

Snoopy - Red Baron Tie: Bulldogs, Trojans End, 0-0

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"Happiness is a Homecoming" to Charlie Brown, but even in Snoopy's dreams he never beats the Bloody Red Baron.

But the Baron didn't win last night. Nobody won. The Thomasville Bulldogs and the Dougherty Trojans fought out 48 minutes of hard nose football with the result a 0-0 tie.

The exhausted Thomasville High cheerleaders, who had worked hard for weeks in preparation for the fun-loving Homecoming festivities of the theme of cartoons character Charlie Brown and his friends, watched as both teams ended up playing for Tieouts.

Reese" from last year's ninth grade team — intercepted and intercepted the pass.

The play put the Trojans in position, but it also fired up the Bulldog defense and Dougherty wasn't going anywhere on the next three plays, except backwards.

As has been the story for most of the season, the Bulldog defense was outstanding. Reese and a rotational cast of the line yard and both teams Thomasville stopped them.

YARDSTICK

Team	Yards	Points
Thomasville	129	0
Dougherty	129	0
Total offense	258	0
Total defense	258	0
Passes	12	0
Passes completed	1	0
Passes intercepted	1	0
Interceptions	1	0
Turnovers	0	0
Time of possession	24:00	0



BUSH (44) MAKES DISPUTED 'CATCH' Roscoe On Way Up, Coleman Coming Down



A BIG SMILE FROM HOMECOMING QUEEN Julia Distlehurst Enjoys Being a Queen

Julia Distlehurst-- Homecoming Queen

By BARBARA SWEET
It was homecoming. It was excitement. It was a pretty queen.

Julia Distlehurst, 17, a Thomasville High senior, reigned over the school's Homecoming festivities Friday night, all "fun" believing it.

"I kept waiting for them to call someone else's name," she said. "My mouth didn't close until I let the gym," where Julia was crowned mid-afternoon Friday at a pep rally.

Julia, sponsored by the Teen Age Republicans, was one of 53 girls competing for the title.

Among first runner-up was Melanie Whittle, sponsored by the Pop Club. Elaine Blanton, sponsored by the Zeta Tri-Hi-Y, took second runner-up honors. Both girls are 17 and seniors.

Julia is the daughter of Mrs. John Distlehurst, 314 Twain Dr. After graduation she plans to attend Hunter College in Boston, where she will major in music to become a private teacher. Already she is tutoring several students in piano.

Her act in a talent show that all the girls participated in at the school Friday morning was "hamming it up" to the tune of "I Enjoy Being a Girl," dressed as a Mongolian mop woman.

The queen and her court were presented to football fans at Memorial Stadium Friday night during pre-game festivities. Julia was escorted by Scott Turner, Jim Bradley escorted Miss Whittle, and Willie Wall escorted Miss Blanton.

The girls prepared for their appearance by riding the main street in a downtown parade yesterday afternoon.

The three were presented bouquets of white carnations on the field by Lloyd Cline, president of the school's Student Body.

The queen presided over homecoming attended by an enthusiastic crowd of about 2000 persons.

An energetic group of cheerleaders, responsible for organizing most of the activities, led bulldog fans in rousing cheers from starting to final buzzer.

Though the Thomasville team lasted neither victory nor defeat in the 0-0 tie with Dougherty County, the crowd clearly was for the Bulldogs. That included the mascot, Harvey, whose throaty yelps interspersed the game.

Half-time activities included a salute to six senior members of the band — Harry Jay Albin, Bobby Bradley, Ricky Horne, Lonnie Johnson, William O'Donnell, and George Swift. The band then saluted all seniors by playing "Auld Lang Syne."



Stegall Dives For Yards As Anderson (31) Watches

Central Deadlock Shocks Fitzgerald

By ED KELLY
Fitzgerald's Purple Hurricane may have wanted to blow off steam, but it didn't find a place last night at Thomas County Stadium, home of Central's Yellow Jackets.

Instead, the Hurricane might as well have been a magnificent defensive struggle, the two football teams called it quits at 0-0 in an important Region 1-A battle.

For Central, it was a win, scoreless or not, anyway you slice it — and one of the school's best non-victories ever.

For the Purple Hurricane, it was the finale of a trip that could have led to possible regional honors.

Despite the scoreless duel, the game was a wide-open, high-for-leather shoot-'em-up. It was a hard-nosed slugfest — and a frustrating one for a team so offensively potent as Fitzgerald.

Nevertheless, time after time Central's defense — do defensive unit — stymied the Purple warriors away from the promised land.

The Hurricane struck repeatedly. But each time the Jackets knocked the wind out.

Fitzgerald's statistics, compared with better days, were downright embarrassing. Goals were zero, punts, field goals, touchdowns — none.

But the Jackets weren't supposed to win and Fitzgerald was — by a landslide. Somebody forgot to tell the Purple Hurricane, however.

But, boy, did Fitzgerald ever come close to pushing on defense. The Hurricane held Central to 10 yards rushing and 30 passing — and only one first down if you'll discount those gained by penalties.

Fitzgerald's 10 first downs came on 40 combined ground and air attack that accounted for only 130 yards.

Hurricane gains may have started in the second quarter except for a brilliant play by Central's safetyman Ricky Stegall. He broke up a touchdown-bound pass that Fitzgerald's star halfback, Mike Taylor, had apparently "taken" at the ever-loving arms of end Gary Davis.

Riceall's anticlimactic save apparently inspired Central linebacker Jimmy Williams, who came up with two breathtaking interceptions as the Purple Hurricane knuckered other lines at the nearby goals. Ditto for Royal and halfback Rufus Moore, who added 30 yards in making a total of four aerial steals.

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Baker Upsets Moultrie, Columbus Takes 1-AAA

By HURDISER DANBON Associated Press Writer
Georgia's Heaton 1-AAA football championship title in Columbus today but it took a combination of a "blue devil" victory and a big assist from homeboy star Baker to turn the trick.

The Blue Devils carved a 13-0 victory over stubborn LaGrange Friday night. It was their ninth victory of the year and the seventh straight loss for the strangers, who have won two.

This hard fought triumph plus yesterday Baker's sterling 12-0 defeat of favored Moultrie handed the laurels to the Imps.

Marietta, another Class AAA power, also was the victim of an upset. A scrappy group of Rossville Bulldogs stunned the third-ranked team, 20-14, with a third goal in the last 20 seconds. Marietta also was unbeat in nine outings.

In other important games, Jessup downed Waycross 14-3, Americus blanked Brooks County 6-0, Crisp County topped Beuten 20-14, and defeated Avonside 10-0 over Toccoa. Cherokee upended North Cobb 28-6. Tift County stunned Valdosta 13-7. Union County stopped Lumpkin County 21-7. With Division 1-C's Crawford, Chick and Cook of Adel eased by Jeff Davis 13-6.

Many persons headed Fort Valley 7-6. Toccoa tapped Itabun County 28-6. Fitzgerald and Thomasville Central fought to a scoreless tie. Thomasville scored a 30-0 victory over Cartersville on rough ground over Cartersville 23-6. Athens shut out Dukes of Atlanta 20-0. Tallahassee crushed Buford 31-18. Lincolnville overcame Wrens 23-6. Thomasville and Dougherty-Thomasville tied 0-0. Albany battled to a 0-0 draw. Richmond Academy of Augusta topped Savannah Jenkins 21-14. Richmond Academy of Brunswick beat Benedictine of Savannah 7-0.

Waycross defeated Lowndes 27-14. Duluth dropped a 17-0 decision in Monticello. Lanier of Macon belted cross-town rival Columbus 20-0. Wadley of Macon stopped Waycross 21-6. Waynesboro squarred with Jenkins County 14-0. Putnam County and Greene County shot the works in a 24-0 tie. Washburnville overcame Stone Mountain 20-7. Northside of Warner Robins scored a 13-0 win over Columbus County and Johnson County trapped Hepzibah 14-7.

Bradwell Institute eased by Clayton 21-6. Milledgeville past Franklin County 20-6. Groves of Savannah topped Savannah High 16-13. Swainboro shot out Ga. Military College 14-0. Forsyth County Institute topped Evans 13-7. Lyons topped Rockledge 21-7. Elbert beat Lakeview 21-6. Mitchell of Oconee captured Early County 65-20.

Waycross scored 28 yards in victory plays for a second quarter touchdown, with fullback Tom Collins crumpling over from three yards out. The Imps scored again in the last period, going 71 yards in 11 plays with Mike Davis plowing over from the three.

A 14-yard drive in the Imps' first half led to the third quarter.

McKeown Scores Five TDs In Mitchell's 45-20 Win

By ALAN SEMINIZ T. X. Correspondent
COLUMBIA — Mitchell County fullback John McKeown might have felt a bit lighted last week with teammate Duke Adair cast into all the publicity. What ever the reason, McKeown changed things this week.

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and completed four of seven passes for 54 yards. Purvis recorded 14 times for 43 yards, including a four-yard touchdown run.

Other Friday night highlights: David Cochran, a 170-pound junior defensive end, scored two touchdowns on 16 and 13-yard pass plays to lead Americus over Brooks County. The scoring drives were thrown by sophomore quarterback Chan Hester.

Harlan Hill Jones scored two touchdowns as Union County won its fourth straight game. Hill's championship tie rushed 33 times for 126 yards.

Superiorite speedster Tom Williams scored the four touchdowns in a 24-0 triumph over Henderson. His score, the joints were 50, 25, 15 and 65 yards.

A touchdown, an extra point and a field goal by Andy Wilson enabled Rockmart to spoil Preppert's previously undefeated record, 14 - 12.

Jackets Jubilant Over 0-0 Win

By ED KELLY
C. H. Moe McClung didn't get the traditional free ride off the field. But Central High Yellow Jackets who are happy 3-0 about their 0-0 "victory" over Fitzgerald's Purple Hurricane.

After running rough-shod over one opponent after another all season, the potent, heavily-injured Hurricanes slammed head-on into a roadblock at Thomas County Stadium last night.

As far as McClung and his team were concerned, it was an "upset" of major proportions.

Considering that Fitzgerald had piled up heavy scores in previous outings, Central deserves a ribbon just for keeping the Purple Hurricane from scoring. Nobody else had done that.

"I couldn't be any prouder of our players," a happy McClung said. "Everybody was just tremendous."

THERE WAS NO jubilation inside Fitzgerald's dressing room, however. That 0-0 whitewash had just eliminated the Hurricane from a shot at the Region 1-A crown.

"We were just flat," mourned Fitzgerald's gloomy Coach Joe Compton.

Yeah, "flat." On the ground, that is.

Central's fired-up defensive unit not only clipped the wings of Fitzgerald's broad-and-better reverse play, but made a teacher out of the



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