Syrupmakers Stun Bulldogs For Second Year In Row

By BILL HAAS
Times-Enterprise Sports Editor

CAIRO — A tremendous, rough and rugged Cairo defense effectively smothered Thomasville's Bulldogs last night and gave the Syrupmakers an unprecedented second consecutive victory over their arch-rivals, 7-0.

Cairo's Coach West Thomas called the game "the best victory of my career" as the highly-touted Syrupmaker line spent most of its time in the Bulldog backfield, knocking down twin speedsters Dicky Thompson and John Rich.

Mike Killimett, a diminutive junior quarterback running as a halfback, tossed a long aerial to end Gary Bishop and the Cairo flanker faked and sprinted all the way into the end zone. The play covered 71 yards. Calvin Daniels added the point with more than 10 minutes remaining in the first quarter.

Earlier Bishop's booming 36 yard punt was taken by Bulldog quarterback Richard Ramsey after the ball had bounced past him, and a swarm of Syrupmakers crushed him to earth on the Thomasville 8. Thompson punted 47 yards to the Cairo 29 and it was on the first play from scrimmage that Killimett hit his target.

LATER in the first half, Syrupmakers abandoned their aerial game in favor of their ground offense after two passes dropped incomplete.

Big Bill Stanfill, tallest and heaviest of all the Syrupmakers, played what is considered the outstanding game of his prep career. The 6-4, 216-pounder buried Ramsey to earth 12 yards behind the line in the first quarter and led the assault with teammate Bill Moye. The latter was credited with 13 individual tackles, while Stanfill made 16.

The Bulldogs started a scoring drive on their own 26 and made it to the Cairo 12 with Thompson, John Rich, Charles Lane and Billy Singletary carrying for short gains. Thompson took the ball on a first and 10 play from the 12, was socked hard by a Syrupmaker tackler and the ball oozed from between his arms. Vick Hancock recovered for the Syrupmakers on the 10.

That and the Killimett - to - Bishop pass were considered the key plays of the game that stopped the Bulldogs' clock.

During another Bulldog drive, Ramsey went back to pass but finding all routes closed by the spirited Syrupmakers — was smothered for an 11-yard loss when big Howard Chastain smashed him down. He completed a pass to Thompson for 10 yards, but Cairo again stopped the Bulldogs and took over on downs when time ran out in the first half.

It became a see-saw battle in the third quarter with Thompson doing most of the running. After the kick - off, the Bulldogs pushed to the Cairo 44 when the Syrupmaker defense caught Ramsey behind the line for a four-yard loss. The teams exchanged the ball twice, but neither was able to move.

JUST AFTER the opening of the fourth quarter, Thompson took off for the longest run of the game for either side when he scampered 24 yards to the Cairo 49. A personal foul was charged to the Syrupmakers on the same play and gave the Bulldogs their only real break of the game. The ball was moved to the Cairo 33. But in three plays, Thomasville moved the ball only four yards and with fourth down and six to go, Cairo's hard-charging stop-'em crew led by Bill Moye trapped Ramsey 18 yards behind the line and buried him. Moye was shaken up on the play, but soon returned to action.

YARDSTICK

	Thomasville	Cairo
First Downs	13	5
Yards Rushing	123	136
Yards Passing	35	71
Passes	4-6	1-3
Passes Intercepted by	0	0
Fumbles Lost	1-1	0-2
Punts	3-41.0	5-36.0
Yards Penalized	4-27½	7-75

The Syrupmakers then began their one and only sustained drive from their own 37. It took them 15 plays, but the ball was on the Thomasville 10 with a fourth and two situation. Hancock kept, but Charles Mattox smashed through and nailed the Syrupmaker for a two-yard loss, and the Bulldogs took over on their own 21.

The situation was desperate and Thomasville started gambling with a do-or-die passing attack. Ramsey hit Thompson for nine yards, and then scooted for good yardage on a beautiful run that was nullified by an off-sides penalty. Thompson went 11 yards on a second and six play for a first down on the Thomasville 36. Ramsey handed off to Thompson who fired an 8-yard pass to Rich, and Ramsey hit end Charles Mattox on a beautiful pass for another eight yards. Mattox was forced to leap above a host of Syrupmakers for the catch.

Rich tried his hand at passing, but his heave sailed far over the intended receiver's head and the Bulldogs found themselves with a third and 10 situation on the Cairo 48. Thompson rammed for four yards on the first try, but missed a necessary first down by a yard and the ball went over to the Syrupmakers on their own 29.

THERE WAS NO time for a play as the clock ran out and the Cairo portion of close to 5,000 fans stood up as one and raised the roof.

"It was a tremendous team effort," said Thomas after the game. "I can't single out any boy." The Syrupmaker defense was composed of Pat Killimett (3 tackles), Hancock (3 tackles), Stanfill (16 tackles), Moye (13 tackles), Donnie Prince (4 tackles), Jeff Voyles (4 tackles), Johnny Hinson (6 tackles), Mike Bishop (3 tackles), Howard Chastain (4 tackles), Jerry Gainous (4 tackles), Walter Lewis (1 tackle) and Mike Killimett (2 tackles). All made numerous assists.

The Syrup Pitcher, the coveted trophy donated by a Cairo firm 11 years ago, remains in the Cairo High School trophy case for another year.

Thomasville's defense settled down after the 71-yard pass play and played good football with John Collins leading the way with 19 individual tackles. Edwin Simmons was next with five, while Charles Mattox, Chuck Billings, Gene Gulledge, Johnny Brooks and Dicky Thompson followed.

Ramsey sent Thompson, Rich around end, on slants, through the middle, but nearly each time, a swarm of Syrupmakers was waiting for the runner. Thompson carried the ball 27 times for 112 yards, while Rich carried it 11 times for 35 yards. Ramsey, finding his pass routes blocked most of the time, finished the game 24 yards in the hole.

Thomasville preps next week for Central High's Yellow Jackets in Veterans Memorial Stadium Friday, while Cairo journeys to Valdosta for a bout with Lowndes County's Class AA Eagles.

★ ★ ★

Thomasville 0 0 0 0—0
Cairo 7 0 0 0—7
SCORING: Touchdown — Gary Bishop (71-yards on pass from Killimett). PAT: Daniels (kick).

THE LINEUP

BULLDOGS

ENDS—Charles Mattox, Gene Gulledge.
TACKLES—Chuck Billings, Jimmy Colvin, Edwin Simmons, Tim Callaway, James Carney.
GUARDS—Johnny Brooks, Gary Langford.
CENTER—John Collins.
BACKS—Richard Ramsey, Dicky Thompson, John Rich, Billy Singletary, Joe Brown, Charles Lane.

SYRUPMAKERS

ENDS—Jeff Voyles, Bill Moye, Gary Bishop, Bobby Burt.
TACKLES—Bill Stanfill, Howard Chastain.
GUARDS—Johnny Hinson, Ray Norton, Mike Bishop, Dennis Prince.
CENTER—Dennis Cain.
BACKS — Vick Hancock, Mike Killimett, Pat Killimett, Jerry Gainous, Walter Lewis, Billy Moore, [illegible]

★ ★ ★

BULLDOGS' DICKY (INSTANT LIGHTNING) THOMPSON GROUNDED BY SYRUPMAKER DEFENSE
Staff Photo—Ed Kelly
Cairo's Tough Forward Wall Moves In; Players Visible Are Mike Bishop (42), Johnny Hinson (32), Gary Bishop (21)

SURE-HANDED GARY BISHOP PULLED IN TD PASS
Staff Photo—Ed Kelly
Senior End Scored On 71-Yard Jount After Aerial

MIKE KILLIMETT
He Hit The Target

Sumrall Lauds Cairo's Line

CAIRO—Coach West Thomas called the Syrupmakers' 7-0 victory over Thomasville's Bulldogs last night his finest hour.

"It is easily the finest victory in my career at Cairo High," Thomas declared. "I cannot single out any individual for praise. The boys put together a tremendous team effort for this one."

Meanwhile, in Thomasville, Coach Joe Sumrall called the Syrupmaker forward wall the difference in the game. "They moved with surprising ability. That line is tough. They just beat us up front," he said.

He pointed out that the Bulldogs had their share of first game mistakes. "I thought we moved the ball pretty well, but there were a lot of first game mistakes."

Cairo drills this week in preparation for a Region 1-AA battle with Lowndes County, while Thomasville takes on county-rival Central in a Region 1-A contest Friday night.

HORNETS SHOCK RAMS AS WARREN SCORES 2

By [illegible]
Staff Correspondent

SYLVESTER—Pelham's surprising Hornets won their first out-of-town football game in many a year and shocked Worth County's Rams, 14-0, last night.

Earlier Friday, the Hornets also found they had lost 170-pound guard Buddy Thomas—the heaviest man on the squad and a mainstay. Thomas was declared ineligible to play because of his age—19.

Coach Joe Caldwell's Hornets played a see-saw battle with the Rams for the first three quarters, holding back the Rams in the first quarter in a goalline stand.

In the early part of the fourth period, the Rams took over on their own 36 yard line, but the Hornet defense stalled any drive and quarterback Tommy Lawhorne dropped back to punt. He took a high snap from center, [illegible]

Bobby Owen fumbled a Ram punt and Sylvester was in business on the 45. But Lawhorne's passing attack failed to click, the Hornets took over on downs and were content to run out the clock.

YARDSTICK

	Pelham	Worth Co.
First Downs	5	7
Yards Rushing	144	94
Yards Passing	0	18
Passes	0-2	3-12
Passes Intercepted by	0	1
Fumbles Lost	2	2
Punts	5-33.0	4-28.0
Yards Penalized	84	20

No verification could be found, but it was believed that this was the first out-of-town victory for the Hornets in four years.

In the first quarter, Palmer rammed for 10 yards and fumbled and the Rams' Eddie Fletcher scooped it up and galloped to the Worth County 42. A 15-yard penalty was assessed against the

Warren heaved a wobbly pass just before halftime and Fletcher intercepted, racing to the Hornet 10 before being knocked out of bounds by an unidentified Hornet as the half ended.

Warren took off on a 36-yard gallop to the Worth County one in the third quarter, but on a fourth and one situation, he was dropped by Milling and the ball exchanged hands.

Defensive standouts for the Hornets included Sonny Godwin, James Summerford, Spencer Gandy, Jerry Baker, Jimmy Kelly, Blake Foster and Jerry Howell.

Warren carried 17 times for 93 yards and Palmer burst for 33 yards in eight carries, getting yardage when Pelham needed it the most. Lawhorne, ace of the depthless Rams this season and last, could get only 24 yards in

Georgia High School Scores

By The Associated Press

Marietta 13, Athens 0.
North Fulton 26, Sylvan 7.
Smyrna, Campbell 7, Sprayberry 0.
R. L. Osborne 19, South Cobb 7.
Valdosta 6, Columbus Baker 0.
Screven Co. 7, Camden Co. 0.
Cedartown 13, East Rome 0.
Elberton 14, Toccoa 6.
Hogansville 7, Manchester 0.
Briarcliff 13, Clarkston 13, tie.
Perry 13, Washington Co. 12.
Cairo 7, Thomasville 0.
Butler 13, Greves 0.
Lanette, Ala. 7, LaGrange 0.
Richmond Academy 21, North Augusta, S. C. 0.

Lowndes Co. 7, Cook 6.
Moultrie 34, Jordan 18.
Albany 27, Benedictine 0.
Fitzgerald 31, Berrien Co. 0.
Irwin Co. 24, Turner Co. 0.
Griffin 7, Gainesville 0.
St. Pius 13, South Hall 13, tie.
North Hall 14, Lumpkin Co. 7.
Glennville 21, Lyons 13.
Ware Co. 19, Coffee Co. 12.
Southwest DeKalb 7, Druid Hills 6.
R. E. Lee 13, Cross Keys 0.
GMA 12, Russell 0.
Roswell 16, Lithonia 6.
Bowdon 34, Tallapoosa 7.
Gordon Lee 34, Pickens Co. 12.
West Fannin 28, Gilmer Co. 0.
Thomson 13, Warrenton [illegible]

REEVES TO REEVES COMBO OVERPOWERS 'CATS, 20-6

By RIP ROWAN
Staff Correspondent

AMERICUS—The aerial combination of Reeves to Reeves, sophomore David and senior Butch, proved to be more than the Bainbridge Bearcats could handle last night as the Americus Panthers jolted the visiting 'Cats, 20-6.

The younger Reeves connected on 10 of 19 passes for 156 yards and Butch Reeves was on the receiving end of five of the tosses.

Then game started as if it were going to be a high scoring affair. After an exchange of fumbles which left Americus in possession [illegible]

close.

During the drive, on a third and 10 situation, he hit Johnny Johnson for 12 yards. Then, on a third and nine situation, he connected with Butch Reeves for 25 yards. David Reeves' conversion attempt was wide and Americus was ahead, 13-6, late in the third quarter.

This seemed to take some of the wind out of the Bearcats' sails and the Panthers capitalized on this momentary let-down to add another score the next time they got the ball. They traveled to the end zone from their own 45 in six plays. Reeves connected with Reeves for 18

exciting until the final whistle. After the kickoff, the 'Cats moved into Panther territory on two plays, but a fumble killed that drive. They forced a punt from the Panthers and started again from their 15. A varied running and passing attack got them back into Panther territory before time ran out.

David Rach, 140-pound head-on center and defensive specialist for Bainbridge, made eight individual tackles and Melvin Cottles and Johnny Grimsley were outstanding on defense. Cottles made six individual tackles and four assists. Grim-

Lions Carve Tigers, 40-6

By FRANK MARTIN

Douglass High's defense stopped Carver High of Douglas, but the Lion offense finally started rolling, too, and smashed the Tigers, 40-6, last night.

Two plays after the opening kickoff, Carlton Thomas put the Lions ahead with a touchdown and minutes later scored on a 37-yard touchdown jaunt, only to have a clipping penalty nullify the run.

But a Booker Hall take [illegible]

PHANTOM

BUZ SAWYER

BLONDIE

LI'L ABNER

DICK TRACY

SNUFFY SMITH