

# Thomasville Hands Waycross 11 First Football Loss Of Season

## Quarterback Norman Paces Team To Win

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THOMASVILLE — Most Thomasville opponents call it death valley. That's what Veterans Memorial Stadium was for the Waycross Bulldogs last night as Thomasville knocked the Canines from the state's unbeaten-ranks with a 20-0 victory in a Region 1-AA grid clash.

The Thomasville eleven displayed awesome power to grind Waycross hopes into the damp turf of the stadium at the bottom of a hill.

It required Bulldog tenaciousness to stay in the game and the out-weighted Canines of Coach Paul Leroy fought valiantly until the final horn.

THOMASVILLE scored once on a quick rollout by Dallas Norman in the first period. The host team then ground out two last-half TDs on short yards and a cloud of dust power

playing.

Waycross threatened seriously only once, moving to the Thomasville five yard line just before halftime. But the Thomasville defense reared its head and pushed the Bulldogs back to the 26 and took over on downs.

The Bulldogs recovered a Thomasville fumble of a punt at the host's 28 in the third period but the official ruled the ball was dead.

JACK Strickland, a senior halfback, and Fullback Frank Davis led the powerful ground assault of the Thomasville ele-

ven. Strickland had 82 yards in 20 carries and Davis had 76 in 26.

Quarterback Dallas Norman had 59 yards in nine carries and scored two touchdowns. Strickland scored the other TD and Tommy Wright kicked two extra points.

Waycross was held to six yards net rushing but Steve Strickland gained 32 yards in 13 carries. He caught two passes for 51 yards. The Thomasville defense repeatedly threw other backs for losses.

HENRY Strickland, Johnny Arnold and Hamp Hart turned in their finest defensive exhibitions of the season. Strickland had 13 individual tackles, Arnold 11 and Hart 10.

Steve Maher had nine, Johnny Cannington and Dennis Moore eight and Andy Whitaker seven. Sharing defensive honors were Buddy Carter, Steve Strickland, Winson Lee, Tommy Coleman, Harold Smith and Larry Rood.

Joe Gaston sparked Thomasville defenders with 10 tackles. Earl Mitchell, Roscoe Bush, Sammy Wade, Jack Palmer and Neal Rumble were other defensive standouts for the winners.

WAYCROSS stopped Thomasville on its first offense thrust. After making one first down, Waycross was forced to punt and Thomasville set up a drive from its own 44.

The hosts moved to the Waycross 47 from where Norman kept on an option play and raced for a touchdown around his own right end. Wright kicked the score to 7-0 with 5:19 remaining in the opening period.

Unable to move against the big Thomasville defense, Waycross took to the air and staged its biggest threat in the second period. But the Thomas County canines stopped the drive.

THOMASVILLE ground out 43 yards in 13 plays to notch its second touchdown. Norman went over from the one on a fourth down play and Wright converted to make it 14-0 at the end of three periods.

The last period Thomasville tally came on a sustained drive of 72 yards that required 16 plays. Davis scored from the one but the TD was nullified by a penalty then Strickland skirted left end from the four for the six - pointer. Try for point

failed.  
Next week, Waycross goes to Crisp County for a 1-AA contest.

### STATISTICS.

	Wayx	T'Ville
First downs	6	13
Yards rushing	6	217
Yards passing	67	0
Passes	9-5-0	2-0-0
Fumbles lost	0	0
Penalties	27	45

## Peterson To Speak

The head football coach from Florida State University will be the speaker at next Tuesday night's meeting of the Waycross Touchdown Club.

Bill Peterson will speak the meeting at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday at Holiday Inn.

Films of the Thomasville game will be shown as part of the program, announces Jimmy McClelland, TD Club president.

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## Vikings Go After 3rd Straight NFL Triumph

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The Vikings of Minnesota, displaying the daring their name connotes, will go after their third straight National Football League victory Sunday against a Chicago Bear who hopes to awaken from a puzzling early-season hibernation.

The surprising Vikings again will count on a wide-open offense which they used to smash Atlanta in the season opener and upset Green Bay last week.

Running back Ron Bull is out, but Gale Sayers, who has a bruised back, is expected to start for the Bears, upset by Washington and then smashed 42-0 by Detroit last week. To come out of their tailspin, the Bears will have to jell on defense and quarterbacks Jack Concannon and Larry Rake straw will have to find the range.

Detroit 1-1, is at Green Bay, 1-1, in one of the seven other NFL games Sunday.

Elsewhere, Los Angeles, 2-0, is at Cleveland, 1-1; Dallas, 2-0, at Philadelphia, 0-2; Baltimore, 2-0, at Pittsburgh, 0-2; Washington, 1-1, at New York 2-0; Atlanta, 0-2, at San Francisco, 1-1, and St. Louis, 0-2, at New Or-

and the Browns will need all the defense they can get against a Los Angeles club that moves behind Roman Gabriel's passing to a host of talented receivers and sound running attack. Cleveland's Frank Ryan should be busy with a Ram defense that is rough on quarterbacks.

Dallas takes the highest-scoring offense, 87 points, and best defense, 20 points, into Philadelphia. The Cowboys might be without defensive tackle Jethro Pugh, but they shouldn't need him against the hapless Eagles.

Johnny Unitas, who has yet to play this season because of a sore elbow, again is expected to turn the quarterbacking duties over to Earl Morrall, and Earl and his mates are expected to have little trouble against Pittsburgh, hit hard by injuries before the season even started.

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