the board should a student be found dressed in unacceptable clothing, the youth would be sent home to change outfits.

The superintendent said there has never been a dress code for teachers and he recommends one never be adopted.

"My proposal is that each principal and his staff develop a guide for faculty dress which is appropriate for the profession," he said.

This means that teachers can also wear pant suits and pant outfits in the classroom if they choose. A poll by the Times of the nine principals in the city school system revealed that all the administrators favored pant suits for the faculty and would have no objections to the teachers wearing such outfits.

Many students and teachers have requested permission since the beginning of the school year to wear pant suits and pant outfits to class.

But while the dress code for students includes pant suits, pants with sweater vests, pull over sweaters, tunic tops and tucked in blouses, it does not include pants and T-shirts.

Long jumpsuits, pedal pushers, knickers, Gauchos, midi and maxi skirt lengths and culottes are acceptable for girls.

The unacceptable outfits for girls include: skooter skirts, T-shirts, Hang-Tens, see-through blouses or dresses, sweat shirts, crop tops, cut-out dresses, pants or blouses, tank tops, tight sweaters and pants, shorts, Bermuda shorts, knee pants and writing on-clothes.

Boys can wear tie dye pants and shirts, tapered shirts tucked in and neat hair styles. The males cannot wear shorts, unbuckled belts, undershirts or T-shirts, sleeveless shirts or tight pants.

No student is to be allowed to wear shirts or pants with written material, drawings or emblems except those with the school name, town or state. All students are expected to wear shoes at all times.

And while the dress code did not include a section on facial hair styles, board member Hurlin Smith said he is opposed to all mustaches and beards.

"I think it is time to do something about it. We have some students growing mustaches and I've seen one student growing a beard. There are some geetees around. I don't think we should have this and I am definitely opposed to it," he said.

When asked by a Times reporter why he is opposed to a neatly trimmed mustache or beard, Smith said he would not make any comments for the press.

"I have my reasons," he said. "No action was taken on facial hair styles."



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Straighter Please

Debbie Glassman and Beverly Underwood get instruction on correct posture from Eileene Mitchell. The two Valdosta High School girls are members of the Charm for Teens course offered at Valdosta State College by the

public services department. The class meets officially for the first time Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in room 19-A of West Hall. The non-credit six-week course is open to all teen-age girls.

'Students Should Think Twice'

VHS Starting New Attendance Rule

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Three tardies count as one unexcused absence while 10 unlawful cuts a semester could result in a student offender not receiving credit for the term's work.

The new attendance regulations go into effect Monday at Valdosta High School. Principal Charles (Chuck) Green hopes the policies will make students think twice before cutting a class or classes.

"We feel that attendance has a direct relationship with attitude towards school, grades and making for a better citizen in the community," said Green.

Because VHS has a homebound-hospitalbound teacher to tutor those who are sick, there is no real reason why any student should miss classes any time without having some con-

tact with the school, said the principal.

"If a student is sick or in the hospital he can receive instruction at home or in the hospital through the special teacher hired for this purpose," he said.

Green said the new attendance regulation covers individual class periods as well as the entire school day.

"For example, if a student illegally cuts his last period class 10 times, it is the same as if he cuts the entire day. He'll receive the same action," said Green.

Action for 10 illegal cuts a semester is to be handled through a committee composed of faculty members and the administration.

A school principal, a representative from the attendance office, the visiting teacher and

the school counselor are to study reports from the offending student's teachers to determine if the youth has been legally absent.

"If it is found the student cut with no acceptable excuse, then the committee will decide if he is to receive credit for the semester work," said Green.

The tardy portion of the new policy is meant to act as incentive for those students to go to class, who would otherwise cut class when they know they'll be late, said the principal.

"This way it'll be better if they come on in and get a third of an absentee mark instead of a whole one. We're not really having trouble with tardies but we want those who would normally cut to go on to class," he

explained.

Green said the school's main concern is that if a student is absent from classes he have the services available to him so that he can keep up in his school work.

Heat Is On Valdosta, Lowndes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The heat is on for Lowndes' and Valdosta's basketball teams as they return home to host Region 1-AAA foes tonight.

Returning from a cold weekend in which they lost both matches, coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings hope their home court brings a little

AREA HOOP SLATE

Tonight
Westover at Lowndes
Tift at Valdosta
GCS at Doerun
Broxton at Lanier
Clinch at Charleston
Worth at Brooks
Cook at Jeff Davis
St. George at Echols
Saturday
Lowndes at Moultrie
Waycross at Berrien (girls)
Worth at Cook

warmth into their play when the Vikes and Vikettes take on Westover's Patriots and Lady Pats tonight.

Meanwhile, coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens, who are returning from three and two straight victories on the road, hope the heat continues tonight when they play host to Tift County's Blue Devils and An-

gels.

Both twin-bills are to get underway at 7 o'clock tonight. Lowndes will be meeting Westover in the LHS gym. VHS will be meeting Tift in the gym on the Valdosta Junior High campus.

Saturday night Lowndes is scheduled to hit the road again as it travels to Moultrie to take on the Packers and Packerettes.

Other action in the area tonight finds Georgia Christian (Dasher) at Doerun, Broxton at Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.), Clinch County (Homerville) at

Charlton County (Folkston), Worth County (Sylvester) at Brooks County (Quitman), Cook (Adel) at Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst), and St. George at Echols County (Statenville).

Friday night, the Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), girls are scheduled to host Waycross, while Cook hosts Worth.

The Wildcats are just back from victories over region foes Central of Thomasville (59-44), Westover (64-63) and Thomasville (60-53), which boosted their records to 6-2 and 5-1. The Kittens defeated Westover (44-34)

and T'ville (40-36) to put their records at 3-4 and 3-3.

Tift's Blue Devils will bring 6-7 and 3-3 marks into the battle while the Angels are 10-3 and 6-1.

Road losses to Dougherty (72-50) and Berrien (78-37) last weekend left the Vikings with 5-8 and 2-5 marks. Coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes downed Dougherty (51-19), but fell to Berrien (17-13) to leave them with 7-5 and 4-3 records.

The Patriots will bring 6-5 and 6-2 records with them, while the Lady Pats are 3-7 and 2-6.

Saturday night, the Vikettes will be going up against the best in the region in the form of Moultrie's 9-0 Packerettes. The Packers are now 5-5.

Coach Billy Pafford's Lanier County Bulldogs have an 11-0 record to protect when they go against Broxton while coach Stanley Simpson's undefeated Berrien Rebelettes hope to catch his undefeated Rebels when they take on Waycross Saturday. The Rebelettes have a 13-0 record and a 43-game winning streak while the Rebels, who take the night off, are 14-0.

Lowndes, 'Dosta Play Road Games

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Lowndes will return to the high school basketball "wars" when they play games on the road tonight.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will be at Thomasville for a Region 1-AAA twin-bill

AREA HOOP SLATE

Tonight
Valdosta at Central
Lowndes at Brooks
Clinch at GCS
Berrien at Doerun
Cook at Fitzgerald
Waycross at Echols

with Central's Yellow Jackets and Jackettes.

Meanwhile, Lowndes' Vikings and Vikettes will hook up in a non-region doubleheader with Brooks County's Trojans and Trojanettes at Quitman tonight.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Clinch County (Homerville) will be at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) at Doerun,

Cook (Adel) at Fitzgerald and Waycross at Echols County (Statenville).

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats will carry a 2-2 record into their game with Central. The Yellow Jackets have a 1-5 chart. Coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens are 1-4. The Central sextet they will be meeting tonight has a fine 4-2 record.

Lowndes' Vikings, coached by Charles Cooper, will carry a 4-6 record with them to Quitman. Coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes have a 6-4 chart. Brooks' Trojans are 2-6 and the Trojanettes have a 3-5 mark.

In an earlier meeting Lowndes posted a pair of wins over Brooks. The Vikes won, 53-48, 57-35.

Another top game tonight will be between coach Austin DeLoach's Clinch Panthers and coach Jon Hazelip's GSC Generals at Dasher. The Generals are rolling along with a 9-3 record and the Panthers own a 7-2 mark.

Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes will both carry perfect records to Doerun. The boys from Nashville are 10-0 and the Berrien girls are 9-0.

Since Fitzgerald does not field a girls team, only Cook's Hornets will see action tonight.

Lowndes, 'Dosta At Home Friday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens have hope to continue their winning ways while Lowndes' Vikings and Vikettes would like to get back on the victory trail in high school basketball action this coming weekend.

Both Valdosta and Lowndes will be playing twin-bills on

AREA HOOP SLATE

Friday
Westover at Lowndes
Tift at Valdosta
GCS at Doerun
Broxton at Lanier
Clinch at Charleston
Worth at Brooks
Cook at Jeff Davis
St. George at Echols
Saturday
Lowndes at Moultrie
Waycross at Berrien (girls)
Worth at Cook

their home courts Friday night. VHS is to host Tift County (Tifton) and LHS is to host Westover (Albany).

On Saturday Lowndes will go to Moultrie for a doubleheader. All of the games involving the VHS and LHS cagers this weekend will be Region 1-AAA affairs.

In other action Friday involving area teams, Georgia Christian (Dasher) will be at Doerun, Broxton at Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.), Clinch Coun-

ty (Homerville) at Charlton County (Folkston), Worth County (Sylvester) at Brooks County (Quitman), Cook (Adel) at Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst) and St. George at Echols County (Statenville).

In other games Saturday the Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) girls are to host Waycross and Worth is to be at Cook.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats will be going for their fourth straight win and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens will be trying for their third triumph in a row when they face Tift's talented Blue Devils and Angels here Friday night.

Action in that twin-bill is to begin at 7 p.m. at the Valdosta Junior High gym.

With those three recent triumphs, all on the road, the 'Cats are now 5-2 overall and 5-1 in region play. With victories back-to-back in their last two starts the Kittens are 3-4 and 3-3. Tift's Blue Devils are 6-7 and 3-3 while the Angels from Tifton are 10-3 and 6-1.

Lowndes Vikings are 5-8 and 2-5 and the Vikettes are 8-5 and 4-3. Both will be trying to rebound after losing to Berrien's powerful and unbeaten Rebels and Rebelettes this past Saturday.

Westover's Patriots will come here with a 6-5 overall record and a 6-2 region mark. The Westover girls are 3-7 and 2-6.

That Friday night twin-bill between Lowndes and Westover is slated to begin at 7 o'clock at the LHS gym.

Lowndes will be meeting two more strong teams on Saturday at Moultrie. The Packers are 5-5 and the Packerettes own a perfect 9-0 chart.

'Cats, Vikes Set For Clash

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Both Lowndes and Valdosta cage teams have tough region battles on their hands when they travel to Albany tonight but Saturday night's battle may be a little more interesting to all.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens are scheduled to take on the Albany Indians and Squaws in one region 1-AAA basketball

Cats, Vikes is
Area Hoop State
Tonight
Lowndes at Monroe
Valdosta at Albany
Norman Park at GCS
Jeff Davis at Berrien
Climch at Brantley
Cook at Appling
Mt. Moriah at Echols
Saturday
Valdosta at Lowndes
Thomasville at Brooks
Echols at St. George

doubleheader in the Albany gym tonight.

Meanwhile, Lowndes Vikings and Vikettes will be facing a tough Monroe attack from the Tornadoes and Lady Tornadoes across town in the Monroe gym.

Both those games are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. with the girls game.

But the climax comes Satur-

day night when the cross town rivals, Lowndes and Valdosta, square off for the third time this season in the Lowndes gym.

Other action tonight finds Norman Park at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Jeff Davis (Hazelhurst) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Clinch County (Homerville) at Brantley County (Nahunta), Cook (Adel) at Appling County (Baxley), Mt. Moriah at Echols County (Statenville) and P. K. Yonge (Gainesville, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

Besides that cross-town rivalry Saturday, Thomasville travels to Brooks County (Quitman) and Echols takes on St. George.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats will carry a 10-4 overall and 10-2 region record along with their three-game winning streak against the 8-10 and 8-5 Albany Indians.

But the tribe has really picked up steam since Al Smith, a 6-5 junior, became eligible at mid-term. He has played in two tough contests and averaged 29.5 points in leading the Indians to both victories.

Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens, sporting a two-game winning streak, will put 6-8 and 6-6 records on the line against the 8-10 and 8-5 Squaws.

Lowndes Vikings, coached by Charles Cooper, have mounted three straight wins and hope for their fourth when they take 8-11 and 5-8 records against the

14-4 and 10-3 Tornadoes.

Coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes, after winning only two of their last seven games, will carry 10-9 and 7-6 records into battle tonight. The Monroe girls have lost only one game against 14 overall and 12 region wins.

Saturday's clashes are almost guaranteed thrillers. The two schools are traditional foes who always seem to have close battle when they play each other.

The two quintets are 1-1 against each other. The 'Cats downed the Vikes 68-59 in the Valdosta Junior High gym and then Lowndes dropped the 'Cats 78-67 during the Lowndes Christ-

mas Tournament in the Lowndes gym.

The Vikettes took both of the girls' games, defeating the Kittens, 37-18 and 34-27. But the Kittens have shown a lot of improvement while the Vikette attack has somewhat slowed down

Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes are to unleash their mighty attacks against Jeff Davis in Nashville tonight. The Rebels carry an undefeated 18-0 record into the battle while the Rebelettes, who dropped a 30-29 decision to Tift County's Angels Tuesday, will be hoping to bounce back from that first loss in 48 starts.

At the same time coach Jon Hazelip's Georgia Christian Generals, who have lost only four games in 18 starts, three of them to Berrien, will be going for their seventh Region 1-C victory in as many starts against the Norman Park Trojans in Dasher.

Region Play Set For Vikes, 'Cats

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Region 1-AAA honors are as stake tonight as Lowndes' Vikings and Vikettes travel to Tifton and Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens roll to Cordele in high school basketball action.

Lowndes is scheduled to tackle the Tift County Blue Devils and Angels while Valdosta goes against the Cougars and

Area Hoop State
Tonight
Lowndes at Tift
Valdosta at Crisp
GCS at Mt. Moriah
Camden at Berrien
Lanier at Petterson
Appling at Cook
Climch at Atkinson
Jefferson at Hamilton
Saturday
Lowndes at Thomasville
Cook at Camden
Brooks at Central
Climch at Echols
Live Oak at Hamilton

Cougaretttes of Crisp County in doubleheaders tonight.

The girls battles at 7 p. m. are to begin the twin-bills.

The Vikes and Vikettes are scheduled to keep rolling after tonight's action. They travel to Thomasville Saturday for another region match with Thomasville's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes.

Other action Friday finds Georgia Christian (Dasher) at Mt. Moriah, Camden County

(Woodbine) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.); Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.) at Patterson, Appling County (Baxley) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homerville) at Atkinson County (Pearson), and Jefferson County (Monticello, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

Additional action Saturday puts Cook at Camden, Brooks County (Quitman) at Central (Thomasville), Clinch at Echols County (Statenville) and Live Oak, Fla., at Hamilton.

Coach Steve Kebler's Lowndes Vikettes have already clashed with the Angels once when they dropped a 37-33 decision in the semi-finals of the Lowndes Christmas Tournament.

This time the Vikettes will take a 9-6 overall record and a 6-3 league mark against Mrs. Sandra Withrow's Angels, who sport 12-3 overall and 8-2 league marks.

The clash will be the first for Coach Charles Cooper's Vikings and Coach Arthur Otwell's Imps. The Vikes are hoping to end a four-game losing streak when they take 5-10 and 2-7 records against the Blue Devils. Tift owns 6-9 and 4-6 slates.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens, who dropped losses to Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes here Thursday night, will both be hoping to improve on their records when they travel to Cordele. The 'Cats, coached by Joe Wilson, are now 6-3 overall and 6-1 in the region while Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens take a 3-6 overall and a 3-4 league mark against the Crisp foes.

The Cordele boys now have 3-9 and 2-7 records while the girls are 8-5 and 4-5.

Coach Stanley Simpson's Rebels and Rebelettes, still undefeated after 15 games, go back to Region 1-AA (East) action again tonight when they host Camden County in Nashville, Ga.

And the only other undefeated team in the area, Coach Billy Pafford's Lanier County Bulldogs from Lakeland, Ga., sailing along with a 13-0 record, try for another one when they clash with Region 2-B opponent

Patterson. The two teams met in the season openers and Lanier walked away with a 78-50 victory.

Dosta, Lowndes Travel To Albany

By TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Lowndes basketball teams travel to Albany tonight for Region 1-AAA contests, while Georgia Christian's Generals take one last stab at the Berrien Rebels.

Valdosta's Wildcats, coached by Joe Wilson, and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens are scheduled

AREA HOOP SLATE
Tonight
Valdosta at Westover
Lowndes at Dougherty
GCS at Berrien
Lanier at Charlton
Cook at Ware
Brooks at Mitchell
Patterson at Clinch
Hamilton at Dixie
Echols at Norman Park
Saturday
Lowndes at Berrien
Williston at Hamilton
Doerun at Echols

to take on Westover's Patriots and sextet in Albany in one twin-bill.

At the same time, just across town, coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings and coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes are scheduled to take on the Dougherty Trojans and Trojanettes. Then the LHS crews are to pack up for a trip to Nashville, Ga., to meet the Berrien Rebels and Rebelettes Saturday.

But Georgia Christian's Generals, coached by Jon Hazelip, and Mrs. Martha Jean Cope-

land's Generalettes have to face that problem tonight. They are scheduled to meet coach Stanley Simpson's undefeated Berrien crews tonight in Nashville.

Other action tonight finds Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.) at Charlton County (Folkston), Cook (Adel) at Ware County (Waycross), Brooks County (Quitman) at Mitchell County (Camilla), Patterson at Clinch County (Homerville), Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Dixie County (Cross City, Fla.) and Echols County (Statenville) at Norman Park.

Additional play Saturday puts Doerun at Echols and Williston, Fla., at Hamilton.

Valdosta's 'Cats and Kittens will take 3-2 and 1-4 records against the Patriots and Westover girls' 5-4 and 3-5 records. The Vikings, and Trojans both carry 5-6 records into their match, while the Vikettes take a 7-4 mark against the 0-8 foes.

The Generals and Generalettes are sure to have their hands full when they tangle with Berrien. Neither team has been beaten yet. The Rebs have played 11 while the Rebelettes, defending state Class AA champions, have a 1-0 record and a 40-game winning streak.

Hazelip's Generals take an 10-3 record against the Rebels, but two of those losses have been to the Nashville quintet. The Generalettes take a 1-8 record into the battle.

Meanwhile, back in Folkston, coach Billy Pafford's Lanier County Bulldogs, the only other undefeated team in the area, will be trying to protect a 9-0 record against the Charlton County Indians.

'Cats Post Win; Kittens Beaten

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

THOMASVILLE — Valdosta's Wildcats and Central's Lady Jackets were the victors in a Region 1-AAA high school basketball doubleheader played here Tuesday night.

After a slow start coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats got their offense rolling in the second period, took the lead and went on from there to a 59-44 victory over Central's Yellow Jackets.

In the girls game a see-saw battle was broken up when Central scored 16 points in the final

stanza to hand coach Joe Mercer's Kittens a 41-36 setback.

The 'Cats now have a 3-2 record and the Kittens have a 1-4 chart. The Central boys are now 1-6 and the Central sextet has a 5-2 mark.

Stanford Rome, with 17 points, and Roger Rome, with 14 points, led the Wildcats' attack. Next in line were Stanley Bounds and David Demersseman, each with six. Stanford Rome got 11 of his points in the second period.

Curtis Simmons tallied 16 points to lead the way for the Jackets.

The girls game was a see-saw affair until the closing minutes of play when Central pulled away.

Debbie Lanier and Nancy Speaker, each with 13 points, were the scoring leaders for the Lady Jackets. The Kittens' attack was paced by Joy Johnson, who hit for 15 points.

In a boys "B" team game Central posted a 63-59 victory over Valdosta. The Baby Wildcats were led by Robert Holley, 22; Jerome Coachman, 14, and Archie Lewis, 10. Central was paced by Williams Carter, 23, and Pete Reeves, 20.

Girls
Valdosta 13-16-28-36
Central 9-16-26-41
VALDOSTA (36) — Johnson 15, Brantley 7, Robertson 5, Flanders 3, Graham 2, Folsome 2, Wilson 2, Robinson.
Team totals: field goals 11, free throws 14, of 31, fouls 16.
CENTRAL (41) — Bannister 2, Lanier 13, Speaker 13, Baker 10, Palmer 2, Winn, Delcham, Eubanks, Spence 1, Hallman.
Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 8 of 12, fouls 23.

Boys
Valdosta 5-24-42-59
Central 8-16-28-44
VALDOSTA (59) — R. Rome 14, Johnson 8, S. Rome 17, Bounds 6, Rowe 2, Fluett 4, Demersseman 6, Peterson 2, Furth, Crump.
Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 13 of 21, fouls 8.
CENTRAL (44) — Murphy 6, Burns 10, Johnson 7, Carter 2, Simmons 16, Scruggs 3.
Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 4 of 8, fouls 18.

Valdosta Takes Pair From Crisp

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CORDELE — Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats and Kittens both got back on the victory trail as they swept a Region 1-AAA doubleheader with Crisp County here Friday night.

The VHS cagers had dropped a pair of game to Berrien Thursday. But here last night coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats rolled past Crisp's Cougars, 62-39, and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens beat the Crisp sextet, 32-17.

The Wildcats are now 7-3 in all games and 7-1 in loop play. The Kittens are 4-6 and 4-4. The Cougars records are now 3-10 and 2-8 and the girls from Cordele are 8-6 and 4-6.

In the boys game, 6-6 senior center Roger Rome had a super night as he gunned in 28 points, picked off 24 rebounds and blocked 11 shots, without committing a personal foul.

The 'Cats also got a sharp performance from junior forward Stanley Bounds, who tallied 11 points and turned in an outstanding floor game. Valdosta had a six-point lead at the half then limited Crisp to just three markers in the third stanza as the 'Cats moved out of the Cougars' reach.

In the girls game the Kittens' defense made the difference. Valdosta blanked Crisp in the second period and held it to just two points in the third stanza.

Sharon Flanders, Gay Robertson and Mickie Folsom.

GIRLS
Valdosta 4-13-25-32
Crisp 4-4-6-17

VALDOSTA (32) — Johnson 11, Brantley 11, G. Robertson 4, Flanders 3, Griffin 1, Bryant 2, Graham, Folsom, Robinson, Wilson, Norris, Nichols, Durden, S. Robertson, Miller.

Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 6 of 17, fouls 6.

CRISP (17) — Eason 2, Brantlett, David 5, Dean 6, Whittaker, Reynolds, Raines, Wintree, Griffith 4.

Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 1 of 6, fouls 16.

BOYS
Valdosta 16-24-38-62
Crisp 6-18-21-39

VALDOSTA (62) — R. Rome 28, Johnson 4, S. Rome 9, Bounds 11, Rowe, Fluett 4, Demersseman 2, Furth 2, Peterson 1, Rountree 1, Crump.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 10 of 23, fouls 9.

CRISP (39) — Norton 3, Childers 16, Dixon 6, Dellison 4, Holloman 6, Ellis 2, Roche.

Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 9 of 14, fouls 18.

'Cats, Kittens Defeat T'ville

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

THOMASVILLE — Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats and Kittens stayed on the victory trail as they took both ends of a Region 1-AAA twin-bill with Thomasville here Tuesday.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats, paced by Roger Rome, chalked up their third win in a row by trimming Thomasville's Bulldogs, 60-53, in overtime.

And coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens put victories back-to-back for the first time this season when they used a strong finish to beat Thomasville's Bulldogettes, 40-36.

The VHS boys are now 5-2 in all games and 5-1 against region foes. The kittens are 3-4 and 3-3. The Bulldogs are now 3-6 and 1-6, while the Thomasville girls have 2-7 and 0-7 charts.

In the boys game Roger Rome, a 6-6 senior, poured in 31 points to spark the Wildcats to their victory. It was his most productive night in his sparkling two-season career with VHS.

Valdosta was down by six points at the half, but thawed Thomasville's second half freeze long enough to pull even at 50-50 at the end of regulation playing time and send the game into overtime.

Thomasville got the first point in the extra period on a free throw, but Rome sent VHS ahead with a field goal and the 'Cats went on from there to victory.

The leading scorer for the Bulldogs was Kenneth Gatlin, who accounted for 21 points.

The girls game was a see-saw affair for three periods. But the Kittens built up a nine-point edge early in the final stanza and kept the advantage to the finish.

Although the VHS girls made just eight field goals, they hit on 24 of 41 fouls. In the final

stanza and kept the advantage to the finish.

Although the VHS girls made just eight field goals, they hit on 24 of 41 fouls. In the final stanza they went 10-for-13 from the charity line.

Nita Brantley, with 15 points, was the VHS attack leader, while Thomasville was paced by Joy Alligood, who accounted for 18 markers.

In a boys "B" team game Thomasville scored a 55-52 win over Valdosta. The leaders for the Baby Wildcats were Roger Lewis, 21, and Robin Holley, 15.

Girls

Valdosta	6	21	25	40
Thomasville	9	18	26	36
VALDOSTA (40) — Johnson 7, Brantley 15, Robertson 4, Flanders 4, Graham 4, Folsom 2, Robinson 4, Wilson.				
Team totals: field goals 8, free throws 24 of 41, fouls 18.				
THOMASVILLE (36) — Alligood 18, Thornton, Garfield 5, Gardner 4, Becknell, Valtour 2, Faulk 7, Davis, Jones, Oadea.				
Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 8 of 23, fouls 23.				

Boys

Valdosta	15	22	34	50-60
Thomasville	14	28	37	50-53
VALDOSTA (60) — R. Rome 31, Johnson 11, S. Rome 8, Bounds 3, Rowe, Fluett 2, Demersseman 5.				
Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 14 of 32, fouls 15.				
THOMASVILLE (53) — Austin 2, Keagle 13, Gatlin 21, Kerbo 8, Davis 5, Coopce 4.				
Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 13 of 18, fouls 21.				

Moultrie Hands VHS Two Losses

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOULTRIE — Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats and Kittens both took on the chin from Moultrie in a Region 1-AAA twin-bill here Tuesday night.

Moultrie's Packers, with some long-range sharpshooting, gunned down coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats, 72-58. And the Packerettes withstood a strong rally by coach Joe Mercer's Kittens to nip the 'Dosta girls, 29-27.

The Wildcats are now 7-4 in all games and 7-2 in region play. The Kittens have 4-7 and 4-5 marks. Moultrie's boys are now 9-6 and 8-4 and the Packerettes own 13-1 and 11-1 charts.

In the boys game, Valdosta led after the first stanza. But

by half time the Packers were five points ahead. They stretched their lead to 10 markers in the third stanza and went on from there to victory.

Guards Fredrick Hightower and Hollis Holloway, who hit at a sizzling pace from the outside, paced the Packers' attack. Holloway got 19 points and Hightower accounted for 18. Roger Rome, with 22 points, was the 'Cats' and the game's leading scorer.

In the girls game Moultrie lead by as much as six points early in the third period. But the Kittens, a never-say-die group, rallied to pull even. Then with just over a minute left to play Moultrie's Peggy Moss hit a pair of free throws which turned out to be the Packerettes' winning margin.

The scoring leaders were Dale Bridges, 16, for Moultrie, and Nita Brantley, 11, for Valdosta.

GIRLS

Valdosta	7	12	18	27
Moultrie	8	17	20	29
VALDOSTA (27) — Johnson 9, Brantley 11, Robinson 2, Flanders 4, Graham 1, Folsom, Robertson, Wilson.				
Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 13 of 18, fouls 11.				
MOULTRIE (29) — Moss 6, Bridges 16, Causey, Thornton 4, Peland 2, Mathews, May.				
Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 15 of 21, 15 fouls.				

BOYS

Valdosta	18	27	45	58
Moultrie	13	32	55	72
VALDOSTA (58) — R. Rome 22, Johnson 10, S. Rome 11, Bounds 10, Fluitt 4, Demersseman 1, Rowe, Peterson.				
Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 14 of 26, fouls 14.				
MOULTRIE (72) — Green 11, Vance 11, Pate 10, Hightower 18, Holloway 19, Allman 2, Sianci 1.				
Team totals: field goals 31, free throws 10 of 20, fouls 19.				

Lowndes Play Wins, VHS Second

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Lowndes High School one-act play has won first place in the Region 1-AAA competition and the Valdosta High School one-act effort took second place.

The Lowndes High win makes it three years in a row that the county school has won the region one-act event. The cast is to compete in the state competition Saturday in Athens.

Lowndes High and VHS were among seven schools which competed in the region affair Friday at Albany. Other high schools who sought region honors were Tifton High, Dougherty High, Monroe High, Bainbridge High and Thomasville High.

Lowndes High's play, "Doctor in Spite of Himself", was directed by Dorothy Carter, chairman of the speech and drama department. Gary Clouddy, speech teacher, served as technical advisor.

The cast includes Alan Pensol, Terry Head, Richard Golden, Gary Waldron, San Dee Point, Chris Beggerly, Don Lehmann and Larry Carter.

VHS speech teacher Marcia McRae directed the city school's entry, "The Case of the Crushed Petunias". This was the first time in about 20 years VHS has competed in the region one-act competition, said Mrs. McRae.

"I couldn't be happier about winning second place. I hope this puts VHS back in literary competition now. The school didn't do a thing in this area for so many years. We hope to change that," she said.

The cast included Wesley Cox, Lucy Stewart, John Fisher, Corky Rentschler, Debra Wells and Tony Powell.

Berrien Finishes Defeat Valdosta

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Fast finishes carried Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes to basketball victories over Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens here Thursday night.

Coach Stanley Simpson's Rebs, with a strong second half showing, trimmed coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats, 68-46. And Simpson's Rebelettes got their attack rolling in the final stanza and beat coach Joe Mercer's Kittens, 34-23.

Both Berrien teams now own 15-0 records. The girls from Nashville, Ga., have now won 45 straight over a two-season span.

The Wildcats' loss halted a four-game winning streak they had going and leaves them with a 6-3 chart. The Kittens are now 3-6.

In the boys game it was close for two periods with the lead changing hands four times before Berrien went out at intermission with a slim 27-24 lead.

Early in the third period the Rebs stretched their edge to seven points and by the end of the third stanza they were 11 markers ahead. The 'Cats were unable to make a strong challenge for the lead after that.

George Sorrell led Berrien's attack with 20 points. He got 16 of them in the second half. Next was Bobby Taylor, with 13, and Roger Guess, with 11.

Roger Rome was VHS' leading scorer. He got 11 points before he fouled out with just under six minutes left to play in the final stanza. Next in line was Stanford Rome with 10.

The girls game was a see-saw affair for three periods with the scoring being tied or

the lead changing hands five times. But Berrien began the final stanza with a four-point edge and when Brenda Rudeseal popped in eight quick points the Rebelettes were on their way to victory.

Rudeseal's total for the night was 10 points, as was Donna Jernigan's. Nita Brantley and Sharon Flanders, each with eight points, were the top scorers for the Kittens.

In a boys "B" team Berrien nipped Valdosta, 39-37. The Baby Rebs' balanced attack was led by Larry Rowan and Benjamin George, who each got eight points. The Baby Wildcats' leaders were Robin Holley, 15, and Jerome Coachman, 10.

GIRLS

Valdosta	2	12	17	23
Berrien	6	11	21	34

VALDOSTA (23) — Johnson 3, Brantley 8, Robertson 4, Flanders 8, Graham, Folsom, Robinson, Wilson.

Team totals: field goals 5, free throws 13 of 23, fouls 19.

BERRIEN (34) — Jernigan 10, Bailey 5, Durrance 1, Rudeseal 10, McNabb 2, Bennett 3, McMillan 3, Futch, Moore, Close.

Team totals: field goals 8, free throws 18 of 28, fouls 18.

BOYS

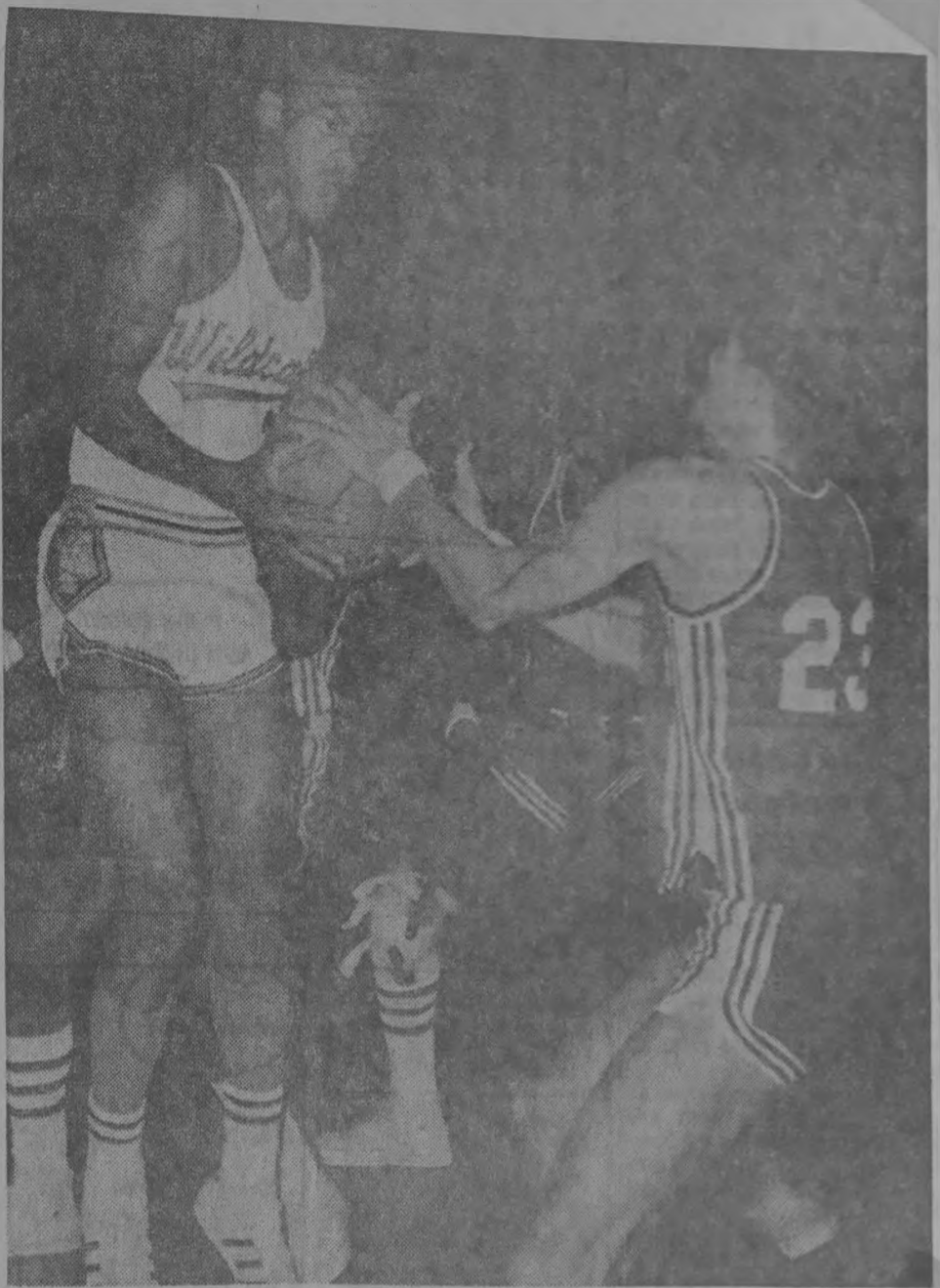
Valdosta	8	24	34	46
Berrien	14	27	45	68

VALDOSTA (46) — Peterson 1, Furch, Carpenter, Boud's 8, Fluitt 3, S. Rome 10, R. Rome 11, Johnson 8, Rowe, Demersman 5, Rountree.

Team totals: field goals 16, free throws 14 of 30, fouls 21.

BERRIEN (68) — B. Taylor 13, W. Taylor 9, Sorrell 20, Wright 8, Guess 11, Bobo, Conway 2, Sims, Rowe, Shaw 2, Benefield 2, Davis.

Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 25 of 42, fouls 21.



—Times Staff Photo

'Cats' Stanford Rome and Berrien's Roger Guess (23) Grab Rebound

'Dosta, T'ville Tangle Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Thomasville, a pair of traditional sports rivals, are slated to hook up in a Region 1-AAA basketball double-header here tonight.

The twin-bill between Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens and Thomasville's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes is to begin at 7 p. m. at the Valdosta Junior High gym.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Lanier County (Lake land, Ga.) is to be at Atkinson County (Pearson),

AREA HOOP SLATE

- T'ville at V's
- Lanier at A'
- Fitz-Tift at Berrien
- Echols at
- Brooks at
- Hamilton at Macclenny

Fitzgerald (boys) - Tift County (girls) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Echols County (Statenville) at Clinch County (Homerville) and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Macclenny, Fla., and Brooks County (Quitman) at Cook (Adel).

Coach Joe Wilson's VHS Wildcats, after victories in their last two starts, are now 9-4 for the season and 9-2 in region play. Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens, fresh from a win over Bainbridge, are 5-8 and 5-6.

Thomasville's Bulldogs own 7-8 and 4-8 records while the Bulldogettes are 5-10 and 3-9.

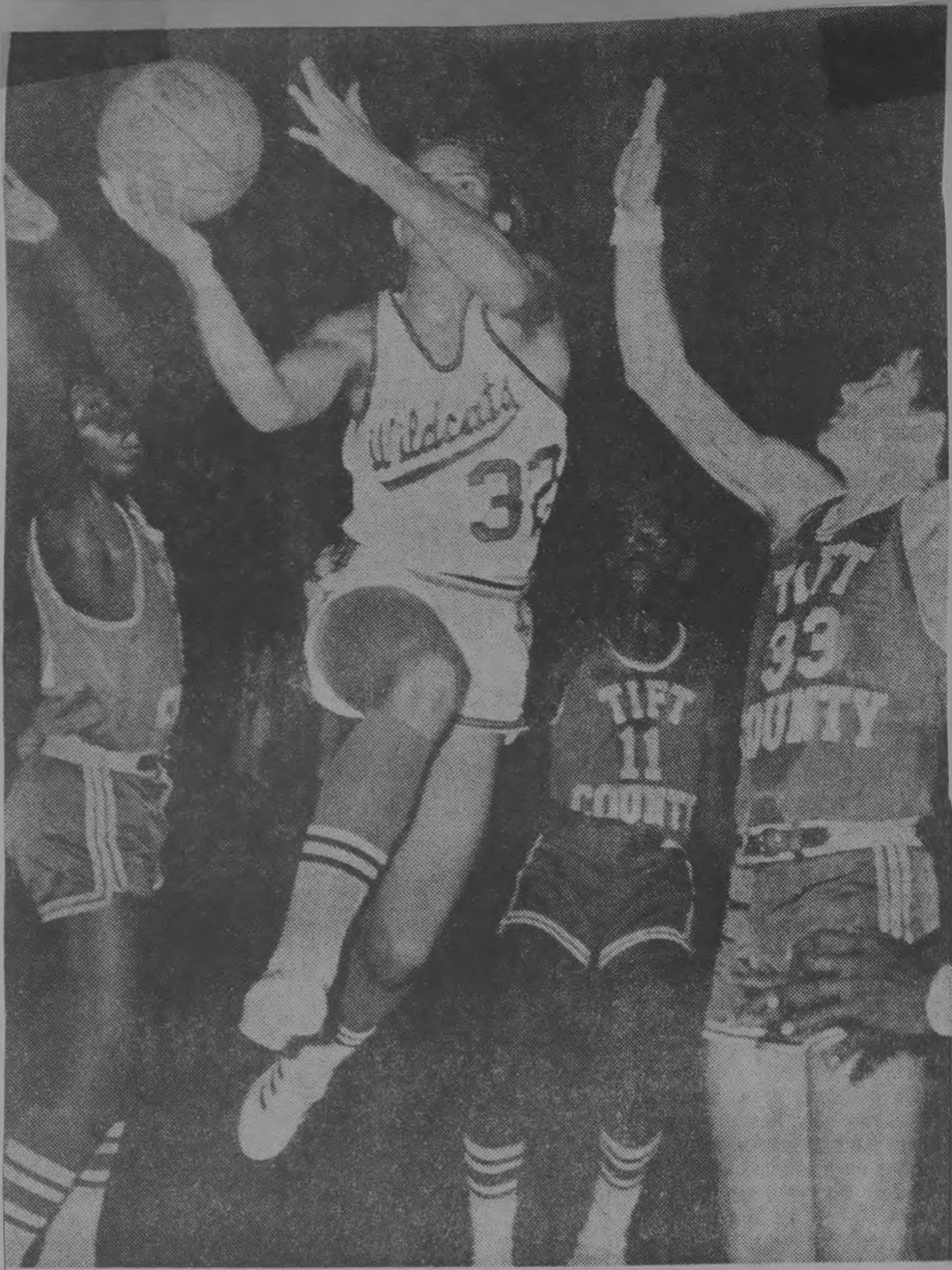
In an earlier twin-bill at Thomasville, Valdosta racked up

a pair of victories, but both the 'Cats and Kittens had their troubles. The VHS quintet beat the Bulldogs, 60-53, but needed an overtime period to get the job done. The Kittens eased by the Bulldogettes, 40-36.

In one of the night's most unusual twin-bills coach Stanley Simpson's unbeaten Berrien Rebels and Rebelettes, who have matching 17-0 records, will be meeting foes from different schools.

The Berrien boys will face the Fitzgerald Purple Hurricanes, while the Rebelettes go against the Tift County Angels from Tifton. Fitzgerald doesn't field a girls team, so arrangements were made for the Tift Angels to furnish the opposition for the Rebelettes tonight.

Two more of the area's most successful boys team, the Lanier Bulldogs and Clinch Panthers, will be seeing action tonight. Coach Billy Pafford's Lanier Bulldogs, who have a 15-1 mark, will be meeting Atkinson in a Region 2-B affair at Pearson. And coach Austin DeLoach's Panthers, who are 12-5, will be hosting Echols.



-Times Staff Photos

Wildcats' David Demersseman keeps his eye on the goal as he goes up

Rally By 'Cats Beats Loop Foe

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

A torrid finish, which included a 24-point outburst in the final period, gave Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats a 60-50, come-from-behind victory over the Tift County Blue Devils here Friday night.

Tift gained a split in the night's doubleheader when the Angels from Tifton used a fast start to trim VHS' Kittens, 44-30.

The triumph for coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats was their fourth in a row. They now have a 7-2 overall record and are 6-1 in Region 1-AAA competition. Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens are now 3-5 and 3-4. Tift's Blue Devils now have 6-8 and 3-4 charts and the Angels are 11-3 and 7-1.

mission to play the visitors on more than even terms, but they couldn't make up the lost ground.

Juanita Dickens, with 14 points, led the way for Tift. Valdosta's scoring leader was Nita Brantley, with 10 points.

In a boys "B" team game Tift rolled to a 79-43 victory over the Baby Wildcats. The visitors were led by Charles Knight, 19, and David Daniels, 17. VHS' top guns were Robin Holley, 14, and Jerome Coachman, 11.

GIRLS	
Valdosta	5 11 17 30
Tift	15 26 32 4
VALDOSTA (30) — Johnson 7, Brantley 10, Robertson 6, Flanders 3, Graham 2, Polson 1, Robinson, Wilson 1.	
Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 16 of 31, fouls 12.	
TIFT (44) — Dickens 16, Hagan, Strawter 9, Jones 2, Guest 8, Haman, Whittington 9, Cromley, Evans, Allen, Poole.	
Team totals: field goals 18, free throws 3 of 16, fouls 23.	
BOYS	
Valdosta	7 18 36 60
Tift	12 26 36 50
VALDOSTA (60) — R. Rome 25, S. Rome 17, Bounds 10, Demersseman 6, Rowe 2, Flutti, Johnson.	
Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 14 of 36, fouls 8.	
TIFT (50) — Mims 25, Kincaid, Thompson 2, Parkman 4, Corry, 4, Henderson, McRae 5, Burns 10, Holiday.	
Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 4 of 7, fouls 20.	

In the boys game Valdosta managed to score just 18 points in the first half and the Imps went out at intermission with an eight-marker advantage.

It was a different story in the last two stanzas. With the Rome brothers, Roger and Stanford, leading the attack, the Wildcats pumped in 18 points in the third period to pull even at 36-36 and then exploded for 24 in the final stanza to win going away.

Roger Rome gunned in 25 points, and got 20 of them in the second half. Stanford Rome accounted for 17 points, and racked up 12 of them after intermission.

It was the combination of the two Romes, plus Stanley Bounds, David Demersseman and John Rowe which produced the Wildcats' uprising in the second half.

Tift's Larry Mims, a cat-quick guard, was the Blue Devils' offense leader with 25 points. He was chiefly responsible for the Imps' early lead. Mims accounted for 18 of his markers in the first two periods.

In the girls game Tift's tall and talented Angels jumped off to a 10-point lead in the first period and had increased their advantage to 15 at the half. The Kittens came back after inter-

Berrien, 'Dosta Clash Thursday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Getting a one-day jump on the other high school basketball teams in the area, Valdosta and Berrien are to meet in a doubleheader here Thursday night.

All the teams in the area, including VHS and BHS, will al-

so be seeing action on either Friday or Saturday.

Exams at Valdosta High, which didn't end until today, resulted in the Thursday night matchup between the Valdosta and Berrien cage forces.

Tomorrow night's twin-bill between VHS's Wildcats and Kittens and Berrien's Rebels and Rebelettes from Nashville, Ga., is slated for 7 p. m. at the Valdosta Junior High gym.

Since Valdosta belongs to Region 1-AAA and Berrien campaigns in Region 1-AA there won't be any league honors at stake. But they are traditional basketball rivals and fans interest here and at Nashville is running high.

Coach Stanley Simpson's Rebels and Rebelettes are both rolling along this season with perfect 14-0 records. The Rebelettes, who won the state Class AA crown last fall, have a 44-game victory streak going.

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats own a 6-2 record and have a modest four-game winning streak going. Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens have a 3-5 chart.

One feature of the boys game is the expected match up between the Wildcats' 6-6 senior center Roger Rome and the Rebels' 6-5 senior forward George Sorrell.

Both are averaging better than 20 points a game and both have attracted the attention of a lot of college basketball recruiters.

The 'Cats and Kittens will have one major problem in common and that is the super tough defense offered by both Berrien teams.

The Rebels have limited 14 foes to an average of just 31 points a game. No opponent has been able to break the 50-point barrier against them so far. The Rebelettes have been doing even better on defense, allowing an average of just 20.5 points per game and keeping everyone they've played well under the 40-point mark.

'Cats Top Monroe In Loop Thriller

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats withstood a strong fourth period challenge by Monroe and handed the Golden Tornadoes a 79-75 Region 1-AAA licking here Friday night.

Monroe gained a split in the night's twin-bill by trimming VHS' Kittens, 51-42, in the girls game.

The Valdosta cagers are to return to action tonight, meeting region foe Bainbridge in a twin-bill at Bainbridge.

After last night's triumph coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats are now 8-4 for the season and 8-2 in 1-AAA action. Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens now stand 4-8 and 4-6.

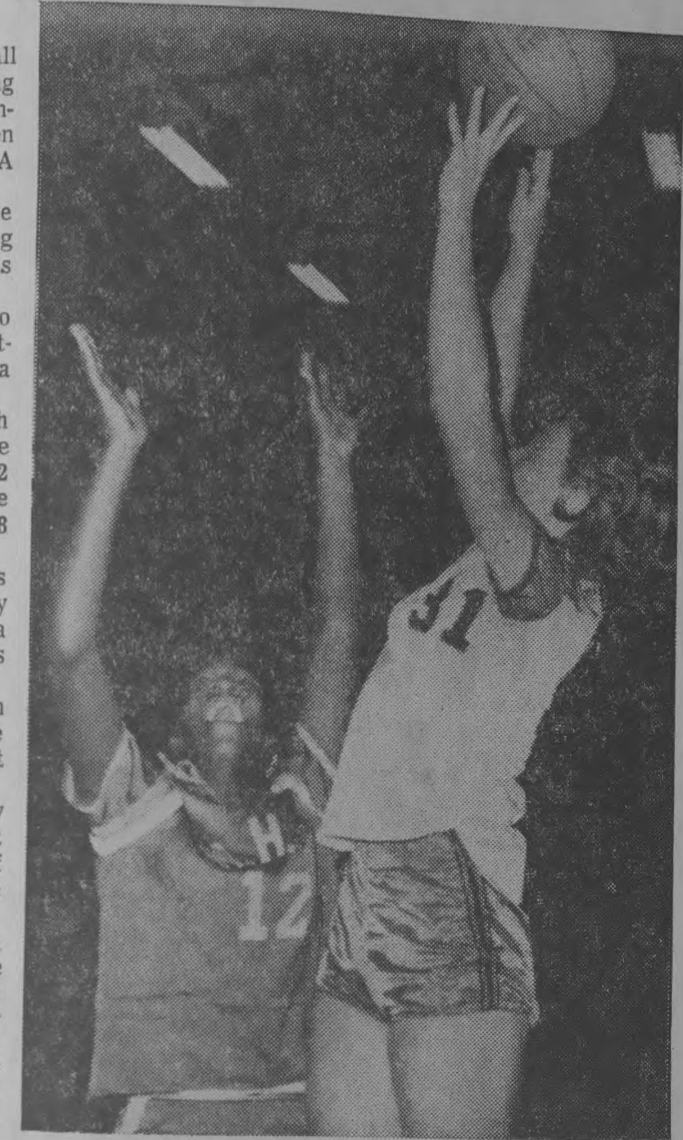
The setback left coach Lewis Smith's Tornadoes from Albany with a 13-4 overall chart and a 9-3 loop mark. Monroe's girls are now 14-1 and 11-1.

Valdosta's Wildcats put on their top offensive show of the season and needed it to get by the Tornadoes.

VHS took over the lead early in the first period, was out front by 12 points at the half and led by 16 markers as the final stanza ended.

Then the Tornadoes went on a scoring spree. They cut the Wildcats' lead to three points twice and with 1:41 left to play VHS was hanging on to a shaky 75-71 advantage. But a pair of clutch field goals by Roger Rome and David Demersseman stretched 'Dosta's advantage to eight points and carried the 'Cats out of danger. The visitors tallied 29 points in the final stanza.

For the night Roger Rome, a 6-6 senior, pumped in 35 points, picked off at least that many rebounds and blocked more than a dozen shots. It was the big and talented center's best offensive night of the



-Times Staff Photo

VHS' Nita Brantley (31) Grabs A Rebound

season.

Stanford Rome aided the VHS effort with 18 points before he fouled out with just six seconds gone in the fourth period. Demersseman tallied 12 points. Stanley Bounds and Dan Johnson were two other chief contributors to the VHS victory cause, and John Rowe and Jerome Fluitt helped with relief duty.

The trio of Charles Riggins, 23; Larry Cooper, 18, and Albert Stephens, 10, led the way for the Tornadoes.

In the girls game the lead changed hands three times during the early going. Then Monroe built up a nine-point edge in the second period. While the Kittens kept battling and continued to apply the pressure, they couldn't overhaul the sex-

et from Albany.

Monroe was paced by Peggy Marshall, 16; Flossie Davenport, 15, and Gwendolyn Sanders, 10. The Kittens' scoring leaders were Sharon Flanders, 18, and Nita Brantley, 11.

Girls

Valdosta	10	20	36	42
Monroe	11	29	43	51
VALDOSTA (42) — Johnson 1, Brantley 11, Robertson 8, Flanders 18, Graham, Folsom 2, Robinson 2, Wilson, Nichols.				

Team totals: field goals 12, free throws 18 of 36, fouls 21.

MONROE (51) — Davenport 15, Parks 8, Homer, Sanders 10, Marshall 16, Holmes 1, Davis 1, Stephens.

Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 11 of 27, fouls 27.

Boys

Valdosta	21	38	60	79
Monroe	25	36	46	75
VALDOSTA (79) — R. Rome 35, S. Rome 18, Bounds 6, Fluitt 2, Johnson 6, Rowe, Demersseman 12.				

Team totals: field goals 27, free throws 25 of 34, fouls 13.

MONROE (75) — Robinson 10, Riggins 23, Small 6, Cooper 18, Campbell 4, Stephens 10, Davis, Trice 2.

Team totals: field goals 34, free throws 7 of 16, fouls 26.

1-AAA Girls Set For Tourney Play

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wild Kittens are scheduled to take on Bainbridge's Bearkittens while Lowndes' Vikettes clash with Westover's Lady Patriots in the opening round of the Region 1-AAA High school basketball girls tournament in Thomasville today.

game, followed by the championship match.

Coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens will put their 8-8 region record on the line against the Bearkittens' at 4 p. m. to open the Central High school gym here.

Then coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes, the defending champions who are seeded seventh with an 8-8 mark, are to meet the 10th-seeded Westover girls at 5:30 p. m.

The Valdosta girls already have 33-21 and 29-28 victories over the Bearkittens earlier in the season. The Vikettes downed the Lady Pats, 46-28, when they met earlier.

In two other first round games, Crisp County's Cougarettes are to meet the Thomasville Bulldogettes at 7 p. m. and the host Central Lady Jackets take on Dougherty's Trojanettes from Albany at 8:30 p. m.

The four top seeded teams, Monroe (15-1), Moultrie (15-1), Tift (14-2) and Albany (13-3), all drew first round byes.

In Tuesday's action, Albany's Squaws meet the Valdosta-Bainbridge winner at 4 p. m.; Moultrie's Packerettes play the Lowndes-Westover winner at 5:30 p. m.; Monroe's Lady Tornadoes take on the Crisp-Thomasville victor at 7 p. m.; and the Angels from Tifton meet the Central-Dougherty winner at 8:30 p. m.

The semi-finals are to be played Wednesday. On Thursday there will be a consolation

Vikettes, Kittens In Tourney Field

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Region 1-AAA girls high school basketball tournament is scheduled to get underway in Thomasville Monday, but the top four seeded teams will have the night off.

The top seeded teams, Monroe (15-1), Moultrie (15-1), Tift (14-2) and Albany (13-3), drew opening round byes while the other eight sextets must battle for second round berths.

In the action scheduled for Monday in the Central High gym, Valdosta's sixth-seeded Kittens are scheduled to put their 8-8 region record on the line against the number 11 Bainbridge Bearkittens at 4 p. m.

Coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta girls defeated Bainbridge 33-21 and again 29-28 in an overtime affair during the regular season.

Coach Steve Kebler's Lowndes Vikettes are scheduled to take on the Westover Lady Patriots from Albany at 5:30 p. m.

The Vikettes are seeded seventh with an 8-8 region record. They defeated the 10th ranked Lady Patriots, 46-28, earlier in the Lowndes gym. Westover is 3-13 going into the meet.

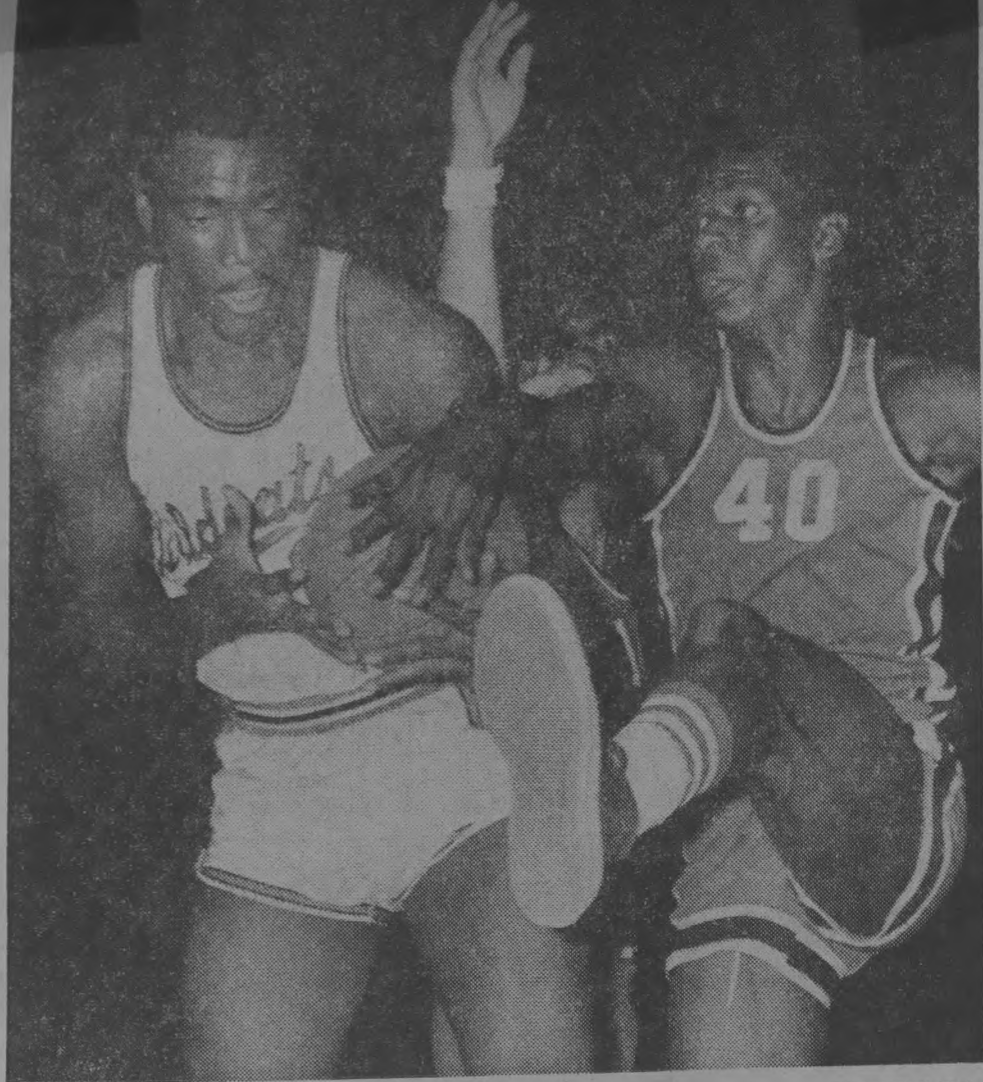
Crisp County's Cougarettes from Cordele meet the Thom-

asville Bulldogettes at 7 p. m., while the Central Lady Jackets and the Dougherty (Albany) Trojanettes clash at 8:30 p. m.

Crisp is seeded eighth with a 6-10 loop record. Central, which has come on strong since the Christmas break is fifth with a 9-7 record, and if the last-placed Trojanettes defeat them, it will be Dougherty's first win of the season.

Tuesday Albany's Squaws meet the Valdosta-Bainbridge winner at 4 p. m.; Moultrie's Packerettes take on the Lowndes-Westover victor at 5:30 p. m.; the Crisp-Thomasville winner must face Monroe at 7 p. m.; and Tift's Angels vie with the Central-Dougherty victor at 8:30 p. m.

The tourney will run through Thursday night.



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Wildcats' Roger Rome (L) Reaches Out To Claim The Basketball

'Cats, Kittens Defeat T'ville

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Wildcats and Kittens followed similar routes to basketball victories over Thomasville's Bulldogs and Bulldogettes here Tuesday night.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats posted a 78-65 win and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens notched a 37-25 triumph. In both games the

Valdosta cagers took early leads and then stayed out front to the finish.

The win was the third in a row for the Wildcats and boosted their overall record to 10-4 and upped their Region 1-AAA mark to 10-2. It was the second consecutive triumph for the Kittens and they now stand 6-8 for the season and 6-6 in region play.

After the losses the Bulldogs

are now 7-9 and 4-9 and the Bulldogettes are 5-11 and 3-10.

In the boys game the Wildcats' 6-6 senior center Roger Rome tallied a career-high 36 points to pace VHS' fast moving attack. He accounted for 'Dosta's first seven points in the game and went on to rack up 13 field goals and sink 10 of 13 foul shots.

Next on the scoring list was 6-3 freshman forward Stanford Rome with 19 points to his credit. Dan Johnson, Stanley Bounds and David Demersseman were three others who had a major hand in the triumph.

The Bulldogs' attack leader was Lavon Keadle, with 16 points.

In the girls game the lead changed hands three times during the early going. But by the half the Kittens had an 11-marker edge and were on their way to victory.

The seven - player combo of Joy Johnson, Nita Brantley, Gay Robertson, Sharon Flanders, Evelyn Graham, Mickie Folson and Elaine Robinson paved the way for the triumph. Flanders was the scoring leader with 11 points, followed by Brantley, 9 and Johnson, 8. Graham, a guard, sparkled both on defense and in the battle of the backboards.

Top scorer for the Bulldogettes was Mabel Oade, with 8 points.

In a boys "B" team game Valdosta rolled to a 62-42 victory. The Baby Wildcats were paced by Robin Holley, who got 23 points, and Jerome Coachman, who tallied 20 markers.

GIRLS

Valdosta	6 22 29 37
Thomasville	4 11 13 25

VALDOSTA (37) — Johnson 8, Brantley 9, G. Robertson 2, Flanders 11, Graham 2, Folson, Robinson 5, Wilson, Miller, Norris, Nichols, Griffin, Durden, Bryant, S. Robertson, Carpenier.

Team totals: field goals 12, free throws 13 of 24, fouls 15.

THOMASVILLE (25) — Oade 8, Thornton, Garfield 2, Gardner 2, Beckwell 5, Balfour 2, Faulk, Davis, Maxwell, Hayes 6.

Team totals: field goals 8, free throws 9 of 20, fouls 17.

BOYS

Valdosta	17 41 60 78
Thomasville	12 28 44 65

VALDOSTA (78) — R. Rome 36, S. Rome 19, Johnson 9, Demersseman 7, Bounds 2, Fluit 3, Peterson, Furth, Crump 2, Rowe, Rountree.

Team totals: field goals 30, free throws 18 of 28, fouls 7.

THOMASVILLE (65) — Austin 12, Keadle 16, Gatlin 10, Kerbo 13, Cooper 2, Walden, Heard 4, Gordon 8.

Team totals: field goals 31, free throws 3 of 10, fouls 20.

TD Club Banquet Set Here Monday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The presentation of a dozen awards and a speech by one of pro football's all-time great quarterbacks will be the highlight attractions at the Valdosta Touchdown Club's annual banquet here Monday night.

The banquet is slated to begin at 7 p.m. at Mathis City Auditorium. Dinner is to be served in the all-purpose room there, with the program to follow in the main section of the auditorium.

Honored guests at the banquet will be Valdosta High School's 1970 football Wildcats. The principal address will be made by Green Bay Packers quarterback Bart Starr, long one of the National Football League's most glittering stars.

Among the other guests will be the VHS cheerleaders and members of the highly acclaimed VHS Marchin' 'Cats' bands. Also in the spotlight will be the 'Cats' head coach Wright Bazemore and his aides Charlie Greene, Joe Wilson, Jack Rudolph, Joe Mercer, Julian LeFiles and Edward Jones.

This past season the Wildcats posted an 11-1 record, won the Region 1-AAA crown and reached the semi-finals in the playoff for the state Class AA crown.

Starr's appearance here is being co-sponsored by the TD Club and the Pepsi-Cola Bot-



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BART STARR
Banquet Speaker

tling Co.

A native of Montgomery Ala., and a former University of Alabama grid great, Starr is now 36 years old and has 15 NFL seasons with the Packers under his belt.

He has led Green Bay to five NFL championships (1961, 1962, 1965, 1966 and 1967) and a pair of Super Bowl game victories (1966 and 1967).

During his long and brilliant career he has hit on 1,644 passes out of 2,849 for 22,787 yards

and 144 touchdowns. He has been the NFL's leading passer three times (1962, 1964 and 1966) and has been an All-Pro pick four times (1961, 1962, 1963, 1966).

Awards to be presented to VHS players picked for honors follow:

Tommy Hardee scholarship, super skinner, sportsmanship, spirit of the Wildcats, best offensive lineman, best offensive back, best defensive back, most improved, most loyal, most aggressive, most valuable, scholastic and most outstanding.

The 1970 members of the TD Club may attend the banquet without additional costs and may bring their wives or school age sons by paying \$3 for each of them. Non members may attend by paying the 1970 membership dues of \$10, according to TD Club president Pardee Goodloe.

Starr Outlines Success Formula

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

One of pro football's all-time great quarterbacks, the Green Bay Packers' Bart Starr, outlined his formula for success "in life and in athletics" during a speech here Monday night at the Valdosta Touchdown Club's annual grid banquet.

A crowd of approximately 900 turned out to hear Starr's talk and to honor Valdosta High's 1970 football Wildcats.

Starr, who led the Packers to five National Football League crowns and a pair of Super Bowl game victories between 1961 and 1967, was just as smooth with his verbal delivery from the stage as he has been with any of the 152 touchdown passes he has tossed in his brilliant 14-year pro football career.

"You know Montgomery, Ala., is my home town and I've been hearing about Valdosta and the great football teams here all of my life," Starr said. "Now that I've met and talked with your famous coach Wright Bazemore



— Special Photo

BART STARR
Smooth Style

and I've seen for myself the enthusiasm of your Touchdown

Club and the people here I can understand why the Wildcats have been so successful.

"There must be a combination of things to produce success and I'd like to touch on a few.

"First is attitude — a good attitude. This must be the start, the foundation. Everyone strives for a goal, that's the way we are. But to achieve anything we must, as the late (Green Bay) coach Vince Lombardi liked to say, 'have a sound plan.' With proper preparation, and this includes hard work, we can reach our objectives.

"There must be team work, the kind which is evident here in Valdosta. There must be discipline of the body, the mind and the emotions. This, I'm afraid, is something we don't have enough of in our country today.

"And certainly there must be desire. We must never be satisfied with failure. We must develop the kind of character which makes us get back up after we've been knocked down.

"Then there is something which is important to me personally and has been important to the Packers down through the years. That is prayer. We always pray before and after a game. This has helped bring us closer together.

"In summary I must say there are no short cuts. We all must pay the price if we are to have success."

Bazemore, speaking for all the members of the Valdosta High coaching staff and the members of the VHS football, expressed thanks to the TD Club and all the Valdosta fans for their outstanding backing of the Wildcats.

"There is no other Touchdown Club and no other group of fans in the United States who can match ours in spirit, enthusiasm and co-operation," Bazemore said.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of 16 awards to members of the 1970 VHS football team which compiled an 11-1 record, won the Region 1-AAA title and reached the semi-finals of the state Class AAA playoffs.

Awards were presented as follows:

Stanley Bounds, most valuable and scholastic achievement; Mike Everson, most outstanding; Robert Savage, most aggressive; Joe Tillman, most loyal; Robert Dewar, most improved; Curt Bazemore, best defensive back and scholastic achievement; Jimmy LeFiles and David Ray, scholastic achievement; Dan Johnson, best offensive back; Vance Quillin and Ralph Hendry, best defensive linemen; Wayne Simpson and Roger Rome, best offensive linemen; Kenny Moore, spirit of the Wildcats, Ken Marshall, sportsmanship; and Paul Lore, super Skinner.

The Touchdown Club elected new officers for 1971 as follows: Bobby Green, president; Ben Stanaland III and Lamar Wansley, vice presidents and George Smith, secretary-treasurer.

Pardee Goodloe, the TD Club's outgoing president, served as master of ceremonies. Starr's appearance here was co-sponsored by the TD Club and the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co.

Lowndes-'Dosta Duel Set

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Lowndes and Valdosta cagers are going to have a busy weekend.

Teams from both high schools are to make trips to Albany on Friday to meet tough foes. And then on Saturday they will be facing each other in a twin-bill here at the Lowndes gym.

On Friday coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings and

(Hazlehurst) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Clinch County (Homerville) at Brantley County (Nahunta), Cook (Adel) at Appling County (Baxley), Mt. Moriah at Echols County (Statenville) and P. K. Yonge (Gainesville, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.).

Other games Saturday call for Thomasville to play at Brooks County (Quitman) and Echols at St. George.

After victories in their last three starts, Lowndes' Vikings are 8-11 in all games and 5-8 in region play. The Vikettes' are 10-9 and 7-6. Monroe has two of the most successful teams in the region. The Tornadoes are 14-4 and 10-3 and the MHS girls are 14-1 and 12-1.

Valdosta's Wildcats also have a three-game winning streak going and they own 10-4 and 10-2 charts. The Kittens, with wins in their last two outings, are 6-8 and 6-6.

Albany's Indians are 8-10 and 8-5 and the Squaws have 12-5 and 9-5 marks. The Tribe has really picked up steam since Al Smith, a 6-5 junior, brought up his grades and became eligible to play for them at mid-term.

Smith has played just two games for Albany. He racked up 26 points against Moultrie and gunned in 33 against Westover while leading the Albany

quintet to victories over both of these strong opponents.

The Valdosta and Lowndes cagers will be meeting for the third time this season in their Saturday night doubleheader at the LHS gym.

The Wildcats trimmed the

Vikes, 68-59, in a regular season affair. Then in a Christmas tourney game, the Lowndes boys beat the 'Dosta quintet, 78-67. The Vikettes have defeated the Kittens twice, 37-18 in a regular season affair and 34-27 in a holiday tourney contest.

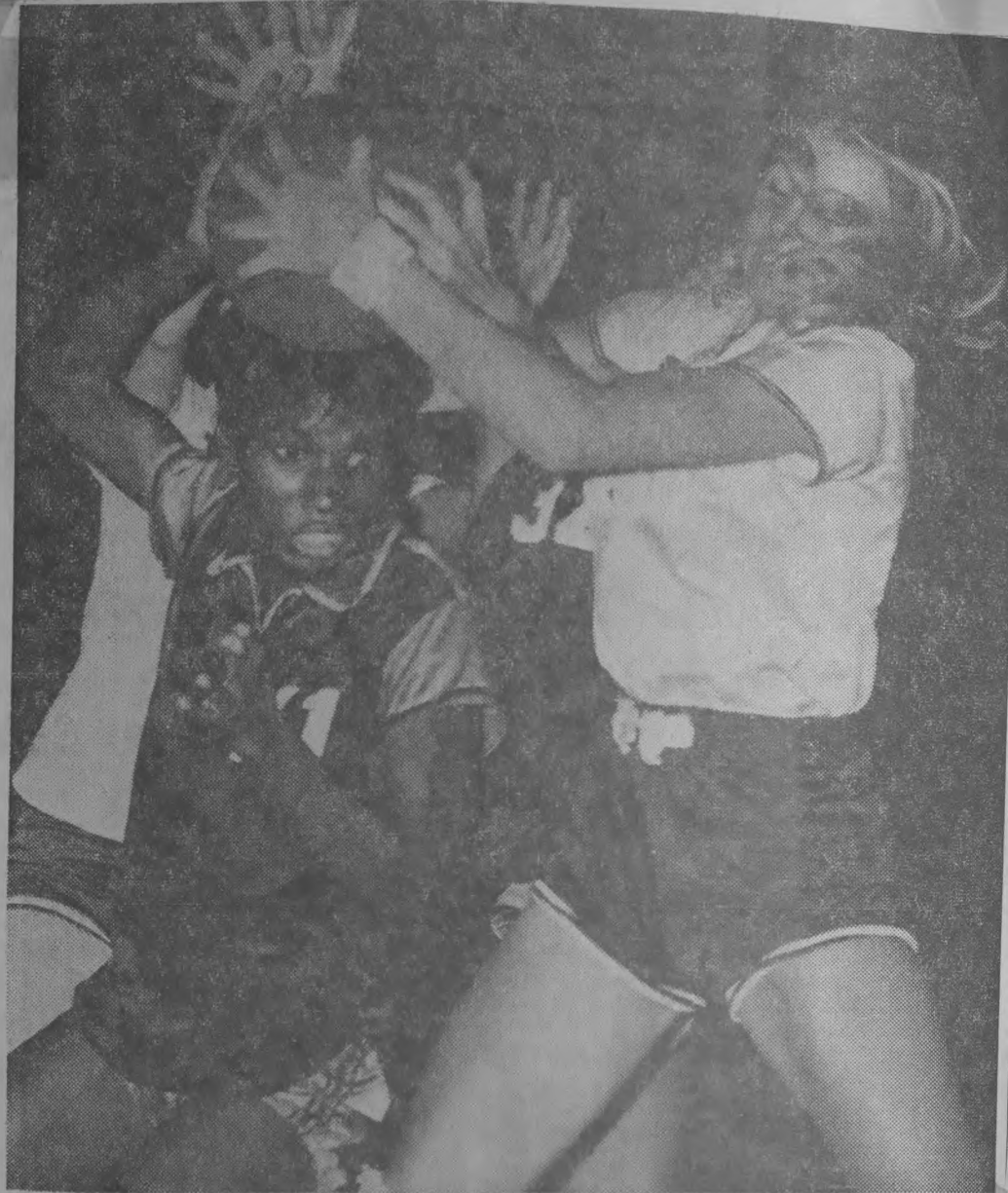
AREA HOOP SLATE

Friday
Lowndes at Monroe
Valdosta at Albany
Norman Park at GCS
Jeff Davis at Berrien
Clinch at Brantley
Cook at Appling
Mt. Moriah at Echols
Yonge at Hamilton
Saturday
Valdosta at Lowndes
Thomasville at Brooks
Echols at St. George

coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes will be at Albany meeting Monroe's Golden Tornadoes and Lady Tornadoes. That same night coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens will be on the road dueling Albany's Indians and Squaws.

Then the cross-town rivals will gather at the LHS gym for a doubleheader starting at 7 o'clock Saturday.

In other games Friday involving area teams Norman Park will be at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Jeff Davis



-Times Staff Photo

Kittens' Evelyn Graham (11) and Lowndes' Susan Shaw Battle For Rebound

'Cats, Vikettes Post Victories

By JULIAN MILLER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikettes posted victories here Saturday night in a pair of battles between the cross-town high school basketball rivals.

The Vikettes used a free throw by Lou Lumley with no time remaining on the clock to defeat the Kittens for the third time this season, 27-26.

The Wildcats came alive in the second half and trimmed the Vikings, 64-49. It was the VHS quintet's second win over the LHS boys in three tries this season.

The Region 1-AAA high school basketball doubleheader left coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats with an 11-5 overall and 11-3 league record. The Kittens, coached by Joe Mercer, are now 7-9 and 7-7.

For Lowndes, coach Charles

Cooper's Vikings dropped to 8-13 and 5-10 records, while the victory put the Vikettes, coached by Steve Kebler, above the .500 mark with 11-10 and 8-7 charts.

The girls game was close during the early going and then Lowndes went out front and stayed there until near the finish.

Valdosta rallied and tied it up twice, the last time at 26-26 with just 33 seconds left. Then Lowndes' Lou Lumley tried to get off a last-second shot from the floor and the Kittens were charged with a foul just before the final buzzer sounded. Lumley nailed a free throw with zero showing on the clock to give the Vikettes' the victory.

Lowndes playmaker Susan Shaw scored 17 points to lead the Vikette attack. Nita Brantley, Valdosta's rebounding whiz, totaled 12 points to pace the Kittens.

In the boys game the score was tied or the lead changed hands 11 times in the first half. VHS went out at intermission with a 28-23 edge. In the third stanza the 'Cats surged, widen-

ed their lead and went on from there to victory.

With his top offensive effort of the season Stanley Bounds racked up 21 points to pace the Wildcats' attack.

Roger Rome, Valdosta's 6-6 center who claimed most of the rebounds off both boards, stuffed in enough under his own goal to total 18 points.

Barry Saengerhausen and David DeLoach were the top scorers for the Vikings. Saengerhausen scored 13, followed by DeLoach with 11.

GIRLS

Lowndes	6	15	24	27
Valdosta	6	12	17	26

LOWNDES (27) — Shaw 17, Webb, Lumley 7, Dawkins 3, Vann, Jackson, Copper, N. Martin.
Team totals: field goals 8, free throws 11 of 21, fouls 22.

VALDOSTA (26) — Brantley 12, Johnson 8, Flanders 5, Folsom 1, Graham, Robinson, Robertson, Wilson.
Team totals: field goals 7, free throws 12 of 24, fouls 14.

BOYS

Lowndes	12	23	33	49
Valdosta	11	28	45	64

LOWNDES (49) — Saengerhausen 13, DeLoach 11, Register 7, Bartfield 6, Haines 5, Wetherington 5, Humphrey 2, Carter.
Team totals: field goals 18, free throws 13 of 17, fouls 15.

VALDOSTA (64) — Bounds 21, R. Rome 18, Johnson 10, S. Rome 7, Fluit 5, Demersseman 1, Rowe.
Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 12 of 19, fouls 14.



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VHS, Lowndes High Students Talk It Over: Meeting Is the First of Many Planned for the Two Local Schools

Lowndes-VHS Student Panel

Looking To Better Relations

By MARY CROUSE

What started out as a meeting between 12 Valdosta High School and Lowndes High School students to talk about name calling has resulted in the creation of a new student committee to improve relationships between the two facilities.

The first meeting of the Better School Relations Committee was held Wednesday at VHS and students represented various phases of campus activities.

The Lowndes High students suggested getting the two groups together for the first

time to talk about problems due to lack of understanding on the part of adults.

The problem centers around some name calling which the students contend is all in good fun. The VHS students are called "city slickers" or "slum dwellers" by the Lowndes High pupils while the VHS youths call the Lowndes High students "farm hands," "plow boys," or "country folks".

These names were used in posters during rival basketball and football games last year and the first of this year only to have some adults complain about the labels.

VHS is part of the city school system while Lowndes High is in the Lowndes County system.

"Somebody's missed the point. We don't care about the name calling. It is all in good clean fun and is nothing to get upset about. I can think of a lot more important things for people to get uptight about," said David Bentley, president of the VHS senior class.

Beth Sullivan, captain of the VHS basketball cheerleaders, said the nicknames add to the fun of the sports events.

"It builds up school spirit and competitiveness," she said.

"Several years ago this type of name calling offended the students but nobody thinks anything about it now. It caused some real problems then and I think the adults remember this and can't understand that's all past now," said Bentley.

L. D. Pridgen, Lowndes High senior class president, said students need to talk with their classmates and explain the situation in hopes they'll take the conversation home to their parents.

"Maybe if people see us working together they'll understand quicker that we can

compete against each other and joke and still be friends," said Terry Rosenthal, vice president of the Lowndes High senior class.

"I just wish we had done this sooner," said Martha Alice Giddens, editor of the 'Dosta Outlook and a VHS senior.

Ben Morris, captain of the Lowndes High football team, said the two schools already have a relationship which is superior to most rival plants.

Pridgen said there should be a meeting once a month between the two groups to talk about ways of improving the schools' relationship.

"Just actually sitting down and talking has brought about a better understanding this morning between the two schools," said Robert Orr, president of the VHS Distributive Education Club, said the DE Clubs at both schools are beginning to work together on activities.

"This could be done school-wide. We could both undertake certain projects and support each other," he said.

Mitchell Chaney, president of the Lowndes High Student Council, said the meeting will have been to no avail if all the ideas tossed around are not carried out.

"We can better both schools if we work together and exchange ideas. The ideas of promoting Race Relations Week next week, a cleanup campaign and good sportsmanship are all good. But let's not just talk, let's actually put them into practice," said

Chaney.

The next meeting is scheduled in March at Lowndes High.

Other members of the committee include John Fisher, vice president of the VHS Student Council; Kay Demming, editor of the VHS yearbook; Vonnie Bannister, member of Lowndes High Student Coordinating Committee, and Mason Barfield, president of the Lowndes High sophomore class.

Director Of VJHS Band Has 'Fine Crop' Of Pupils

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A school band program offers a student the opportunity to create and express himself. But it also teaches team work and gives the student involved a social education.

And the 22-year-old band director for the Valdosta Junior High School musicians and the Valdosta High School Lab Band believes students involved in a music program come out the better for it.

"If they are musically inclined or talented, naturally it develops this ability but it also teaches them to get along with others and work together," said Travis Payne.

This is Payne's first year as

a band director here. He was graduated last year from Jacksonville State University in Alabama. Payne got the job with the city school system through VHS Marchin' Cats band director Frank Butenschon.

"Frank called the school looking for applicats for the job here and I applied and was accepted. Valdosta has a great band program going and I look for it to continue to grow," said Payne.

A native of Athens, Payne said the VHS band can look for a big crop of musicians in about three to four years. An elementary band program started this year has 120

sixth grade students which will boost the VJHS band enrollment up to more than 200 next fall, he explained.

"There are 140 students in the VJHS band this year and when those sixth graders hit us next year we'll really have a big crowd out here," said Payne.

The band director wants the junior high program to grow but he wants to keep his lab band down to about 30 students on the senior high level.

"We have 33 students now and it's really a little too big. I'm going to try to work with a smaller group next year and hopefully have even better results," he said.

The students in the VHS Lab Band are the best musicians on campus, said Payne. Students work daily on performance play on a professional level.

"They are a real fine bunch and we just got back from a concert in Atlanta for the Georgia Music Educators Association," said Payne.

He said his Lab Band does much improvising with the jazz and rock type music it plays.

"This is what they like and what they really do best. They play well together and really sound professional. We've added a new feature this year which also strengthened the Lab Band," he said.

The new touch is given by Lucy Stewart, a VJHS senior. Miss Stewart is the vocalist for the band. And when she isn't singing she is performing as the head drum major-ette for the Marchin' Cats.

Payne, who lived in Morocco for four years while his father was in the Navy, said music has always been the most important thing in his life. He does many of the arrangements for the Lab Band, the VJHS group and the Marchin' Cats.

"I played the trumpet in school and guess I'm a little partial to the brass section although I try not to be," he said.

Besides his duties as a band director, Payne is a member of the Community Band under the direction of Valdosta State College music professor Sanford Campbell and is a member of Botie Chitty's Singing Americans.

His wife, the former Gloria Bolan of Alexander City, Ala., is also a member of Chitty's group. Mrs. Payne majored in voice at Jacksonville State.

They have a four-month-old son.

'Dosta, Central To Battle Here

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A twin-bill here between Valdosta and Thomasville Central highlight's the area's high school basketball schedule for tonight. Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens are to meet Central's Yellow and Lady Jackets in a Re-

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Ware at Berrien
Lanier at Cook
Clinch at Blackshear

gion 1-AAA doubleheader slated to begin at 7 p.m. at the Valdosta Junior High gym.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Georgia Christian (Dasher) will be at Echols County (Statenville), Ware County (Waycross) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.) at Cook (Adel) and Clinch County (Homerville) at Blackshear.

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats now have an overall record of 11-5 and they own an 11-3 mark against 1-AAA competition. Coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens are 7-9 and 7-7.

Central's Yellow Jackets, fresh from a 74-72 overtime win over highly regarded Westover (Albany), are 4-13 and 2-12. The Lady Jackets have won five of their last six starts and are 10-7 and 8-6.

'Dosta and Central met in a pair of games earlier in the season at Thomasville. That time the Wildcats posted a 59-44 win and the Central girls notched a 41-36 triumph.

Georgia Christian School's Generals will carry a 15-4 overall record and a 7-0 league mark into their Region 1-C meet-

ing with Echols' Wildcats at Statenville.

Berrien's boys are 19-0 and the girls from Nashville are 18-1 as they get ready to host Ware.

Lanier's Bulldogs will put their 15-2 record on the line against non-region foe Cook at Adel tonight and Clinch's Panthers are 15-4 for the season with 9-3 in league play as they get ready for an important Region 2-B test at Blackshear.

Valdosta DE Club Plans Employer Banquet Thurs.

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

About 200 persons are expected to attend the 23rd Annual Employer - Employee Banquet of the Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club.

Norman Greene, DE coordinator, said the event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Holiday Inn.

The banquet is held each year to honor employers of the DE students, who attend classes half a schoolday and receive scholastic credit for holding down part-time jobs.

Outstanding student awards are also presented at the affair. Greene said awards are to the outstanding male and female students who are to go on to state and hopefully, national competition.

Other awards to students include the Warren Horton Memorial Award, given to the student most outstanding in DE clubwork alone; the W.E. Glenn Award, given to the student selected by fellow club members as most outstanding; the Coordinator's Award, presented to the second most improved

over the first year, and the Rookie of the Year Award for the most outstanding first year student.

Honorary life memberships, the highest award the club can give, are presented to non-students the clubs feels has given the most time and effort in helping the club in its activities.

Lester Simpson professor of Distributive Education at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College at Tifton, is to be the guest speaker.



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Payne at VJHS Rehearsal: He Expects the Band Program to Continue to Grow

Lowndes, 'Dosta Playing At Home

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta and Lowndes basketball teams will be at home on Friday night meeting different sets of Region 1-AAA foes from Albany.

Valdosta's Wildcats are to host Dougherty's Trojans and Trojanettes in a twin-bill slated to begin at 7 o'clock tomorrow night at the Valdosta Junior High gym.

Action is also to begin at 7

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o'clock tomorrow night at the Lowndes High gym, with the Vikings and Vikettes meeting Albany's Indians and Squaws.

The VHS cagers also will be seeing action Saturday night when they go against Berrien's powerful Rebels and Rebelettes at Nashville, Ga.

In other games Friday involving area teams, Whigham will be at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Berrien at Appling County (Baxley), Camden County (Woodbine) at Cook (Ade), Nicholls at Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.), Atkinson County (Pearson) at Clinch County (Homerville) and Echols County (Statenville) at Charlton County (Folkston).

Beside the VHS - Berrien affair Saturday night, Brooks County (Quitman) will be playing at Cairo.

Many area teams will close out regular season play this weekend and others will wind up their regular slates early next week. All will be playing in various region and sub-region tournaments in the next three weeks.

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta

Wildcats have posted victories in their last two starts and have won five times in the last six outings. With that kind of recent success they are 12-5 for the season and 12-3 in region play. Coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens are 7-10 and 7-8.

Dougherty's Trojans are 8-12 and 4-11, while the Trojanettes are 0-20 and 0-15. VHS will be playing rematches with Berrien's Rebels (20-0) and Rebelettes (19-1) at Nashville Saturday. In an earlier twin-bill here the Rebs beat the 'Cats, 68-46, and the Rebelettes trim-

med the Kittens, 34-23.

Coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings have 8-13 and 5-10 records, while coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes are 11-10 and 8-7.

Albany's Indians are 10-9 and 10-5 and AHS' Squaws are 12-7 and 9-6.

The Indians are currently one of the hottest boys teams in Region 1-AAA. Since 6-5 forward Al Smith became eligible at mid-term they have reeled off four straight wins. In the four tilts Smith has averaged close to 30 points a game.

Berrien Takes Pair From 'Dosta

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NASHVILLE, Ga. — Berrien took both ends of a basketball doubleheader with Valdosta here Saturday night as the cage teams from both schools closed out regular season play.

Coach Stanley Simpson's Berrien Rebels trimmed coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats, 59-37, and Simpson's Rebelettes defeated coach Joe Mercer's VHS Kittens, 34-23.

The Berrien boys closed their regular campaign with a perfect 23-0 record. The Rebelettes finished with a 21-1 mark. The Wildcats are now 13-6 and the Kittens are 8-11. All of the teams will be playing in sub-region and region tourneys in the near future.

The Rebels' balanced attack was led by Wayne Taylor and George Sorrell, who each scored 14 points. The only Wildcat in double figures was Roger Rome, with 11 markers to his credit.

Cynthia Bailey got 13 points to lead the Rebelettes' attack. Offense leader for the Kittens was Nita Brantley with 12 points.

GIRLS

Valdosta	2	6	10	23
Berrien	5	14	24	34

BERRIEN (34) — Jernigan 10, Durance 3, Bailey 13, Rudeseal 7, McMillan 1, Futch, McNabb, Bennett, Moore.
Team totals: field goals 12, free throws 10 of 19, fouls 16.

VALDOSTA (23) — Johnson 4, Brantley 12, Robertson 6, Flanders 1, Graham, Folsom, Robinson, Wilson, Nichols.
Team totals: field goals 8, free throws 7 of 23, fouls 11.

BOYS

Valdosta	3	11	20	37
Berrien	20	34	53	59

VALDOSTA (37) — R. Rome 11, Johnson 1, S. Rome, Bounds 4, Demersseman 7, Fluit 8, Peterson 2, Rowe 4, Roundtree.
Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 7 of 17, fouls 19.

BERRIEN (59) — B. Taylor 12, W. Taylor 14, Guess 5, Sorrell 14, Wright 12, Conway, Sims 2, Shaw.
Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 17 of 23, fouls 12.

Wildcats Romp; VHS Girls Bow

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

Thomasville Central's Nancy Speaker showed a hurt knee didn't hamper her shooting ability and the Valdosta Wildcats' Roger Rome did his "thing" as they led their teams to high school basketball victories here Tuesday night.

Speaker, sporting a large knee brace, shot her way to a 19-point total as she led Central's Lady Jackets to a 49-45 victory over Valdosta's Kittens. Rome, who is Region 1-AAA's leading scorer, pumped in 24 points to pace Valdosta's Wildcats to an 81-64 triumph over Central's Yellow Jackets in the league twin-bill.

The victory leaves the 'Cats with a 12-5 overall and a 12-3 league record, while the Kittens are now 7-10 and 7-8. Central's girls were left with 11-7 and 9-6 marks, and the Yellow Jackets are now 4-14 and 2-13.

Speaker shot an extraordinary percentage, mostly from far out to score her 19 points. Emalie Baker aided the Lady Jackets cause with 13.

Nita Brantley and Joy Johnson teamed up to lead coach Joe Mercer's Kittens. Brantley tallied 16 points, followed by Johnson, with 15.

The girls battle started off with Central taking an early edge. The victors built up a 14-5 advantage midway the first quarter and had stretched it to 11 points in the second quarter. But near the end of the half, Brantley, Johnson and Sharon Flanders hit a hot streak to bring the Kittens from 11 behind to only a one-point deficit by half time.

Speaker pumped in three straight field goals to start off the second half and although

they cut the lead back down to two, the Kittens could never catch the Lady Jackets.

The boys game turned out to be Wildcat action all the way. Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats doubled the Central score, 16-8, in the first quarter and easily overpowered the Yellow Jackets the rest of the game.

Valdosta had built up such a substantial lead that by midway the third quarter, Wilson pulled out his regulars and cleared his bench with the score 49-26.

Roger Rome proved to be the largest obstacle in the way of the visitors, claiming most of the rebounds and racking up points from under the basket. Dan Johnson added 14 markers followed by Rome's younger brother, Stanford, with 11, and Stanley Bounds, with 10. William Peterson, one of the last Wildcats to get into the game, came across with 10 points on five smooth plays. Each time he drove the length of the court to score.

Sharpshooter Joe Frank Burns hit from all over the court to total 22 points for the Yellow Jackets. Larry Johnson was the only other Thomasville player in double figures with 11.

In a boys "B" team Valdosta chalked up a 59-55 victory. Leading the way for VHS' Baby Wildcats were Jerome Coachman, 18, Robin Holley 18, and Archie Lewis 14.

GIRLS

Valdosta	9	27	30	45
Central	14	28	37	49

VALDOSTA (45) — Johnson 15, Brantley 16, G. Robertson 3, Flanders 9, Graham, Folsom, Robinson 2, Wilson.
Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 15 of 30, fouls 15.

CENTRAL (49) — Speaker 19, Lanier 7, Bannister, Baker 13, Palmer 6, Hallman 4, Winn, Eubanks Spence, Cone.
Team totals: field goals 17, free throws 15 of 23, fouls 22.

BOYS

Valdosta	16	40	63	81
Central	8	21	39	64

VALDOSTA (81) — R. Rome 24, Johnson 14, S. Rome 11, Bounds 10, Fluit 4, Demersseman 4, Furth 2, Peterson 10, Rowe 2, Crump, Roundtree.
Team totals: field goals 29, free throws 23 of 33, fouls 13.

CENTRAL (64) — Burns 22, Johnson 11, Murphy 7, Reeves, Gibson, Highsmith 6, Carter 4, Joiner 9, Scruggs 2, Butler 2, George 1, Sanders.
Team totals: field goals 24, free throws 16 of 21, fouls 22.

Lowndes, 'Dosta Host Albany Foes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Lowndes and Valdosta basketball teams are both scheduled to host Region 1-AAA teams from Albany here tonight as the 1970-71 high school cage season draws to a close.

Lowndes' Vikings and Vikettes are to play host to the Albany Indians and Squaws in the Lowndes High gym tonight in a win-bill beginning at 7 p.m. The LHS cagers will close out their regular season tonight.

Meanwhile, Valdosta's Wildcats and Kittens will be in the Valdosta Junior High school gym at the same time playing host to the Dougherty Trojans

and Trojanettes.

The Valdosta teams are scheduled to close out their regular schedule Saturday night when they take on the powerful Berrien Rebels and Rebelettes in a rematch at Nashville, Ga.

Other twin-bills involving area teams tonight will have Whigham at Georgia Christian (Dasher), Berrien at Appling County (Baxley), Camden Coun-

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ty (Woodbine) at Cook (Adel), Nicholls at Lanier County (Lakeland, Ga.), Atkinson County (Pearson) at Clinch County (Homerville), and Echols County (Statenville) at Charlton County (Folkston).

Brooks County's Trojans and Trojanettes are scheduled to travel to Cairo in a Region 1-AA (East) affair with the Syrup-makers and Syrupmaids.

All area teams will end regular season play this weekend or early next week. They all will be playing in various sub-region and region tournaments during the next three weeks.

Coach Charles Cooper's Vikings will have their hands full with the Albany Indians tonight. The Vikes, who have a two-game losing streak, will put 8-13 and

5-10 records on the line against Albany's 10-9 and 10-5 tribe. The Indians have won all four of their starts since forward Al Smith became eligible at mid-term. He has been averaging close to 30 points per game.

Meanwhile coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes will be putting their 11-10 and 8-7 records against the 12-7 and 9-6 Squaws. Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats have 12-5 overall and 12-3 league records. The Kittens, coached by Joe Mercer, are now 7-10 and 7-8.

They'll be putting those records against the 8-12 and 4-11 Trojans and the Trojanettes, who haven't won in 20 starts. Saturday's games will be a

rematch with the undefeated, 20-0 Rebels and 19-1 Rebelettes. In their last encounter, the Rebs took a 68-46 victory while the Nashville girls won 34-23.

Coach Jon Hazelip's Generals will be playing an important Region 1-C game with Whigham's Indians tonight at Dash-

er. The Generals are 16-4 for the season and have a perfect 8-0 league mark. GCS is the defending 1-C champ, with Whigham rated as a strong title contender this time out. In an earlier game, the Generals beat the Tribe, 75-57, at Whigham.



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Wildcats' Stanford Rome Reaches Out And Claims A Rebound

Cagers In 1-AAA Learn Pairings

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Pairings have been drawn for Region 1-AAA's boys and girls basketball tournaments.

The four-day duel between the dozen quintets in the high school loop is to begin Wednesday at the Abraham Baldwin (Junior) College gym at Tifton.

The 12 girls team in 1-AAA will hold four days of tourney competition beginning next Monday at the Central High gym in Thomasville.

Winners and runners-up from both tournaments will advance into the state Class AAA playoffs.

In the boys tourney at Tift, coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings will get their first taste of action when they meet Tift County (Tifton) at 8:30 p.m.

Coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats were one of four teams drawing first round byes. The 'Cats won't play until 4 p.m. Thursday, when they meet the first round survivor of a contest between Thomasville and Dougherty.

In regular season play Valdosta and Monroe (Albany) finished atop the region standings with matching 13-3 league marks, followed by Moultrie, Bainbridge and Albany, all 11-5; Westover (Albany), 10-6; Thomasville, 6-10; Lowndes and Tift, both 5-11; Crisp County (Cordele) and Dougherty (Albany), both 4-12; and Thomasville Central, 3-13.

When the girls tourney begins next Monday at Thomasville, coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta Kittens will meet Bainbridge at 4 p.m. and coach Steve Kebler's Lowndes Vikettes will face Westover at 5:30 p.m. in two

of four opening night games.

Final regular season standings for the girls had Monroe (Albany) and Moultrie on top with a 15-1 league record, followed by Tift, 14-2; Albany, 13-3; Central, 9-7; Valdosta and Lowndes, both 8-8; Crisp, 6-10; Thomasville, 5-11; Westover, and Bainbridge, both 3-13, and Dougherty, 0-16.

The Valdosta boys and Lowndes girls are defending 1-AAA champions.

Pairings for the tournaments, with the region records of teams, follow:

BOYS

Wednesday — Thomasville (6-10) vs Dougherty (4-12), 4 p.m.; Albany (11-5) vs Thomasville Central (3-13), 5:30 p.m.; Westover (10-6) vs Crisp County (4-12), 7 p.m.; Lowndes (5-11) vs Tift County (5-11), 8:30 p.m.

Thursday — Valdosta (13-3) vs Thomasville-Dougherty winner, 4 p.m.; Moultrie (11-5) vs Albany-Central winner, 5:30 p.m.

m.; Bainbridge (11-5) vs Westover-Crisp winner, 7 p.m.; Monroe (13-3) vs Lowndes-Tift winner, 8:30 p.m.

Friday — semi-finals at 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday — consolation, 7 p.m., championship game 8:30 p.m.

GIRLS

Monday (Feb. 22) — Valdosta (8-8) vs Bainbridge (3-13), 4 p.m.; Lowndes (8-8) vs Westover (3-13), 5:30 p.m.; Crisp County (6-10) vs Thomasville (5-11), 7 p.m.; Central (9-7) vs Dougherty (0-16), 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday (Feb. 23) — Albany (13-3) vs Valdosta-Bainbridge winner, 4 p.m.; Moultrie (15-1) vs Lowndes-Westover winner, 5:30 p.m.; Monroe (15-1) vs Crisp-Thomasville winner, 7 p.m.; Tift (14-2) vs Central-Dougherty winner 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday (Feb. 24) — semi-finals at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Thursday (Feb. 25) — consolation 7 p.m.; championship game at 8:30 p.m.

'Cats, Kittens Beat Dougherty

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
 TIMES SPORTS WRITER

Valdosta High's basketball Wildcats and Kittens really turned it on in the second half as they swept both ends of a Region 1-AAA twin-bill with Dougherty here Friday night.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats beat Dougherty's Trojans, 72-56, and coach Joe Mercer's Kittens trimmed the Trojanettes from Albany, 53-33.

The triumph was the third in a row for the 'Cats and left them with a 13-5 overall record and 13-3 region mark. With their win the Kittens halted a two-game losing skid. They are now 8-10 and 8-8. The Tro-

jans are now 8-13 and 4-12 and the Trojanettes have 0-21 and 0-16 marks.

Valdosta is to close out its regular season when it goes to Nashville, Ga., tonight to meet Berrien's powerful Rebels (21-0) and Rebelettes (20-1). The VHS and BHS cagers will be playing in league tourneys in the near future.

Here last night both the Wildcats and Kittens went out at the half with an eight-point edges. Then both of them poured it on after intermission, built up comfortable leads and then went on from there to victories.

The Wildcats offered a balanced attack with Stanford

Rome getting 20 points, Roger Rome and Dan Johnson, 15 each; David Demersseman 9, an Stanley Bounds 8.

Leaders for the Trojans were Willie Brown, 15; Willie Griffin, 14, and Mike Norman, 10.

Attack leaders for the Kittens were Nita Brantley, 19, and Joy Johnson, 14. Gay Robertson, Sharon Flanders, Evelyn Graham, Mickie Folsom and Elaine Robinson were others who had major hands in the triumph.

Frances Day and Doris Pratt, each with 10 points, paced the Trojanettes.

GIRLS

Valdosta 16 26 43 53
 Dougherty 11 18 19 33

VALDOSTA (53) — Johnson 14, Brantley 19, G. Robertson 4, Flanders 7, Graham, Folsom, Robinson 9, Wilson, Miller, Norris, Nichols, Griffin, Durden, Bryant, S. Robertson, Carpenter.

Team totals: field goals 17, free throws 19 of 25, fouls 10.

DOUGHERTY (33) — Key 8, Lutz 2, Day 10, Nichols, Pratt 10, Johnson 1, Clark 2, Gordon.

Team totals: field goals 10, free throws 13 of 27, fouls 17.

BOYS

VALDOSTA (72) — Bounds 8, S. Rome 20, R. Rome 15, Johnson 15, Demersseman 9, Peterson 1, Furth, Crump, Rowe, Rountree 2.

Team totals: field goals 29, free throws 14 of 26, fouls 7.

DOUGHERTY (56) — Brown 15, Norman 10, Griffin 14, Quimby 4, Wright 5, Clark, Stripling 2, Goethe, Winkfield 2, Cannon 2, Shine 2.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 4 of 11, fouls 17.



Top Students: Miss Eager, Bentley with Their Trophies

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Valdosta 'First' Receives DE Award

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The first national officer the Valdosta High School Distributive Education Club produced, Wink DeVane, has been presented a DE life membership.

DeVane, 29, state news editor of The Valdosta Daily Times, was presented the award at the DE Club's annual banquet at the Holiday Inn Thursday night, attended by about 200 people.

Two seniors, Becky Eager and David Bentley, were picked to carry the club's banner into state, and hopefully, national contests to select the DE Student of the Year.

A 1958 graduate of VHS, DeVane became the DE Club's first national officer when he was elected national vice president. He was the club reporter, and won first place in state competition in that category.

The life membership "goes to the person that we feel has helped us more in the past few years than anyone else," said DE coordinator Norman Green. DeVane has been on the club's advisory board five years, served on numerous committees, helped select students of the year and spoken to the club various times as a professional and as an alumni.

DeVane is married to the former Mercer Lois Jeffords and they have three children.

Miss Eager, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Eager, was selected Girl Student of the Year. She won first place for a marketing manual she entered into competition at last year's state convention.

She is to enter another manual in a state contest this year and is a contestant in retail display competition. Miss Eager



WINK DEVANE
Life Membership

said she plans to follow a career in fashion merchandising.

Bentley is a two-term club president who guided the local club to a first place finish in the state Club of the Year contest last year. "We hope to do as well this year," he grinned.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Bentley Jr., he is also entered in a number of state contests this year, including ad planning and layout and a crea-

tive marketing project.

He plans to enter some field of business after graduation from college. Right now, he said, he has his sights set on operating his own firm dealing in auto parts and accessories.

They were selected on the basis of club activities on the local, state and national levels, scholastic standing and interviews before a panel of judges.

Other awards and their recipients included: Coordinator's Award, Robert Sutton, for showing the most improvement in his second year in DE over his first year's output; Rookie of the Year, Bobby Montague, given to the most outstanding first year student.

W. E. Glenn Award, Larry Staley, selected by the students as most valuable to the club, and Warren Horton Memorial Award, David Hunt, for the most outstanding participation in club activities.

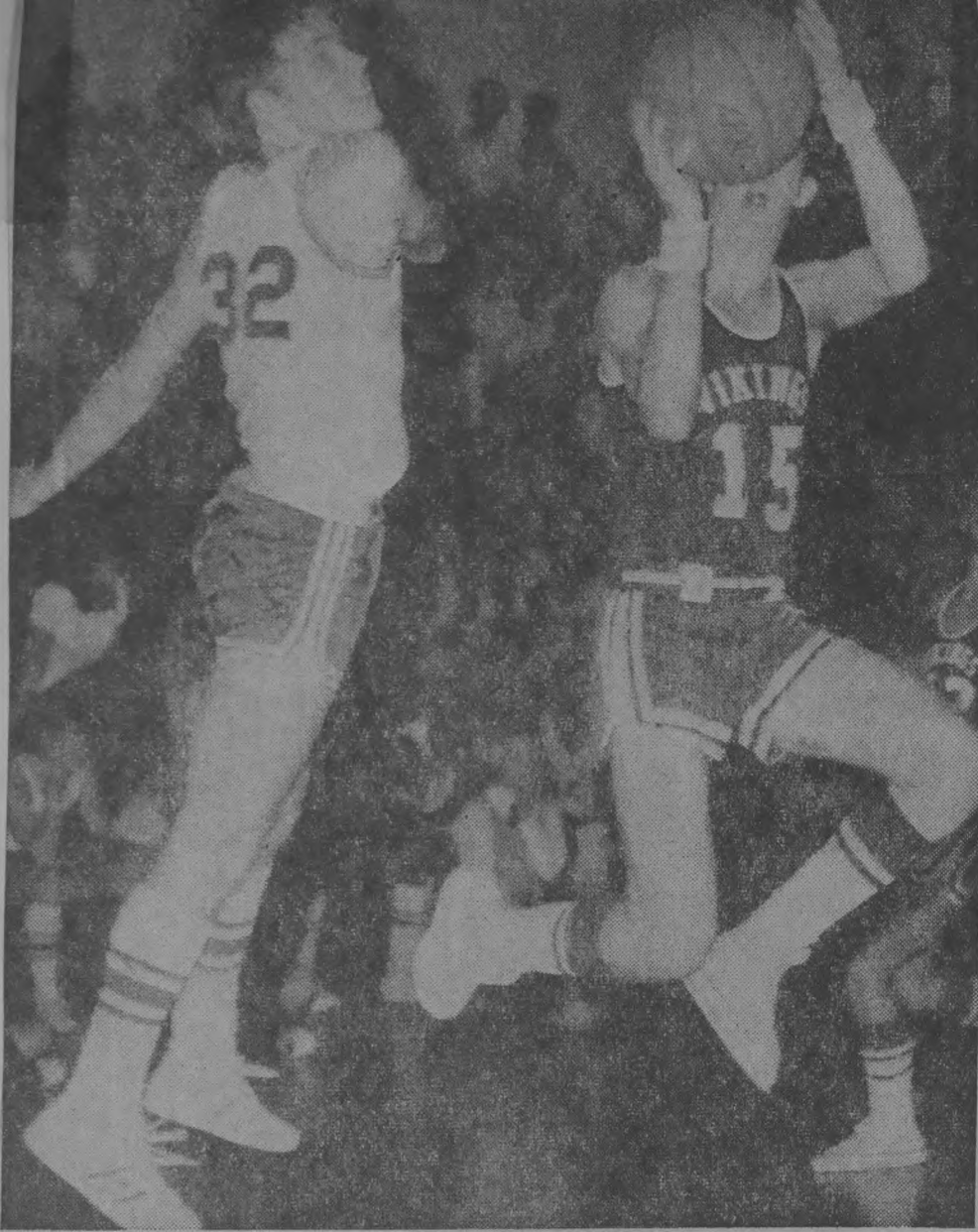
Les Simpson, professor of Distributive Education at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, was the guest speaker. He cited the Valdosta club as one of the most outstanding in the state matching the reputation of the VHS Wildcat football team.

He urged the employers present to give active support to the VHS club as a means of strengthening the free enterprise system.



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How New VHS Plant Is To Look: Double-Arrow Shaped Structure for 2,400 Students Is Expected To Be Ready by September 1972



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Tift's Glenn Parkman (32) Tries to Block Lowndes Tommy Haines' (15) Shot

Imps Top Vikings In Overtime Duel

By JULIAN MILLER
TIMES SPORTS WRITER

TIFTON — Valdosta's Wildcats, along with three other top ranked teams, are to get their first of Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament action here today, but Lowndes' Vikings won't be around.

The Vikings joined three other teams on the sidelines after dropping a 44-42 decision in overtime to Tift County's Blue Devils from Tifton in the opening round here Wednesday night.

In other action Wednesday, Thomasville downed Dougherty of Albany, 58-51; Albany bombed Central of Thomasville, 72-59, and Westover, also of Albany, rallied to put down Crisp County (Cordele), 55-52.

Coach Joe Wilson's Wildcats, with a 13-3 region record, were to take on Thomasville's Bulldogs at 4 p.m. to begin second round action. The 'Cats are the defending 1-AAA champions.

After that, Albany's Indians meet Moultrie's Packers at 5:30 p.m.; Westover challenges Bainbridge at 7 p.m. and Tift must face the top-seeded Monroe Tornadoes of Albany at 8:30 p.m.

The tourney, which will run through Saturday, is being played at the Abraham Baldwin

(Junior) College gym. The 1-AAA winner and runner-up will advance into the state Class AA playoffs.

The defeat was a heart-breaker for coach Charles Cooper's Vikings. Lowndes had staged rallies to tie the Devils at the end of the third quarter, 31-31, and the fourth stanza, 42-42.

But in the three minute overtime period, the Vikings missed three consecutive shots while standing under their own goal with 1:03 remaining. Then Tift staged a stall until only 11 seconds remained and Glenn Parkman sank two free throws for the winning points.

The Vikings outshot the Imps, 18-to 15, from the floor. But at the foul line, the Devils sank 14 of 27 free throws while Lowndes hit on only six of 13.

Sharpshooter Barry Saengerhausen took the lead for the Vikings with 18 points. Joseph Burns paced the Devils with 19 points to his credit.

Thomasville's Bulldogs also had their work cut out for them in defeating the Dougherty Trojans. The lead changed hands several times in the game after the Bulldogs and built a nine point lead. Thomasville finally got the lead for good in the last four minutes.

A first half rally by the Crisp Cougars had the Westover Patriots worried for a while. At the half Crisp was leading 31-23. But in the second half Mike Morgan led Westover on a 15-point uninterrupted scoring binge and although the Cougars narrowed it to two points in the closing moments, Westover never lost the lead again.

Albany's Indians turned out to be the only team not having any trouble last night. With Al Smith and Larry West both totaling 20 points the Tribe doubled Central in the first quarter and spend the rest of the game in a like manner.

First Game
Thomasville 18 28 39 58
Dougherty 11 24 36 51
THOMASVILLE (58) — Keadle 23, Kerbo 13, Austin 9, Walden 8, Gallin 3, Gordon 2.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 14 of 30, fouls 9.
DOUGHERTY (51) — Brown 21, Norman 18, Griffin 7, Quimbley 3, Clark 2.
Team totals: field goals 21, free throws 9 of 13, fouls 16.

Second Game
Albany 21 42 56 72
Central 10 25 42 59
ALBANY (72) — West 20, Smith 20, Brimberg 15, Johnson 8, Hardin 6, Kensie 2, Jones 1.

Team totals: field goals 29, free throws 14 of 20, fouls 8.
CENTRAL (59) — Burns 10, Scruggs 10, Simmons 9, Carter 8, Murphy 8, Johnson 7, Highsmith 7.
Team totals: field goals 28, free throws 3 of 9, fouls 14.

Third Game
Westover 7 23 40 55
Crisp 8 31 37 52
WESTOVER (55) — Farman 11, Joiner 4, Marley 19, Morgan 9, Hood 10, Dey 2, Tiernan, Webb.

Team totals: field goals 16, free throws 23 of 30, fouls 13.
CRISP (52) — Norton 15, Childers 5, Dixon 14, Phillips 8, Dollison 7, Hall 2, Ellis 2.
Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 9 of 18, fouls 21.

Fourth Game
Tift 6 28 31 42-44
Lowndes 7 21 31 42-42
TIFT (44) — Burns 19, Holiday 11, Parkman 7, Winkler 4, Mims 2, McRae 1, Carey.

Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 14 of 27, fouls 14.
LOWNDES (42) — Saengerhausen 18, Barfield 7, Register 6, DeLoach 5, Wetherington 4, Haines 2, Humpfrey, Carter.
Team totals: field goals 18, free throws 6 of 13, fouls 20.

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Play in the Region 1-AAA boys high school basketball tournament is scheduled to open Wednesday at Tifton with a wide open scramble for the championship expected.

The tourney, which will run through Saturday, is to be staged at the Abraham Baldwin (Junior) College gym at Tifton.

In the field will be quintets from Valdosta, Lowndes, Monroe (Albany), Tift County (Tifton), Westover (Albany), Crisp County (Cordele), Bainbridge, Moultrie, Albany, Thomasville Central, Thomasville and Dougherty (Albany).

Valdosta's Wildcats are the defending region champs and

they will go into the tourney with a 13-6 overall and a 13-3 league mark.

But coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats are just one of several teams rated among the leading title contenders. The others, with their records, include Monroe, 16-4 and 13-3; Moultrie, 11-9 and 11-5; Bainbridge, 14-5 and 11-5, and Albany, 11-10 and 11-5.

Albany, the 1969-70 runner-up, is currently the hottest team in the region. Since 6-5 forward Al Smith became eligible to play with the Indians at mid-term they've reeled off six straight wins. Smith has averaged just under 30 points a game in the half dozen contests

he has played with the Tribe.

Records of other teams in the field are Westover, 11-9 and 10-Thomasville, 8-10 and 6-10 Tift, 8-13 and 5-11; Lowndes, 8-14 and 5-11; Dougherty, 8-13 and 4-12; Crisp, 3-13 and 4-12 and Central, 4-14 and 3-13.

Four games are on tap Wednesday, with Thomasville meeting Dougherty at 4 p.m., Albany facing Central at 5:30 p.m., Westover dueling Crisp at 7 p.m. and Lowndes meeting Tift at 8:30 p.m.

Valdosta, Monroe, Moultrie and Bainbridge drew first round byes and will get their first taste of tourney action Thursday. That day Valdosta plays the Thomasville - Dougherty winner at 4 p.m., Moultrie goes against the Albany - Central winner at 5:30 p.m., Bainbridge battles the Westover-Crisp winner at 7 p.m. and Monroe tackles the Lowndes-Tift winner at 8:30 p.m.

The semi-finals are slated for Friday with a consolation game and the championship battle on tap for Saturday. The 1-AAA winner and runner-up will advance into the state Class AAA playoffs.

The four-day Region 1-AAA girls tournament is to begin at Central's gym in Thomasville.

Valdosta To Meet Albany In Tourney Semi-Finals

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

TIFTON — Valdosta is to go against long-time rival Albany and Monroe is to face Bainbridge in the semi-finals of the Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament here tonight.

In Thursday's quarter-finals there were a couple of close games, with Valdosta's Wildcats trimming Thomasville's Bulldogs, 65-61, and Bainbridge's Bearcats easing by Westover's Patriots, 61-58.

Meanwhile, Albany's Indians charged past Moultrie's Packers, 68-56, and Monroe's Golden Tornadoes from Albany wheeled by Tift County's Blue Devils from Tifton, 58-38.

The tourney is being played at the Abraham Baldwin (Junior) College gym and tonight's slate calls for Monroe to meet Bainbridge at 7 p.m. and for Valdosta to duel Albany at 8:30 P.M.

On Saturday there will be a consolation game at 7 p.m. with the championship battle set for 8:30 p.m. The winner and runner-up in the tourney here will advance into the state Class AAA playoffs.

Tonight's match between coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats and coach Gordon Dixon's Albany Tribe is a replay of the 1970 finals. VHS upset AHS that time and Valdosta claimed its first region boys basketball championship in 17 years.

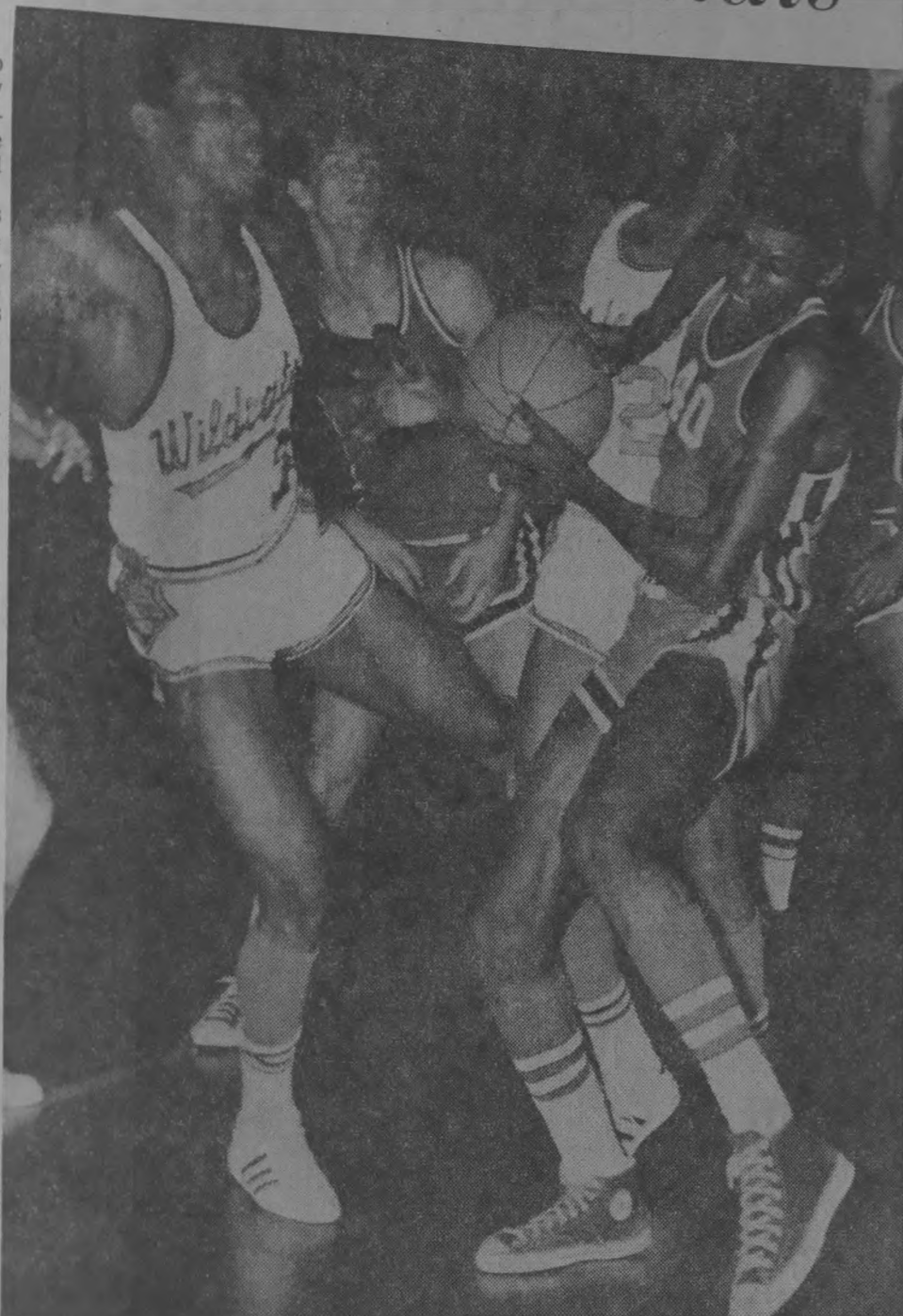
'Dosta will carry a 14-6 record into tonight's game. Albany is 12-10, but is now riding the crest of a seven-game victory streak. Monroe's Tornadoes, the top-seeded team, has a 17-4 chart and Bainbridge's Bearcats are 15-5.

In Albany's current string of victories is a 68-63 win it posted over Valdosta in a recent regular season game at Albany.

The duel between the Valdosta Wildcats and the Thomasville Bulldogs Thursday was a see-saw affair in which the score was tied or the lead changed hands 13 times. The issue remained in doubt until the final few seconds of play.

Valdosta had a nine-point lead during the early going. Thomasville wiped it out with a spurt in the second period during which the Bulldogs outscored the 'Cats 12 to 2 over a span that covered just three minutes of playing time.

VHS started the final period with a shaky two-marker edge. 'Dosta went five up, then Thomasville rallied and it went three



—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Stanford Rome (L) Falls Back As Lloyd Austin Grabs Rebound

ahead. With 3:23 to go the score was tied at 57-57.

Three field goals, by Dan Johnson, Stanford Rome and Roger Rome, mixed with some sharp defensive play gave VHS a six-point edge. There was now less than a minute to go, but Thomasville quickly cut 'Dosta's lead to two points.

It wasn't until Stanley Bounds hit a free throw under tremendous pressure with 25 seconds left to put VHS three points ahead that the Valdosta victory became assured.

Beside the four already men-

tioned, David Demersserman played a major role in the triumph, and the 'Cats got excellent relief help from John Rowe and Jerome Fluitt.

All five VHS starts hit in double figures. Roger Rome was the leader with 19 points, and he got 10 of them in the final period. He was followed by Bounds and Johnson, each with 13, and Stanford Rome and Demersserman, each with 10.

The Bulldogs were led by Kenneth Gatlin and Raymond Kerbo, who each got 16 points; Lavon Keadle, who tallied 14 markers, and Lloyd Austin, who accounted for 10 points.

Valdosta 20 30 48 65
Thomasville 13 31 46 61
VALDOSTA (65) — Bounds 13, S. Rome 10, R. Rome 19, Johnson 13, Demersserman 10, Rowe, Fluitt.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 13 of 21, fouls 19.

THOMASVILLE (61) — Austin 10, Keadle 14, Gatlin 16, Kerbo 16, Walden 5, Cooper.

Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 15 of 21, fouls 19.

Albany 22 31 50 68
Moultrie 13 28 38 56

ALBANY (68) — West 12, Brimbery 17, Harden 7, Smith 20, Johnson 12.

Team totals: field goals 30, free throws 8.

MOULTRIE (56) — Green 16, Luke 4, Pate 18, Wiley 5, Hightower 5, Holloway 4, Jackson.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws

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Bainbridge 16 33 47 61
Westover 15 31 47 58

BAINBRIDGE (61) — Jenkins 14, Boyette 42, Thigpen 35, David 7, Love 3.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 12.

WESTOVER (58) — Farman 14, Joiner 8, Marvin 12, Day 2, Hood 16, Morgan 6.

Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 6.

TIFT 11 19 30 38
Monroe 15 29 48 58

TIFT (38) — Mims 8, Winkler 2, Hodze 2, Parkman 6, Cory 2, McRay 2, Burns 14, Holiday 2.

Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 12.

MONROE (58) — Small 10, Cooper 4, Robinson 12, Riggins 10, Stevens 6, Campbell 16.

Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 18.

Valdosta, Bainbridge In 1-AAA Title Game

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

TIFTON — Valdosta's Wildcats and Bainbridge's Bearcats, a pair of teams which chalked up victories in cliff-hanging fashion Friday, are to battle it out here tonight for the Region 1-AAA boys basketball championship.

Coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats, the defending 1-AAA champs, edged coach Gordon Dixon's Albany Indians, 55-52, with the issue in doubt until VHS' David Demersseman hit a pair of free throws with only four seconds left.

Earlier, coach Charless Bess' Bearcats, the fourth-seeded team, knocked off coach Lewis Smith's top-seeded Monroe Golden Tornadoes from Albany, 77-74, in an overtime thriller.

All that happened Friday night in the semi-finals. Tonight there will be a consolation game between Monroe and Albany at 7 o'clock, then Valdosta and Bainbridge will collide at 8:30 o'clock with the region title up for grabs. The tourney is being played in the Abraham Baldwin (Junior) College gym.

Regardless of how things go in the 1-AAA champions hip match both 'Dosta and Bainbridge are already assured of state Class AAA playoff berths.

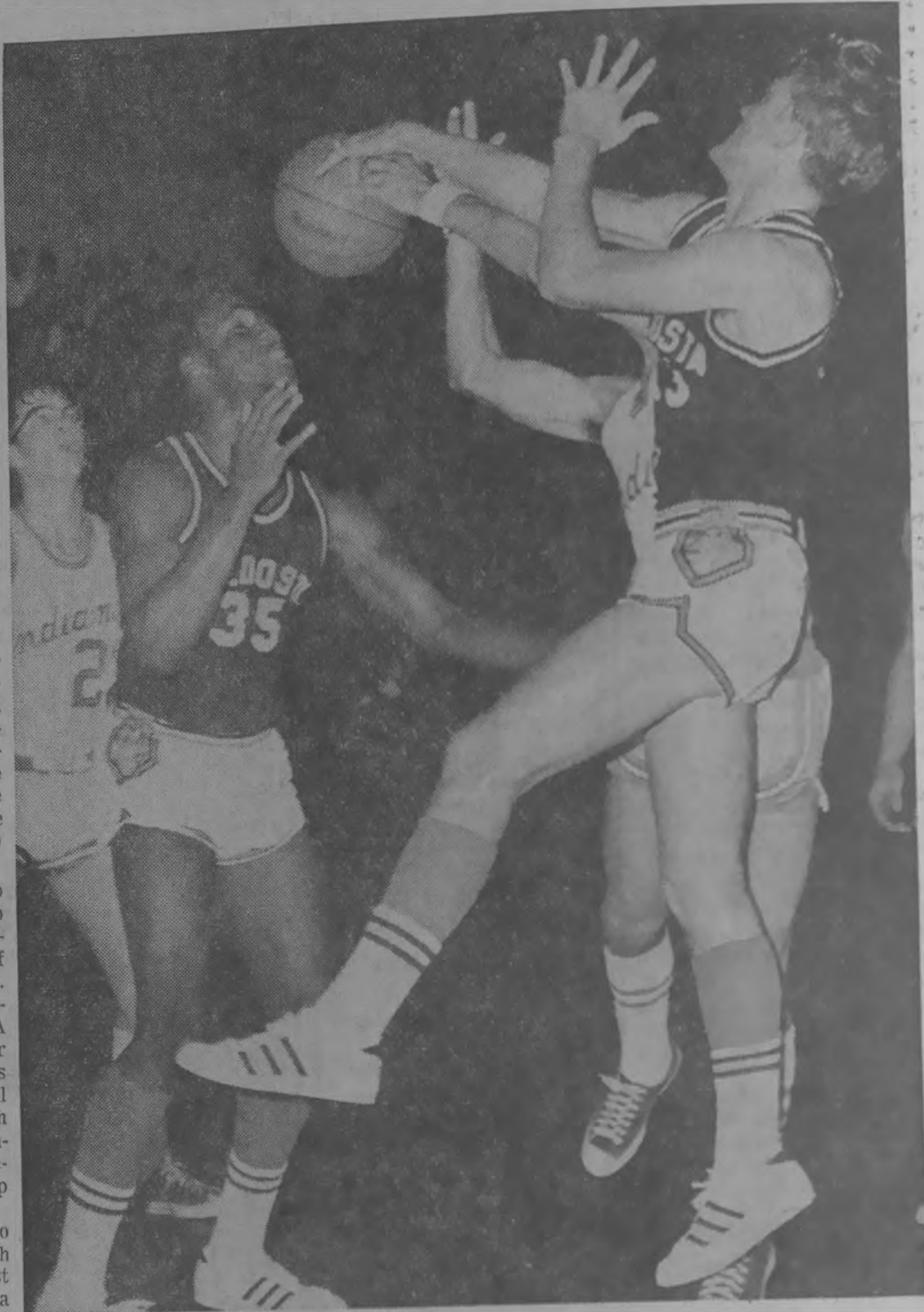
They will be meeting the top-two teams from Region 2-AAA in a pair of games the latter part of next week. The dates and sites for the contests will be picked by the Georgia High School Association. The winner from each of the two regions will meet the runners-up from the other loops.

Tigers from Columbus, who have a 19-3 record, and coach Lamar Dever's Northeast Raiders of Macon, who own a 21-4 chart, are to clash in the 2-AAA finals tonight at Macon.

After a pair of wins in the tourney here Valdosta now has a 15-6 record. Bainbridge now owns a 16-5 chart. They met twice during the regular season and broke even. The Bearcats beat the Wildcats in Valdosta, 54-53, and VHS trimmed BHS at Bainbridge, 56-48.

In their duel last night with Albany the Wildcats racked up the first two points and stayed ahead the rest of the game. But the contest followed a pattern of VHS opening up an at least fairly comfortable lead and then Albany staging a rally to pull close and apply the pressure.

The last time this happened was in the final period. With



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'Cats' Stanley Bounds (13) Reaches To Block Albany Field Goal Try

4:37 left in the game 'Dosta had a nine-marker edge. But three times Albany pulled within a point. The last time this happened there was just 31 seconds left. But when Demersseman, a freshman, popped in a pair of shots from the foul line under a ton of pressure VHS had a three point edge with four seconds to go and that put the Wildcats out of reach.

Demersseman, Roger Rome, Stanley Bounds, Dan Johnson and Stanford Rome, with relief help from Jerome Fluitt, drew praise for Wilson for what he termed "a fine team effort, the kind we had to have to win."

Roger Rome scored 20 points and Bounds, before he fouled out late in the game, got 14 points. They were followed by Stanford Rome, 9; Demersseman, 7, and Johnson 5.

Roger Rome also dominated in the battle of the backboards and Johnson, with help from his teammates, held the Indians' 6-5 forward Al Smith to just 11 points, half his normal average.

Larry West became Albany's offense leader with 18 points. The loss snapped an eight-

game victory streak Albany had launched when Smith became eligible and joined the Indians at mid-term.

Bainbridge and Monroe went at it in a see-saw affair which was close all the way. A field goal by 6-5 Ivey Thigpen with five seconds left pulled the Bearcats even with the Tornadoes at 68-68 and sent the game into overtime.

The lead changed hands three times in the extra period before Bainbridge won it on a field goal by Jerry Boyett and a free throw by Eddie Jenkins in the last 39 seconds.

Bainbridge's top gun for the night was 6-0 guard James Love, who gunned in 35 points. Thigpen got 18 points and a

bushel basket full of rebounds.

Monroe was led by Albert Stephens, who got 19 points. He was one of four Tornadoes in double figures.

Valdosta 18 26 39 55
Albany 6 22 29 52
VALDOSTA (55) — Bounds 14, Fluitt, S. Rome 9, R. Rome 20, Johnson 5, Demersseman 7.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 11 of 19, fouls 11.

ALBANY (52) — Hardin 8, Smith 11, Jones, Johnson 7, Brimberry 8, West 18, Gates.

Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 12 of 16, fouls 16.

Monroe 14 30 51 68-74
Bainbridge 14 34 50 68-77

MONROE (74) — Small 9, Davis 5, Cooper 13, Robinson 15, Riggins 13, Stephens 19.

Team totals: field goals 32, free throws 10 of 18, fouls 20.

BAINBRIDGE (77) — Jenkins 7, Boyett 16, Thigpen 18, Davis 6, Love 35, Maxwell.

Team totals: field goals 29, free throws 19 of 30, fouls 15.

Wildcats Claim Title With Blazing Finish

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

TIFTON — A blazing finish carried Valdosta High's Wildcats from the brink of disaster to a 63-56 victory over the Bainbridge Bearcats and with the triumph here Saturday night VHS captured the Region 1-AAA boys basketball crown for the second year in a row.

In the title showdown which climaxed the four-day region tourney coach Joe Wilson's outscored coach Charles Bess' Bearcats 18 to 2 in the final four minutes and 33 seconds of play to come from nine points behind and finish with a seven-marker victory margin.

When it was over the Valdosta fans and players staged an enthusiastic victory celebration which included the traditional cutting down of the nets from the goals.

As for Wilson, a quiet, serious and hard-working coach, he wore a broad smile on his face and offered words of praise for his players.

"They (the Wildcats) kept their poise when they got off to such a bad start," Wilson said. "They kept battling, and then when the game reached the showdown stage they really turned it on both offense and defense. What can I say after a finish and a victory like that. It was a great team effort. I'm proud of them all—I'm very proud of them."

It was the five-players combination of Roger Rome, Stanley Bounds, Stanford Rome, Dan Johnson and David Demersseman that carried the load for VHS. John Rowe provided some important relief help.

"Valdosta got going and we just couldn't slow them down," Bainbridge's obviously disappointed mentor Bess said.

With the win VHS boosted its record to 16-6. To reach the finals the Wildcats got by Thomsville, 65-61, and trimmed Albany, 55-52. When the Wildcats won the tourney last year it gave VHS its first boys basketball crown in 17 years. Now, just 12 months later, the 'Dosta quintet has done it again.

The setback left Bainbridge with a 16-6 mark.

Both the Wildcats and Bearcats will move on into the State Class AAA playoffs. At a date and site later this week, with both to be picked by the Georgia High School Association, Valdosta is to meet Region 2-AAA runner-up Carver of Columbus while Bainbridge tackles 2-AAA champ Northeast of Atlanta.

In the 2-AAA finals Saturday night at Macon coach Lamar Dever's Northeast Raiders trimmed coach John Jones' Carver Tigers, 66-51. Carver now has a 19-4 record and Northeast owns a 22-4 mark.

In the contest here Valdosta's



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VHS' Dan Johnson (5) Balances On One Foot While Guarding James Love

leading scorer and top rebounder Roger Rome had been charged with three fouls before the game was five minutes old. Roger had to slow his pace and all the Wildcats were stone cold on offense during the early going.

VHS made just 18 points in the first half and was 11 markers down at intermission. The Wildcats' cold streak continued until mid-way the third period and by then Bainbridge had a 16-point advantage.

Then the Wildcats began to chip away at the Bearcats lead and with 4:33 left to play Bainbridge's advantage had shrunk to nine points. That's when the explosion occurred. 'Dosta used a full-court press to throw a defense net over the Bearcats and Wilson's charges put their attack in super high gear. VHS went ahead to stay at 57-56 with 1:48 to go and was still widening the gap when the final buzzer sounded.

Roger Rome finished the night with 23 points to his credit and got six of them during the Wildcats' final outburst. Bounds was next in line with 16, and he hit a pair of field goals from long

range during the game-winning rally. Stanford Rome had 12 points, followed by Johnson, 9, and Demersseman 3. These three also scored at crucial times during the uprising.

Bainbridge's leaders were Eddie Jenkins, 17; Ivey Thigpen, 16, and James Love, 15. Thigpen, a 6-5 center, really hurt the Wildcats with 14 points in the first half, but he got just two markers after intermission.

Valdosta and Bainbridge each landed three players on a 12-man, all-tourney team picked by sportswriters from around the region who were on hand for the tourney.

VHS's picks were Roger Rome, Bounds and Stanford Rome. Bainbridge's selectees were Thigpen, Jenkins and Loves. Others named were Al Smith and Larry West of Albany, Charles Riggins and Ral-

ton Campbell of Monroe (Albany), Joseph Burns of Tift County (Tifton) and Rex Marley of Westover (Albany).

Albany's Indians and Monroe's Golden Tornadoes hooked up in a consolation game. The Tribe claimed third place in the tourney by defeating Monroe, 76-66.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Valdosta	7	18	39	63
Bainbridge	12	29	48	56

VALDOSTA (63) — S. Rome 12, Johnson 9, Bounds 16, Demersseman 3, R. Rome 23, Rowe.

Team totals: field goals 38, free throws 7 of 16, fouls 13.

BAINBRIDGE (56)	Boyet 4, Dais 4, Loe 15, Thigpen 16, Jenkins 17, Maxwell.
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Team totals: field goals 23, free throws 10 of 15, fouls 14.

CONSOLATION

Albany	27	48	67	76
Monroe	7	46	49	66

ALBANY (76) — West 22, Smith 15, Johnson 16, Hardin 13, Bimberry 10.

Team totals: field goals 31, free throws 14 of 21, fouls 9.

MONROE (66)	Riggins 25, Stephens 10, Dais 4, Campbell 16, Small 5, Cooper 6.
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Team totals: field goals 29, free throws, 8 of 10, fouls 16.

Neese, Rogers VHS 1971 Star Winners

By MARY CROUSE

This has probably been one of the most eventful weeks in the life of Richard Neese, a senior at Valdosta High School.

The 18-year-old has been named the 1971 VHS Star student and has selected mathematics instructor Mike Rogers as his Star teacher. Neese has also been chosen the winner of the Elks Scholarship Contest and a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Competition.

The announcement of Star honors was made at the Kiwanis Club meeting Friday afternoon. The Kiwanis Club is sponsoring the Valdosta Star program.

This is the second consecutive year that Rogers has been selected Star teacher at VHS. The 29-year-old instructor is in his eighth year of teaching at VHS.

A native of Columbus, he did his undergraduate work at Valdosta State College and received his Master's in education degree from Auburn University in Alabama.

Rogers is the organist for the Park Avenue United Methodist Church. He said Neese fills all the qualifications for a Star student.

"A star student is a creative person, generally one who strives for perfection and one who has gifts in many areas rather than just one.

"Richard certainly fills all this. Creativity is found in all disciplines," he said.

Star students are chosen on the basis of their scores on the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test and their high school averages through the first semester of their senior year.

Neese and Rogers are to compete for Eighth District Star honors March 26 in Alma at the Alma Elementary School. Winners of the dis-

trict event are to compete for state honors in Atlanta in April. The state contest is sponsored by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce.

The announcement of the Valdosta Elks Scholarship award and the National Merit honor were also made this week.

Susan Webb, a senior at Brooks County High School, won the girls division of the Elks scholarship competition. Both Neese and Miss Webb are to compete for state honors in the Elks scholarship program.

Neese is the only VHS student to be named a finalist in the 1971 merit program. He is now being considered for one of the scholarships offered by sponsors of the national program.

But Neese doesn't spend all his time with his nose in a book. He is president of the Beta Club and editorial editor for the "Dosta Outlook".

He participated in the 1969 Eighth Congressional District Honors Program at Douglas and took part in the 1970 Governor's Honors Program at Macon.

As editorial editor for the school newspaper, Neese said he tries to present the problems of the students to the entire school.

"When students have expressed their opinions to me, I've gone out to see if they had any foundation for their gripes and most of the time I've found valid ground for their complaints," he said.

Neese said he dislikes censorship of any form and feels high school students are mature enough to read and discuss controversial subjects.

"I don't think the press or any news media should be censored or controlled by any group including the government. It is dangerous for a government to decide what the people should read or

hear. Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union are good examples of this," said Neese.



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Rogers and Neese to Represent VHS: Creativity Can Be Found in All Disciplines

Marchin' Cats Plan A Fun Trip To Florida, Bahamas

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats Band is taking a pleasure trip this spring to Bahama Islands and director Frank Butenschon says the group deserves the venture.

Butenschon is taking about 110 members of the band on a tour of Florida and the Bahamas in April to show his appreciation of the work they have done for the school and the community.

The group is to leave April 22 and return April 26. The city schools are to close for spring break April 22 and 23 and the Valdosta Board of Education has given the band permission to miss school on April 26th.

"This is a pleasure trip but it's also an educational one. It's the first time in a long time the band has been on a big trip without competing for some honor," explained Butenschon.

"The students can spend the following morning sight-seeing and touring the International Bazaar on the island. The bazaar is a multimillion dollar complex of shops and exhibits from all over the world. We hope to schedule a performance there for that afternoon," said Butenschon.

A picnic is scheduled for that night on the beach and the group is to leave the island April 25. After arriving back in Miami that morning the band is to leave by buses for the trip to the Florida Everglades.

"From there we have alternatives. If we are able to secure a place to play in the Tampa, St. Petersburg area, we will do that and play a morning program. Then we'll either tour the famous Busch Gardens or Cypress Gardens and come home.

"If we aren't able to schedule a performance then we'll come on to Valdosta April 25, Sunday night," said the band director.

Butenschon said that this year the students have been asked to contribute \$30 each toward the trip. The rest of the trip is to be financed through band and Band Booster projects.

"A stationery sale which has just ended has brought in about \$1,200 to the band for the trip. "And we have several other things we are working on. We don't want the cost to be a hardship to the students. In the past they have had to bear the cost for the big annual trips," said the director.

Butenschon said the seniors in the band have won about 20 trophies in the three years they have been part of the Marchin' Cats.

"They have been under a lot of pressure to win and make good showings for the band, school and community. They have done a tremendous job and deserve a trip in which they can do a little relaxing as well as performing," said the director.

Region Fair Is Here

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The top projects in schools throughout 21 South Georgia counties are to compete for region honors at the Valdosta Region Social Science Fair March 5-6.

The annual region event is to be held in the all-purpose room at Mathis city auditorium.

Dr. Gordon L. Teffeteller and Jon Schroer of the Valdosta State College history department, are coordinating this year's fair.

Entries are to be brought into the auditorium by noon March 5. A panel of three judges are to score the displays that afternoon and winners are to be announced at the fair opening that night. The region fair is to also be open to the public March 6.

First place winners in the systemwide fairs and private school events are eligible to participate in the region show.

The Valdosta school system is having its citywide fair Sunday at West Gordon Elementary School. Judging of the exhibits took place today and the fair is open to the public from 1-4 p. m. Sunday.

The fair at Mathis auditorium is one of 10 regional events held in Georgia prior to the State Social Science Fair at Georgia State University in Atlanta March 17-18. The blue ribbon winners in each regional event are eligible to compete in the state

The outstanding exhibitor at the Regional Fair is to receive a \$25 savings bond. A \$300 scholarship award is to be given to the outstanding exhibitor at the state level this year.

The Georgia Municipal Association is offering additional awards for the best entries dealing with problems of urban living. Regional winners are to receive a plaque and the state winner gets a \$50 savings bond.

Participants at the region event are divided into three classes according to their grade level. Class I is for fourth through six graders, Class II is for seventh through ninth graders while Class III is for 10th-12th graders.

In 1965 and 1966, the first place regional winners from the Valdosta fair won the coveted State Grand Prize Award.

Social science fairs have been underway in Georgia for seven years in an effort to upgrade social science work in the schools and to encourage students to do quality research in that field. The fairs are financed by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

Counties to participate in the region fair here include: Atkinson, Bacon, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brantley, Brooks, Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Coffee.

Colquitt, Cook, Echols, Irwin, Jeff Davis, Lanier, Lowndes, Pierce, Thomas, Tift and Ware.

VHS Sophomore Has Top Project

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A 15-year-old Valdosta High School sophomore, Richard Dasher, has won the grand prize in the annual Georgia Social Science Fair.

Dasher won the best in show award in Atlanta over the weekend for his project, "Trade: What Makes a City."

Along with the top ribbon in the fair, Dasher received the \$300 cash J. Carson Prichard Memorial Award, a bronze medallion and a certificate of merit.

Dasher, who won the praise of judges from the school fair through the region event held here earlier this month, was the obvious winner from the start at the state fair held at Georgia State University, according to a fair official.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dasher of the Old Clyattville Road, the student said he worked on his project for about four months.

Dasher got the idea for the project after visiting relatives in Germany in the summer of 1969. "I became interested in



RICHARD DASHER
Best In Show

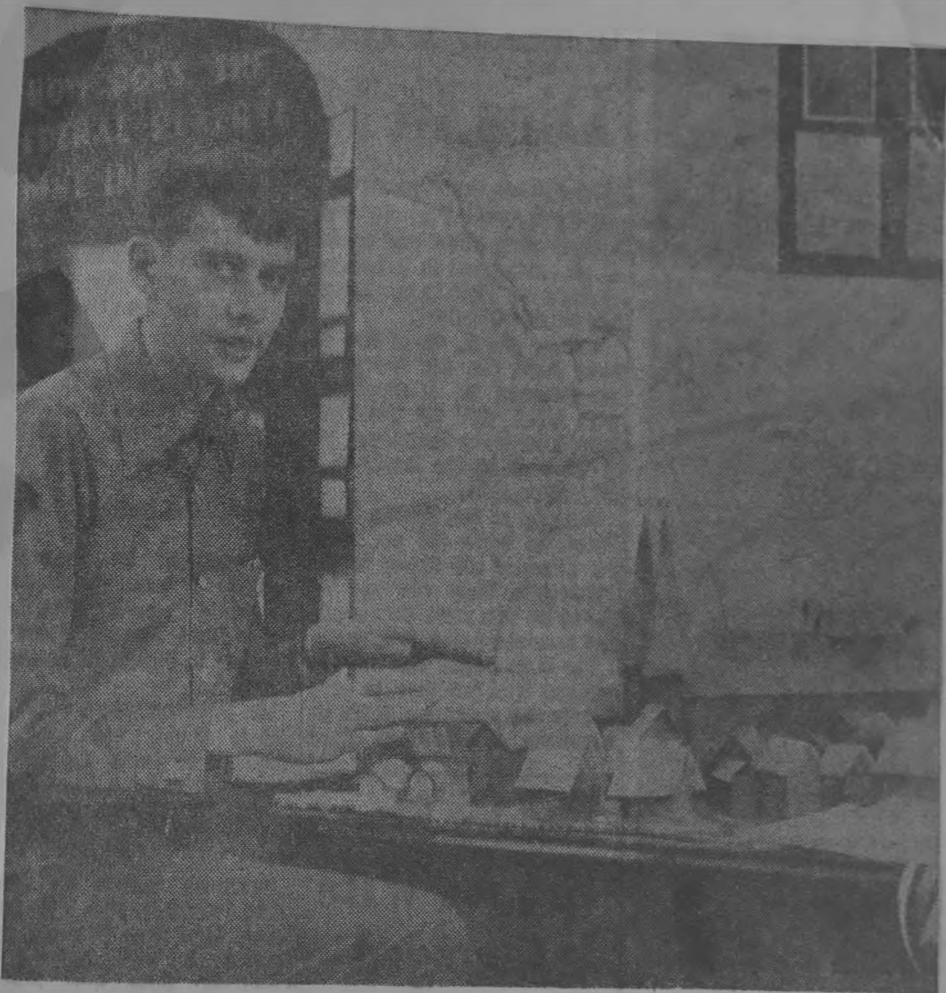
what actually makes a city, he said.

Because his project was on several foreign cities, Dasher had to rely on standard research for his effort.

"I had to use the materials I had available to the greatest advantage," he said.

Dasher said he used as criteria in evaluating a city natural locale and good leadership. "I found that these two ingredients are essential to a well run, developed city. Under these two topics I considered natural resources, industry and trade routes," said Dasher.

The sophomore said he thought he had a good project but didn't think about winning because he felt it was bad luck.



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Dasher With His Top Entry: What Makes City Grow Makes Winner

Social Science Fair

'Trade' Wins Grand Prize

A Valdosta High School 10th grader's project, Trade: What Makes a City Grow, has been named the grand prize winner of 179 entries in the citywide social science fair.

Richard B. Dasher, 15, was judged in the economics division with his project on what makes a city grow. After being picked one of the 33 blue ribbon winners in judging Saturday, Dasher's project was then picked top entry in the fair.

Judging of the 179 projects was held at West Gordon Street Elementary School. Blue ribbon winners are to be entered in the regional social science fair March 5-6 to be held here.

Other blue ribbon winners, their categories and grades are:

— Class I, grades 4-6: anthropology, Ann Bassford; economics, Victoria Horne and Melody Oliver; geography, Edward

Copeland; history, Deloreis Moorehead and Judith Malinda Binion; and sociology - social psychology, Penny Nichols, Gretchen Bennett, Gail McCrary and Melinda Condrey.

— Class II, grades 7-9: anthropology, Byron Fiemster; economics, Carol Henderson and Peggy Henry; geography, Mary Lou Tillman; history, Scott Keller and Chip Blackburn; and sociology - social psychology, Linda Pike, Randy Wilson, Carl Rude, Laura Keller, Billy Gee and Steve Johnson.

— Class III, grades 10-12: economics, Dasher, Jolynne Johnston, Donna Pitts and Debbie Glassman; geography, Gillie Mason; sociology-social psychology, Wonnie Overby, Renee Smith and Paul DeMersseman; and research paper, Sherri Teffeteller.

Miss Teffeteller's research pa-

per was in the area of sociology-social psychology, said fair chairman Lindsay Mason, civics teacher at Valdosta High School - Pinevale Campus. The research paper is a separate category in the fair.

To select entries for the citywide social science fair, fairs were held in schools in the city system. The blue ribbon winners are to compete in the regional fair, which is a preliminary for the state fair.

The projects were on display Sunday afternoon in conjunction with West Gordon Elementary's open house. The school began operations in November, opening two months late.

Lowndes, 'Dosta Notch Victories

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

THOMASVILLE — Four lower-seeded teams have been eliminated and four high ranking sextets will get their first taste of action as the Region 1-AAA girls high school basketball tournament enters the second round here tonight.

In the opening round action in the Central High School gym Monday night Valdosta's Kittens eliminated Bainbridge's Bearkittens, 39-29, while Lowndes' Vikettes dropped Westover's Lady Patriots, 51-27.

In other action Crisp County's Cougarettes from Cordele put down a late rally by the Thomasville Bulldogettes to take a 40-37 victory, while the host Central Yellow Jackettes handed Dougherty's Trojanettes their last defeat of the season by a 59-39 count.

With the elimination of those four teams the top seeds, Monroe, Moultrie, Tift County (Tifton) and Albany, move in for action tonight.

Coach Joe Mercer's Valdosta Kittens put their 9-8 region record on the line against the 13-3 Albany Squaws at 4 p.m. today, while the Vikettes, coached by Steve Kebler, also 9-8, go after the 15-1 Moultrie Packerettes at 5:30 p.m.

At 7 p.m., the eighth-seeded Cougarettes must face the number one Monroe girls, while the Yellow Jackets, seeded fifth, and the number three Tift County Angels collide at 8:30 p.m.

Nita Brantley put Valdosta on the victory road last night when she started a second quarter scoring spree that brought the Kittens from one point down to eight up before Bainbridge could score again.

Brantley connected with four straight field goals to spark the rally and then sank three more before the quarter ended to give the Kittens a 29-16 half time lead. VHS never had any trouble after that.

Brantley led the scoring for the Kittens with 18 points, followed by Joy Johnson, with 10. Sharon Flanders, Gay Robertson and Evelyn Graham scored six, four and one point respectively to finish the scoring. Pam Long got 17 points to pace the Bearkittens, while Dorothy Jackson added 11. The loss ended their season with a 3-14 mark.

Lowndes' Vikettes, the defending 1-AAA champions, eased in nine points before the Westover Lady Pats were able to score and never came close to losing their big lead as the game progressed.

Susan Shaw and Nancy Webb took turns leading the Vikettes and wound up with 18 points apiece. Tana Dawkins and Danette Martin chipped in 11 and four points respectively to finish the scoring.

Sarah Floyd scored 15 points to pace coach Tommy Stewart and Aileen Connor's Lady Pats in their final game. The loss put them on the sidelines with a 3-14 record.

Dougherty's loss to Central kept the Trojanettes consistent. After 17 games this season the Trojanettes never had a victory. Crisp County's victory put Thomasville on the sidelines with a 5-12 record.

Valdosta 9 18 29 39
Bainbridge 10 11 16 29

VALDOSTA (39) — Brantley 18, Johnson 10, Flanders 6, Graham 1, Robertson 4, Folsom, Wilson.

Team totals: field goals 11, free throws 17 of 32, fouls 14.

BAINBRIDGE (29) — Long 17, Jackson 11, Spooner 1, Sims, Brown, Rich, Tyson, Sanders, Jauret, Johnson.

Team totals: field goals 10, free throws 9 of 17, fouls 18.

Lowndes 11 25 43 51
Westover 4 11 19 27

LOWNDES (51) — Shaw 18, Webb 18, Dawkins 11, D. Martin 4, Lumley, Vann, Jackson, N. Martin, NeSmith.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 7 of 17, fouls 17.

WESTOVER (27) — Floyd 12, Maundee 8, Williamson 2, Keenan 2, Hodges 2, Fountain 1, Knight, Flournoy, Ussery, Hodges.

Team totals: field goals 9, free throws 9 of 22, fouls 14.

Central 13 30 47 51
Dougherty 11 24 33 39

CENTRAL (59) — Speaker 12, Baker 18, Palmer 5, Winn, Euganks 2, Hallman 6, Bannister, Cone, Spence, McCaskill, Beckham, Scruggs 2, Robinson, Ellis, Hurst, Wiley.

Team totals: field goals 22, free throws 15.

DOUGHERTY (39) — Keys 20, Sankey, Lutz 2, Day 2, Rogers, Davis, Pratt 10, Johnson 1, Clark 3, Guancialo, Goehring, Gordon.

Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 10.

Thomasville 6 15 25 37
Crisp 16 22 38 40

THOMASVILLE (37) — Allgood 12, Garfield, Gardner 19, Bechnal, Paulk 5, Davis, Oade 1, Hayes.

Team totals: field goals 13, free throws 11.

CRISP (40) — Eason 4, Bramlett, David 10, Dean 10, Reynolds, Raines, Winfree, Griffin 16, Whitaker.

Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 12.

Lowndes, 'Dosta Suffer Defeats

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

THOMASVILLE — The four top-seeded teams entered the second round of the Region 1-AAA girls high school basketball tournament here Tuesday night, and the four survivors of the opening round bit the dust.

All of the lower-seeded teams, which gained the second round by taking victories Monday night, were eliminated when the top seeds, Monroe (Albany), Moultrie, Tift County (Tifton), and Albany, in that order, entered the scene.

In last night's action, Albany's Squaws trimmed Valdosta's Kittens, 52-34; Moultrie's Packerettes edged Lowndes Vikings, 39-36; Monroe's Lady Tornadoes beat Crisp County's Cougarettes from Cordele, 42-35; and Tift County's Blue Angels defeated Central in their own gym, 41-30;

Tonight the Packerettes take on the Angels at 7 p. m. and the Tornadoes and Squaws from Albany lock horns in the second semi-final game at 8:30 p. m. The winners of these games meet for the region championship Thursday at 8:30 p. m. Lowndes won the title in 1970.

Moultrie's second-seeded Packerettes took an early lead in the opening stanza and edged

second quarter. But that's when Lowndes' Danette Martin started leading the Vikette attack and the Packerettes found their lead dwindling.

The Packerettes pushed up as far as 11 points in the third quarter, but the Vikettes closed in as near as three points three times before the Moultrie girls started holding the ball about midway the last stanza. Their plan worked and the game ended with the Vikettes trailing by that three-point margin.

Danette Martin paved the way as coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes closed out their 1970-71 schedule. She scored 14 points followed by Nancy Webb, with 11. The defeat put the Lowndes girls on the sidelines with a 12-12 overall record.

Dale Bridges, Jane Piland and Rhonda DeMott were the top scorers for the once-defeated Packerettes. They scored 14, 11, and 10 points respectively.

Coach Joe Mercer's Kittens found themselves in the midst of a Valdosta-Diane Benford contest as the tall blond squaw did almost everything but drive the bus down from Albany.

The Squaws built up a 9-2 lead in the opening stanza and with Benford shooting, passing, dribbling and rebounding all over the court, they held on to the advantage to the finish.

The defeat closed out the Kittens season with a 9-12 overall record and an 8-9 region mark.

Benford racked up a whopping 30 points for the Squaws to lead the Albany attack, followed by Becky Alderman with 10.

Sharon Flanders, the shortest Kitten playing, turned in the leading performance for Valdosta with 22 points.

Crisp County's Cougarettes kept Monroe's girls on the run most of the game and found their inability to shoot free throws was their major problem.

The Cougarettes hit on only 13 of 37 free throws, most of them the first shot on a one-and-one.

Central's Yellow Jackettes managed to stay within a few points of Tift County's Angels up until the last two minutes of play. That's when the Angels, leading by four, started holding the ball and when the Jackettes

came after them were awarded foul shots which pushed the score up to the 11-point margin.

GIRLS

Valdosta 4 10 23 34
Albany 13 25 36 52

VALDOSTA (34) — Flanders 22, Johnson 3, Brantley 4, Robertson 2, Wilson 3, Graham, Folsom, Nichols.

Team totals: field goals 10, free throws 14 of 36, fouls 15.

ALBANY (52) — Benford 30, Alderman 10, Driskoll 9, Kirksey 1, Bright 2, Lawrence, Reynolds.

Team totals: field goals 20, free throws 12 of 19, fouls 16.

Lowndes 8 20 27 36
Moultrie 14 23 32 39

LOWNDES (36) — D. Martin 14, Webb 11, Shaw 6, Dawkins 5, Lumley, Vann, Jackson, N. Martin, NeSmith.

Team totals: field goals 16, free throws 4 of 14, fouls 17.

MOULTRIE (39) — Piland 11, DeMott 10, Bridges 14, Moss 2, Causey 2, Mathews, May.

Team totals: field goals 14, free throws 11 of 20, fouls 13.

Monroe 6 18 8 42
Crisp 9 19 25 35

MONROE (42) — Davenport 7, Parks 13, Homer, Sanders 8, Marshall 11, Holmes, Davis, Harris 3, Stevens.

Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 12.

CRISP (35) — Eason 15, Bramlett 2, Davis 6, Dean 1, Reynolds 3, Raines, Griffin 8, Whitaker.

Team totals: field goals 11, free throws 13.

Tift 8 18 30 41
Central 5 14 21 30

TIFT (41) — Dickens 14, Straughter 8, Jones 5, Guess 4, Haman 9, Whittington, Crowley, Allen 1.

Team totals: field goals 15, free throws 11.

CENTRAL (30) — Lanier 7, Speaker 10, Eaker 9, Palmer 2, Winn, Eubanks 2, Holman, Cone, Spence.

Team totals: field goals 10, free throws 10.

Lowndes And Tift Rated Even Match

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Play in the Region 1-AAA boys basketball tournament begins today at Tifton with what is rated as an even-up battle between Lowndes' Vikings and Tift County's Blue Devils the headline attraction on the four-game card.

The 1-AAA tourney is being staged at the Abraham Baldwin (Junior) College gym and will run through Saturday, with the winner and runner-up earning the right to advance into the state Class AAA playoffs.

That duel between coach Charles Cooper's Lowndes Vikings and Tift's Imps is on tap for 8:30 o'clock tonight. In other first day games, Thomasville meets Dougherty (Albany) at 4 p. m.; Albany, one of the title favorites, clashes with Thomasville Central at 5:30 p. m. and Westover (Albany) tackles Crisp County (Cordele) at 7:30 p. m.

Four of the top-seeded teams in the field drew first round byes and will get their first taste of tourney action Thursday. They are coach Joe Wilson's Valdosta Wildcats, the defending 1-AAA champs, Monroe (Albany), Bainbridge and Moultrie.

Thursday's slate calls for Valdosta to meet the Thomasville-Dougherty winner at 4 p. m.; Moultrie to play the Albany-Central winner at 5:30 p. m.; Bainbridge to tackle the Westover-Crisp winner at 7 p. m. and Monroe to play the Lowndes-Tift winner at 8:30 p. m. The semi-finals are to be held Friday, with a consolation game and the championship match on Saturday.

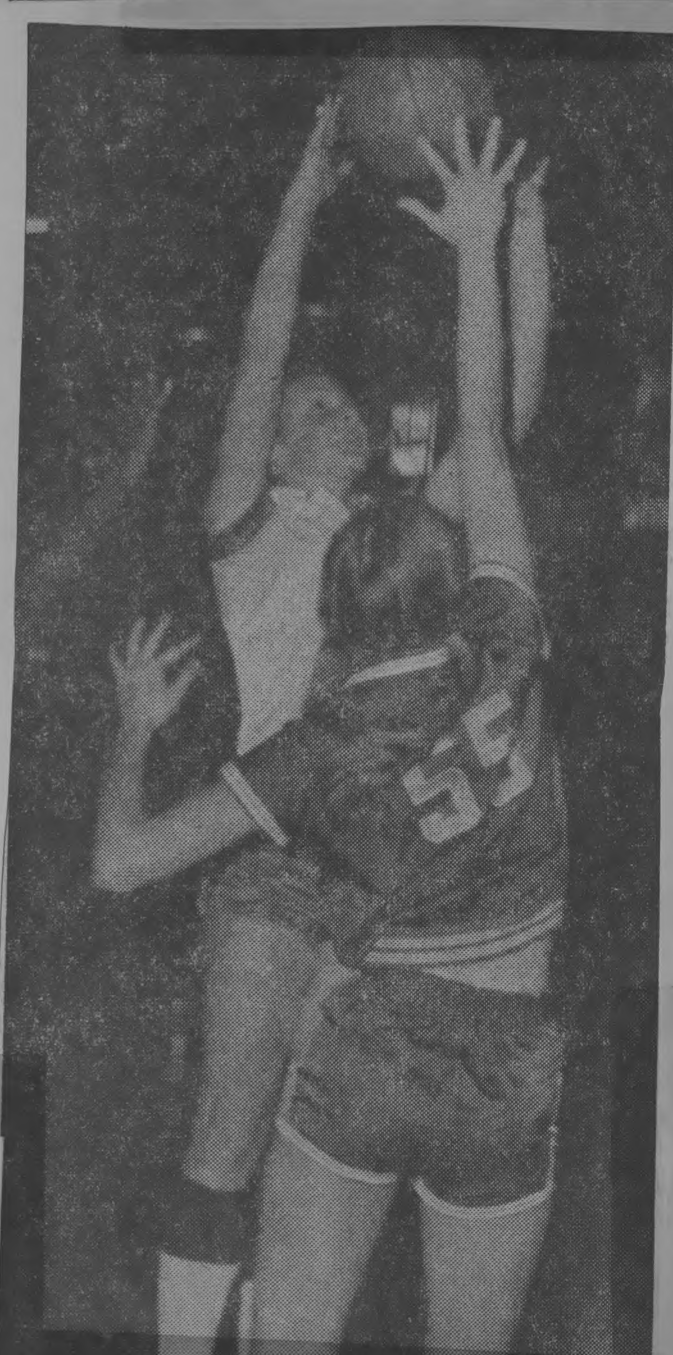
As for tonight's Lowndes-Tift affair, the two teams have similar records. The Vikes are 8-14 in all games and 5-11 in region play. The Blue Devils have 8-13 and 5-11 charts.

They met once during the regular season, with Tift posting a close 49-45 victory over Lowndes. The game was played at Tifton.

Overall and region records of all teams in the field are as follows:

Valdosta, 13-6 and 13-3; Monroe, 16-4 and 13-3; Moultrie, 11-9 and 11-5; Bainbridge, 14-5 and 11-5; Albany, 11-10 and 11-5; Westover, 11-9 and 1-6; Thomasville, 8-10 and 6-10; Tift, 8-13 and 5-11; Lowndes, 8-14 and 5-11; Dougherty, 8-13 and 4-12; Crisp, 3-13 and 4-12 and Central, 4-14 and 3-13.

The Region 1-AAA girls tourney, which will also be a four-day affair, is to begin next Monday at the Central High gym in Thomasville.



—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Nita Brantley Goes High For A Shot



...Eight For Rebound

Valdosta, Carver To Clash Friday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

With fan interest running high, Valdosta's Wildcats and Carver's Tigers are to clash in a first round game of the state Class AAA high school basketball playoffs at Albany on Friday night.

The duel between coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats and coach John Jones' Tigers from Columbus is slated for 8 p. m. at the Albany High gym.

The VHS-CHS affair will be one of 16 similar playoff games staged around the state between the winners and runners - up from Georgia's eight "AAA" leagues.

Winners this weekend will move to Atlanta next Tuesday for four more days of competition there which will determine the 1971 state Class AAA championship.

Valdosta, with a 16-6 record is the Region 1-AAA champion. The 'Cats beat Bainbridge' Bearcats in that tourney's final this past Saturday at Tifton.

Carver, with a 19-4 mark, is the runner - up from Region 2 AAA. The Tigers bowed to Northeast of Macon in that league's title showdown this past Saturday at Macon.

This marks the second year in a row the basketball Wildcats have made the state playoffs. Last winter they got bumped out in the first round by Ballard - Hudson of Macon.

VHS will be facing another tough foe tomorrow night. Carver is led by a 7-1 senior center named Fessor (Moose) Leonard. He is averaging 23.4 points and 24 rebounds per

game.

Other Tiger regulars include 5-11 sharpshooter Jesse Willis, 6-2 Alvin Mitchell, 6-4 Ricky Jordan, 6-4 Gregory Lewis, 6-3 Jerry Hardaway, 6-3 Lawrence Murphy, 6-2 Alvin Mitchell, 6-0 Leon Flowers and 5-8 Walter Hall.

As a team Carver is averaging 73.7 points a game while giving up an average of only 57.05. The Tigers ranked second in team offense and were first in team defense in 2-AAA this season.

Valdosta's probable starters

are 6-6 Roger Rome, 6-3 Stanford Rome, 6-0 Stanley Bounds, 5-11 Dan Johnson and 5-11 David Demersseman. Also likely to see action are 6-5 John Rowe and 6-2 Jerome Fluitt.

Roger Rome has been averaging 21.5 points and 20 rebounds a game this season. Stanford Rome and Bounds both averaged in double figures in the three games VHS played in the 1-AAA tourney.

Both Rome brothers and Bounds were selected on the all-tourney team after the Region 1-AAA event.

Tigers Top Wildcats In Playoff Contest

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

ALBANY — A super tall center and a small, but very quick guard led the Carver Tigers from Columbus to a 74-67 victory over the Valdosta Wildcats here Friday night in a first round game of the state Class AAA high school basketball playoffs.

Fessor (Moose) Leonard, a 7-1 senior center, got 25 points and Jesse Willis, a cat-quick 5-11 senior guard, accounted for 23 markers to spark coach John Jones' Tigers to their win over coach Joe Wilson's 'Cats, who went down battling.

Carver will join 15 other first round playoff game winners at Atlanta next Tuesday where four more days of competition will determine the state class AAA championship. The Tigers, who finished second in the Region 2-AAA tourney, now have a 20-4 record.

The loss brought down the curtain on the Wildcats' hoop season. VHS, the Region 1-AAA champion, closed with a 16-7 mark.

In the game here Friday the score was tied or the lead changed hands 13 times before Carver spurted to a four point lead at the half.

Valdosta came out of the dressing room after intermission cold and managed just two points in the first five minutes of play in the third stanza. Carver kept its attack rolling and stretched its lead to 15 points.

The 'Cats were dealt another blow when their 6-6 senior center Roger Rome fouled out with 2:24 left in the third period. But VHS wasn't about to throw in the towel.

With Stanford Rome and Stanley Bounds leading the way, the 'Cats got a rally going. They had cut Carver's lead to 11 points when the final stanza ended. Three minutes in the latter stages of the game the hustling VHS quintet got within five points of the Tigers, but time ran out before the Wildcats could make up all the ground they had lost earlier.

Stanford Rome, a 6-3 freshman forward, finished the night with 20 points, and Bounds, a 6-0

junior guard, accounted for 17 markers.

"I was proud of the way our boys kept hustling and made a strong run at Carver late in the game," Wilson said. "But we couldn't quite catch them."

Leonard, as expected, did most of his damage under the backboards. He hit for eight field goals and dropped in nine of 11 free throws. Willis did some fancy driving as the lead

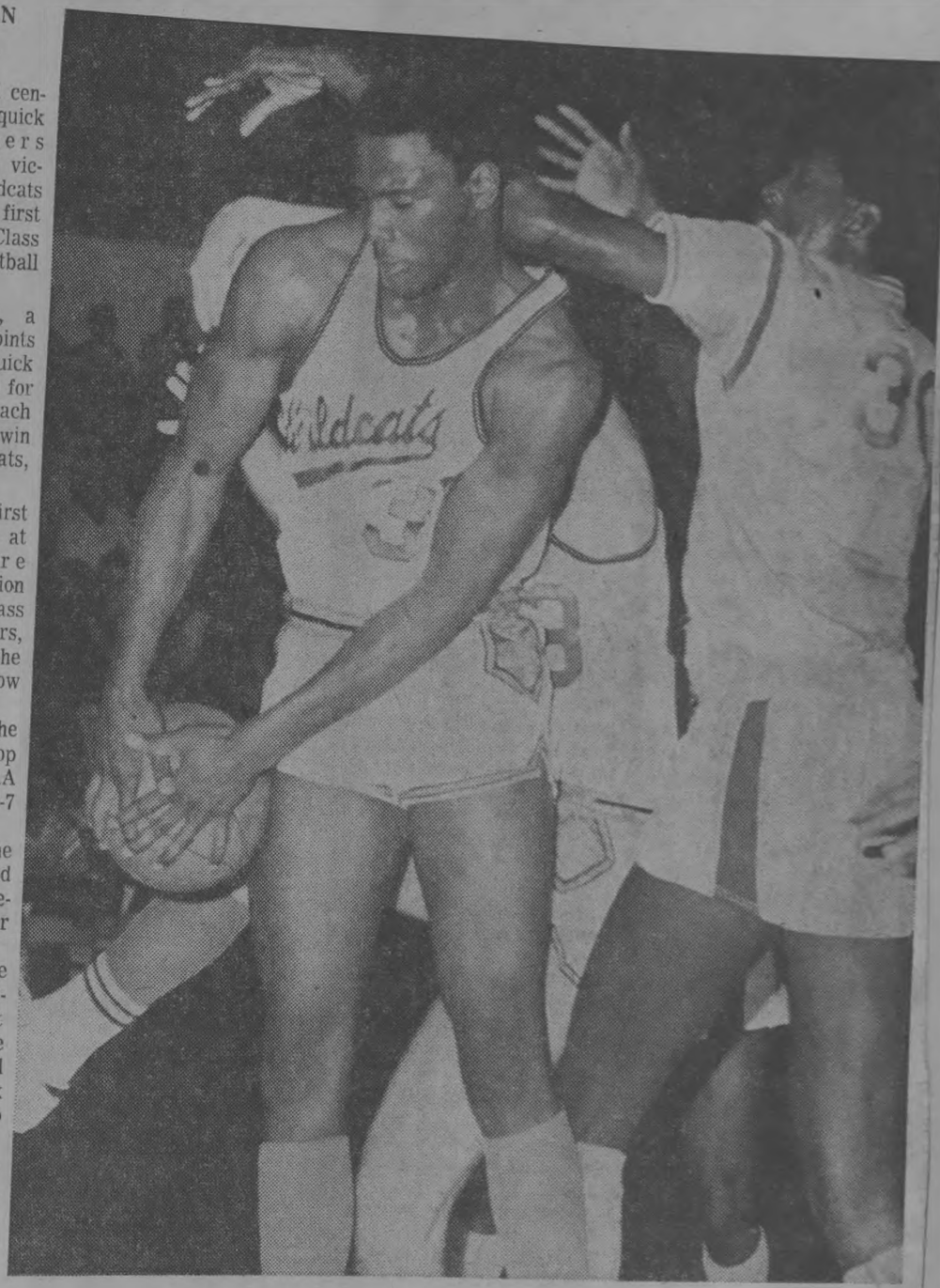
man on Carver's fast break and also did some long-range sharpshooting.

Roger Rome, although giving away seven inches in height, more than held his own against his 7-1 rival at center until he started getting into foul trouble. Roger had eight points when he went to the sideline with more than a quarter of the game still to be played.

Besides the Rome brothers

and Bounds, Dan Johnson, Jerome Fluitt, David Demersseman and John Rowe saw extensive duty for the Wildcats. All gave a spirited effort.

Valdosta 16 22 48 67
Carver 19 36 59 74
VALDOSTA (67) — S. Rome 20, Johnson 9, Bounds 17, Fluitt 4, Demersseman 9, Rowe, R. Rome 8.
Team totals: field goals 26, free throws 15 of 31, fouls 13.
CARVER (74) — Leonard 25, Willis 23, Mitchell 12, Flowers 6, Comer 2, Peabody 4, Hall 2, Jordan.
Team totals: field goals 30, free throws 14 of 19, fouls 22.



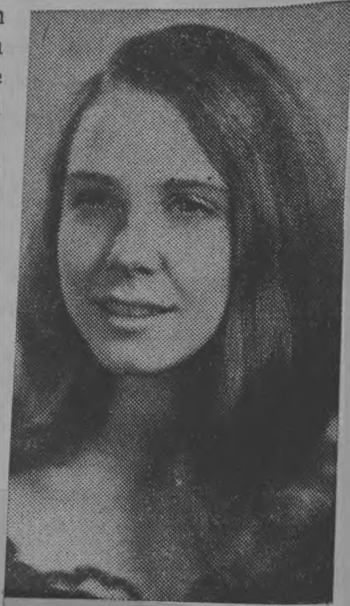
—Times Staff Photo

'Cats Roger Rome (35) Is Stopped By Fessor Leonard's Long Arm

Miss Barker To Be DAR Page

Miss Jerre Barker has been appointed by Miss Martha Cooper of Perry, Ga., state regent, to serve as an official page at the Daughters of the American Revolution state convention. The convention is to be held March 18-20 in Macon at the Hilton Hotel.

Miss Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Barker, is a senior at Valdosta High School and a feature twirler for the Marching Cats Band. She attends Lee St. Baptist Church and teaches baton at the Valdosta Girls' Club.



JERRE BARKER



-Times Staff Photo

Willie Jones, Sam Powell Work on Patio: Students Get Credit for Outdoor Effort

Seven From Here Win DE Contests

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Six Distributive Education students from Valdosta High School and one from Lowndes High School have moved into the state finals following the close of district competition Saturday in Albany.

The eight students took part in various sales related contests to earn the right to face other district winners March 28-30 at the state convention in Atlanta.

VHS DE coordinator Norman Greene said David Bentley and Becky Eager moved into the finals in the competition to select male and female students of the year, and Miss Eager is also to compete in the window display judging contest.

Robert Orr was selected state officer in charge of the southwest district, Greene said. Other finalists include Jimmy McGhin, merchandising mathe-

matics; Ann Watson, business spelling; Debbie Mangano, speech, and Larry Staley, speakers bureau.

The Lowndes finalist was Debbie Roark in the job interview contest, said Phil Walden, LHS DE coordinator. This is Lowndes' first year of operating a DE program and entered only a few selected contests.

Greene said the VHS club plans to enter 23 state contests, including many not covered at the district competition. Jo Lynn Johnston, a junior, is to run for the office of state secretary.

Walden said Miss Roark is to be their club's lone entry in state competition, though several other students are to attend the convention as delegates. Daniel Parker is to be a candidate for state parliamentarian.

Masonry And Art Classes At Work

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The brick masonry classes and art department at Valdosta High School are working together to spruce up the campus and provide additional classroom space.

The students in the brick masonry classes have built a patio for the art department to use this spring. The art students are painting oil drums to be used as campus trash cans.

Art teacher Jerry Pilcher said his students also want to add plants to the area in front of the new patio.

For their part in the patio project, the students in the brick classes received credit for the work. "And the experience of building a patio," said a student.

The patio is needed by Pilcher's students to allow more art related work to be by the department. In the classroom located in the rear of the Valdosta School Superintendent's office, the students have no space for sculpture, pottery or acrylic activities.

"We've never had the room at VHS for any ceramic work and there's no place for the students to sculpt. You can only do so much in the confines of a small classroom," said Pilcher.

The instructor said he plans to build a sculpture's stand and provide a potter's wheel for his students this spring.

"By putting the equipment outside we won't have to worry about messing up a classroom. The students will enjoy working outside now that we're getting some spring weather," said Pilcher.

Tables, chairs and easels are also planned for the new patio.

"With the limited use of classroom space there was no place we could really go but outside. But the students aren't complaining because they've always preferred to work outdoors on art assignments," said Pilcher.

Vandalism Hurts Schools' Insurance

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Because of the rash of vandalism spreading across the country, the vice chairman of the Valdosta Board of Education says the availability of insurance for public buildings and churches is getting scarcer every year.

"The rates are increasing sizably, too, but I'm more concerned with the availability of a market than a price," said I. H. (Bubber) Tillman Jr.

Tillman, an insurance executive, said school systems and churches across the country are feeling the insurance pinch.

"Federal buildings are in the same category. It's getting harder and harder to find insurance companies willing to issue a policy," he said.

Tillman cited social change and vandalism as the primary reasons for the scarcity of an insurance market for public buildings.

"We are feeling it here and we don't have bad racial problems. But it's happening in small New England hamlets as well as the big cities. For some reason vandalism is springing up everywhere," said Tillman.

The board vice chairman said that while the local school system is fortunate enough to have all its present facilities insured, getting coverage for the new \$4.5 million Valdosta High School now under construction could be a problem.

"We've got to get this building insured in two years and I think it's going to be hard to do," he said.

Tillman said that there have been fires at two city schools in the last couple of years. "And we were fortunate they weren't any worse than they were. They

weren't bad enough for the people to really get irate over, but what's going to happen when a building is burned down?" said the board official.

The fire at the former Magnolia Elementary, now Magnolia Center, several months ago did less than \$500 in damage. A fire was started under the stage at Lomax Elementary a couple of years ago which resulted in several thousands of dollars in damages.

Since then there have been break-ins, egg throwings, paint smears, wrecked offices and other damages at the city

schools. Many of the offenders have been caught. The youths convicted of the deeds ranged in ages from six to 19 years old.

The board's policy in handling vandalism has been immediate expulsion from school. School officials feel this has been some deterrent to vandalism but Tillman said the country will continue to be plagued with the problem until the courts start enforcing the laws.

"Federal buildings are getting bombed. Valuable work has been destroyed. It's happening everywhere and it means that

insurance for these buildings is getting harder and harder to find," said Tillman.

Five years ago insurance companies were coveting the public building business. Under the Public and Institutional Property policy, school systems and city owned facilities got the type of insurance they wanted.

Now these PIP policies are just not being renewed. Nobody wants to handle them anymore, said Tillman.

"We're fortunate in this system to have insurance but there are some systems that aren't so lucky. Some school systems

are looking now for some company to give them coverage," he explained.

There has been talk in some sections of the country about schools becoming self insured. In theory, the idea sounds good but practice is something else, said Tillman.

Some school officials have

said the only way to deter local vandalism is to employ night watchmen at all the facilities.

Tillman said that approach is expensive but the schools might have to resort to it.

"The universities are doing this and they have large forces to protect the schools," said Tillman.

'Cats, Has-Beens To Clash Friday

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Wildcats are to close out spring football practice with a game against the Has-Beens here Friday night and head coach Wright Bazemore isn't at all sure what to expect from his inexperienced crew.

The duel between the 'Cats and the Has-Beens, a team composed of graduating seniors, is slated for 8 p.m. at

Cleveland Field.

As in the past, the game is being co-sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club and the V Club, an organization of VHS varsity sports letter winners. Admission will be \$1 for fans of all ages.

The TD Club has a fish supper scheduled for 7:30 o'clock tonight at the S. L. Mason Elementary School Lunchroom. Grid enthusiasts who attend can hear Bazemore and Billy Grant, who along with Archie Griffin

will coach the Has-Been, give their views on what to expect Friday night.

If Bazemore continues the theme he has used since spring drills began four weeks ago, he's going to rate the Wildcats as a question mark for both tomorrow night's game and the 1971 season.

"The Has-Beens team we'll be facing Friday has 23 players and 17 of those were regulars on our 1970 team which had an 11-1 record," Bazemore said. "We (the Wildcats) have just five 1970 regulars available for duty.

"Under the circumstances what can I say other than I don't really know what to expect. We're green, very green. We've shown it in practice so far and I'm sure we'll show it tomorrow night.

"But the purpose of spring practice is to start organizing for a new season. We've been looking for and we'll continue to look for the boys who really want to play football. Friday we'll get a chance to see them under game conditions. We're planning to play a lot of different people.

"The Has-Beens are strong, very strong, but we (the 'Cats) do plan to show up for the game."

The Wildcats probable starters, with their weights and the grades they will be in next fall, and the Has-Beens roster follow:

WILDCATS

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Jim Clarkston (150, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (190, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (170, sr.) or Calvin Lester (160, sr.) and David Register (190, jr.), center Steve Stanaland (205, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (170, sr.), halfbacks James Savage (175, jr.) or Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (170, sr.) or Robert Morrison (150, soph.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (180, jr.) or Daniels.

Defense — ends Scott Griffin (180, sr.) and Lewis Goodin (150, sr.), tackles David Mitchell (250, soph.) and Freddy Wilson (205, jr.) or Gary Irby (190, jr.), middle guard Gordon Lewis (170, sr.), inside linebackers Jack Sullivan (165, soph.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), outside linebackers Alvin Payton (170, sr.) or Edwin Pompey (170, sr.) and Larry Lane (160, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (175, jr.) and O. D. Netter (170, sr.) or Dick Parker (170, sr.).

HAS-BEENS

Ronnie Akins, Willie Anderson, Curt Bazemore, Ricky Bea, John Bell, Darrell Branam, Charles Daniels, Wayne DeLoach, Bob Dewar, Mike Everson, Herman Godfrey, John Hampton, Ralph Hendry, Melvin Herrin, Dan Johnson, Curtis Lee, Jimmy LeFites, Willie Lester, Joshua Mabry, Ken Marshall, Kenny Moore, Vance Quillin, Roger Rome, Robert Savage, Wayne Simpson, Allan Strickland, Joe Tillman and Mike Welch.

Miss VHS Pageant Is Set Saturday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A new Miss Valdosta High School is to be crowned Saturday night at the annual Miss VHS beauty pageant.

Sponsored by the Junior class, the contest is set for 8 p.m. at Mathis city auditorium. Stanley Bounds, class president is coordinating this year's pageant.

The 33 junior and senior girls entered in the pageant are to be judged on beauty and poise in the evening gown and sports wear events.

The 1970 Miss VHS, Leslie Hunt, a senior, is to crown the new winner.

Tickets are to be available at the door.

Contestants include:

Seniors — Carol Cheshire, Kay Coats, Carol Colson, Dee Dee Durdan, Sharon Everson, Martha Alice Giddens, Maggie Hunter.

Joy Johnson, Willie Mae Manning, Reada Moore, Joy Paine, Janet Retterbush, Carolyn Shenton, Paula Stark, Darla Young.

Juniors — Linda Campbell, Caroline Dame, Elayne Feinberg, Cindy Gee, Ester Hunt, Mary Alice King.

Barbara Mullis, Jan Nutt, Wonnie Overby, Debbie Palmer, Marcia Peeples, Donna Pitts.

Carol Reddick, Gay Robertson, Nancy Rogers, Anita Sharp, Brenda Webb and Susan Webb.



LESLIE HUNT
1970 Winner



—Times Staff Photo

Carol Colson: Senior Member of Flag Corps

New Miss VHS Is Carol Colson

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A member of the Valdosta High School Marchin' Cats is the 1971 Miss VHS.

Carol Colson, a brunette, was crowned at the annual Miss VHS beauty pageant Saturday night at Mathis city auditorium.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Colson of 1108 McRee Drive, she is a senior and a member of the Marchin' Cats Flag Corps.

First runner-up was Caroline Dame, a junior who is to graduate in August. Joy Paine, a senior, was second runner-up.

Semi-finalists were Debbie Palmer, junior; Donna Pitts, junior; Joy Johnson, senior;

Reada Moore, senior; Susan Webb, junior; Anita Sharp, junior, and Martha Alice Giddens, senior.

The girls were judged in evening gowns and sportswear on beauty and poise.

Miss Colson received a dozen long stemmed red roses and a silver bowl. Stanley Bounds, junior class president, made the presentation.

The 1970 Miss VHS, Leslie Hunt, a senior, crowned the new beauty queen.

Miss Colson is to be featured in the VHS yearbook.

The Miss VHS beauty contest is sponsored each year by the junior class as a fund raising project to finance the annual junior-senior banquet and other spring activities.

Wildcats Top Has-Beens

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

The temperature dipped down into the 30s and the field was wet and slipper, but the offensive action was fast-paced as Valdosta High's Wildcats handed the Has - Beens a 34-20 football licking here Friday night. The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and the Has - Beens, a team of graduating seniors coached by Billy Grant and Archie Griffin, brought to a close four weeks of spring grid drills at VHS.

Actually, Bazemore turned the direction of the 'Cats over to his assistant coaches while he watched the game from the

STATISTICS		
	cats	Has-Beens
First Downs	19	9
Yards Rushing	135	100
Yards Passing	249	155
Passes	17-30	6-17
Passes Intc. by	2	1
Fumbles Lost	3	3
Punting	4-34	6-34.8
Penalties	11-91	11-80

pressbox.

What he saw was a game which produced a lot of points despite a total of nine turnovers by both teams on fumbles and pass interceptions and a total of 22 penalties, 11 for each team.

With quarterback Stanley Bounds leading the way, the Wildcats piled up 19 first downs and 484 yards in total offense. Bounds passed for four touchdowns and scored another one himself along the ground.

He hit end Stanford Rome with scoring aeriels of 14, 39 and 26 yards, tossed another TD pass to Jim Clarkston from 14 yards out, and the 175 - pound rising senior, who last fall set new Region 1- AAA passing and total offense regulars, legged it 20 yards to paydirt himself on one occasion. He also averaged 34 yards on four punts.

With standout blocking in the line, Bounds, for the night, hit on 15 of 23 passes for 215 yards and picked up 51 more yards on five carries.

For the Has - Beens quarterback Dan Johnson got one touchdown on a 12 yard run and connected with end Roger Rome on a 70 - yard TD aerial. The other tally for the "veterans" came on a 55-yard run by halfback Charles Daniels.

There was no scoring in the first period, but the Wildcats broke the deadlock with a tally early in the second period. The Has - Beens then struck for two quick TDs to take a 13-6 lead. Th 'Cats, however, score again before intermission to deadlock the count at 13 - 13. Two more quick scores at the start of the third period put the



-Times Staff Photo

Guard David Register (64) Helps Clear The Way For Stanly Bounds (15)

Wildcats out front to stay.

A total of 50 players saw action in the game for the Wildcats and Bazemore said that, in general, he was pleased with their play.

"I thought we'd be able to move the football and, despite the weather and the wet field, we did make our offense click," Bazemore said. "We made some mistakes, the kind which cost us touchdowns, but I also expected that.

"As I've been saying all spring, we have a young and inexperienced team. But we got to play a lot of boys and I think the fact that we have some with potential is evident. We must, however, eliminate a lot of the mistakes we made tonight.

"I was pleased that when we (the Wildcats) got behind in the second quarter we fired right back and got a touchdown to tie the score. We still have a long, long way to go, but we've had a pretty good spring practice." Besides Bounds and Stanford

Rome, fullback Pat O'Neal, a 185-pound rising junior, showed well on offense for the 'Cats. He picked up 46 yards on 11 carries and turned in key runs on several scoring marches.

On defense deep back Gary Rowe, a 175 - pound rising junior, had himself quite a night. He recovered a fumble, intercepted two passes and was credited with five individual tackles. Alvin Payton and Ronald Daniels also recovered Has - Beens

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing: Wildcats - O'Neal 11-46, Bounds 5-51, Roundtree 3-13, Morrison 3-16, Savage 3-15, McCaskill 1-4; Has-Beens, C. Daniels 11-50, Johnson 9-18, Anderson 3-14, Eversen 1-15, LeFiles 1-3.
Passing: Wildcats - Bounds 15-23-215, S. Rome 2-5-34, Parker 0-2-0; Has-Beens - Johnson 6-17-155.
Pass Receiving: Wildcats - S. Rome 8-149, Savage 2-33, Morrison 2-24, Clarkston 1-14, Roundtree 1-7, Demersseman 1-12, O'Neal 1-7, Filton 1-7; Has-Beens - R. Rome 3-110, Marshall 1-5.
Punt Return: Wildcats - Peterson 1-6.
Kickoff Returns: Wildcats - Savage 1-16, S. Rome 1-7, Griffin 1-11; Has-Beens - Everson 2-32, C. Daniels 2-28, Johnson 2-12, Quillin 1-0.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Wildcats - Dayton 6, Ronald Daniels 5, Rowe 5, Lane 5, W. Johnson, H. Irby 4, Griffin 4, Goodin 3, Sullivan 3, Gordon 3, R. Roundtree 3; Has-Beens - Savage 6, Everson 6, Lee 6, Godfrey 5, Quillin 5, Hendry 5, Moore 5, Bazemore 4, Hampton 4, Herrin 3, Welch 3.

LINEUPS
WILDCATS
Ends: Rome, Griffin, Clarkston, Goodin, Berrion, Hilton, Scruggs.
Tackles: W. Johnson, Irby, Wilbon, Demerssemen, Mitchell, Griffith, Cutchins, Williams.
Guards: C. Johnson, Ronald Daniels, Sullivan, Register, Massey, Earnest, Gordon, Lester, Franklin, Nijem.
Centers: Stanaland, Lore.
Backs: Parker, Bounds, G.Roundtree, Lane, R. Roundtree, O. Netter, Rowe, Payton, Robert Daniels, Pompey, Savage, Griner, Peterson, Sansberry, Morrison, McCaskill, Cooper, Hutchins, Bea, Brown, N. Netter.

HAS-BEENS
Ends: Marshall, Welch, R. Rome.
Tackles: Hendry, Quillin, Bea, Akin.
Guards: Strickland, Savage, Godfrey, Herron, Mobry, Everson, Simpson, Lester, Tillman.
Centers: Dewar.
Backs: LeFiles, Bell, Bazemore, Johnson, Moore, DeLoach, Lee, Anderson, Hampton, C. Daniels.

Score by Quarters:
Wildcats 0 13 14 7-34
Has - Beens 0 13 7 0-20
Scoring: TDs - Wildcats - S. Rome 3 (passes of 14, 39, 26 yds. from Bounds), Clarkston (14 yd. pass from Bounds), Bounds (20 yd. run); Has-Beens - Johnson (12 yd. run), R. Rome (70 yd. pass from Johnson), C. Daniels (55 yd. run).
PATS - Wildcats - Parker 4 (placements); Has - Beens - Bazemore 2 (placements).

Baze Took Good Look At 'Cats

Valdosta High's head football coach Wright Bazemore has always said he wished he could sit high in the stands were he could see the action better and at the same time have the personal control which goes with coaching from the sideline.

Friday night he took a look at the Wildcats while they played their annual spring game with the Has-Beens from a seat in the pressbox. Baze said he, in general, liked what he saw, and expressed the opinion that his assistants did a fine job of directing the team from down on the field.

"We have a very young and inexperienced team and I wanted to get a really good look at them," Bazemore said. "Besides when you have the best coaching staff in the world, as I do, you know they're going to do a good job directing the team - and they did."

The result of the whole deal was a 34-20 victory by the 'Cats over the Has-Beens, a team composed of graduating seniors.

It was cold, down in the 30s, the field was wet and slippery, there were some fumbles and a lot of penalties. But the 'Cats, led by quarterback Stanley Bounds, really moved the football, and except for a

few costly mistakes, the defense was, as Baze said, "not too bad."

If you were one of the fans who braved the cold weather to see the game then you know that Bounds, a 175-pound rising senior, hit on 15 of 23 passes for 215 yards. He threw for four TDs, with three going to Stanford Rome and another to Jim Clarkston. Bounds also picked up 51 yards rushing on five carries, and scored once himself on a 20-yard sprint.

But for those who watched Bounds set new Region 1-AAA passing and total offense records last year, Stanley's performance didn't come as a surprise. He's a young grinder with exceptional talent who figures very, very big in the 'Cats' plans for 1971.

50 Played

Bounds, however, can't win games by himself and he didn't do it Friday night. A total of 50 Wildcats saw action in the game and all shared in the victory effort.

There are really too many to mention by name, but it appears that the 'Cats have some fine blockers in their offensive line and some young backs with potential as runners.

But the Has-Beens did hit a pair of "home runs" on the Wildcats' defenders. The veterans turned one short pass from quarterback Dan Johnson to end Roger Rome into a 70-yard TD play. And halfback Charles Daniels got loose once and galloped 55 yards to paydirt.

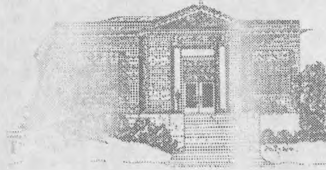
Good Session

"We made mistakes, quite a few of them," Bazemore said. "And when you make the kind of mistakes on defense like we did several times it can mean a touchdown for the other team.

"But things went about as I had expected. I thought we could move the football and we did. Our defensive unit is so young and inexperienced I knew we'd have some problems there - and we did.

"One thing I was glad to see was the way they really fire up when they got behind (13-6) near the end of the first half. They bowed their backs, scored and went out at intermission all even at 13-13. Then they came back to win the game in the second half.

"We played a lot of different boys in the game and that's the way we planned it. We're so young and so inexperienced we've been experimenting with different players at different positions all spring. Now we at least have a good idea who should be playing where.



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PREP POLLS

Valdosta Wildcats Unanimous for Best in State

By DAVID DAVIDSON

Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

Valdosta's high-scoring Wildcats have gained maximum strength in the third Atlanta Journal Class AAA prep football Top Ten Poll.

Already rated No. 1 in both the pre-season poll, and building support after a season-opening 49-0 victory over Thomasville, Valdosta convinced every member of the Journal's nine-man panel of experts it is No. 1 with a 47-7 win over Dougherty last Friday.

The Wildcats grabbed all but two first-place ballots in last week's poll, but this week captured all nine firsts, sweeping the maximum 180 points on the basis of 20 points awarded for first-place votes, 18 for second, 16 for third, etc.

Central High of Macon, No. 2 last week, retained its position after a 42-6 victory over Baldwin, but this week shares its runnerup position with defending AAA champion Lakeside,



David Davidson

which bounced 10th-ranked Columbia, 34-14. Both Central-Macon and Lakeside finished with 148 points.

KENDRICK, No. 3 a week ago, dropped to No. 4, although crushing Carver-Columbus, 36-0. Warner Robins, No. 9 last week, bolted into fifth place, unseating Dalton, which dropped to sixth. No. 7 Marietta, upset by Avondale, 10-0, dropped out of the Top Ten, Benedictine replaced the Blue Devils as the No. 7 team, Richmond Academy slid from sixth to eighth after losing to North Augusta, S.C. Waycross (now 2-0) moved into the No. 9 slot and Moultrie claimed 10th.

West Rome, Dykes and Gainesville retained their 1-2-3 ranking in Class AA, although Dykes gained some ground after scoring its second victory of the year, a 38-0 romp over East Atlanta.

Marist, a 7-0 loser to Westminster, dropped completely out of the Top Ten from fourth place, and Statesboro (2-0) moved up a notch. North Fulton, under new head coach Dickie Bean, won its second game, a 26-9 decision over Sprayberry, and moved from eighth to fifth. Stephens County lost to Gainesville and dropped from the elite 10, Westminster jumped

High School Top Ten

The Atlanta Journal Top Ten (Top Three in Class C) Prep Polls, with 20 points awarded for first place vote, 18 for second, 16 for third, etc., the team's record and the number of first-place votes in parenthesis:

CLASS AAA	
1. Valdosta 2-0 (9)	180
2. (tie) Central-Macon 2-0	148
Lakeside 1-0	148
4. Kendrick 2-0	106
5. Warner Robins 2-0	98
6. Dalton 1-0	92
7. Benedictine 2-0	64
8. Richmond Academy 1-1	46
9. Waycross 2-0	38
10. Moultrie 1-0	34

Other teams receiving votes (with record number of points in parenthesis): Baker (2-0, 18); Henderson (1-0, 8); Marietta (1-1, 4); Columbia (0-1, 2); and Clarke-Central (0-0, 2).

CLASS AA	
1. West Rome 2-0 (5)	172
2. Dykes 2-0 (3)	160
3. Gainesville 1-0	134
4. Statesboro 2-0 (1)	128
5. North Fulton 2-0	100
6. Lakeshore 1-0	72
7. Westminster 1-0-1	40
7. Westminster 1-0-1	56
9. Southwest DeKalb 2-0	24
10. Monroe Area 2-0	19

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points in parenthesis): Stephens County (1-1, 14); Glenn Hills (2-0, 12); Fitzgerald (2-0, 12); Washington Wilkes (1-1, 10); Marist (1-1, 8); Clarkston (1-1, 8).

CLASS A	
1. Carrollton 2-0 (4)	168
2. Jefferson 1-0 (2)	144
3. Metter 2-0 (1)	138
4. McEachern 2-0 (1)	126
5. Turner County 2-0	94
6. Lincolnton 2-0	50
7. (tie) Roswell 0-1 (1)	44
8. St. Pius X 1-0-1	44
Rockmart 2-0	44
9. Irwin County 2-0	38
10. Warren County 2-1	32

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points in parenthesis): Pickens (2-0, 22); Commerce (2-0, 22); Bradwell Institute (1-1, 22); Coosa (1-1, 16); Harlem (1-1, 8); Lithonia (1-1, 8); Haralson County (1-1, 4); Wilcox County (1-1, 2).

CLASS B	
1. Lovett 2-0 (8)	178
2. Wrens 2-0 (1)	154
3. Eastbrook 2-0	122
4. Dade County 2-0	114
5. Southeast Bulloch 2-0	102
6. Glennville 2-0	84
7. Central-Carrollton 2-0	70
8. Buford 2-0	56
9. Savannah Country Day 0-1	46
10. Bowdon 2-0	40

Other teams receiving votes (with record and number of points in parenthesis): Brantley County (2-0, 34); Macon County (1-1, 14); Monticello (0-1, 12); Pacelli (0-1, 10); Hapeville (1-1, 8); Chattahoochee Valley (1-0, 8); Atkinson County (1-1, 4); Oconee County (0-1, 2).

CLASS C	
1. Mt. de Sales 1-0 (9)	180
2. Adairsville 1-1	160
3. Loganville 0-0	146

No other teams received votes.

ahead of St. Pius in the 7-8 slots, while Southwest DeKalb and Monroe Area, both with 2-0 records, rounded out the Class AA Top Ten.

No. 1 ranked Roswell, defending champ in Class A, dropped all the way down to a tie for seventh place after losing to lowly Wills, which had a 20-game losing streak going before defeating Roswell 7-6 last Friday night.

METTER, unbeaten and so far un-scored-upon, went from fifth to third behind the leaders, Carrollton with 168 points and Jefferson with 144.

Lovett again pulled in eight of nine first in Class B, but losses by Savannah Country Day and Pacelli (the Nos. 2 and 3 teams last week) left the door open for Wrens to move up into the No. 2 spot and Eastbrook up from sixth to third. Dade County moved from fifth to fourth and Southeast Bulloch, unranked last week, hopped into fifth place.

MT. DE Sales' 21-14 victory over Pacelli confirmed pre-season polls unanimously picking the Cavaliers to repeat as champ in Class C were not unfounded.

Top Tens

CLASS AAA

1. Valdosta (4-0) df. Balmbridge, 28-0; 2. Macon Central (4-0) df. Jordan, 21-6; 3. Lakeside (2-1) lost to Henderson, 19-6; 4. Kendrick (4-0) df. Spencer, 34-0; 5. Warner Robins (4-0) df. Northside, WR, 34-0; 6. Benedictine (4-0) df. Brunswick, 20-18; 7. Dalton (2-1) lost to Douglas Co., 17-14; 8. Moultrie (3-0) df. Dougherty, 15-14; 9. Richmond Academy (2-1) did not play; 10. Henderson (3-0) df. Lakeside, 17-14.

CLASS AA

1. West Rome (3-0) df. Paulding Co., 48-0; 2. Dykes (4-0) df. Roosevelt, 28-6; 3. Statesboro (3-0) did not play; 4. North Fulton (3-0) df. Bass, 14-7; 5. Lakeshore (3-0) df. Campbell-Fairburn, 37-0; 6. (tie) St. Pius X (3-0-1) df. Marietta, 14-12; and Southwest DeKalb (4-0) df. Walker, 14-7; 9. (tie) Cairo (3-0) df. Cook Co., 21-0; and Monroe Area (3-0) df. Greene Co., 41-16.

CLASS A

1. Carrollton (3-0) df. Roswell, 21-0; 2. Jefferson (3-0) df. Franklin Co., 21-14; 3. Metter (3-0) df. Vidalia, 20-18; 4. Turner Co. (4-0) df. Seminole Co., 17-0; 5. Rockmart (4-0) df. Darlington, 21-0; 6. Irwin Co. (3-1) lost to Fitzgerald, 25-6; 7. Roswell (1-2) lost to Carrollton, 21-0; 8. McEachern (3-1) df. Model, 21-0; 9. Bradwell Institute (2-1) did not play; 10. Warren Co. (2-2) lost to Putnam Co., 10-7.

CLASS B

1. Lovett (4-0) df. Union Co., 39-0; 2. Southeast Bulloch (4-0) df. Wadley, 60-12; 3. Eastbrook (3-1) lost to Adairsville, 29-0; 4. Glennville (4-0) df. Emanuel Co. Institute, 74-0; 5. Dade Co. (2-1) lost to Pizah, Ala., 24-0; 6. Wrens (2-2) lost to Savannah Country Day, 26-18; 7. Central-Carrollton (3-1) lost to Bowdon, 14-0; 8. (tie) Buford (2-1) lost to Monticello, 6-0; and Savannah Country Day (2-1) df. Wrens, 26-18; 10. Bowdon (4-0) df. Central-Carrollton, 14-0.

CLASS C

1. Mt. de Sales (3-0) df. East Coweta, 74-0; 2. Adairsville (3-1) df. Eastbrook, 29-0; 3. Loganville (1-0-1) df. East Fannin, 34-0.

High School

SCORE BOARD

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Table of high school football results for Friday, listing teams, scores, and game details across various classes (AAA, AA, A, B, C).

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Table of high school football games scheduled for Saturday, listing teams and scores.

WILDCATS, 49-0

Valdosta's Bounds Romps

THOMASVILLE, Ga. — Valdosta quarterback Stan Bounds has begun early living up to preseason predictions of greatness.

Bounds Friday night completed 14 of 29 passes for 260 yards (including one touchdown), and rushed for another 165 yards and four touchdowns, leading the Wildcats to an impressive 49-0 victory over Thomasville in an early Region 1-AAA game.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta 'Cats were picked No. 1 in the Journal's preseason Class AAA Top Ten, despite heavy losses to graduation, and their opener against Thomasville was billed to be an early indication of Valdosta's actual strength.

In other area high school football action: Brooks County (Quitman) meets Charlton County at Folkston, Cook (Adel) travels to play Americus; Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) hosts Irwin County (Ocilla) and Clinch County (Homerville) plays host to the Tift County (Tifton) "B" team.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats, who walloped Thomasville 49-0 last week, are scheduled to meet coach Luther Welsh's Trojans in VHS' home opener here tonight at Cleveland Field. The Trojans defeated cross-town rival Monroe in Albany, 7-6, last week.

Meanwhile, coach Noel George's Vikings, who dumped Central of Thomasville 20-6 here last week, travel to Moultrie to meet coach Bud Willis' Packers. The match is Moultrie's season opener.

Both games are Region 1-AAA affairs and are to get underway at 8 p. m. Coach Fred Tucker's Berrien Rebels, after a long line of losing seasons, began their bid for a winning one by handing Charlton's Indians a 32-0 beating last week. Tonight they go against the always tough Irwin County Indians, who defeated Bacon County (Alma), 34-0, last week. The game is a non-region affair since Berrien is a

'Cats, Vikes

Roles Reversed

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings reverse roles tonight as the 'Cats, who were on the road last week, host Dougherty's Trojans, while the Vikes travel to Moultrie to meet the Packers.

In other area high school football action: Brooks County (Quitman) meets Charlton County at Folkston, Cook (Adel) travels to play Americus; Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) hosts Irwin County (Ocilla) and Clinch County (Homerville) plays host to the Tift County (Tifton) "B" team.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats, who walloped Thomasville 49-0 last week, are scheduled to meet coach Luther Welsh's Trojans in VHS' home opener here tonight at Cleveland Field. The Trojans defeated cross-town rival Monroe in Albany, 7-6, last week.

Meanwhile, coach Noel George's Vikings, who dumped Central of Thomasville 20-6 here last week, travel to Moultrie to meet coach Bud Willis' Packers. The match is Moultrie's season opener.

Both games are Region 1-AAA affairs and are to get underway at 8 p. m.

Coach Fred Tucker's Berrien Rebels, after a long line of losing seasons, began their bid for a winning one by handing Charlton's Indians a 32-0 beating last week. Tonight they go against the always tough Irwin County Indians, who defeated Bacon County (Alma), 34-0, last week. The game is a non-region affair since Berrien is a

Region 1-AA (East) team and Irwin is in Region 1-A.

The Charlton Indians are going to try their luck against coach Conrad Harris's Brooks Trojans in another non-region affair in Folkston. The Trojans defeated traditional rival Cook, 7-6, last week.

Coach Bobby Phillips' Hornets, hoping for a rebound, face Americus, who's Panthers dropped a 27-12 decision to Monroe Area last week. Both teams are in Region 1-AA, but campaigning in different sub-divisions.

Clinch County's Panthers who dropped a chilling 58-8 decision to Atkinson County (Pearson) in a Region 2-B contest last week, hope to better the score when they play the Tift County "B" team in Homerville tonight.

Valdosta 13 15 7 14-49
Thomasville 0 0 0 0-0
Valdosta-Bounds, 1 run (Parker kick); Bounds, 7 run (kick failed); Bounds, 27 run (Rome pass from Bounds); Bounds, 13 run (Parker kick); Daniels, 20 pass from Bounds. (Parker kick); Parker, 4 run (Parker kick); Hilton, 23 run (Peterson kick).

VHS Hasn't Faced Football 'Tester'

Valdosta High's football Wildcats have a pair of games, and victories, under their belts but coach Wright Bazemore is still in a cautious mood.

After rolling past Thomasville, 49-0, in their season opener the 'Cats made it two wins in a row with a 47-7 romp past the Dougherty Trojans here this past Friday night.

In both tilts the 'Cats jumped off to quick leads and then never saw their advantage seriously threatened.

This had Bazemore repeating what he says are "some lessons I've learned the hard way as a coach."

"In football everything is relative," the super successful mentor said. "If the caliber of the opposition is just so then you can look better than you actually are."

"And here's something else. It's not difficult for a team to be enthusiastic and free-wheel it when it jumps off to a pretty good size lead early in the game.

"The test, the real test, comes on that night when you go against someone tough and you have to battle tooth and toenail for every yard. It's even tougher when you fall behind and need to reach down for that something extra you must have to pull a crucial game out of the fire.

"We've won two games by comfortable scores. That's fine. But in both of them we showed that we have a lot of areas where improvement is needed. The toughest part of our schedule is still before us. We simply can't stand still. We've got to keep moving forward.

"It's hard to convince high school age football players that even though they won easily this week they might have all kinds of trouble next Friday night."

"Next Friday night," could indeed be a tester for the 1971 Wildcats. They must meet coach Tom Avret's Crisp County Cougars from Cordele. This is a team with a 2-0 mark, a potent passing attack and a strong defense.

Dosta, Moultrie Seen As Victors

My first football forecasting effort of the 1971 season last week was, at best, just fair.

I tried to pick the winner in 13 games. I was right 10 times and missed three times for a .765 mark.

This week many of the colleges will get their new campaigns underway so I'll try my hand at both prep and collegiate selections. Let's start with the high school list.



GLASSMAN

VALDOSTA VS DOUGHERTY — Valdosta's Wildcats and Dougherty's Trojans will carry matching 1-0 records into their game here tonight. This will be VHS' home field debut and I'm picking the 'Cats to win.

LOWNDES VS MOULTRIE — Lowndes' Vikings got rolling last week with a 20-6 win over Thomasville Central. Moultrie's Packers will be opening their season tonight. The Pack, long a grid

power, will have the home field advantage. I'm giving the nod to Moultrie, but I'll be pulling for the Vikes to prove me wrong by pulling an upset.

BROOKS VS CHARLTON — Brooks' Trojans nipped Cook, in their liddler and I think the gridders from Quitman make it two wins in a row by licking Charlton's Indians.

COOK VS AMERICUS — Cook's Hornets and Americus' Panthers will both be trying to break into the victory column opening game setbacks. This should be a thriller and my pick is Cook.

IRWIN VS BERRIEN — Both the Berrien Rebels and Indians notched onesided wins last week. This is a meet-traditional rivals.. Berrien gets my vote.

CLINCH VS TIFT BEES — Clinch's Panthers will be trying to rebound after a loss to Atkinson. My selection is Clinch.

Valdosta Just Keeps on Rolling

VALDOSTA — Valdosta's Wildcats got their attack in gear quickly and rolled to a 47-7 football victory over the Dougherty Trojans from Albany here Friday night.

The first time they got their hands on the ball coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats moved 43 yards in six plays for a touchdown. Valdosta kept moving in high gear all the way after that.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds scored one TD himself, on a one-yard run, and passed 76 yards to end Roger Rome for another. Halfback Robert Daniels tallied twice, on runs of 8 and 11 yards.

Quarterback Dick Parker

tossed a pair of scoring aeri-als, one of eight yards to Geroge Rountree and another of 11 yards to Jim Clarkston. Halfback Clifford Bradley reached paydirt after a 30-yard scamper.

Dougherty's lone touchdown came with 1:23 left to play in the game on a 38-yard pass from Johnny Cooper to Nathaniel Green.

Valdosta's alert defense intercepted two Dougherty passes and recovered four Trojan fumbles.

The win was the second in a row for Valdosta this year. The loss left Dougherty with a 1-1 chart.

CRISP CO. SET FOR SHOWDOWN

CORDELE, Ga. — Crisp County set up its showdown battle for the 1-AAA lead with Valdosta next week with a 14-3 win over Bainbridge, Danny Blizzard led the win with two touchdown passes.

BAINBRIDGE 3 0 0 0 - 3
CRISP COUNTY 0 7 0 7 - 14

SCORING: Bainbridge - EG - Wilburn (23-yd), Crisp County - TD - Belton (33-yd pass from Blizzard), Fisher (13-yd pass from Blizzard); PAT - Smith (2x2 kicks).

Wildcats Trip Up Trojans

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Writer

Valdosta High's Wildcats were in command all the way as they posted a 47-7 football victory over the Dougherty Trojans from Albany here Friday night.

A crowd of approximately 8,000 turned out to see coach

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Dougherty
First Downs	17	9
Yards Rushing	219	110
Yards Passing	119	98
Passes	5-17	6-14
Passes Intc. by	2	3
Fumbles Lost	3	4
Punting	0-0	6-27.5
Penalties	3-25	5-52

Wright Bazemore's 'Cats in their 1971 home field debut. The VHS gridders responded by chalking up a onesided win to boost their record to 2-0 this year.

For coach Luthur Welsh's Trojans, the setback left them with a 1-1 mark. Both 'Dosta and Dougherty belong to Region 1-AAA.

The first time the Wildcats got their hands on the football they zipped 43 yards in six plays for a touchdown. They were never in danger of losing the advantage after that.

VHS began sending in its reserves early in the game and well before the contest was over the 'Cats' bench had been cleared.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds, who like most of the VHS starters saw only limited action, scored a touchdown on a one-yard run and connected with end Stanford Rome on a TD pass play which covered 76 yards.

Halfback Robert Daniels tallied twice, on runs of 3 and 11 yards. Quarterback Dick Parker unleashed a pair of scoring aeri-als, one of eight yards to end George Rountree and another of 12 yards to end Jim Clarkston. Halfback Clifford Bradley got a touchdown on a 30-yard scamper.

Dougherty's lone score came with just 1:23 left to play in the contest on a 38-yard pass from quarterback Johnny Cooper to halfback Nathaniel Green.

Valdosta's defense accounted for two pass interceptions, by Rome and Clarkston, and the 'Cats recovered four Trojans fumbles. Doing the honors were



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats' Stanford Rome (11) Tries To Get Away From Dougherty Defender Martin Story (66)

Clarkston, Bobby Brantly, Gary Rowe and Arthur Massey.

Rowe, with eight stops, and Ronald Daniels with seven tackles, were among the Wildcats' defensive leaders.

Valdosta's rushing leader was halfback James Savage, with 54 yards on four carries, followed by Robert Morrison (6-52) and Robert Daniels (5-37). Bounds hit on three of eight passes for 99 yards.

Cooper led the way on offense for the Trojans. He picked up 69 yards on a dozen running

plays and connected on six of 14 passes for 98 more yards through the air.

"We won and, of course, that's important," Bazemore said after the contest. "But there were times when we did our share of just floundering around. We still have plenty of room for improvement. We're still a long way away from being a good football team."

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing: Valdosta-Bounds 2-6, O'Neal 5-4, McCaskill 4-12, Savage 4-54, Daniels 5-37, Bradley 2-29, Morrison 6-52, Rome 3-16, Whitfield 2-2, Peterson 2-3, Anderson 2-4; Dougherty - Cooper 12-69, Green 11-24, Section 9-17, Barlow 3-21, Coltran 1-

minus 13.
Passing: Valdosta - Bounds 3-8-99, Parker 2-5-20, Rome 0-2-0, Hilton 0-2-0; Dougherty 6-14-98.
Pass Receiving: Valdosta - McCaskill 1-12, Rome 1-76, Daniels 1-11, Rountree 1-8, Clarkston 1-12; Dougherty - Tyson 3-27, Green 2-52, Woodlife 1-19.
Punt Returns: Valdosta - Rome 2-25, Richardson 1-15.
Kickoff Returns: Valdosta - Morrison 1-17; Dougherty - Green 6-104, Tucker 1-46, Hayes 1-12.
Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta - Rowe 8, Ronald Daniels 7, Payton 5, Brantly 4, Irby 4, Lane 4, Pompey 4, Welbon 3, Clarkston 3; Dougherty - Williams 7, Hill 6, Cory 5, Story 5, Simmons 5, Walker 4, Humphery 4, Tarpley 3, Summerall 3.

LINEUPS
VALDOSTA
Ends: G. Rountree, Clarkston, D. Berrien, J. Berrien, Griffin, King, Cobb, Adams, Ladrow.
Tackles: Demerresman, Wilbon, Mitchell, Irby, Brantly, Johnson, Simmons, Griffith, Culchens, Dodson, Williams.
Guards: Lester, Joseph, Earnest, Massey, Register, Christian, Sullivan, Ronald Daniels, Franklin, Nijem, Holloway.
Centers: Lore, Stanaland, Nowell.
Backs: Manuel, Robert Daniels, Savage, McCaskill, Pompey, O'Neal, Goodin, Payton, Rowe, Richardson, Morrison, Lane, Bradley, Bounds, Parker, Rome, Hilton, Cooper, R. Rountree, Hutchins, Bea, Sheffield, Demps, Mears, Peterson, Netter, Griner, Doug, Anderson.

DOUGHERTY
Ends: Tyson,
Tackles: Win-
Walker,
Guards
Story, Goff,
Cory,
Be-

Hey! Valdosta No. 1 Again

By **BILL SKUTT**
Constitution Prep Editor

Last week The Constitution rated Valdosta second, but after the Wildcats demolished a supposedly tough Thomasville team, 49-0, all doubts have vanished.

Valdosta is No. 1.

R. E. Lee, No. 3 in last week's poll, dropped all the way out of the elite group after a 9-7 loss to AA North Fulton. The Constitution's panel of writers did vote honorable mention to the Rebels.

Warner Robins, Benedictine and Crisp County moved into the group with impressive victories. Warner Robins whipped Peach County, 49-6. Benedictine defeated Savannah, 12-6, and Crisp County upset Tift County 21-6.

West Rome also moved to the top of the class after trouncing Cartersville, 39-6, while the pre-season pick Westminster was tied by Mary Persons and slipped to eighth.

Strong victories by Dykes, 43-6 over Brown, and Statesboro, 27-12 over Groves, moved the pair into second



Bill Skutt

and third place, in the opinion of our panel.

PREP PICKS

Valdosta Favored Again

By **DAVID DAVIDSON**

In Region 1-AAA, a 12-team league, it has been established over the years one slip can be deadly so far as championship hopes go.

After two weeks of competition, only four teams have escaped unscathed—Albany (1-0), Crisp County (2-0), Moultrie (1-0) and Valdosta (2-0). Likely as not, there will be only three, possibly less, after Friday night.

Valdosta, which has scored 49-0 and 47-7 victories in its first two games against Thomasville and Dougherty, entertains Crisp County, a 21-6 winner over Tift County in its opener and a 14-3 winner over Bainbridge last weekend. Don't look for Crisp County among the undefeateds Saturday morning.

R. E. Lee Institute of Thomaston, ranked No. 4 in The Journal's preseason AAA poll, has done little to preserve such a high regard, losing to North Fulton, 9-7, in its opener, and tying Forest Park last week 10-10.

LaGrange lost its opener, 34-7, to Lanett, Ala., but came back last week to romp Price 35-0. Lee's fate shouldn't be a surprise this week. **LAGRANGE.**

West Rome, rated No. 1 in Class AA, travels to Carrollton,

newly No. 1 in Class A, Friday night for one of the top games in the state. Fourth-quarter fatigue will tell the tale and depth will be the decider. **WEST ROME.**

South Cobb, unexpectedly tied Huntsville, Ala., in its opener and a loser, also unsuspected, last week to Douglas County (25-7) last week, gets no reprieve against the No. 6 ranked AAA team in the state. **DALTON.**

Southwest DeKalb, a lowly 1-9 last season and last-place finisher in Region 4-AA South, has established itself as a contender along with St. Pius X and Westminster for the region championship. The Panthers should make it three wins in a row Friday night when they face Gordon. **SOUTHWEST DEKALB.**

Lakeshore, a narrow winner over Woodward Academy last week on a last-minute field goal, should have a better idea about its Region 3-AA West championship plans after a visit to Headland this weekend. **LAKE SHORE.**

In that same region, Sandy Springs looms big. A non-region game against Ridgeview should indicate whether the SS Panthers will contend. They should. **SANDY SPRINGS.**

Wildcats Battle Cougars In Crucial Region Tests

By **SAMMY GLASSMAN**
Times Sports Writer

Two of Georgia's most talented high school passers will be on opposite sides when Valdosta's Wildcats and Crisp County's Cougars from Cordele clash here Friday night in a crucial Region 1-AAA football contest.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Tom Avert's Cougars will carry matching 2-0 records into the game, which is set for 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field. Right now they share the region lead. Two other loop members, Moultrie and Albany, have 1-0 charts.

Doing the tossing for the 'Cats will be 175-pound senior quarterback Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 17 of 37 passes for 359 yards.

Leading the Cougars' potent aerial assault will be Danny Blizzard, a 190-pound senior, who has connected on 19 of 37 tosses for 316 yards.

Valdosta's victories have come over Thomasville, 49-0, and Dougherty (Albany), 47-7. Crisp has licked Tift County (Tifton), 21-6, and Bainbridge, 14-3. That game with Bainbridge wasn't nearly as close



—Times Staff Photo

Valdosta Defensive Back Gary Rowe

as the score might seem to indicate. Crisp had two touchdowns which were nullified by penalties.

Fan interest in the game is running very high and a capacity crowd of more than 9,000 is expected.

"If we had to worry only about Crisp's passing attack that would be bad enough," Bazemore said. "But let me tell you they are a good football team in every respect."

"They have size, experience and speed, plenty of speed. They are extremely well coached and their defense both against the run and the pass is very, very tough. As I said, Crisp is a good football team in every respect, the kind that is capable of beating anyone they play."

Just two of Blizzard's aerial targets are Bill Dixon and Mike Phillips, a pair of 195-pound seniors who stand 6-3. Dixon, who is the current 1-AAA dash champ, and Phillips can both run the 100 in well under nine seconds. The Cougars have a hard-hitting running attack led by Carzie Mercer, a 185-pound junior, Dixon is also extremely dangerous as a kick returner.

It all adds up to a lot of problems for Valdosta's relatively green defensive unit. The lone returning regular on the 'Cats' stop'em unit is deep back Gary Rowe, a 185-pound junior. Against Dougherty last week he was credited with eight tackles.

What with scoring 96 points in two games, the Wildcats have had success with their passing and ground attack up

to now. But Bazemore rates Crisp's defense as being much stronger than the ones Thomasville and Dougherty had to offer.

"That's going to be a whole new deal out there for us on both offense and defense Friday night," Bazemore said. "If we make a mistake either way, Crisp is going to nail us. And let me tell you they're going to come here sky high. We've got to be ready, and I mean really ready."

The Wildcats' and Cougars' probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA
Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), center Steve Stanaland (220, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).
Defense — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Bobby Brantley (200, jr.) and Gary Irby (200, jr.), middle guard Freddy Welton (250, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Larry Lane (160, jr.) or Dick Parker (170, sr.), inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (185, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.).

CRISP COUNTY
Offense — ends Jimmy Felton (180, sr.) and Billy Dixon (195, sr.) or Jack Roche (195, sr.), tackles Sammy Hill (235, sr.) and Bruce Jackson (210, jr.), guards Lamar Poppell (185, sr.) and Steve Irving (195, sr.), center Bill Sawyer (185, jr.), quarterback Danny Blizzard (190, sr.), halfbacks Carzie Mercer (185, jr.) and Mike Phillips (195, sr.) and fullback Ferrell Oliver (175, sr.).
Defense — ends Larry Felton (195, jr.) and Roche, tackles Larry Lewis (220, jr.) and Hill, middle guard David James (240, sr.), linebackers Tom Hagman (185, jr.), Rock Hunt (195, sr.) and Ray Darley (185, jr.), corner backs Jimmy Felton and Phillips and safety Dixon.



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Wildcat Country

The big, freshly painted wildcat at the west endzone at Valdosta High School's Cleveland Field is the work of the VHS art department. The big cat, surrounded by Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcat

football team, is painted so that he seems to be looking at everyone in the stadium, said art instructor Patsy Smith.

Pep Rally Is Slated Tonight

BY **TIMES STAFF WRITER**

A city wide football pep rally is scheduled for 8 o'clock here tonight in the parking lot of the Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center.

The rally is being sponsored by the Valdosta Touchdown Club on the eve of an important Region 1-AAA prep football duel between Valdosta's Wildcats and Crisp County's Cougars from Cordele.

The 'Cats and Cougars currently share the region lead with 2-0 records.

On hand for the pep rally will be the Wildcats' captains, their head coach Wright Bazemore, the VHS cheerleaders and the Marchin' 'Cats Band.

"This is going to be a very, very important game," TD Club president Bobby Green said. "The Wildcats need all of the support we can give them."

"We had a fine turn out for our last pep rally. We'd like to have an even bigger turn out tonight. Let's show the 'Cats that we are really backing them all the way."

Glassman

Times Sports Editor

Valdosta, T'ville Seen As Victors

Things didn't go at all well for me with by football predictions last week. I picked 26 winners, but missed an even dozen for a dismal .684 mark.

That sliced 63 points off my average for the season, dropping it to 36-15-.706. That would make a dandy batting average for a baseball player, but in the world of gridiron forecasting it is extremely poor.

This week I'll be trying to bounce back. Starting with the high school list, here's the way I see them:



VALDOSTA VS CRISP—Valdosta's Wildcats and Crisp County's Cougars own matching 2-0 records. On opposite sides will be two of the best prep passers in the state, VHS' Stanley Bounds and Crisp's Danny Blizzard. I figure there will be a lot of offensive fireworks and when the smoke clears Valdosta will be the winner.

LOWNDES VS THOMASVILLE — Lowndes' Vikings, with a 1-1 record, will host Thomasville's Bulldogs, who have an 0-1-1 mark, in a game

GLASSMAN here Saturday night. This one is hard to figure. I'm going to pick the Bulldogs, but I would be delighted if the Vikes made this a bum guess by posting a victory.

AS SOUTH GEORGIA SHOWDOWNS START TONIGHT

Valdosta, Glynn Top Slate

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer

Two of South Georgia's early showdowns are on tap tonight at Valdosta and Brunswick.

Although there's no indication that the temperatures will drop in Valdosta, a Blizzard (Danny) is due to hit the prep football capital as Crisp County argues with mighty Valdosta over undisputed leadership of 1-AAA.

The Cleveland Field scrap should provide aerial fireworks with Blizzard tossing for Crisp and Stanley Bounds

for Valdosta. Bounds is 1-AAA's leading passer and he owns most of the league's marks, but Blizzard isn't far behind as he's led the Rebels past favored Tift County and Bainbridge this season.

WITH A NEW coach on deck, Glynn Academy was slated for a rebuilding campaign, but the Terrors came back strong to tie favored Brunswick High and then last week blanked a fine Savannah Johnson eleven. Tonight's home battle finds Savannah High the visitor.

Savannah lost its opener, but hung on for a 13-8 victory over Windsor-Forest last Friday. Buddy Moore and Gil McMonigle sparked Glynn's big win last week.

Keldwin Washington highlighted Camden County's opening win last week with four touchdowns and tonight the Hurricanes travel west to battle Charlton, which lost a 4-0 heartbreaker to Brooks County last week. Dennis Hickox, and Charles Floyd were the other TD producers for Camden last week while Donald Glover added two extra points.

Larry Lane has been the big spark in Brantley County's two wins this season and the Herons look for No. 3 tonight at Blackshear, which won the Region 2-B title last year. The Herons look to its stiff defense of Curtis Raines, Roger Starlings and Philip Purden for another stingy job.

MOULTRIE, which is said to have its smallest team in history, didn't let size bother it last week as the Packers sped to a 33-6 win over Lowndes with quarterback Ray Goff leading the way. Fred Hammock, Don Moore and Kirby Clark were other point producers. Tonight's foe at Moultrie will be winless Tift County, which was surprised by Crisp and tied by Thomasville.

Ware County's Gators will entertain Appling County in a Region 2-AA affair at Waycross Memorial Stadium.

Brunswick High, which is

still smarting over that tie with Glynn Academy, journeys to Douglas for a 3-AAA date with winless Coffee County. Coffee has given up 41 points in two games while scoring only six. Brunswick has six points in both departments.

Tonight's schedule with predicted winners in capital letters:

ALBANY at Monroe
Mary Persons at AMERICUS
Appling at WARE COUNTY
ATKINSON at Macon County
Bacon County at BRADWELL
INSTITUTE
Savannah at GLYNN ACADEMY

Crisp at VALDOSTA
Mitchell at COOK
Clinch at EARLY COUNTY
CAMDEN at Charlton
Cairo at FITZGERALD
BRUNSWICK at Coffee County
BRANTLEY at Blackshear
BERRIEN at Worth County
Tift at MOULTRIE
Patterson at TREUTLEN
Turner at PELHAM

SATURDAY
WAYCROSS at Benedictine
Thomasville at LOWNDES

Last week's record: 12 wins four losses 1 tie. Season's total: 25 wins, seven losses, two ties.

Vikes, 'Cats Play At Home

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

High school football fans will have an opportunity to see both the Valdosta Wildcat and Lowndes Vikings play this coming weekend without having to do any traveling.

Coach Wright Bazemore's VHS 'Cats and coach Noel George's LHS Vikes both have home contests, but they will be playing on different nights.

Valdosta is to meet Crisp County's Cougars from Cordele in a game slated for Friday night at Cleveland Field. Lowndes is to go against Thomasville's Bulldogs in a contest scheduled for Saturday night at Martin Stadium. Both will be Region 1-AAA affairs.

AREA	GRID SLATE
Crisp at Valdosta	Friday
Berrien at Worth	Friday
Mitchell at Cook	Friday
Clinch at Early	Friday
Ocala at Madison	Friday
Yonge at Hamilton	Friday
Brooks—open date	Saturday
Thomasville at Lowndes	Saturday

In other Friday night games involving area teams Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Worth County (Sylvester), Mitchell County (Camilla) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homerville) at Early County (Blakely), Ocala, Fla., at Madison, Fla., and P. K. Yonge (Gainesville, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.). Brooks

County (Quitman) has an open date and will be idle this week.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Crisp's Cougars will put matching 2-0 records on the line when they collide here Friday night. The 'Cats have beaten Thomasville, 49-0, and Dougherty (Albany), 47-7. Crisp has spanked Tift County (Tifton), 21-6, and Bainbridge, 14-3.

Lowndes' Vikings will put their 1-1 chart against the Thomasville Bulldogs' 0-1-1 mark when they clash here on Saturday. The Vikes beat Thomasville Central, 20-6, then bowled to Moultrie, 33-6. After an

opening game loss to Valdosta, Thomasville played to a 7-7 tie with Tift last week.

Berrien's Rebels and Worth's Rams, who are to class at Sylvester, have matching 1-1 records. This will be a non-regional affair.

Cook's Hornets and Mitchell's Eagles will carry identical 0-2 charts into their non-league contest at Adel. Clinch's Panthers, with an 0-1 mark, will be meeting a band of Blakely Bobcats who are 2-0.

Madison and Hamilton will be opening their 1971 season when they host Ocala and Yonge. Other games of interest include the following:

Friday — Albany at Monroe, Mary Persons at Americus, Appling at Ware, Arnold at Wayne, Atkinson at Macon Co., Bacon at Bradwell, Thomasville Central at Bainbridge, Brantley at Blackshear, Brunswick at Coffee.

Cairo at Fitzgerald, Camden at Charlton, Savannah at Glynn, Miller at Irwin, Jeff Davis at Vidalia, Tift at Moultrie, Spencer at Warner Robins, Northside, Turner at Pelham.

Saturday — Waycross at Benedictine, Warner Robins at Columbus Carver, Dougherty at Westover.

WILDCATS, 49-7

Valdosta Runs Wild Against Crisp

VALDOSTA — Valdosta High's Wildcats continued to show plenty of offensive muscle as they chalked up a 49-7 victory over the Crisp County Cougars from Cordele here Friday night.

The victory was the third straight for coach Wright Bazemore's Cats, who now have undisputed possession of first place in Region 1-AAA. The loss was the first after a pair of wins for coach Tom

Avret's Cougars. Valdosta compiled 456 yards in total offense — 199 rushing and 257 passing.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds scored three of the Wildcats' TDs on — two, one-yard-runs — and 4 yarder and led Valdosta's aerial barrage with nine completions in 13 attempts for 192 yards. End Stanford Rome was the top receiver with seven catches for 177 yards.

Rome tallied twice, on a 15-

yard toss from Bounds and a 59 yard strike from No. 2 quarterback Dick Parker. Fullback Danny O'Neal got a touchdown on a one-yard run and halfback Robert Daniels was on the receiving end of a six-yard scoring pass from Parker.

Crisp's touchdown came on a two-yard run by Ricky Milford which climaxed a 77-yard scoring march by the Cougars.

Attack leader for the Cordele team was quarterback Danny Blizzard who picked up 28 yards along the ground and connected on 10 of 27 passes for 130 aerial yards.

Goff threw a 64-yard touchdown pass to Steve Rea in the closing minutes as Moultrie outlasted Tift County Friday night, 21-14.

Tift County
Moultrie
Tift County
Crisp

of the future today.

Valdosta Aiming For Fourth Win

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Wildcats will be going for their fourth straight win when they close out a three-game home stand against the Bainbridge Bearcats here Friday night.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach J. B. Roland's Bearcats are to clash in a Region 1-AAA game set for 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field.

So far the 'Cats have rolled past Thomasville, 49-0; Dougherty (Albany), 47-7, and Crisp County (Cordele), 49-7, racking 1,289 yards in total offense in the three outings.

Valdosta's current 3-0 record has it atop the Region 1-AAA standings at the present time. Moultrie is second with a 2-0 mark.

Bainbridge has played two games so far and is still looking for its first win. The Bearcats bowed to Crisp, 14-3, in their opener then battled Thomasville Central to a 23-23 tie last week.

"We can't take anything for granted," Bazemore said, "especially since J. B. Roland is Bainbridge's coach. He's certainly familiar with both our offense and defense."

Roland was for many years an assistant football coach and head baseball coach at Valdosta High. He's since made coaching stops at Glynn Academy (Brunswick) and Albany before becoming the Bearcats' grid boss in 1970.

Bazemore has sent his 'Cats against two Roland-coached teams, one at Glynn and another at Bainbridge. Valdosta triumphed both times.

While Valdosta's defensive unit is extremely short on experience, the 'Cats' stop'em crew has held three foes to a total of just 14 points, an average of only 4.6 per tilt.

Meanwhile, the 'Cats' free-wheeling attack has totaled 145 points, an average 48.3 per outing.

Those primarily responsible for moving the football have been quarterbacks Stanley Bounds and Dick Parker, running backs Robert Daniels, James Savage, Pat O'Neal and Robert McCaskill and wide receiver Stanford Rome.

The offensive line play has



—Times Staff Photo

VHS Offensive Tackle Paul Demersseman

been outstanding, with tight end George Rountree, tackles Paul Demersseman and Wade Johnson, guards Sidney Earnest, Calvin Lester, David Register and Robert Joseph and centers Steve Stanaland and Paul Lore among the prime movers.

Valdosta's and Bainbridge's probable starters follow:

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.); tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and

Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, sr.), or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), center Steve Stanaland (220, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and James Savage (175, jr.), and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (165, sr.).

Defense — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Bobby Brantley (200, jr.) and Gary Irby (200, jr.), middle guard Freddy Welbon (250, jr.), inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (170, sr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (180, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.).

BAINBRIDGE

Offense — ends Johnny Howard (170, sr.) and Reece Rollins (55, jr.), tackles Bobby Brockett (172, sr.) and Buzz Livingston (176, sr.), guards Mike Sheally (175, jr.) and Charles Thomas (168, sr.), center Al Pearson (172, sr.), quarterback Dargan Long (158, sr.), halfbacks Irvin Flanders (160, jr.) and Wayne Kirksey (168, sr.) and fullback Gregor Roberts (175, sr.).

Defense — ends James Cannon (185, jr.) and Rollins, tackles Terry Wilbourn (196, sr.) and Gary Dollar (172, soph.), middle guard Pearson, linebackers Chip Thomas (168, jr.), Bill Dollar (170, jr.), Tom Freeman (170, jr.) and Ed Benton (175, jr.) and deep backs James Taylor (168, jr.) and Van Chatraw (160, sr.).

'Cats Claw Cougars For Third Win

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Moving the football smartly along the ground and through the air the Valdosta Wildcats chalked up a 49-7 victory over the Crisp County Cougars from Cordele here Friday night.

A crowd of approximately 9,000 was on hand as coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats posted

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Crisp
First Downs	21	17
Yards Rushing	199	89
Yards Passing	257	130
Passes	11-17	10-27
Passes Intc. by	2	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Punting	1-43	5-34.4
Penalties	9-77	4-45

their third straight win and took over undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA race.

The setback was the first after a pair of triumphs for coach Tom Avret's Cougars, who came into the game tied with VHS for the league lead.

Valdosta compiled 456 yards in total offense, 199 rushing and 257 passing, as it broke an early 7-7 deadlock and rolled on to victory.

The 'Cats scored first, then Crisp came back to tie it at 7-7 with a sustained march of 77 yards which began late in the first period and was climaxed by a touchdown early in the second stanza. But by the time the half rolled around VHS was out front 21-7 and there was no stopping the 'Cats after that.

Wildcat quarterback Stanley Bounds scored three times, on runs of 1, 1 and 4 yards, and led Valdosta's aerial barrage with nine completions in 13 attempts for 192 yards. End Stanford Rome was the top receiver with seven catches for 177 yards. Key receptions were also made by James Savage, George Rountree and Robert Daniels.

Rome tallied twice, on a 15-yard toss from Bounds and 59-yard air strike from quarterback Dick Parker. Fullback



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats' Sidney Earnest (66) Throws Block As Stanley Bounds (15) Gets Ready To Make Pitchout

Danny O'Neal got a touchdown on a one-yard run and halfback Robert Daniels was on the receiving end of a six-yard scoring pass from Parker, who hit on two of two aeriels for 65 yards and a pair of TDs.

The rushing leaders were O'Neal (5-46), halfback Robert Morrison (8-49), Robert

Daniels (6-22) and Robert McCaskill (3-21).

While Valdosta's defensive unit had some anxious moments during the early going the 'Cats' stop'em crew also made a major contribution to the victory.

Included were a pair of pass interceptions, one by Robert

Daniels and the other by tackle Bobby Brantley, which led directly to touchdowns. Gary Rowe made nine tackles, followed by Ronald Daniels, with six, and David Berrien and Edwin Pompey, each with five.

"I would have to say I was pleased with our performance," Bazemore said after the game.

"We had some problems on defense, but that's where we lack experience and Crisp has some fine players, especially their quarterback Danny Blizzard. But we really moved the football and much of the credit belongs to the fine blocking we got from our offensive line." Among those supplying that

"fine blocking" Bazemore mentioned were tight end Rountree, tackles Paul Demersseman and Wade Johnson, guards Sidney Earnest, David Register, Robert Joseph and Calvin Lester and centers Steve Stanaland and Paul Lore.

As for the Cougars' Blizzard, he picked up 28 yards rushing and hit on 10 of 27 passes for 130 yards and indeed he did give the Wildcats' some anxious moments.

Crisp's touchdown came on a determined four-yard run by Ricky Milford. His rushing total for the night was also 28 yards.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 5-10, Robert Daniels 6-22, Savage 4-14, O'Neal 5-46, McCaskill 3-21, Morrison 8-49, Parker 2-29, Whitfield 1-1, Peterson 1-9; Crisp — Blizzard 4-28, Mercer 2 minus 4, Phillips 1-2, Oliver 3-2, Milford 9-28, Dixon 1-20, Felton 1-13.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 9-13-192, Parker 2-2-65, Hilton 0-2-0; Crisp — Blizzard 10-27-130.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 7-177, Rountree 1-11, Savage 2-63, Robt. Daniels 1-6; Crisp — Fisher 3-39, Mercer 2-28, Oliver 2-50, Dixon 2-24.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rome 2-16, Kickoff Returns: Crisp — Dixon 5-116, Phillips 2-16, Oliver 1-20.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Rowe 9, Ron Daniels 6, D. Berrien 5, Pompey 5, Stanaland 4, Irby 4, Parker 4, Rome 2, Clarkston 2; Crisp — Jones 7, Bush 6, Hyman 5, Hunt 5, Darley 4, Dixon 4, Felton 4.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: Griffin, J. Berrien, D. Berrien, Clarkston, G. Rountree, Rome. Tackles: Johnson, Brantley, Irby, Mitchell, Wilbon, Demersseman, Moorehead, Dodson, Griffith.

Guards: Ronald, Daniels, Christian, Register, Lester, Joseph, Sullivan, Massey, Franklin, Holloway.

Centers: Stanaland, Lore, Scruggs. Backs: Parker, Bounds, Bradley, Lane, Rowe, Payton, Goodin, O'Neal, Pompey, McCaskill, Savage, Robert Daniels, Hutchens, Peterson, Richardson, Neter, Manuel, Hilton, Whitfield, King, Morrison, Cooper, Mears, Sheffield, R. Rountree.

Ends: J. Felton, Morgan, Troxell. Tackles: Bush, Davis, Hill, Poole, Hobbs.

Guards: Poppell, Lewis, Darley, Houston, Jones, Hunt.

Centers: Sawyer.

Backs: Hearn, Blizzard, Hyman, Horne, L. Felton, Milford, Oliver, Jackson, Mercer, Irving, Phillips, Roche, Rawls, Dixon, Brown, Forth.

Score by Quarters:
Valdosta 7 14 21 7 - 49
Crisp 0 7 0 0 - 7

Scoring: Valdosta — TD — Bounds 3 (1, 1 and 4 yd. runs), Rome 2 (15 pass from Bounds 59 pass from Parker), O'Neal (1 yd. run), Robt. Daniels (6 yd. pass from Parker); PATs — Parker 7 (placements); Crisp — TD — Milford (2 yd. run); PAT — Smith (placement).

SAMMY

Glassman

Times Sports Editor

Valdosta Attack Has Been Rolling

During a chat I had with Valdosta High's head coach Wright Bazemore before the current season began he rather matter-of-factly said he thought the Wildcats "were going to be able to move the football a little."

Then, and this should have been the tipoff, he gave a rather sly grin.



GLASSMAN

Those who know Bazemore well are aware that he almost never brags about one of his teams before the start of a new season and, being a perfectionist, usually finds little to smile about until after the campaign.

But Baze was aware then what three of Valdosta's 1971 opponents have since found out, the Wildcats can indeed move the football.

This past Friday they chalked up more than 450 yards in total offense as they rolled past the Crisp County Cougars from Cordele, 49-7. In two earlier games they blanked Thomasville, 49-0, and gunned down Dougherty of Albany, 47-7.

In three outings they've totaled 145 points, which is more than many teams tally in a full 10-game season.

During this torrent of points the fans have been well aware of the backs and pass receivers who have been doing the scoring.

But here's a tip. Next time the Wildcats play watch the blocking in VHS' offensive line. Against Crisp it was certainly a deciding factor and Bazemore said so with emphasis.

Line Play Sharp

The leaders up front include end George Rountree, tackle Paul Demersseman and Wade Johnson, guards Sidney Earnest, David Register, Robert Joseph and Calvin Lester and centers Steve Stamaland and Paul Lore.

Their job is to provide protection for the passer when the 'Cats want to throw and open holes when a running play is called. They have been carrying out both assignments in excellent fashion. When a team's attack moves, then you know the linemen are doing their job.

"We've been able to make both our passing and running game work so far," Bazemore allows. "I thought our backs, receivers and linemen, especially our linemen, did good jobs against Crisp. That certainly doesn't mean they can afford to let up and start coasting. We still have plenty of room for improvement."

"As for defense, that's where we have the least experience and it showed in the first half against Crisp. But there were also some bright spots on defense. Again, we still have plenty of room for improvement."

Right Reaction

One thing Bazemore did find out about the 'Cats last Friday was how they would react to being stung. VHS scored first, then Crisp came right back with a sustained drive of 77 yards for a TD to tie it at 7-7.

The Wildcats' reaction was a scoring march of 93 yards to quickly regain the lead. It was exactly the kind of reaction Bazemore wanted.

Valdosta has now posted three onside wins and believe it or not that brings on a problem. The Wildcats, on an individual basis, must battle against overconfidence.

"Our players must remember that the season is still very young and that we have a lot of tough games to play," Bazemore said. "If we become overconfident, especially this early in the year, we're in for trouble, real trouble."

'Cats Go After Another Victory

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats will be trying to ring the victory bell for the fourth time when they go against coach J. B. Roland's Bainbridge Bearcats in a Region 1-AAA high school football test here tonight.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats, who are atop the 1-AAA standings with a 3-0 record, are to face coach J. B. Roland's Bearcats, who are 0-1-1, at 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.

In other games tonight involving area teams Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Camden County (Woodbine), Brooks County (Quitman) at Appling County (Baxley), Cook (Adel) at Cairo, Montgomery County (Mt. Vernon) at Clinch County (Homerville), Carter-Parramore at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) and Jacksonville (Fla.) at Madison, Fla.

Rolling past Thomasville and Crisp County, the Wildcats averaged 427 yards in total offense, rushing and 232 yards in passing.

Valdosta stop'em

crew has yielded only 14 points and held the opposition to an average of 170 yards per game in total offense (91 rushing and 79 passing).

Bainbridge will be pinning its hope on a ground attack led by halfback Tommy Howard (165, sr.) and a defense which has given up an average of only 84 yards rushing and 67 passing per game. Howard has carried the football 27 times and has 133 yards to his credit. The Bearcats lost to Crisp, 14-3, and played to a 23-23 tie with Thomasville Central.

Berrien's Rebels (1-1-1) and Camden County's Wildcats (2-0) will both be getting their first taste of Region 1-AA (East) action when they clash at Woodbine.

Brooks County's Trojans will be going for their third straight win in their non-league outing with Appling County's Pirates (1-2) at Baxley.

Cook's Hornets (1-2) will be the underdogs when they meet Cairo's unbeaten (2-0) Syrup-makers in a non-region affair

at Cairo. Clinch's Panthers will carry a 0-2 mark into their game with Montgomery County's Eagles at Homerville.

Hamilton's Trojans and Madison's Cougars will both be seeking their second triumphs when they host, respectively, Carter-Parramore and Jacksonville Tech.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members follows:

1-AAA		
	Records	Pts.
Valdosta	3-0-0	145-14
Moultrie	2-0-0	54-20
Monroe	2-1-0	62-25
Dougherty	2-1-0	43-18
Crisp	2-1-0	42-58
Albany	1-1-0	64-30
Thomasville	1-1-1	45-69
Lowndes	1-2-0	39-77

SAMMY

Glassman

Times Sports Editor

Wildcats, Vikes Rated Favorites

My football forecasting average, I'm happy to report, went up last week. It really wasn't much of a climb, but with my lowly record any improvement is welcome.

I picked 31 winners and missed on 10 of my guesses for a .756 mark. This added 22 points to my average for the season and it stands at 67-25-728.

Now for this week's offerings. Let's start with the high school games.



GLASSMAN

VALDOSTA VS BAINBRIDGE — Valdosta's Wildcats (3-0) will be shooting for their fourth straight win against the Bainbridge Bearcats who have a loss and a tie after a pair of starts. I'm picking 'Dosta.

LOWNDES VS WESTOVER — Lowndes' Vikings (1-2) and Westover's Patriots (0-2) will be meeting here Saturday night. The Vikes need a victory to reach the .500 level and I think they will get it tomorrow night.

BERRIEN VS CAMDEN

PREP ROUNDUP

4-AA South Boasts Five Unbeaten Teams

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

After all regular seasons were completed in 1970, there remained 12 undefeated high school football teams in all of Georgia—11 unbeaten and untied.

Of those 12, six remain without losses so far this season.

In 1970, Valdosta, R. E. Lee, Central-Macon, Dalton, Lakeside, Statesboro, Marist, Lakeshore, West Rome, Turner County (9-0-1), Warren County and Savannah Country Day went through unscathed before the playoffs began.

As mid-season approaches in 1971, Valdosta (4-0), Central-Macon (4-0), Statesboro (3-0), Lakeshore (3-0), West Rome (3-0) and Turner County (4-0) are unbeaten this season.

Reviewing all the regions for unbeaten teams reveals a startling fact about Region 4-AA-South. Five of the six teams in that region remain undefeated — Southwest De Kalb (4-0), Shamrock (3-0) Peachtree (3-0-1), St. Pius X

(3-0-1) and Westminster (2-0-1). Only Clarkston has lost, and the only losses the Angoras have suffered were a season-opener to Henderson, which appears to be a state championship contender in AAA, and Avondale, another AAA powerhouse.

CLASS AAA
1-Moultrie (3-0), Valdosta (4-0); 2-E. Central-Macon (4-0), Warner Robins (4-0); 2-W-Baker (4-0), Kendrick (4-0); 3(A)-Glynn Academy (3-0); (B)-Benedictine (4-0); 4-Laney (3-0), Elbert Co. (playing nonregion schedule, 4-0); 5-North Springs (3-0); 6-Griffin (2-0); 8-Clarke Central (2-0), Chamblee (2-0-1), Henderson (3-0).

CLASS AA
1-E-Camden Co. (3-0); 1-W-Cairo (3-0); 2-E-Statesboro (3-0); 2-W-Dodge Co. (4-0), Mary Persons (2-0-1); 3-E-Briarwood (3-0), Russell (3-0); 3-W-Lakeshore (3-0), Sandy Springs (2-0-1); 4-S-Peachtree (3-0-1), St. Pius X (3-0-1), Shamrock (3-0), SW DeKalb (4-0), Westminster (2-0-1); 5-North Fulton (3-0), Northside-Atlanta (3-0); 6-Dykes (4-0); 7-East Rome (4-0), West Rome (3-0); 8-Monroe Area (3-0).

CLASS A
1-Turner Co. (4-0); 2-Metter (3-0); 4-N-McEachern (4-0), Rockmart (4-0); 4-S-Carrollton (3-0), Manchester (3-0); 5-Norcross (3-0-1), Westwood (playing nonregion schedule, 3-0); 6-E-Jefferson (3-0); 6-W-Murray Co. (4-0), Pickens Co. (4-0).

CLASS B
1-Unadilla (3-0); 2-Brantley Co. (4-0); 3-Glenville (4-0), Southeast Bulloch (4-0); 4-Montgomery Co. (3-0); 5-Bowdon (4-0); 8-W-Lovett (4-0).

CLASS C
2-Mt. de Sales (3-0).

'Cats Still Lead Prep Grid Polls

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

High school football rankings were stable at the top this week, except in Class B play, where Southeast Bulloch's 21-6 upset of Wreans dropped Wreans from a first place tie to seventh.

Lovett, who bombed Riverside Military Academy of Gainesville 38-0 last week, held firmly to the No. 1 slot, reaping six first place ballots in voting by the Associated Press seven-

man panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

In Class AAA ball, the familiar lineup remains, with Valdosta taking seven first place ballots to strengthen its No. 1 ranking after smothering Crisp Co. 49-7.

The Wildcats have averaged 48 points in three games so far. Central of Macon displaced Lakeside of Atlanta in the No. 2 post after dumping Peach County 33-0.

Clarke Central of Athens broke into the top 10 at 8th place after upsetting high-ranking Gainesville, 14-7.

Gainesville had ranked third in Class AA ball before the defeat. This week the Red Elephants dropped to a 7th place tie with Southwest DeKalb, which broke into the top rankings after stopping Gordon of Decatur, 13-0.

West Rome and Dykes, both victors last week, tied for first place in Class AA, although West Rome polled four first place ballots to Dykes' one. Statesboro held second place after blanking Josey 13-0.

Cairo advanced from 9th place to 5th by upsetting 5th-ranked Fitzgerald 14-7. Fitzgerald dropped to an 8th place tie with Early County.

Powerful Carrollton still reigns in Class A football, although its game with West Rome last week was postponed. The Trojans attracted six first place ballots and led the nearest contender—Turner County—by 18 points.

The rankings are calculated on a descending point basis with a first place vote earning 10 points and a 10th place vote one.

Here's how the experts ranked Georgia contenders this week with points earned in parenthesis:

Class AAA: 1. Valdosta (70) 2. Macon Central (47) 3. Lakeside-Atlanta (43) 4. Kendrick-Columbus (39) 5. Dalton (30) 6. Warner Robins (29) 7. Richmond Academy-Augusta (25) 8. Benedictine-Savannah, Clarke Central-Athens (16) 9. Baker-Columbus, Moultrie (12) 10. Henderson (7).

Class AA: 1. West Rome, Dykes (56) 2. Statesboro (52) 3. North Fulton (35) 4. Lakeshore-College Park (27) 5. Cairo (24) 6. East Rome, Northside-Atlanta (16) 7. Southwest DeKalb, Gainesville (11) 8. Early County, Fitzgerald (9) 9. Clarkston, St. Pius (5), Monroe Area (5) 10. Westminster-Atlanta (4).

Class A: 1. Carrollton (60) 2. Turner County (42) 3. Metter (35) 4. McEachern, Irwin County (29) 5. Jefferson, (26) 7. Rockmart (25) 8. Bradwellville-Hinsville (12) 9. Vidalia, (10) 10. Manchester (8).

Class B: 1. Lovett (60) 2. Southeast Georgia State (55) 3. Eastbrook (41) 4. Central-Statesboro (33) 5. Glenville (23) 6. Dade County (20) 7. Brantley (19) 8. Buford, Monticello (11) 10. Savannah Country Day (10).

Summerlin-Sears Plans

ADEL — Mrs. William Edward Summerlin of Adel announces the engagement of her daughter, Virginia Neville Summerlin, to Willis Gordon Sears, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ford Sears of Valdosta.

The wedding will take place Nov. 26 at the home of the bride's mother.

The bride-elect, also the daughter of the late Mr. Summerlin, is the granddaughter of Mrs. Homer LaRue Parrish of Adel, the late Mr. Parrish, and Mrs. Clifton Mitchell of Martin and the late Mr. William A. Summerlin.

Miss Summerlin was graduated from Picken High School and Emory University. She received her master's degree of education from Valdosta State College.

The future groom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Napier and the late Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Sears, all of Valdosta.

Mr. Sears was graduated from Valdosta High School and Valdosta State College.



MISS VIRGINIA NEVILLE SUMMERLIN

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Features

...of People and Places

VIRGINIA CULPEPPER, Editor

I To Take Stand

I will give a try. Thank you.
COUNTING CALORIES

By
ABIGAIL VAN

DEAR COUNTING: Say, "Yes, that's all I'm going to eat. And the reason I'm so thin is because I DO watch

Tickets On Sale For VEA Series

Theatre goers here are to have a diversified program presented by the Valdosta Entertainment Association for the 1971-72 season, according to Art Smith, president.

Grand opera, a group of young singers, a humorous play and a portrayal of the famous Mark Twain are to make up the presentations.

Tickets for the series are to go on sale Monday at Mathis city auditorium, said Smith. The box office is to remain open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day next week.

"We think we've lined up an excellent series for the year," he said. "We were real fortunate to get these things. It's not only a case of what's available, but it's also a case of how much we can afford. Our budget this year is just a tad under \$12,000, so you can see we've got high priced and high quality entertainment."

Leading off the season is "La Boheme" presented in English by the Goldovsky Grand Opera on Oct. 25. The company is composed of 50 singers and orchestra and is the most expensive on the agenda.

The Young Americans are scheduled for Jan. 27, 1972.



ART SMITH
'Fortunate'

Forty young people are to sing and play the music Americans enjoy.

"This is similar to 'Up With People' which was here a few years ago," said Smith. "Although the performers are all young people, the music they present is the kind that appeals to all ages."

A popular Broadway musical "I Do, I Do," is on the calendar for Feb. 14. Jack and Sally Jenkins are cast as the husband and wife team in the warm and humorous story of a marriage of 50 years.

"And John Peeples, one of our board members, all but stood on his head to get this particular show lined up for

Party Parade

GCS Faculty Honored At Dinner

Dr. and Mrs. David L. Branch honored the faculty and fellow board members of Georgia Christian School last week at a buffet dinner. The dinner was held at their residence on Ramblewood Circle.

The tables, overlaid with satin cloths, held arrangements of fall flowers and

Heloise Hints

Some

Dear Heloise:

Do you ever have a bad day? I would love to know just one person who does. It would sure make me feel bet-

Valdosta, Bainbridge Battle Tonight

Georgia Prep Roundup

Could an offensive machine which has piled up 144 points in gaining three victories be worried about a winless opponent? You bet your life it could, if the team is Valdosta High.

The Valdosta prestige is such that every foe is shooting about 1,000 percent over its head in hopes of being the one to end that Wildcat win streak, which has been going since October of 1967.

Tift County was the last to defeat Valdosta and the only blemish since is a 26-26 championship tie with Athens last season.

"THERE ARE no soft spots. Ease up and you're knocked off," says coach Wright Bazemore. "But you don't have to tell these kids that. Oh sure, once in a while you have to remind them, but most realize the team's on the spot every time it steps out on that gridiron."

"Our kids aren't just working for themselves and the team, they're working for the entire school, the town and the county. Loving to give older and younger folks the best in football is urging enough for them."

Valdosta's foe tonight is Bainbridge and the Bearcats' head Coach J. B. Roland was at Valdosta for nine years as an aide to Bazemore.

Roland feels that having worked with Bazemore is not really an advantage. "It's not what he teaches the kids, it's how deep it sinks in," says Roland. "I'm a firm believer that Valdosta kids are born with the desire to play football for VHS and to win."

AND ROLAND is quick to point out that "A passer like Bounds (Stanley) and a catcher like Rome (Stanford) doesn't hurt Valdosta one little bit."

While the 1-AAA test is on at Valdosta's Cleveland Field, Moultrie set sails for Albany and a date with Dougherty. The Packers needed a 64-yard touchdown pass from Ray Golf to Steve Rea last week to squeeze past Tift County, but Coach Bud Willis' outfit appears to be which can come from behind if a comeback is needed.

Brunswick High is at home tonight with a real test in Savannah Benedictine. The visitors are riding high in its division of Region 3-AAA, but Carlton Jones, Chris Rhoads, Keith Campbell and company are determined to derail the BC express.

Cairo, fifth ranked in Class

MOULTRIE FACES ALBANY DOUGHERTY

AA, has a league date with Cook, but the Syrupmakers are at home with Freddy Pierce, their big gun, ready to chalk up another 2-AA triumph.

THE EIGHTH-ranked Class B Brantley County Herons goes to Patterson for a 2-B

session and sparking the 3-0 Herons should be Larry Lane, Paul Landford and David Able.

Clinch County, which became optimistic although on the losing end to AA Early County last week, is at home against Montgomery County. "Although we didn't score, the

kids fought to the end and they've proven they want to play this game of football," says Coach Jimmie Stewart.

Tonight's schedule with predicted winners in capital letters:

BROOKS at Appling
AMERICUS at Peach County
Bainbridge at VALDOSTA
BENEDICTINE at Brunswick
Berrien at CAMDEN
BRANTLEY at Patterson
Cook at CAIRO
Charlton at WARE COUNTY
Montgomery at CLINCH

Coffee at GROVES
Thomasville at CRISP
MOULTRIE at Dougherty
FITZGERALD at Irwin
Lyons at JEFF DAVIS
Jenkins at JESUP
Monroe at TIFT COUNTY
Pelham at WORTH COUNTY

SATURDAY

Central Thomasville at ALBANY
WAYCROSS at Tompkins
Last week's results: Eleven wins, two losses, 1 tie.
Season's results: 36 wins, nine losses, five ties.

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Valdosta Is Top Choice

By Associated Press

The familiar lineup dominates high school football rankings this week, although Southeast Bulloch's 21-6 upset of Wrens in Class B play dropped No. 1-ranked Wrens to seventh.

Atlanta Lovett, which was tied at the top ranking with Wrens last week, attracted six first place ballots to reign uncontested in the No. 1 slot after bombing Riverside Military Academy 38-0 last Friday.

VALDOSTA, which has averaged 48 points per game so far, strengthened its No. 1

ranking in Class AAA after smothering Crisp County, 49-7.

The Wildcats earned seven first-place ballots — a sweep — in voting by the Associated Press seven-man panel of sports writers and broadcasters.

Macon Central displaced Atlanta Lakeside in the No. 2 post after dumping Peach County, 33-0.

Clarke Central of Athens broke into the AAA top 10 at 8th place after upsetting high-ranking Gaineville, 14-7. Gainesville had ranked third in Class AA ball before the defeat.

THIS WEEK, the Red Elephants dropped to a seventh place tie with Southwest DeKalb.

West Rome and Atlanta Dykes tied for top ranking in Class AA, although West Rome attracted four first place ballots to advance after entering the top 10 last week. The Syrupmakers upset fifth-ranked Fitzgerald, 14-7, and moved up from ninth to fifth position.

The Carrollton Trojans earned six first place votes to remain on top of Class A play.

Here's how the experts ranked Georgia contenders this week with points earned in parenthesis:

Class AAA: 1. Valdosta, (70) 2. Macon-Central, (47) 3. Lakeside-Atlanta, (43) 4. Kendrick-Columbus, (37) 5. Dalton (30) 6. Warner Robins (29) 7. Richmond Academy-Augusta, (25) 8. Benedictine-Savannah, Clarke Central-Athens (16) 9. Baker-Columbus, Moultrie, (12) 10. Henderson (7).

Class AA: 1. West Rome, Dykes (54)

2. Statesboro (52) 3. North Fulton (35) 4. Lakeshore-College Park (27) 5. Cairo (24) 6. East Rome, Northside-Atlanta (16) 7. Southwest DeKalb, Gainesville (11) 8. Early County, Fitzgerald (9) 9. Clarkston, St. Pius (5), Monroe Area (5) 10. Westminster-Atlanta (4).

Class A: 1. Carrollton (60) 2. Turner County (42) 3. Metter (35) 4. McEachern (30) 5. Irwin County (29) 6. Jefferson Roswell (26) 7. Rockmart (25) 8. Bradwell Institute-Hinsville (12) 9. Vidalia Lithonia (10) 10. Manchester (8).

Class B: 1. Lovett (60) 2. Southeast Bulloch (51) 3. Eastbrook (41) 4. Central-Carrollton (29) 5. Glomville (23) 6. Dade County (22) 7. Wrens (20) 8. Brantley County (15) 9. Buford, Monticello (11) 10. Bowdon, Savannah Country Day (10).

Lowndes, 'Dosta Have Home Tilts

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There will be a full round of action for area high school football teams this coming weekend with Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings both playing at home.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats are to face coach J. B. Roland's Bainbridge Bearcats in a game set for Friday night here at Cleveland Field. On Sat-

AREA GRID SLATE
Friday
Bainbridge at Valdosta
Berrien at Camden
Brooks at Appling
Cook at Cairo
Montgomery at Clinch
Carter at Hamilton
Jax Tech at Madison
Saturday
Westover at Lowndes

urday night coach Noel George's Vikings are to host Westover's Patriots from Albany is a game to be played here at Martin Stadium.

Both Valdosta and Lowndes will be meeting Region 1-AAA foes.

In other games Friday involving area teams, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Camden County (Woodbine), Brooks County (Quitman) at Appling County (Baxley), Cook (Adel) at Cairo, Montgomery County (Mt. Vernon) at Clinch County (Homerville), Carter - Parramore at Hamilton County (Jasper Fla.) and Jacksonville (Fla) Tech at Madison, Fla.

Valdosta, which is atop the 1-AAA standings, will be gunning for its fourth straight win against Bainbridge. The 'Cats have trimmed Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7) and Crisp County (49-7). The Bearcats will bring an 0-1-1 mark into the game. They lost to Crisp (14-3) and played Thomasville Central to a 23-23 tie.

Lowndes, which has a 1-2 mark, will be trying to snap a two game losing skid against Westover Saturday night. The Vikes beat Central (20-6) in their opener, but since have bowed to highly regarded Moultrie (33-6) and Thomasville (38-13). Westover is 0-2 after falling to Albany 48-8) and Dougherty (26-0).

Berrien's Rebels will be getting their first taste of Region 1-AA (East) action when they go to Woodbine on Friday to meet the Camden Wildcats. The Rebs are 1-1-1 after three non-league starts. Camden, which is 2-0, will also be playing its first sub-region outing.

Brooks' unbeaten Trojans, who had an open date last

week, will be shooting for the third straight win when they tangle with Appling's Pirates (1-2) at Baxley. This will be a non-region affair.

Cook's Hornets (1-2) will face a rugged assignment when they go against Cairo's Syrupmakers (2-0) at Cairo. While they both belong to the same region, 1-AA, they campaign in different sub-divisions.

Clinch's winless (0-2) Panthers will be hosting Montgomery County's Eagles from Mt. Vernon. Hamilton's Trojans (1-0) will try for win number two when they host Carter-Parramore. Madison's Cougars (1-0) will be at home for a game with Jacksonville Tech.

Other games of interest follow:

FRIDAY — Americas at Peach, Benedictine at Brunswick, Brantley at Patterson, Jordan at Macon Central, Charlton at Ware, Coffee at Groves, Thomasville at Crisp, Moultrie at Dougherty, Early at Abbeville, Ala.

Fitzgerald at Irwin, Glynn at Andrew Jackson, Jenkins at Wayne, Spencer at Kendrick, Mitchell at Miller, Monroe at Tift, Warner Robins at Warner Robins Northside, Pelham at Worth and Seminole at Turner.

SATURDAY — Thomasville Central at Albany and Waycross at Tompkins.

PREP FOOTBALL

Name of Game: Offense

By **DAVID DAVIDSON**
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

It was the third weekend, in some cases the fourth, for prep football teams in Georgia, and the offenses were rolling, rolling, rolling.

For example, Mt. de Sales, ranked No. 1 The Journal's Class C Top Three Poll (the only unanimous No. 1 choice from the preseason poll to the present) stacked up 74 points in bombing East Coweta, 74-20.

That's not the half of it.

GLENNVILLE scored a 74-0 win over Emanuel Co. Institute, using its first team in the first half to build up a 30-0 lead, then in the third quarter to boost the margin to 60-0, before the subs took over to score the final 14 in the fourth quarter.

In a more modest, but still comfortable victory, Southeast Bulloch, ranked No. 2 in the Class B Top Ten, clouted Wadley, 60-12.

There were quite a few upsets on the prep scene, also. Henderson, although unbeaten, was rated a vast underdog to defending Class AAA champion Lakeside, but posted a 19-6 upset just the same.

No less shocking was Adairsville (No. 2 in Class C) defeating previously undefeated Eastbrook (No. 3 in Class B), with relative ease, 29-0. Come to find out, Adairsville's backfield outweighed Eastbrook's defensive line by about 20-pounds per man. Upset?

Avondale fell 14 points behind Clarkston before waking up to salvage a 17-14 victory.

Valdosta was held to its lowest point total of the year in a 28-0 win over Bainbridge. Only 13 points have been scored on Valdosta in four games.

ANOTHER UPSET: South Cobb, winless with only one



David Davidson

tie (against an Alabama team) scored a 17-14 win over Columbia.

R. E. Lee finally won a game, defeating Jonesboro, 44-0. Now maybe the Rebels are ready to contend with Griffin Friday night for what may be the decider in the Region 6-AAA race.

Moultrie, the perennial second-place finisher behind Valdosta in Region 1-AAA, escaped with a 15-14 win over surprising Dougherty.

Bowdon, ranked 10th in Class B, ripped the No. 7 team, Central-Carrollton, 14-0.

PLAYER OF THE WEEK nominees include:

—Tackle Floyd Mango of Cairo, who scored one TD on a tackle eligible pass and another by recovering a fumble in the end zone, sparking his team to a 21-0 win over Cook County.

—Ricky Harris of R. E. Lee, who scored four touchdowns and rushed for 194 yards in a 44-0 win over Jonesboro.

—Fred Anderson of Pickens Co., who scored four touchdowns and rushed for 282 yards on 27 carries in 35-6 win over North Hall.

—Mike Cox of Stephens County, who intercepted a fantastic five passes in 28-7 win over Seneca, S.C.

—Jack Husack of North Springs, who rushed for touchdowns of 48 and 18 yards, the second after blocking a punt.

—Happy Hayes of Sandy Springs, who intercepted two passes, recovered a fumble and ran a punt back for his team's only touchdown in a 7-0 win over Troup.

THE WINNER is Fred Anderson of Pickens County.

Coach of the week is Terry Sparks of Henderson, whose team still is unbeaten after a stunning 19-6 upset over Lakeside.

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Times Sports Editor

Lowndes, 'Dosta Wins Predicted

I managed to boost my season average ever so slightly with my football predictions last week.

In 33 games I picked the winner and in 12 I was wrong for a .733 mark. That added just two points to my total for the year and it now stands at 100-37—.730.

Starting with the high school games, here's the way I see them this week.

VALDOSTA VS ALBANY
—Valdosta's Wildcats (4-0) and Albany's Indians (2-1) will tangle in an important Region 1-AAA test at Albany. It will be the 'Cats' first road game in almost a month. My choice is Valdosta.

LOWNDES VS CRISP
—Lowndes' Vikings and Crisp County's Cougars from Cordele will carry matching 2-2 records into their game here tonight. This figures as a match-up between the Vikes' ground attack and the Cougars' air game. Crisp is favored, but I'm going to climb out on a limb and pick Lowndes to pull an upset.

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'Cats Still Top Prep Rate Chart

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Upsets rattled the high school football rankings this week, and so did several decisive victories by low-ranking teams.

Biggest to fall was Roswell, defending Class A champion and possessor of the No. 1 ranking before its opening game at Wills last week. Wills, which had not tasted victory in two years, stumped Roswell 7-6, knocking the North Georgia team down to a fifth-place tie with Lithonia.

Roswell did, however, earn one first-place vote. The rest went to Carrollton, which rose to No. 1 ranking by defeating Troup County 30-12.

In Class AAA ball, where Valdosta and Lakeside reaffirmed their No. 1 and No. 2 rankings with victories, Richmond Academy of Augusta took a tumble, losing 9-7 to North Augusta, S.C., and falling from

third to seventh place in the rankings. Powerful Central of Macon took over the No. 3 slot after crushing Baldwin 42-6. Kendrick of Columbus jumped two notches to fourth by thumping Carver of Columbus 36-0.

In Class AA play, big West Rome rose to No. 1 ranking by shutting out Class A contender Coosa 18-0. Dykes of Atlanta dropped to second, even though the Colts stopped East Atlanta 38-0.

First place votes were scattered, with West Rome and Dykes polling two each and Fitzgerald, ranked fifth, polling one.

In Class B football, Lovett and Wrens tied for the No. 1 ranking, even though Wrens polled only one first place vote and had to depend on its second-place votes.

The rankings are calculated each week from the votes of a seven-man panel of sports writers and broadcasters picked by The Associated Press. Each first place vote counts 10 points, a second-place vote nine, and so on.

Here's how The Associated Press panel ranked high school football teams this week, and the voting points each team earned:

Class AAA: 1. Valdosta (58) 2. Lakeside-Atlanta (42) 3. Macon-Central (35) 4. Kendrick-Columbus (33) 5. Dalton (31) 6. Warner Robins (30) 7. Richmond Academy-Augusta (22) 8. Benedictine-Savannah (15) 9. Moultrie (12), Baker-Columbus (12) 10. Waycross (5).

Class AA: 1. West Rome (46) 2. Dykes-Atlanta (43) 3. Gainesville (38) Statesboro (38) 4. North Fulton (26) 5. Fitzgerald (14) 6. Northside-Atlanta (11) 7. Lakeshore-College Park (10) 8. Early County (9), Cairo (7) 10. Shamrock-Decatur (6), Glenn Hills-Augusta (6), Marietta-Atlanta (6).

Class A: 1. Carrollton (49) 2. Mettler (41) 3. McEarchern (34) 4. Jefferson (25) 5. Lithonia (18), Roswell (18) 6. Turner County (15), Bradwell Institute (15), Rockmart (15) 7. Irwin County (11) 8. Lincoln County (10) 9. Warren County (6) 10. Harlem (4) Wilcox County (4).

Class B: 1. Lovett-Atlanta (49), Wrens (49) 2. Eastbrook (30) 3. Southeast Bulloch (27) 4. Dade County (26) 5. Central-Carrollton (21) 6. Savannah Country Day (19) 7. Branley County (13) 8. Monticello (7) 9. Glennville (6) 10. Hapeville (5), Pacific-Columbus (5).

Grid Glimpses

(See stories on pages 6 and 7)

Valdosta 28, Bainbridge 0

Valdosta's Wildcats drew 16 penalties, which cost them 130 yards, and had some other woes, but they trimmed Bainbridge's Bearcats to extend their unbeaten streak to four games.

Lowndes vs. Westover

Lowndes' Vikings and Westover's Patriots from Albany are to clash at 8 o'clock here tonight in a Region 1-AAA game at Martin Stadium on the LHS campus. The Vikes will carry a 1-2 mark into the game while the Pats have an 0-2 record.

Brooks O, Appling 0

Brooks County's powerful defense held Appling County's Pirates to just 20 yards in total offense, but the best the Trojans from Quitman could do was gain a tie.

Cairo 21, Cook 0

Cairo's unbeaten Syrupmakers limited Cook's Hornets to just 99 yards in total offense to cop this match between teams from different sub-divisions of Region 1-AA.

Camden 38, Berrien 0

Camden County's Wildcats turned three fumble recoveries and a pass interception into TDs as they trimmed Berrien's Rebels in this Region 1-AA (East) contest.

Madison 27, Jax Tech 0

Larry Adleburg had a hand in the scoring of three touchdowns as Madison's Cougars posted their second win by taming Jacksonville Tech's Mustangs.

Hamilton 27, Carter 0

Izell McLeod scored three times as he sparked Hamilton County's Trojans to an easy win over Carter-Parramore.

Montgomery 42, Clinch 0

Montgomery County's Eagles winged their way to three touchdowns in the first period and went on from there to defeat Clinch County's youthful Panthers.

Wildcats Cut Down Indians

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

ALBANY — Valdosta High's football Wildcats struck for a quick touchdown through the air and went on from there to chalk up a 41-8 victory over the Albany Indians here Friday night.

A crowd of 8,350 looked as coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats rolled to their fifth straight win,

STATISTICS	
	Valdosta Albany
First Downs	18 14
Yards Rushing	178 54
Yards Passing	244 125
Passes	12-24 12-34
Passes Int. by	4 1
Fumbles Lost	1 0
Punting	4-40 5-34.2
Penalties	10-110 3-25

which enabled them to hold on to first place in the Region 1-AAA title race.

For coach Ferrell Henry's Indians the loss leveled their record off at 2-2.

On the Wildcats' second offensive play of the game quarterback Stanley Bounds hit end Stanford Rome with a pass. The play clicked for 31 yards and a touchdown and VHS was off to the races.

Before the first stanza ended Bounds unleashed another aerial "bomb" to Rome. This one was good for 70 yards and another TD. The senior signal caller went on to score three times himself, on runs of 1, 6 and 5 yards. VHS' final tally came on a five-yard run by halfback James Savage. Linebacker Dick Parker set this one up by intercepting an Albany pass and returning it 55 yards to the Indians' 10.

Albany's lone touchdown came late in the second period on a 23-yard pass from quarterback Rich Howard to end Cleo Johnson.

"We're still making mistakes, the kind we shouldn't be making this late in the season," Bazemore said after the game, "but we played much better than we did last week against Bainbridge."



—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Robert Daniels (44) Pulls Away From Albany's Edward Benton

The Wildcats rolled up 422 yards (178 rushing and 244 passing) in total offense, while limiting Albany to 179 (54 rushing and 125 passing).

For the night Bounds hit on 11 of 20 passes for 228 yards and picked up 67 yards along the ground on 11 carries. Rome made six pass receptions which

accounted for 157 yards.

Fullbacks Pat O'Neal (4-50) and Robert McCaskill (7-35) were two other ground attack leaders.

The Wildcats' defensive leaders included end David Berrien, linebacker Ronald Daniels and deep back Gary Rowe, who each made four tackles.

VHS' stop'em unit intercepted four Albany passes. Parker nabbed two of them, Rome picked off one and Larry Richardson accounted for the other.

Besides accounted for Albany's only TD, the Howard-Johnson passing combination gave the Wildcats some other anxious moments.

For the night Howard hit on 10 of 31 tosses for 119 yards, but three of his aerials were intercepted. Johnson made nine catches for 101 yards.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 11-64, Robt. Daniels 3-17, O'Neal 4-50, Savage 1-5, McCaskill 7-34, Morrison 1-5, Whitfield 2-1, Beal 1-2; Albany — Howard 11-36, Godwin 2-2, Deiter 9-29, Baxter 2 minus 3, Dallas 3-4, Johnson 1-2, Stokes 2 minus 14.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 11-20-228, Parke 0-1-0, Hilton 2-3-16; Albany — Howard 11-31-119, Stokes 1-3-6.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 6-157, Robt. Daniels 2-47, Savage 2-21, Bradley 1 minus 2, Cobb 1-16; Albany — Johnson 9-101, Baxter 2-6, Deiter 1-11.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-3. Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-23; Albany — Dallas 2-29, Johnson 3-9, Gilmer 3-38.

Defense (Number of tackles): Valdosta — D. Berrien 4, Ron Daniels 4, Rowe 4, O. Netter 3, Payton 3, Irby 3, Welbon 3, G. Rountree 2, Griffin 2, Pompey 2, Richardson 2; Albany — Hayes 9, Payne 6, Benton 5, M. Dollar 5.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA
Ends: Rome, Griffin, Berrien, Demersseman, Berrien, Clarkston, Rountree, King, Cobb, Ladrow.

Tackles: Griffith, Cutchens, Johnson, Bradley, Irby, Mitchell, Wilbon, Moorehead.

Guards: Sullivan, Christian, Register, Massey, Earnest, Joseph, Lester, Franklin, Nikim.

Centers: Stanaland, Lore, Ronald Daniels, Scroggs, Howell.

Backs: Parker, Bounds, Bradley, Cane, Morrison, Richardson, R. Rountree, O. D. Netter, Rowe, Payton, O'Neal, Pompey, McCaskill, Savage, Robert Daniels, Hilton, Williams, Demps, Peterson, Goodin, Whitfield, Hutchins, Manuel.

ALBANY

Ends: Payne, Johnson, Hicks, Gilmore, Thomas, Tomlinson.

Tackles: Henningfield, Brock, Fletcher, Croom.

Guards: Spence.

Centers: Brisbois.

Backs: Hardin, Stokes, Howard, Dollar, O'Neal, Barto, Baxter, Dallas, Godwin, Deiter, Hayes, Benton, Islet, Hammond.

Score by Quarters:

Valdosta 14 14 13 0-41

Albany 0 8 0 0-8

Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — Bounds 3 (1 yd., 6 yd. and 5 yd. run), Rome 2 (31 yd. and 70 yd. passes from Bounds), Savage (5 yd. run); PATS — Parker 5 (placements); Albany — TD — Johnson (23 yd. pass from Howard), PATS — Thomas 2 (pass from Howard).

'Cats And Tribe Tangle At Albany

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be making their first road trip in almost a month when they go to Albany Friday night to meet Albany's Indians.

The Region 1-AAA duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Ferrell Henry's Indians is set for 8 p.m. at Albany's Mills Memorial Stadium.

Valdosta, with a 4-0 record, is atop the 1-AAA standings. Albany, with a 2-1 chart, is still very much in contention.

The 'Cats and Indians are traditional rivals and their series down through the years has produced a lot of close games and more than just a few upsets.

Valdosta's four triumphs this year have come over Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7) and Bainbridge (28-0). They opened their 1971 season with a game at Thomasville, and have played three straight contests at home since then.

Albany's victories have come over Westover (43-8) and Thomasville Central (6-0). The Tribes' lone loss was by a one-point (22-21) margin to Monroe.

"After three straight games at home, having to play on the road could make a big difference," Bazemore said. "Albany has a good football team and the Indians are always very tough when you have to play them on their field."

"Albany is going to be up for us. We've got to be ready and we've got to play better than we did against Bainbridge or we're going to be in serious trouble."

The Tribe has a strong and balanced attack led by quarterback Rich Howard and halfbacks Ted Deiter and Steve Hardin.

Howard has hit on 16 of 38 passes for 311 yards. Hardin has picked up 200 yards on 40 carries and Deiter, who missed the Central game with an in-



—Times Staff Photo

Wildcats' Leading Receiver Stanford Rome

jury, has carried 28 times for 187 yards. Two of Howard's favorite aerial targets are end Cleo Johnson, who has made eight catches for 200 yards, and Deiter, who has hauled in seven passes for 78 yards.

Valdosta's defensive unit, which has blanked two foes and allowed just 14 points in four games, can expect to have a busy night.

The 'Cats' offensive unit, which has racked up 173 points, is led by senior quarterback Stanley Bounds. He's hit on 36

of 72 passes for 714 yards and has made 210 yards along the ground on 25 carries. Valdosta's leading receiver is sophomore sprint end Stanford Rome. He's made 11 grabs for 299 yards.

Valdosta's and Albany's probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), center Steve Stanaland (220, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).

Defense — ends David Berrien (170, r.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Bobby Brantley (200, jr.) and Gary Irby (200, jr.), middle guard Freddy Welbon (250, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (170, sr.), inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Donald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (180, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.).

ALBANY

Offense — ends Cleo Johnson (160, sr.) and Robby Tomlinson (175, sr.), tackles Brockery Brock (240, sr.) and Craig Henningfield (230, sr.), guards Ricky Spence (170, sr.) and Clarence Isler (180, sr.), center David Brisbois (175, sr.), quarterback Rick Howard (180, sr.), halfbacks Steve Hardin (190, sr.) and Ted Deiter (160, sr.) and fullback Jay Dallas (150, jr.).

Defense — ends John Payne (170, sr.) and Marty Thomas (170, jr.), tackles David Fletcher (195, jr.) and Bob Gilmore (185, sr.), middle guard Craig Henning (230, sr.), linebackers Mike Dollar (165, sr.), Ed Benton (190, sr.) and Larry Hayes (150, jr.), corner backs Kevin O'Neal (160, sr.) and Johnson and Steve Hardin.

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Times Sports Editor

VHS, Dougherty Seen As Victors

Would you believe that my football prediction average took another surge upward last week? Well, it's a mystery to me why it happened — but it did.

I was right about 39 of the games I tried to forecast and wrong about nine for a weekly mark of .813. That added 19 points to my average for the season and it is now 175-54—769.

Knowing full well that a good performance last time doesn't guarantee me continued success this week, here are my latest guesses. We'll start with the high school slate.

VALDOSTA VS. MOULTRIE — Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers will renew an ancient series when they clash here tonight. Both have perfect 5-0 records and they will be battling for undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings. This looms as a very big test for the 'Cats. I think they will triumph.

LOWNDES VS DOUGHERTY — Lowndes' Vikings (3-3) and Dougherty's Trojans (2-4) are to meet Saturday night at Albany. This looks like an even match. Dougherty will have the home field advantage. I'm going to give the nod to the Trojans, but I'll be rooting for the Vikes to prove my prediction wrong by winning.



GLASSMAN

Vikes Host Crisp; 'Dosta At Albany

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Lowndes' Vikings will be at home while Valdosta's Wildcats must travel in two of seven area high school football games scheduled for Friday night.

Coach Noel George's Vikes will be hosting coach Tom Avret's Crisp County Cougars from

Friday
Crisp at Lowndes
Valdosta at Albany
Brooks at Worth
Appling at Berrien
Patterson at Clinch
Hamilton at Famu
Madison at Baker Co.
Cook—open date

Crisp (49-7) and Bainbridge (28-0). Albany has beaten Westover (43-8) and Thomasville Central (6-0) while dropping a 22-21 decision to Monroe.

Lowndes' Vikings and Crisp's Cougars will put matching 2-2 records on the line in their game here. The Vikes have beaten Central (20-6) and Westover (45-6) while bowing to Moultrie (32-6) and Thomasville (38-13). Crisp has defeated Tift County (21-6) and Bainbridge (14-3). The Cougars have lost to Valdosta (49-7) and Thomasville (20-7).

east, Westover at Thomasville Central, Lake City at Coffee, Irwin at Seminole, Ware at Jeff Davis, Jordan at Warner Robins Northside and Miller at Pelham.

Saturday — Warner Robins at Columbus and Moultrie at Monroe.



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Wednesday

Brooks' Trojans (2-0-1) and Worth's Rams (1-2-1) will hook up in a Region 1-AA (West) affair. It will be the first subdivision test for both teams.

Berrien's Rebels (1-2-1) and Appling's Pirates (1-3) are Region 1-AA (East) rivals. Both are 0-1 in league play.

Clinch's Panthers and Patterson's Eagles are both 0-3 in all games and 0-1 in Region 2-B play.

Hamilton's Trojans will be going for their third straight win against Famu High's Rattler at Tallahassee. Madison's Cougars will also be trying for victory number three when they host Baker County.

Other games of interest this weekend include the following:

Friday — Arnold at Waycross, Charlton at Atkinson, Bacon at Meter, Dougherty at Bainbridge, Tompkins at Benedictine, Turner at Blackshear, Telfair at Brantley, Wayne at Brunswick, Cairo at Mitchell.

Camden at Fitzgerald, Macon Central at Macon North

Both Unbeaten

'Cats Duel Pack For Lead

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers, a pair of traditional rivals with perfect records, are to clash here Friday night in a Region 1-AAA high school football game which is attracting state wide attention.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and Bud Willis' Packers is slated for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field. Fan interest is sky high and a capacity crowd of more than 9,000 is expected.

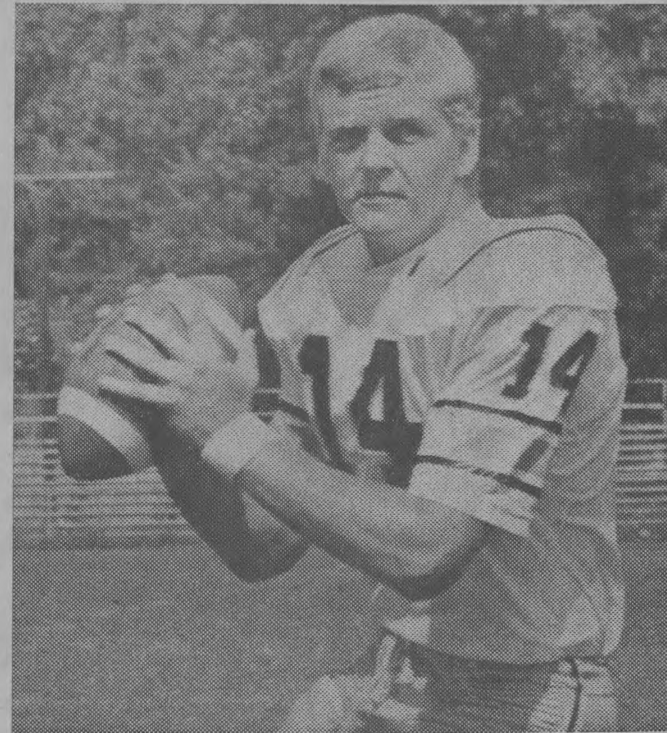
What's at stake is undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings. Right now the 'Cats and Packers share the top spot with identical 5-0 charts. They're the only two teams in the league to make it this far without a loss and both are ranked among the top-10 class AAA prep teams in the state.

Last year they met at Moultrie under similar circumstances and the 'Cats came away with a hard-earned, 19-12, victory. That means the Pack will come to town tomorrow night with revenge on their minds.

"What we're going to be playing tomorrow night is a typical Moultrie team," VHS grid boss Bazemore said. "That means they're well coached, they have good size, they are exceptionally fast, they have balance and they will bust you wide open."

"Our players can look at Moultrie's record and tell for themselves that it is a team which is far superior in every way to anyone we've faced so far."

The team statistics on both the 'Cats and Packers are eye poppers. VHS has scored 214 points, while allowing 22. The 'Cats have averaged 409 yards per game on offense and 163 on defense. Moultrie has accounted for 137 points and yielded only 55. The Pack is averaging 305.6 yards per outing on offense and



—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Triple-Duty Performer Dick Parker

owns the best pass defense in the region, permitting just 74 yards a game through the air.

Valdosta's attack will be led by quarterback Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 46 of 87 tosses for 909 yards and his picked up 261 yards along the ground on 36 carries. His favorite aerial target is split end Stanford Rome, who has made 22 catches for 530 yards. Other VHS rushing leaders include fullback Pat O'Neal (28-138) and halfback Robert Daniels (27-137).

Moultrie is sparked by multi-talented quarterback Ray Goff. He has hit on 36 of 79 tosses for 612 yards and has gained 138 yards along the ground on 28 carries.

The Packers leading rushers are a pair of swifties named Florazel Lamar and Donnie Moore. Lamar has galloped for 283 yards on 46 tries and Moore

has picked up 173 yards on 47 carries. Among Moultrie's sure-handed receivers are end Steve Rea and wingback Freddie Hammock.

It all adds up to what is sure to be a very busy night for the Wildcats, especially on defense. Bazemore plans some changes in the starting lineup for the VHS stop'em unit. It is expected to look like this: ends David Berrien and O. D. Netter, tackles Steve Stanaland and Freddy Welbon, middle guard Gary Irby or Arthus Massey, linebackers Dick Parker, Edwin Pompey, Jim Clarkston and Ronald Daniels and deep backs Gary Rowe and Alvin Payton.

Parker is a triple-duty man for the Wildcats. In addition to linebacker, he has also played quite a bit on offense at quarterback and he is the Wildcats' extra point kicker.

In one other major change, end Scott Griffin has been moved from defense to offense. The full list of probable starters for Valdosta and Moultrie are as follows:

VALDOSTA

Offense — Ends Rom (190, soph.) and Griffin (175, jr.) or George Rountree (175, jr.), tackles Paul Demersman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), quarterback Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robt. Daniels (190, soph.) and Clifford Bradley (150, sr.) or James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).

Defense — Ends Berrien (170, jr.) and Netter (170, sr.), tackles Stanaland (220, sr.) and Welbon (250, soph.), middle guard Irby (200, jr.) or Massey (170, soph.), linebackers Pompey (185, sr.), Parker (170, sr.), Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ron Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Payton (170, sr.) and Rowe (180, jr.).

MOULTRIE

Offense — ends Kirby Clark (175, jr.) and Rea (170, sr.), tackles Bobby Ehrig (190, jr.) and Bruce Sears (185, sr.) guards Wayne Lively (160, sr.) and David Lurham (190, sr.), center Randy Adams (180, jr.), quarterback Goff (190, jr.), halfback Moore (175, jr.), wingback Hammock (180, sr.) and tailback Lamar (150, jr.).

Defense — ends Eddie McIntyre (160, jr.) and Bobby Ehrig (190, jr.), tackles Alex Williams (190, jr.) and Clarence McWilliams (190, sr.), middle guard John Burrows (205, sr.), linebackers Mike White (155, jr.), Ricky Willis (155, jr.) and Wayne Burrows (190, sr.), corner backs Greg Jackson (160, sr.) and Marty Hammock (165, jr.) and Safety Frank Horkan (150, sr.).

Dosta Hits Road, Vikes Host Crisp

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Lowndes will host Crisp County while Valdosta hits the road to meet Albany in the top attractions on tonight's area high school football schedule.

Coach Noel George's Vikings and coach Tom Avret's Crisp Cougars from Cordele are to tangle in a game set for 8 o'clock here tonight at Martin Stadium.

Meanwhile, coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats are to go against coach Ferrell Henry's Albany Indians in a contest starting at 8 p.m. at

Albany's Mills Memorial Stadium. Both games will be Region 1-AAA affairs.

In other games tonight involving area teams, Brooks County (Quitman) will be at Worth County (Sylvester), Appling County (Baxley) at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Patterson at Clinch County (Homerville), Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Famu High (Tallahassee, Fla.) and Madison, Fla., at Baker County (Macclenny, Fla.).

One area representative, Cook of Adel, has an open date and will be idle tonight.

Valdosta is 4-0 and has the lead in Region 1-AAA, Albany, a traditional rival, has a 2-1 chart and is still very much in contention. The game will be the first on the road for the 'Cats in almost a month.

Lowndes and Crisp will carry matching 2-2 records into their contest here tonight. The Vikes' chief offensive weapon is a strong ground attack. Crisp has a potent air game, led by quarterback Danny Blizzard.

Brooks' Trojans (2-0-1) and Worth's Rams (1-2-1) will both be getting their first taste of Region 1-AA (West) action at Sylvester.

Berrien's Rebels (1-2-1) will be hosting Appling's Pirates (1-3) in a 1-AA (East) test. Both are 0-1 in league play. Clinch's youthful Panthers and

Patterson's Eagles are both winless after three starts. They are Region 2-B rivals.

Hamilton's Trojans and Madison's Cougars will both be aiming for their third triumphs when they meet, respectively, Famu High and Baker County.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members are as follows:

1-AAA		
Team	Record	Points
Valdosta	4-0-0	173-14
Moultrie	3-0-0	69-34
Monroe	3-1-0	86-49
Thomasville	3-1-1	71-76
Albany	2-1-0	70-30
Crisp County	2-2-0	49-78
Dougherty	2-2-0	57-78
Lowndes	2-2-0	94-83
Bainbridge	2-0-1	26-45
Central	0-3-1	29-93
Tift	0-3-1	48-73
Westover	0-3-0	14-117

1-AA (EAST)		Region Overall	
Camden Co.	1-0-0	3-0-0	
Ware Co.	1-0-0	3-1-0	
Fitzgerald	0-0-0	2-1-0	
Jeff Davis	0-0-0	1-2-0	
Cook	0-0-0	1-3-0	
Appling Co.	0-1-0	1-2-1	
Berrien	0-1-0	1-2-1	

1-AA (WEST)		Region Overall	
Cairo	0-0-0	3-0-0	
Early Co.	0-0-0	4-1-0	
Brooks Co.	0-0-0	2-0-1	
Worth Co.	0-0-0	1-2-1	
Americus	0-0-0	1-3-0	
Mitchell Co.	0-0-0	1-3-0	

2B		Region Overall	
Brantley Co.	2-0-0	4-0-0	
Chatham Co.	0-0-0	0-4-0	
Atkinson Co.	1-1-0	1-2-0	
Blackshear	0-1-0	0-3-0	
Clinch Co.	0-1-0	0-3-0	
Patterson	0-1-0	0-3-0	

Air Force trainer Jim Conboy has seen every Falcon football game since the team began playing in 1955.

VALDOSTA VS. MOULTRIE

1-AAA Title On the Line

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

Until it reaches the playoffs (which, incidently, happens almost every year), Valdosta usually can depend upon having only one serious competitor to the Region 1-AAA championship—Moultrie.

And eight of the last 10 years Moultrie has placed second to Valdosta in the final standings. Before the season began, Moultrie coach Virgil "Bud" Willis likened finishing second to being "a bridesmaid."

Moultrie's only loss in 1970 was a 19-12 decision to Valdosta.

Friday night, Moultrie must travel to Valdosta in the top prep football game of the week. The Packers have the bridesmaid's roll down pat after playing the part to these many years. VALDOSTA.

In a top interclassification game this week, Carrollton, ranked No. 1 in Class A, visits Bowdon, No. 6 in Class B. Both

teams are undefeated, Carrollton sporting a perfect 5-0 record, and Bowdon with a 5-0-1.

Checking the record, Carrollton defeated Central of Carrollton, 29-14, while Bowdon beat the same team by a 14-0 margin, the only common opponent. Bowdon recorded five straight shutouts (including a 0-0 tie against Haralson Co. on Oct. 1, before giving up a touchdown to Woodland, Ala., last weekend, while averaging only just over seven points per game until exploding for 39 against Woodland. But size and numbers will pay off for the Class A team. CARROLLTON.

In Region 4-AA South, the drama continues. This week, unbeaten and only once-scored-upon Shamrock visits the favorite to win the title—Westminster. Although having recorded four straight shutouts after a 20-8 season-opening win over Briarcliff, Shamrock's schedule has not been nearly on the par of Westminster's, and it will show. WESTMINSTER.

Top Game: Valdosta-Moultrie Showdown, Naturally

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer
"Only game in town," could be the billing for tonight's Moultrie-Valdosta showdown at Cleveland Field in Valdosta.

which will definitely give Region 1-AAA an undisputed leader.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and Bud Willis' Packers are both 5-0 and are 1-2 in both offense and defense with VHS the leader in both.

But don't go trying to sell Jesup or Glynn Academy that their battles isn't the greatest. This one will go a long way in settling who's who in the A division of Region 3-AAA. Both are undefeated in the division, but Jesup lost its season opener to Waycross while Glynn was tying Brunswick High the same night.

Brantley County High, one of the biggest grid surprises of the year, moves out after victory No. 7 at the expense of winless Clinch County.

Waycross, which still has an outside chance at the B division title of 3-AAA, intends to keep within catching distance of Benedictine by entertaining Savannah Groves.

The Valdosta-Moultrie affair could very easily turn into an aerial conflict with Ray Goff tossing for Moultrie and Stanley Bounds for Valdosta.

Bounds rewrote the 1-AAA

passing book last fall and is redoing it again this time around. But, Bounds and his

Wildcat mates will be up against one of the tightest aerial defenses in Georgia.

Cairo, will attempt to uphold Georgia's prestige tonight in a visit to Quincy,

Fla. for an inter-state test against Shanks High, which was defeated for the first

time last Friday. "A rebounding club could really trouble," says Jeff McCord,

who is in his second year as head man of the Syrupmakers.

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'Cats Host Pack; Vikes To Travel

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings will be up for grabs when Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers clash here Friday night.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats and coach Bud Willis' Packers, a pair of traditional

(34-7). Lowndes' Vikings will carry a 3-3 record into the game with Dougherty at Albany on Saturday night. The Trojans own a 2-4 mark. The Vikes have licked Central (20-6), Westover (45-6) and Crisp (25-15), while bowing to Moultrie (33-6), Thomasville (38-13) and Tift (6-0).

Berrien's Rebels, who have 2-3-1 and 1-2 charts, will be meeting Fitzgerald's Hurricanes, who are 4-1 and 1-0, in a Region 1-AA (East) test at Nashville.

Brooks' Trojans, who have four wins and a tie after five starts, will host an Irwin team which has a 3-2 mark. This game at Quitman will be a non-league affair.

Cook's Hornets, who are 2-3 and 1-0, will be shooting for their second 1-AA (East) victory when they take on, Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets, 1-4 and 0-1, at Hazlehurst.

Clinch's Panthers, 0-5 and 0-3, will be meeting Brantley's Herons, 5-1 and 1-1, in a Region 2-B outing at Nahunta.

Hamilton's Trojans will put a 3-1 record on the line when they host Bulholtz. Madison's Cougars will carry a 3-1 mark into their game at Santa Fe.

Other games of interest include the following:

FRIDAY — Albany at Tift, Mitchell at Americus, Camden at Appling, Richmond at Aquinas, Wheeler at Atkinson, Bainbridge at Thomasville, Blackshear at Charlton, Cairo at Quincy, Fla., Crisp at Thomas-

ville Central, Coffee at Ware.

Early at Worth, Glynn at Wayne, Broves at Waycross, Miller at Turner, Monroe at Westover, Patterson at Montgomery, Macon Northeast at Warner Robins, Seminole at Pelham and Randolph at Terrell.

Packers, 'Cats Renew Rivalry

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer

There'll be at least one less among Georgia's perfect grid ranks as Moultrie and Valdosta put their 5-0 records on the line in Valdosta's Cleveland Field Friday night.

This isn't the first time the two have entered the bitter 1-AAA rivalry with perfect marks. But never has Moultrie come out on top when both were undefeated.

The last time the Packers upended the Wildcats was in 1967, one of the very few years Valdosta finished among the also rans.

Somewhat of a surprise in the unbeaten in South Georgia is Glynn Academy. The Red Terrors have polished off four foes and the only blemish is a 6-6 opening game deadlock with Brunswick High, in a game which does not count in league standings.

Another eyebrow-raiser in the South Georgia area is the 6-0 record Brantley has posted in 2-B. The Herons, who are only in their third year of football although annually rated as a basketball power, have used scoring versatility plus a solid defense for their gaudy mark.

Cairo, in its second year under Coach Jeff McCord, was expected to have a good season and is doing just that with its current 5-0 showing. The Syrupmakers are travel-

ing cross the border Friday night for renewal of its ancient rivalry with Quincy Shanks on Florida soil. The South Georgia Standings:

Region	Overall	Pts	F-A
Valdosta	5-0-0	5-0-0	214-22
Moultrie	5-0-0	5-0-0	102-41
Thomasville	3-1-1	3-1-1	102-47
Monroe	3-2-0	3-2-0	86-49
Albany	3-2-0	3-2-0	104-65
Crisp County	3-3-0	3-3-0	71-104
Lowndes	3-3-0	3-3-0	110-74
Dougherty	2-3-0	2-3-0	64-68
Bainbridge	1-3-1	1-3-1	53-99
Tift County	1-3-1	1-3-1	54-73
Westover	1-4-0	1-4-0	21-147
Central T'ville	0-5-1	0-5-1	36-124
3-AAA A			
Glynn Academy	4-0-0	4-0-1	65-19
Wayne County	2-0-0	2-0-0	142-71
Savannah	3-1-0	4-2-0	114-36
Windsor Forest	2-1-0	3-3-0	95-59
Beech	1-4-0	1-5-0	77-157
Johnson	1-4-0	1-5-0	38-120
Arnold	0-5-0	0-6-0	39-167
3-AAA B			
Benedictine	4-0-0	6-0-0	106-44
Groves	3-0-0	5-1-0	101-49
Waycross	2-1-0	5-1-0	115-36
Jenkins	2-1-0	3-3-0	60-46
Brunswick	2-2-0	2-3-1	67-96
Coffee	0-4-0	0-6-0	38-134
Tomkins	0-5-0	0-6-0	20-97
1-AA East			
Ware County	3-0-0	5-1-0	151-68
Fitzgerald	1-0-0	4-1-0	108-52
Cook	1-0-0	2-3-0	90-42
Camden County	1-2-0	2-2-0	119-28
Serrain	1-2-0	2-3-1	53-92
Jeff Davis	0-1-0	1-4-0	50-126
Appling Co.	0-2-0	1-2-1	43-75
1-AA West			
Cairo	2-0-0	5-0-0	155-23
Brooks County	1-0-0	4-1-0	74-6
Early County	1-0-0	4-1-0	135-37
Americus	0-0-0	1-4-0	39-123
Mitchell Co.	0-2-0	1-5-0	30-167
Worth County	0-2-0	1-4-1	44-37
X-Randolph County	2-2-0	2-2-0	52-89
X-Terrell County	1-2-1	1-2-1	84-108
1-A South			
Turner Co.	2-0-0	5-0-0	154-0
Seminole Co.	2-1-0	3-2-0	63-30
Irwin Co.	1-1-0	3-2-0	65-46
Pelham	1-1-0	2-2-0	43-108
Miller Co.	0-3-0	0-6-0	40-142
X-Lee County	4-2-0	1-4-0	143-93
X-Calhoun County	0-1-0	1-1-0	8-39
2-A			
Metter	2-0-0	5-0-0	145-18
Bradwell Inst.	2-0-0	4-1-0	164-20
Claiborn	1-0-0	2-2-0	48-48
Vadale	1-0-0	4-1-0	141-33
Reidsville	0-2-0	1-4-0	40-100
Bacon Co.	0-3-0	1-5-0	20-208
2-B			
Blantley Co.	3-0-0	6-0-0	126-33
Charlton Co.	2-0-0	2-4-0	75-113
Patterson	1-1-0	2-3-0	45-46
Blackshear	1-1-0	1-4-0	32-142
Atkinson Co.	1-3-0	1-4-0	72-96
Clinch Co.	0-3-0	0-4-0	14-223

Glassman
Times Sports Editor

'Dosta, Moultrie Staged Thriller

Valdosta High's head football coach Wright Bazemore walked slowly through the door of his office, eased himself into a chair and gave a big sigh of relief.

This was the scene last Friday night just after Baze's Wildcats had trimmed Moultrie's Packers, 42-21, in one of the widest offensive shows staged at Cleveland Field in quite a spell.



"You're always glad to win those kind any way you can and certainly by any score," Bazemore said, as a smile began to spread across his face. "Some of our fans had been complaining because we hadn't been in any close games. Well, that one tonight should satisfy them."

The final score doesn't really tell the full story of the game. Three times the 'Cats took the lead and three times Moultrie came roaring back to deadlock the count. It was 21-21 until VHS broke the deadlock for good with a long scoring pass late in the third stanza.

As for offensive fireworks, they were something else. Valdosta ripped for 335 yards along the ground and quarterback Stanley Bounds hit on 9 of 24 passes for 185 aerial yards. End Stanford Rome made seven catches for 120 yards.

VHS' rusing leaders included halfback Robert Daniels (9-112), fullback Pat O'Neal (9-99), fullback Robert McCaskill (10-67) and Bounds (12-45).

Blocking Sharp

The blocking in Valdosta's offensive line both on pass and running plays was very sharp. That group includes Paul Demersseman, Wade Johnson, Sidney Earnest, Calvin Lester, Steve Stanaland, Paul Lore, David Register, Robert Joseph, George Rountree and Scott Griffin.

While VHS' defensive unit contained Moultrie's potent running game (the Packers got just 57 yards along the ground) junior quarterback Ray Goff had a field day with his passes, hitting on 18 of 36 tosses for 321 yards. End Steve Rea hauled in 10 of Goff's pitches for 216 yards. All three of Moultrie's TDs came through the air lanes.

"We knew Moultrie could move the football and could score and that's exactly what they did," Bazemore said. "Goff is a fine passer and that Rea is an excellent receiver. They were running their pass patterns well, but that was obvious."

888 Yards, 63 Points

The two teams, between them, generated 888 yards (510 for Valdosta and 378 for Moultrie) in total offense and scored a combined total of 63 points. Believe me they both moved the pigskin.

"We had our troubles, lots of them," Bazemore said. "But our players kept their poise and they kept battling — and that's what it takes to win. I'm proud of them, all of them."

You can be sure that if the 'Cats hadn't already realized it they now know for sure that any night they step out on the field it's a brand new deal and that the game can go either way.

The triumph over Moultrie, which was the 'Cats' sixth in a row, was certainly an important one. It gave them undisputed possession of first place in the Region 1-AAA standings and knocked the previously unbeaten Pack out of a tie for the top spot.

But VHS still has four more regular season games to play and, as Baze will tell you quickly, nothing is ever certain in the world of football.

Tonight's schedule with predicted winners in capital letters:
Albany at TIFT COUNTY
Mitchell at AMERICUS
CAMDEN at Appling County
Wheeler at ATKINSON COUNTY
Bacon at WILLIAM JAMES
Bainbridge at THOMASVILLE
FITZGERALD at Berrien
Blackshear at CHARLTON
Crisp at BRANTLEY COUNTY
Irwin at BROOKS COUNTY
Jenkins at BRUNSWICK
CAIRO at Quincy, Fla.
CRISP at Central Thomasville
Coffee at WARE COUNTY
COOK at Jeff Davis
Early at WORTH COUNTY
GLYNN at Jesup
Groves at WAYCROSS
Patterson at MONTGOMERY
Moultrie at VALDOSTA

Conference Fray Won By Madison

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SANTE FE, Fla. —Madison's Cougars struck for two touchdowns, one through the air and another along the ground, to defeat the Santa Fe Raiders, 13-6, in a North Florida Crown Conference football game here Friday night.

With the win coach Ron Peterson's Cougars boosted their

STATISTICS		Madison	SF
First Downs	.....	6	12
Yards Rushing	.....	59	19
Yards Passing	.....	45	145
Passes	.....	3-11	13-27
Passes Intc. by	.....	3	1
Fumbles Lost	.....	2	1
Punting	.....	5-44	5-29
Penalties	.....	6-75	6-70

overall record to 4-1 and leveled their conference mark off at 2-1. Sante Fe is now 2-2 in all games.

After a scoreless first period the Cougars got their first touchdown in the second stanza.

A 52-yard drive was climaxed by a five-yard touchdown pass from Otto Haynes to Larry Pride.

In the third period Madison increased its lead with another

TD. This one came on a run of 12 yards by Willie Nicholson after a 35-yard drive.

Santa Fe didn't have enough to pull the game out of the fire, but the Raiders did avoid a shutout with a tally in the final stanza.

The home team drove 57 yards and got a TD on a two-yard pass from Joe Miller to Dwayne Alexander.

Nicholson was Madison's leading rusher with 38 yards on 16 carries.

But it was the Cougars defense which made the big difference and the stop'em crew leaders included Albert Joseph, who made five solo tackles and 14 assists, and Emanuel McGee, who made three solo stops and was in on 12 other tackles.

Score by Quarters:

Madison	.....	0	6	7	0-13
Santa Fe	.....	0	0	0	6-6

Panthers Cut Down By Herons

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NAHUNTA — A second quarter scoring surge led Brantley County's Herons to a 46-6 victory over Clinch County's Panthers in a Region 2-B high school football game here Friday night.

The Herons scored 26 points in the quarter to push their half-time lead to 40-0 enroute to

STATISTICS		Clinch	Brantley
First Downs	.....	5	11
Yards Rushing	.....	91	152
Yards Passing	.....	118	92
Passes	.....	4-19	3-6
Passes Intc. by	.....	1	1
Fumbles Lost	.....	3	1
Punting	.....	5-30	1-35
Penalties	.....	2-10	8-80

handing coach Jimmy Stewart's Panthers their sixth loss in as many starts. The Herons are now 6-0.

Scoring touchdowns for Brantley were Robert Thomas, on runs of two yards and 10 yards; Rickey Carracker on a 32-yard pass from Thomas, and a 60-yard pass from Franklin Lee; Larry Blane on a 32-yard run; Davey Able on a 35-yard pass interception return; and Kenny Johnson on a three-yard run.

Clinch's one scoring drive



—Times Staff Photo

Brooks County's Buddy Holwell (15) Latches On To Irwin Running Back

Lone Touchdown Does In Brooks

QUITMAN — Kenneth Moses should be a well known name around Quitman today. The name belongs to the running back who led Irwin County's Indians to their only touchdown and a 6-0 win over Brooks County's Trojans.

Coach Conrad Harris' Trojans suffered their first loss of

the season in the non-region battle here last night, and as most expected, it was a defensive show.

The defeat by the Region 1-A Tribe left the Trojans with a

1-1 record.

Since Brooks campaigns in Region 1-AA (West) and Irwin in Region 1-A, the game won't count in league standings for either team.

Offensively the Indians stayed in control with eight first downs to Brooks' three and 168 yards rushing to 29 for the Trojans.

Score by Quarters:

Irwin	.....	0	6	0	0-6
Brooks	.....	0	0	0	0-0

ed a Tribe fumble and ran 10 yards to the 13. But the drive died there.

Score by Quarters:

Irwin	.....	0	6	0	0-6
Brooks	.....	0	0	0	0-0

Rebs Can't Handle Luke And Roberts

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

NASHVILLE, Ga. — Eddie Luke and Leo Roberts turned up as the top players of the night, and because of them,

the season in the non-region battle here last night, and as most expected, it was a defensive show.

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Cook Is Winner Over League Foe

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HAZELHURST — Cook's Hornets waited until the third quarter to do all their scoring, but that was enough to bring them from behind to a 14-9 victory over Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets in a Region 1-AA (East) grid battle here Friday night.

Coach Bobby Phillips' Hornets scored two touchdowns in the last two minutes of the third

STATISTICS		Cook	J. Davis
First Downs	.....	11	5
Yards Rushing	.....	267	42
Yards Passing	.....	18	12
Passes	.....	2-6	1-6
Passes Intc. by	.....	2	2
Fumbles Lost	.....	2	3
Punting	.....	5-39	6-28
Penalties	.....	13-115	8-60

quarter to win and even their overall record a 3-3 and remain undefeated in league matches after two games.

The loss left the Jackets with 1-5 and 0-2 records.

Jeff Davis' Jerry Sirmans started things off for the Hazelhurst crew, when he recovered a Cook fumble on the Adel team's 35 in the first period. Eight plays later he scored on a two-yard run.

Cook's Thomas Shaw blocked the PAT attempt and Jeff Davis led 6-0.

In the second quarter the home team added three more points for good measure when Marlin O'Brien kicked a 25-

yard field goal to end a 56-yard drive.

Cook's scoring binge came in the last two minutes of the third quarter. The Hornets took a punt at the Jeff Davis 42 and rolled the distance in 10 plays. Buddy Duke capped the drive with an eight-yard run.

A jacket fumble on the ensuing kickoff, covered by Charles Walton, gave the Hornets possession again, this time on the Jeff Davis 33. Five plays later, with 14 seconds left, Barry Purvis tallied on a 16-yard

Score by Quarters:

Cook	.....	0	0	14	0-14
Jeff Davis	.....	6	3	0	0-9

romp.

Duke kicked the PAT to end the scoring a 14-9.

Purvis led the Cook running attack with 133 yards in 18 carries, while Duke collected 88 on 12 runs.

On defense Herby Hopper had eight individual tackles and 11 assists, while Waldon had eight and seven and Eddie Richeson was credited with seven and six.

Score by Quarters:

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Cook	0	0	14	0-14
Jeff Davis	6	3	0	0-9

NEW YORK (AP) — There were many places on the map where Satchel Paige liked to pitch. Yankee Stadium, the Polo Grounds, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic were among them. If the crowds came out he would say "I like to pitch here."

One of those places was Dexter Park right on the Brooklyn-Queens border line about eight miles from Ebbets Field. Paige would pitch there two or three times a year with the Kansas City Monarchs whenever they could break away from their Negro American League schedule and when a team called the Bushwicks thought they were drawing well enough to pay extra for an appearance by Leroy.

Satch never arrived in time to take batting practice, but Tom Baird, one of the owners of the Monarchs who ran a Kansas City bowling alley, never worried.

"Satch never hurries," said Baird one day back in 1933. "One of my friends saw his car parked in Harlem last night. He'll be here when the game starts."

Sure enough just before game time, Satch would get out of the car, sometimes all dressed in his Monarch uniform, put on his spikes and shuffle out on the field. After tossing 10 sidarm pitches to loosen his limber right arm he would say: "I'm ready."

Hamilton Co. Is Victor Over Bobcats

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

JASPER, Fla. — Ruben Bryant scored three touchdowns to lead Hamilton County's Tro-

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Score by Quarters:

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Brooks	0	0	0	0-0

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Hoop Scores

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA Eastern Conference Atlantic Division				
W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.	
Phila.	2	0	1.000	—
Buff.	1	1	.500	1
Bos.	0	1	.000	1½
N. York	0	1	.000	1½
Central Division				
Cinc.	1	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	0	1	.000	1
Balt.	0	1	.000	1
Cleve.	0	1	.000	1
Western Conference Midwest Division				
Milw.	1	0	1.000	—
Chicago	1	1	.500	½
Detroit	1	1	.500	½
Phoenix	0	1	.000	1
Pacific Division				
Seattle	2	0	1.000	—
L. Angls.	1	0	1.000	½
Golden St.	1	0	1.000	½
Hous.	0	1	.000	1½
Port.	0	1	.000	1
Friday's Results				
Golden State	97	Boston	15	
Buffalo	111	Cleveland	109	overtime
Chicago	106	Baltimore	82	
Los Angeles	132	Detroit	123	
Seattle	119	Portland	88	
Only games scheduled				
Saturday's Games				
Golden State	at	Baltimore		
Boston	at	Cincinnati		
Los Angeles	at	New York		
Houston	at	Phoenix		
Philadelphia	at	Atlanta		
Milwaukee	at	Seattle		
Cleveland	at	Buffalo		
Only games scheduled				
Sunday's Games				
New York	at	Cleveland		
Milwaukee	at	Portland		
Detroit vs. Houston	at	San Antonio, Tex.		
Only games scheduled				
Monday's Games				
No games scheduled.				

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East Division

'Dosta, Moultrie Clash For Lead

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers will both be risking perfect records when they tangle here tonight in a key game in the Region 1-AAA title scramble.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Bud Willis' Packers, who both own 5-0 records, are to meet at 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field.

Right now they share the top spot in the 1-AAA standings, but tonight's victor will take a long stride down a path which could lead to the league championship.

In other action tonight involving area high school teams, Fitzgerald will be at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Irwin County (Ocilla) at Brooks County (Quitman), Cook (Adel) at Jeff Davis (Hazlehurst), Clinch County (Homerville) at Brantley County (Nahunta), Bulholtz (Gainesville, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) and Madison, Fla., at Santa Fe, Fla.

Lowndes' Vikings won't see action until Saturday night when they go to Albany to meet Dougherty's Trojans in a Region 1-AAA match.

Last year Valdosta's Wildcats and Moultrie's Packers had identical 5-0 records when they played at Moultrie. The 'Cats came away with a hard-earned 18-14 victory in that game. That means the Pack will have revenge on its mind tonight.

If the weather is clear and the field is dry, tonight's battle should produce some offensive fireworks. The 'Cats have been averaging better than 40 points a game and the Packers' average is just under 30 points per outing.

Berrien's Rebels (2-3-1) will be hosting Fitzgerald's Hurricanes (4-1) in a Region 1-AAA (East) test. Fitz, rated as one of the strongest teams in the state, is favored.

Brooks' Trojans will carry a 4-0-1 mark into their non-league game at Quitman with Irwin County's Indians. The Tribe has a 3-2 chart. This one is pegged as a toss-up.

Cook's Hornets must travel to Hazlehurst to meet 1-AA (East) foe Jeff Davis. The Hornets from Adel are 2-3 in all games, but own a 1-0 loop mark. Jeff Davis is 1-4 and 0-1.

Clinch's young and winless (0-5) Panthers will be the underdogs in their Region 2-B game with Brantley County's

high-flying Herons at Nahunta. Brantley is 6-0. Hamilton's Trojans and Madison's Cougars are both 3-1, which means they will be shooting for their fourth triumphs when they face, respectively, Bulholtz and Santa Fe.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members are as follows:

1-AAA		
Team	Record	Points
Valdosta	5-0-0	214-22
Moultrie	5-0-0	137-55
Thomasville	3-1-1	102-47
Monroe	3-2-0	86-49
Albany	3-2-0	104-85
Crisp	3-3-0	71-104
Lowndes	3-3-0	110-74
Dougherty	2-3-0	64-68
Bainbridge	1-3-1	53-98
Tift	1-3-1	54-73
Westover	1-4-0	21-47
Central	0-5-1	35-124

1-AA (East)		
Team	Region	Overall
Ware	3-0-0	5-1-0
Fitzgerald	1-0-0	4-1-0
Cook	1-0-0	2-3-0
Camden	1-2-0	3-2-0
Berrien	1-2-0	2-3-1
Jeff Davis	0-1-0	1-4-0
Appling	0-2-0	1-3-1

1-AA (West)		
Team	Region	Overall
Cairo	2-0-0	5-0-0
Brooks	1-0-0	4-1-0
Early	1-0-0	4-1-0
Americus	0-0-0	1-4-0
Mitchell	0-2-0	1-5-0
Worth	0-2-0	1-4-1

2B		
Team	Region	Overall
Blantley Co.	3-0-0	6-0-0
Chaplain Co.	2-0-0	2-4-0
Patterson	1-1-0	2-3-0
Blackshear	1-1-0	1-4-0
Atkinson Co.	1-3-0	1-4-0
Clinch Co.	0-3-0	0-4-0

Virginia offensive line coach Turnley Todd coached Navy linebackers three years ago.

Top Passer, Rusher Meet 'Cats Take On Tornadoes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The leading passer and top runner in Region 1-AAA will be on opposite sides when Valdosta's Wildcats and Monroe's Tornadoes meet in a high school football game Saturday night at Albany.

That league duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Winfred Benson's Tornadoes is set for 8 p. m. at Albany's Mills Memorial Stadium.

Going for the Wildcats will be senior quarterback Stanley Bounds, who is 1-AAA's leading passer with 55 completions in 111 tries for 1,094 yards. Spearheading the Monroe attack will be John Jackson, a 177-pound senior halfback, who is the top rusher in the region with 610 yards on 91 carries.

Valdosta, which is atop the league standings, will carry a perfect 6-0 record into the game. Monroe, with a 4-2 chart, is tied for fourth place and is still in contention.

Bounds and Jackson also stand one-two in the region's individual scoring race. The Valdosta signal caller has tallied 13 TDs for 78 points. Jackson has made eight touchdowns and chalked up as many two-point conversions for a total of 64 points.

"Monroe can move the football and our players had better believe it," Bazemore said. "Jackson is the kind of runner who is capable of scoring anytime he gets his hands on the football. Monroe also has a fine quarterback who can both run and throw."

The Tornadoe QB Bazemore mentioned is Earl Spencer, a 170-pound senior. Spencer has hit on 19 of 40 passes for 317



—Times Staff Photo

Robert Daniels, 'Cats' Starting Halfback

yards and has picked up 252 yards along the ground on 37 carries.

Bounds is also VHS' leading rusher with 306 yards on 48 carries. He's followed by halfback

Robert Daniels (36-249) and fullbacks Pat O'Neal (37-237) and Robert McCaskill (31-167).

The 'Cats will be without the services of their regular right halfback James Savage, who is sidelined by a knee injury he suffered in a game with Moultrie last week.

Valdosta's leading pass receivers are end Stanford Rome, who has made 29 catches for 650 yards and has scored nine TDs, and Daniels, who has picked up 231 yards on eight grabs.

Rome is just 38 yards away from the Region 1-AAA one-season pass receiving record of 668 yards set by Albany High's Darrell Johnson in 1937.

Probable starters follow:

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).

Defense — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.), tackles Steve Stanaland (220, sr.) and Gary Iby (200, sr.), middle guard Freddy Wilton (250, jr.) inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (170, sr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (180, jr.) and O. D. Neiter (170, sr.).

MONROE

Offense — ends Frank Lucas (170, sr.) and Eddie Hatcher (190, jr.), tackles Michael Harper (197, jr.) and Marvin Barrance (210, sr.), guards J. B. Davis (171, jr.) and Timothy Allen (195, sr.), center Marcus Whaley (195, sr.), quarterback Earl Spencer (170, sr.), halfbacks Eddie Ball (155, jr.) and John Jackson (177, sr.) and fullback Jesse White (170, jr.).

Defense — ends James McKinney (215, jr.) and George Green (155, jr.), tackles Howard Gaines (205, sr.) and Davis, middle guard Wallace Brown (190, sr.), linebackers Charles Tison (125, jr.), Henry Lemon (185, sr.) and Robert Mims (154, jr.), corner backs Herman Wesley (165, jr.) and Ronald Reddick (162, jr.) and safety Felton Smith (165, sr.).

Wildcats Blitz Tornadoes

By SAMMY GLASSMAN

Times Sports Editor

ALBANY — Valdosta High's free-wheeling football Wildcats piled up their largest one-game point total in more than 30 years as they zipped to a 75-22 victory over the Monroe Tornadoes here Saturday night.

A crowd of approximately 7,000 looked on, most of the time in disbelief, as Monroe scored first and then got swamped by



—Times Staff Photo

Valdosta's George Rountree (88) Tries To Get Away From Monroe Defender

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Monroe
First Downs	16	12
Yards Rushing	159	98
Yards Passing	206	164
Passes	14-17	7-16
Passes Intc. by	2	0
Fumbles Lost	2	2
Punting	0-0	4-23.5
Penalties	7-62	10-95

a 'Dosta point barrage which included 11 touchdowns and nine extra points.

The triumph was the seventh straight for coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and enabled them to tighten their hold on first place in the Region 1-AAA standings. The setback left coach Winfred Benson's Tornadoes with a 4-3 mark and dropped them out of contention in the league title scramble.

Those 75 points were the most the 'Cats have scored in a single contest since Bazemore joined the VHS coaching staff in 1940.

Records of the 'Cats before 1940 are incomplete so there's no way to determine whether it is or isn't an all-time VHS scoring mark.

Valdosta had almost 80 players suited out for the game with Monroe and all got to play. Most of the VHS regulars played less than a half.

Clifford Bradley accounted for three of the Wildcats' TDs. He got them on a 90-yard kickoff return and passes of 50 and 23 yards from Stanley Bounds. Bounds scored once himself on a three-yard run.

Pat O'Neal tallied twice, on soccer is known as association football in England.

runs of one and 14 yards. Robert McCaskill got a TD on a 22-yard run and Robert Daniels accounted for one on a two-yard romp. Larry Richardson sailed 50 yards to paydirt after a pass interception. Dick Parker passed 13 yards to George Rountree for a touchdown, and another came on a 15-yard aerial from Bruce Hill-

ton to Arthur Cooper. Among Valdosta's Extra points was one which came on a 35-yard kick by Parker. A penalty against VHS forced the long-range PAT boot. Besides Richardson's 50-yard tally after a pass theft, the Wildcats' defensive unit got possession of the pigskin five times inside Monroe's 30, setting up

scoring opportunities on each occasion.

They came on fumble recoveries by Calvin Lester and Richardson, a pass interception by Rowe, a blocked punt and a big rush which kept the Tornadoes from getting off another kick on fourth down.

Steve Stanland, with six solo stops, and Rowe, with four, were VHS' leading tacklers, but like the other VHS regulars they saw only limited duty.

All three of Monroe's touchdowns came on passes, and Frank Lucas was on the receiving end of all of them. He caught TD aeriels of 42 and 11 yards from Earl Spencer, and another of 48 yards from Ronald Reddick.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 2-5, O'Neal 4-59, Daniels 7-33, McCaskill 3-29, Morrison 2-9, Rountree 1-3, Whatfield 1-2; Monroe — Spencer 10-18, Jackson 18-68, Batten 5-19, Reddick 3 minus 30, Whaley 1 minus 23.
Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 9-12-145, Hillton 4-4-49, Parker 1-1-13; Monroe — Spencer 4-10-66, Reddick 2-6-54, Halley 1-1-44.
Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 2-24, Rountree 3-28, Bradley 3-76, Demps 3-34, Griffin 1-12, Patterson 1-7, Cooper 1-15; Monroe — Smith 2-11, Lucas 4-145, Jackson 1-18.
Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-25, Bradley 1-90, King 1-25; Monroe — Gosser 2-25, Jackson 4-87, Edwards 2-17, Batten 2-33, Nelson 1-6.
Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Stanaland 6, Rowe 4, Griffith 3, Williams 3, Manuel 3, Parker 2, Rountree 2, Payton 2, Hutchins 2, Daniels 2, Hutchins 2, Berrier 2; Monroe — Brown 3, Davis 3, Smith 3.
Score by Quarters:
Valdosta 14 27 27 7-75
Monroe 4 8 0 0-22
Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — McCaskill (22 run), Bradley 3 (50 and 23 passes from Bounds, 90 kickoff return), Bounds (3 run), O'Neal 2 (1 and 14 runs), Daniels (2 run), Rountree (13 pass from Parker), Richardson (50 return after Hillton); Monroe — Spencer (15 pass from Hillton); PATs — Parker 5 (placements), Doig 2 (placement), Bounds 2 (run); Monroe — TDs — Lucas 3 (42 and 11 pass from Spencer, 48 pass from Reddick) PATs — Spencer 2 (run), Jackson 2 (run).

WILDCATS, 47-6

Stan Bounds Leads Valdosta Triumph

VALDOSTA—Valdosta High's Wildcats scored three times in the opening period and coasted from there to a 47-6 victory over the Westover Patriots here Friday night.

With the win, Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats boosted their record to 8-0 and tightened their hold on first place in the Region 1-AAA title race. Coach Jerry Clark's Patriots from Albany now have a 1-7 mark.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds led the way for Valdosta as he hit on nine of 14 passes for 222 yards and a pair of touchdowns. He uncorked scoring aeriels of 35 yards to Scott Griffin and 60 yards to Stanford Rome. Bounds also scored once himself on a five-yard run.

The Wildcats other four touchdowns came on runs by

George Rountree, 12 yards, Robert McCaskill, one, Robert Daniels, two and Robert Morrison, three.

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Did 'Cats Break VHS Point Mark?

Valdosta High's football Wildcats rolled past Monroe's Tornados this past Saturday night at Albany, 75-22, and indications are that it might be an all-time point total for a VHS team in a single contest.

The Wildcats' football history dates back to 1913 and the records on them, especially in the early years, are incomplete. That means there really isn't any way to tell for sure, unless someone can produce a full list of scores in all previous VHS games.

But head coach Wright Bazemore said after the romp past the Tornados that it was the most points scored by one of his VHS teams and he's been on the school's staff since 1940.

Then along came Johnny B. Lastering, an ardent Wildcat fan, with the tip that he remembered the 'Cats licking a team 74-0 in 1947. He thought it was Colquitt.

Lastering definitely has a good memory. On Oct. 31, 1947, Valdosta rolled past Colquitt 74-0.

Curly Bowers was sports editor of the Valdosta Daily Times in those days and in a story he wrote about the game on Nov. 1, 1947, he called those 74 points "the most in the school's history." I don't know what evidence Bowers had to confirm this, but that was the statement he made.

Since a full record of the 'Cats since 1913 isn't available, for now all we can say is that those 75 points VHS racked up might be a new school mark. Record or not, it was quite a scoring spree.

I do know it was the most points I've seen scored by one team in a game involving two prep elevens and I've been a football watcher since the late 1930's. Certainly it's the most for a VHS team since I began "covering" the 'Cats for the Times in 1960. The previous highs in that span came when VHS romped past Coffee County (Douglas), 62-0, in 1968, and zipped by Ware County (Waycross), 63-0, in 1969.

Wet, Wet Night

The most points given up by a VHS team since I arrived on the Valdosta scene 11 years ago came in a 52-19 loss to Columbus in 1963. As I remember it, that contest was played all the way in a hard rain.

I recall reading about other high school teams in our state breaking the 100-point barrier, but I wasn't on hand to witness any of those games. I have no idea what either the state or national prep record might be.

In the world of college football the all-time national record is usually credited to Georgia Tech for its 222-0 victory over Cumberland in 1916.

The most points I ever saw a college team rack up came when Georgia licked Mercer, 81-0, in a tilt played in 1941 in Macon.

That, however, wasn't a Georgia record. The Bulldogs' all-time single game scoring high came in a 108-0 triumph over Alabama Presbyterian in 1913.

Unusual Twist

Getting back to the VHS-Monroe affair, there was one unusual twist. Monroe actually scored first in the game, on a 40-yard plus pass with the tilt less than four minutes old.

It marked the first time the 'Cats have trailed in a game this year and so it can be said the Wildcats actually rallied to win. All I've got to say is that they staged some kind of rally.

The Wildcats were racking up points at such a fast clip that during one span which consumed only 4:13 of playing time they tallied three touchdowns. That's an average of almost a TD a minute. The 'Cats were having that kind of night.

Even more important than the big point total was the fact that VHS actually won the game, boosted its record to 7-0 and tightened its hold on first place in the Region 1-AAA title scramble.

Valdosta still has games with Westover (Albany), Tift County (Tifton) and Lowndes, and with two more tilts the 'Cats can nail down the 1-AAA crown for the fourth year in a row.

Bounds, Rome Eye 3 Region Records

Valdosta High quarterback Stanley Bounds and split end Stanford Rome are moving along at a clip that could break three Region 1-AAA football records, two of which already belong to Bounds.



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Bounds, a 175-pound senior, currently holds the league's one-season records for passing and total offense. He set both marks last year when he hit on 107 of 186 passes for 1,774 yards and added 186 more along the ground for a total offensive mark of 1,937. Both were the best since the region was formed in 1951.

What Rome, a 190-pound sophomore, has his sights on is the region one-season pass receiving record of 668 yards set in 1967 by Albany High end Darrell Johnson.

The Wildcats have four more regular season games to play, so let's check and see how they now stand and what they need to do to establish three new records.

So far this year Bounds has connected on 55 of 111 passes for 1,094 yards, an average of 182 per game. If he maintains his current average in the next four outings he will finish with a 1,812 mark, which would topple his '70 figure.

Bounds has also picked up 306 yards along the ground and has a 1,400 mark in total offense, an average of 233 yds. per game. The same average in the next four games would give him a final total of 2,332, and that would break his 1970 mark.

Very Near Mark

So far Rome has made 29 catches for 650 yards, which is only 38 away from Darrell Johnson's record of 668. Since the VHS end has been averaging 108 per game, Rome seems certain to establish a new 1-AAA pass receiving record and it will probably come when the 'Cats meet Monroe's Tornados at Albany on Saturday night.

Let's be sure that everyone realizes that while the figures we've mentioned are credited to Bounds and Rome, they are the result of the combined talent and effort of the Wildcats' whole offensive outfit.

Other go-team regulars include linemen Paul Demersman, Wade Johnson, Sidney Earnest, David Register, Calvin Lester, Robert Joseph, Steve Stanaland, Paul Lore, George Rountree and Scott Griffin and backs Robert Daniels, James Savage, Pat O'Neal and Robert McCaskill.

It's team effort which makes the 'Cats' click and Bounds and Rome would be the first to confirm the truth of that statement.

Team Effort

Having the 'Cats attain victories is the real name of the game, and Bounds and Rome will both tell you that quickly. Individual records always lose some of their luster in the face of defeat.

Take, for example, what happened this past Friday night when the 'Cats beat Moultrie's Packers, 42-21, in a crucial league match.

The Packs' aerial combo of quarterback Ray Goff and end Steve Rea was brilliant. Goff hit on 18 of 36 tosses for 321 yards and all three Moultrie TDs. Rea made 10 catches for 216 yards and scored with two of his receptions.

I've been covering the Wildcats' since 1960 and don't recall off the top of my head any other pass-catch duo having that kind of night against the 'Cats.

Goff and Rea certainly did their share, and then some, to help the Moultrie cause, but the Wildcats came away with the victory because of their superior team effort.

'Cats, Vikes Meet Albany Grid Foes

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

While Valdosta's Wildcats are here tonight meeting the Westover Patriots in VHS' homecoming game, Lowndes' Vikings will be battling Monroe's Tornados at Albany.

The Valdosta - Westover tilt is set for 8 p. m. at Cleveland

Field. Lowndes and Monroe are to begin play at the same time in Albany's Mills Memorial Stadium. Both will be Region 1-AAA affairs.

In other games tonight involving area high school football teams, Ware County (Waycross) will be at Berrien (Nash-

Quitman), Camden County (Woodbine) at Cook (Adel), Atkinson County (Pearson) at Clinch County (Homerville), Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Santa Fe and Madsion, Fla., at Suwannee County (Live Oak, Fla.).

Valdosta, which is atop the Region 1-AAA standings, will carry a perfect 7-0 record into its game here tonight with Westover. The Patriots have a 1-6 mark.

Lowndes' Vikings, who are 3-4, will be going against a Monroe team at Albany which has a 4-3 chart.

Berrien (3-3-1) will hook up with Ware (6-1) in a Region 1-A (East) test. Brooks (4-2-1) and Mitchell (1-7) will be meeting in a 1-AA (West) affair.

Cook (3-4) will host Camden (5-2), with 1-AA (East) honors at stake. Atkinson (3-4) and Clinch (0-7) will be playing each other for the second time this season.

Hamilton will go against Santa Fe with a 5-1 mark. Madison is 4-1-1 as it gets ready to face Suwannee.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members follow:

1-AAA			Record	
Valdosta	7-0	0-3	7-0	3-0
Thomasville	5-1	1-1	5-2	3-0
Moultrie	5-2	0-0	5-2	3-0
Crisp	4-3	0-0	4-3	3-0
Albany	4-3	0-0	4-3	3-0
Monroe	3-4	0-0	3-4	3-0
Lowndes	3-4	0-0	3-4	3-0
Dougherty	2-4	1-1	2-4	3-0
Bainbridge	2-4	1-1	2-4	3-0
Tift	1-6	0-0	1-6	3-0
Westover	1-6	0-0	1-6	3-0
Central	0-6	0-0	0-6	3-0

1-AA (East)			Region Overall	
Ware County	3-0	6-1	3-0	6-1
Fitzgerald	3-0	6-1	3-0	6-1
Cook	2-1	3-4	2-1	3-4
Camden County	2-2	5-0	2-2	5-0
Appling County	1-3	2-4	1-3	2-4
Berrien	1-3	2-4	1-3	2-4
Jeff Davis	0-3	1-6	0-3	1-6

1-AA (West)			Region Overall	
Early	3-0	6-1	3-0	6-1
Cairo	3-0	6-1	3-0	6-1
Americus	1-1	2-5	1-1	2-5
Worth	0-3	1-6	0-3	1-6
Mitchell	0-3	1-6	0-3	1-6

2B			Region Overall	
Charlton	4-0	4-4	4-0	4-4
Brantley	3-1	7-1	3-1	7-1
Blackshear	2-2	2-5	2-2	2-5
Atkinson	2-3	3-4	2-3	3-4
Clinch	0-5	0-7	0-5	0-7
Patterson	1-2	2-5	1-2	2-5

Passing			Att. Comp. Gain		
1. Blizard, Crisp	180	84	1247		
2. Bounds, Valdosta	123	64	1239		
3. Goff, Moultrie	136	63	1134		
4. Howard, Albany	97	35	535		
5. Spencer, Monroe	56	23	383		
6. Linahan, Lowndes	68	27	351		
13. Parker, Valdosta	12	7	146		
19. Thomas, Lowndes	4	2	72		

Completions			C'Lines Yds. T's		
1. Rome, Valdosta	31	684	9	117	
2. Rea, Moultrie	25	539	5	78	
3. Dixon, Crisp	29	461	4	76	
4. Johnson, Albany	24	410	3	76	
5. Lucas, Monroe	14	261	2	76	
6. Kirksey, Bainbridge	13	245	2	76	
7. Phillips, Crisp	13	245	2	76	
8. Daniel, Valdosta	8	231	2	76	
9. Daniel, Lowndes	7	151	1	53	
13. Rountree, Valdosta	8	122	0	53	
16. Savage, Valdosta	8	122	0	53	

Interceptions			Punts		
1. Humphrey, Dougherty	5	127	1. Bounds, Valdosta	12	42.08
2. Henderson, Tift	3	78	2. Long, Bainbridge	7	39.57
3. Williams, Dougherty	1	76	3. Goff, Moultrie	21	38.33
4. Goff, Moultrie	2	76	4. Howard, Albany	28	37.18
5. Parker, Valdosta	3	75	5. Highsmith, Central	43	36.95
8. Clemons, Lowndes	1	53	13. Barnes, Lowndes	21	28.57

Punt Returns			Kick-off Returns		
1. Lamar, Moultrie	6	111	1. Green, Dougherty	9	293
2. Rome, Valdosta	4	111	2. Roberts, Bainbridge	6	235
3. Madison, Moultrie	3	90	3. Dixon, Crisp	1	226
4. Chatraw, Bainbridge	10	84	4. Baker, Westover	7	223
5. Green, Dougherty	4	77	5. Elmore, Thomasville	9	221
8. Thomas, Lowndes	7	44	11. Eadie, Valdosta	1	90
			14. Daniels, Lowndes	5	59
			20. Thomas, Lowndes	4	52

Scoring			T's PAT's T's		
Bounds, Valdosta	14	2	86		
Jackson, Monroe	8	18	66		
Parker, Valdosta	2	34	46		
Rome, Valdosta	9	4	58		
Warren, Thomasville	6	0	36		
Hammock, Moultrie	5	2	32		
Dieter, Albany	5	2	32		
Dixon, Crisp County	5	0	30		
Cowart, Lowndes	5	0	30		
Green, Dougherty	5	0	30		
Daniels, Valdosta	6	0	36		
Spencer, Monroe	4	2	28		
Hardis, Albany	4	0	24		
Robert, Albany	4	0	24		
Clark, Albany	4	0	24		
Rea, Moultrie	4	0	24		

Seattle's Tom Is A Favorite

WEMBLEY, England (AP) — Seattle's Tom Gorman, who entered as an unseeded underdog, is a strong favorite and the last surviving American in the \$50,000 Embassy Tennis tournament.

Gorman, who ousted Fred McMillan of South Africa 3-6, 6-3, 6-3 Thursday, joined Bob Hewitt of South Africa, Australia's Rod Laver and cocky Ilie Nastase of Romania in semifinals matches Friday.

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Times Sports Editor

VHS One Victory From Loop Crown

Since one of Valdosta High head coach Wright Bazemore's iron-clad "rules" is to do it then talk about it, don't try to discuss with him the possibility of his Wildcats winning the 1971 Region 1-AAA championship just yet.

But the 'Cats, with a 47-6 romp past Westover here this past Friday night, boosted their record for the season to 8-0 and that left them needing just one victory in their two remaining regular season games to move into the league throne-room for the fourth year in a row.

Those remaining tilts for VHS are with Tift County, at Tifton, and with cross-town rival Lowndes, at the Vikings' Martin Stadium.

But if the current VHS team does go on and nail down the 1-AAA diadem for the fourth consecutive time it will be a first for the Wildcats since they moved into the league in 1958.

They've put three Region 1-AAA crowns together twice, in 1960-61-62 and their current string, but they've never ruled the loop four campaigns in a row.

With those 47 points against Westover the 'Cats ran their total for the year to 378, and that's a new high for them since they joined the Class AAA ranks in 1958.

The previous VHS high in that span was the 369 points scored by the Wildcats in regular season play in 1968. That team went undefeated in 13 games and claimed the state "AAA" championship.

Sophomore end Stanford Rome has already broken the region one-season pass receiving record with 35 catches for 803 yards. The old mark was 668 yards set by Albany's Darrell Johnson in 1967.

Senior quarterback Stanley Bounds is within striking distance of both the region passing and total offense records, both of which he set in 1970. His aerial mark last fall was 1,774 and his combined offensive total was 1,937. With two games to go he now has 1,461 yards passing (313 from record) and 1,795 in total offense (142 from record).

And that's the ways things are for the 'Cats with two games left on their regular season slate.



GLASSMAN

'Cats Rap Pats For 8th Win

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats racked up three touchdowns in the opening period and coasted from there to a 47-6 homecoming game victory over the Westover Patriots here Friday night.

With the win coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats boosted their record to 8-0 and tightened their hold on first place in

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Westover
First Downs	15	14
Yards Rushing	139	68
Yards Passing	229	46
Passes	10-21	3-15
Passes Intc. by	3	0
Fumbles Lost	2	4
Punting	0-0	4-31.7
Penalties	10-88	4-26

the Region 1-AAA title scramble. Coach Jerry Clark's Pats from Albany now have a 1-7 chart.

VHS has two more regular season games to play and needs only one more victory to nail down the region crown and earn a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs for the fourth year in a row.

A crowd of approximately 5,500 was on hand for the rainy-night grid outing and the fans saw the Wildcats dominate the game on both offense and defense virtually all the way. The 'Cats cleared their bench, using almost 80 different players in the tilt.

VHS quarterback Stanley Bounds scored one touchdown himself, on a five-yard run, and passed for two others. His scoring serials were for 35 yards to end Scott Griffin and 60 yards to end Stanford Rome.

The Wildcats' other four TDs came on runs by halfback George Rountree, 12 yards; fullback Robert McCaskill, one yard; halfback Robert Daniels, two yards and halfback Robert Morrison, three yards.

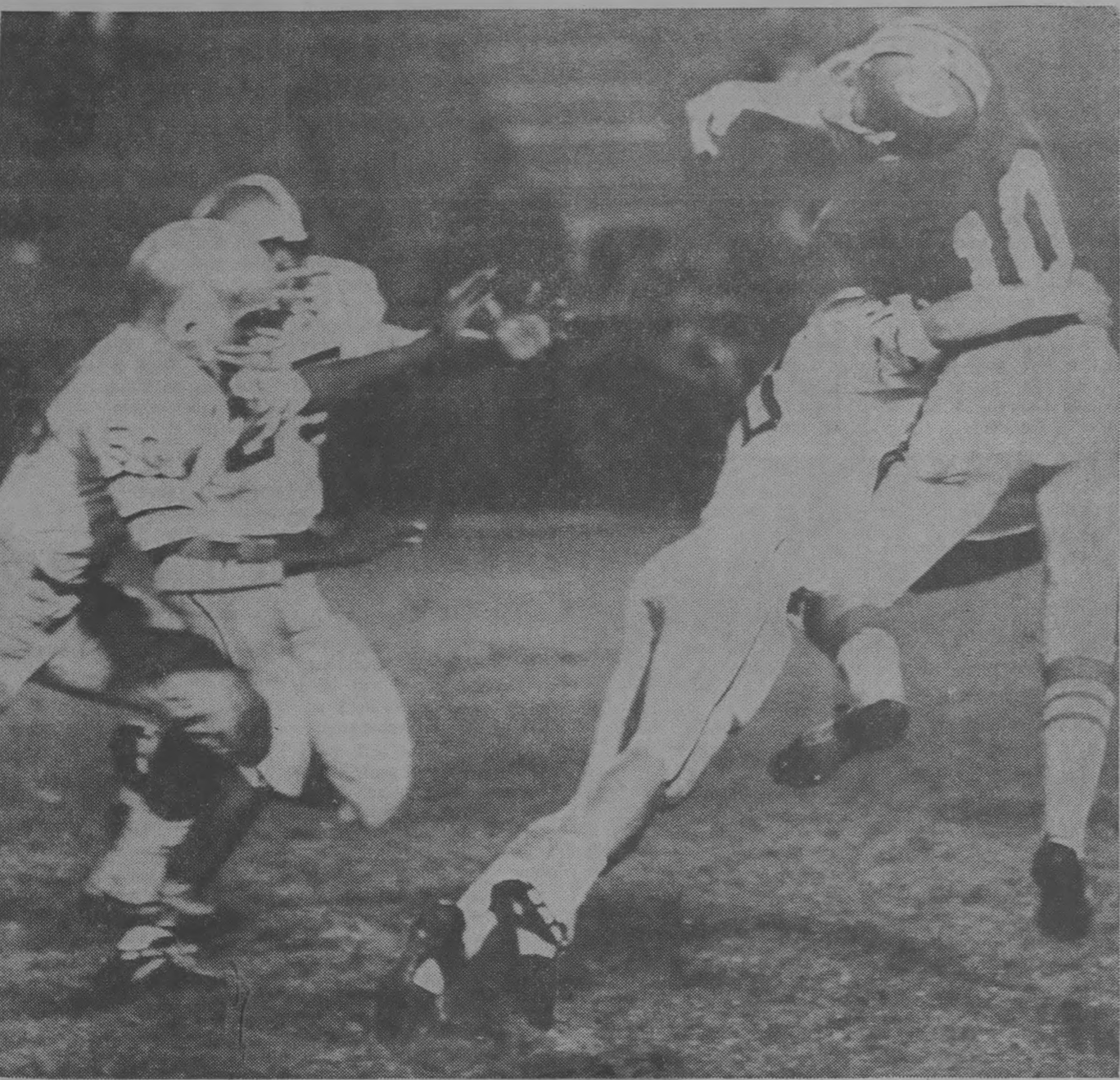
For the night Bounds hit on nine of 14 passes for 222 yards. Rome made four catches for 110 yards. Daniels, with 33 yards on five carries, was Valdosta's rushing leader.

Valdosta's defenders limited the Patriots to just 114 yards in total offense and Westover accounted for 71 of those yards and its lone touchdown in the final stanza against the VHS reserves. The Pats' TD came with only 3:30 left of play in the game on a six-yard run by halfback Richard Baker.

Linebacker Louis Goodin led Valdosta in tackles with five, followed by Steve Stannland, Ronald Daniels and Alvin Payton, each with four.

The Wildcats recovered four Westover fumbles and intercepted three Patriot passes. Jim Clarkston covered two of the bobbles while Emory Williams and James Berrien made the other two recoveries. The pass thefts were pulled off by Edwin Pompey, Ricky Mears and Gregg Nowell.

Clarkston's two fumble recoveries and Pompey's interception set up Valdosta touchdowns.



—Times Staff Photo

'Cats' Louis Goodin Racks Up Westover Quarterback Jay Marchs Just As He Gets Off Pass

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 2-3, McCaskill 2-5, Daniels 5-33, O'Neal 5-20, Morrison 0-13, King 5-20, Rountree 2-16, Griffin 1-0, Anderson 2-5, Johnson 1-2, Goodin 2-12, Hilton 1-1, Hutchens 1-5; Westover — Murphy 1-7, Eppley 4-4, Calhoun 4-0, Harris 7-21, Rivers 4 minus 8, Hendley 6-23, Marchs 10 minus 9, Baker 17-35.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 9-14-222, Hilton 1-7-7; Westover — Hendley 0-3-0, Marchs 3-8-46, Calhoun 0-1-0, Baker 0-2-0, Eppley 0-1-0.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rowe 4-19, Rountree 2-32, Griffin 2-57, Blue 2-21; Westover — Rivers 1-8, Lashley 1-7, Wright 1-31.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rowe 2-32, Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Whitfield 1-1; Westover — Rivers 3-28, Baker 1-17, Parks 2-27, Clemmons 1-20.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Goodin 5, Stannland 4, Ron Daniels 4, Payton 4, D. Bentley 3, Rowe 3, Sullivan 3, Parker 2, Massey 2, Irby 2, J. Berrien 2, Clarkston 2; Westover — Reid 7, Calhoun 5, Johnson 5, Hawkins 5, Clements 4, Clemmons 4, Meier 3, Wingfield 3, Williams 3.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: Rountree, Clarkston, David Berrien, James Berrien, Griffin, Blue, Cobb, Adams, Ladrow.

Tackles: Demersseman, Wilbon, Mitchell, Irby, Brantley, Johnson, Griffith, Gatches, Dodson, Williams, Moore Head.

Guards: Lester, Joseph, Earnest, Massey, Register, Christian, Sullivan, Ronald, Daniels, Franklin, Nijem, Holloway.

Centers: Lore, Stannland, Scruggs, Nowell.

Backs: Robert Daniels, McCaskill, Pompey, O'Neal, Goodin, Payton, Rowe, Netter, Roger Rountree, Richardson, Morrison, Lane, Bradley, Cooper, Sheffield, Bounds, Parker, Rome, Hilton, Bea, King, Mears, Peterson, Whitfield, Anderson, Nathan Netter, Griener, Hutchens, Manuel, Savage, Doig, Shephard.

Ends: Strickland, Ferebee, Bamard, Wellborn, Wright, Lashley, Hill.

Tackle: Clements, LaKnights, Hart, Maheers, Williams, Brown, Thomas.

Guards: Cooper, Bishop, Hawkins, Johnson, Corbett, Haggerty, Surface.

Centers: Reid, Webb, Williams, Jackson.

Backs: Rivers, Murphy, Eppley, Wings, Edwards, Baker, Calhoun, Wingfield, Clemmons, Reid, Meier, Parks, Bundrick, Marchs, Davis, Hendley, LeClair, Henderson, Bass, Blackman, Shephard.

Store by Quarters:

Valdosta	20	7	20	0-47
Westover	0	0	0	4-6

Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — G. Rountree (12 yd. run), Griffin (35 yd. pass from Bounds), Bounds (5 yd. run), McCaskill (1 d. run), Rome (60 d. pass from Bounds), Daniels (2 yd. run), Morrison (3 yd. run); PATS — Parker

Valdosta Is Scoring At a Record Pace

By BOB PRICE
Times-Union Sports Writer

Valdosta has clinched the all-time Region 1-AAA scoring title with 378 points with two games to go and the Wildcats' Stanley Bounds has virtually wrapped up the individual scoring crown by producing 92 points on 15 touchdowns and one two-point conversion.

However, even with these marks in their pockets, the Wildcats must defeat Tift County at Tifton Friday to claim their ninth regional honor in 14 years.

And Friday, the Wildcats will be seeking their 40th straight regular season triumph.

THE PRESENT Valdosta eleven is going after the all-time scoring which the 1968 Wildcats set when they scored a total of 475 points in the 13 games which includes the state playoffs.

But Bounds is nearly as close to an all-time figure as is the VHS. The versatile signal-caller will most likely fall

short of the regional mark set by Moultrie's Ray Mercer in 1951.

Mercer's 20-year old record of 149 points was established on 21 touchdowns and 23 extra points. Mercer also paced the region in scoring the previous year as a junior when he tallied 114.

Larry Howell of the 1968 Valdosta team was the last Wildcat to lead the region, and he did it on 84 points. Valdosta's scoring record for individuals in 1-AAA is 116 set by Giles Smith back in 1962 when he had 14 touchdowns and 32 extra points.

COACH Wright Bazemore's

outfit also leads in the defensive department, having given up just 71 points for an 8.88 average this fall. However, this doesn't come close to the defenses of 1968 and 1969 when the Wildcats allowed only nine and six points respectively.

Holding down second spot in the 1-AAA scoring race is Monroe's John Jackson, who has scored eight TDs and 10 two-point conversions.

And in third is Valdosta's Stanford Rome, the league's No. 1 pass receiver. Rome has caught 10 touchdown passes from Bounds and has added two, two-pointers for 64 big points.

VHS Home, Vikes Travel

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats will be at home, and celebrating homecoming, while Lowndes' Vikings must do some traveling, according to the high school football schedule for this coming Friday night.

Valdosta's Wildcats are to host the Westover Patriots

AREA GRID SLATE

Friday

Westover at Valdosta	Lowndes at Monroe
Ware at Berrien	Mitchell at Brooks
Camden at Cook	Atkinson at Clinch
Hamilton at Santa Fe	Madison at Suwanee

from Albany in the 'Cats final regular season appearance at Cleveland Field.

Meanwhile, Lowndes' Vikings must go to Albany on Friday night to face Monroe's Tornados.

In other games Friday involving area teams, Ware County (Waycross) will be at Berrien (Nashville, Ga.), Mitchell County (Camilla) at Brooks County (Quitman), Camden County (Woodbine) at Cook (Adel), Atkinson County (Pearson) at Clinch County (Homerville), Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Santa Fe and Madison, Fla., at Suwanee County.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats will carry a perfect 7-0 record into their homecoming night duel with Westover. The Pats are 1-6.

VHS, which holds down first place in the Region 1-AAA standings, has trimmed Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7), Bainbridge (28-0), Albany (41-8), Moultrie (42-21) and Monroe (75-22).

Westover's lone victory came by a 7-0 margin over Thomasville Central. The Patriots have bowed to Albany (43-8), Dougherty (26-0), Lowndes (45-6), Thomasville (37-0), Monroe (22-13) and Bainbridge (27-0).

Coach Noel George's Lowndes Vikings will carry a 3-4 record into their Region 1-AAA duel with coach Winfred Ben-

son's Monroe crew at Albany. The Tornados have a 4-3 chart.

Lowndes, which had an open date last week, has beaten Central (20-6), Westover (45-6) and Crisp (25-15), while bowing to Moultrie (33-6), Thomasville (38-0), Tift (6-0) and Dougherty (6-0).

Monroe's wins have come over Central (34-14), Albany (22-21), Tift (24-21) and Westover (22-13). The Tornados have fallen before Dougherty (7-6), Moultrie (34-14) and Valdosta (75-22).

Berrien's Rebels will carry a 3-3-1 record into their game with Ware County's Gators at Nashville. The team from Waycross owns a 6-1 mark. This will be a Region 1-AA (East) affair. In league play the Rebs are 2-2 and the Gators have a perfect 3-0 mark.

Brooks' Trojans will put a 4-2-1 record on the line against Mitchell's Eagles at Quitman.

The team from Camilla is winless after seven starts. This will be a 1-AA (West) affair, with Brooks 1-1 and Mitchell 0-3 in league play.

Cook's Hornets will host Camden's Wildcats in a 1-AA (East) test. The Hornets are 3-4 in all games and 1-2 in subdivision play, Camden has 5-2 and 1-2 charts.

Clinch's Panthers (0-6) and Atkinson's Rebels (3-4) will be meeting for the second time this season when they clash at Homerville. In an earlier encounter at Pearson, ATCO won, 58-8.

Hamilton's Trojans will carry a 5-1 record into their game with Santa Fe. Madison's Cougars will be trying to improve an already good 4-1-1 mark against Suwanee.

Other games of interest include the following:
FRIDAY — Americus at Worth, Appling at Hawkinsville,

Henderson at Clarke - Central, Moultrie at Bainbridge, Baker at Macon Central, Jenkins at Benedictine, Brantley at Trutlen.

Groves at Brunswick, Coffee at Cairo, Tift at Thomasville Central, Early at Columbia, Ala., Jeff Davis at Fitzgerald, Turner at Irwin, Kendrick at Warner Robins and Savannah at Wayne.

SATURDAY — Thomasville at Albany and Glynn at Beau-

'Cats, Patriots Offer Contrast

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Westover's Patriots, teams with sharply contrasting records, are to meet here Friday night in a Region 1-AAA high school football game.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Jerry Clark's Patriots from Albany are to meet at 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field. It will be Valdosta's homecoming tilt.

While the 'Cats own a perfect 7-0 record and are atop the 1-AAA standings, the Patriots have a 1-6 mark and are next to last in the 12-team circuit.

Valdosta leads the region in scoring with 331 points in seven games for a 47.2 average. Westover has the lowest scoring total (34) and average (4.9) in the league.

It all adds up to the Wildcats being heavily favored to make the Pats their eighth straight grid victim this year.

This will be Valdosta's final regular season appearance at Cleveland Field. After meeting Westover they must face Tift County's Blue Devils at Tifton and go against cross-town rival Lowndes at the Vikings' Martin Stadium.

If VHS trims Westover as expected then the Wildcats will need just one triumph in their last two games to nail down the Region 1-AAA championship for the fourth year in a row and earn a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.



CLIFFORD BRADLEY
Scored 3 TDs

Thomasville's Bulldogs, with a 5-1-1 mark, currently hold down second place in the league standings. T'ville is to meet Albany this week and after that will play games with Monroe (Albany) and Central (Thomasville).

Talk of another region crown for the Wildcats isn't coming from Bazemore these days. "You know how I feel," the super successful coach said. "You can't talk your way to a victory or a championship. You've got to earn them on the playing field."

Bazemore is considering only a couple of changes in the Wildcats' starting lineup for Friday night. Offensive end Stanford Rome is slowed by a leg injury and Luther Blue may replace him.

Rome a 190-pound sophomore, has already broken Region 1-AAA's pass receiving record for one season. He's made 31 catches for 684 yards, beating the old record set in 1967 by Albany's Darrell Johnson when he made 37 catches for 668 yards.

The coach is mentally debating between George Rountree and Clifford Bradley as the starter at right half. James Savage, the regular at the position, went to the sideline with a knee injury two weeks ago.

While Bradley is small, 150 pounds, he has speed and showed it as VHS zipped past Monroe, 75-22, last Saturday. Bradley was on the receiving end of TD passes of 50 and 23 yards from quarterback Stanley Bounds and the little back tallied a third time on a 90-yard kickoff return.

Valdosta's and Westover's probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA

Offense — ends Stanford Rome (199, soph.) or Luther Blue (170, jr.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, sr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), guards Sidney Earnest (178, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) or Clifford Bradley (150, sr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (180, sr.).

Defense — ends David Berrien (170, sr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.), tackles Steve Stannland (220, sr.) and Gary Irby (200, jr.), middle guard Freddie Wilbon (250, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (170, sr.), inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (180, jr.) and O. D. Netter (170, sr.).

WESTOVER

Offense — ends Reed Baynard (155, soph.) and Mike Ferebee (218, jr.), tackles Robert Comer (170, soph.) and Gary Clemmens (177, soph.), guards Lee Johnson (180, sr.) and Randy Williams (170, jr.), center Bill Webb (191, sr.), quarterback Stan Murphy (147, jr.), halfbacks Mike Ebbler (154, sr.) and Tommy Calhoun (130, soph.) and fullback Don Harris (178, sr.).

Defense — ends Comer and Ferebee, tackles Larry Hart (220, soph.) and Clemmens, middle guard Warren Fields (217, sr.), linebackers Phillip Hawkins (165, jr.), Mike Cooper (176, jr.) and Bruce Bishop (155, sr.), corner backs Bruce Clemmens (155, sr.) and Douglas Maddox (150, sr.) and safety Jesse Wingfield (150, sr.).

Vikings And 'Cats Put Hopes On Road

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will both be playing on the road tonight, with VHS aiming for a title and LHS hoping to end a losing streak.

Valdosta is to go against Tift County's Blue Devils at Tifton, while Lowndes is to meet the Bainbridge Bearcats at Bainbridge.

The Wildcats have an 8-0 record and could clinch the Region 1-AAA title and nail down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs for the fourth season in a row by licking the Blue Devils tonight.

Tift, which has a 3-4-1 record, is a traditional rival for the 'Cats and the Blue Devils always get sky high for their annual encounter with 'Dosta. Valdosta head coach Wright Bazemore has warned his charges to be ready for a tough contest.

Lowndes' Vikings (3-5) and Bainbridge's Bearcats (2-5-1) are also Region 1-AAA rivals. Lowndes has ambitions to halt a three-game losing skid, but Bainbridge, which will have the home field advantage, is being favored.

In other high school grid tilts tonight involving area teams, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Jeff Davis (Hazelhurst), Brooks County (Quitman) at

Americus, Cook (Adel) at Ware County (Waycross), Jefferson County (Monticello, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) and Madison, Fla., at Dixie County (Cross City, Fla.).

One area team, Clinch County (Homerville), has an open date and will be idle this week-end.

Berrien (3-4-1) and Jeff Davis (1-7) will be meeting in a Region 1-AA (East) test. Cook (3-5) and Ware (7-1) are also 1-AA (East) rivals.

Brooks (5-2-1) and Americus (2-7) will hook up in a 1-AA (West) outing. Hamilton will carry a 6-1 record into its game with Jefferson and Madison will put a 4-2-1 mark on the line against Dixie.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members follow:

1-AAA		Records	
Valdosta	8-0-0	8-0-0	
Thomasville	5-1-2	5-1-2	
Moultrie	6-2-0	6-2-0	
Crisp	5-3-0	5-3-0	
Monroe	4-3-1	4-3-1	
Albany	3-4-1	3-4-1	
Tift	3-4-1	3-4-1	
Dougherty	3-5-0	3-5-0	
Lowndes	3-5-0	3-5-0	
Bainbridge	2-5-1	2-5-1	
Westover	1-7-0	1-7-0	
Central	0-7-1	0-7-1	
1-AA (West)		Region Overall	
Cairo	3-0-0	7-1-0	
Early	3-0-0	7-1-0	
Brooks	2-1-0	4-2-1	
Americus	1-2-0	2-6-0	
Worth	1-3-0	2-5-1	
Mitchell	0-3-0	1-7-0	
1-AA (East)		Region Overall	
Fitzgerald	4-0-0	7-1-0	
Ware County	4-0-0	7-1-0	
Camden County	3-2-0	6-2-0	
Cook	2-2-0	5-5-0	
Appling County	1-3-0	3-4-1	
Berrien	1-4-0	2-5-1	
Jeff Davis	0-4-0	1-7-0	
2-3		Region Overall	
Branley	3-1-0	5-1-0	
Blackshear	3-2-0	3-3-0	
Atkinson	2-5-0	4-4-1	
Patterson	1-3-0	2-5-1	
Clinch	0-6-0	0-6-0	

In Valdosta the Wildcats Know They're No. 1

By BOB PRICE

Times-Union Sports Writer
Jesup and Valdosta, which could wind up settling the South Georgia championship during the playoffs, are the South Georgia representatives in the top 10 for AAA competitors.

Of course, Valdosta is a steady holder of first place on the weekly poll, but Jesup is the new face and the Jackets are rated ninth.

JESUP'S only loss this season was to Waycross in the season opener while Valdosta hasn't lost since mid-October in 1967.

While Valdosta, West Rome of AA and Carrollton of A all successfully defended their No. 1 status, Atlanta's Lovett was rudely jolted from its No. 1 ranking in Class B, being gunned down by previously

unranked Duluth, 14-8. It was Lovett's first loss in 25 games and the victory vaulted Duluth into eighth place.

In the AAA ratings, Macon-Central took over second place from Warner Robins by defeating previously fourth-ranked Baker of Columbus while Warner Robins was scrapping to a 14-14 tie with Columbus Kendrick.

Macon-Central and Warner Robins will settle the issue this Friday and Baker will have to encounter the renewed strength of Kendrick in sub-region title matches.

IN CLASS AA, North Fulton broke last week's tie with Statesboro to gain sole possession of the No. 2 spot. East Rome, which faces cross-town rival West Rome Friday, finished in fourth place. Lakeshore of Atlanta

bounced Sandy Springs, 35-0, last week to advance from seventh to fifth. Shamrock of Decatur fell from the top 10 after losing to Clarkston.

In Class A activity, Bradwell Institute edged out Rockmart for third place. Top-ranked Carrollton is undefeated.

The poll:

CLASS AAA: 1. Valdosta 70, 2. Macon-Central 62, 3. Warner Robins 46, 4. Lakeside-Atlanta 44, 5. Laney-Augusta 38, 6. Avondale 35, 7. Groves-Garden City 28, 8. Baker-Columbia 19, 9. Jesup 13, 10. Benedictine-Savannah 11.

CLASS AA: 1. West Rome 65, 2. North Fulton 56, 3. Statesboro 51, 4. East Rome 43, 5. Lakeshore-Atlanta 39, 6. Fitzgerald 29, 7. Russell-Atlanta 25, 8. Mary Persons-Forsyth 18, 9. Cairo 13, 10. Clarkston 9.

CLASS A: 1. Carrollton 71, 2. Turner Co. 61, 3. Bradwell Institute 47, 4. Rockmart 45, 5. Jefferson 40, 6. Westwood-Atlanta 26, 7. Vidalia 27, 8. Metter 22, 9. Manchester 14, 10. Putnam Co. 4.

CLASS B: 1. Southeast Bulloch 70, 2. Glennville 62, 3. Lovett-Atlanta 44, 4. Bowdon 33, 5. Trion 32, 6. Monticello 30, 7. Montgomery Co. 23, 8. Dugly 22, 9. Brantley Co. 17, 10. Macon Co., Oconee Co. 10.

ed but still faces Haralson County and then a make-up game on Nov. 12 with West

Rome. Brantley County, which was tumbled from the perfect

ranks two weeks ago by Charlton is ranked 10th in Class B while Cairo holds the

same spot for Class A competitors. Both are 8-1 for the season.

'Cats And Vikes Playing On Road

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will both be on the road for Region 1-AAA high school football games this coming Friday night. Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats are to meet coach Ray Dalton's Tift County Blue Devils at Tifton, while coach

have a 2-5-1 mark.

The Vikes have beaten Thomasville Central (20-6), Westover (45-6) and Crisp (25-15), while losing to Moultrie (33-6), Thomasville (38-13), Tift (6-0), Dougherty (6-0) and Monroe (32-12). Bainbridge has trimmed Dougherty (13-7) and Westover (27-0) and battled Central to a 23-23 tie. Loses for the Bearcats have been to Crisp (14-3), Valdosta (28-0), Albany (26-14), Thomasville (28-21) and Moultrie (36-21).

Berrien's Rebels (3-4-1) will be meeting Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets (1-7) in a Region 1-AA (East) test. The Rebs are 2-3 in sub-division play and the Jackets have an 0-4 league mark.

Brooks' Trojans (5-2-1) and Americus' Panthers (2-7) will hook up in a 1-AA (West) affair. The Trojans have a 2-1 regional chart and the Panthers are 1-2 against loop foes.

Cook's Hornets (3-5) will be dueling Ware's Gators (7-1) in a key 1-AA (East) outing. Cook is 2-2 in league play while Ware has a perfect 4-0 sub-division record and shares first place in the league with Fitzgerald.

Hamilton's Trojans will put their 6-1 record on the line when they host Jefferson. Madison's Cougars will carry a 4-2-1 record into their road game with Dixie County.

Other games of interest include the following:

Friday — Albany at Moultrie, Fitzgerald at Appling, Atkinson at Montgomery, Blackshear at Bacon, Kendrick at Columbus Baker, Bradwell at Camden, Glynn at Brunswick, Cairo at Early, Macon Central at Warner Robins.

Charlton at Patterson, Crisp at Westover, Irwin at Douglas, Wayne at Johnson, Richmond at Laney, Monroe at

'Cats Clinch Region Crown

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

TIFTON — Valdosta High's football Wildcats went on another point-making spree as they rolled past Tift County's Blue Devils, 60-28, here Friday night.

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STATISTICS	Valdosta	Tift
First Downs	20	18
Yards Rushing	195	178
Yards Passing	287	99
Passes	13-25	6-18
Passes Int. by	2	1
Fumbles Lost	1	4
Penalties	3-16, 3-45, 7	3-13, 3-45, 7
Penalties	2-10	3-35

Class AAA playoffs for the fourth consecutive year. 'Dosta has one more regular season game to play with Lowndes before moving into the playoffs against an as yet undetermined foe from Region 2-AAA.

A crowd of approximately 6,000 looked on as coach R. A. Dalton's Tift Blue Devils, who were celebrating homecoming, suffered a loss which dropped their record to 3-5-1.

On the Wildcats' first play from scrimmage quarterback Stanley Bounds connected with split end Stanford Rome on a pass play which covered 75 yards and produced a TD. With that the Wildcats were off to the races.

Bounds threw two more TD passes, one for 13 yards to Rome and another of 19 yards to halfback George Rountree, and the senior signal caller scored twice himself on runs of one and four yards.

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—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Calvin Lester (69) Leads The Way As Pat O'Neal (32) Starts TD Run

Robert Daniels got a TD on a seven-yard romp.

For the night Bounds hit on 13 of 24 passes for 287 yards and rushed six times for 20 more yards. He now has 2,082 yards in total offense and broke the former Region 1-AAA record of 1,937 yards which Bounds himself set

Bounds' passing total for the season is now 86-161-1,748, leaving him only 26 yards short of the region aerial record of 1,774 yards, which Bounds also set in 1970.

Rome caught nine passes for 237 yards and ran his total for the season to 44-1,040. He long ago went past the old 1-AAA re-

made one pass interceptions. Tackle Steve Stanaland covered two Tift bobbles and linebackers Dick Parker and Edwin Pompey each made one recovery. Daniels made the pass theft.

All four of the fumble recoveries gave Valdosta the football close to the Tift goal line and led directly to touchdowns.

While Tift's four touchdowns were the most scored against the 'Cats in a game this season, Valdosta had a firm grip on the lead all the way.

'Dosta was ahead 27-0 before Tift got its first tally. And the Wildcats were out front 54-7 when the Blue Devils racked up three quick touchdowns against the VHS reserves in the final stanza.

Fullback Theophilis Bryant, who rushed for 69 yards on 11 carries, scored three times for the Imps, on runs of four, 15 and 30 yards. The other TD was made by Larry Bryant, who blocked a punt at the VHS 38, finally chased the pigskin down, picked it up and carried it to paydirt.

Individual Statistics
Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 6-20, McCaskill 5-17, O'Neal 9-79, Daniels 5-18, Rountree 4-42, Savage 2-20, Rowe 3-4, Whitfield 1-2, King 1-2. Tift — Coleman 5-59, Whitehead 2 minus 1, Carmichael 16-42, T. Bryant 11-44, Morris 6-12.
Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 13-24-277, Rowe 2-1-0; Tift — Whitehead 2-9-29, Morris 4-9-79.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 9-237, Daniels 1-7, Griffin 2-24, Rountree 1-19, Tift — Hester 2-41, Smith 3-46, Whitehead 1-11.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-2
Kickoff Returns: Tift — Whitehead 2-25, Graham 6-82, Clements 1-17, Bryant 1-4
Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Wilbon 4, Parker 3, Rome 3, Stansfield 3, Brantley 3, Irby 3, D. Berrien 3, O'Neter 3, Payton 3, Pompey 2, Mitchell 2, G. Rountree; Tift — Gurr 5, L. Bryant 4, Graham 2, Salmon 2, Coleman 2, Bell 2, A. Brown 2, M. Brown 2.

Score By Quarters
Valdosta 21 20 13 4-60
Tift 0 7 0 21-28
Scoring: Valdosta TDs — Bounds 2(1 and 4 runs), Rome 2 (75 and 13 passes from Bounds), O'Neal 3(4, 3 and 5 runs), G. Rountree (19 pass from Bounds), Robt. Daniels (7 run); PATS — Parker 3 (placements), Bounds 3 (run and place), Tift — TDS + T. Bryant 3(4, 15, 30 runs), L. Bryant (blocked punt); PATS — Corsey 4 (placements).

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WILDCATS, 60-28

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SAMMY Glassman

Times Sports Editor

VHS, Bainbridge Seen As Victors

If you folks don't mind I'd just as soon forget about my football forecasting effort last week. I sure had my troubles, picking just 36 games correctly and missing 17 for a dismal 679 mark.

That chopped a dozen points off my average for the season, dropping it to 282-92-754.

I'm hoping to make a comeback this week, but after looking at the schedule that won't be easy. Anyway, here are my newest guesses. Let's start with the high school games.



VALDOSTA VS TIFT COUNTY

Valdosta's Wildcats (8-0) and Tift County's Blue Devils (3-4-1) are a pair of traditional rivals who will be meeting tonight at Tifton. The Imps are always sky high when they play the 'Cats, which means 'Dosta can expect trouble. But Valdosta needs a win to clinch the Region 1-AAA crown for the fourth year in a row, and I think the Wildcats will triumph.

LOWNDES VS BAINBRIDGE

Lowndes' Vikings (3-5) and Bainbridge's Bearcats (2-5-1) will be meeting at Bainbridge. The Bearcats will have the home field advantage and I think that will be enough to tip the scales in their favor.

BERRIEN VS JEFF DAVIS

Berrien's Rebels (3-4-1) and Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets (1-7) are Region 1-AA (East) rivals. My choice is Berrien.

BROOKS VS AMERICUS

Brooks County's Trojans (5-2-1) and Americus' Panthers (2-7) both belong to 1-AA (West). My vote goes to Brooks.

COOK VS WARE

Cook's Hornets (3-5) and Ware's powerful Gators (7-1) will be playing a key game in the 1-AA (East) title race at Waycross. The Gators are favored and I think they will triumph.

HAMILTON VS JEFFERSON

Hamilton County's Trojans will carry a 6-1 mark into their outing with Jefferson County. I'm picking Hamilton.

MADISON VS DIXIE

Madison's Cougars, who have a 4-2-1 chart, will be on the road for their game with Dixie County. Chalk this one up to Madison.

OTHER PREP GAMES AT A GLANCE

Moultrie over Albany, Fitzgerald over Appling, Baker over Kendrick, Early over Cairo, Macon Central over Warner Robins, Crisp over Westover, Irwin over Douglass, Wayne over Johnson, Richmond over Laney, Thomasville over Monroe and Dougherty over Thomasville Central.

Now let's look at the college slate.

GEORGIA VS FLORIDA

Georgia's Bulldogs (8-0) and Florida's Gators (2-6) will stage their annual battle at Jacksonville on Saturday. I've got to go along with Georgia in this one.

GEORGIA TECH VS NAVY

Tech's Yellow Jackets (4-4) and Navy's Middies (2-6) will battle it out in Atlanta. Tech has triumphed in its last two starts and I think the Jackets will make it three in a row by licking the Middies.

OTHER COLLEGE GAMES AT A GLANCE

Alabama over LSU, Auburn over Mississippi State, North Carolina over Clemson, West Virginia over Duke, Kentucky over Vandy, Penn State over Maryland, Houston over Memphis State, Miami over NC State, Ole Miss over Tampa, Tennessee over South Carolina, Army over Rutgers, Syracuse over Boston College, Notre Dame over Pitt, Illinois over Indiana, Michigan over Iowa, Nebraska over Iowa State, Colorado over Kansas, Oklahoma State over Kansas State, Ohio State over Michigan State, Minnesota over Northwestern, Oklahoma over Missouri, Purdue over Wisconsin, Arkansas over Rice, Texas over Baylor, Texas A&M over SMU, TCU over Texas Tech, Air Force over Oregon, California over Washington, Southern Cal over Washington State and Ford over UCLA.

High School Football Picture by Regions

1. Valdosta (9-0 overall and in the region) has won this region and will play the AAA Region 2 winner on Nov. 26.

2. Warner Robins (8-0 overall; 5-0 in region) has won the east half of the region while Baker (6-1) overall; 5-0 in region) has captured the western crown. The two will play on the 19th for the region crown and a chance to play Valdosta on Nov. 26th.

3. Wayne County (9-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "A" subdivision. Groves (7-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "B" subdivision. The two will meet on the 19th for the right to play the winner of Region 4.

4. Laney (8-1 overall; 4-1 region) currently leads this four-team region but must defeat Baldwin (0-9 overall) in its next outing to win the crown. Laney has one loss while Richmond Academy (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) and Butler (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) have two each.

5. Douglas County (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) has won this region pending the outcome of a protest charging it played an ineligible player in the first game of the year. If the protest goes against the Tigers, Marietta (6-3 overall; 4-2 re-

gion), South Cobb (4-3 region; 5-3 overall) and Dalton (7-2 overall; 5-2 region) all have chances at the title. But Douglas County may still have the best shot at the title. The winner of the title will meet the winner of Region 6.

6. Forest Park (7-1-1 in region and overall) has won this one with no question marks. The Panthers will take on the winner of Region 5 on Nov. 26th.

7. Things shape up for a Nov. 19th playoff between Avondale (7-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) and Columbia (6-2-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) for the region crown. The two tied 3-3 earlier in the season in a hotly contested game. The region winner will play the Region 8 winner on the 26th.

8. Henderson (7-1 overall; 6-1 region) and Lakeside (9-1 overall; 6-1 region) will end the season tied if Henderson can down Briffitt and Tucker and Lakeside also wins two. Henderson beat Lakeside earlier in the season and that will give the Cougars the title and a chance to meet the Region 7 winner.

1. Fitzgerald (8-1 overall; 5-0 region), Ware County (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) are tied for the lead in the East half of the region, but meet Friday night and that should settle one half of the region. Cairo and Early County (both 7-1-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) are tied for the West half and the two teams meet and tied last week. If both win Friday night, region rules will be used to decide the winner. The winners of both halves meet on Nov. 19th to decide the region and the winner of that one will take on the winner in 2-AA.

2. Thomson (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) appears to have won the East half after defeating Statesboro (6-1 overall; 6-1 region) last Friday night. The Bulldogs will play the winner of the West half, Mary Persons (6-0-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) on Nov. 19th for the region championship and the right to play the winner of Region 1 on Nov. 26.

3. Woodward Academy (7-2 overall; 6-0 region) the defending state champion, has won the East half and Lakeside (8-0-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) has won the West half. The two will clash on Nov. 19 for the region title and the winner will meet the Region 4 winner on Nov. 26.

4. Marietta (6-2-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) can clinch the North half of the region with a victory over Campbell on Friday night. Should the War Eagles lose they would end up tied with Wheeler (6-2-1 overall; 4-0-1 region). Shamrock (8-1 overall; 3-1 region) can clinch the South half with a victory over St. Plus (5-2 overall) Friday night. Should Shamrock tie or lose the sub-region will fall to Westminster (5-3-1 overall; 3-1 region) if the Wildcats down Southwest Dekalb. The sub-region victors meet on Nov. 19 and the region winner will take on the Region 3 winner Nov. 26.

5. North Fulton (9-0 overall; 7-0 region) can clinch the region with a victory over Northside (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) Saturday afternoon at Grady Stadium. Should Northside upset the Bulldogs it could win the region instead. The winner of the region will play the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.

6. Fulton (7-1-1 overall; 6-1-1 region) and Turner (6-2-1 overall; 6-1-1 region) are now tied for the region lead and unless one of the two lose Friday night, a playoff on Nov. 19 will settle the question. The winner takes on Region 5's champion on Nov. 26.

7. Rossville (7-2 overall; 5-0 region) has won the North half of the region. West Rome clinched the South half last week with a victory over East Rome. The two teams meet Nov. 19 to settle the region title. And the winner of the game will meet the Region 8 representative on Nov. 26.

8. Stephens County (9-1 overall; 5-0 region) has won the East Half. South Hall and Gainesville (7-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) are tied for the lead in the West. South Hall (6-2 overall; 3-0-1 region) can get by Monroe Area Friday night. It will remain tied and region rules will decide the champion of the West half. Sub-region champions will meet on Nov. 19 and the winner will clash with Region 7's winner.

9. Cochran (6-4 overall; 5-0 region) has won the north half of the region while Turner County (9-0 overall; 4-0 region) has sewed up the South. The pair will decide the region title Nov.

19 and the winner will meet the Region 2 champ on Nov. 26.

2. Bradwell Institute (6-2 overall; 4-0 region), as won the region and will play the champion from Region 1 on Nov. 26.

3. Aquinas (6-3 overall; 6-0 region) can chalk up a region title with a victory over Harlem Friday night. The region has a bye in the first round of play and will meet the winner of the contest between winners of regions 1 and 2.

4. Rockmart (10-0 overall; 5-0 region) has won the north half and Carrollton (9-0 overall; 4-0 region) has locked up its 14th straight sub-region title. The two teams meet on Nov. 19 and the winner of that one will meet the Region 5's finest.

5. Roswell (6-3 overall; 6-1 region) has won the region and will meet the best from Region 4 on Nov. 19. The winner of that contest will meet the winner of Region 6.

6. Jefferson (7-2 overall; 3-0 in region) has a lock on the East half of the region and Murray County has laid claim to the West. A playoff will decide the region and the champion will meet the winner of the game between winners in Regions 4 and 5.

1. Macon County (9-1 overall; 2-0 region) is in control of this two team region and will play the Region 2 pennant winner on Nov. 26.

2. Charlton County (5-2 overall; 5-0 region) has won and will meet Macon County Nov. 26.

3. Southeast Bulloch (9-0 overall; 7-0 region) has survived what may be the strongest region in its class and will meet the winner of Region 4 on Nov. 26.

4. If Lyons (4-4-1 overall; 2-0-1 in region) and Montgomery County (7-1 overall; 2-0-1 region) win games with

Georgia Military and Treutlen County they will end the season tied. And since the two tied when they met, a playoff will decide the winner.

5. Bowdon (7-1-1 overall; 5-0 region) has sewed up this region and will meet the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.

6. Trion (7-2 region; 7-0 overall) has won the region and will play Bowdon on Nov. 26.

7. St. Joseph (5-4 overall; 2-0 region) has won and will take on the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.

8. Duluth (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) won the west half of the region when it upset Lovett and Oconee County (7-1 overall; 4-0 region) has nailed down the East half. The two meet Nov. 19 for the right to battle St. Joseph on Nov. 26.

'Cats Keep Eyes On 2-AAA Action

Valdosta High's football Wildcats still have a regular season game to play with Lowndes' Vikings and you can be sure the 'Cats aren't taking their cross-town rival for granted.

But when Valdosta rolled past the Tift County Blue Devils, 60-28, this past Friday night at Tifton the 'Cats boosted their record to 9-0 and nailed down the Region 1-AAA championship and earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.



This is the fourth straight year coach Wright Bazemore's charges have captured the 1-AAA diadem, and this is a first for them since they moved into the league in 1958.

Once before, 1960-1961-1962, they strung three 1-AAA crowns together and up to now that was their longest string in this category.

Something else the current VHS team has done is score more points in regular season play than any other set of Wildcats since 1958. The previous high tally for them in 1-AAA play was 369 in 1968. With one game still to go the 1971 outfit has already scored 438 points, an

average of 48.7 per game.

A lot of fans have been asking about the setup for Valdosta's first venture in the state playoffs. Here's the situation. They will meet the 2-AAA champion, and under a rotation system the game will be played here.

Region 2-AAA, however, is sub-divided. Baker's Lions from Columbus and Warner Robins' Demons have already clinched the sub-league championships, but they must meet in a playoff to decide the overall 2-AAA championship. That contest is slated for Nov. 19 at Columbus.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats are getting ready for their game with Lowndes and at the same time they will be keeping their eyes on the results of the competition in 2-AAA.

What it all boils down to is the fact that it will be two more weeks before we know whether VHS will meet Baker or Warner Robins in the first round of the state playoffs.

Victory Was Sweet

Now for some comments by Times staffer Julian Miller on the Lowndes-Bainbridge game.

Holding Bainbridge's Bearcats to just seven points in their 15-7 victory in Bainbridge Friday night was a satisfying feat for head coach Noel George and his Vikings.

They had reason to be happy about that, because the Bearcats had scored over 20 points on each of their 1st three foes, which included Thomasville, Moultrie and Westover of Albany.

The Bearcats, although they have a 2-7-1 record, come fully equipped with a three-speed backfield that is capable of scoring at any time, and indeed did keep the few fans that turned up for the game on the edge of their seats.

Quarterback Dargan Long and running backs Gregory Roberts and Ervin Flanders could have broken loose at any time. And several times they did, only to be brought down just shy of paydirt by Lowndes defenders in last-gasp situations.

If the Bearcats could have mustered any kind of passing attack against the Vikings, things could have been different.

Long, High Punt

Meanwhile, Lowndes' passing attack still wasn't sharp and the Vikes five-man rushing attack, which once led the region, was cut by injuries to just one, Stanley Cowart.

Cowart carried on 23 plays, picking up 83 yards. Three times he was hit behind the lines just when he was given the handoff.

Through it all, one thing could cheer the Lowndes fans up. In their next-to-last game of the season they finally got their punting game going.

It took quarterback Willie Linahan to do it, and he showed his talent on his first punt when the snap from center went over his head and back to the 10 yard line.

With two Bearcats hanging on to his jersey, he ran back, picked up the pigskin and punted it to the Bainbridge 45. That's 45 yards in the air, and high in the air. That could have really helped earlier in the season.

Wildcats, Devils Tangle At Tifton

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats, with their sights on the Region 1-AAA title, will renew a series with one of their long time football rivals when they meet Tift County's Blue Devils at Tifton on Friday night.

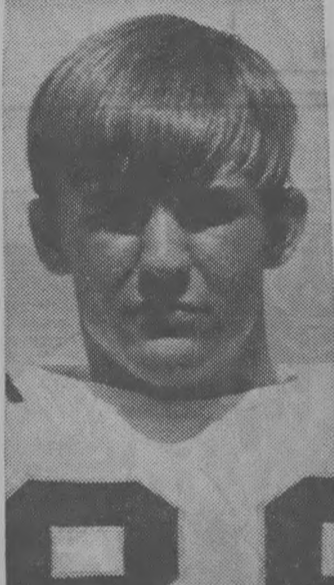
The contest between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Ray Dalton's Imps is set for 8 p. m.

Valdosta currently owns an 8-0 record and Tift has a 3-4-1 chart. With a win tomorrow night the 'Cats would clinch the 1-AAA championship and a nail down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs for the fourth year in a row.

The 'Cats wanting a victory and getting it are different matters. Tift, after a slow start, has come on strong lately, posting triumphs in three of its last four games.

"Tift is a traditional rival for us," Bazemore said, "and we've got to play them on their field. They're going to be up, I mean really sky high. They always are when they play us."

"As for Tift's record, don't let it fool you. They're much, much better than their 3-4-1 mark might seem to indicate. They have size, speed, experience, a well balanced attack and an extremely tough defense."



JIM CLARKSTON
Alert Defender

Tift's attack leaders include quarterback Mike Coleman, a talented runner and passer; halfback Billy Carmichael and fullback Theophilis Bryant.

Bryant, a 220-pound junior, has used his power and speed to romp for 637 yards.

Valdosta's offensive unit, which is led by quarterback Stanley Bounds, running backs Robert Daniels, Pat O'Neal and Robert McCaskill and wide receiver Stanford Rome, has been averaging just over 47 points a game.

The Wildcats' defensive unit turned in one of its better performances of the season in a 47-6 win over the Westover Patriots last week. Stop'em crew members intercepted four passes and recovered three Pats fumbles. Two of the bobbles were recovered by inside linebacker Jim Clarkston, and both

Grid Glimpses

(See stories on pages 6 and 7)

Valdosta 60, Tift 28

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Lowndes 15, Bainbridge 7

Lowndes' Vikings scored a touchdown in the third period on a 36-yard screen pass from Willie Linahan to Stan Cowart to break a 7-7 tie and lick the Bainbridge Bearcats.

Brooks 20, Americus 8

Brooks County's Trojans racked up two touchdowns in the first half and went on from there to a Region 1-AA (West) triumph over the Americus Panthers.

Berrien 14, Jeff Davis 6

Berrien's Rebels racked up a pair of TDs before intermission and then used a tough defense in the second half to make the lead standup for a win over Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets.

Ware 29, Cook 13

Cook's Hornets made it a real contest for more than three quarters, but finally fell to Region 1-AA (East) co-leader Ware County.

Jefferson 16, Hamilton 3

Jefferson County's Bulldogs rallied in the second half to trim Hamilton County's Trojans and take over undisputed possession of first place in the North Florida Crown Conference.

Dixie 16, Madison 14

A 36-yard field goal made the difference as Dixie County's Red Madisons' Cougars.

'Dosta, Georgia Seen As Victors

If the season doesn't end pretty soon my football forecasting average just might drop all the way to zero. Last week I was right in just 34 games and wrong in 18 for a very poor .654 mark, which chopped 13 points off my average for the season. I'm now at 316-110—741. Just three weeks ago I had a .766 average.

What's happening is that at the end of the schedule there are a lot of games between traditional rivals, the kind which are very hard to form chart.

Anyway, I'll try again. As usual I'll start with the prep offerings.

VALDOSTA VS LOWNDES — Valdosta's Wildcats (9-0) and Lowndes' Vikings (4-5) are a couple of those traditional rivals I mentioned earlier. They're meeting tonight at Martin Stadium on the LHS Campus. The Vikes have the home field advantage, but the 'Cats are favored and I think they will win.



GLASSMAN BROOKS VS EARLY — Brooks' Trojans (6-2) and Early's Bobcats (7-1-1) will be meeting in a key Region 1-AA (West) game at Quitman. It should be close, but I'm giving the nod to Early.

BERRIEN VS BRANTLEY — Berrien's Rebels (4-4) and Brantley's Herons (8-1) will hook-up in a non-league match. On a hunch, I'm picking Berrien.

COOK VS APPLING — Cook's Hornets (3-6) will host Appling's Pirates (3-5-1). My choice is Cook.

CLINCH VS MACON — Clinch's Panthers (0-8) will be the decided underdogs against Macon County's Rebels (8-1). I'll go along with the form chart and cast my vote for Macon.

HAMILTON VS MADISON — Hamilton's Trojans (6-2) and Madison's Cougars (4-3-1) are a pair of traditional and conference rivals. This one looks like a toss-up. I flipped a coin and it indicated a win for Madison.

OTHER PREP GAMES AT A GLANCE — Albany over Dougherty, Cairo over Americus, Laney over Baldwin, Macon Central over Kendrick, Thomasville over Thomasville Central, Waycross over Coffee, Moultrie over Crisp, Fitzgerald over Ware, Warner Robins over Groves, Monroe over Bainbridge and Tift over Westover.

Now let's look at the college slate:

GEORGIA VS AUBURN — Georgia's Bulldogs (9-0) and Auburn's Tigers (8-0) will meet at Athens on Saturday in a game which has attracted national attention. It figures as a match between Georgia's strong ground game and tough defense and Auburn's very potent passing attack. This one could go either way, but I'm picking Georgia.

GEORGIA TECH VS FSU — Tech's Yellow Jackets (5-4) will be meeting FSU's Seminoles (6-2) at Grant Field in Atlanta. This looks like another close one. My selection is Tech.

FLORIDA VS KENTUCKY — Florida's Gators (2-7) and Kentucky's Wildcats (3-6) are to tangle at Gainesville. Again, this is a tough one to figure. I'll go along with the Gators.

OTHER COLLEGE GAMES AT A GLANCE — Alabama over Miami, Clemson over Maryland, Duke over Wake Forest, LSU over Mississippi State, Ole Miss over Chattanooga, North Carolina over Virginia, Penn State over NC State, Notre Dame over Tulane, Army over Pitt, Navy over Syracuse, Illinois over Wisconsin, Indiana over Iowa, Missouri over Iowa State, Oklahoma over Kansas, Nebraska over Kansas State, Michigan over Purdue, Michigan State over Minnesota, Ohio State over Northwestern, Colorado over Oklahoma State, Air Force over Tulsa, Arkansas over SMU, Baylor over Texas Tech, Texas A&M over Rice, Texas over TCU, California over Oregon, Washington State over Oregon State, Southern Cal over Washington and Stanford over San Jose State.

Lowndes, 'Dosta To Clash Friday

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will close out regular season play when the cross-town high school football rivals meet here Friday night at the Vikes' home field.

The Region 1-AAA duel between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Noel George's Vikings is to be played at Martin Stadium on the Lowndes High campus.

In other games Friday involving area teams, Early County (Blakely) will be at Brooks County (Quitman), Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) at Brantley

AREA GRID SLATE
Friday
Valdosta at Lowndes
Berrien at Brantley
Early at Brooks
Appling at Cook
Clinch at Macon Co.
Hamilton at Madison

County (Nahunta), Appling County (Baxley) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homerville) at Macon County (Montezuma) and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Madison, Fla.

Berrien, Brooks, Cook and Clinch will also wind up regular season grid play this week.

Valdosta's Wildcats will carry a perfect 9-0 record into that contest with Lowndes. The Vikings own a 4-5 mark.

The 'Cats have already clinched the 1971 Region 1-AAA championship and with it they have nailed down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. VHS won't know who its first playoff foe will be until Nov. 19 when division winners Baker (Columbus) and Warner Robins decided the 2-AAA title issue in a game at Columbus.

Victories for the Wildcats this year have been over Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7), Bainbridge (28-0), Albany (41-8), Moultrie (42-21), Monroe (75-22), Westover (47-6) and Tift County (60-28).

Lowndes has beaten Thomas-

ville Central (20-6), Westover (45-6), Crisp (25-15) and Bainbridge (15-7). The Vikings have bowled to Moultrie (33-6), Thomasville (38-13), Tift (6-0), Dougherty (6-0) and Monroe (32-12).

Brooks' Trojans and Early's Bobcats will be meeting in a Region 1-AA (West) test at Quitman. Brooks is 6-2-1 in all games and has a 3-1 sub-division mark. Early is 7-1-1 and 3-0-1. The Bobcats are tied with Cairo for the sub-division lead, while Brooks is currently third in this race.

Berrien's Rebels (4-4-1) will be meeting Brantley's Herons (8-1) in a non-league affair. The Rebs belong to 1-AA (East) and Brantley campaigns in Region 2-B.

Cook's Hornets and Appling's Pirates are 1-AA (East) rivals. Cook is 3-6 in all games and 2-3 in league play. Appling has 3-5-1 and 2-4 charts.

Clinch's Panthers (0-8) will

VHS, Lowndes Ducats On Sale

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Tickets for the Valdosta Lowndes high school football game are now on sale here at Barnes Drug Store in Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center.

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings, a pair of cross-town and Region 1-AAA rivals, are to meet at 8 p.m. Friday at Martin Stadium on the Lowndes High campus.

The tickets which are now on sale at Barnes Drug store are priced at \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for students.

On the night of the game all tickets offered for sale at the gate will be priced at \$2 each.

be meeting a Macon County team which owns an 8-1 mark. This will also be a non-league outing.

Hamilton's Tigers (6-2) and Madison's Cougars (4-3-1) are both North Florida Crown Conference members.

Wildcats' Fans Wait And Wonder

With a 40-0 victory over cross-town rival Lowndes this past Friday night Valdosta's football Wildcats closed out regular season play with a perfect 10-0 record.

Actually, coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats nailed down the Region 1-AAA title for the fourth year in a row two weeks ago.



GLASSMAN

The rotation system the Wildcats will continue to play in their home stadium as long as they stay in the playoffs, hopefully all the way to the state finals, which would mean a total of three more games for the 'Cats.

Still in the state title running down here in the southern half of the state are 4-AAA victor Laney of Augusta (9-1) and 3-AAA sub-division champs Wayne County (Jesup), which has a 9-1 mark, and Groves, with an 8-1-1 chart.

Wayne and Groves must playoff this week, with the victor dueling Laney next week. Meanwhile, there's a battle to be fought in the northern half of the state between four Class AAA region winners up that way.

There are, at this stage, still quite a few teams left in the running for the 1971 "AAA" state championship. They number six in the south, Valdosta, Baker, Warner Robins, Laney, Groves and Wayne and the best I can figure, seven in the north — Douglas County, Forest Park, Griffin, Avondale, Columbia, Henderson and Lakeshore.

Right now all the Wildcats' fans can do is wait and wonder whether it will be Baker or Warner Robins which will come here next week to give Valdosta its first playoff test.

Other Races

Now let's take a look at how things went in some regional races in other classifications in this neck of the woods.

Charlton County emerged as the Region 2-B champion. It finished with a 6-2 overall record while Brantley County closed with a final 8-2 mark.

But in league competition Charlton went 5-0 to 4-1 for Brantley. A 7-0 win by Charlton over Brantley was the deciding contest.

Fitzgerald's Hurricanes have the Region 1-AA (East) championship nailed down. Fitz was 9-1 for the season and 6-0 in sub-division play. The Hurricanes settled the issue with a 23-0 win over Ware County this past Friday night. The Gators finished 8-2 and 5-1.

Vote Needed

As for the Region 1-AA (West) race, it had an unusual windup. Cairo and Early County (Baxley) both had 8-1-1 overall and 3-0-1 sub-division records.

That league tie for both of them came when they fought each other to 13-13 deadlock. Under this situation, in a sub-division race, the Georgia High School Association rules say league members must vote and pick the champion.

The vote was held this past Saturday morning. Early got the nod and will go against Fitzgerald and this coming Friday night at Albany in a playoff for the overall 1-AA title.

Vikes, 'Cats To Tangle

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings, a pair of cross-town high school football rivals, will ring down the curtain on regular season play when they clash here Friday night.

The meeting between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Noel George's Vikes who will be celebrating homecoming, is set for 8 p.m. and the game will be played at Martin Stadium on the Lowndes High campus.

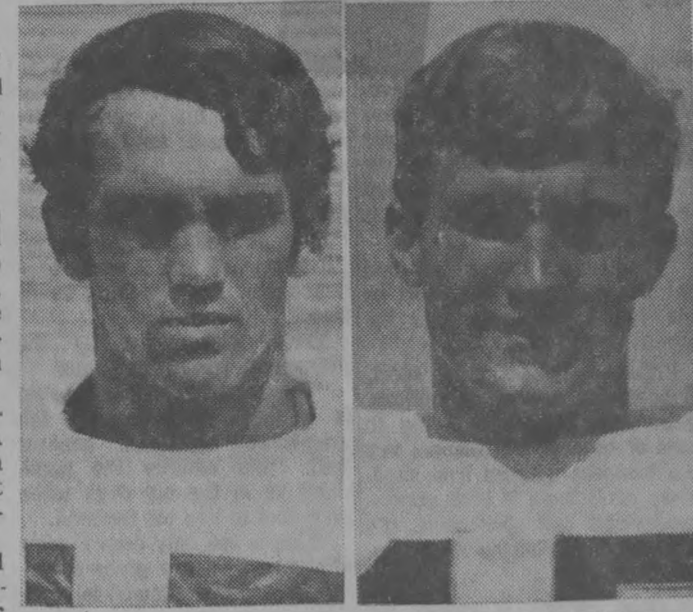
Valdosta will carry a 9-0 record into the Region 1-AAA match and the 'Cats need a victory to give them a perfect record in regular season competition.

Lowndes has a 4-5 chart and the Vikes need a triumph to enable them to close out their campaign at the .500 level.

This will be the third meeting between the two on the gridiron since Lowndes joined 1-AAA in 1968. So far Valdosta holds a 3-0 edge in the series.

Regardless of how things go tomorrow night, the season will be over for the Vikes, but the 'Cats will see more football action.

VHS has already clinched the



WILLIE LINAHAN
Lowndes QB

STANLEY BOUNDS
'Dosta Leader

1971 region crown and with it 'Dosta has earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. The 'Cats must await the results of a Region 2-AAA title duel between Baker (Columbus) and Warner Robins on Nov. 19 before they will know who their first round playoff foe will be.

Valdosta has averaged 48.67 points a game, while allowing an average of 11.0. Lowndes has been scoring at a 15.22 clip, while giving up an average of 16.5.

VHS has been averaging 421 yards per game, while giving up an average of 202. Simi-

lar figures for LHS are 233-227. Lowndes' ground attack leader is Stan Cowart, who has picked up 624 yards on 131 carries, followed by Sammy Harris (53-265), Willie Linahan (50-214), Scott Metts (43-134) and Jim Williams (31-118). Harris is hampered by an injury right now.

As a passer, Linahan has completed 36 of 90 tosses for 520 yards. His favorite target is Elbert Daniels, who has made nine catches for 238 yards. Cowart is the Vikes' leading scorer with 42 points.

Valdosta's potent offense is paced by Stanley Bounds, who has passed for 1,774 yards and rushed for 334, for a combined mark of 2,082. The senior quarterback has already broken the 1-AAA total offense record of 1,937 yards, which he set in 1970, and is just 26 yards away from the league passing record of 1,774 yards, which he also set last year. Bounds has thrown for 16 touchdowns and has scored 107 points himself.

The 'Cats have another record-breaker in split end Stanford Rome, who has hauled in 44 passes for 1,040 yards and a dozen Ds. He's already moved well past the former 1-AAA pass receiving record of 668 yards set by Albany's Darrell Johnson in 1967.

Other VHS ground attack leaders besides Bounds are Pat O'Neal (55-390), Robert Daniels (53-353), Robert McCaskill (41-218) and James Savage (19-118).

Probable starters are as follows:

VALDOSTA
Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.); tackles Paul Demerssman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.); guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.); center Paul Lora (175, sr.); quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.); halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) or Clifford Bradley (150, sr.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) or James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, sr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).
Defense — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Larry Lane (160, jr.); tackles Steve Stanland (220, sr.) and Bobby Brantley (200, jr.); middle guard Freddie Wilson (250, r.); outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (175, sr.); inside linebacker Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (185, jr.) and O. D. Netter (170, sr.).

LOWNDES
Offense — ends Richard Creel (160, sr.) and Elbert Daniels (180, sr.); tackles William Thompson (230, sr.) and Jerry Day (220, jr.); guards Danny Rountree (170, soph.) and Andre Shiver (165, jr.); center Nathaniel Corbett (195, sr.); quarterback Willie Linahan (160, sr.); halfbacks Stan Cowart (175, sr.) and Darrell Montgomery (150, sr.) and fullback Scott Metts (200, sr.) or Jim Williams (165, sr.).
Defense — ends Randy Jones (175, soph.) and Abe Clemons (170, sr.); tackles Robert Seither (215, sr.) and Wade Pierce (170, jr.); middleguard Dwight Carter (165, jr.); linebackers Tony Lee (170, jr.) and Daniels; cornerbacks Roger Denton (150, jr.) and Calvin Burghman (155, jr.); and safety Harry Henry (150, sr.) and Bruce Barnes (150, sr.).

Wildcats Claw Demons, 35-6

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's Wildcats combined a balanced attack with an alert and stingy defense to score a solid 35-6 football victory over the Warner Robins Demons here Friday night.

An overflow crowd of approximately 11,000 was on hand at Cleveland Field as coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats rolled to a convincing triumph over Frank Orgel's Demons in a first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs.

With the win the 'Cats, who are the champs of Region 1-AAA, boosted their record to 11-0 and earned the right to meet Laney of Augusta here next Friday night in a battle for the South Georgia "AAA" title.

Laney advanced in the playoffs with a 20-6 triumph over Groves (Garden City) in a game at Savannah last night. The 4-AAA champs from Augusta will come here next week with a 10-1 record.

As for the Demons from 2-AAA, the defeat was their first after nine wins and a pair of ties and knocked them out of

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Robins
First Downs	19	10
Yards Rushing	205	125
Yards Passing	193	54
Passes	14-24	5-17
Passes Intc. by	2	3
Fumbles Lost	1	3
Punting	5-34.2	5-34
Penalties	16-130	6-38

the state championship picture.

Before the game Bazemore had told the 'Cats that a "good team effort" would be the key to success against Warner Robins. The VHS gridders gave their coach just exactly what he asked for.

The Valdosta attack, led by senior quarterback Stanley Bounds, racked up five touchdowns, three along the ground and two through the air, and piled up 398 yards in total offense. The 'Cats ran for 205 yards and passed for 193.

Meanwhile, VHS' defensive unit turned in its top performance of the season while holding Warner Robins' potent attack to just 179 yards, 125 rushing and 54 passing. The Demons got 71 of those yards and their only touchdown in the final stanza

against the 'Dosta reserves.

Bounds had a direct hand in the scoring of all five of Valdosta's TDs. He tallied three times himself on runs of 1, 3 and 1 yards, and unleashed a pair of touchdown aeriels. One for nine yards went to tight end Scott Griffin and another for five yards went to split end Stanford Rome.

For the night Bounds picked up 63 yards rushing on 13 carries and hit on 14 of 24 tosses for 193 yards. Rome, who was being double and triple teamed by the Robins defenders, still made eight pass receptions for 117 yards.

Other VHS rushing leaders included halfback Robert Daniels, with 48 yards on 10 carries, and fullback Pat O'Neal, who legged it for 34 yards on nine tries.

The Wildcats' alert stop'em crew members recovered three Demon fumbles and intercepted a pair of Warner Robins passes.

A fumble recovery by Alvin Payton stopped Robins at the VHS seven yard line in the opening minutes of the game.

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Grid Glimpses

(See stories on pages 6, 7 and 8)

Valdosta 40, Lowndes 0

Valdosta's Wildcats combined a balanced attack with an alert defense to trim Lowndes' Vikings in this clash between cross-town rivals.

Berrien 31, Brantley 8

Berrien's Rebels kept their attack in high gear as they romped past Brantley County's Herons. With the triumph the Rebs finished with a 5-4-1 record, making this their first winning grid campaign in seven years.

Hamilton 12, Madison 7

Hamilton's Trojans used a strong running attack to offset the Madison Cougars' aerial game and win this North Florida Crown Conference rivalry.

Early Co. 8, Brooks 0

Early County's Bobcats took the opening kickoff and drove 80 yards for a touchdown, then made that early lead stand up for a victory over the Brooks County Trojans.

Appling Co. 15, Cook 0

Appling County's Pirates got two points on a safety in the third period to break a scoreless tie and start moving down a road which carried the Bucs to a victory over the Cook Hornets.

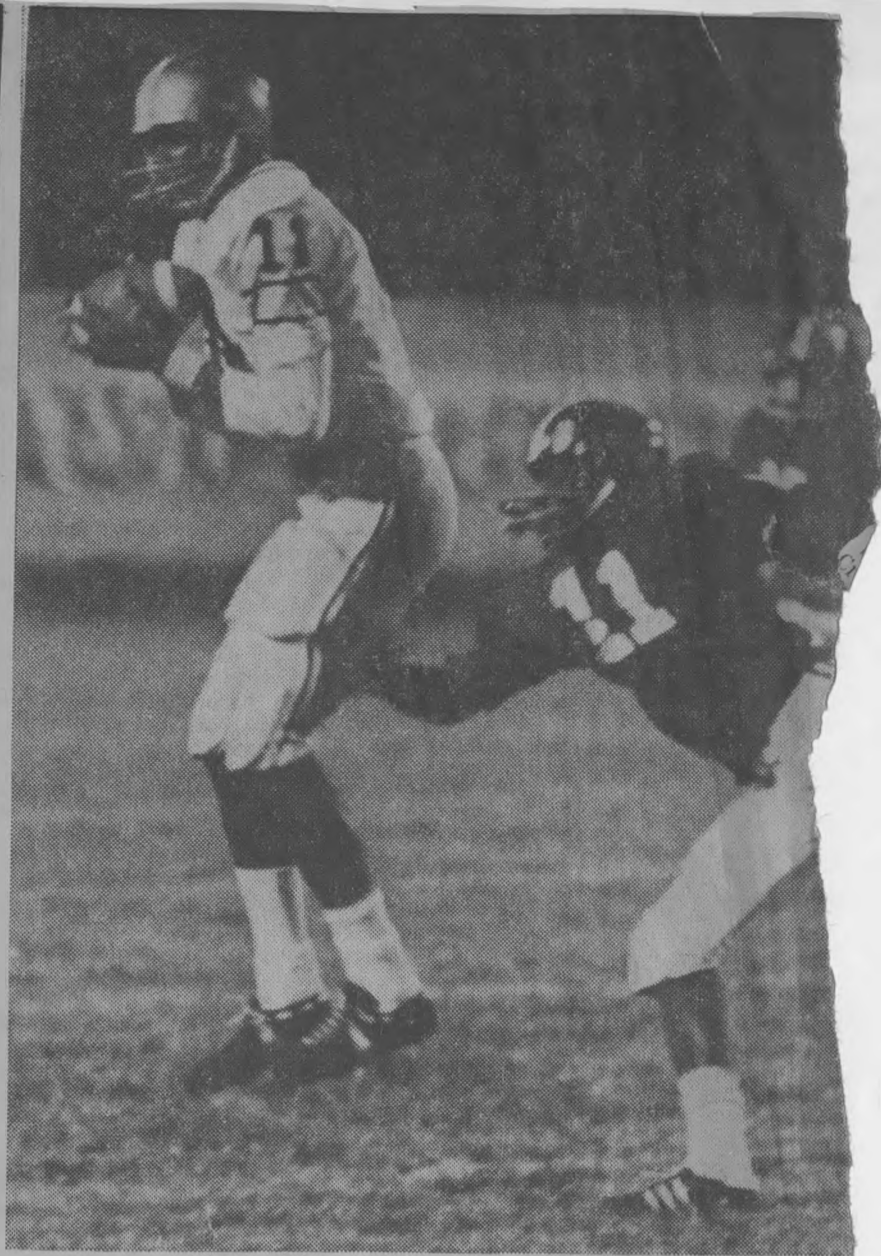
Macon Co. 70, Clinch 0

Macon County's Rebels from Montezuma, one of the state's top-ranked Class B grid powers, went on a scoring spree against Clinch's youthful Panthers.



Wildcats' Gary Rowe Goes Low And Grabs An Ankle To Bring Down Vikings' Jim Williams (23)

-Times Staff Photo



Valdosta's Stanford Rome Goes Up And Catches Pass After Get

Valdosta Defeats L

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

A balanced attack and some very alert defensive play were the football tools Valdosta's Wildcats used to score a 40-0 victory over the Lowndes Vikings here Friday night.

With the triumph coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats closed

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Lowndes
First Downs	22	10
Yards Rushing	185	56
Yards Passing	230	107
Passes	12-33	6-16
Passes Intc. by	3	0
Fumbles Lost	2	4
Punting	3-23.55-24.6	
Penalties	8-90	6-36

out regular season play with a perfect 10-0 record.

The setback came in the 1971 finale for coach Noel George's Vikes and left them with a 4-6 chart. It was homecoming for Lowndes and the cross-town rivals played before a crowd of approximately 7,000 at Martin Stadium. LHS' home field.

While the regular season string has run out for 'Dosta, it clinched the Region 1-AAA championship two weeks ago and along with it nailed down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. VHS' first playoff foe will be the winner of a Region 2-AAA title duel set for next Friday between Baker of Columbus and Warner Robins.

Here last night the 'Cats scored three times through the air and three times along the ground as they compiled 415 yards in total offense. With very alert defensive play, the VHS defenders held Lowndes to 163 yards in total offense and recovered four Lowndes fumbles and intercepted three LHS aerials.

Valdosta quarterback Stanley Bounds threw three touchdown passes. They were for 27, 25 a

7 yards, and all of them went to split end Stanford Rome. Bounds scored one TD himself, on a one-yard run. Halfback George Rountree tallied on a 33-yard sprint and halfback Robert Daniels reached paydirt once on a three-yard romp.

While Lowndes failed to get on the scoreboard, the Vikings made serious scoring threats twice in the first half and battled hard from the opening whistle to the final buzzer.

One LHS thrust to the 22

was halted by a fumble recovery in the first period and an assault to the six in the second stanza was stopped by a pass interception.

For the night Bounds hit on 13 of 31 passes for 320 yards and he picked up another 16 yards along the ground on six carries. He closed out regular season play with 1,937 yards passing and 2,328 yards in total offense, both of which are new Region 1-AAA records. The old league standards were 1,774 passing and 1,937 in total of-

fense, and Bounds himself. Rome made six passes for 144 yards his total to 50 - passing the old in this category set by Albany's son in 1947.

Daniels, with 72 eight carries, was ground attack leader.

On defense VHS tacklers were Alvin six; Ronald Daniels Gary Rowe, three,

Former Wildcats In Playoffs Too

By now it's common knowledge Valdosta's Wildcats are getting ready to enter the playoffs for the state Class AAA high school football crown, but this bunch of 'Cats isn't the only one facing the challenge.

Two former Wildcats, Dale Williams, now head coach of the Baker High Lions at Columbus, and Frank King, head coach of the Early County Bobcats from Blakely, are facing playoff foes too.



JULIAN MILLER

Williams, who graduated from Valdosta High in 1958, takes his Lions against Warner Robins in a duel for the Region 2-AAA crown in Columbus Friday night.

The winner earns a trip to Valdosta the following Friday to meet the Wildcats.

Meanwhile, King, who played under Valdosta coach Wright Bazemore, is at the helm of the Region 1-AA (West) champion Bobcats, and takes them against Baze's hometown team of Fitzgerald at Albany in the Region 1-AA title clash Friday.

Williams would like to talk about meeting Valdosta on Cleveland Field, but he has more to think about right

now. Before he does anything he has to figure out some way to stop the Warner Robins Demons' fantastic running attack.

Leading the ground assault for the Demons are the top two ball carriers in 2-AAA, Jerome Durham and Melvin Howard.

Durham, a 180-pound senior, has already picked up 1,125 yards in rushing, while Howard, a 170-pound senior, has collected 1,072.

At quarterback for the Demons is 170-pound junior Joe Sumrall, Jr., son of former Thomasville Bulldog head coach Joe Sumrall, who is now principal at Warner Robins.

Demons Are Tough

"We've seen Robins play and watched films," Williams said, "and they are tough. They have two of the finest running backs in the state and have a good all-round football team."

"We're a well-balanced club, and we've had a strong defense all year. Our secondary is our strong point there. We have three experienced boys playing."

"Our offense has been another of our strong points. We are pretty good at running the ball ourselves and have been doing a pretty good job passing."

When asked about the possibility of returning to Cleveland Field against his alma mater he mused. "That would be great. It's always a challenge to play Valdosta and it would be great to get that far."

"I've been in that position once before (when Baker and Valdosta both played in Region 1-AAA) and it really gives you a strange feeling."

Over in Blakely, King, who coached alongside Williams in Eastman in 1965, is preparing to meet some pretty big odds.

Bobcats Are Small

Fitzgerald's Hurricanes have the edge over the Bobcats in several ways. First — size: Early County has only one man over 165 pounds. He's Jeff Jennings (180-pound tackle).

Then depth: Early's squad, including the "B" team, has 35 members. Only 22 are actually varsity players, and only 15 start. Then number one quarterback Robert Newberry, a two-year veteran, is out with an injury.

"We feel like we're going up against the finest Class AA football team in the state Friday night," King admitted. "Their quarterback, Eddie Luke, took 'em to the state finals as a sophomore. He's tough this year."

"But we've got a scrappy bunch of boys," he said. "We have impressive defensive stats with our ball control. We've average 252 yards per game on the ground, and we play fair defense at times. I don't think we'll get run over."

When told his team has been compared, play-wise, to Valdosta, the 1960 graduate of VHS just laughed.

"No, we may run a couple of plays that look like Valdosta, but we don't have the material to really look like them," he said.

King doesn't even let it enter his mind that he's playing against a team from Bazemore's home town. "Nope, I consider him a Valdostan. And he's the finest football coach in America. I'm glad I got the opportunity to play under him."

Cross-Town Rivals Clash

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A pair of cross-town rivals, Valdosta and Lowndes, are to meet here tonight in the headline attraction on the area's high school football slate. Coach Noel George's Lowndes Vikings and coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats are to meet at 8 p.m. at Martin Stadium on the Lowndes High campus.

In other games tonight in-



Bounds, Jackson Lead Into Finale

By ELLWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS—Regular season play in Region 1-AAA is to come to a close this weekend with Valdosta's Stanley Bounds leading the aerial derby in the high school football league and Monroe's John Jackson the loop's top rusher.

Bounds has hit on 86 of 161 tosses for 1,748 yards, leaving him just 26 yards away from the all-time region passing record of 1,774 which he set in 1971.

The Wildcats' senior signal caller already has 2,082 yards in total offense, which is a new league standard in this category. The old record was 1,937, set by Bounds in '70.

Jackson is the current rushing leader in 1-AAA after picking up 843 yards on 149 carries.

Department leaders and figures on other Valdosta and Lowndes players follow:

Rushing	Car.	Net	Avg.
1. Jackson, Monroe	149	843	5.65
2. Warren, Thomasville	144	803	5.58
3. Bryant, Tift	130	725	5.58
4. Cowart, Lowndes	131	624	4.76
5. Roberts, Bainbridge	97	565	5.82
6. Lamar, Moultrie	100	542	5.42
7. Carmichael, Tift	122	529	4.34
8. Green, Dougherty	102	510	5.00
9. Long, Bainbridge	92	418	4.54
10. Howard, Bainbridge	81	404	4.99
11. O'Neal, Valdosta	55	390	7.09
12. Daniels, Valdosta	53	353	6.67
13. Bounds, Valdosta	58	334	5.76
22. Harris, Lowndes	53	265	5.00
29. McCaskill, Valdosta	41	218	5.32
32. Linahan, Lowndes	50	214	4.28
36. Morrison, Valdosta	24	142	5.92
38. Metts, Lowndes	43	134	3.12
42. Williams, Lowndes	31	118	3.81
44. Savare, Valdosta	19	118	6.21
62. Henry, Lowndes	11	33	3.00
67. Burgman, Lowndes	11	29	2.64
71. Whitfield, Valdosta	11	8	0.73
73. Thomas, Lowndes	20	4	0.20

Passing

	Att.	Comp.	Gain
1. Bounds, Valdosta	161	86	1748
2. Goff, Moultrie	165	50	1463
3. Blizzard, Crisp	201	94	1370
4. Howard, Albany	125	48	682
5. Spencer, Monroe	81	34	574
6. Linahan, Lowndes	90	36	520
16. Parker, Valdosta	12	7	145

volving area teams, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Brantley County (Nahunta), Early County (Blakely) at Brooks County (Quitman), Appling County (Baxley) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homer) at Macon County (Montezuma) and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Madison, Fla.

Valdosta's 'Cats will carry a 9-0 record into their Region 1-AAA meeting with Lowndes' Vikes, who have a 4-5 chart.

It will be the final regular season game for both teams, but 'Dosta can look forward to some more action in the future. VHS has already clinched the 1-AAA championship and with it earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.

The Wildcats must wait until Nov. 19, when Baker of Columbus meets Warner Robins in a Region 2-AAA title duel, to find out who their foe in the first round of the state playoffs will be.

Berrien's Rebels (4-1) will be meeting Brantley's Herons

1-AAA		Records
Valdosta	9-0	9-0
Moultrie	7-2	7-2
Thomasville	6-3	6-3
Crisp	6-3	6-3
Monroe	4-4	4-4
Albany	4-5	4-5
Dougherty	4-5	4-5
Lowndes	4-5	4-5
Tift	3-5	3-5
Bainbridge	2-6	2-6
Westover	1-8	1-8
Central	0-8	0-8

1-AA (East)		Region Overall
Fitzgerald	5-0	8-1
Ware	5-0	8-1
Camden	3-2	7-2
Cook	2-3	3-6
Berrien	2-4	3-4
Appling	1-4	3-5

1-AA (West)		Region Overall
Cairo	3-0	7-1
Early County	3-0	7-1
Brooks County	3-0	6-2
Worth County	1-3	2-4
Americus	1-3	2-7
Mitchell County	0-4	1-8

2B		Region Overall
Charlton	5-0	5-0
Brantley	4-1	8-1
Blackshear	3-0	4-5
Atkinson	2-3	4-5
Patterson	1-4	2-7
Clinch	0-5	0-8

Mario Guerrero, 22, an infielder from Santo Domingo, D.R., will go to Spring camp with the New York Yankees. He hit .290 for Syracuse last season.

State Playoff Opponents Have Winning Traditions

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Avondale's Blue Devils are to meet here Saturday night in a duel for the state's 1971 Class AAA high school football championship and both will come into the battle with sparkling records and proud gridiron traditions.

Coach Wright Bazemore's Wildcats own a 12-0 record and rule as the top team in the "AAA" ranks in South Georgia. Coach Crawford Kennedy's Blue Devils from Avondale Estate are 11-1-1 and own the North Georgia "AAA" crown.

They are the two survivors of an original field of 81 Class AAA teams which began the race for the 1971 state crown back in early September.

This marks the eighth time the Wildcats have made the state finals since they moved up to Class AAA in 1958. They've won the "AAA" diadem outright six times, in 1960, 1961, 1962, 1965, 1966, and 1968, and came away as the co-champ in 1969 after a 26-26 tie with Athens.

In all 'Dosta has won 14 state championships in classes ranging from "B" to "AAA" since Bazemore joined the VHS coaching staff back in 1940. This marks the fourth time Avondale has gone for state "AAA" championship honors. Their first appearance in the finals was in 1960 and the Imps dropped a 20-14 decision to Valdosta that time. Avondale was a 40-0 victor over Moultrie in the 1963 title match and bowed to Glynn Academy (Brunswick) 1-18, in the state test in 1964.

Crawford is in only his second year as the head coach at Avondale. Before that he had a successful six-campaign reign as grid boss at Druid Hills.

While clicking off 12 straight wins this year the Wildcats have scored 567 points, an average of 47.2 per outing, while allowing 125, an average of 10.4.

Avondale, in 13 starts, has scored 302 points, an average of 23.2 per start, and has allowed 133, an average of 10.2.

ever, have gone against an entirely different set of opponents.

Valdosta racked up regular season triumphs over Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7), Bainbridge (28-0), Albany (41-8), Moultrie (42-21), Monroe (75-22), Westover (47-6), Tift County (60-28) and Lowndes (40-0).

In two playoff outings the 'Cats, who are from Region 1-AAA, have licked 2-AAA king Warner Robins, 35-6, and 4-AAA

titleholder Laney of Augusta, 54-20.

Avondale, which is a member of 7-AAA, went 8-1-1 in regular season play. It's lone loss was by a 24-8 margin in opening night to Huntsville, Ala.

After that it beat Marietta (10-0), Clarkston (17-14), Murphy (41-12), Towers (25-0), Gordon (38-12), Howard (41-12), Decatur (37-12) and Walker (38-12). The Blue Devils and Columbia played to a 3-3 tie and wound up in a tie for first place

in the 7-AAA race. In a special playoff, Avondale triumphed 15-14.

In state playoff competition the Imps have licked 3-AAA king Henderson, 10-8, and 6-AAA titleholder Forest Park, 19-10.

Football Fever

Wildcatitis In The Air

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There has always been a disease called Wildcatitis in Valdosta but this year the fever has hit the epidemic stage.

It has affected even the most conservative merchants and restaurant operators.

And some of the long hairs who have never shown interest in the Valdosta High School football team are now sporting Wildcats on their jeans and bicycles.

The occasion is the first round playoff in the State AAA football championships between VHS and the Warner Robins High Demons here at 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.

VHS officials expect a sell-out for the game. And no wonder with ads like "The Devil Made Me Do It" and "Hot Robin Burgers for Hungry Wildcat Fans" featured at local eating spots.

There is even a Wildcat blitz cold drink now and dead Demon sandwich.

It's obvious the local businessmen are not content with a marquee or banner at their store merely saying "Go Wildcats."

The art services class in the VHS art department was employed by Sears, Roebuck and Co. at Brookwood Plaza to paint its windows for the game.

Art instructor Patsy Smith said the students painted Wildcats, football players and even the coaches on the large windows Wednesday.

"We did it in acrylics so that it won't wash off in case it rains," said Mrs. Smith.

Langdale Ford Co. hired art student Annette Norris, a senior, to paint football scenes on its windows.

"I think anytime the community gets behind the schools like this it is good. We are real glad to do this sort of thing and think it helps boost the school spirit," said Mrs. Smith.

She said the community response is like that displayed by Auburn, Ala., residents before the Auburn University football games.

"The whole town does things to keep up the spirit. It is terrific and while Valdosta has always been a football town, the fans are really showing support for the students and coach Wright Bazemore," she said.

VHS principal Lloyd Mims said a pep rally for the game is to follow the annual Thanksgiving Day parade tonight. The parade begins at 6 p.m. at the Valdosta State College parking lot and is to go across Brookwood Drive and south on Patterson Street to Hill Avenue where it is to disband.

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'Dosta, Robins Face Showdown

By SAMMY GLASSMAN

Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats and Warner Robins' Demons are to lock horns here Friday night in a crucial high school football playoff game and everyone expects the encounter to produce plenty of offensive fireworks.

Coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Frank Orgel's Demons are to clash at 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field in a first round game of the state "AAA" playoffs.

Valdosta, with a 10-0 record, is the Region 1-AAA champ and Warner Robins, with a 9-0-2 mark, owns the Region 2-AAA crown. The winner will advance into the state playoff semi-finals, while the loser will be eliminated from the Class AAA title picture.

While clicking off 10 straight

wins Valdosta averaged 418.9 yards per game in total offense and tallied 478 points. While producing nine wins and a pair of ties Robins averaged 361 yards per outing in total offense and accounted for 333 points.

Valdosta's attack is led by senior quarterback Stanley Bounds. He has hit on 99 of 192 passes for 1,973 yards and 19 TDs. As a runner he's picked up 350 yards on 64 carries and has tallied 17 touchdowns himself. For the second year in a row Bounds broke Region 1-AAA records for passing and total offense.

His favorite receiver is sophomore wide end Stanford Rome, who established another 1-AAA mark by making 50 catches for 1,184 yards and 15 TDs.

The Wildcats' two leading rushers are sophomore halfback Robert Daniels, with 425 yards

on 61 carries, and junior fullback Pat O'Neal, who has picked up 395 yards on 57 tries.

Warner Robins' swift game day is led by fullback Jerome Durham and halfback Melvin Howard, a pair of seniors. Durham is Region 2-AAA's leading rusher with 1,125 yards on 159 carries.

As for Howard, you name it and he can do it. As a runner he has picked up 1,072 yards on 181 carries and scored 22 touchdowns. As a pass receiver he has made 19 catches for 224 yards. As a kick returner, he's galloped a total of 478 yards while lugging back 26 punts and kickoffs. He also plays as a linebacker on the Demons' highly regarded defensive unit.

In Durham and Howard, Warner Robins has two backs who are capable of scoring anytime they put their hands on the football," VHS coach Bazemore said. "They work behind a veteran line which is both big and fast."

When we (Valdosta) will need is a superior team effort if we're going to have a chance. But then team effort is the name of the game. Our players certainly know that."

Probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA
Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) or Calvin Lester (175, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.) or Robert Joseph (175, sr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) or James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.), defensive — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Alvin Paston (170, sr.), tackle Steve Stanaland (220, sr.) and Gary Hall (175, sr.), middle guard Freddie Wilson (250, jr.), outside linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.) and Dick Parker (175, sr.), inside linebackers Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.), deep backs Gary Rowe (185, jr.) and O. D. Neiter (170, sr.).

WARNER ROBINS
Offense — ends Doug Johnson (170, sr.) and Kyle Byrd (200, sr.), tackles Richard Gray (215, sr.) and Robert Medina (200, sr.), guards George Collins (190, soph.) and Buford Lamert (200, sr.), center Sid Miller (185, sr.), quarterback Joe Sumrall (170, jr.) or Steve Hall (175, sr.), halfbacks Melvin Howard (170, sr.) and Don Joiner (170, jr.) and fullback Jerome Durham (180, sr.), defensive — ends Terry Compton (175, sr.) and Lynn Holman (185, jr.), tackles Buddy Childs (180, jr.) and Abe Washington (175, sr.), middle guard Ronnie Tharpe (175, sr.), linebackers Jim Davis (180, sr.), Howard, Ricky Jenkins (185, jr.) and Gary Dale (175, soph.) and deep backs Bill Durham (180, sr.) and Charles Sapp (170, jr.).

way at Brookwood Plaza as soon as the VHS Marchin' Cats and gets back to the shopping center, he said.

Cheerleaders have sold the traditional pre-game spirit ribbons but several students have gone one better. A couple of girls have painted Wildcats on their fathers' ties.

More than one student reports that a Wildcat battling a Warner Robins' Demon has painted on his jeans.

And there is a picture of a Wildcat sitting on a battered Demon smiling saying "The devil made me do it," on the back of one student's car.

Marchin' Cats and director Frank Butenschon said his students have been working for two weeks for the big halftime football show.

"We're in there all the way," he said.

Robins Playoff

Foe For 'Dosta

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER
Valdosta High's football Wildcats will be meeting Warner Robins' Demons here next Friday in a first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs.

Coch Wright Bazemore's 'Cats, with a perfect 10-0 record, got into the playoffs by winning the Region 1-AAA crown for the fourth year in a row.

Coach Frank Orgel's Demons nailed down the Region 2-AAA championship and earned the right to meet 'Dosta by licking coach Dale Williams' Baker Lions, 20-7, in a game played Friday night at Columbus.

Warner Robins and Baker were sub-division champs in 2-AAA and decided the overall title issue of that region with their game last night. With their latest triumph, the Demons now have an 9-0-2 mark.

The last time Valdosta and Warner Robins met on the gridiron was in a regular season game in 1963 when both belong to Region 1-AAA.

Tickets for next Friday's playoff game here are on sale at 9 a. m. Monday at the ticket booth located at the southeast corner of Cleveland Field. The booth will be open until 9 p. m. Monday and will also be open between 4 p. m. and 6 p. m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

VHS fans who had season reserved seats will have three days in which they may purchase the same number of reserved seat tickets for the playoff game. Student tickets are to go on sale Monday at Valdosta High and at the VHS-Pinevale Campus.

In the game at Columbus last night Baker scored first. The Lions recovered a fumble in the opening period at mid-field and drove in for a tally. The TD came on an eight-yard pass from John Morin to Larry Lavinder.

From there on the Demons were in command. Robins got its first touchdown in the second period. Demon Rickey Jenkins recovered a fumble at the Baker seven and three play later Steve Hall tallied on

two-yard run.

Warner Robins scored again in the third stanza on a 63-yard drive. Joe Joiner got the TD on a five-yard run. Key plays were passes of 17 and 23 yards tossed by Hall to Melvin Howard and Kyle Byrd.

The Demons' final score came in the fourth period. Howard returned a punt 53 yards to the Baker 22 and nine plays later Hall sneaked the football across the goal line from one yard out.

Robins made 10 first downs,

rushed for 102 yards and passed for 53. Baker managed just five first downs, picked up only 73 yards along the ground and 13 through the air.

In another Class AAA outing last night at Jesup, Groves (Garden City) claimed the Region 3-AAA title by licking home-standing Wayne County 26-6.

Groves is to go against 4-AAA king Laney (Augusta) next Friday in another first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs in the southern half of the state.

PREP FOOTBALL

Playoffs Hit Semifinal Stage

By DAVID DAVIDSON

Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

After this Friday night, only one undefeated team will remain in the Class AA state prep football playoffs.

North Fulton, a 47-0 winner over Turner in a quarterfinal match at Lakewood Stadium last Friday, entertains West Rome, a 14-7 winner over Gainesville last Friday.



David Davidson

North Fulton has an 11-0 record, and in the most recent Journal Top Ten Poll was ranked No. 2, while West Rome is 12-0 and ranked No. 1 in AA.

The game either will be played at Lakewood Stadium or Grady Stadium in Atlanta. Officials of both schools were to meet at 1 p. m. Sunday to decide which.

It was expected West Rome might have some reservations about playing at Lakewood, since that stadium is equipped with AstroTurf.

"I hope we can persuade them to play at Lakewood," said North Fulton coach Dickie

Bean. "I think the artificial surface speeds up a game. Of course, West Rome would have every opportunity to practice on it to become accustomed to the feel."

In the other AA semifinal game, surprising Westminster goes to Fitzgerald. Westminster emerged from a rough regular season schedule, coming out of perhaps the most balanced of any region of any classification in the state, with a hard-earned 6-3-1 record.

There was one midseason stretch, during which the Wildcats were minus several key players because of injuries, when Westminster lost three of four games. But a peculiar chain of events allowed Westminster to win the South half of Region 4-AA, the Wildcats beat Marist (for a second time) 16-7 in the region championship game, then upset previously unbeaten Lakeshore, 7-6, last Friday in a quarterfinal playoff match.

There were other shockers last Friday. Laney (10-1) defeated a powerful Groves team, 20-6, in one AAA quarterfinal; Roswell (which had a 6-4 regular season record) defeated Jefferson, 23-7, in a Class A quarterfinal; and St. Joseph (also 6-4

during the regular season) demolished Oconee County, 39-0 in a Class B quarterfinal.

In other AAA playoff games, No. 1 ranked Valdosta won an astoundingly easy victory over No. 2 ranked Warner Robins, 35-6. Forest Park upended South Cobb, 38-7, and Avondale used a late 38-yard field goal to nip Henderson, 10-8.

In the other Class A playoff game, Vidalia whipped Putnam County, 26-13. This week, Vidalia meets Turner County (11-0) in one semifinal, while Roswell faces No. 1 ranked Carrollton (10-1).

In Class B, Macon County faces Southeast Bulloch, (11-0) and St. Joseph visits Bowdon (9-1).

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

CLASS AAA Semifinals
Valdosta (11-0) vs. Laney (10-1) at Cleveland Field in Valdosta; Forest Park (9-1-1) vs. Avondale (10-1-1) at Tara Stadium in Jonesboro.

CLASS AA Semifinals
Fitzgerald (11-1) vs. Westminster (8-3-1) at Fitzgerald High Stadium; North Fulton (11-0) vs. West Rome (12-0) at either Lakewood or Grady Stadium in Atlanta.

CLASS A Semifinals
Turner County (11-0) vs. Vidalia (9-1) at Vidalia High Stadium; Carrollton (10-1) vs. Roswell (6-4) at Roswell High Stadium.

CLASS B Semifinals
Macon County (10-1) vs. Southeast Bulloch at Macon Co. High Stadium in Montezuma, Friday, 7 p. m.; Bowdon (9-1-1) vs. St. Joseph (7-4) at Bowdon High Stadium.

WILDCATS, 35-6

Valdosta Romps By Warner Robins

VALDOSTA, Ga. — Okay, the rumors are out again.

They say Wright Bazemore, Georgia's most famous and winningest high school football coach, is about to retire.

He probably is. That is, if Valdosta again wins the Class AAA state high school football championship.

Friday night, Valdosta moved a step closer to reaching that goal again.

The powerful and unbeaten Wildcats trounced Warner Robins, 35-6, Friday night in the opening round of the AAA state playoffs.

A coach had quipped last week that Warner Robins had played itself into a position of having to face the "University of Valdosta" and he wasn't far from wrong.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds struck for 193 yards and two touchdowns via the pass and ran for three other scores as Valdosta left little doubt as to its AAA aims.

Stanford Rome, Valdosta's

6-4 sophomore end, grabbed eight of Bounds' passes for 117 yards and a touchdown.

Jerome Durham was most of the show for Warner Robins, gaining 93 yards in 16 tries, but Warner Robins did not manage a touchdown until late in the game.

Wildcats Can't Afford To Relax

During his long and successful coaching career, Wright Bazemore has said many times that when it comes to football, "Team effort is the name of the game."

Before his Valdosta High Wildcats went against the Warner Robins Demons here this past Friday night, Bazemore allowed that the 'Cats' changes in the game would hinge on "team effort."

What Bazemore asked for his players delivered, in sparkling fashion, as VHS thumped Robins, 35-6, in a first round game in the state Class AAA playoffs.

The offensive unit generated five touchdowns and almost 400 yards in total offense, with a good balance between rushing and passing.

Valdosta's defensive unit, turning in its best effort of the season, limited the Demons' potent attack to 179 yards. Robins' lone TD came with only 1:46 left to play in the contest against the VHS reserves.

Twice in the early stages of the game the 'Dosta stop'em crew halted the obviously fired up Demons inside Valdosta's 10 yard line. And that's what they mean when they talk about a team coming through in the clutch.

Neither the Wildcats' offensive or defensive efforts were made any easier by the 16 penalties which cost Valdosta a total of 130 yards. But the 'Cats took the shower of penalty flags in stride, kept their poise and continued about the business racking up the Demons.

Laney Is Next

Yes indeed, Bazemore is right. Team effort is the name of the game.

The 'Cats licked Warner Robins, and boosted their record to 11-0. It would be nice if they could relax, but they can't.

This coming Friday they will put it all on the line again when they go against another set of Wildcats, these from Laney High of Augusta, in a duel here for the South Georgia "AAA" crown. Laney, the 4-AAA king, has a 10-1 mark after licking Groves (Garden City), 20-6, in another first round game this past weekend at Savannah.

The 'Cats met Richmond Academy, another 4-AAA entry, in the playoff semi-finals last year at Augusta and dropped an 18-14 decision. Laney is the team which knocked Richmond out of the running this season.

Just Four Left

While Valdosta and Laney are meeting here, the North Georgia issue will be settled in a contest between Forest Park, a 6-AAA delegate with an 9-1-1 record, and Avondale, a Region 7-AAA member with a 10-1-1 chart.

In semi-final round action Forest Park spanked South Cobb, 38-6, and Avondale clipped Henderson (Chamblee), 10-8.

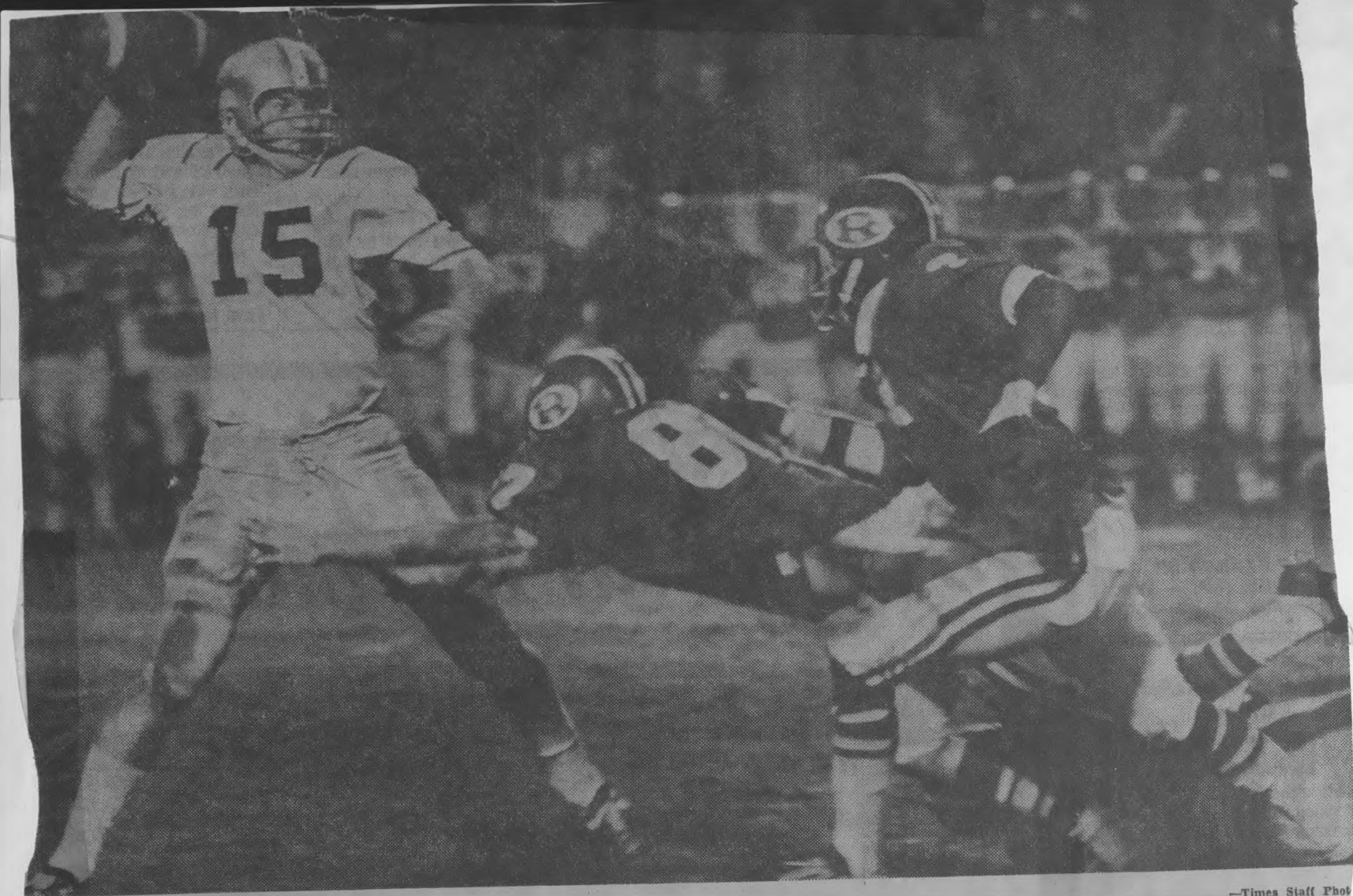
On Saturday, Nov. 11, the South Georgia survivor is to go against the North Georgia victor with the 1971 state crown up for grabs. The host team will be the southern delegate.

Out of an original starting field of 81 Class AAA teams in Georgia only four are left in the race. The pressure, well, it continues to build by the minute.

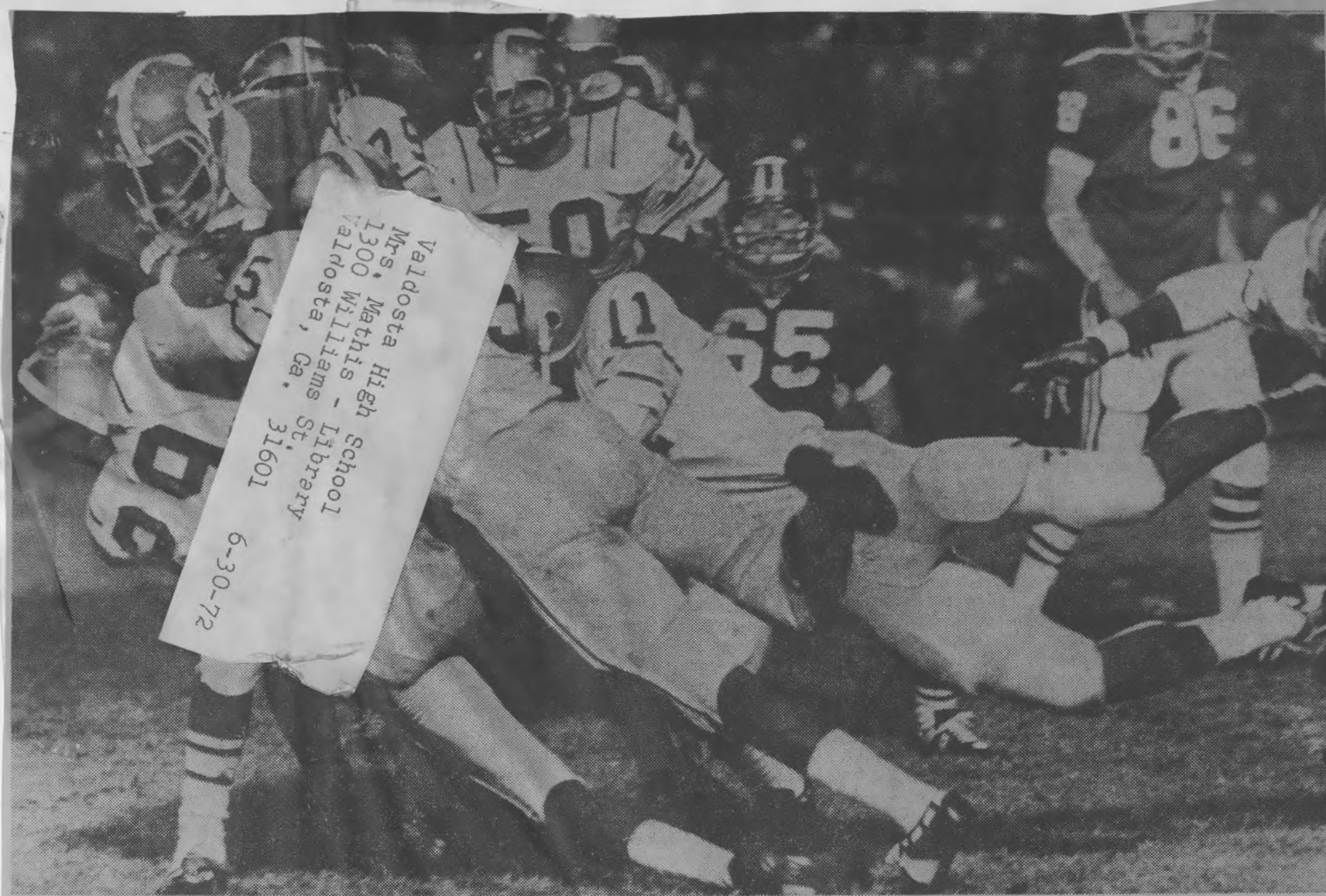
The 'Cats gave a fine effort and it earned for them a victory over Warner Robins. What they must do now is guard against a let down. Bazemore, I'm sure, has already reminded them of this.



GLASSMAN



Valdosta Quarterback Stanley Bounds (15) Aims And Fires Over Charging Demons Terry Crumpton (87) and Tim Davis (74)



Welcome To Death Valley: Demon Jerome Durham Greeted by 'Cats Alvin Payton, David Berrian, Gary Irby, Stanford Rome, Steve Stanaland

Wildcats Clip Robins

(Continued from page 1)

The other two were made by Steve Stanaland and Gary Rowe, and both set up Valdosta touchdowns. The pass thefts were made by Jim Clarkston and Ronald Daniels.

Rowe was 'Dosta's leading tackler with eight, followed by Stanaland, seven; Ronald Daniels, six; Dick Parker, five, and David Berrian, Gary Irby, Freddy Wilbon, Clarkston and Payton, with four apiece. Parker booted all five of the Wildcats' extra points.

Fullback Jerome Durham, with 93 yards on 16 carries, was the Demons' ground attack leader. Warner's lone score came with just 1:46 left in the game on a 37-yard pass from quarterback Joe Sumrall Jr. to tight end Kyle Byrd.

Here's the way things went: **FIRST PERIOD** — The Demons threatened twice during the early going. After taking the opening kickoff they moved from their own 32 to the VHS seven, where a fumble recovery by Payton stopped them. They got the ball at close range again on a pass interception, but the 'Dosta defenders dug in, forced the Robins to give up the pigskin on downs at the nine.

SECOND PERIOD — Valdosta got on the scoreboard early in the stanza with a 10-play drive which covered 61 yards. Bounds got the TD on a one-yard run. The big gainers were a 10-yard sprint by Daniels and a nine-yard pass from Bounds to Rome. Rountree and O'Neal also chipped in with important runs.

After Stanaland recovered a fumble at the Demons' 30 the Wildcats raced the clock and went in to score again just 40 seconds before the first half ended. Bounds tallied from three yards out, after getting loose for runs of 10, 6 and 5 yards and hitting Rome with a 19-yard pass. Twice during this short march VHS was set back by penalties.

THIRD PERIOD — On their second offensive series of the second half the Wildcats wheeled 63 yards in 11 plays to tally for the third time. The big gainers were a run of nine yards by Daniels and passes of 14 and 21 yards from Bounds to Rome. The quarterback scored from three yards out.

Before the stanza was over VHS had its fourth TD. The 'Cats moved 50 yards in two plays. Bounds connected with Rountree on a 41-yard aerial

and then flipped one nine yards to Griffin in the end zone.

FOURTH PERIOD — VHS' fifth TD was also a swiftie. After Rowe recovered a fumble at the Demons' 11, the 'Cats moved to paydirt in four plays. The payoff was a five-yard pass from Bounds to Rome.

With the Valdosta reserves now in the game, Robins finally reached paydirt. The Demons marched 71 yards and scored on a 37-yard air strike from Sumrall to Byrd.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 13-63, O'Neal 9-34, Rountree 5-20, McCaskill 3-16, Daniels 10-48, Bradley 2-15, Morrison 4-11; Warner Robins — Hall 5-0, Howard 2-18, Joiner 3-15, J. Durham 16-92.
Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 14-24-193; Warner Robins — Hall 4-14-16, Sumrall 1-2-37.
Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 8-117, Daniels 1-6, Bradley 2-10, Griffin 2-22, Rountree 1-31; Warner Robins — Howard 3-16, Durham 1-0, Byrd 1-37.
Kickoff Returns: Warner Robins — Howard 5-121, Davis 1-11.
Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Rowe 8, Stanaland 7, Ron Daniels 6, Parker 5, G. Rountree 4, D. Berrian 4, Irby 4, Wilbon 4, Clarkston 4, Payton 4, Griffin 2, Pompey 2, Savage 2; Warner Robins — Jenkins 7, B. Durham 7, Therpe 6, Coleman 5, Washington 4, Crumpton 4, Davis 4, J. Durham 3, Sipp 3.

LINEUPS
Valdosta
Ends: Griffin, James Berrian, David Berrian, Clarkston, Rountree, Brantley, Irby, Mitchell, Demersseman, Cutchens, Swinton, Griffith.
Guards: Ronald Daniels, Niem Register, Massey, Earnest, Joseph, Lester, Wilbon, Sullivan, Christian.
Centers: Lore, Scruggs.

Backs: Rome, Parker, Bounds, Bradley, Lane, Netter, Rowe, Payton, O'Neal, Pompey, McCaskill, Savage, Robert Daniels, Morrison, Goodin, Manuel, Hill, Rex, Sheffield, Cooper, King, Meier, Richardson, Roger Rountree, Peterso, Whittield, Griner.
Warner Robins
Ends: Rales, Johnson, Sease, Dain Byrd, Crumpton, Davis, Green, Childs, Tackles: Holman, Collins, Childs, Mahinauskas.
Guards: Jenkins, Washington, Lambert, Therpe.
Centers: Gray, Smith.
Backs: Hall, Sumrall, Joiner, Howard, Sipp, Davis, Jerome Durham, Bill Dur-

Score by Quarters: 0 14 14 / -35
Valdosta 0 0 0 6
Robins 0 0 0 6
Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — Bounds 3 (1, 3, 1 yd. runs), Griffin (9 yd. pass from Bounds), Rome (5 yd. pass from Bounds); PATs — Parker 5 (placements); Warner Robins — TD — Byrd (37 yd. pass from Sumrall).

'Dosta And Laney Tangle With A Lot On The Line

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta and Laney, a pair of high school football powers which are both nicknamed Wildcats, are to tangle here Friday night with the South Georgia title and a berth in the state finals on the line.

The duel between coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats and coach David Dupree's Laney Wildcats from Augusta is slated for 8 p.m. at Cleveland Field.

Valdosta, a region 1-AAA delegate, will carry an 11-0 mark into the game. Laney, which is from Region 4-AAA, has a 10-1 chart.

The winner will earn the right to meet the victor of a North Georgia duel between Avondale and Forest Park in the state championship game next week. The VHS-Laney survivor will host the Georgia "AAA" title match.

This marks the fourth year in a row and the ninth time in the last 12 years Valdosta has made it this far in the playoffs. Last fall 'Dosta dropped an 18-14 defeat in the semi-finals. It was Laney which knocked Richmond out of the 4-AA title picture this time out.

Both sets of Wildcats have impressive football credentials.

In 11 starts Valdosta has scored an average of 46.6 points per game while allowing 9.5. Bazemore's charges have been averaging 417 yards per tilt in total offense while allowing 204.

Laney, in 10 starts, has averaged 19.4 points per game and

given up just 6.7. Dupree's charges have averaged 319.6 yards per outing in total offense (250 along the ground) and given up just 131.6.

In a first round playoff game last week Laney, while licking Groves 20-6, yielded only 58 yards rushing and 55 passing.

Valdosta's attack is paced by quarterback Stanley Bounds, who has hit on 113 and 216 passes for 2,171 yards. He's also picked up 413 yards rushing for a total offense mark of 2,584. Bounds has passed for 21 TDs and scored 20 himself.

VHS' top receiver is split end Stanford Rome, with 58 catches for 1,301 yards and 16 touchdowns. 'Dosta's ground attack leader is halfback Robert Daniels, with 473 yards and 71 car-

ries, followed by fullback Pat O'Neal, 65-429.

Laney's offensive leaders include quarterback Bryan Oatman, a talented runner and passer, and swift running backs Richard Lynn, B. W. Hill, Larry Pollard and Terry Jones. The Augusta team's line is anchored by 221-pound senior tackle William Hobbs, a standout two-way performer.

"Laney is big, experienced and extremely fast," Bazemore said. "They can really move the football along the ground. At the same time they can hurt you with the pass. As for their defense it is very, very tough."

"We're going to have our problems, lots of them, on both offense and defense. It's going to

take a very good team effort for us to have a chance."

Probable starters follow:

VALDOSTA
Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Calvin Lester (175, sr.) or Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) and Robert Joseph (175, sr.) or David Register (200, jr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), halfbacks Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) or James Savage (175, jr.) and fullback Pat O'Neal (185, jr.) or Robert McCaskill (185, sr.).

Defense — ends David Berrian (170, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.), tackles Steve Stanaland (220, sr.) and Gary Irby (230, jr.), middle guard Freddie Wilbon (250, jr.), linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.), Dick Parker (175, sr.), Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (185, jr.) and O. D. Netter (170, sr.).

LANEY
Offense — ends William Odum (180, sr.) and Ronnie Bonner (160, jr.), tackles William Hobbs (221, sr.) and Calvin Jones (215, sr.), guards Willie Wells (185, jr.) and Gerald Stewart (161, jr.), center Willie Clark (192, sr.), quarterback Bryan Oatman (174, sr.), halfbacks Richard Lynn (165, jr.) and B. W. Hill (150, jr.) and fullback Larry Pollard (165, sr.) and Terry Jones (190, sr.).

Defense — ends Herman Golden (199, sr.) and a (161, jr.), tackles Paul Brown (206, jr.) and Hobbs; guards George Jones (170, jr.) and Stanley Holman (190, jr.), linebackers Richard Markerson (150, sr.), Steve Boler (189, jr.) and T. Jones; deep backs Darrick Stealy (165, jr.) and William Boardman (152, sr.).

City Pep Rally Slated

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

The Valdosta Touchdown Club has scheduled a city-wide pep rally for the Valdosta Wildcats at the Brookwood Plaza Shopping Center parking lot — weather permitting.

TD Club president Bobby Greene said the rally for the 'Cats who are to host Laney's Wildcats from Augusta for the South Georgia Class AAA crown here Friday night will be held in the VHS gym if rain presents a problem.

Otherwise it will begin at 8 p.m. in the shopping center

parking lot.

On the program for the rally are head coach Wright Bazemore, the captains for the Valdosta gridgers, and the VHS band.

"The spirit doesn't seem to be as high this week as it was last week," said Greene. "We need to get these boys up."

Valdosta defeated Warner Robins, 35-6, here this past Friday in a first round game of the state Class AAA playoffs. Laney, in its first round outing last week, zipped past Groves of Garden City, 20-6.

For Football Game

Standing Room Tickets Are Out

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There won't be any standing room only tickets sold Friday night at Cleveland Field.

Those who want to see the second round of the state AAA football championship between Valdosta High School and Laney High of Augusta will have to purchase reserved seats or general admission tickets which also guarantee a seat, said city school Supt. Foster Goolsby.

He said that about 20 to 25 ticket stubs were sold as standing room only passes at last Friday night's game between VHS and Warner Robins High School here.

"We found out about it shortly after it started and stopped it. It will not occur again," said Goolsby.

He said the tickets were sold by a couple of Jaycees at \$2 a ticket stub.

"There was no problem and only one incident occurred about that even though the people who bought the stubs were told it was for standing room only."

"The game had started and the Jaycees saw some room for people to stand after several people asked if they could come in to see the game. It was a spur of the moment decision but it won't happen again," said Goolsby.

He said local school officials had gone to a lot of trouble to prevent any one standing to see the game and keep traffic to a minimum.

Goolsby said the board met in special session Sunday night to talk about the ticket stub situation with the Jaycees.

The Jaycees handle the ticket sales for the school board.

"We met with the Jaycees over what we have accepted as a misunderstanding on their

part on the selling of standing room only tickets. The incident involved one or two Jaycees who were not in the central meetings to talk about ticket sales said the superintendent.

Goolsby said that the Jaycees explained that they felt sorry for the people who did not purchase a ticket in time for the game.

"They hated to turn people away who had driven such a long distance to see the ball game," he said.

Earlier this year the board agreed that the number of tickets printed and sold would not exceed the number of seats in the stadium.

Board finance director said the Jaycees also owe the board's Athletic Association account about \$600.

The deficit occurred in the first home football game of the season.

"We've got records of how many tickets were signed out to them and how many tickets they signed back in for," said Kent.

He said the Jaycees realized the error when they began tallying up the Monday following the game.

"They called me and we haven't been able to find out what happened. It was just an oversight and we've asked them to make it up," said Kent.

It's 'Cat vs 'Cat In AAA Grid Duel

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

It will be Wildcats going against Wildcats when Valdosta and Laney of Augusta meet here on Friday night in a duel for the South Georgia Class AAA high school football title.

Also at stake in the match-up between coach Wright Bazemore's homesteading VHS-Cats and coach David Dupree's LHS-'Cats from Augusta will be a berth in the state "AAA" finals next week.

Valdosta will carry a perfect 11-0 record into the game after winning the Region 1-AAA crown and licking Warner Robins, 35-6, in a first round game

of the playoffs last week.

Laney will come here with a 10-1 mark after claiming the 4-AAA crown and beating Groves (Garner City), 20-6, in first round playoff action last week.

Meanwhile, Forest Park (9-1-1) and Avondale (10-1-1) will battle it out for the North Georgia championship. The south and north victors will play next week for the state title, with the southern delegate as the host.

While rolling to 10 straight regular season victories Valdosta beat Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7), Bainbridge (28-0), Al-

bany (41-8), Moultrie (42-21), Monroe (75-22), Westover (47-6), Tift County (60-28) and Lowndes (40-0).

There are just four teams in Region 4-AAA and Laney met all of its league foes twice during the regular season. In regular season play it scored triumphs over Josey (Aurora), 27-12; Washington County (Warrenton), 22-6; Beach (Savannah), 36-14; Richmond Academy (Augusta), 13-7; Butler (Augusta), 7-0; Baldwin (Milledgeville), 33-0; Butler, 7-0, and Baldwin, 20-0. Valdosta's defeat came by a 14-12 margin in a second meeting with Richmond.

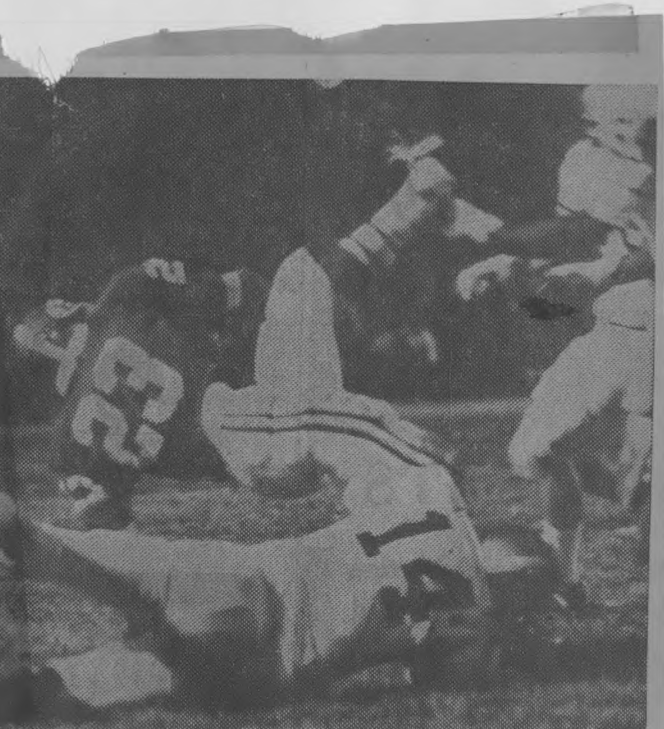
Valdosta's Wildcats know all about Richmond. It was the Musketeers who trimmed 'Dosta, 18-14, in the South Georgia title game last season at Augusta and knocked Bazemore's charges out of the state title picture.

And Groves, the team Laney measured by a 20-6 margin in the first round last week, played Warner Robins to a 14-14 tie during the regular season. Robins was VHS' first round foe.

"This is the first time we've ever gone against Laney on the football field," Bazemore said. "Since Augusta is pretty far off, perhaps some of our fans haven't been hearing too much about them."

"But they have a good football team, a really good one. Their running game is very strong and they can also hurt you with the pass. Their defense is extremely tough. They're big and they're fast."

"We found about Region 4-AAA the hard way last season when Richmond beat us. Well, Laney is the team which knocked Richmond out this time. Just add it all up for yourself. We're going to have our work cut out for us Friday night."



Dick Parker, number 14 for the Wildcats, makes a big tackle at Cleveland Field!

Fitz Falls In 'AA' Grid Duel

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Valdosta's lightning aerial attack bombed Laney of Augusta out of the state Class AAA playoffs Friday night, 54-20, as senior quarterback Stan Bounds completed 16 of 27 passes for 335 yards and six touchdowns.

The Wildcats, the only undefeated AAA team in the state, will play for the state title next week against the winner of the Avondale-Forest Park contest, which was one of five semifinal games postponed from Friday night until today due to harsh weather.

Surprising Westminster, an Atlanta team with an 8-3-1 record, fought back with two second-half touchdowns to dump Fitzgerald 14-3 for the South Georgia Class AA football championship.

Westminster now will meet the winner of the North Fulton-West Rome game, another contest that was rescheduled in Atlanta for today.

In the one other semifinal game Friday night, Bowdon blanked St. Joseph of Atlanta 33-0 and will play next week for the state title against the winner of the Southeast Bulloch-Macon County game, which was rescheduled for today.

Both scheduled Class A semifinal games were postponed Friday night. Turner County faces Vidalia tonight, and the winner will play for the state championship against the victor in tonight's match between Carrollton and Roswell.

Relays Paced By Iowa State

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) - Iowa State won the first final of the Sixth Annual Big Eight Swimming Relays Friday.

In the one-meter diving competition, Iowa-State swimmers Steve Spikes and Rick McAnally took first place with seven points.

Missouri followed with five; Kansas, four; Nebraska, three; Oklahoma State, two, and Colorado, one. Kansas State does not have an intercollegiate swimming team.

Hank Egan is the new basketball coach at the Air Force Academy.

All over town it is the same: 'Wildcat fever!' That's the case tonight the Valdosta High School Wildcats on the Blue Devils of Avondale here for the AAA football championship. VHS cheerleader

Wildcat Fever Leaps High

Times Staff Photo by Robert Winter III

Donna Pitts is surrounded by some of the marqueees proclaiming support for the hometown team in this montage photograph. More on the game, page 10.



'All-Valdosta' Play Delivers Revenge

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

Portable heaters set up on Cleveland Field did little to prepare the "turf" for the South Georgia Class AAA championship football game — and the few banners posted were unmistakably one-sided — all Valdosta.

But "All-Valdosta" was a perfect description for the game that followed as coach Wright

Bazemore's Wildcats rolled to a 54-20 victory over Laney's Wildcats from Augusta to claim the South Georgia title, and earn their "revenge" and the right to host the state championship game next week.

The lop-sided victory over the Region 4-AAA champions avenged the 18-14 loss to Augusta's Richmond Academy, from the same league, which ended Valdosta's hopes in 1970.

And in the process the 'Cats earned the right to host the winner of tonight's Avondale-Forest Park game for the state crown.

Laney head coach David Dupree glanced up at a large bur-lap banner posted across the front of the press box welcoming him to Valdosta's "Death Valley" and admitted, "Valdosta's got a real fine club."

"Our first half was just so-so," Dupree said, "and I thought we did better in the second half, but we never did too much on defense."

"Valdosta's got a fine passing attack. We stopped their running game, but they got us through the air. They beat us 'throwin'."

The Valdosta side was a lot happier.

"Why did you let them score so much?" a grinning bystander asked Bazemore.

"Well, I'm dogged if they do, and then I'm dogged if they don't," he replied, "I guess I'm just a dog either way."

"I was real proud of our team again. Our offensive line and defensive line played really good except for a couple of defensive plays."

"Yep," he agreed. "They adjusted to the cold wave pretty good."

Asked if he thought his grid-ders played as well as they did last week when they trimmed Warner Robins, 35-6, in the first round he answered, "You can't judge 'em like that."

"Those are two different types of ball games. I thought they played a real good ball game, with the bruises they got last week."

A quick look down the final statistics showed only 108 yards rushing and 335 passing.

"We were throwing the ball," he explained, "and I guess the running got lost in throwing it. I was proud we could move the ball at all. Normally on a field as wet as that you can't."

"I thought Laney had a fine team. They were well-coached and worked hard. But we got a few quick breaks and we didn't get in on them."

'Cats, Devils Have Their Weapons Ready

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Georgia's 1971 state Class AAA high school football crown will be up for grabs when Valdosta's Wildcats and Avondale's Blue Devils collide here Saturday night.

The title between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Crawford Kennedy's Blue Devils from Avondale Estates is slated for 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field.

Valdosta, the South Georgia "AAA" titleholder, will come into the game with a 12-0 record. Avondale, the North Geor-

gia "AAA" grid king, will come to town with an 11-1-1 mark.

VHS will be going for its 15th state championship since Bazemore joined the Wildcats' coaching staff back in 1940. They've been Class AAA champs seven times since 1960.

Avondale will be making its fourth bid for the Georgia "AAA" diadem since 1960. They've ruled the state once, in 1963.

With fan excitement both here and at Avondale running high a capacity crowd of better than 10,000 is expected to be on hand for the meeting between the 'Cats and Imps.

Since claiming the Region 1-AAA title, Valdosta has beaten Warner Robins, 35-6, and Laney of Augusta, 54-20, in the playoffs. Since becoming the Region 7-AAA champ Avondale has turned back Henderson, 10-3, and Forest Park, 19-10, in playoff outings.

The pass is the Wildcats' chief offensive weapon, but VHS can and does run with the football. Operating from the wishbone - T, the Blue Devils like to run with the pigskin, but can and do pass effectively.

Valdosta's aerial leaders are senior quarterback Stanley

Bounds and sophomore split end Stanford Rome. Bounds has hit on 128 of 243 tosses for 2,506 yards and 26 touchdowns. Rome has made 66 receptions for 1,487 yards and 19 TDs.

The Wildcats' rushing leaders are halfback Robert Daniels, who has picked up 487 yards on 74 carries, and fullback Pat O'Neal, with 442 yards on 71 tries. Bounds (81-423) is third on the rushing list, with fullback Robert McCaskill (53-289) next in line.

Other go-team regulars include end Scott Griffin, tackles Paul Demersseman and Wade

Johnson, guards Sidney Earnest, Calvin Lester, David Register and Robert Joseph, center Paul Lore and halfback George Rountree.

The bulk of VHS' defensive load will fall on a group which includes ends David Berrien and Alvin Payton, tackles Steve Stanaland and Gary Irby, Middle guard Freddie Wilbon, linebackers Edwin Pompey, Dick Parker, Jim Clarkston and Ronald Daniels and deep backs Gary Rowe and O. D. Netter.

Avondale's swift-string ground attack is led by fullback Greg Sizemore, who in regular season play romped for 817

yards on 161 carries.

Blue Devil quarterback Doug Elstad has hit on 69 of 137 passes for 1,268 yards. His favorite targets are halfback David Maher, who has made 21 catches for 344 yards, and end Jim Helms, with 15 receptions for 352 yards.

The probable starters, as announced by the coaches, follow:

VALDOSTA
Offense — ends Stanford Rome (190, soph.) and Scott Griffin (185, sr.), tackles Paul Demersseman (210, sr.) and Wade Johnson (200, jr.), guards Sidney Earnest (190, sr.) and David Register (200, jr.), center Paul Lore (175, sr.), quarterback Stanley Bounds (175, sr.), linebackers Robert Daniels (190, soph.) and George Rountree (175, jr.) and fullback Pat

O'Neal (185, jr.), Defense — ends David Berrien (170, jr.) and Alvin Payton (170, sr.), tackles Steve Stanaland (220, sr.) and Gary Irby (200, jr.), middle guard Freddie Wilbon (250, jr.), linebackers Edwin Pompey (185, sr.), Dick Parker (175, sr.), Jim Clarkston (180, sr.) and Ronald Daniels (190, jr.) and deep backs Gary Rowe (185, jr.) and O. D. Netter (170, sr.).

AVONDALE
Offense — ends Jim Helms (175, sr.) and Sam Bell (165, sr.), tackles Tom Alderman (215, jr.) and Terry Goodwin (195, jr.), guards Barry Williams (185, sr.) and Rick Melson (219, sr.), center Mike Shaw (165, jr.), quarterback Doug Elstad (180, sr.), halfbacks David Maher (175, jr.) and Bo Landers (165, jr.) and fullback Greg Sizemore (180, sr.), Defense — ends Stan Burke (175, sr.) and Williams, tackles Jeff Reeves (185, sr.) and Terry Maye (205, jr.), outside linebackers Landers and Maher, inside linebackers Buck Sherman (180, sr.) and Mike Grabely (175, sr.), halfbacks Jimmy Partridge (160, sr.) and Bell and safety Helms.

UNDISPUTED AAA CHAMP

Valdosta Title Express Rumbles On, 62-12

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor

VALDOSTA, Ga. — For Coach Wright Bazemore and his Valdosta High Wildcats — the two are synonymous — it was perhaps their finest hour together.

Valdosta unquestionably has its finest offensive football team ever. Maybe the best high school team in the nation.

If the Wildcats hadn't made that perfectly clear previously this season, they did Saturday night by annihilating a strong defensive team — Avondale — in the State Class AAA championship game here, 62-12.

In 1962, Valdosta smacked Murphy here at this same

Cleveland field, 39-0, in what, until Saturday night, was the most one-sided AAA championship game ever.

IN THE VICTORY, senior quarterback Stanley Bounds, the red-haired passing wizard, was magnificent.

Bounds' passing goes further than mere genius. The 18-year-old prep All-American completed 13 of 15 passes, with but one interception, for 313 yards and five touchdowns in his best game ever.

In the second half, Bounds completed seven of seven passes for 136 yards, his first two going for touchdowns set up by Avondale fumbles.

Two touchdown passes went to the brilliant sophomore speedster, Stanford Rome, two to halfback Clifford Bradley, and another to end Paul Demersseman.

ORDINARILY, 12 points would stand up for a victory in most of Avondale's games. But with Valdosta averaging just under 50 points per game, 12 points was less than a drop in the bucket.

The Blue Devils from DeKalb County did manage to give their fans some thrilling moments, but only after the game was out of reach. By Valdosta standards, the "out-of-reach" point usually occurs

YARDSTICK	
AVONDALE (12)	VALDOSTA (62)
10	25
67	313
282	313
8-17-0	13-15-1
1-15	6-50

sometimes in the first quarter.

Avondale was thrown for a minus five net yards rushing in the second half by a vicious defense, led by another prep All-American, defensive tackle Steve Stanaland. The Blue Devils went to the air in the fourth period and finished with 10 completions in 25 attempts, with no interceptions, for 282 yards.

AN 82-YARD pass from quarterback Doug Elstad to split end Ed Helms was the most spectacular play of the night.

Valdosta's running game, not to be overlooked, churned out 312 yards, giving the Wildcats a total-yardage figure of 625 yards.

The Wildcats scored the first time they had the ball and almost as will the latter and were comfortably out front at halftime, 35-6.

On hearing earlier in the week that Wright Bazemore always elected not to receive a kickoff, even when he won the pre-game toss of the coin, a light came on in Avondale

Coach Crawford Kennedy's head.

When Valdosta won the toss and elected to defend the east end of Cleveland Field, Kennedy had instructed his captain to kick. Bazemore's theory is that, especially in a championship situation, a team is likely to be tight at the beginning and make mistakes . . . mistakes Valdosta over the 30-year-old 3-2 move has coached the Wildcats has taken a vintage of countless times.

But the plan blew up in Kennedy's face. Valdosta struck with lightning swiftness. In two minutes, Bounds had lighted the scoreboard for the

Wildcats. It took Bounds only six plays and two minutes (to the second) to get the first touchdown.

The big gainer was a 37-yard pass to Clifford Bradley, and the touchdown came on a nine-yard pass to Rome.

Avondale took three cracks the Wildcat defense, then punted.

Bounds was back in business. This time, however, the Cats remained on the ground six of the seven plays it took to get TD No. 2. Robert McCaskill carried the ball in from 14 yards out on a trap play for the score.

The next TD was the quickest of the half. A 61-yard pass

to Bradley down the left sideline. Avondale then interrupted, perhaps saving the Valdosta side of the scoreboard from overheating, by driving 72 yards in 13 plays. The touchdown came on a fourth-down play, the second of the drive on a fake to Sherman in the middle and a pitch-out to David Maher going wide left.

Avondale	0	6	0	6-12
Valdosta	21	14	13	14-62

SCORING — Avondale — Maher, 3 run (kick failed); Helms, 82 pass from Elstad (pass failed); Valdosta — Rome, 9 pass from Bounds (Parker kick); McCaskill, 14 run (Parker kick); Bradley, 20 pass from Bounds (Parker kick); O'Neal, 13 run (Parker kick); Rome, 48 pass from Bounds (Parker kick); Demersseman, 15 pass from Bounds (pass failed); Bradley, 9 pass to Rome and pitch to Bradley (Parker kick); Bounds, 3 run (Parker kick).



Young Fan Waves One Golden Pom-Pom While He Wears Another



How It Happened: 'Dosta Quarterback Stanley Bounds Heads Toward Avondale Defenders On Long Gain

Wildcats, Imps Tangle Tonight

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

After an 11-year wait Valdosta's Wildcats and Avondale's Blue Devils are to meet again here tonight at Cleveland Field with the state Class AAA high school football crown on the line.

The state title match between coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats and coach Crawford Kennedy's Blue Devils from Avondale Estates is slated to begin at 8 p.m.

Valdosta, which belongs to Region 1AAA, will bring a 12-0 record into the game. Avondale, a member of Region 4AAA, will come into the contest with an 11-1-1 chart. Both have already survived two rounds of playoff action.

The last time they met here in the state finals was back in 1960. The 'Cats came away with a victory that time, but had to score a touchdown in the final minutes of play to overhaul the Blue Devils, 20-14.

Since then the Wildcats have claimed the "AAA" state title six more times for a total of seven. They've actually captured a total of 14 state championships in all classifications since Bazemore joined the VHS coaching staff in 1940.

This will be Avondale's third trip to the state finals since that 1960 meeting with 'Dosta. They came away the winner over Moultrie in 1963 and lost to Glynn Academy (Brunswick) in the 1964 showdown.

With fan interest running high a capacity crowd of approximately 10,000 is expected for tonight's outing.

The Imps will pin their offensive hopes on wishbone-T attack Doug Elstead, who has passed for more than 1,200 yards, and fullback Greg Sizemore, who has romped for more than 1,000 yards.

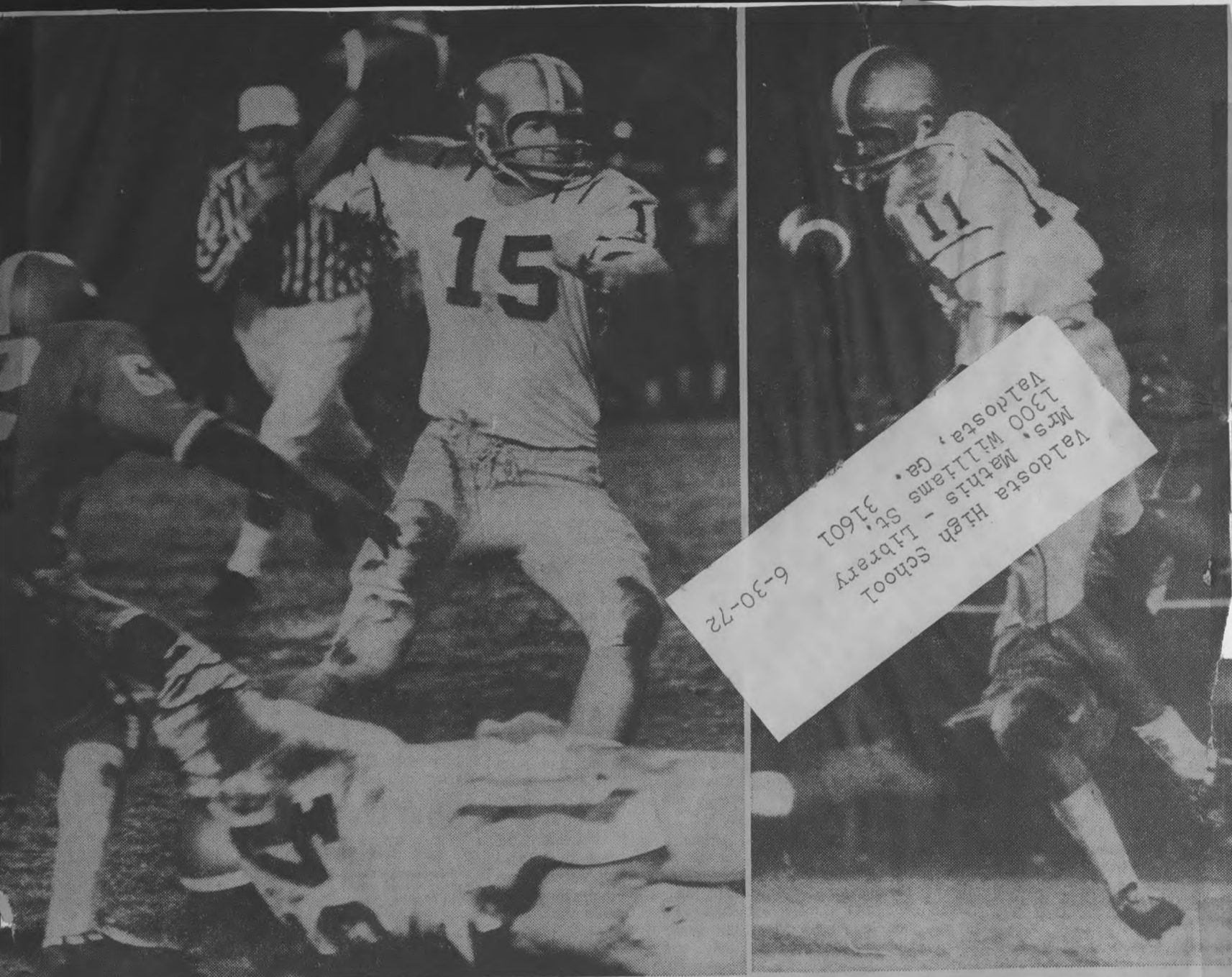
Avondale's defense is noted for its quickness and its ability to stall an opponents aerial game.

Valdosta's offensive leaders include quarterback Stanley Bounds, split end Stanford Rome, halfback Robert Daniels and fullback Pat O'Neal.

Bounds has 2,929 yards in total offense and he accounted for 2,506 of it through the air with 128 completions in 243 tries. Rome had made 66 catches for 1,48 yards.

Daniels, with 48 yards on 74 carries, in the Wildcats' leading rusher with O'Neal, 71-442, a very close second.

In earlier playoff action this year VHS turned back Warner Robins, 35-6, and beat Laney of Augusta, 54-20. To reach the finals Avondale spanked Henderson, 10-8, and clipped Forest Park, 19-10.



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Bounds to Rome Rambles On: Wildcat Quarterback, Left, Passed for 355 Yards, Five TDs; End Caught Eight for 168 Yards, Three TDs

VHS Wins Berth In Finals

Real 'Cats Stood Up: 54-20

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta High's football Wildcats struck for touchdowns on their first two offensive series and then went on from there to a 54-20 triumph over another set of Wildcats, those from Laney High of Augusta, here Friday night.

With the victory coach Wright Bazemore's 'Dosta Wildcats boosted their record to 12-0, they nailed down the South Georgia Class AAA champion-

ship and earned a berth in next week's state title match, which will be played here next Saturday night unless the two teams involved come to a mutual agreement to stage it on Friday.

The setback left coach David Dupree's Laney Wildcats with a 10-2 record and eliminated them from the playoffs.

Valdosta will be meeting the North Georgia victor in the state title contest next week. The northern issue is to be settled tonight in a game between

Forest Park (9-1-1) and Avondale (10-1-1). They were supposed to clash last night, but delayed their game one day because of bad weather in the Atlanta area.

Final arrangements for the state championship game, including whether it will be played on Friday or Saturday, are to be made later this week-end. VHS will be going for its 15th state crown, the eighth at the Class AAA level, since Bazemore joined the Valdosta coaching staff in 1940.

As for last night's outing, Valdosta sparkled on both offense and defense before a crowd of approximately 9,000. The field had been soaked by two days of rain and the temperature dipped down into the 30s. But neither the mud or the cold seemed to bother the VHS gridders one bit.

The home-standing Wildcats jumped off to a quick 13-point lead, VHS was ahead 20-6 at the end of the first stanza and had the game wrapped up.

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with a 41-6 bulge at half time.

Valdosta piled up 443 yards in total offense, 335 of it through the air, while racking up eight touchdowns. Laney got just 170 yards in total offense, and two of its TDs came late in the game after the issue had been settled.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds accounted for all of VHS' aerial yardage as he hit on 15 of

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Laney
First Downs	18	12
Yards Rushing	108	113
Yards Passing	335	67
Passes	16-29	8-12
Passes Intc. by	2	0
Fumbles Lost	3	0
Punting	1-52	7-21.5
Penalties	9-47	6-46

27 tosses, including five which went for TDs.

Splint end Stanford Rome was on the receiving end of three scoring aeriels, which covered 29, 8 and 67 yards. Two others, each good for 30 yards, went to halfbacks Clifford Bradley and George Rountree. Bounds scored twice himself on runs of 8 and 1 yards and fullback Robert McCaskill got VHS's first touchdown of the night on a 21-yard gallop.

Rome hauled in a total of eight passes for 186 yards and Bradley made three catches for 96 yards. McCaskill, with 54 yards on eight carries, was 'Dosta's rushing leader.

From start to finish Valdosta's offensive line, with sharp blocking, gave Bounds all the time he needed to make the 'Cats' passing game click.

Linebacker Ronald Daniels was Valdosta's leading tackler with eight, followed by Jim Clarkston and Gary Rowe, each with seven; Dick Parker and Steve Stanaland, each with six, and Freddie Wilbon and Alvir Payton, each with five.

Clarkston and O. D. Nettel intercepted passes and tackle Bobby Brantley blocked a Laney punt. All three led either directly or indirectly to touchdowns.

Laney's touchdowns came on a 48-yard run by halfback Harry Smith, a one-yard run by Terry Jones and a 12-yard pass from Derrick Neely to B. W. Hill.

Smith made his gallop in the second period, after VHS had gone 13 points ahead. Jones scored from a yard out to clinch a 40-yard march by Laney late in the third period. The Neely-to-Hill scoring pass came on the final play of the game, after the visitors from Augusta had driven 63 yards.

Valdosta began sending subs into the game in the second period and before the contest was over VHS had cleared its bench.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta - Bounds 4-10, O'Neal 5-13, McCaskill 8-34, Robt. Daniels 3-5, Rountree 4-20, Bradley 1-8, Parker 1 minus 11; Morrison 3-9; Laney - Oatman 3-2, Lynn 15-33, Smith 7-46, B. Hill 4-4, T. Jones 8-26, Kimmertin 3-9, Neely 1 minus 7.

Passing: Valdosta - Bounds 15-27-335; Parker 1-2 minus 2; Laney - Oatman 4-14-19, Neely 4-7-48.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta - Rome 8-186, Bradley 3-96, Griffin 1-4, Rountree 3-37; Laney - G. Jones 4-49, Odom 1-13, B. Hill 3-35.

Kickoff Returns: Valdosta - Bradley 2-42, Daniels 1-20; Laney - B. Hill 3-4, Lynn 2-27, J. Hill 3-46.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta - Ron Daniels 8, Clarkston 7, Rowe Parker 6, Stanaland 6, Wilbon 5, Payton 5, Pompey 4, D. Berrien 4, Massey Lane 2, Brantley 2, Griffin 2, Irby Mitchell 2, G. Rountree 2; Laney - et. 11, Makerson 7, Golden 6, Perry Brown 5, Hollenman 4, Lynn 4, Hill Neely 4.



Valdosta's Enthusiastic Students Stand And Cheer Their Football Team To Victory

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Vikes, Vikettes Rap Bainbridge

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BAINBRIDGE — Lowndes Vikings and Vikettes kept their winning streaks rolling along by taking both ends of a Region 1-AAA high school basketball doubleheader from Bainbridge's Bearcats and Kittens here Saturday night.

Both Lowndes teams bumped their records to 4-0 overall and 2-0 in league affairs as coach Steve Kebler's Vikettes slipped past the Kittens, 36-30, and coach Charles Cooper's Vikings pounded the Bearcats, 64-42.

The Kittens took the lead in the girls game, but Lowndes caught up in the second quarter. The Vikettes never lost the lead again while they held a two-point margin until the final stanza when they went six-up.

Hamilton Is Beaten By Nassau

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Lou Lumley was the scoring leader for the night with 15 points for the Vikettes although Kebler gave most of the credit for the win to the defensive efforts of Rhonda Jackson, Linda Mathis, Lumley and Susan Wetherington.

Susan Long paced the Kittens with 17 points.

Kevin Wetherington and Earnest Carter led the way for the Vikings, who never had much trouble with the Bearcats.

Cooper gave Carter credit for his best game so far this season with 17 points and 15 rebounds, while Wetherington, also a defensive standout, led the scoring with 18.

James Love was the high point man for the Bearcats with 23 points to his total.

The coaches offered varied opinions on their teams' play. Kebler felt the game was his girls' weakest so far, while Cooper said his boys played their best.

GIRLS

Lowndes	716	23	36
Bainbridge	9	15	21
LOWNDES (36) -	NeSmith 7, Downing 8, Lumley 15, Dickson 4, Mathis 1, Jackson 1, Martin, Ard, Wetherington.		
Team totals:	field goals 11, free throws 14 of 26, fouls 12.		
BAINBRIDGE (20) -	Long 17, Sims 7, Johnson 2, Carter 4, Sanders 1, Smith 1.		



Arnold Palmer Frowns Nicklaus For M

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Pro golfer's prestigious leading money winning spot was scheduled to be settled today—one week early—with Jack Nicklaus holding the inside track on Lee Trevino and Arnold Palmer.

"I'm leading the tournament going into the final round," Nicklaus said. "If I win, I'm going to be the leading money winner. If I don't win from this position, I don't deserve to be the leading money winner."

This was the situation today heading into the final round of

'Cats 'Storm' To Championship

Rock Imps
By 62-12
Margin

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

Valdosta's Wildcats unleashed a storm of offensive lightning and defense thunder and swept away Avondale's Blue Devils, 62-12, to win Georgia's 1971 state Class AAA high school football championship in electrifying fashion here Saturday night.

With the triumph coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats climaxed their season with a perfect 13-0 record and earned for VHS its 15th state grid crown since Baze joined the Wildcat coaching staff in 1940. It is 'Dosta's eighth Georgia diadem at the Class AAA level since 1960.

For coach Crawford Kennedy's Blue Devils from Avondale Estates, the defeat left them with an 11-2-1 chart and

STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Avondale
First Downs	29	13
Yards Rushing	349	71
Yards Passing	288	172
Passes Intc. by	147	10-25
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Punting	0-0	6-32.6
Penalties	6-50	2-19

they had to come away from the game feeling as if they had just ridden through the eye of a hurricane while clinging to the tail of a flimsy kite.

Someone opened the door to the Valdosta dressing room and the Wildcats came roaring out and blew down everything in sight while a capacity crowd of approximately 11,000, composed mostly of VHS faithfuls, cheered approval.

The 'Cats exactly two minutes of playing time to score their first touchdown, they had a 21-point bulge before the game was seven and a half minutes old and they went on to pile up the biggest score ever for a VHS team in a state title match. The previous high, according to Bazemore, was 48.

While lighting up the scoreboard with nine touchdowns, the Wildcats made 29 first downs and compiled 637 yards in total offense, 349 rushing and 288 passing. VHS' hard-hitting and alert defense limited Avondale's supposed-to-be potent wishbone-T ground attack to just 71 yards and a lone TD. The other Blue Devil tally came on a long pass against the VHS reserves in the final minutes of play, which was long after the issue had been settled.

In all some 80 Valdosta players saw action in the game and had a share in the sparkling triumph.

VHS quarterback Stanley Bounds passed for four TDs and the 'Cats got five more along the ground. Bounds hit split end Stanford Rome with scoring aerials of 9 and 47 yards, he connected with halfback Clifford Bradley with one that covered 60 yards and still another for 15 yards went to line-man Paul Demersseman on a tackle-eligible play.

Fullback Robert McCaskill galloped for two touchdowns, on



Valdosta Guard David Register (64) Throws A Block And Helps Clear The Way For Fullback Pat O'Neal (32)

runs of 14 and 22 yards, fullback Pat O'Neal scored on an eight-yard sprint and Bounds and Bradley each legged the football across the goal line from three yards out. Dick Parker kicked eight extra points.

For the night Bounds hit on 13 of 16 tosses for 279 yards. The top receivers were Bradley (3-118) and Rome (6-86). McCaskill picked up 114 yards on eight runs, followed by O'Neal (7-72), Bounds (6-62), and halfback George Rountree (5-42).

Besides those already mentioned, go-team members who played major roles in the triumph included halfback Robert Daniels, tackle Wade Johnson, end Scott Griffin, guards Sidney Earnest,

Calvin Lester, David Register and Robert Joseph and center Paul Lore.

On defense linebacker Ronald Daniels was VHS' leading tackler with nine, followed by tackle Steve Stanaland, eight; end Alvin Payton, six and safetyman Gary Rowe and middle guard Freddie Wilbon, five each.

Other stop'em crew members who carried heavy loads were David Berrien, tackle Gary Irby, linebackers Parker, Jim Clarkston and Edwin Pompey and safetyman O. D. Netter.

Rowe and guard Arthur Massey both recovered Avondale fumbles near the Blue Devils' goal line which set up two of VHS' touchdowns.

On both offense and defense

the Wildcats were the masters all the way in the line, where the real issue in any football game is settled.

Avondale's first TD came early in the second period, after 'Dosta had jumped to a 21-point lead. The Blue Devils drove 73 yards in 19 plays, with halfback David Maher scoring on a three-yard run.

The Imps threatened in the third period, but were halted at the 11 yard line. Their final score came on a 72-yard pass from quarterback Doug Elstad to end Jim Helms with only 3:29 left to play in the game.

Fullback Buck Sherman was Avondale's leading rusher with 48 yards on a dozen carries. Elstad hit on 10 of 25 passes for

172 yards, but VHS defenders nailed him behind the line of scrimmage nine times.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 6-62, O'Neal 7-72, Bradley 2-5, Rountree 5-42, McCaskill 8-114, Daniels 3-17, Morrison 6-33, Hutchens 1-2, Hilton 1-2; Avondale — Elstad 13 minus 11, Maher 2-5, Landers 6-23, Sherman 12-48, Kimbell 2-6.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 13-16-279, Hilton 1-1-9; Avondale — Elstad 10-25-172.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rowe 6-86, Bradley 3-118, Demersseman 1-15, Rountree 1-56, Griffin 1-3, Johnson 1-27; Avondale — Beall 3-38, Helms 4-107, Maher 1-1-2, Sherman 1-4, Partridge 1-19.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rome 3-3.

Kickoff Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-16, Bradley 1-8, Morrison 1-2; Avondale — Lucas 3-45, Sherman 1-3, Maher 4-43, Geizer 1-14.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Ron Daniels 9, Stanaland 7, Payton 6, Rowe 5, Wilbon 5, Irby 4, G. Rountree 4, Clarkston 3, Netter 3, Pompey 3, Avondale — Partridge 6, Gravely 6, Brall 5, Maher 5, Buky 5, Bunder 5, Helms 4, Weldon 4, Hagge 4.

LINEUPS

VALDOSTA

Ends: Griffin, J. Berrien, D. Berrien, G. Roundtree, Cobb, Adams.

Tackles: Johnson, Brantley, Irby, Wilbon, Demersseman, Mitchell, Dodson, Griffith, Hutchens, Moorehead, Williams.

Guards: Ron Daniels, Sullivan, Nijem, Register, Massey, Earnest, Joseph, Lester, Christian, Franklin, Holloway.

Centers: Stanaland, L. O. R. e, Scroggs, Nowell.

Backs: Rome, Parker, Bounds, Bradley, Roger Rountree, O. Netter, Rowe, Payton, Goodin, O'Neal, Pompey, McCaskill, Robert Daniels, Manuel, Lane, Morrison, Peterson, Hutchens, Hilton, Sheffield, Cooper, King, Mears, Richardson, N. Netter, Griner, Anderson, Bea.

AVONDALE

Ends: Hospkins, Helms, Hagge, Buky, Bunder.

Tackles: May, Reeves, Alderman, Goodwin, Weldon.

Guards: Williams, Nelson, Pruitt.

Centers: Gravely, Shaw.

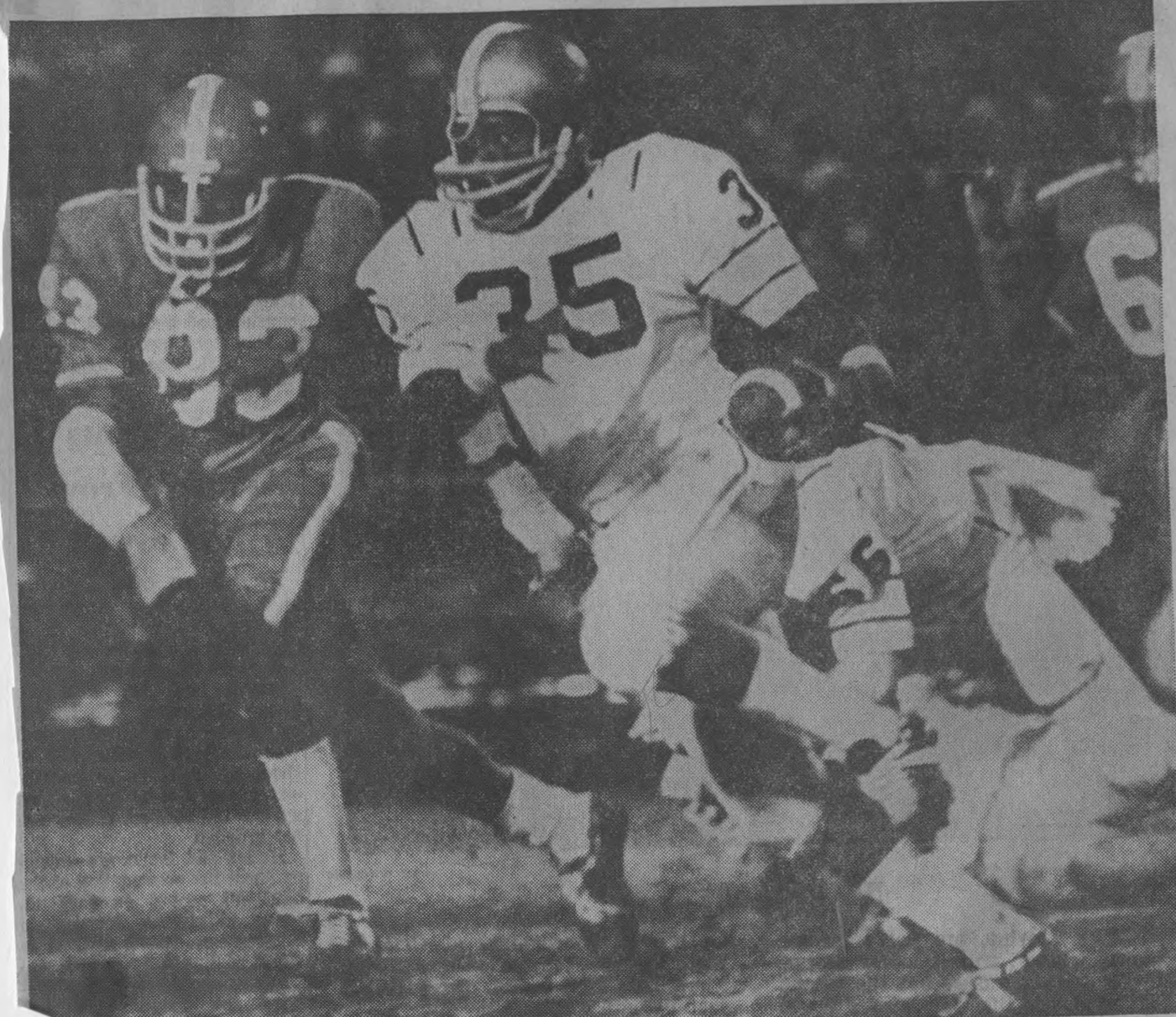
Backs: Landers, Elstad, Partridge, Beall, Sherman, Lucas, Maher, Raines, Sizemore, Kimball, Battle, Simon.

Score by Quarters

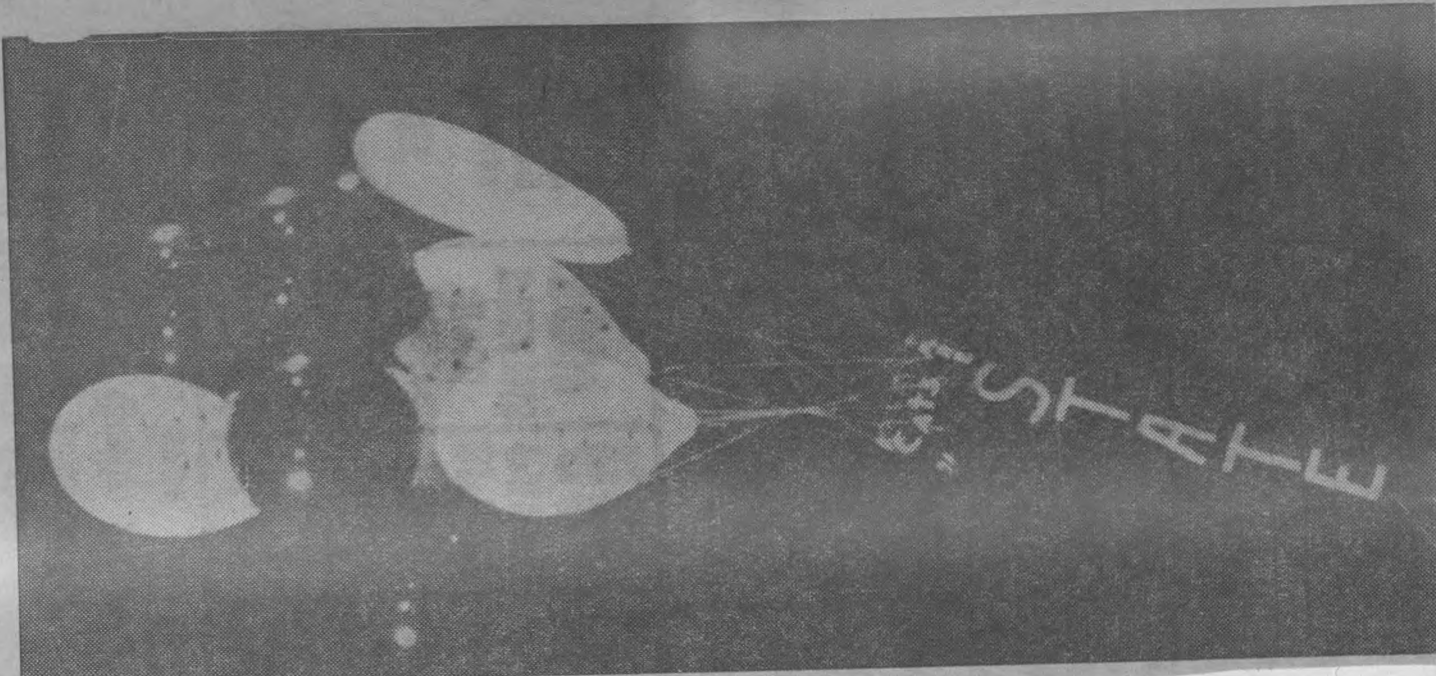
Valdosta	21	14	20	7-62
Avondale	0	6	0	4-12

Scoring: Valdosta — TDs — Rome 2 (9, 47 yd. passes from Bounds), McCaskill 2 (14, 22 yd. runs), Bradley (60 yd. pass from Bounds), Demersseman (15 yd. pass from Bounds), O'Neal (8 yd. run), Bradley (3 yd. run), Bounds (3 yd. run); PATs — Parker 8 (placements). Avondale — TDs — Maher (3 yd. run), Helms (72 yd. pass from Elstad).

Valdosta Rolls Past Laney



Robert McCaskill (35) Starts 21-Yard Run Which Produced VHS' First Touchdown



Big 1 With 'Cats Are State Champs' Rises

Glassman

Times Sports Editor

Wildcats Of '71 Rank With Best

Week after week during the regular season the 1971 Valdosta High football Wildcats steamrolled their way past opponent after opponent.

After 10 straight wins they had the Region 1-AAA title nailed down and no one had gotten within 21 points of them. This was, in some respects surprising. After all this was a relatively inexperienced VHS team with only seven returning regulars from 1970.

A question had to pop up. Were the '71 'Cats really that good or was the competition in 1-AAA below par? Now three playoff games and a state championship later the answer is clear. The 1971 Wildcats are great and must be ranked with the very best of VHS' many super talented teams.

Certainly there isn't another high school team in Georgia this year which is in anywhere near the same class with head coach Wright Bazemore's latest gridiron edition. Just look at the record for proof.

After dusting off everyone in their own league the 'Cats, in state playoff action, blasted down Warner Robins, 35-6; Laney of Augusta, 54-20, and North Georgia king Avondale, 62-12. If anyone in any other part of the state had even a slight doubt about the 'Cats being the best prep football team in Georgia they have now become firm believers.

What an amazing set of statistics this VHS football team has compiled. While winning 13 in a row, all by onesided margins, they averaged 431 yards in total offense (200 rushing and 231 passing) and 48.1 points per game. On defense they gave up an average of 205.3 yards (94.7 rushing and 110.6 passing) and 10.5 points per outing. Now keep in mind that a lot of the opponents' yardage and points came late in games against the reserves.

Team Effort

There were individuals who sparkled. One was senior quarterback Stanley Bounds, who hit on 141 of 259 passes for 2,785 yards and 30 touchdowns. He also legged it for 485 yards and 23 TDs. He had 3,270 yards in total offense and had a hand in the scoring of 323 of the total 629 points racked up by the 'Cats.

Another was split end Stanford Rome, who made 72 pass receptions for 1,573 yards and 21 TDs. Both he and Bounds were individual record breakers.

But the 'Cats definitely weren't a one or two man team. There were others, many, many others, who with hard work and determination blended their talents and gave the kind of team effort which made this team great. This includes all of those who were regulars on both offense and defense, plus the reserves who took their lumps in practice day after day, but got to see little action on a game night. Each and everyone was vital to the cause.

Outstanding Job

Bazemore said just after that big triumph over Avondale that he has the finest group of coaches on his staff that any head mentor could ask for. He's right. The group includes Charlie Greene, Joe Wilson, Jack Rudolph, Julian LeFiles, Joe Mercer and Edward Jones. What an outstanding coaching job they and Baze have done this season.

And the team effort which brought success includes the fine support the Wildcats got from VHS school officials, the students, the Marchin' 'Cats band, the cheerleaders, and all the other fans here, spearheaded by that dedicated and hard-working group known as the Valdosta Touchdown Club.

"You can't win without team effort," Bazemore said. "We've got our players and coaches and had it through-out our school and our city. I want to thank everyone." Valdosta High has a football tradition unmatched by any other school in the state. The Wildcats of 1971 have added even more to that tradition.

What Next for Valdosta?

By DAVID DAVIDSON
Atlanta Journal Prep Editor
One thing was clear this football season in regard to Class AAA football in Georgia:

Teams such as Warner Robins, Avondale, Laney, Moultrie and others were good football teams. Make no mistake about it. They were all good. Very good.

And that brings up the question of where to categorize Valdosta.

The AAA state championship game was a farce. It was the most one-sided victory in the history of AAA football, a 62-12 victory for Valdosta, the most one-sided win since Avondale beat Moultrie in 1963, 40-6.

"That Wright Bazemore" said one disgusted Avondale fan. "He left his first team in the game until almost the end of the game before he finally called off his dogs."

WRONG.

Bazemore used 55 players in the first half, and before the game was over all 81 members of Valdosta's bulging roster had seen action, although the first team backfield (and split end Stanford Rome) did see more action than the first-team linemen.

"People in Atlanta are going to learn one of these days that this is a tough region down here," Bazemore said after the game. "We beat a team like Moultrie, then Moultrie loses to a strong team like Thomasville and it drops out of your top ten ratings. 'I'll tell you what,"



Staff Photo—Noel Davis
VALDOSTA'S INCOMPARABLE WRIGHT BAZEMORE
Wildcats Win 15th State Championship, Easily

Bazemore continued. "I had lot rather play Warner Robins any time than Moultrie again."

RETIREMENT:

Rumors are running rampant Bazemore is about to step down. One rumor said his personal

physician had advised him to quit.

But to hear Bazemore talk Saturday night, it didn't sound at all like he was ready to turn his job loose.

"We've got some great athletes on this team," he said. "And we have some

great athletes coming back to play next year."

Bazemore noted that sophomore quarterback Bruce Hilton, a 160-pound sophomore, is being groomed to fill the hole to be left when prep all-American Stan Bounds, who completed 13 of 15 passes for 313 yards and five touchdowns with one interception against Avondale, graduates this spring.

"HE LOOKS about the same as Bounds did when he was a sophomore," Bazemore said of Hilton. "He's a good basketball and baseball player. He has the same kind of athletic potential I saw in Bounds as a sophomore. All Hilton needs is some work and some game experience."

In other prep championship games last weekend, Westminster coach Charlie Brake loaded his offensive lineup with eight interior linemen (even at the ends and slotback positions) to get his best blockers on the field and ran over North Fulton, 13-0.

IN CLASS A, Carlson's Darnell Powell, the slowest member of a fleet backfield, scored all four touchdowns and rushed for 11 yards in a 31-21 victory over Turner County, which had shut out 10 of 12 previous opponents.

Southeast Bulloch's try for a two-point conversion with nine seconds was foiled and Bowdon preserved a 20-19 victory for the Class B state title.

Kennedy Fumes After AAA Rout

By STEVE CLARK

Avondale football coach Crawford Kennedy, still shellshocked Sunday afternoon, dished out both words of praise and criticism for the Valdosta bulldozer which buried Avondale, 62-12, Saturday night in Valdosta for the Class AAA state championship.

"Valdosta's got more talent than any high school team I've seen in 12 years of coaching," said Kennedy.

But Kennedy was in a critical mood, too. What had him upset was the fact that veteran Valdosta Coach Wright Bazemore didn't pull his horses — quarterback Stanley Bounds, et al — until late in the final quarter. For all practical purposes, the game was over long before that.

"I wasn't too happy about that," said Kennedy. "I don't want this to sound like sour grapes, but I simply see no sense in a 60-year-old man (Bazemore) trying to embarrass a bunch of kids."

"Bounds and the other horses were taken out with about three minutes to go. I feel like you shouldn't leave your best people in there when the game is out of reach. There's no purpose in it as far as I can see."

But Kennedy emphasized that his displeasure with the lopsided score should not over-

shadow the greatness of this Valdosta team, which provided Bazemore his 15th state championship in 31 years of coaching.

"They just blew us out of there," said Kennedy. "It was a case of one good football team running into one great team with too much talent," he said.

"It was over at the ahlf (Valdosta led, 35-6), but I was proud of our kids for staying in there and battling them. I was especially proud of that long touchdown drive (72 yards) we made in the second quarter.

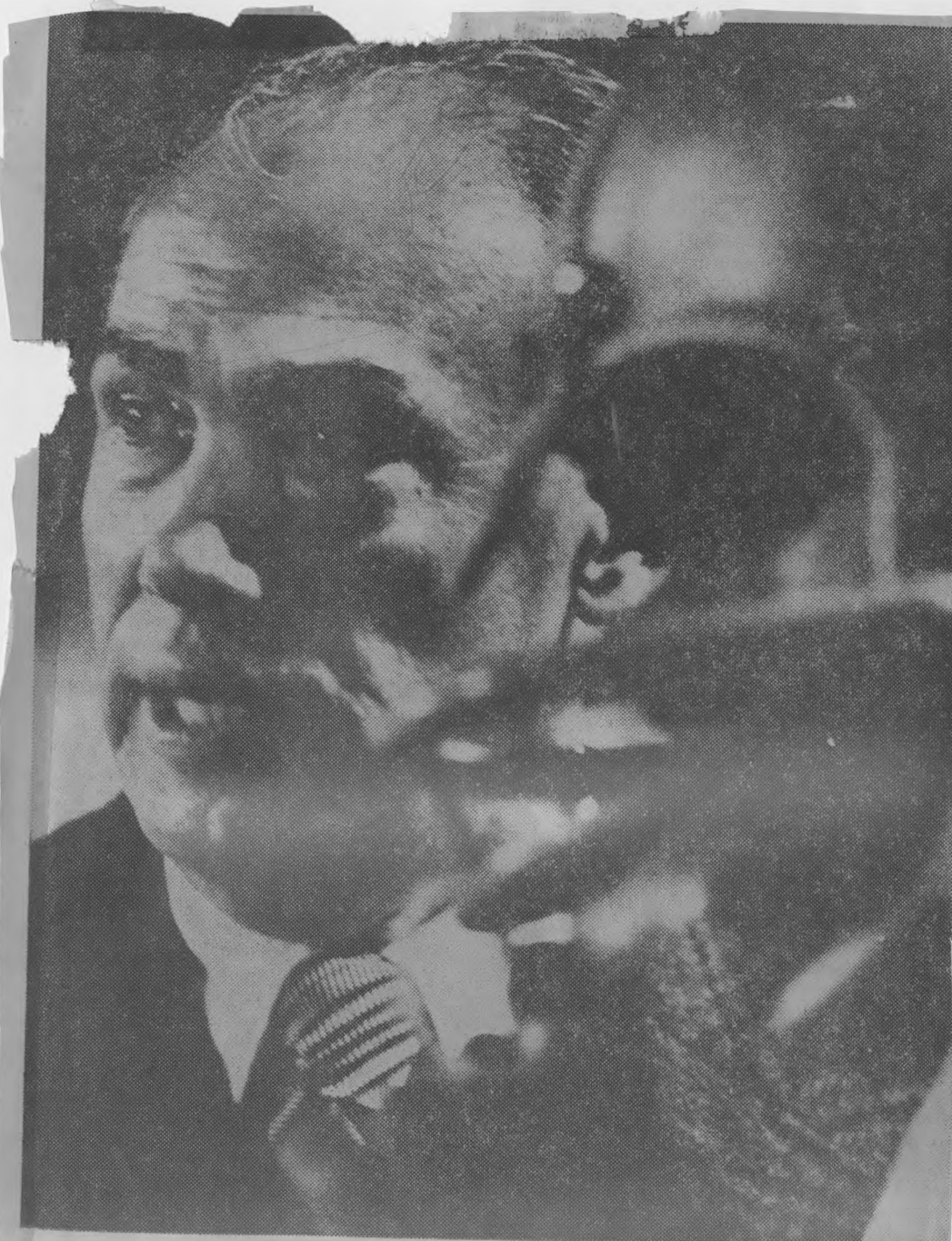
"I thought we were a pretty good defensive team, but there's no way we could stop them. They didn't punt one time. They scored everytime they got the ball except the time we intercepted Bounds and the time they fumbled.

"Their line of scrimmage just knocked us back every time. They were bigger, stronger and moe talented than us."

Avondale finished the season with a fine 11-2-1 record. The Blue Devils' first loss was in the opener, 24-8, to Butler, Ala., which lost in the finals of the Class 4-A championship in Alabama. The tie was the Columbia game, which turned into a controversy over Avondale's last-gasp field goal.



Wildcat Defenders Have Avondale Quarterback Doug Elstad Cornered And They Plow Him Under



—Times Staff Photo by Robert Wisler 1

The Champions Plan

Coach Wright Bazemore and one of his Valdosta High School Wildcats, halfback George Rountree, discuss game plans in the thick of the State Class AAA high school football championship contest at Cleveland Field

Saturday night. The 'Cats defeated Avondale's Blue Devils 62-12 to claim their 15th state title since Bazemore came to VHS in 1940. See other stories and pictures on pages 16 and 17.

A Football Night ... Valdosta Style

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There was no doubt from the beginning of the action to the last note blown out by a horn in the Marchin' 'Cats band that Valdosta was the winner in every respect.

Take nothing away from Avondale. Their fans came down strong, ready to back their team at the way and the traditional "We're Number One!" battle was on.

Each time Valdosta's Wildcats crossed the goal line, the home stands, urged on by the VHS cheerleaders, seemed to yell the praise just a little louder and meet just a little less retaliation from the Avondale side.

In the fourth quarter, when the 'Cats were leading 62-6, the Valdosta student section yelled it again and met no response from the north side of the stadium. The Imps had finally conceded.

It had been nine years since the 'Cats had actually won a state championship on their own Cleveland Field. All the other title games since 1962 were played away with the exception of the 26-26 tie with Athens here in 1969. Die-hard Valdosta fans weren't going to miss this big triumph.

This was characterized by a Valdosta woman who fell and injured her leg before the game and refused all offers of aid until the football game was over and the fans were going home.

Only then would she allow herself to be loaded into an

ambulance and be taken to South Georgia Medical Center for treatment.

"The thing that impressed me so much was the Valdosta band," exclaimed one Valdosta fan. "That had to be the best half time show they've ever put on at a football game. And believe me, that's saying a lot."

The band, directed by Frank Butenschon, had the fans on both sides of the field standing, cheering, clapping and shouting. Like the grid 'Cats, the Marchin' 'Cats performed in championship style.

When a large black-and-gold Number 1, was launched with a dozen black and gold balloons during the half-time show, the fans gave a standing ovation to the 'Cats.

And in the dressing room, the Wildcats were holding their victory celebration with a few difficulties. Throwing VHS principal Lloyd Mims into the shower was easy, but when someone sneaked a bottle of champagne into the shower, not to drink but to pour over everyone's head, they had to ask for help.

"I had to open the bottle for 'em," said Valdosta Touch-

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Photos on this special page and others on the game appearing on page 1 and page 17 were taken by Times staff photographers Robert Winter III and Jimmy Broeks.

down Club president Bobby Greene. "They didn't know you had to remove the wire first. And when I finally got the cork off, they had shaken it up so much champagne went everywhere."

"And when a few of the seniors came up with some gold cigars to light up, I had to help them there too. They didn't know how to light them."

Many of the fans left surprised that the traditional tribute to the winning coaches wasn't held after the game as usual. But Greene promises they won't go unnoticed.

"We decided to hold off and pick a night to honor the coaches and do it up right," Greene said.

He added that the Touch-down club meeting, usually held the Monday night after the game has been changed to Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Mathis City Auditorium. The ladies and team members are invited.

So the 1971 football season has drawn to a close and now the majority of coaches and players can sit back and take it easy.

Head coach Wright Bazemore has already issued a warning to the fish and game birds in the area because he's on his way.

But for some of the players, and coaches Joe Wilson and Joe Mercer, there's no rest in sight. They begin their 1971-72 basketball season Tuesday night and it's all starting over.

Avondale's Coach Praises Valdosta

By JULIAN MILLER
Times Sports Writer

Before the Valdosta - Avondale state championship game here Saturday the Blue Devils' cheerleaders held up one of the largest banners ever on Cleveland Field and it read: "Sherman's March Through Georgia Ends in Victory At Valdosta."

Well they were right on one hand Sherman, the Imps' speedy defensive backfield star turned fullback did end his march in Valdosta, however, the "Boys in Blue" weren't planning on a 62-12 defeat by the Wildcats.

But Blue Devil head coach Crawford Kennedy says he wasn't really surprised.

"They're just too tough for us," he said after the 50-point loss. "We can just consider ourselves lucky to have gotten this far with teams like Valdosta around."

"They (Valdosta) were loaded with talent... more than any high school football team I've ever seen."

"And they're well-coached, there's absolutely no doubt. Wright Bazemore is the king of coaches."

Did he think the 'Cats would run on his team as easy as they had done?

"I was pretty sure they would do about whatever they really wanted to do," he replied. "I wasn't surprised about anything."

Did he think the present heat wave hurt his team from the north?

"The heat hurt us some," he said. "But it wouldn't have made any difference in the ball game. We had two boys who couldn't come back after the half. But that wouldn't have changed anything. Valdosta is just that good."

On the other side of Cleveland Field Wright Bazemore was wearing the most satisfied smile since the 'Cats won their last "AAA" grid a right by beating Forest Park in 1968.

"I have a fine bunch of play-

ers," he was saying and I am proud of each and every one of them.

"I'm proud of this team for winning. They certainly gave a hundred per cent in every way tonight."

"And the school spirit is the greatest. The people in the town backed us 100 per cent too. A thing like this has to be a city-wide effort."

"I've got the finest coaching staff in the world right here."

Every single one of them is capable of being just as good a coach as I am."

With such a big season behind him it's only natural for the Coach of champions to feel a letdown.

"I was letdown all night," he admitted. "In fact I was kind of feeling letdown all week."

What's he gonna do now?

"Well, the birds and the fish just better watch out!"

VHS Tackle Is Signed By Georgia

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Offensive tackle Paul Demersseman has become the first member of Valdosta High's state championship football team to accept the offer of a college grid scholarship.

Demersseman, who stands 6-3 and weighs 220 pounds, has "signed" with the University of Georgia.

A standout blocker, Demersseman was one of the key men in VHS' offensive line which opened up the way for the Wildcats to pile up more than 600 yards in total offense and score a 62-12 win over Avondale.

While Demersseman is the only senior on coach Wright Bazemore's championship crew to sign so far, others are sure to follow.

Quarterback Stanley Bounds, who generated more than 3,000 yards in total offense while leading VHS to a 13-0 record, is one of the state's most sought after prep players.

Bounds has been literally swamped with college offers, including those from virtually every major football power in the Southeast.

The 6-0, 175-pound passing and running whiz has given no indication of when he might make his choice.

Another Valdosta player who is still sorting through a lot of scholarship offers is defensive tackle Steve Stanaland. A hard-hitting 220 pounder, Stanaland was one of the anchors on the Wildcats' defensive unit.

Stanaland has also seen heavy duty on offense, playing at times at center, tackle and guard.

Steve was recently rated among the top-50 interior linemen among the prep football players in the country by Letterman magazine.



Marchin' 'Cats Band, Like Gridders, Gave Another Championship Style Performance

Club Information



Upcoming Programs/Meetings

- **TODAY - Interact & Rotaract Recap - Students**
- **May 25 - CUEE - Tom Kurrie**
- **June 1 - French Exchange - Nathalie Faure**
- **June 8 - Anniversary Celebration - Membership**

Upcoming Greeter Schedule

Date	Greeter 1	Greeter 2
May 18	Suzannah Patterson	Charles Powell
May 25	Jennifer Powell	Malcolm Rainey
June 1	Patsy Reaves	Chris Roan
June 8	Bert Rutland	Randy Sauls

Area Rotary Meetings

Nashville - Tuesday - Noon
Cadillac Ranch

Madison, FL - Wednesday - Noon
St. Vincent DePaul Catholic Church

Valdosta North - Tuesday - 12:15 p.m.
Rainwater Conference Center

Tifton - Tuesday - Noon
Harpers at the Myron Hotel

Tifton - Wednesday - 12:15 p.m.
Georgia Agrirama Museum Dining

Quitman - Thursday - Noon
Presbyterian Homes of Georgia

Valdosta Sunrise - Thursday - 7:30 a.m.
Kinderlou - Ravine

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Please welcome members of our Rotaract Club and Interact Clubs. Today we will hear from each club, meet some of their members and hear about their accomplishments this past year.



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Today's Program



Rotaract & Interact Update



The Rotary Club of Valdosta is proud to sponsor one Rotaract Club and four local Interact Clubs. The Rotaract Club of Valdosta State University is in its second year at VSU. The four Interact Club's are at Georgia Christian School, Lowndes High School, Valdosta High School and Valwood School.

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are either community or university based, and they're sponsored by a local Rotary club. This makes them true "partners in service" and key members of the family of Rotary.

As one of Rotary's most significant and fastest-growing service programs, with more than 7,000 clubs in about 163 countries and geographical areas, Rotaract has become a worldwide phenomenon.

All Rotaract efforts begin at the local, grassroots level, with members addressing their communities' physical and social needs while promoting international understanding & peace through a framework of friendship & service.

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young people ages 14 to 18. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs, which provide support and guidance, but they are self-governing and self-supporting.



Club membership varies greatly. Clubs can be single gender or mixed, large or small. They can draw from the student body of a single school or from two or more schools in the same community. Interact has a membership of over 250,000 youth in more than 11,000 clubs worldwide. It's one of Rotary's fastest growing programs. With clubs in over 120 countries and geographical areas,

Interact is also an international phenomenon.

Each year, Interact clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and goodwill. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs.

Interact's global youth network is dedicated to community and international service. Every Interact club project, great or small, has a lasting impact on society worldwide. Brazil, India, the Philippines, and the United States boast the highest number of Interact clubs.



Last Week's Meeting



GA Sheriff's Boys & Girls Ranch



Last week's program was brought to us by Beth Tillman, Director of Child-care for Georgia Sheriff's Youth Homes and the resident director of the Boys and Girls Ranch. Beth told many touching stories that document the program's years of success with children.

Georgia Sheriffs' Boys and Girls Ranch is located near Hahira in Lowndes County. It is the perfect setting for boys and girls to experience the outdoor life of South Georgia. Over four hundred acres and five cottages offer children plenty of room to grow into well-rounded, productive young adults. The Ranch has a long history of providing quality care for its children.

Many of the children at the Ranch have continued their education in the university setting. A number of former residents have made their homes in and around the community of Hahira. They have become dedicated parents and a part of the business community. For more information call Beth at 229-794-2606 or visit www.georgiasheriffs.org.

We want to say a very special Thank You to new member Alex Thomas and Myrna Ballard for volunteering to greet for us during last week's meeting. Alex pulled double duty and also brought our Sunshine Report. He is working diligently to get rid of that red badge.

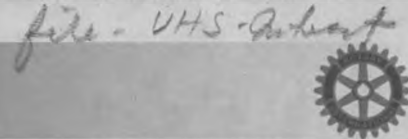


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Club News



Proposed New Member

This is Published Notice No. 1 for the proposed membership of: Charles "Chuck" Ennis

Chuck Ennis is currently Program Manager for the Integrated Logistics and Modernization Division's United Kingdom Airborne Warning and Control System aircraft modification program. Chuck has been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Valdosta by Rotarian John Page.

Interact History in Valdosta

The Valdosta Daily Times, Sat., June 20, 1970 (7)

Girls Invade Interact At Valdosta High School

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Girls will invade the Interact Club this fall at Valdosta High School, but they'll do so at the invitation of the male members, said Max Stephenson, a past president of the group.

Stephenson, a June graduate, served as governor for the high school district this year.

He said the decision to allow female membership was made at the state meeting at Jekyll Island this spring. The membership question was the main issue at the meeting said Stephenson.

"There was a lot of discussion about it and several who were really negative on the question changed their minds after hearing all the pros and cons on it," he explained.

The VHS club has voted to try the move for a year and see how it works out. The real objective is to attempt to get the club more involved in civic and school activities.

"You give a group of girls a project and they'll get it done. A lot of boys just aren't as enthusiastic about taking on



MAX STEPHENSON
Good Influence

new ventures," said Stephenson.

The former governor said the girls should also be a strong influence in building up the club attendance at various

meetings.

The one stipulation in the club is that three-fourths of the membership must be males, he said.

A couple of Interact clubs in the state allowed girls to come in last year. Stephenson said the move has made the two groups more successful.

"Swainsboro High is one example. At state meet, that group was one of the most outstanding clubs. They outdid all the other groups," he explained.

Interact is sponsored by the Rotary Club, a men's service club. The other high school service organization is the Key Club sponsored by the Kiwanis Club.

Students are tapped for membership in the two groups at the beginning of the school term. New members are voted upon by the clubs.

"The Key Club doesn't have girls, and I think this is one reason why some of the boys were hesitant about taking in the females. I personally look for Interact to have a much stronger year because of this new move," said Stephenson.

In keeping with the theme of today's program it seems appropriate to take a look back at some of the history of Interact in this area. The above article appeared in the Valdosta Daily Times on Saturday, June 20, 1970. The article was recently presented to the club by Rotarian Art Smith and will be kept in the club archives.