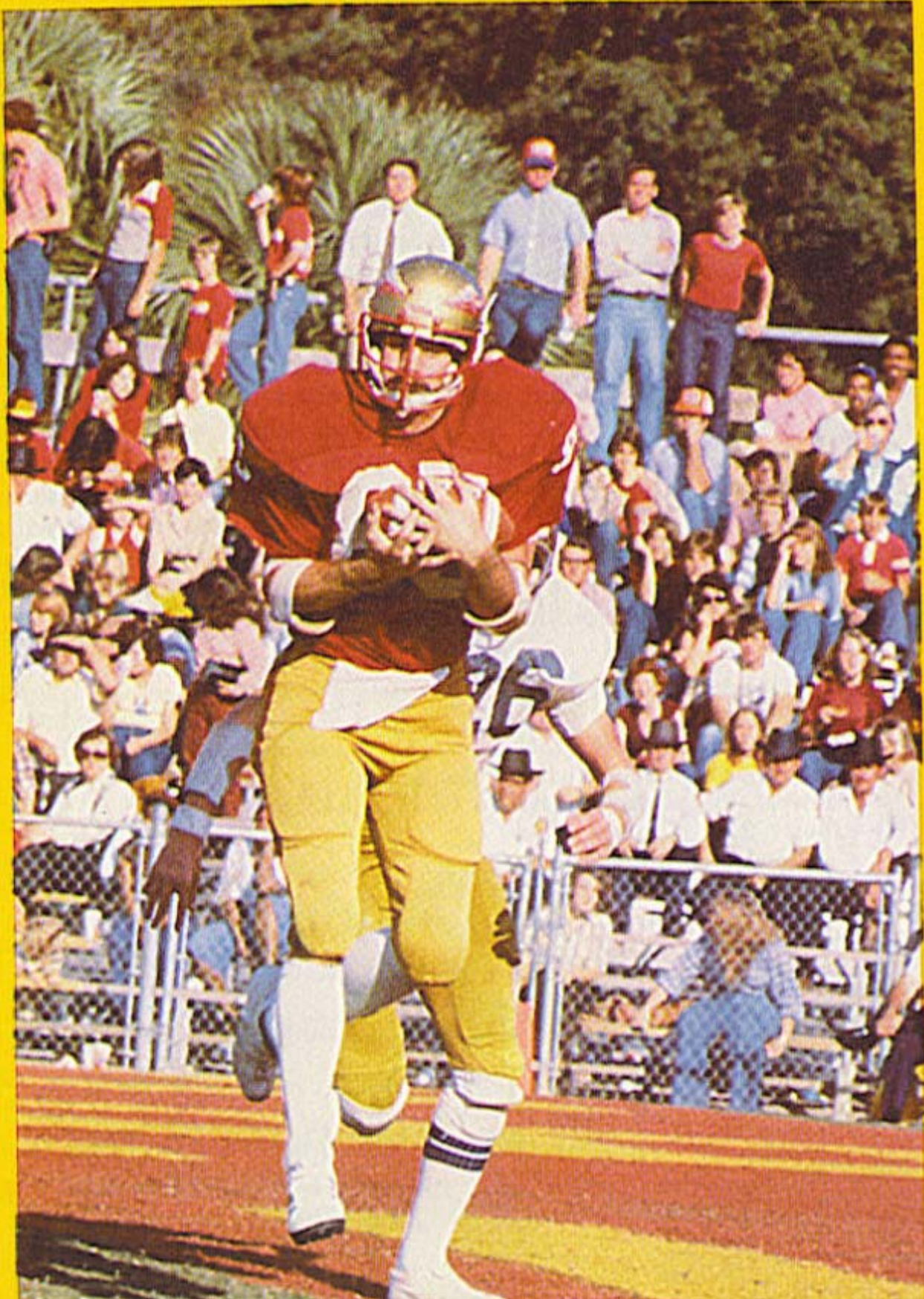


1978 In Review



FLORIDA STATE 28, SYRACUSE 0

SYRACUSE, N.Y., (Sept. 9)—Sophomore runningback Homes Johnson gained 135 yards in his first collegiate start as Florida State rolled past Syracuse, 28-0, before a near-capacity crowd in ancient Archbold Stadium.

Johnson, who was not told he would start until five minutes before kickoff, helped the Seminoles to 304 ground yards. That opened the way for quarterbacks Jimmy Jordan and Wally Woodham to throw where they combined to pick up 283 more yards. Florida State's total offense for the day was an amazing 587, an average gain of 7.24 yards per play.

The Seminoles never gained complete control of the game until the fourth quarter. They led 7-0 at intermission after Jordan had bulled his way to the end zone from a yard away and Davy Cappelen booted the PAT.

It remained at 7-0 until the Seminoles went on a 98-yard touchdown march in the fourth quarter that ended with Jordan passing four yards to tight end Grady King for the score. That was only the second completion of the long drive, the other being a 37-yard hookup between Jordan and Kurt Unglaub. That pass originated on the Seminole three in a third-and-nine situation.

Later in the quarter, Woodham would throw a 15-yard scoring strike to Jackie Flowers and Gator Cherry would score on a nine-yard run. After each six points, Cappelen kicked the PAT.

Jordan gave the shirt-sleeved crowd a dazzling passing display. The junior red head completed 16 of 25 for 209 yards while playing slightly more than three quarters. Woodham came on to complete four of seven for 74 more yards. Flowers was the chief receiver with five catches for 94 yards, but King, Unglaub and Johnson, who was named to the United Press International Backfield of the Week and the Associated Press Southeastern Back of the Week, each caught three.

Florida	0	7	0	21—28
Syracuse	0	0	0	0—0

FS—Jordan, 1 run (Cappelen Kick)

FS—King, 4, pass from Jordan (Cappelen Kick)

FS—Flowers, 15, pass from Woodham (Cappelen Kick)

FS—Cherry, 9 run (Cappelen Kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 19-135, Lyles 14-67; SU: Hartman 7-23.

Passing—FS: Jordan 16-25-209 with 1 int., Woodham 4-7-74; SU: Farneski 8-16-63, Hurley 1-1-13.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 5-94, King 3-28, Unglaub 3-59; SU: Semall 4-30, Monk 2-21.

FLORIDA STATE 38, OKLAHOMA STATE 20

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Sept. 16)—Quarterback Jimmy Jordan threw for three touchdowns as the Seminoles opened their home

season before 40,338 and downed Oklahoma State, 38-20.

The Seminoles trailed 6-0 after the first 15 minutes but warmed up in the second quarter and had a 17-6 lead at intermission. Davy Cappelen's 32-yard field goal narrowed Florida State's deficit to 6-3 midway through the second quarter.

It looked like the scoreboard was going to stay at 6-3 for halftime, but a series of great defensive efforts over the final 1:40 ignited the Garnet and Gold. An Oklahoma State fumble that was recovered by defensive back Mike Kincaid set up the first Seminole TD—a 35-yard pass involving Jordan and tailback Homes Johnson. Cappelen's kick made it 10-6.

The Seminole defense then caused another turnover. On the first play of the following series, an Oklahoma State runningback again fumbled and this time defensive end Willie Jones made the recovery.

Again, it took only one play for Jordan to put FSU on the scoreboard. This time he hooked up on a 32-yard pass with Kurt Unglaub, a fellow graduate of Leon High School. In a mere 19 seconds, the Seminoles had gone from a 6-3 deficit to 17-6 lead.

Florida State added 21 more points in the second half with Johnson scoring his second (eight yard run) and third (two yard pass from Jordan) touchdowns of the game and fullback Mark Lyles plunging over from the one.

Johnson was the Seminoles' leading ground gainer for the second consecutive game, picking up 78 yards in 20 carries. Jordan completed 17 of 28 passes for 231 yards with Jackie Flowers catching five for 75 and Johnson four for 57.

Oklahoma State	6	0	8	6-20
Florida State	0	17	7	14-38

OS—Stevens, fumble recovery in end zone (Kick failed)

FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 32

FS—Johnson, 32, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—Johnson, 8 run (Cappelen kick)

OS—Taylor, 1 run (Burk run)

FS—Johnson, 2, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—Lyles, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

OS—Bailey, 6 run (Run failed)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 20-78, Lyles 15-45; OS: Taylor 17-91, Hammond 13-59.

Passing—FS: Jordan 17-28-231, Woodham 4-6-37; OS: Bailey 5-12-67 with 1 int., Burk 0-2-0.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 5-75, Unglaub 2-61, Johnson 4-59; OS: Ingram 1-37, Stephens 1-10

FLORIDA STATE 31, MIAMI 21

MIAMI, Fla., (Sept. 23)—Although the final score might indicate otherwise to some, the defense was instrumental in molding Florida State's third victory of the season, 31-21, over Miami.

An ABC-TV regional audience watched the Seminole defenders force five Miami turnovers. There were three interceptions, two

fumble recoveries and a blocked punt.

Noseguard Ron Simmons, who was named the ABC-TV Chevrolet Defensive Player of the Game, was responsible for the blocked punt. It came early in the second quarter with FSU trailing 7-0. Tackle Mark Macek scooped up the loose ball and rumbled 42 yards for the touchdown. Davy Cappelen's PAT knotted the count.

FSU fell behind again midway through the second quarter but bounced back to deadlock the count at halftime on a four-yard TD pass from Jimmy Jordan to Jackie Flowers with Cappelen again booting the conversion.

The Seminoles went ahead in the third quarter with sub QB Wally Woodham plunging over from the one-yard line.

FSU capitalized on a Miami miscue to make it 24-14. The Hurricanes fumbled at their own six with Simmons making the recovery. Three plays later the Seminoles were at the nine so Cappelen booted a 26-yard field goal.

The 'Canes, however, bounced back on their next series and scored seven to narrow the gap to 24-21. Again it was time for the defense to rescue the Garnet and Gold. When FSU failed to gain a first down on its next series, Miami got the ball at the FSU 45, but lost possession when Bobby Butler intercepted, returning the ball 40 yards to help set up a 22-yard TD pass from Woodham to fullback Mark Lyles. Cappelen's PAT made it 31-21.

Florida State	0	14	7	10-31
Miami	7	7	0	7-21

M—Anderson, 80 run (Miller kick)

FS—Macek, 48 run with blocked kick (Cappelen kick)

M—Joiner, 48 run (Miller kick)

FS—Flowers, 4, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—Woodham, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Cappelen, field goal, 26

M—Baker, 27, pass from Richt (Miller kick)

FS—Lyles, 22, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 23-90, Lyles 16-61; M: Anderson 15-137; K. Johnson 4-23, Joiner 1-48.

Passing—FS: Jordan 8-12-83 with 1 int., Woodham 6-12-50; M: Richt 5-11-74, McMillian 4-9-40.

Receiving—FS: Lyles 5-58, Unglaub 2-27, Johnson 4-26, Flowers 2-14; M: Cooper 3-48, Baker 1-27, Wright 1-23.

HOUSTON 27, FLORIDA STATE 21

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Sept. 30)—A 27-0 Houston lead was too much for Florida State to overcome and the ninth ranked Seminoles bowed 27-21 to the Cougars before 41,142 in Doak Campbell Stadium.

But, there will always be a lingering doubt in many minds about the final outcome. The Seminoles appeared to win the game late in the fourth quarter when Wally Woodham found Jackie Flowers in the

end zone on a 36-yard scoring strike. The play was called back however on a holding call in the offensive line which erased the go-ahead points.

Houston started the game like it was going to run the Seminoles out of the country. The Cougars, who were unranked, scored the first four times they had the ball to build up the huge 27-0 advantage.

QB Wally Woodham came off the bench to get the Seminoles started. Following the last Houston score, Woodham was given the controls and guided the Seminoles on a 67-yard, seven play march that ended with Mark Lyles going 19 yards for the score.

Florida State's second series of the third quarter produced a spectacular score. It came on a 72-yard pass involving Woodham and Jackie Flowers. That score would become the longest TD pass of the season.

The Seminoles continued to press Houston the next time the Garnet and Gold took the ball. This time Lyles scored on a 14-yard end around and Cappelen's PAT accounted for the final point.

FSU spent much of the fourth quarter in Houston territory, but never penetrated the goal line. Once FSU reached the Cougar 25 before Woodham threw an interception.

Houston	14	13	0	0-27
Florida State	0	7	14	0-21

H—Jurgajtis, 13, pass from Davis (Hatfield kick)

H—King, 3 run (Hatfield kick)

H—Love, 4 run (Hatfield kick)

H—Newhouse, 56 run (Kick failed)

FS—Lyles, 19 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Flowers, 72, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

FS—Lyles, 14 run (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 13-42, Lyles 9-64; H: King 26-142, Love 20-89.

Passing—FS: Woodham 12-18-219 with 1 int., Jordan 8-14-56 with 1 int.; H: Davis 7-10-79 with 1 int., Brown 0-1-0.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 6-165, Lyles 4-44, King 5-40, Platt 2-38; H: Adams 3-41, Jurgajtis 2-19, Herring 2-19.

FLORIDA STATE 26, CINCINNATI 21

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Oct. 7)—Florida State returned to its winning ways—26-21 over visiting Cincinnati—but it wasn't easy.

In fact, it took a 'miracle' for FSU to hike its season log to 4-1.

Trailing 21-20 late in the game, the Seminoles were at their own 46 and faced with a fourth and 22 situation. That is an impossible task unless you have Jimmy Jordan at quarterback with Sam Platt at a wide receiver. Those two hooked up on a pass reception that resulted in a 54-yard touchdown to give the Seminoles the winning points with only 1:29 remaining in the contest.

A Doak Campbell crowd of 39,599 saw the teams play to a 14-14 deadlock in the first 30 minutes. But Cincinnati went into the lead in

the third quarter.

FSU cut its deficit to 21-20 midway through the fourth quarter. The TD came on a Jordan pass of five yards to tight end Grady King. Head Coach Bobby Bowden then elected to go for the win with a two point conversion, but Wally Woodham's pass fell incomplete.

The Seminole defense then stopped Cincinnati on its next series which allowed FSU to get the ball back and have Jordan and Platt perform their magic act.

Cincinnati's defense limited the Seminoles to just 155 yards along the ground but had trouble containing the passing attack where FSU picked up 249 yards with 18 completions in 40 attempts.

Cincinnati	7	7	7	0-21
Florida State	0	14	0	12-26

CIN—Hagens, 2 run (Schultz kick)

FS—Flowers, 18, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

FS—Woodham, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

CIN—Cusumano, 62, pass from Kapetanis (Schultz kick)

CIN—Johnson, 2 run (Schultz kick)

FS—King, 5, pass from Jordan (Pass failed)

FS—Platt, 54, pass from Jordan (Run failed)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 18-71, Lyles 14-46, Sims 5-25, Woodham 6-19; CIN: Harvin 23-98, Kapetanis 13-73, Daley 6-19

Passing—FS: Woodham 11-27-135 with 1 int., Jordan 7-13-114 with 1 int., CIN: Kapetanis 12-22-165 with 1 int.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 9-134, Platt 1-54, Lyles 5-41; CIN: Cusumano 2-80, Massong 4-34, Frisina 2-34, Eilerman 2-16.



MISSISSIPPI STATE 55, FLORIDA STATE 27

STARKVILLE, Miss., (Oct. 14)—The passing game—something Florida State has become noted for in the past two seasons—came back to haunt the Garnet and Gold in their visit to Mississippi State. The final score: Mississippi State 55-Florida State 27.

Florida State led by a 21-14 count at halftime. That came after Mississippi State had bolted to a 14-0 lead during the first quarter. In the second 15 minutes, FSU fans saw Jimmy Jordan throw touchdown passes to Jackie Flowers (eight yards) and Sam Platt (10 yards) and Homes Johnson score on a one-yard dive.

In the third quarter, the Bulldogs, who were playing before an estimated 36,000 Homecoming fans, tallied 21 points. Two of the touchdowns came on running plays and another came via the pass.

Mississippi State then scored on the first play of the fourth quarter and extended its advantage to 55-21 before the Seminoles again dented the scoreboard on a 52 yard pass involving Jordan and Gator Cherry.

The 55 points was the third largest total ever scored against the Seminoles. The Bulldogs established opponent records for passing yardage (378), total offense (596) and individual yards receiving (175) by Mardye McDole.

Florida State	0	21	0	6—27
Mississippi St.	14	0	21	20—55

MS—Jones, 27, pass from Marler (Marler kick)
 MS—Jones, 11, pass from Marler (Marler kick)
 FS—Flowers, 8, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)
 FS—Platt, 10, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)
 FS—Johnson, 1 run (Cappelen kick)
 MS—Jones, 12 run (Kicked failed)
 MS—Doss, 29 run (Marler pass to Jones)
 MS—McDole, 34, pass from Jones (Marler kick)
 MS—Jones, 1 run (Marler kick)
 MS—McDole, 37, pass from Copeland (Marler kick)
 MS—Maxey, 2, pass from Marler (Kick failed)
 FS—Cherry, 52, pass from Jordan (Kick failed)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 15-79, Sims 7-55; MS: Jones 7-36, Collins 5-31, Copeland 5-29, Brown 4-34

Passing—FS: Jordan 20-43-297 with 2 int.; MS: Marler 17-31-307 with 1 int., Copeland 1-2-37, Jones 1-1-34.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 9-116, Cherry 2-55, Lyles 3-50, Platt 2-25; MS: McDole 9-172, Jones 4-86, Copeland 2-32.

PITTSBURGH 7, FLORIDA STATE 3

PITTSBURGH, Pa., (Oct. 21)—Pitt shut down Florida State's high powered offense, limiting the Seminoles to a field goal, enroute to a 7-3 victory before 55,104.

All the scoring came in the first half. After missing a 21-yard field goal on its opening series, the Seminoles came back to gain a 3-0 lead when Davy Cappelen booted a 26-yard field goal with 10:27 remaining in the quarter.

Pitt didn't hit the scoreboard until late in the second quarter when Fred Jacobs went over left end for 13 yards and a score.

FSU spent much of the second half in Pitt territory, but was never able to cross the goal line. The Seminoles saw drives end at the Panther 36, 37, 16 and 25.

As the score would indicate, the teams were evenly matched in the statistical categories. The Seminoles enjoyed a 331-297 advantage in total offense and 19-17 cushion in first downs. The Panthers ran two more plays, 77-75, but averaged just 3.9 yards per play compared to the Seminoles' 4.4.

The Seminoles received an outstanding defensive effort from Pittsburgh native "Monk" Bonasorte, who was credited with seven unassisted tackles and 11 more assists. Also spectacular on defense for the Garnet and Gold was linebacker Reggie Herring, who had six solo tackles and 11 assists.

Florida State's ground attack was all fullback Mark Lyles. He picked up 100 of the Seminoles' 111 net yards for the afternoon.

Florida State	3	0	0	0-3
Pittsburgh	0	7	0	0-7

FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 26

P—Jacobs, 13 run (Schubert kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Lyles 17-100, Ramsey 9-32, Cherry 2-11; PITT: Jacobs 22-84, Sims 10-52, Trocano 16-42, Jones 9-20

Passing—FS: Jordan 15-32-154 with 3 int., Woodham 6-10-66; PITT: Trocano 9-19-99 with 1 int., Sims 0-1-0

Receiving—FS: King 5-55, Flowers 3-48, Ramsey 5-36, Unglaub 1-23, Lyles 4-17; PITT: Jones 7-86, Sims 1-7

FLORIDA STATE 38, SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI 16

HATTIESBURG, Miss., (Oct. 28)—A 21-2 advantage in the second half pushed Florida State to a 38-16 victory over Southern Mississippi.

The win was the fifth of the season for the Seminoles. It ended a two-game losing streak and gave the Seminoles a 5-3 mark as they headed home to complete the season with three games in Doak Campbell Stadium.

With Wally Woodham starting his second game of the campaign, FSU jumped ahead 10-0. Greg Ramsey scored on a two-yard run in the first quarter and with just 36 seconds gone in the second quarter Dave Cappelen booted a 30-yard field goal.

Southern Mississippi narrowed the Seminole lead to 10-7 when it scored midway through the second quarter, but FSU got those points back when Woodham tossed an 11-yard scoring pass to Sam Platt. The score was 17-14 at halftime after USM managed a touchdown with just 20 seconds remaining in the half.

Woodham then took complete control in the second half. He upped his touchdown pass total for the day to four with two scoring strikes in the third quarter and another in the fourth.

Sophomore Jackie Flowers was Woodham's favorite target in the

third quarter. Flowers was on the receiving end of scoring tosses for 23 and 61 yards. In the fourth quarter, tight end Grady King caught a one-yard Woodham pass.

“Wally Woodham is very important to this football team,” head coach Bobby Bowden said. “We must have him throwing. I think there were at least two touchdown passes where Wally threw on busted plays.”

Woodham, who guided the team for all but the final series, completed 16 of 24 passes for 237 yards and the four scores. Overall, the Seminoles netted 252 yards in the air and another 109 along the ground. Woodham and backup quarterback Jimmy Jordan utilized all their receivers with 10 different Seminoles being credited for receptions.

Florida State	7	10	14	7—38
So. Mississippi	0	14	0	2—16

FS—Ramsey, 2 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 30

SM—Beal, 1 run (Boyette kick)

FS—Platt, 11, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

SM—Brown, 23, pass from Hammond (Boyette kick)

FS—Flowers, 23, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

FS—Flowers, 61, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

FS—King, 14, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 14-59, Ramsey 8-33, Lyles 18-32; SM: Beal 13-69, Winder 11-46, James 4-30

Passing—FS: Woodham 16-24-237 with 2 int., Jordan 2-3-15; SM: Hammond 10-17-103 with 2 int., Burcker 0-1-0 with 1 int.

Receiving—FS: Flowers 2-84, Platt 4-46, Williams 4-45; SM: Brown 5-54, Cannon 2-24, Harvey 2-15

FLORIDA STATE 24, VIRGINIA TECH 14

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Nov. 11)—Florida State, playing its first home game in a month, came up with 14 points in the final quarter to topple Virginia Tech, 24-14.

The Seminoles were never in complete command and didn't put the Gobblers away until the final two minutes when a Virginia Tech fumble gave the Seminoles possession at Tech's four. Three plays later fullback Mark Lyles plunged to the end zone from the one for the TD that clinched FSU's sixth victory in nine starts.

FSU took the lead for the first time with 10:20 remaining in the game when Homes Johnson, who gained a career high 152 yards in 27 carries, scored on a pitchout from three yards away. The Davy Cappelen PAT made it 17-14.

Cappelen's field goal from 37 yards away late in the first quarter had given the Seminoles a 3-0 lead. But Virginia Tech countered with a pair of touchdowns early in the second quarter. A one-yard plunge

by Lyles gave Tech a 14-10 halftime advantage.

State's defense came up with one of its better performances of the season. The Tribe yielded just 146 ground yards and 76 in the air to the Gobblers.

Woodham went the distance at quarterback for the Seminoles, the first time he had accomplished that chore during the season. His passing totals showed 17 completions in 29 attempts for 198 yards. But, more important than the passing totals were the rushing figures showing the Seminoles gained 272 yards in 58 carries. Johnson's 152 yards were an individual season high and fullback Mark Lyles added another 74 in 16 carries. Again Woodham demonstrated that he didn't have a favorite passing target as eight receivers were credited with receptions. Three pass catchers—Johnson, freshman tight end Sam Childers and Lyles—each had three catches.

Virginia Tech	0	14	0	0-14
Florida State	3	7	0	14-24

FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 37

VPI—Lewis, 57 run (King kick)

VPI—Watkins, 5, pass from Casey (King kick)

FS—Lyles, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Johnson, 3 run (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Johnson 27-152, Lyles 16-74, Sims 5-35;
VPI: Lewis 19-126, Fitzgerald 5-13

Passing—FS: Woodham 17-29-198 with 1 int., Johnson
0-1-0; VPI: Casey 9-16-76, Romagnoli 0-1-0

Receiving—FS: Platt 2-35, Keck 2-27, Flowers 2-27,
Childers 3-26; VPI: Watkins 3-23, Scott 2-11, Fitzgerald
1-18

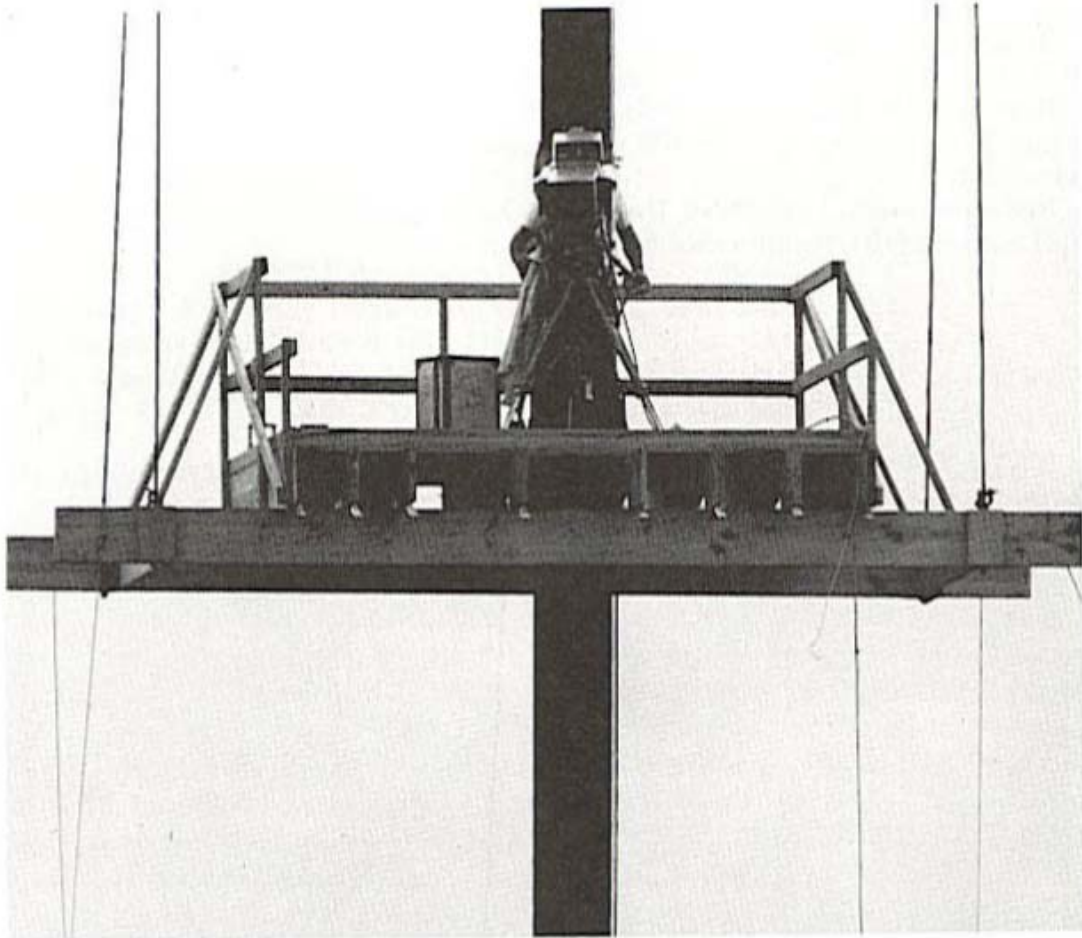
FLORIDA STATE 38, NAVY 6

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Nov. 18)—Jimmy Jordan came off the bench to toss four touchdown passes as Florida State celebrated its Homecoming with a surprisingly easy 38-6 triumph over nationally ranked and previously twice-beaten Navy.

The second largest crowd (45,795) in Doak Campbell Stadium history saw Jordan complete just 15 passes, but they were good for a phenomenal 280 yards. And, with Wally Woodham, the starting quarterback, adding 70 yards in five completions it meant the Seminoles had bombed the Navy defense for 350 yards.

Jordan's favorite target was sophomore wide receiver Sam Platt, who had six receptions—four for touchdowns. Platt and Jordan shared the Chevrolet Offensive Player of the Game award that was given by the ABC-TV announce crew which sent the game to a regional audience that covered more than 25 percent of the United States.

Noseguard Ron Simmons won the Chevrolet Defensive Player of the Game plaque. His stats included seven unassisted tackles, three more assists, three tackles for loss and a fumble recovery.



The Seminoles led by a scanty 7-6 when the teams went to the locker room for intermission. But in the second 30 minutes the Garnet and Gold offense exploded for 17 points in the third quarter and another 14 in the fourth.

Each of the second half touchdowns came via the forward pass with Platt catching the first three on tosses of four, 36 and 51 yards. The final TD was a 23-yarder with tight end Grady King on the receiving end.

The visiting Middies never came close to denting the Seminole goal line. The six points were on field goals from Terry Tata.

State's defense was awesome, especially in the opening half when the Middies gained just 41 yards in 19 carries. Overall, the Navy's ground attack gained 110 yards in 44 carries, but much of that along with 188 passing yards came in the fourth quarter when the Seminole defense included mostly second and third team players.

Navy	3	3	0	0-6
Florida State	0	7	17	14-38

N—Tata, Field goal, 43

FS—Ramsey, 12 run (Cappelen kick)

N—Tata, Field goal, 46

FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 38

FS—Platt, 4, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—Platt, 36, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—Platt, 51, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

FS—King, 23, pass from Jordan (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Ramsey 5-51, Johnson 15-45, Lyles 10-32; N: Tolbert 5-27, Sherlock 14-24, Dennis 8-17

Passing—FS: Jordan 15-27-280, Woodham 5-11-70 with 2 int.; N: Leszczynski 10-20-188 with 1 int., Powers 0-2-0 with 1 int.

Receiving—FS: Platt 6-145, Unglaub 4-75, King 2-39; N: McLaughlin 1-58, Hendershot 4-43, Chapon 1-31

FLORIDA STATE 38, FLORIDA 21

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., (Nov. 25)—Florida State displayed its most balanced offensive attack of the season and the defense recorded its fifth consecutive second half shutout as the Seminoles turned back arch rival Florida, 38-21.

This was a game that fans of neither school will soon forget. A record Doak Campbell Stadium crowd of 48,432 watched the Seminoles roar to a 21-0 lead in the first 13 minutes. But, Florida came right back to knot the count at 21-21 prior to intermission.

That set the stage for the second half where the Seminole defense took control. Led by Ron Simmons and Willie Jones FSU completely shut down the Gator attack. Florida had just seven first downs in the half and four of those came on the final series. The Gators netted just 127 yards total offense in the second 30 minutes and 45 of those came during the final series.

The Seminoles wasted little time in breaking the halftime deadlock. On their second possession of the third quarter, FSU marched 71 yards in 13 plays with Homes Johnson scoring the six from seven yards away. Davy Cappelen added the PAT.

FSU increased its advantage to 10 points, 31-21, on the second play of the fourth quarter when Cappelen booted a 29-yard field goal.

Defensive end Scott Warren intercepted a Gator pass midway through the fourth quarter to set up the final Seminole touchdown. Warren, who intercepted at the Gator six, returned the ball to the three. Three plays later Wally Woodham wedged his way to paydirt from the one.

Florida State's ground game keyed the entire offensive attack. The Seminoles picked up 222 ground yards with fullback Mark Lyles gaining 100 and Johnson 66. Woodham completed 16 of 24 passes for another 179 yards and Jimmy Jordan added another 15 passing yards with a single completion. That gave the Seminoles 194 air yards and 416 yards total offense.

Florida	0	21	0	0-21
Florida State	21	0	7	10-38

FS—Lyles, 6 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Lyles, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

FS—Platt, 40, pass from Woodham (Cappelen kick)

UF—Johnson, 1 run (Yepremian kick)
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UF—Stephens, 12, pass from Brantley (Yepremian kick)
FS—Johnson, 7 run (Cappelen kick)
FS—Cappelen, Field goal, 29
FS—Woodham, 1 run (Cappelen kick)

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—FS: Lyles 13-100, Johnson 19-66, Platt 2-48;
UF: Williams 7-39, Johnson 6-35, Davis 13-32

Passing—FS: Woodham 16-24-179, Jordan 1-3-15; UF:
Brantley 13-25-171 with 3 int., Groves 5-7-71, Williams
0-1-0

Receiving—FS: Platt 3-69, Unglaub 1-19, Johnson 4-17;
UF: Stephens 6-85, Enclade 4-77, Collinsworth 4-45



1978 GAME-BY-GAME

	Score	First Downs		Rushing		Passing		TOTAL OFF		PUNTS #—AVG	Fumbles #—Lost	Penalties #—YDS	
		R-P	PT—TOT	#—NET	ATT—COM—INT—YDS	PLYS—YDS	#—AVG						
Florida State	28	17	10-1-28	49	304	32	20-1-283	81	587	7	35.7	9	75
Syracuse	0	3	2-0-5	34	72	17	9-0-76	51	148	11	30.4	4	40
Oklahoma State	20	14	4-2-20	55	261	14	5-1-67	69	307	2	37	0	0
Florida State	38	8	14-0-22	39	144	34	21-0-268	73	406	3	43.3	5	41
Florida State	31	6	5-1-12	51	130	24	14-3-133	75	263	7	46.8	3	34
Miami	21	5	5-0-10	31	211	20	9-1-114	51	325	7	34.0	3	39
Houston	27	19	5-1-25	67	332	11	7-1-79	78	411	4	37	2	1
Florida State	21	7	12-1-20	24	79	32	20-2-305	56	384	3	46.3	1	1
Cincinnati	21	9	6-1-16	45	196	22	12-1-165	67	361	6	30.7	5	25
Florida State	26	9	13-0-22	46	155	32	20-2-249	86	404	4	34.5	3	21
Florida State	27	10	14-1-25	45	130	43	20-2-297	88	427	5	27	1	1
Mississippi State	55	13	14-0-27	40	218	34	19-1-378	74	596	3	20	0	0
Florida State	3	7	12-0-19	33	111	42	21-3-220	75	331	7	39.4	2	1
Pittsburgh	7	9	7-17	57	198	20	9-1-198	77	297	9	41.2	4	3
Florida State	38	7	14-2-23	50	109	27	18-2-252	77	361	2	35.5	3	0
U. of So. Miss.	16	10	7-1-18	45	162	18	10-3-103	63	265	4	41.5	4	2
VPI	14	7	4-0-11	35	146	17	9-1-76	52	222	7	46.4	1	1
Flori-a State	24	10	12-2-24	58	272	30	17-1-198	88	470	5	47.0	0	0
Navy	6	4	7-1-12	44	110	22	10-2-188	66	298	8	41.3	3	2
Florida State	38	6	15-0-21	36	103	38	20-2-350	74	453	8	42.1	0	0
Florida	21	10	11-2-23	41	115	33	18-3-242	74	357	6	41.1	3	2
Florida State	38	9	7-0-16	45	222	27	17-0-194	72	416	5	38.6	4	1

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

1978 Football Statistics

(8-3, Home 5-1, Away 3-2)

TEAM STATISTICS	FSU	FOE
TOTAL POINTS	312	208
Points Per Game	28.4	18.9
TD/Run-Pass-Rtn	18-23-1	17-11-1
PAT Kick	39-40	22-26
PAT Run or Pass	0-2	2-3
Field Goals	7-13	2-7
Safety	0	1
FIRST DOWNS	232	184
Rushing	96	103
Passing	128	72
Penalty	8	9
3rd Dn Consistency	46.4	35.5
3rd Dn Att/Conv	207/96	152/54
TOTAL YARDAGE	4522	3587
Yds. Per Game	411.1	326.1
Ball Control Plays	845	722
Yds. Per Play	5.4	5.0
% Plays Rush-Pass	56/44	68/32
% Yds. Per Play	39-61	56/44
RUSHING YARDAGE	1773	2000
Yds. Per Game	161.2	181.8
Gained	2108	2326
Lost	335	326
Rushing Plays	476	494
Yds. Per Play	3.7	4.1
PASSING YARDAGE	2749	1587
Yds. Per Game	249.9	144.3
Att-Complete	369-206	228-117
% Completed	55.8	51.3
Yds. Per Attempt	7.5	7.0
Yds. Per Completion	13.4	13.6
INTERCEPTIONS BY	17	16
Yds. RtnD/TD	110/0	104/0
PUNTS	57	66
Yds. Punted	2279	2453
Yds. Per Punt	40.0	37.2
Blocked	0	2
PUNT RETURNS	28	12
Yds. RtnD/TD	133/1	39/0
KICKOFF RETURNS	25	40
Yds. RtnD/TD	334/0	751/0
PENALTY	53	49
Yards	493	441
FUMBLES-LOST	19-9	32-18

RESULTS AND SCHEDULE	FSU	FOE	ATTD.
Syracuse (A)	28	0	(24,272)
Oklahoma State (H)	38	20	(40,338)
Miami (A)	31	21	(25,002)
Houston (H)	21	27	(41,142)
Cincinnati (H)	26	21	(39,599)
Mississippi St. (A)	27	55	(35,000)
Pittsburgh (A)	3	7	(55,104)
So. Mississippi (A)	38	16	(23,248)
Virginia Tech (H)	24	14	(38,654)
Navy (H)	38	6	(45,795)
Florida (H)	38	21	(48,432)

TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AVG.)—416,587 (37,872)

TOTAL HOME ATTD. (AVG.)—253,960 (42,327)

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	TP
Florida State	34	104	66	108	312
Foes	51	86	36	35	208

PASSING	G	Att	Comp	Pct	Int	Yds	Td	Lg	Yds/Comp	Yds/ Game	Tot.Off/ Avg.
Jordan	10	199	108	54.3	9	1427	14	54	13.2	142.7	1330/133.0
Woodham	10	169	98	58.0	7	1322	9	72	13.5	132.2	1313/131.3
Johnson	1	1	0	—	0	0	0	0	—	—	817/ 74.3

FIELD GOALS	Made/ Att	Avg.	Long	Blkd	10-29	30-39	40+	Made
Cappelen	7-12	58.3	38	0	3-5	4-4	0-3	33,26,26,30 37,38,29
Capece	0-1	—	—	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	—
Foes	2-7	28.6	46	0	0-0	0-1	2-6	43,46

RUSHING	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	Td	Lg
Johnson	183	857	40	817	4.5	4	40
Lyles	148	659	18	641	4.3	7	37
Sims	23	145	0	145	6.3	0	21
Ramsey	40	173	35	138	3.5	2	23
Platt	9	102	25	77	8.6	0	40
Kennedy	7	39	2	37	5.3	0	23
Cherry	6	30	12	18	3.0	1	9
Wallace	2	15	0	15	7.5	0	15
Whiting	2	3	1	2	1.0	0	3
Woodham	30	50	59	-9	—	3	8
Jordan	25	35	132	-97	—	1	3
Team	1	0	11	-11	—	—	—

RECEIVING	No.	Yds	Avg	Td	Lg
Flowers	43	757	17.6	7	72
Lyles	35	364	10.4	1	26
King	23	212	9.2	4	25
Johnson	23	213	9.3	2	35
Platt	21	447	21.3	7	54
Unglaub	15	288	19.2	1	37
Keck	11	128	11.6	0	27
Ramsey	9	85	9.4	0	14
Williams	6	72	12.0	0	20
Childers	6	45	7.5	0	15
Cherry	5	63	12.6	1	52
Sims	4	34	8.5	0	15
Kennedy	3	16	5.3	0	6
Strainge	1	16	16.0	0	16
Raysor	1	9	9.0	0	9

RETURNS	Kickoff	Punts	Interc.
K. Jones	0- 0-0	24-66-0	4-32-0
Johnson	7-80-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Whiting	4-82-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Lyles	4-55-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Kennedy	3-45-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Platt	2-36-0	1- 5-0	0- 0-0
Ramsey	3-27-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Bonasorte	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	3- 3-0
Henry	0- 0-0	1- 1-0	1- 0-0
Butler	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	2-40-0
Gray	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	2-16-0
Cherry	2-19-0	0- 0-0	0- 0-0
Warren	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	2- 5-0
Hunter	0- 0-0	1-(-2)-0	0- 0-0
Simmons	0- 0-0	1-15-0	0- 0-0
Herring	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	1- 5-0
Hanks	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	1- 4-0
Kincaid	0- 0-0	0- 0-0	1- 5-0
Macek	0- 0-0	0-48-1	0- 0-0

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg	Lg
Stark	57	2279	40.0	72

SCORING	TD R-P-RTN	FGM-A	Kick XPM-A	Other XPM-A	TP
Cappelen	0-0-0	7-12	39-40	0-0	60
Lyles	7-1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	48
Flowers	0-7-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	42
Platt	0-7-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	42
Johnson	4-2-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	36
King	0-4-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	24
Woodham	3-0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	18
Cherry	1-1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Ramsey	2-0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
Jordan	1-0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Unglaub	0-1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Macek	0-0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
Capece	0-0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Player	T	A	Tot.	Big Plays
Reggie Herring, LB	70	67	137	1 Int., 2 TFL
Ron Simmons, NG	70	58	128	5 QS, 9 TFL, 3 FR, 1 CF, 1 BK
Scott Warren, DE	39	49	88	4 TFL, 1 CF, 2 Int., 1 QS
David Hanks, LB	38	50	88	1 QS, 1 Int., 1 TFL
Paul Piurowski, LB	37	47	84	1 TFL, 2 CF
Willie Jones, DE	44	38	82	10 QS, 4 TFL, 3 FR, 3 CF
Walter Carter, DT	32	44	76	2 QS, 3 TFL, 2 CF
F. Bonasorte, DB	36	36	72	3 Int., 1 FR, 3 CF
Arthur Scott, DT	27	29	56	1 QS, 3 TFL, 2 FR, 1 CF
Jeremy Mindlin, DT	24	31	55	4 QS, 1 TFL, 2 FR
Mark Macek, DT	14	37	51	3 QS, 3 FR, 1 CF
Mike Kincaid, DB	16	22	38	1 QS, 1 Int., 2 TFL, 2 FR, 1 CF, 1 BK
Charles Ferguson, LB	22	12	34	3 TFL
Bobby Butler, DB	20	10	30	2 Int., 2 BK
Keith Jones, DB	22	7	29	1 QS, 4 Int., 5 TFL, 1 FR
E. Richardson, DE	15	10	25	1 TFL
Mike Smith, DB	11	12	23	2 TFL
James Gilbert, NG	6	14	20	1 CF
Hector Gray, DB	12	5	17	2 Int., 2 TFL
Carlton Jones, DE	9	5	14	
Ivory Joe Hunter, DB	8	3	11	
Gary Henry, DB	5	6	11	1 Int.
Jarvis Coursey, LB	3	2	5	
Michael Whiting, FB	3	2	5	
Scott McLean, DE	2	2	4	1 FR
Scott Redditt, DT	0	2	2	
Keith Baker, LB	0	2	2	
James Harris, DB	1	0	1	

KEY: T-tackle; A-assist; QS-quarterback sack; Int-interception; TFL-tackles for loss; FR-fumble recovery; CF-caused fumble; BK-blocked kick.

SEASON HIGHS

INDIVIDUAL

Longest run from scrimmage for TD—22, Lyles vs. Miami
 Longest run, no score—40, Johnson vs. Virginia Tech; Platt vs. Florida
 Longest pass for TD—72, Woodham to Flowers vs. Houston
 Longest pass, no score—37, Jordan to Unglaub vs. Syracuse
 Longest punt return for TD—48, Macek vs. Miami
 Longest punt return, no score—15, Simmons vs. Miami
 Longest pass interception for TD—none.
 Longest pass interception, no score—40, Butler vs. Miami
 Most pass interceptions—2, Butler vs. Miami; Warren vs. Florida
 Longest punt—72, Stark vs. Miami
 Most TD's—3, Johnson vs. Oklahoma State; Platt vs. Navy
 Most passes attempted—43, Jordan vs. Mississippi State

Most passes completed—20, Jordan vs. Mississippi State
Most yards passing—297, Jordan vs. Mississippi State
Most passes caught—9, Flowers vs. Cincinnati; Flowers vs. Miss. State
Most TD passes caught—3, Platt vs. Navy
Most pass yardage gained—165, Flowers vs. Houston
Most rushing attempts—27, Johnson vs. Virginia Tech
Most yards rushing—152, Johnson vs. Virginia Tech
Most total offense attempts—50, Jordan vs. Mississippi State
Most total offense yards—273, Jordan vs. Mississippi State
Most FG's attempted—2, Cappelen vs. Oklahoma State, Pitt, Virginia Tech
Most FG's made—1, Cappelen vs. seven opponents

TEAM

Longest TD play—72, Woodham pass to Flowers vs. Houston
Most rushing plays—58 vs. Virginia Tech
Most yards rushing—304 vs. Syracuse
Most passes attempted—43 vs. Mississippi State
Most passes completed—21 vs. Oklahoma State
Most passes had intercepted—3 vs. Pitt
Most yards passing—350 vs. Navy
Most plays, rush and pass—88 vs. Mississippi State, Virginia Tech
Most yards, total offense—587 vs. Syracuse
Most first downs—28 vs. Syracuse
Most fumbles—3 vs. Oklahoma State, So. Mississippi
Most fumbles lost—3 vs. Oklahoma State



1978 FOOTBALL HONORS

JIMMY JORDAN

Sports Illustrated — Offensive Player of Week vs. Oklahoma State

ABC — Co-Offensive Player of Game vs. Navy

Associated Press — All-South Independent (2nd team)

RON SIMMONS

ABC — Defensive Player of Game vs. Miami

ABC — Defensive Player of Game vs. Navy

Associated Press — All-South Independent

Associated Press — All-American (honorable mention)

Football News — All-American (3rd team)

WILLIE JONES

Associated Press — All-South Independent

Hula Bowl

Senior Bowl

United Press International — All-American (2nd team)

Associated Press — All-American (honorable mention)

Associated Press — Southeastern Lineman of Week vs. Southern Miss.

Sporting News — All-American (honorable mention)

NATE HENDERSON

Can-Am Bowl

Associated Press — All-South Independent

Associated Press — All-American (honorable mention)

SAM PLATT

ABC — Co-offensive Player of Game vs. Navy

MIKE GOOD

Associated Press — All-South Independent

Associated Press — All-American (honorable mention)

DAVE CAPPELEN

Associated Press — All-South Independent (2nd team)

JACKIE FLOWERS

Associated Press — All-South Independent

Associated Press — All-American (honorable mention)

Sporting News — All-American (honorable mention)

HOMES JOHNSON

Associated Press — Southeastern Back of Week vs. Syracuse

United Press International — National Backfield of Week vs. Syracuse

SCOTT WARREN

Atlanta Journal — Deep South Lineman of Week vs. Florida

Churchman's Sports Hall of Fame — All-American

WALLY WOODHAM

Associated Press — Southeastern Back of Week vs. Florida

GIL WESLEY

Churchman's Sports Hall of Fame — All-American

BOBBY BOWDEN

Churchmen's Sports Hall of Fame — Co-Coach of the Year