

Leon High Life

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Leon Victorious Over Gainesville, Dothan; Face Unbeaten Lake City Tonight, Centennial

Thrilling 5,000 enthused homecoming fans, Leon's aroused Lions roared to a 37-0 trouncing of Gainesville's luckless Purple Hurricanes two weeks ago tonight, and then polished off Dothan's Tigers 13-0 last Friday night.

Thoroughly pleasing the partisan homecoming crowd, each Lion was a star in his own right and every player on the squad saw action in the six-touchdown bombardment.

Especially outstanding, however, was senior left half Bob Carnes, who picked up the incredible total of 206 yards in 11 carries for an amazing 18.7 yard average. Carnes' longest run was a spectacular 91-yard touchdown gallop. The senior flash scored one other touchdown on a 17 yard sprint.

Leon's big right end, Dave McCullough, was on the receiving end of five passes as the Lions opened up a previously unexhibited aerial attack. Two of McCullough's catches were good for touchdowns. The first was a 10-yard pitch from quarterback Ronnie Simpson, the second a 48-yard toss from halfback Jimmy Frohock. McCullough gathered in another pass in the end zone, a 12-yard payoff pitch by quarterback Buddy Cash, but this one was nullified by an offside penalty.

Altogether, Leon hit on eight of twelve tosses good for 103 yards. Simpson completed four out of six tosses for 38 yards, Frohock hit one for two, for 48 yards, and Cash three out of four for 17 yards.

Junior halfback Gene Page caught two passes good for 17 yards, and added 44 more on the ground in eight carries. Page also picked off one Gainesville aerial and scored Leon's third touchdown.

Leon's other touchdown was tallied by Junior quarterback Warren Moody on the last play of the game. Center Charlie Clark kicked the Lions' only extra point.

Linemen singled out for praise by Leon's coaches were guard Larry Hall, tackles Lloyd Griffith and Mick Endres, ends Richard Colwell and Bobby Montgomery, and guards John Waddill and Buster Ennis. Fullback Howard Nichols and center Bobby Crooks were also singled out for their fine defensive work.

Although not keyed up to the fine edge they were against Gainesville, Roger Englert's boys were nevertheless impressive last Friday night as they downed a stubborn Dothan eleven 13-0.

The first half was a see-saw affair,

"BACK OF THE WEEK" — BOB CARNES

Leading candidate for All-State honors after picking up 325 total yards against N.E.C. foe Gainesville.

Over 700 total yds. 538 rushing yards. 9.4 yds. per carry. 6 touchdowns . . . in only 5 games.



Leon High's swift-striding Bob Carnes was named "Back of the Week" for his outstanding performance in the Lions' 37-0 quieting of the Gainesville Purple Hurricanes.

In picking up over 325 total yards, 235 of these from scrimmage, Carnes more often than not showed the opposition only the back of his flying number 48 jersey.

A master of the feint and fake, with neither team being able to muster a scoring punch. The Lions came back strong after intermission, however, and halfback Bob Carnes and Gene Page teamed with quarterback Ronnie Simpson and fullback Nichols to spark a drive to the Dothan 17. At that point, Page took a pitchout around right end and cut back over the middle for the TD. Center Charlie Clark was true on his extra point attempt and Leon led 7-0.

Refusing to give up, the Alabama

Carnes is the dangerous breakaway type runner capable of calling long distance and possibly connecting with touchdown from any spot on the field. This was demonstrated in his 57 and 49 yard kick returns in the Gainesville contest. Besides his all-the-way potential, the hard driving Carnes is frequently called upon inside the opposition's 5 to get those high-priced remaining yards. Carnes does this with tremendous leg drive and a squirming, fighting push.

Rolling up over 700 total yards, 528 from scrimmage, for a phenomenal 9.4 yards per carry, and 6 touchdowns in only 5 games, Carnes has made himself a foremost candidate for all-State honors.

Besides the "Back of the Week" selection, Carnes has also been accorded honorable mention twice in the Tallahassee Democrat contest in which players on 22 teams are eligible.

Tonight Leon's Lions meet Lake City in what promises to be one of their stiffest and most important games of the season. Leon's NEC hopes hinge entirely on the outcome of tonight's encounter. Leon's conference record is now 2-1, the victories being over Perry and Gainesville and the loss to Live Oak. Lake City, meanwhile, has kayoed four straight conference opponents and has an overall reading of 6-0.

The only mutual opponent the two teams have met is Gainesville. The Lions put on their best performance of the year, routing Gainesville 37-0 two weeks ago. Gainesville, in turn, played its best game in holding Lake City to a 20-12 triumph. On the basis of comparative scores, Leon would seem to rate an edge. Comparative scores mean little on the gridiron, however, so tonight's battle will probably be rated a tossup.

Undefeated in their last sixteen games, last year's 0-0 tie with Leon being the only blemish on Lake City's record in the last two years, the Tigers will be out for revenge. Leon will also be seeking revenge, as last year's tie prevented the Lions from wrapping up their second straight NEC title.

The boy Leon will have to stop is tailback Earnest Barnes. The 140-pound speedster has been Lake City's scoring punch all season long and scored all 20 points against Gainesville last Friday. Leon will rely on workhorse left half Bob Carnes to counterbalance Barnes.

The game could well turn into a defensive battle, such as last year's 0-0 tie. The Tiger defense, unscored on in the first four games, has given up only 24 points in six contests, while the Lions have yielded only 22 in five encounters. The alert Leon defense has also recovered 13 of 17 enemy fumbles and intercepted five enemy aeriels.

With so much depending on the outcome, tonight's game should be a thriller to the end.

The probable starting lineups:

McCullough	RE	Perry
Griffith (C)	RT	Jacobs
Waddill or		
Rogers	RG	P. Hol'worth
Clark	C	Jackson
Hall	LG	W. Hol'worth
Endres	LT	Witt (C)
Arnold	LE	Woods
Simpson	QB-BB	Hines
Carnes	LH-TB	Barnes
Page	RH-WB	Pueschel
Nichols	FB	Burris

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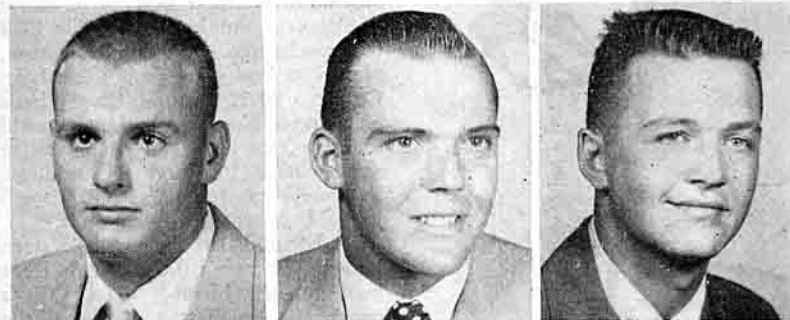
Leo's Head-Lions



BUDDY CASH, Senior defensive halfback, is one of the most improved men on th squad. Buddy has come a long way since the season began, and has proved to be a good defensive sideback. Buddy has also proved to be an offensive threat, as he handles himself very well as an alert replacement at quarterback.

Captain **LLOYD GRIFFITH**, senior letterman tackle, has proved to be one of the most eager and aggressive linemen Leon has seen in many years. Lloyd is one of the few Lions who has seen action both on offense and defense throughout the season; in several games he has gone all the way.

CHARLIE MESSER, senior letterman tackle, is one of the major reasons Leon's defensive line has been rugged to enemy ground attacks all season long. Charlie is one of Leon's most alert linemen on enemy fumbles, as he has recovered several at opportune times. Messer has also seen offensive action on many occasions this year.



CHARLES CLARK, junior letterman center, anchors the middle of Leon's offensive line with eagerness and determination. Charlie packs 195 pounds on a 5 ft. 10 in. frame with a lot of dignity. Charlie has been a terror to opposing linemen all season long. He also has proved to be an ardent kick-off man and extra point specialist.

HOWARD NICHOLS, junior fullback, is one of the most aggressive men on the squad. He has been a stalwart at his line-backing position all season long, and in recent games has proved to be an outstanding offensive threat, also Nichols is only a junior and should be great next season.

MICK ENDRES, senior tackle, has progressed rapidly since the season began and has become one of the outstanding offensive lineman on the squad. Mick excels on downfield blocking. He is also a capable defensive player and a good tackler.

Golfers Enter City; Jayvees Deadlock
Moore in Semi-final Jackets 13-13

Three members of the Leon golf team, Booker Moore, Kuy McKenzie, and Albert Yancey are entered in the City Men's Tournament being played at the Tallahassee Country Club this week.

State High School Champ Booker Moore leads the group with an advance to the championship flight semi-finals. Moore breezed through a first round match 7 and 6, then decisioned Dave Morris, a '52-'54 member of the Leon team, 4 and 2. Morris shot a 2 under par 70 but Moore came through with a fine 4 under 68.

After losing a first round championship match Yancey dropped to the first flight while McKenzie is campaigning in the second.

Another Leon alumnus and State High School Champion in '52, John (Bunk) Berry is also in the championship flight semi-finals

(Continued from Page One) team drove to a first down on the Leon six. The stubborn Lion defense held tight for two downs, however, then Dothan halfback Tommy Smith was racked hard at the one and fumbled into the end zone, where Simpson pounced on it for a touch-back.

In the fourth quarter Carnes, Cash, and Page sparked a Leon drive to the Dothan 30, where the attack stalled. The Leon defense quickly forced a Dothan punt, however, which speed-merchant Page returned 41 blistering yards to the 27. Simpson, Page, and Carnes moved it to the three, and Carnes plowed over for the score.

Dothan came fighting back again, but Dick Heiges' interception terminated their last threat as the Lions ran out the clock.

Outstanding defensive linemen were tackles Charlie Messer, who recovered two fumbles and Lloyd Griffith who captured one, and ends Harry Arnold and Richard Colwell. Showing up well once again from their lineback points were Bobby Crooks and Howard Nichols.

The Leon High Junior Varsity footballers rallied in the closing seconds to gain a 13-13 deadlock with the Sopchoppy Yellow Jackets last Thursday evening, October 27.

Tommy Cogswell climaxed a 70-yard drive on the final play of the game with a two yard burst over the middle.

The JV's scored the first time they got the ball, churning 90 yards in nine plays, with Bill Hobgood going the last 37 on an off-tackle slant.

Other Lions turning in outstanding performances in the backfield were Lester Mason and Fred Andrews. Perry Harrell, Joe Terry, Lee Williams, and Dick Sutton stood out in line play.

The preceding week the Baby Lions scored on four long runs to outclass the Cairo junior varsity 25-13. The tough Leon line opened large gaps in the Cairo defense, enabling the swift Leon backs to score from far out. Scoring the Leon touchdowns were Bill Hobgood, on a 15-yard burst over tackle; Fred Andrews in the same period, on a 75-yard sprint through the Cairo secondary, and Charles Short with a 40-yard run through the middle of the line, in the second quarter.

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