

# Opportunity Knocks, Despite THS Loss

By WYNDLE TIDWELL  
Thomasville tumbled from its No. 1 in the state ranking last night as the Bulldogs lost their first game in 20 outings to Dougherty, 27-0.  
It will be a long flight back to No. 1, but the good news in Thomasville is that the Bulldogs have the opportunity still to prove that they are the best team in the state.



## HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

Region	W	L	T
Thomasville	4	1	0
Dougherty	4	0	0
Atlanta	3	0	0
Albany	2	0	0
Crisp County	2	0	0
Tin Can	2	0	0
Lanados	2	0	0
Valhalla	2	0	0
McWright	1	0	0

### YARDSICK

Team	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Total Offense
Thomasville	111	10	121
Dougherty	30	1	31
Pats	2	3	5
Penitents	1	1	2

After Crisp County upset Moultrie, 7-0, last night, Thomasville remains on top of the Region 1AAA standings with a shot at the playoffs.

THE BULLDOGS can still prove that they are the top AAA team in the state, but they will have a hard time convincing the folks in Dougherty County that they are the best after the Trojan completely dominated last night's first half action and held on to pull out the biggest upset-of-a-year filled with upsets in high school football.

Thomasville did come back in the second half to dominate the game, but the comeback fell five yards short with less than two minutes left in the contest.

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reaches," said Coach Jim Hughes in a glowing Bulldogs dressing room after last night's defeat. "We just gave them too many opportunities in the first half and we just could not overcome the lead."  
"I got too much admiration for Dougherty to take anything away from their effort," Hughes continued. "On this particular Friday night they just did a better job than we did. We're not going to make any excuses. I don't think the open week had a thing

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to do with it, I really don't. We had great practices all week," Dougherty Coach Luther Welsh said earlier in the week to an Atlanta sports writer that for his Trojans to best Thomasville, the Bulldogs would have to have an off night

**LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS**  
Dougherty 27, Thomasville 0  
Valhalla 28, Lanados 7  
Crisp County 20, Moultrie 14  
Moultrie 19, Bainbridge 13  
Waynesville 11, Tift County 11  
Albany upset date

**NEXT WEEK'S GAMES**  
Thomasville at Moultrie  
Waynesville at Valdosta  
Crisp County at Lanados  
Bainbridge at Moultrie  
Dougherty, open date

**REGION 1AA WEST**  
Region Overall  
W L T W L T  
Central 1 1 0 1 1 0  
North Cowley 1 1 0 1 1 0  
Coke County 1 1 0 1 1 0  
Berkshire 1 1 0 1 1 0  
Cato 1 1 0 1 1 0

## JACKETS WIN 1AA-WEST TITLE

# Central Rolls Past Syrupmakers, 32-0

By GEORGE LASKER  
The Central High Yalms clinched the Region 1AA-West title with a 32-0 triumph over the Cairns Syrupmakers here last night.

### YARDSICK

Team	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Total Offense
Central	301	45	346
Cairns	10	1	11
Pats	7	2	9
Penitents	2	1	3

But, the Jackets didn't know they had clinched the title until the North County-Cook County score was reported with Worth taking a 21-7 victory.  
Central has a game remaining with Cook County, although a sub-Region ruling in the Georgia High School Association will prevent the Jackets from losing the title even with a loss to the Hornets.

Central was stopped at the Cairo 37 on downs as the smaller Syrupmakers continued to play gutty football.  
Cairo fumbled three plays later and it was Robert Watt who picked up the loose ball at the Cairo 40. Two plays later the Jackets were in the end zone again with a Dennis Cox to John Tucker pass covering 20 yards. Fleming powered his way in from the two-yard line and the PAT was missed.

Central dominated the second half, but the Syrupmakers did manage to put together one threat after a fumble recovery late in the fourth quarter.  
The Syrupmakers moved to the Cairo five before losing the ball on a fourth and one at that point.

Cairo came out with a surprising offensive surge with Charlie Bryant racing 27 yards on the second play to the Jackets 29-yard line which Syrupmakers had to give up the ball after four unsuccessful plays.

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Sophomore quarterback Mike Singletary engineered the next Central drive. The Jackets look over the

## Head Coach Will Cooley Offers Instructions To Quarterback Dennis Cox

# 1A CHAMPS Brookwood Blanks Westbrook, 14-0

By MOODY CONNELL  
Warriors rode the bobbled legs of Ben Jones and Steve Miller to a 14-0 victory to clinch their first Region 1A title, but had to overcome upset-minded Westbrook in a bruising defensive battled last night in Dixie.

### YARDSICK

Team	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Total Offense
Brookwood	16	124	140
Westbrook	3	1	4
Pats	1	1	2
Penitents	1	1	2

"It is a tremendous thrill to win the championship in only our second year of football," said winning coach Joe Smith, who admitted experiencing worry and surprise over the spirited play of Westbrook.

Warrior Bill King-of-quarterback Mike Wills' pass on the 24 of Brookwood. The Cougars had scooped up a Ritek Luka fumble there shortly after the third quarter kick.

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# Pelham Wins Crown 26-6 Over Douglas

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Mike Jones surprised Douglas by racing in from the 10 yard line with a 1448 Pelham command.

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Alexander has now topped the 1000-yard mark for the season with 119 yards against Douglas. He has been the workhorse for the Hornets all season.

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The Hornets host Calhoun County in Pelham Friday night.

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Cougar fumbles killed any chance they had of pulling off the upset and spilling Brookwood's first championship effort as Miller's touch-down seemed to drain the Cougar offensive punch.

A sparkingly 21-yard scamper by the Warriors Ben Jones on the first offensive effort and a 13-yard penalty moved Brookwood to the Westbrook 13 before the drive ended in the opening quarter.

Robert Horne made an interception to halt a Cougar effort deep in Warrior territory that started at the Westbrook 40 later.

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Westbrook tallied eight first downs to seven for the Vikings, but fell behind in total net yardage by 141-7 yards. Brookwood is 2-1 in season play.

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Fitzgerald at Ware County, not available  
North County 21, Cook County 7  
Catoe County at Tallapoosa  
Appling County, open date  
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