

Sarnia Too Strong For 1956 Champs

Victors Get 415 Yards Rushing, 309 in Last Quarter Alone

SARNIA—Displaying a precision ground attack, Sarnia Golden Bears whipped Kitchener Dutchmen 26-14 here Monday before a record crowd of more than 5,700.

With quarterback Gene Roseng doing some wharflike ball handling the Sarnia backfield rolled to 415 yards along the ground. During the entire game the Bears' offensive line opposed huge holes in the Dutchmen's defense, and in the last half the hard running Sarnia backfield compiled 309 yards rushing.

Except for the first eight minutes of the third quarter, the locals completely dominated the play. They blocked fiercely on offense and the defensive line continually rubbed Bob Celert all afternoon.

The Bears' ground attack, led by Bob Hill, Tom Drinnell, Dick Dixon, Gene Lokenta and Dick Gregory was the whole show as they were unable to break the strong Kitchener pass defense.

Import fullback, Bob Hill established himself as the hero of the day driving over for two touchdowns, the last of which proved to be the clincher. Hill came into the Bears' backfield after being injured on the first play of the third quarter and bulldozed over from the huddle with four Kitchener men riding him.

That Nixon pulled off three punt return runs of more than 40 yards, one of which was a 40 yard dash on a Celert punt for a touchdown. In the third quarter Tom Drinnell broke straight through center for a 35-yard gallop before being stopped on the Kitchener 10.

The retaliation pounding by the Bears' backfield through the Dutchmen line was made possible by some of the finest blocking displayed by a Sarnia line in several years.

The Bears picked up 161 yards in the air, mostly in the first half, with Roseng completing nine for 22 forwards. The flashy quarterback passed only four times in the final 30 minutes.

Kitchener took advantage of two Sarnia errors to score. Early in the first quarter, import fullback Royal Bailey intercepted a Sarnia lateral and ran 45 yards for a major.

That early after water came in the third quarter when Dick Gregory was called for pass interference on the Bears' 14-yard line, and five plays later import halfback Mike Norcia went over from the one. Norcia converted one major and Celert kicked a single.

The hard-charging Sarnia defensive front will rubbed Celert throughout the afternoon. Time and time again defensive ends Omer Hartman and Walter Jenkins broke through on the former All-American.

Despite the rushing, Celert hit for 18 out of 27 forward passes, for 215 yards, but the Bears' deep pass defenses led by Dick Gregory and Jim Lang prevented him from connecting with his famous long one. On the ground, the Dutchmen were held to 108 yards rushing.

Three times the Bears were within the Kitchener 20 and failed to score, being the ball twice on fumbles and twice on downs.

After an early first quarter drive, Bears were stopped inside the Kitchener 20 on a fumble, the ball changed hands rapidly. The Dutchmen struck for a touchdown before the midway point of the quarter with Bailey intercepting a lateral and punting 45 yards. Norcia converted.

The Bears were halted on the Dutchmen nine after Bob Smith galloped 20 yards with a beautiful pass, a few minutes later they were halted again but Gene Lokenta hoisted a 30-yard field goal early in the second half.

The Sarnia attack suddenly went to the ground again with 220-pound Bob Hill carrying the front of the weight, the Bears scored their first touchdown with Hill plowing over from the one. Lokenta added the convert.

Moving into the second half leading 15-0, the Bears saw their lead disappear. A pass interception set up a Kitchener drive and when pass interference was called on the A. Celert hit former Toronto Allie and Al Hamilton on the three, but it took three plays before Norcia plunged over. The convert was missed.

Once again Sarnia moved down field, pumpled by a 20-yard run from scrimmage by Tom Drinnell, but they could not get the ball over from the 16. Dick Dixon brought the crowd to its feet with a 40-yard return of Celert's punt for a touchdown. Lokenta converted and the three-quarter time score read 17-0.

With the Bears' ground attack running in high gear, the Kitchener line once again held on the alternate line. Celert in a desperate attempt to pull

the game out of the fire, took to the air, but was forced to settle for a single point.

Starting from their own 25, the Bears drove 85 yards in nine plays for the clinching touchdown. With third down on the Dutchmen's four, Coach Joe Zedaki sent Bob Hill in at fullback and the guest from Mississippi carried the mail over. Lokenta converted.

The Bears rolled to 29 first downs, while Kitchener was held to 18.

Kitchener-Waterloo — Flying wing, Foshuk; halves, Bryden, Steyer, Loucks, King, Johnson, Norcia, Bailey, McPherson, Bush; center, Celert; center, Pateman; guards, Mooney, Jenkins, Barton, Brooks, Stamborg, Ford, O'Connell; tackles, Musyka, Finch, Smith, Bishop, Jenette; ends, Weary, Trafic, Romine, Gilmore, Pagan.

Sarnia — Flying wings, R. Smith, Phillips; halves, McAffee, Drinnell, Dixon, Gregory, Macey, Lokenta, McCrever, Hill; quarters, Rossi, Downwell; center, Hastings, Derry; guards, Hartman, Chase, Lightfoot, Horner, Carleton; tackles, Jenkins, Newlock, Ryers, R. Smith, McNichol, McCrever; ends, Long, McDonald, Mackey, B. Sobel.

First Quarter

1—K.W., touchdown (Bailey), 10:50.

2—K.W., convert (Pagan), 11:20.

Second Quarter

3—Sarnia, field goal (Lokenta), 10:00.

4—Sarnia—touchdown (Hill), 10:30.

5—Sarnia, convert (Lokenta), 11:00.

Third Quarter

6—A.W., touchdown (Norcia), 10:00.

7—Sarnia, touchdown (Dixon), 10:30.

8—Sarnia, convert (Lokenta), 11:00.

Fourth Quarter

Kitchener, single (Celert), 10:00.

Sarnia, touchdown (Hill), 10:30.

Sarnia, convert (Lokenta), 11:00.

August Dry For Sarnians

Rainfall Lightest In Past 10 Years

SARNIA—Hard to believe, but this was the driest August in 10 years.

A month-end report released today by Emerson Station, local weather forecaster, shows 1.2 inches of rain fell here last month.

Mr. Shelton said most people do not realize August was so dry because they have forgotten most of it came late in the month.

In fact, he said, between July 22 and Aug. 24 there was hardly any rain at all except a small sprinkle.

In 1951, the next lowest August rainfall in the 10-year period, two inches fell. Last year 1.25 inches fell in August.

Temperatures in August this year ranged about normal for the season, Mr. Shelton said.

Beauty Title To Strathroy

GRAND BEND—A 19-year-old Strathroy girl is the latest Miss Grand Bend. Janet Forwerth was crowned before an estimated 8,000 persons Saturday during the village's Labor Day celebration.

She also received \$500 as part of her prize. Miss Forwerth and the runner-up, Helen Vollbrecht, 23, 119 Oxford St., London, Ont., will be contestants at Windsor for the Miss Western Ontario title.

A variety show and the beauty contest were sponsored for the last time by the Grand Bend promotion committee. Next year the new Chamber of Commerce takes over the task.

Third and fourth places in the contest went to Betty Jacobs, 21, Detroit, and Carol Bombardier, 19, London, Ont. Judges were Frank Guile and Bill Row of London and Miss Frances Bessner of Kitchener.

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Driver Badly H

SARNIA—A Sarnia man is in serious condition in General Hospital with injuries received when his car struck a tree Monday night.

William R. Harkness, 36, 143 London Rd., received a fractured hip and knee and internal injuries when his car left the road.