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East Lansing, Eastern Triumph

Trojans Dazzle Sexton, 7 to 0, On 45-Yard Pass

By BOB GROSS
State Journal Sports Writer

It took one dazzling play to take some of the sting out of East Lansing's football memory of a year ago against Sexton.

Coach Phil Brooks' Trojans, needing no prodding about the 1969 defeat at the hands of the city champions Big Reds, 48-6, scored a touchdown in the third period Friday night and went on to dump Sexton, 7-0, before 5,000 fans at Memorial Stadium.

A 45-yard pass from junior quarterback Paul Fagan to junior end Dan DeRose early in the third quarter put six points on the board and senior Doug McGrady booted the point after to account for all the scoring.

SEXTON STOPPED

Sexton's biggest scoring threat came just before halftime when it had the ball at the East Lansing nine but had to surrender on downs.

East Lansing, which now has taken the series lead between the neighboring city schools—3 wins, 4 losses and a tie, (series begun in 1960), takes a 1-2 record to Battle Creek Central next weekend while Sexton travels to Ann Arbor Pioneer with an identical record.

"East Lansing has improved a great deal," said Sexton coach Ed Majdeski. "The game was just about as even as you'd want except they scored and we didn't. They did nothing different against us. I thought both defenses were outstanding. If you look at the statistics it was an even game but you still have to score in this game."

Majdeski was asked about the pass to DeRose which came at the 7:27 mark of the third quarter.

"It was a fine call and he (DeRose) overplayed our man with some good faking. He has good hands and once he got the ball we just couldn't catch him."

East Lansing, loser to Eastern and Flint Central, hadn't shut out an opponent since it played a scoreless tie in its sixth game last season against Battle Creek Lakeview. The Trojans, however, seem to rise to the occasion when meeting Sexton. Since 1964, East Lansing has beaten the Big Reds, 6-0, 21-0 and 13-0. In 1968 Sexton won, 13-0.

"We have to move the ball or we're in more trouble," Majdeski added. "We had a few players who weren't at full strength because of the flu and other minor injuries but that's certainly no excuse on our part. East Lansing just played a sound football game and came up with the big defensive plays when they had to."

STATISTICS SPEAK

The statistics told most of the story. Each team had seven first downs and East Lansing gained four more yards rushing — 186 to 184. The Trojans had 12 more yards total offense — 162 to 150, didn't have a pass intercepted and never lost the ball on a fumble.

And, both teams got off some booming punts. East Lansing averaged 42.7 on 11 kicks while Sexton booted nine times for 44.4.

East Lansing's Don Ward stopped what might have been a sustained Sexton drive when he recovered quarterback Jeff Schulstema's fumble at the Trojan 40 in the third quarter and alert Jim Jensen picked off a pass to halt another bid by Sexton late in the fourth quarter.

Steve Dart, East Lansing's senior halfback who also plays in the defensive backfield, was the top Trojan runner. The 6-1, 190-pound speedster carried 24 times for 82 yards.

STATISTICS

	E. Lansing	Sexton
First Downs	7	7
Yards Rushing	186	184
Yards Passing	12	0
Total Net Yards	162	150
Passes	4-12	4-10
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Penalties	4-35	3-20
Punts	11-44.7	9-44

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	T
East Lansing	0	0	7	0	7
Sexton	0	0	0	0	0

SCORING SUMMARY

East Lansing—Touchdown—Dan DeRose, 45-yard pass from Paul Fagan (Doug McGrady, placekick). Conversion (Dave Hoffman, placekick).

ALERT TROJAN—East Lansing's Jim Jensen (10) puts the chase on Sexton quarterback Jeff Schulstema (16) during Friday night's game at Sexton. Jensen, who later intercepted a Schulstema pass in the fourth quarter, dropped the Big Red passer for a seven-yard loss on this play in the first quarter. No. 84 for East Lansing is Don Ward while the Sexton player is sophomore Curtis Long. (State Journal Photo)

ALMOST DOESN'T COUNT — Sexton's Rick Lewcke won't forget what almost happened but didn't in Friday night's game against East Lansing. Photo at top shows Lewcke intercepting an East Lansing pass thrown by Paul Fagan while teammate Rick Ellison watches. Photo at center shows the ball squirting out of Lewcke's hands and at bottom, Lewcke can't believe he actually missed the ball. Official is Chuck Weir of Lansing. East Lansing gained 7-0 victory. (Sequence Photos by Jim Martinsen)

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Quakers Launch Six-A Season Impressively, 20-0

By DAVE MATTHEWS
State Journal Sports Writer

BATTLE CREEK — Bob Dingman is a staunch believer in the old adage that, "when the going gets tough, the tough get going."

So are a lot of other coaches.

The thing that distinguishes Eastern's Dingman from most of his peers, is that he has managed to make believers out of players, too.

That is why, here Friday night, that Eastern savored the brightest victory of its thus far perfect (3-0) season, launching Six-A League play with a convincing 20-0 licking of winless Battle Creek Central.

That the Quakers did it while working without three standout regulars is what pleased Dingman most.

TREMENDOUS JOB

"The team did a tremendous job," he said, "especially considering that they played without three good players, Andy Jones, Phil Knapp and Ted May.

"That had to be the real highlight of the night — winning despite their loss."

Jones and Knapp both sat out the entire game. May suffered a minor injury in the first half and watched the rest of the action from the sidelines. All are expected back soon.

There was more to the win, however, than merely overcoming a strong dose of adversity.

"We're rapidly improving week by week," Dingman said. "There was quite a difference between this game and our first. Now, all we have to do is keep it doing."

Dingman praised the work of every member of the defensive unit, but particularly that of linebacker Roger Sherman, tackle Rudy Rios and end Ray Gillison, who filled the caps created by injury.

He also considered outstanding the work of his entire interior offensive line of center John Baker, guards Jerry Anderson and Gene Boettcher and tackles Randy LaFontaine and Carl Evanoff.

Top ground-gainer Lee Porter came in for a pat on the head, too. "He's getting better and better; isn't he?" Dingman said after the converted end, playing only his second game at runningback, had gained 67 yards in 13 carries and scored a touchdown.

DEFENSE SHINES

Though the Quaker offense was much more than adequate, it was a triumph for the quick, aggressive defense, made all the sweeter by the fact that it singlehandedly accounted for one touchdown.

Early in the third period, intercepting a pass from John Pelton sealed Battle Creek's fate by scooping up the fumble and running 28 yards to pay dirt.

Earlier, Eastern had scored on a pair of first half sustained drives, one of 70 yards accomplished in nine plays, the other 43 yards in five plays.

Runs of 16 and eight yards by Porter and an end run by Porter provided momentum for the first Quaker touchdown jaunt. The big play, however, was a perfectly executed 39-yard Paul Zdybel to Gillison pass that curried to the Battle Creek seven.

Two plays later, Porter pow-

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STATISTICS

	Eastern	B.C. Central
First Downs	15	10
Yards Rushing	161	148
Yards Passing	76	0
Total Net Yards	237	148
Passes	4-11	1-10
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties	4-35	5-40

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	T
Eastern	0	0	0	20	20
Battle Creek	0	0	0	0	0

SCORING SUMMARY

Eastern—Touchdown—Porter (1-yard run), Porter (8-yard run), Gillison (end-zone pass from Zdybel). Conversion—Hedrick (kick).

Everett Outgains Rival But Suffers 30-2 Loss

BY OLG OLSON
State Journal Sports Writer

Senior quarterback Dave Young engineered Grand Rapids Catholic Central to a stunning 30-2 win over Everett Friday before a crowd of 1,000 at Centennial Field.

Young passed for one touchdown, reeled off a pair of conversion passers and added a third two-point conversion as the Cougars lifted their season record to 3-1.

FEW THREATS

Injury-riddled Everett, threatening only three times once in the first quarter and twice in the last half—mustered only a safety on the scoreboard.

The Vikings, however, weren't on the short end of the statistics showing 220 net yards rushing to the Cougar's 178 yard total. Viking quarterback Rod Dunbom hit on 11 of 20 passes, but Everett just couldn't buy a touchdown dropping to an 0-3 mark.

BIG EFFORTS

But, the Cougar's scoring plays came on big efforts. The first, to put GRCC up 14-0, was secured on Muskiewicz's inside reverse for 46-yards and Young's flip to Przygodski for the two-point conversion.

Nary a minute had passed, when Bill Crothers gathered in an Everett punt and sprinted 60-yards for the third Cougar tally. Young tossed to Don Olesiczuk for the two-point conversion and GRCC led 22-0 at the half.

Striking fast in the third period Everett moved in within five yards of scoring territory. Young, on the other hand, marched the Cougars 54 yards in 10 plays to paydirt after the opening kickoff. He capped the drive tossing an 18-yard pass to George Przygodski for the touchdown. Young's conversion run failed.

Everett followed with their only serious threat in the first half moving to the Cougar 20-yard line before a pair of two incomplete passes—and Dunham's capture in the backfield killed the Viking drive.

Undaunted by the strong running of halfbacks John Kirkwood and Joe Muskiewicz Grand Rapids controlled the major portion of the first half.

Four incomplete passes knocked down by Cougar defenders stopped Everett's drive at the five. Viking safety Don Horlacher picked off a Cougar pass at the 39-yard line to initiate the threat.

Unable to generate an offense, Grand Rapids was forced to punt. The snap from center, however, sailed over Cougar punter Przygodski's head and out of the Everett end zone giving the Viking's a safety.

YOUNG SNEAKS

Catholic Central's final tally came on the first play of the fourth quarter when Young sneaked over from the one-yard line, completing a 43-yard drive. Young swept left end for the two-point conversion.

Coming within two-yards of scoring in the final minutes, Everett's Hernford was dropped by Cougar safety Crosher near the goal line.

Dave's best play development Everett's signal caller Dunbom attempted passes of 37 and 48 yards to Earl Maier putting the Vikings on the eight yard line with a first down.

On second down, Dunbom was nailed, on third his pass fell short of the mark and then the fourth down to Hernford was complete, but Crothers secured the tackle and Everett failed to score.

STATISTICS

	Grand Rapids CC	Everett
First Downs	15	7
Yards Rushing	178	220
Yards Passing	30	30
Total Yardage	208	250
Passes	1-4	11-20
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Punts	3-36.0	3-29.0
Penalties	5-50	4-40

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	T
Grand Rapids CC	0	14	8	8	30
Everett	0	0	0	2	2

SCORING SUMMARY

Grand Rapids Catholic Central—Touchdown—Przygodski (Young pass from Young). Conversion—Olesiczuk (Young pass from Young). Grand Rapids Catholic Central—Touchdown—Muskiewicz (46-yard run). Conversion—Przygodski (pass from Young). Grand Rapids Catholic Central—Touchdown—Crothers (60-yard punt return). Conversion—Przygodski (pass from Young). Grand Rapids Catholic Central—Safety—Everett end zone.

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Martin: 'We Can Win'

By LARRY PALADINO

DETROIT (AP) — "I think we can win the pennant and that's why I'm here," emphasized fiery Billy Martin Friday after the Detroit Tigers said he had signed a two year contract to manage the team.

"I don't think major changes are necessary," he added at an afternoon news conference. "I think the material is here. There are just a few changes that need to be made."

NO SURPRISE

The announcement came as no surprise. There had been speculation for quite a while that Martin would be named as Mayo Smith's replacement as soon as the season ended.

"I know I'm taking a wonderful team to open in Mayo Smith," added the colorful former New York Yankee second baseman. "I've admired him all my life."

Martin, 42, who currently works for a Minneapolis radio station, managed the Minnesota Twins to the West Division title of the American League last year after the Twins finished seventh the year before.

He was fired after the season ended, apparently because of a conflict with Calvin Griffith, the Twins owner.

"Billy is a lot different in many respects than Mayo, but this doesn't make Mayo wrong," said Tiger General Manager Jim Campbell. "Each type can do a certain job under certain circumstances. We just needed a change here."

Campbell, team owner John Fetzer, and Martin all expressed belief that they would get along well. Martin said he was very close to accepting a managing offer at Oakland but chose Detroit because he has known Campbell a long time, and knows the organization and personnel better.

The most important thing Martin seemed to stress was that he planned to "communicate" more with the players.

"I don't think there's a generation gap," Martin explained, puffing on a pipe.

"There's a communications gap. I plan to talk with each player individually and often. The only way you can stop cliques is to nip them in the bud.

"Loyalty and honesty are two ways streets. I'll give it and expect it in return."

Martin had a 6 p.m. flight back to Minnesota where he planned to watch the playoffs between the Twins and Baltimore Orioles.

PLANS VISITS

He said after that he planned to travel to each home of the Tiger players on the 25-man roster and speak to them at length.

"I'll be strict with whatever it takes," he said later.

Campbell was asked if Martin was hired because he would be able to deal more firmly with bad boy pitcher Denny McLain, who is currently suspended.

"Billy Martin's hiring has no special bearing on the handling of Denny McLain," Campbell stressed.

BILLY MARTIN
'I Think We Can Win'

Playoffs Still On

By The Associated Press

Off-field activities took over in baseball on the eve of today's opening of the division playoffs for the championships of the National and American leagues. The Umpires Association, through attorney John Reynolds, said they would accept the Cincinnati at Pittsburgh and Baltimore at Minnesota games unless their request for more pay was met.

Joe Cronin, AL president, and Club Feeney, NL chief, said the games would be played with minor league umpires moving in if necessary.

The umps want $5,000 for the playoffs and $10,000 for the World Series for a 3-year contract. They turned down a compromise proposal from Cronin and Feeney for $2,000 and $7,500 for one year.

Elsewhere Friday, Billy Martin was named manager of the Detroit Tigers to succeed Mayo Smith and Dick Williams took over as manager of the Oakland A's, replacing John McNamara. Martin managed Minnesota in 1969. Williams managed Boston when the Red Sox won the AL pennant in 1967.

Also the St. Louis Cardinals signed star pitcher Bob Gibson to a $150,000 contract. Gibson, a 35-year-old veteran, won 23 games and lost seven during the season that ended Thursday.

Baseball Playoffs

By The Associated Press

Today's Games
AL Vs. Minn. (2)
National League
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh (2) (Pittsburgh (Giu, 12-6), 1 p.m., first game of both 2-0 series).

American League
Baltimore (Cuellar 24) at Minnesota (Perry 20-5), 4 p.m., (2-0 game of best 2-1 series).

Sunday's Game
National League
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh 1 p.m.

American League
Baltimore at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Monday's Game
National League
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 2:30 p.m.

American League
Minnesota at Baltimore, 1 p.m.

Shepherd Bows

SAGINAW — Michigan Lutheran Seminary posted a 20-18 football victory over a stabbery Shepherd (2-1) team here Friday night, despite a two-TD effort by Lou Bolsomon.

Bolsomon scored on a 35-yard punt return and a two-yard blast for the Blue Jays, while Brian Augustine had the other on a one-yard belt.

Circuit Unbeatens Collide

A pair of Capital Circuit unbeatens, Catholic Central and Haslett, joint for a share of the league football lead tonight, starting at 7:30 p.m. at Centennial Field.

Each is 1-0 in the Circuit to date, Catholic Central having romped past Mason, and Haslett owning a solid victory over Eaton Rapids.

Overall, the host Cougars are 2-0, the Vikings 1-0-1.

The winner will deadlock Holt, a 34-6 winner over Okemos Friday night, for the Circuit lead.

In another game tonight, Portland St. Patrick visits Owosso St. Paul.

MSU Kickers In 0-0 Tie

You might say that Cleveland State goalie Horst Hotzy has Michigan State's number in soccer.

But, you can also say that Spartan netminder Les Lucas is doing a commendable job of keeping him out.

Michigan State hosted Cleveland State to a scoreless tie Saturday in the Spartan soccer debut under new head coach Peyton Fuller. It was a decided improvement over the last meeting between the two, when Cleveland eliminated MSU from the 1969 NCAA tourney, 3-0, with Hotzy working another perfect game in the nets.

The Spartans launched 17 shots in Friday's double-overtime battle, Hotzy earning credit for 12 saves.

Cleveland State could get just 10 shots through MSU's sticky defense, Lucas recording five saves.

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