

Furman Cashes in On Mistakes, Breaks for 9-0 Win

SHUTOUT FIRST UNDER VELLER

Pedrick's TD, Field Goal Margin

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Florida State University's best all-round performance of the season wasn't good enough to overcome mistakes and breaks and give the Seminoles their first victory of the season yesterday as Furman's Purple Hurricane punched out a 9-0 triumph before a slim Homecoming crowd of 8,096 fans.

The Seminoles suffered their sixth loss against one tie while Furman notched its sixth win against two losses and a deadlock.

Gene Pedrick's nine-yard dash inside right tackle for a touchdown on the quarterback optional play in the third period, and Gus Pringels' 10-yard field goal in the fourth quarter were the scoring blows that broke the Seminoles backs as FSU failed to score for the first time in 41 straight games under Dr. Don Veller.

While the Seminole attack was hamstrung by penalties—one of which nullified a touchdown—and failed to produce at least one TD for the first time since Jacksonville State blanked them in the finale of the 1947 season, the offense had one of its most consistent days this fall in yards gained with Stan Dobosz, Nelson Italiano, Roy Thompson and company running for 187 yards and passing for 80 more.

led by halfback Joe Ben Cassidy, linebacker Louis Leonhardt and right tackle Mac Huey, the shaper tackling Indian defense had its probably finest day of the season.

ONE-MAN COMMITTEE

Cassidy, a fast-developing freshman from Statesboro, Ga. looked like a one-man committee who had been appointed to frustrate Furman, particularly in the second quarter. The 170-pound yearling recovered a fumble on the one-foot line to avert one score in the second period and intercepted a pass on his own two to prevent another one later in the same quarter. In addition he contributed several ringing tackles and twice came up to drop Purple runners for losses.

Huey kept coming up with key tackles in Furman drives, and Leonhardt was a second half standout.

Until Charlie West recovered a Roy Thompson fumble on the Seminole 25 midway in the third period, this was a game of goal line stands and touchdowns that never materialized for both teams.

FSU had driven to the Furman 8 and 3 in the first period, and Furman had gone to the Seminole 15, 2 and 10 in the second.

FSU got a quick chance to cash in on a break when Tommy Brown recovered Tommy Williams fumble on the first play of the second half. But the Hurricanes halted Dobosz just short of a first down on the 21 and drove out to midfield where Pringels punted dead to the 22.

KEY PLAY

On the next play Thompson fumbled. West fell on the leather, in the key play of the game, and Furman was off.

Pedrick, key in the Hurricane attack, got one and handed to fullback John Popson for another. Pedrick then pitched 11 yards to the Canes slippery halfback Russ Sutton to the nine.

On first down Pedrick slid to his right, found a hole inside right tackle and bulleted into the end

zone. He fumbled after the score, but the play had been declared dead, and Furman had a 6-0 lead.

Pringels, who had had one field goal miss wiped out by a penalty, failed to convert.

The Seminoles tried to bounce right back. They went 31 yards to Furman's 32 before a fumble and incomplete pass stopped them, then started right out again after Pringels' punt had pushed them back to their own 18.

CAN'T DO IT

With Thompson racing 17, 15 and 11 yards on extremely determined runs, the Seminoles rolled 70 yards from their 18 to a first down on the Furman 12.

Dobosz blasted right guard to the 5 and Italiano dove to the 4 as the stands chanted "we want a touchdown."

Thompson couldn't find a hole at left tackle on third down, tried to go outside and was dropped back on the 9. A five-yard penalty pushed FSU back to the 14 and West intercepted a desperation pass by Thompson on the two and ran out to the 17.

That was the Seminoles last bid. Furman drove to the FSU's 23 where Pringel's second field goal attempt was low, then got another immediate opportunity when Paul Stewart intercepted Bobby Fiveash's pass on the 20 and ran to the eight after FSU had taken over.

Three running plays mixed with two five-yard penalties for delays left the Hurricane on the 10, and Pringels finally split the uprights

from there to put the ball game out of FSU's reach with only 3:55 left in the ball game.

Tommy Williams was Furman's leading runner with 65 yards in 18 carries. Pedrick had 29 in 7 and passed for 145 more yards.

Little Dobosz, a twisting, squirming runner who won't stop until he's knocked down and held, rolled up 113 yards in 22 work-horse carries to lead FSU. Thompson

had 52, most of them coming on those three runs which sparked the fourth drive. Italiano ran for 22 and connected on five of 10 passes for 69 more.

FIRST HALF BATTLE

The two teams battled scorelessly through a first half that was fairly evenly divided with the Seminoles dominating the first period and the Purple Hurricanes taking over in the second quarter when they staged three serious threats.

Florida State twice made a bid for a score at the outset of the game. Buddy Bryant gave the Indians their first opportunity, stealing a Pedrick pitch on his 38 and flitting to the 'Cane 38. With Dobosz, a great runner all day, slashing at the middle and Italiano completing a six-yard pitch to Campbell, FSU drove to a first down at the 15. Here the Hurricanes braced, stopped stocky Stan Dobosz three times and Italiano once and took over on their own 8.

Pringels punted out dead to his own 46, and back came State, striving for that score. Dobosz kept riddling the middle and Ital-shots to Woodham, Dobosz and Campbell, with the pass to Co-Captain Curt going from the 17 to the 4.

Dobosz dove for one at right guard, then butted over left guard into the end zone only to have the score nullified by a penalty and the Seminoles set back to the 8. There they stalled as three straight passes failed and Furman took over.

FSU kept the 'Canes bottled up, but Thompson fumbled a Pringels punt on the Furman 43, and the Purple almost cashed in on the break. Aided by a beautiful 37-yard screen pass play from Pedrick to Popson, Furman went to the 15 before Troy Barnes recovered a wild pitchout from Pedrick to stop the drive.

STORM RIGHT BACK

Brown kicked out to his 44, but the Hurricanes stormed right back. With Williams, Sutton and Popson hitting on the ground and Pedrick spearing Sutton with a fine 16-yard aerial, Furman went to the 10. Huey, Jacobs and Cassidy rose up to stop two plays and Pringels was wide with a fourth down field goal attempt. FSU was caught offside, however, and penalized five yards to their four. Williams cracked for a first down on the two, but on the next play Popson fumbled and Cassidy fell on the ball a foot from the goal to give FSU possession.

Brown kicked out again, this time to his 39, and for the third time the Purple made a strong bid. A reverse to Williams and a Pedrick-to-Barefoot pass helped them to the 10. Two Pedrick pitches failed and Cassidy intercepted a third on his two and streaked out to the 17. The ball had been baited into the air when Joe Ben latched on to it.

With time running out Florida State got its attack back into gear in a race against the clock. Dobosz ran 13 yards to his 30, Thompson went to the 36 and Italiano to his 43. On that play a Furman player was booed roundly when it appeared he had twisted Italiano's leg on the sidelines. Dobosz broke away and ran to the Furman 37 as the half ended.

TEAM STATISTICS

	Furman	FSU
First downs	14	14
By passing	6	8
By rushing	7	11
By penalty	1	0
Rushing yardage (net)	142	187
Yards lost	15	26
Passing yardage	145	80
Passes attempted	17	17
Passes completed	8	6
Number punts	5	4
Punting average	34.0	41.7
Number fumbles	4	4
Fumbles lost by	2	2
Yards gained all kicks returned	46	89
Yards gained kickoff returns	17	87
Yards gained punt returns	28	2
Number penalties	7	12
Yards penalized	45	90
Touchdowns	1	0
Points after touchdowns	0	0
Field goals	1	0
Safeties	0	0
Final score	9	0
Score by period:		
Furman	0 0 0 9	
Florida State	0 0 0 0	
Furman scoring touchdown: Pedrick.		
Field goal: Pringles (Furman).		

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

FURMAN

	Leading Rushers			Net
	Carried	Yards	Loss	
T. Williams	18	65	9	56
Pedrick	7	29	0	29
Popson	9	28	0	28
Steele	2	15	0	15

Leading Passers

	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Yds.	TD's
Pedrick	17	9	2	145	0

Leading Pass Receivers

	Caught	Yards	TD's
Popson	2	48	0
Sutton	2	33	0

Leading Punters

	Number	Blocked	Avg.
Pringles	5	0	34.0

FLORIDA STATE

Leading Rushers

	Carried	Yards	Loss	Gain
Dobosz	22	113	4	109
Thompson	7	52	9	43
Italiano	7	22	3	19

Leading Passers

	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Yds.	TD's
Italiano	10	5	0	69	0
Fivesash	5	1	1	11	0

Leading Pass Receivers

	Caught	Yards	TD's
Dobosz	1	38	0
Campbell	3	30	0

Leading Punters

	Number	Blocked	Avg.
T. Brown	4	0	41.7

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FURMAN

Ends—Russell, Barefoot, Lamney, J. Hart, Hulet.
Tackles—Steele, Reed, Williams, Young, Ray.
Guards—Cobb, Banks, Peroni, Botha, Reed, W. Williams.
Centers—Marlow, Peddicord, Maddox.
Backs—Stewart, T. Williams, Speed, Sutton, Hansbrough, West, Craver, Barry, Davidson, Pedrick, Pringles, Dillinger, Horie, Popson, Kille.
Florida State

FLORIDA STATE

Ends—MacDonald, Bryant, Campbell, King, Green.
Tackles—Sorensen, O'Neal, Barnes, Pula, Breyer, Merrill, Whiles, Bush.
Guards—Jacobs, Johnson, Carnes, Huey, Woodruff, D. Powell, Leon Ard.
Centers—Boyer, Crenshaw.
Backs—Fivesash, Dobosz, Taylor, Cassidy, Brown, Rubin, Bringer, Italiano, Thompson, Woodham.