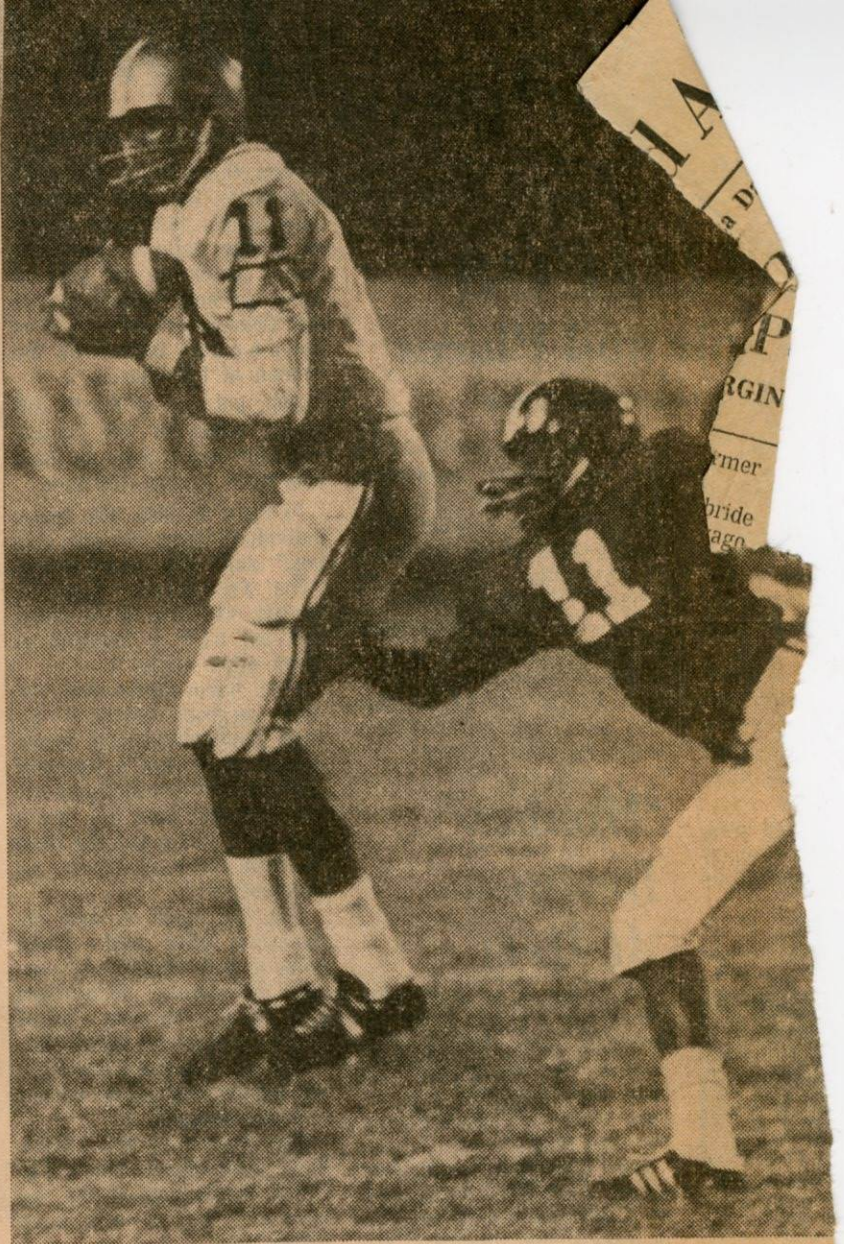


Wildcats' Gary Rowe Goes Low And Grabs An Ankle To Bring Down Vikings' Jim Williams (23)

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Valdosta's Stanford Rome Goes Up And Catches Pass After Get

Valdosta Defeats Lo

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

A balanced attack and some very alert defensive play were the football tools Valdosta's Wildcats used to score a 40-0 victory over the Lowndes Vikings here Friday night.

With the triumph coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats closed

STATISTICS		
	Valdosta	Lowndes
First Downs	22	10
Yards Rushing	185	56
Yards Passing	230	107
Passes	12-33	6-16
Passes Intc. by	3	0
Fumbles Lost	2	4
Punting	3-23.55-24.6	
Penalties	8-90	6-36

out regular season play with a perfect 10-0 record.

The setback came in the 1971 finale for coach Noel George's Vikes and left them with a 4-6 chart. It was homecoming for Lowndes and the cross-town rivals played before a crowd of approximately 7,000 at Martin Stadium, LHS' home field.

While the regular season string has run out for 'Dosta, it clinched the Region 1-AAA championship two weeks ago and along with it nailed down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. VHS' first playoff foe will be the winner of a Region 2-AAA title duel set for next Friday between Baker of Columbus and Warner Robins.

Here last night the 'Cats scored three times through the air and three times along the ground as they compiled 415 yards in total offense. With very alert defensive play, the VHS defenders held Lowndes to 163 yards in total offense and recovered four Lowndes fumbles and intercepted three LHS aer-

ials. Valdosta quarterback Stanley Bounds threw three touchdown passes. They were for 27, 25 and

7 yards, and all of them went to split end Stanford Rome.

Bounds scored one TD himself, on a one-yard run. Halfback George Rountree tallied on a 33-yard sprint and halfback Robert Daniels reached paydirt once on a three-yard romp.

While Lowndes failed to get on the scoreboard, the Vikings made serious scoring threats twice in the first half and battled hard from the opening whistle to the final buzzer.

One LHS thrust to the 22

was halted by a fumble recovery in the first period and an assault to the six in the second stanza was stopped by a pass interception.

For the night Bounds hit on 13 of 31 passes for 320 yards and he picked up another 16 yards along the ground on six carries. He closed out regular season play with 1,937 yards passing and 2,328 yards in total offense, both of which are new Region 1-AAA records. The old league standards were 1,774 passing and 1,937 in total of-

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Wildcatitis In The Air

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

There has always been a disease called Wildcatitis in Valdosta but this year the fever has hit the epidemic stage.

It has affected even the most conservative merchants and restaurant operators.

And some of the long hairs who have never shown interest in the Valdosta High School football team are now sporting Wildcats on their jeans and bicycles.

The occasion is the first

round playoff in the State AAA football championships between VHS and the Warner Robins High Demons here at 8 p. m. at Cleveland Field.

VHS officials expect a sell-out for the game.

And no wonder with ads like "The Devil Made Me Do It" and "Hot Robin Burgers for Hungry Wildcat Fans" featured at local eating spots.

There is even a Wildcat blitz cold drink now and dead Demon sandwich.

It's obvious the local businessmen are not content with a marquee or banner at their store merely saying "Go Wildcats."

The art services class in the VHS art department was employed by Sears, Roebuck and Co. at Brookwood Plaza to paint its windows for the game.

Art instructor Patsy Smith said the students painted Wildcats, football players and even the coaches on the large windows Wednesday.

"We did it in acrylics so that it won't wash off in case it rains," said Mrs. Smith.

Langdale Ford Co. hired art student Annette Norris, a senior, to paint football scenes on its windows.

"I think anytime the community gets behind the schools like this it is good. We are real glad to do this sort of thing and think it helps boost the school spirit," said M. T. S. Smith.

She said the community response is like that displayed by Auburn, Ala., residents before the Auburn University football games.

"The whole town does things to keep up the spirit. It is terrific and while Valdosta has always been a football town, the fans are really showing support for the students and coach Wright Bazemore," she said.

VHS principal Lloyd Mims said a pep rally for the game is to follow the annual Thanksgiving Day parade tonight. The parade begins at 6 p.m. at the Valdosta State College parking lot and is to go across Brookwood Drive and south on Patterson Street to Hill Avenue where it is to disband. take 3 mm

The pep rally will get under-

way at Brookwood Plaza as soon as the VHS Marchin' Cats and gets back to the shopping center, he said.

Cheerleaders have sold the traditional pre-game spirit ribbons but several students have gone one better. A couple of girls have painted Wildcats on their fathers' ties.

More than one student reports that a Wildcat battling a Warner Robin's Demon has painted on his jeans.

And there is a picture of a Wildcat sitting on a battered Demon smiling saying "The devil made me do it," on the back of one student's car.

Marchin' Cats and director Frank Butenschon said his students have been working for two weeks for the big halftime football show.

"We're in there all the way," he said.

VHS Bomb Scare Brings School Policy Questions

Sir:

It seems that there is a disturbing and possibly hazardous situation at Valdosta High School.

As already reported, a bomb scare occurred at the school on Thursday, Nov. 4. The gravity of the situation impels us to write this letter.

As you most probably realize, bombings and bomb scares have become a part, although not accepted, of our society. The frequency of such action requires that we be prepared for any emergency. The school, being a public building, is a possible target for this form of dissent. Thus, we must be forever alert.

In the Valdosta Daily Times, Lloyd Mims, principal of VHS, was quoted as saying that an anonymous caller had warned him of a bomb. He was also quoted as saying that there was a definite and prescribed policy for this type of occurrence and that the teachers were informed of this policy.

Mr. Mims was quoted as saying that this policy required the removal of the students from campus. According to the paper, he said that this had been done. Drawing upon this and our experiences and interrogations we now set forth the

questions below:

If school policy dictated the removal of the students from campus, why was this not done? If the teachers were aware of this policy, why was this not carried out? If this was in fact a bomb scare and if in fact an anonymous call was received, why was the fire department at the school approximately ten minutes?

Why were the students allowed into the building after this short length of time? If the caller said that the bomb would explode in five minutes, why would you trust one who breaks the law?

Why was there no proper investigation? Why were the students not aware of procedure for a bomb threat? Finally, if a bomb had exploded, what would the result have been?

We feel that the welfare of the teachers and students rests on the answers to these questions. It is our sincere belief that these questions warrant valid and prompt answers.

This letter is not meant to smear anybody but to insure the safety of the inhabitants of the school building. In the event on an explosion we do not want anyone hurt. We are sure the administration can concur with our sentiments.

VHS Student

Wildcats' Fans Wait And Wonder

With a 40-0 victory over cross-town rival Lowndes this past Friday night Valdosta's football Wildcats closed out regular season play with a perfect 10-0 record.

Actually, coach Wright Bazemore's 'Cats nailed down the Region 1-AAA title for the fourth year in a row two weeks ago.



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Under a rotation system the Wildcats will continue to play in their home stadium as long as they stay in the playoffs, hopefully all the way to the state finals, which would mean a total of three more games for the 'Cats.

Still in the state title running down here in the southern half of the state are 4-AAA victor Laney of Augusta (9-1) and 3-AAA sub-division champs Wayne County (Jesup), which has a 9-1 mark, and Groves, with an 8-1-1 chart.

Wayne and Groves must playoff this week, with the victor dueling Laney next week. Meanwhile, there's a battle to be fought in the northern half of the state between four Class AAA region winners up that way.

There are, at this stage, still quite a few teams left in the running for the 1971 "AAA" state championship. They number six in the south, Valdosta, Baker, Warner Robins, Laney, Groves and Wayne and the best I can figure, seven in the north — Douglas County, Forest Park, Griffin, Avondale, Columbia, Henderson and Lakeshore.

Right now all the Wildcats' fans can do is wait and wonder whether it will be Baker or Warner Robins which will come here next week to give Valdosta its first playoff test.

Other Races

Now let's take a look at how things went in some region races in other classifications in this neck of the woods.

Charlton County emerged as the Region 2-B champion. It finished with a 6-2 overall record while Brantley County closed with a final 8-2 mark.

But in league competition Charlton went 5-0 to 4-1 for Brantley. A 7-0 win by Charlton over Brantley was the deciding contest.

Fitzgerald's Hurricanes have the Region 1-AA (East) championship nailed down. Fitz was 9-1 for the season and 6-0 in sub-division play. The Hurricanes settled the issue with a 23-0 win over Ware County this past Friday night. The Gators finished 8-2 and 5-1.

Vote Needed

As for the Region 1-AA (West) race, it had an unusual windup. Cairo and Early County (Baxley) both had 8-1-1 overall and 3-0-1 sub-division records.

That league tie for both of them came when they fought each other to 13-13 deadlock. Under this situation, in a sub-division race, the Georgia High School Association rules say league members must vote and pick the champion.

The vote was held this past Saturday morning. Early got the nod and will go against Fitzgerald and this coming Friday night at Albany in a playoff for the overall 1-AA title.

Cross-Town Rivals Clash

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

A pair of cross-town rivals, Valdosta and Lowndes, are to meet here tonight in the headline attraction on the area's high school football slate.

Coach Noel George's Lowndes Vikings and coach Wright Bazemore's Valdosta Wildcats are to meet at 8 p.m. at Martin Stadium on the Lowndes High campus.

In other games tonight in-

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Bounds, Jackson Lead Into Finale

By ELLWOOD MOYER

COLUMBUS—Regular season play in Region 1-AAA is to come to a close this weekend with Valdosta's Stanley Bounds leading the aerial derby in the high school football league and Monroe's John Jackson the school's top rusher.

Bounds has hit on 86 of 161 tosses for 1,748 yards, leaving him just 26 yards away from the all-time region passing record of 1,774 which he set in 1971.

The Wildcats' senior signal caller already has 2,082 yards in total offense, which is a new league standard in this category. The old record was 1,937, set by Bounds in '70.

Jackson is the current rushing leader in 1-AAA after picking up 843 yards on 149 carries.

Department leaders and figures on other Valdosta and Lowndes players follow:

Rushing			
	Car.	Net	Avg.
1. Jackson, Monroe	149	843	5.66
2. Warren, Thomasville	144	803	5.58
3. Bryant, Tift	130	725	5.58
4. Cowart, Lowndes	131	624	4.76
5. Roberts, Bainbridge	97	545	5.82
6. Lamar, Moultrie	100	542	5.42
7. Carmichael, Tift	122	529	4.34
8. Green, Dougherty	102	510	5.00
9. Long, Bainbridge	92	418	4.54
10. Howard, Bainbridge	81	404	4.99
11. O'Neal, Valdosta	55	390	7.09
14. Daniels, Valdosta	53	353	6.67
16. Bounds, Valdosta	58	334	5.76
22. Harris, Lowndes	53	265	5.00
29. McCaskill, Valdosta	41	218	5.32
32. Linahan, Lowndes	50	214	4.28
36. Morrison, Valdosta	24	142	5.92
38. Melts, Lowndes	43	134	3.12
43. Williams, Lowndes	31	118	3.81
44. Savage, Valdosta	19	118	6.21
62. Henry, Lowndes	11	33	3.00
67. Burgman, Lowndes	11	29	2.64
71. Whitfield, Valdosta	11	8	0.73
73. Thomas, Lowndes	20	4	0.20

Passing			
	Att.	Comp.	Gain
1. Bounds, Valdosta	161	86	1748
2. Goff, Moultrie	165	60	1463
3. Blizzard, Crisp	201	94	1370
4. Howard, Albany	125	48	682
5. Spencer, Monroe	81	34	574
6. Linahan, Lowndes	90	36	520
16. Parker, Valdosta	12	7	145

20. Hilton, Valdosta	24	8	78
21. Thomas, Lowndes	11	2	72

Completions			
	Comp.	Yds.	Td's
1. Rome, Valdosta	44	1040	12
2. Rea, Moultrie	29	664	6
3. Dixon, Crisp	33	533	5
4. Johnson, Albany	30	504	4
5. Lucas, Monroe	13	420	7
9. Daniels, Valdosta	9	238	2
12. Rountree, Valdosta	13	202	2
13. Daniels, Lowndes	11	189	1

Interceptions			
	Inter.	Ret.	
1. Humphrey, Dougherty	5	127	
2. Jordan, Moultrie	4	121	
3. Calhoun, Westover	3	82	
4. Henderson, Tift	3	78	
5. Williams, Dougherty	1	76	

Punts			
	Punts	Avg.	
1. Bounds, Valdosta	13	41.31	
2. Long, Bainbridge	11	39.09	
3. Morris, Tift	34	37.41	
4. Goff, Moultrie	28	37.39	
5. Highsmith, Central	57	36.88	
13. Linahan, Lowndes	5	29.95	
14. Barnes, Lowndes	21	28.57	

Punt Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Rome, Valdosta	17	144	
2. Lamar, Moultrie	9	124	
3. Madison, Moultrie	6	122	
4. Hearn, Crisp	13	106	
5. Chatraw, Bainbridge	10	84	
8. Bursmen, Lowndes	3	62	

Kick-off Returns			
	Ret.	Yds.	
1. Green, Dougherty	10	332	
2. Lamar, Moultrie	12	300	
3. Roberts, Bainbridge	11	295	
4. Graham, Tift	15	269	
5. Filmore, Thomasville	10	242	
14. Morrison, Valdosta	2	102	
16. Thomas, Lowndes	6	90	
18. Daniels, Lowndes	6	83	

Scoring			
	Td's	PAT's	T'tals.
Bounds, Valdosta	17	5	107
Rome, Valdosta	12	4	76
Jackson, Monroe	8	20	68
Parker, Valdosta	2	42	54
Lucas, Monroe	9	0	54
Green, Dougherty	8	0	48
Daniels, Valdosta	8	0	48
O'Neal, Valdosta	7	0	42
Roberts, Bainbridge	7	0	42
Cowart, Lowndes	7	0	42
Warren, Thomasville	7	0	42
Rountree, Valdosta	4	0	24
Bradley, Valdosta	4	0	24
Linahan, Lowndes	4	0	24

volving area teams, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Brantley County (Nahunta), Early County (Blakely) at Brooks County (Quitman), Appling County (Baxley) at Cook (Adel), Clinch County (Homer-ville) at Macon County (Montezuma) and Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla.) at Madison, Fla.

Valdosta's 'Cats will carry a 9-0 record into their Region 1-AAA meeting with Lowndes' Vikes, who have a 4-5 chart.

It will be the final regular season game for both teams, but 'Dosta can look forward to some more action in the future. VHS has already clinched the 1-AAA championship and with it earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.

The Wildcats must wait until Nov. 19, when Baker of Columbus meets Warner Robins in a Region 2-AAA title duel, to find out who their foe in the first round of the state playoffs will be.

Berrien's Rebels (4-4-1) will be meeting Brantley's Herons

(8-1) in a non-league match at Nahunta.

Early's Bobcats and Brooks' Trojans will hook up in a Region 1-AA(West) test at Quitman. Early is 7-1-1 for the season and 3-0-1 in loop play. Brooks has 6-2-1 and 3-1 charts.

Right now Early and Cairo share first place in this subdivision, with Brooks in third place. A win tonight by either Early or Cairo, which is playing Americus, would eliminate Brooks from title contention.

Cook's Hornets (3-6) will host Appling's Pirates (3-5-1) in a Region 1-AA-(East) test. The game at Adel will mark the end of the season for Cook.

Clinch's Panthers (0-8) will go against Macon County's Rebels (8-1) in another non-league contest.

Madison's Cougars (4-3-1) will host Hamilton's Trojans (7-2) in a North Florida Crown Conference game.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members follow:

1-AAA			Records
Valdosta	9-0-0		9-0-0
Moultrie	7-2-0		7-2-0
Thomasville	5-2-2		5-2-2
Crisp	6-3-0		6-3-0
Monroe	4-4-1		4-4-1
Albany	4-5-0		4-5-0
Dougherty	4-5-0		4-5-0
Lowndes	4-5-0		4-5-0
Tift	3-5-1		3-5-1
Bainbridge	2-6-1		2-6-1
Westover	1-8-0		1-8-0
Central	0-8-1		0-8-1

1-AA (East)			Region Overall
Fitzgerald	5-0-0		5-0-0
Ware	5-0-0		5-0-0
Camden	3-2-0		3-2-0
Cook	2-3-0		2-3-0
Berrien	2-4-0		2-4-0
Appling	1-4-0		1-4-0

1-AA (West)			Region Overall
Cairo	3-0-1		3-0-1
Early County	3-0-1		3-0-1
Brooks County	3-1-0		3-1-0
Worth County	1-3-0		1-3-0
Americus	1-3-0		1-3-0
Mitchell County	0-4-0		0-4-0

2B			Region Overall
Charlton	5-0-0		5-0-0
Brantley	4-1-0		4-1-0
Blackshear	3-2-0		3-2-0
Atkinson	2-3-0		2-3-0
Patterson	1-4-0		1-4-0
Clinch	0-5-0		0-5-0

Mario Guerrero, 22, infielder from Santo Domingo, D.R., will go to spring training with the New York Yankees. He hit .290 for Syracuse last season.

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Times Sports Editor

VHS, Bainbridge Seen As Victors

If you folks don't mind I'd just as soon forget about my football forecasting effort last week. I sure had my troubles, picking just 36 games corectly and missing 17 for a dismal .679 mark.

That chopped a dozen points off my average for the season, dropping it to 282-92—.754.

I'm hoping to make a comeback this week, but after looking at the schedule that won't be easy. Anyway, here are my newest guesses. Let's start with the high school games.



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VALDOSTA VS TIFT COUNTY — Valdosta's Wildcats (8-0) and Tift County's Blue Devils (3-4-1) are a pair of traditional rivals who will be meeting tonight at Tifton. The Imps are always sky high when they play the 'Cats, which means 'Dosta can expect trouble. But Valdosta needs a win to clinch the Region 1-AAA crown for the fourth year in a row, and I think the Wildcats will triumph.

LOWNDES VS BAINBRIDGE — Lowndes' Vikings (3-5) and Bainbridge's Bearcats (2-5-1) will be meeting at Bainbridge. The Bearcats will have the home field advantage and I think that will be enough to tip the scales in their favor.

BERRIEN VS JEFF DAVIS — Berrien's Rebels (3-4-1) and Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets (1-7) are Region 1-AA (East) rivals. My choice is Berrien.

BROOKS VS AMERICUS — Brooks County's Trojans (5-2-1) and Americus' Panthers (2-7) both belong to 1-AA (West). My vote goes to Brooks.

COOK VS WARE — Cook's Hornets (3-5) and Ware's powerful Gators (7-1) will be playing a key game in the 1-AA (East) title race at Waycross. The Gators are favored and I think they will triumph.

HAMILTON VS JEFFERSON — Hamilton County's Trojans will carry a 6-1 mark into their outing with Jefferson County. I'm picking Hamilton.

MADISON VS DIXIE — Madison's Cougars, who have a 4-2-1 chart, will be on the road for their game with Dixie County. Chalk this one up to Madison.

OTHER PREP GAMES AT A GLANCE — Moultrie over Albany, Fitzgerald over Appling, Baker over Kendrick, Early over Cairo, Macon Central over Warner Robins, Crisp over Westover, Irwin over Douglass, Wayne over Johnson, Richmond over Laney, Thomasville over Monroe and Dougherty over Thomasville Central.

Now let's look at the college slate.

GEORGIA VS FLORIDA — Georgia's Bulldogs (8-0) and Florida's Gators (2-6) will stage their annual battle at Jacksonville on Saturday. I've got to go along with Georgia in this one.

GEORGIA TECH VS NAVY — Tech's Yellow Jackets (4-4) and Navy's Middies (2-6) will battle it out in Atlanta. Tech has triumphed in its last two starts and I think the Jackets will make it three in a row by licking the Middies.

OTHER COLLEGE GAMES AT A GLANCE — Alabama over LSU, Auburn over Mississippi State, North Carolina over Clemson, West Virginia over Duke, Kentucky over Vandy, Penn State over Maryland, Houston over Memphis State, Miami over NC State, Ole Miss over Tampa, Tennessee over South Carolina, Army over Rutgers, Syracuse over Boston College, Notre Dame over Pitt, Illinois over Indiana, Michigan over Iowa, Nebraska over Iowa State, Colorado over Kansas, Oklahoma State over Kansas State, Ohio State over Michigan State, Minnesota over Northwestern, Oklahoma over Missouri, Purdue over Wisconsin, Arkansas over Rice, Texas over Baylor, Texas A&M over SMU, TCU over Texas Tech, Air Force over Oregon, California over Washington, Southern Cal over Washington State and Stanford over UCLA.

Vikings And 'Cats Put Hopes On Road

BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

Valdosta's Wildcats and Lowndes' Vikings will both be playing on the road tonight, with VHS aiming for a title and LHS hoping to end a losing streak.

Valdosta is to go against Tift County's Blue Devils at Tifton, while Lowndes is to meet the Bainbridge Bearcats at Bainbridge.

The Wildcats have an 8 - 0 record and could clinch the Region 1-AAA title and nail down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs for the fourth season in a row by licking the Blue Devils tonight.

Tift, which has a 3-4-1 record, is a traditional rival for the 'Cats and the Blue Devils always get sky high for their annual encounter with 'Dosta. Valdosta head coach Wright Bazemore has warned his charges to be ready for a tough contest.

Lowndes' Vikings (3-5) and Bainbridge's Bearcats (2-5-1) are also Region 1-AAA rivals. Lowndes has ambitions to halt a three - game losing skid, but Bainbridge, which will have the home field advantage, is being favored.

In other high school grid tilts tonight involving area teams, Berrien (Nashville, Ga.) will be at Jeff Davis (Hazelhurst), Brooks County (Quitman) at

Americus, Cook (Adel) at Ware County (Waycross), Jefferson County (Monticello, Fla.) at Hamilton County (Jasper, Fla. and Madison, Fla., at Dixie County (Cross City, Fla.).

One area team, Clinch County (Homerville), has an open date and will be idle this weekend.

Berrien (3-4-1) and Jeff Davis (1-7) will be meeting in a Region 1-AA (East) test. Cook (3-5) and Ware (7-1) are also 1-AA (East) rivals.

Brooks (5-2-1) and Americus (2-7) will hook up in a 1-AA (West) outing. Hamilton will carry a 6 - 1 record into its game with Jefferson and Madison will put a 4-2-1 mark on the line against Dixie.

Standings of regions and sub-regions which have area teams as members follow:

1-AAA		Records
Valdosta	-----	8-0-0
Thomasville	-----	5-1-2
Moultrie	-----	6-2-0
Crisp	-----	5-3-0
Monroe	-----	5-3-0
Albany	-----	4-3-1
Tift	-----	3-4-1
Dougherty	-----	3-5-0
Lowndes	-----	3-5-0
Bainbridge	-----	2-5-1
Westover	-----	1-7-0
Central	-----	0-7-1

1-AA (West)		Region	Overall
Calro	-----	3-0-0	7-1-0
Early	-----	3-0-0	7-1-0
Brooks	-----	2-1-0	4-2-1
Americus	-----	1-2-0	2-6-0
Worth	-----	1-3-0	2-5-1
Mitchell	-----	0-3-0	1-7-0

1-AA (East)		Region	Overall
Fitzgerald	-----	4-0-0	7-1-0
Ware County	-----	3-2-0	6-2-0
Camden County	-----	2-2-0	3-5-0
Cook	-----	1-3-0	3-4-1
Appling County	-----	1-4-0	2-5-1
Berrien	-----	0-4-0	1-7-0
Jeff Davis	-----	2-3	

		Region	Overall
Grantley	-----	3-1-0	6-1-0
Blackshear	-----	3-2-0	3-5-0
Atkinson	-----	2-3-0	4-4-0
Patterson	-----	1-3-0	2-5-1
Clinch	-----	0-6-0	0-6-0

Cats Keep Eyes On 2-AAA Action

Valdosta High's football Wildcats still have a regular season game to play with Lowndes' Vikings and you can be sure the 'Cats aren't taking their cross-town rival for granted.

But when Valdosta rolled past the Tift County Blue Devils, 60-28, this past Friday night at Tifton the 'Cats boosted their record to 9-0 and nailed down the Region 1-AAA championship and earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs.



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average of 48.7 per game.

A lot of fans have been asking about the setup for Valdosta's first venture in the state playoffs. Here's the situation. They will meet the 2-AAA champion, and under a rotation system the game will be played here.

Region 2-AAA, however, is sub-divided. Baker's Lions from Columbus and Warner Robins' Demons have already clinched the sub-league championships, but they must meet in a playoff to decide the overall 2-AAA championship. That contest is slated for Nov. 19 at Columbus.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats are getting ready for their game with Lowndes and at the same time they will be keeping their eyes on the results of the competition in 2-AAA.

What it all boils down to is the fact that it will be two more weeks before we know whether VHS will meet Baker or Warner Robins in the first round of the state playoffs.

Victory Was Sweet

Now for some comments by Times staffer Julian Miller on the Lowndes-Bainbridge game.

Holding Bainbridge's Bearcats to just seven points in their 15-7 victory in Bainbridge Friday night was a satisfying feat for head coach Noel George and his Vikings.

They had reason to be happy about that, because the Bearcats had scored over 20 points on each of their 1st three foes, which included Thomasville, Moultrie and Westover of Albany.

The Bearcats, although they have a 2-7-1 record, come fully equipped with a three-speed backfield that is capable of scoring at any time, and indeed did keep the few fans that turned up for the game on the edge of their seats.

Quarterback Dargan Long and running backs Gregory Roberts and Ervin Flanders could have broken loose at any time. And several times they did, only to be brought down just shy of paydirt by Lowndes defenders in last-gasp situations.

If the Bearcats could have mustered any kind of passing attack against the Vikings, things could have been different.

Long, High Punt

Meanwhile, Lowndes' passing attack still wasn't sharp and the Vikes five-man rushing attack, which once led the region, was cut by injuries to just one, Stanley Cowart.

Cowart carried on 23 plays, picking up 83 yards. Three times he was hit behind the lines just when he was given the handoff.

Through it all, one thing could cheer the Lowndes fans up. In their next-to-last game of the season they finally got their punting game going.

It took quarterback Willie Linahan to do it, and he showed his talent on his first punt when the snap from center went over his head and back to the 10 yard line.

With two Bearcats hanging on to his jersey, he ran back, picked up the pigskin and punted it to the Bainbridge 45. That's 45 yards in the air, and high in the air. That could have really helped earlier in the season.

'Cats Clinch Region Crown

By SAMMY GLASSMAN
Times Sports Editor

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STATISTICS

	Valdosta	Tift
First Downs	20	18
Yards Rushing	195	178
Yards Passing	287	98
Passes	13-25	6-18
Passes Int. by	2	1
Fumbles Lost	1	4
Funting	3-16.3	3-45.7
Penalties	2-10	3-35

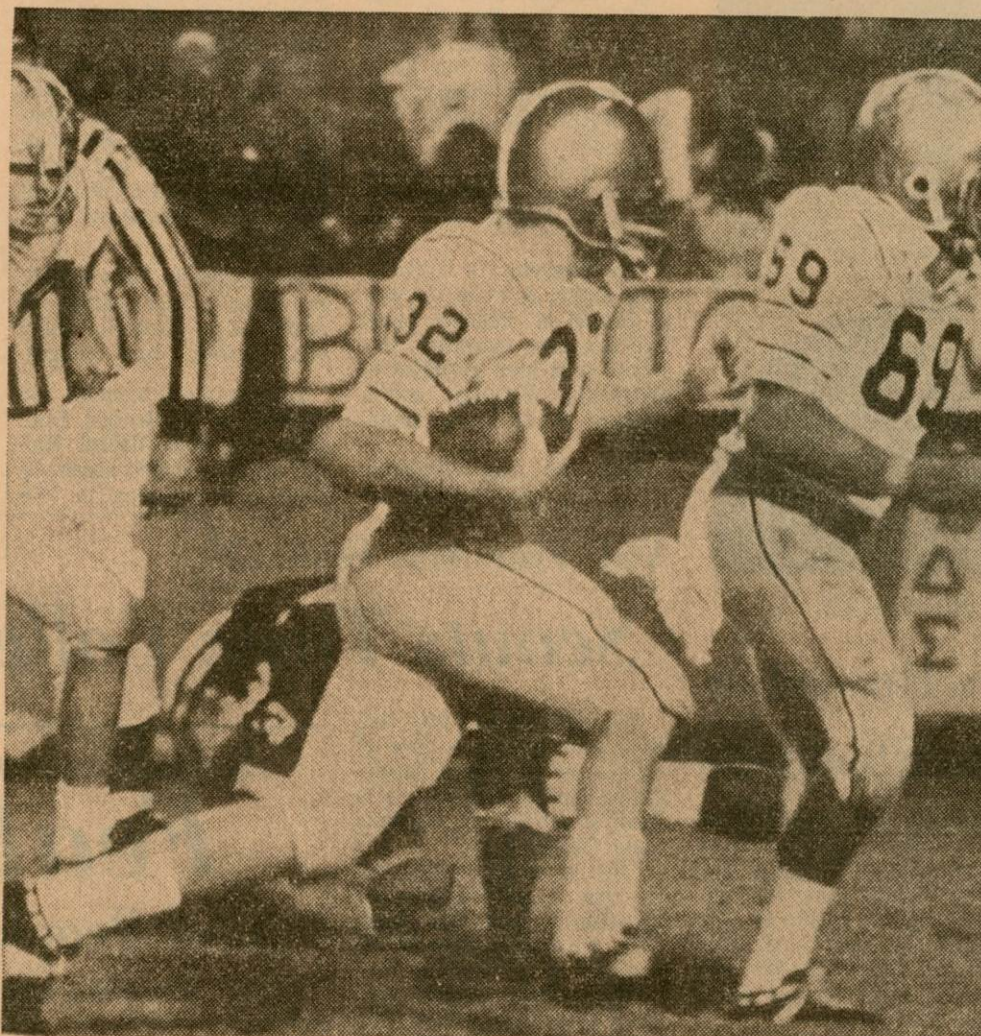
Class AAA playoffs for the fourth consecutive year. 'Dosta has one more regular season game to play with Lowndes before moving into the playoffs against an as yet undetermined foe from Region 2-AAA.

A crowd of approximately 6,000 looked on as coach R a y Dalton's Tift Blue Devils, who were celebrating homecoming, suffered a loss which dropped their record to 3-5-1.

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Bounds threw two more TD passes, one for 13 yards to Rome and another of 19 yards to halfback George Rountree, and the senior signal caller scored twice himself on runs of one and four yards.

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—Times Staff Photo

VHS' Calvin Lester (69) Leads The Way As Pat O'Neal (32) Starts TD Run

Robert Daniels got a TD on a seven-yard romp.

For the night Bounds hit on 13 of 24 passes for 287 yards and rushed six times for 20 more yards. He now has 2,082 yards in total offense and broke the former Region 1-AAA record of 1,937 yards which Bounds himself set

Bounds' passing total for the season is now 86-161—1,748, leaving him only 26 yards short of the region aerial record of 1,774 yards, which Bounds also set in 1970.

Rome caught nine passes for 237 yards and ran his total for the season to 44—1,040. He long ago went past the old 1-AAA re-

ception record of 668 yards set by Albany's Darrell Johnson in 1967.

On defense Valdosta's leading tackler was middle guard Freddie Wilbon, with four stops. Eight other VHS players each made three tackles.

VHS stop-'em crew members recovered four fumbles and

made one pass interceptions. Tackle Steve Stanaland covered two Tift bobbles and line-backers Dick Parker and Edwin Pompey each made one recovery. Daniels made the pass theft.

All four of the fumble recoveries gave Valdosta the football close to the Tift goal line and led directly to touchdowns.

While Tift's four touchdowns were the most scored against the 'Cats in a game this season, Valdosta had a firm grip on the lead all the way.

'Dosta was ahead 27-0 before Tift got its first tally. And the Wildcats were out front 54-7 when the Blue Devils racked up three quick touchdowns against the VHS reserves in the final stanza.

Fullback Theophilis' Bryant, who rushed for 69 yards on 11 carries, scored three times for the Imps, on runs of four, 15 and 30 yards. The other TD was made by Larry Bryant, who blocked a punt at the VHS 38, finally chased the pigskin down, picked it up and carried it to paydirt.

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Valdosta — Bounds 6-20, McCaskill 5-17, O'Neal 9-79, Daniels 5-18, Rountree 4-42, Savage 2-20, Rowe 3-4, Whitfield 1-2, King 1-2, Tift — Coleman 5-59, Whitehead 2 minus 1, Carmichael 16-42, T. Bryant 11-64, Morris 6-12.

Passing: Valdosta — Bounds 13-24-207, Rowe 0-1-0; Tift — Whitehead 2-9-29, Morris 4-9-79.

Pass Receiving: Valdosta — Rome 9-237, Daniels 1-7, Griffin 2-24, Rountree 1-19, Tift — Hester 2-41, Smigh 3-46, Whitehead 1-11.

Punt Returns: Valdosta — Rome 1-2 Kickoff Returns: Tift — Whitehead 2-25, Graham 6-82, Clements 1-17, Bryant 1-4.

Defense (Number of Tackles): Valdosta — Wilbon 4, Parker 3, Rome 3, Stanaland 3, Brantley 3, Irby 3, D. Berrien 3, O'Netter 3, Payton 3, Pompey 2, Mitchell 2, G. Rountree; Tift — Gurr 5, L. Bryant 4, Graham 2, Salmon 2, Coleman 2, Bell 2, A. Brown 2, M. Brown 2.

Score By Quarters

Valdosta	21	20	13	6-60
Tift	0	7	0	21-28

Scoring: Valdosta TDs — Bounds 2(1 and 4 runs), Rome 2 (75 and 13 passes from Bounds), O'Neal 3(4, 3 and 5 runs), G. Rountree (19 pass from Bounds Robt. Daniels (7 run); PATS — Parker 3 (placements), Bounds 3 (run and placement), Tift — TDS + T. Bryant 3(4, 15, 30 runs), L. Bryant (blocked punt); PATS — Corsey 4 (placements).

Grid Glimpses

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Brooks 20, Americus 8

Brooks County's Trojans racked up two touchdowns in the first half and went on from there to a Region 1-AA(West) triumph over the Americus Panthers.

Berrien 14, Jeff Davis 6

Berrien's Rebels racked up a pair of TDs before intermission and then used a tough defense in the second half to make the lead standup for a win over Jeff Davis' Yellow Jackets.

Ware 29, Cook 13

Cook's Hornets made it a real contest for more than three quarters, but finally fell to Region 1-AA(East) co-leader Ware County.

Jefferson 16, Hamilton 3

Jefferson County's Bulldogs rallied in the second half to trim Hamilton County's Trojans and take over undisputed possession of first place in the North Florida Crown Conference.

Dixie 16, Madison 14

A 36-yard field goal made the difference as Dixie County's Cougars edged Madison's Cougars.

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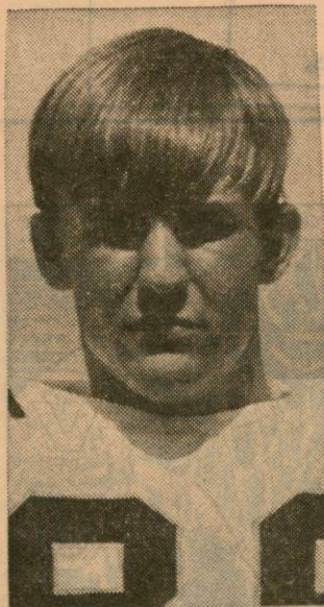
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Lowndes, 'Dosta To Clash Friday

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Berrien, Brooks, Cook and Clinch will also wind up regular season grid play this week.

Valdosta's Wildcats will carry a perfect 9-0 record into that contest with Lowndes. The Vikings own a 4-5 mark.

The 'Cats have already clinched the 1971 Region 1-AAA championship and with it they have nailed down a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. VHS won't know who its first playoff foe will be until Nov. 19 when division winners Baker (Columbus) and Warner Robins decided the 2-AAA title issue in a game at Columbus.

Victories for the Wildcats this year have been over Thomasville (49-0), Dougherty (47-7), Crisp County (49-7), Bainbridge (28-0), Albany (41-8), Moultrie (42-21), Monroe (75-22), Westover (47-6) and Tift County (60-28).

Lowndes has beaten Thomas-

ville Central (20-6), Westover (45-6), Crisp (25-15) and Bainbridge (15-7). The Vikings have bowed to Moultrie (33-6), Thomasville (38-13), Tift (6-0), Dougherty (6-0) and Monroe (32-12).

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Cook's Hornets and Appling's Pirates are 1-AA (East) rivals. Cook is 3-6 in all games and 2-3 in league play. Appling has 3-5-1 and 2-4 charts.

Clinch's Panthers (0-3) will

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BY TIMES STAFF WRITER

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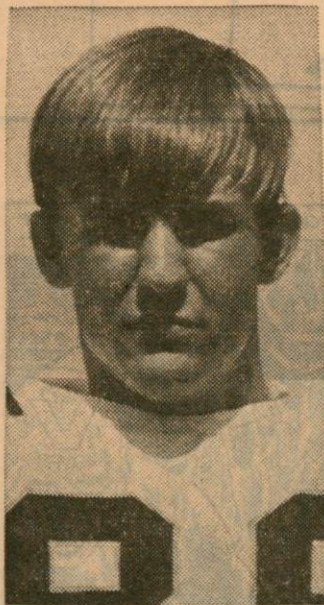
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Sorrells said he believes the creation of an alumni association for the Marchin' Cats will be another first in the state by the VHS musicians.

"We thought it was a good thing to do since Valdosta's Marchin' Cats were the first to introduce the new concepts of marching to the high school bands of Georgia and since Valdosta's Marchin' Cats are No. 1 in the state of Georgia," said Sorrells.

He said it seems only natural that the band alumni once again

introduce a new idea to the state as to how former band members can continue their activities with and support of the musicians.

"This goal can be obtained by our successfully forming this Valdosta Marchin' Cats Alumni Association," said Sorrells.

He said the initial meeting this week will include the election of officers and discussion on how the group can help the band.

"We all know what the problems of the band are and how hard it is to raise money for the activities. There is a lot of work that goes into having a no. 1 band that only people who have been band members themselves know about.

"We feel like our experience and willingness to still help will be invaluable to the band," said Sorrells.

He said there are about 125 former VHS band members now at Valdosta State College where he is taking graduate courses.

"We know there are plenty more around town who are former members who would like to come to the meeting and join, too. The possibilities of

this group are unlimited," said Sorrells.

VHS band director Frank Butenschon said he is pleased with the idea and thinks it will be a big help to the band and band boosters club.

"It's a bunch of young folks who had something great in high school and who want to feel a part of it again. When you spend three years in a band you get awfully close, we're like a big family, really.

"I think they want to continue seeing each other and helping us at the same time," said

Butenschon.

He said the group plans to send out newsletters to all former band members to keep them up to date on what the band and alumni members are doing.

"There is talk of having a banquet once a year for the alumni. They are still young folks so they won't be contributing a lot of financial support but their moral support and enthusiasm are what we are looking for. I'd like to see this really get off the ground," said Butenschon.

WILDCATS, 60-28

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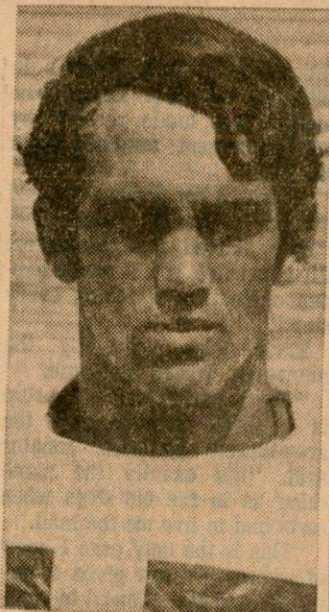
Valdosta will carry a 9-0 record into the Region 1-AAA match and the 'Cats need a victory to give them a perfect record in regular season competition.

Lowndes has a 4-5 chart and the Vikes need a triumph to enable them to close out their campaign at the 500 level.

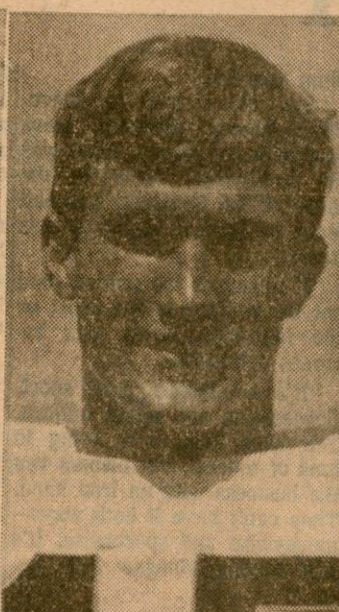
This will be the third meeting between the two on the gridiron since Lowndes joined 1-AAA in 1968. So far Valdosta holds a 3-0 edge in the series.

Regardless of how things go tomorrow night, the season will be over for the Vikes, but the 'Cats will see more football action.

HS has already clinched the



WILLIE LINAHAN
Lowndes QB



STANLEY BOUNDS
'Dosta Leader

1971 region crown and with it 'Dosta has earned a berth in the state Class AAA playoffs. The 'Cats must await the results of a Region 2-AAA title duel between Baker (Columbus) and Warner Robins on Nov. 19 before they will know who their first round playoff foe will be.

Valdosta has averaged 48.67 points a game, while allowing an average of 11.0. Lowndes has been scoring at a 15.22 clip, while giving up an average of 16.5.

VHS has been averaging 421 yards per game, while giving up an average of 202. Simi-

lar figures for LHS are 233-227.

Lowndes' ground attack leader is Stan Cowart, who has picked up 624 yards on 131 carries, followed by Sammy Harris (53-265), Willie Linahan (50-214), Scott Metts (43-134) and Jim Williams (31-118). Harris is hampered by an injury right now.

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Other VHS ground attack leaders besides Bounds are Pat O'Neal (55-390), Robert Daniels (53-353), Robert McCaskill (41-218) and James Savage (19-118).

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High School Football Picture by Regions

1. Valdosta (9-0 overall and in the region) has won this region and will play the AAA Region 2 winner on Nov. 26.

2. Warner Robins (8-0 overall; 5-0 in region) has won the east half of the region while Baker (8-1) overall; 5-0 in region) has captured the western crown. The two will play on the 19th for the region crown and a chance to play Valdosta on Nov. 26th.

3. Wayne County (9-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "A" subdivision. Groves (7-1 overall; 6-0 in region) has won the "B" subdivision. The two will meet on the 19th for the right to play the winner of Region 4.

4. Laney (8-1 overall; 4-1 region) currently leads this four-team region but must defeat Baldwin (6-9 overall) in its next outing to win the crown. Laney has one loss while Richmond Academy (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) and Butler (6-3 overall; 3-2 region) have two each.

5. Douglas County (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) has won this region pending the outcome of a protest charging it played an ineligible player in the first game of the year. If the protest goes against the Tigers, Marietta (6-3 overall; 4-2 re-

gion), South Cobb (4-3 region; 5-3 overall) and Dalton (7-2 overall; 5-2 region) all have chances at the title. But Douglas County may still have the best shot at the title. The winner of the title will meet the winner of Region 6.

6. Forest Park (7-1-1 in region and overall) has won this one with no question marks. The Panthers will take on the winner of Region 5 on Nov. 26th.

7. Things shape up for a Nov. 19th playoff between Avondale (7-1-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) and Columbia (6-2-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) for the region crown. The two tied 3-3 earlier in the season in a hotly contested game. The region winner will play the Region 8 winner on the 26th.

8. Henderson (7-1 overall; 6-1 region) and Lakeside (9-1 overall; 6-1 region) will end the season tied if Henderson can down Briarcliff and Tucker and Lakeside also wins two. Henderson beat Lakeside earlier in the season and that will give the Cougars the title and a chance to meet the Region 7 winner.

1. Fitzgerald (8-1 overall; 5-0 region), and Ware County (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) are tied for the lead in the East half of the region, but meet Friday night and that should settle one half of the region. Cairo and Early County (both 7-1-1 overall; 5-0-1 region) are tied for the lead in the West half and those two teams met and tied last week. If both win Friday night, region rules will be used to decide a winner. The winners of both halves meet on Nov. 19th to decide the region and the winner of that one will take on the winner in 2-AA.

2. Thomson (7-2 overall; 6-1 region) appears to have won the East half after defeating Statesboro (8-1 overall; 6-1 region) last Friday night. The Bulldogs will play the winner of the West half, Mary Persons (8-0-1 overall; 5-0 region) on Nov. 19th for the region championship and the right to play the winner of Region 1 on Nov. 26.

3. Woodward Academy (7-2 overall; 6-0 region) the defending state champion, has won the East half and Lakeside (8-0-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) has won the West half. The two will clash on Nov. 19 for the region title and the winner will meet the Region 4 winner on Nov. 26.

4. Marietta (6-2-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) can clinch the North half of the region with a victory over Campbell of Smyrna Friday night. Should the War Eagles lose they would end up tied with Wheeler. (6-3-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) Shamrock (8-1 overall; 3-1 region) can clinch the South half with a victory over St. Pius (5-2 overall) Friday night. Should Shamrock tie or lose the sub-region will fall to Westminster (5-3-1 overall; 3-1 region) if the Wildcats down Southwest DeKalb. The sub-region victors meet on Nov. 19 and the region winner will take on the Region 3 winner Nov. 26.

5. North Fulton (9-0 overall; 7-0 region) can clinch the region with a victory over Northside (7-2 overall) 6-1 region) Saturday afternoon at Grady Stadium. Should Northside upset the Bulldogs it could win the region instead. The winner of the region will play the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.

6. Fulton (7-1-1 overall; 6-1-1 region) and Turner (6-2-1 overall; 6-1-1 region) are now tied for the region lead and unless one of the two lose Friday night, a playoff on Nov. 19 will settle the question. The winner takes on Region 5's champion on Nov. 26.

7. Rossville (7-2 overall; 5-0 region) has won the North half of the region. West Rome clinched the South half last week with a victory over East Rome. The two teams meet Nov. 19 to settle the region title. And the winner of the game will meet the Region 8 representative on Nov. 26.

8. Stephens County (9-1 overall; 5-0 region) has won the East Half. South Hall and Gainesville (7-1-1 overall; 4-0-1 region) are tied for the lead in the West. If South Hall (6-1-2 overall; 3-0-1 region) can get by Monroe Area Friday night, it will remain tied and region rules will decide the champion of the West half. Sub-region champions will meet on Nov. 19 and the winner will clash with Region 7's winner.

1. Cochran (6-4 overall; 5-0 region) has won the north half of the region while Turner County (9-0 overall; 4-0 region) has secured up the South. The pair will decide the region title Nov.

19 and the winner will meet the Region 2 champ on Nov. 26.

2. Bradwell Institute (6-2 overall; 4-0 region), as won the region and will play the champion from Region 1 on Nov. 26.

3. Aquinas (6-3 overall; 6-0 region) can chalk up a region title with a victory over Harlem Friday night. The region has a bye in the first round of play and will meet the winner of the contest between winners of regions 1 and 2.

4. Rockmart (10-0 overall; 5-0 region) has won the north half and Carrollton (9-0 overall; 4-0 region) has locked up its 14th straight sub-region title. The two teams meet on Nov. 19 and the winner of that one will meet the Region 5's finest.

5. Roswell (6-3 overall; 6-1 region) has won the region and will meet the best from Region 4 on Nov. 19. The winner of that contest will meet the winner of Region 6.

6. Jefferson (7-2 overall; 3-0 in region) has a lock on the East half of the region and Murray County has laid claim to the West. A playoff will decide the region and the champion will meet the winner of the game between winners in Regions 4 and 5.

1. Macon County (8-1 overall; 2-0 region) is in control of this two team region and will play the Region 2 pennant winner on Nov. 26.

2. Charlton County (5-2 overall; 5-0 region) has won and will meet Macon County Nov. 26.

3. Southeast Bulloch (9-0 overall; 7-0 region) has survived what may be the strongest region in its class and will meet the winner of Region 4 on Nov. 26.

4. If Lyons (4-4-1 overall; 2-0-1 region) and Montgomery County (4-4-1 overall; 2-0-1 region) win game

Georgia Military and Treutlen County they will end the season tied. And since the two tied when they met, a playoff will decide the winner.

5. Bowdon (7-1-1 overall; 5-0 region) has secured up this region and will meet the winner of Region 6 on Nov. 26.

6. Trion (7-2 region; 7-0 overall) has won the region and will play Bowdon on Nov. 26.

7. St. Joseph (5-4 overall; 2-0 region) has won and will take on the winner of Region 8 on Nov. 26.

8. Duluth (8-1 overall; 5-0 region) won the west half of the region when it upset Lovett and Oconee County (7-1 overall; 4-0 region) has nailed down the East half. The two meet Nov. 19 for the right to battle St. Joseph on Nov. 26.

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Seen As Victors

If the season doesn't end pretty soon my football forecasting average just might drop all the way to zero.

Last week I was right in just 34 games and wrong in 18 for a very poor .654 mark, which chopped 13 points off my average for the season. I'm now at 316-110—.741. Just three weeks ago I had a .766 average.

What's happening is that at the end of the schedule there are a lot of games between traditional rivals, the kind which are very hard to form chart.

Anyway, I'll try again. As usual I'll start with the prep offerings.

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VALDOSTA VS LOWNDES

— Valdosta's Wildcats (9-0) and Lowndes' Vikings (4-5) are a couple of those traditional rivals I mentioned earlier. They're meeting tonight at Martin Stadium on the LHS Campus. The Vikes have the home field advantage, but the 'Cats are favored and I think they will win.

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GLASSMAN

— Brooks' Trojans (6-2-1) and Early's Bobcats (7-1-1) will be meeting in a key Region 1-AA(West) game at Quitman. It should be close, but I'm giving the nod to Early.

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BERRIEN VS BRANTLEY — Berrien's Rebels (4-4-1) and Brantley's Herons (8-1) will hook-up in a non-league match. On a hunch, I'm picking Berrien.

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COOK VS APPLING — Cook's Hornets (3-6) will host Appling's Pirates (3-5-1). My choice is Cook.

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CLINCH VS MACON — Clinch's Panthers (0-8) will be the decided underdogs against Macon County's Rebels (8-1). I'll go along with the form chart and cast my vote for Macon.

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HAMILTON VS MADISON — Hamilton's Trojans (6-2) and Madison's Cougars (4-3-1) are a pair of traditional and conference rivals. This one looks like a toss-up. I flipped a coin and it indicated a win for Madison.

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OTHER PREP GAMES AT A GLANCE — Albany over Dougherty, Cairo over Americus, Laney over Baldwin, Macon Central over Kendrick, Thomasville over Thomasville Central, Waycross over Coffee, Moultrie over Crisp, Fitzgerald over Ware, Warner Robins over Groves, Monroe over Bainbridge and Tift over Westover.

Now let's look at the college slate:

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GEORGIA VS AUBURN — Georgia's Bulldogs (9-0) and Auburn's Tigers (8-0) will meet at Athens on Saturday in a game which has attracted national attention. It figures as a match between Georgia's strong ground game and tough defense and Auburn's very potent passing attack. This one could go either way, but I'm picking Georgia.

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GEORGIA TECH VS FSU — Tech's Yellow Jackets (5-4) will be meeting FSU's Seminoles (6-2) at Grant Field in Atlanta. This looks like another close one. My selection is Tech.

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FLORIDA VS KENTUCKY — Florida's Gators (2-7) and Kentucky's Wildcats (3-6) are to tangle at Gainesville. Again, this is a tough one to figure. I'll go along with the Gators.

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OTHER COLLEGE GAMES AT A GLANCE — Alabama over Miami, Clemson over Maryland, Duke over Wake Forest, LSU over Mississippi State, Ole Miss over Chattanooga, North Carolina over Virginia, Penn State over NC State, Notre Dame over Tulane, Army over Pitt, Navy over Syracuse, Illinois over Wisconsin, Indiana over Iowa, Missouri over Iowa State, Oklahoma over Kansas, Nebraska over Kansas State, Michigan over Purdue, Michigan State over Minnesota, Ohio State over Northwestern, Colorado over Oklahoma State, Air Force over Tulsa, Arkansas over SMU, Baylor over Texas Tech, Texas A&M over Rice, Texas over TCU, California over Oregon, Washington State over Oregon State, Southern Cal over Washington and Stanford over San Jose State.