

Seminoles Crush Whiting Field Under 74-0 Score

Indian Backs Stage 11 Touchdown Parade

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Florida State University opened its 1949 grid season with a dazzling display of scoring strength here last night as they buried Whiting Field under an avalanche of touchdowns and crushed the service eleven from West Florida under a score of 74-0.

A crowd of around 6,800 fans watched the Seminoles roll relentlessly up and down Centennial field as they scored in every period to set a new modern high-scoring mark for the school. The old record was established in the 33-12 victory over Tampa University in the 1948 season finale.

The victory was the seventh in a row over a two-year span for Coach Don Veller's defending Dixie conference champions who won their last six starts last year after bowing to Erskine in mid-October.

The service eleven was game to the end, but was unable to cope with the bevy of fast, powerful backs and bulky string of linemen that Veller threw into the horribly one-sided contest.

The Seminoles scored in every period, and from almost every point on the field as they rolled up 393 yards along the ground and added 111 more yards through the airways.

11 TD's

Seven players figured in the 11-touchdown parade, with little Ernie Reddick leading the pack with three TD's. Ralph Chaudron and Buddy Strauss accounted for two tallies apiece, and Ken MacLean, Red Parrish, Charlie Johnson and Irwin Hanson picked up singletons.

Hanson added eight points from placement to complete the carnage.

Coach J. P. Kessler's naval base eleven was held to a net gain of 68 yards and four first downs, as the alert Indians halted them in their tracks both on the ground and in the airways.

The Seminoles blocked and tackled in almost mid-season form. Practically every combination of forwards that Veller employed charged hard on both the offense and defense.

Little All-American tackle Hugh Adams, center Joe Marcus and end Whitey Urquhart featured the bruising Seminole line play.

Every man in uniform on both squads got in the game.

FIRST QUARTER

Red Parrish took the opening kickoff on his 10 and raced back to the 43 as the Seminoles opened the 1949 season with a bang. MacLean and Parrish got 10 in two tries and a 15-yard penalty moved the Indians to the 34. MacLean slashed to the 18, and Strauss spun to the nine. MacLean cut back inside right end for the score. McClure failed to convert.

After Whiting had punted out on the Seminole 28, FSU went right back on the attack. With Strauss carrying the load, FSU went to the one, and Strauss

banged over for the score. Hanson converted and FSU led 13-0.

Whiting got its first opportunity when they pounced on a fumble on the 26, but four passes failed and the threat died.

SECOND QUARTER

The Seminoles ripped and tore through Whiting Field in the second period to score five times and set a new scoring record for the three years the grid game has been played at the Seminole school. The old mark of 33 points was set against Tampa last year.

Buddy Strauss started the parade with a 53-yard dash on a quick opener over the middle.

Four plays later Whiting punted and FSU was off again. Chaudron took the boot, faked a reverse to Reddick and galloped 75 yards down the east sideline.

Ernie Reddick bounded into the picture with two quickies. He skirted left end for 15 yards for

the first one, then intercepted a pass and ran 20 yards for the second.

Reserve back Charlie Johnson completed the carnage with a 52-yard slant over tackle in the closing second of the period. Halfback Irwin Hanson converted after all five scores. Score at halftime, FSU 48, Whiting Field 0.

THIRD PERIOD

After being held scoreless until midway in the period, FSU scored twice in the last seven minutes of the quarter. Parrish rambled 16 yards on a reverse to run the score to 54-0. Foy's key block paved the way for the TD. Hanson converted again to make it 55-0.

A Peterson to Reddick pass put the Indians on the 15 seconds later, and Chaudron scored from there, weaving his way over the middle. Hanson finally missed.

Peterson passed to Reddick on a scoring play covering 55 yards, and the quarter ended with FSU leading 68-0.

FOURTH QUARTER

Place kicking specialist Irwin Hanson added a touchdown to his evening's work on the first play of the final period when he bulled through the line for four yards and a touchdown. He missed the extra point and the score stood 74-0. That ended the scoring, though the Seminoles had moved to the 1-yard line when the game ended.

STATISTICS

	FSU	Whit
First Downs	12	4
Passes Attempted	11	16
Passes Intercepted by	4	2
Passes Completed	4	1
Yds Gained Passing	111	16
Yds Gained Rushing	391	24
Yard Lost Rushing	18	33
Total Yds Gained, Net	489	86
Number of Punts	3	11
Avg Distance Punts, Yds	45	31.5
Avg Yards Return Punts	14.5	1
Number Kickoffs	11	1
Avg Distance Kickoffs	44	30
Total Yds Ret Kickoffs	13	307
Number Fumbles	7	8
Own Fumbles Recov By	4	5
Number of Penalties	7	5
Yards Lost Penalties	35	35
Leading Ground Gainers: FSU, Strauss, 23 in 10 carries, McLean, 47 in 6, Johnson, 74 to 4 Manuel 43 in 4, Bringer, 26 in 4, Parish, 20 in 2, Peterson, 13 to 1.		
Score by Periods:		
FSU	13 35 20 6—74	
Whiting Field	0 0 0 0—0	
Scoring Touchdowns: McLean, Strauss (2), Chaudron (1), Reddick (3), Hanson, Johnson, Parish.		
Scoring Points After Touchdowns: Hanson (3).		