

Northeast High School St. Petersburg, Florida

News Clippings From the Day

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Northeast, SPHS Renew Grid Wars

One of the city's oldest rival football matchups is set to resume when St. Petersburg's Northeast High School and St. Petersburg Senior High School renew their rivalry on the gridiron.

Probable Starters

Position	Name
Quarterback	Tommy Davis
Running Back	John Smith
Fullback	Mike Jones
Wide Receiver	Bob Clark
Tight End	Steve Brown
Offensive Line	Al Green
Defensive Line	Ray White
Linebacker	Sam Black
Defensive Back	Dick Gray
Kicker	Pat Blue

Included are Jacky Tommy Davis and senior John Smith. Northeast's defense is led by Al Green, who is expected to lead the team in sacks.

Northeast Claims 1st Victory 26-

Bob Clark

Making His Pitch



The Pitcher for the Northeast High School team, Bob Clark, is shown in action during a game. He is wearing a white uniform and is captured in the middle of his pitching motion. The text next to him reads 'Making His Pitch'.

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They sing out for HOOTENANNIES

By THELMA MOSSMAN
Of The Today Staff

Hootenanny!

That's the biggest word in music for teen-agers since the advent of Elvis Presley and rock 'n' roll.

The hootenanny and folk singing craze is sweeping the nation. And St. Petersburg is no exception. A number of hootenannies have been staged in St. Petersburg recently with more folk singing get-togethers scheduled at most of the high schools. Teen-age parties often turn into informal hootenannies.

Folk songs by definition have strong emotional appeal. And appeal they do — especially to teens and the college crowd.

"I love folk songs. They have a mood that lifts you into a feeling of optimism. At the end, when the music stops, I feel elated and at peace. It's almost spiritual," explains a Florida Presbyterian coed.

A sophomore boy at Seminole High adds, "Folk songs have a certain appeal to everyone. They have an emotion to them that is contagious."

But all folk singing fans don't like all folk singers. And a lot depends on what type of songs are presented. Purists insist that folk songs be historically legitimate — or at least sound so. They adhere to groups like Peter, Paul and Mary.

Other enjoy a blend of the "modern" folk songs and the genuine. They are fans of the earlier groups who launched the folk singing craze like the Kingston Trio and Brothers Four.

Whether folk singing will last is a matter of considerable debate among teens. Many believe it to be just another passing fad. Others believe it will out do rock 'n' roll for longevity.

"Folk songs will last. They have lasted over a hundred years; they will probably last another hundred," says a senior boy at St. Petersburg High School.

"It won't last long," argues SPHS senior Jackie Dorton. "It's just another phase like Johnny Mathis. For a while everyone liked Johnny Mathis. Now it's collegiate to like folk songs, so they're popular."

"No one can say how long it will last," says a senior boy at Dixie Hollins. "It is

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Staff Color Photo
By Dan Hightower

SING-ALONG IN FOLK-STYLE — Foreground, Frank Walters; seated on floor, Pat Case and Bill Philp; second row, seated, Ty Monfort and Karen Kelsay; standing, Boone Kessler, Pat Lee, Andy Patruska, Dick Hartman, Beverly

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definitely a fad. It started with the colleges, now everyone likes it. It will last as long as it has a newness about it."

"It may last another year if they still have the 'Hootenanny' program on television," a junior girl at Northeast High School believes. "I think that was one of the main reasons folk singing became popular. People wanted a change from rock 'n' roll."

Many teens are hold outs from the craze. They believe folk singing will never be as popular as rock 'n' roll was in its hey day.

"One reason is you can't dance to them as well as you can rock 'n' roll," a junior boy at Boca Ciega claims.

A reflection of the current popularity of folk singing is the formation of folk singing

groups similar to the rock 'n' roll bands that were organized in the late 1950's.

One local group of students, The Fishermen, won the Radio W I L Z-sponsored hootenanny last spring. They have since turned professional.

Members of the group are Tom Silbert, bass, a Largo High School senior; Bill Farrington, banjo, and Jim Thompson, guitar, St. Petersburg Junior College freshmen. They have performed at Port-o-Call, the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Lions Club and Outrigger Inn. The Fishermen alternate between serious folk songs and contemporary take-offs.

THREE ST. PETERSBURG High students, The Castaways, have been singing together for a year. Members are guitar players Jere Lykins and Alan Armstrong and singer Billie Jean Johnson. The group has

performed locally and will be entertaining at school assemblies and dances.

Several Northeast High students have formed The Legends. Members are Taylor Monfort, guitar; Frank Walters, tenor guitar; and Dale Hadley, banjo.

ANOTHER FOLK singing group is being formed at Florida Presbyterian College. It includes Don Cunningham, guitar; Jennifer Jones, singer; Ranky Beckom, banjo; and Bob Dennis, guitar. The group strives for authenticity in folk song delivery.

The Curriers, a group from St. Petersburg Junior College, is being re-organized because two former members have moved away. Members are Randy Hopkins, Johnny Taylor, Mike Cross and John Wilson. This group concentrates on the purest type of folk songs.

Peter, Paul And Mary

Folk Trio Movin' Into Big Time



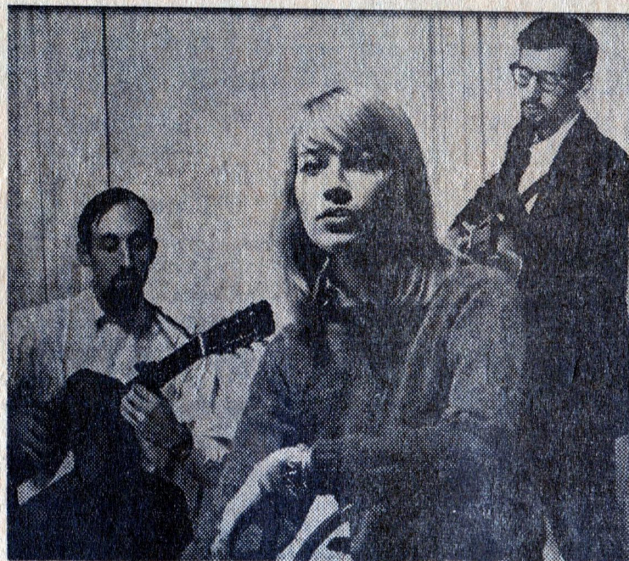
Peter, Paul and Mary made real news last week as they established a new all-time record — three albums in the top five. "Movin'" and "Peter, Paul and Mary" were joined by their new smash album, "In The Wind."

It's a sweet life for James Gilmer. His "Sugar Shack" emerged on the top of the hill in the top ten singles. Ray Charles has another hot winner. His "Busted" shot up to the number two spot.

Here's the rundown:

TOP TEN SINGLES

1. "Sugar Shack" — James Gilmer
2. "Busted" — Ray Charles
3. "Be My Baby" — The Ronettes
4. "Washington Square" — Village Stompers
5. "Deep Purple" — April Stevens & Nino Tempo
6. "Donna The Prima Donna" — Dion
7. "Blue Velvet" — Bobby Vinton



PETER, PAUL AND MARY

8. "Mean Woman Blues" — Roy Orbison
9. "I Can't Stay Mad At You" — Skeeter Davis
10. "Cry Baby" — Garnet Mimms

TOP FIVE ALBUMS

1. "The Second Barbara Streisand Album" — Barbara Streisand
2. "In The Wind" — Peter, Paul and Mary
3. "Movin'" — Peter, Paul and Mary
4. "Bye Bye Birdie" — Soundtrack
5. "Peter, Paul and Mary" — Peter, Paul and Mary

Picks for future hits: Singles: "It's All Right" — Impressions; "You Lost The Sweetest Boy" — Mary Wells; and "Workout, Stevie, Workout" — Little Stevie Wonder.

Albums: "September Song" — Jimmy Durante; "Surfer Girl" — Beach Boys; and "Painted Tainted Rose" — Al Martino.

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Vikings' Ward To Resign Post

By **BILL BUCHALTER**
Of The Times Staff

Loran V. Ward will step down as head football coach at Northeast High School effective at the end of this season.

Ward turned in his resignation yesterday to Principal John Sexton. He will continue as athletic director and history teacher for the remainder of the school year but his future plans are indefinite.

WARD TOLD The Times in an exclusive interview last night that he thought the change would do him good and the players good.

"They don't want to play my type of football and I'm not going to change to their's," he said.

Ward has been coaching since 1948 and never had a losing season until he came to Northeast. Last season he directed the Vikes to a 6-4 record, best in the school's brief history.

The Vike coach came to St. Petersburg in 1956 as an assistant to Robert Kahler. He took over the head job in 1959. Next year's head coach will be the fourth in a 10-year span for Northeast.

WARD ADMITTED the Vike job "hasn't been a bed of roses." Several incidents have occurred in the past few years which had created mounting pressure on him, he said.

"I didn't want to leave last spring because I didn't want people to think I was running away from several incidents that took place," Ward said that he had several coaching opportunities in other states but decided to return to Northeast.

He admitted "there has been problems and a lack of loyalty among assistants in the past." But he added that "this is not the reason I am leaving. I don't feel that the kids have given me as much as I've given them."

LAST YEAR Ward said he put in numerous extra hours helping five Vike gridders earn college scholarships. He said he was prepared to do as much this year but the club nose-dived to five straight losses following a season-opening tie to arch-rival St. Petersburg High.

Ward served as head coach and athletic director at Logan High School, Logan, W. Va., for three years. Prior to that he coached at Point Marion, Pa., and at West Virginia University.

"I **JUST** don't know how it's going to feel to be out of coaching," said Ward.

Here is the text of Ward's letter of resignation:

"Dear Mr. Sexton,

"I have spent some time thinking out what I plan to say and do.

"You have been fair and square with me and I want to put the cards on the table.

"You know and I know I'm not a quitter but I feel that in fairness to you and in the best interest of football at Northeast High School that I should step aside at the end of this football season as head coach.

"**I FEEL** this should be done due to the lack of response to my coaching from the boys. I have tried all available methods to get desired results but none have worked as the results in wins and losses plainly show.

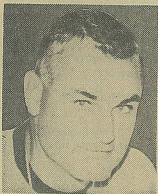
"I would like to finish out the school year (June 1964) as athletic director and American History teacher.

Sincerely,

Loran Ward."

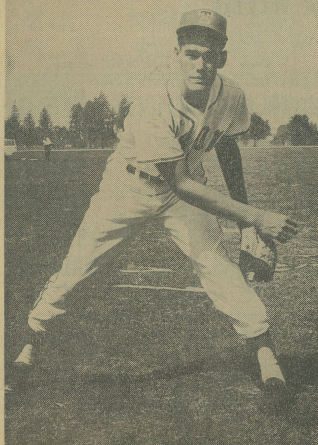
Principal Sexton commented that "He's a good man and I hate to see him go."

He added "We'll start looking after the season is over."



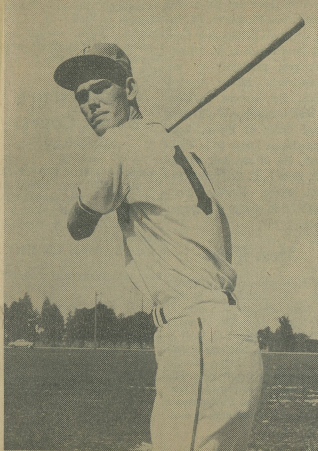
LORAN WARD

... plans indefinite



To Pitch Or To Bat?

Former Northeast High star Larry Holly could have a problem. He led the city a year ago with a .489 batting average but prefers to pitch. He'll be pitching for the New Tampa Tarpons of the Florida State League and it's likely he'll go against the St. Pete Cardinals early this year. And if he doesn't outpitch the Cards he might be able to out-bat them.



Bob Chick



Making His Pitch

When you're 19 years old and a professional baseball player, the world is bright, the future promising and the past a memory.

There's probably more than a thought or two given by Larry Holly today for the picture a year ago of a high school title race at Northeast, a sub-group and group championship and a near miss in a bid for a state berth.

But these can be only occasional thoughts for Holly for the young pitcher will be baptized in the Florida State League this summer as a member of the Tampa Tarpons.

Holly, who pitched late last summer for Aberdeen, N.D., a Cincinnati farm club in the Northern Rookie League following graduation from Northeast, was given a slight raise over his first season's paycheck and could be on the mound when the Tarpons face the St. Pete Cardinals in Tampa May 1.

Tampa manager Lou Fitzgerald figures Larry to be one of his front line pitchers and feels Holly "found himself late in the Winter Instructional League season."

"This is the year," said Holly as he hopefully spoke of

the 144-game season ahead. "It's the type of weather I like to pitch in because you get a chance to work up a good sweat and really do your best."

Although no disappointment last season at Aberdeen, Holly had some difficulty adjusting to the variances in the weather and the accordion-type temperatures.

"I'll stay in this game one way or the other. If some day they chase me off as a pitcher I'll just pick up a bat and try swinging. This is the profession I love and the profession I want to stay in," he said confidently.

And, according to Tarpon owner Mitchell Mick, Holly by his own dedication to the game could be on the road to success. Mick, who has been associated with baseball longer than Louisville has been with bats, has said that "only 40 per cent of your Class A players are truly dedicated. The other 60 are more or less goof-offs. It's the 40 per cent with the chance."

Holly's own dedication to the game is found in an 8:30 batting drill. "We don't report much before 10 a.m., but Tinker Flynn (another pitcher) and myself get here early to get an hour or two more in at the batting cage."

Holly, as you remember, puts batting right next to pitching. He led the city preppers last year with a .489 mark and if the time ever comes that he doesn't have the stuff to climb up the minor league hill he'll perhaps become a shortstop. But not if he can help it.

There's a great deal of optimism he has in his pitching. "I'm getting a lot more stuff on the ball. The curve is breaking more and the fast ball is starting to work. My biggest problem is keeping it low. I had a tendency to get the ball too high, but instruction has helped and I've been able to snap my wrist and put more spin into the ball."

An owner of a 2.45 earned-run average during Winter Instructional League play, Holly's biggest moments as a professional came during the last game of the season when he was pitching against St. Louis. He got Cardinal outfielder Curt Flood on strikes and limited Mike Shannon to one hit in three times at bat as the St. Pete resident pitched five innings, gave up six hits and posted a 3-1 victory.

"He has had an excellent spring," said Fitzgerald. Holly hopes to have an excellent summer. It would suit Tampa... and St. Pete.

Pinellas Secondary School Chief Dies



JOHN M. SEXTON
... noted educator.

John M. Sexton, director of secondary schools for the Pinellas County School system and nationally known in education, died Tuesday (July 4) at a local hospital after a brief illness.

Sexton suffered a heart attack Friday at his home, 1909 Arrowhead Place NE. He was 58.

His appointment as director of the county's junior and senior high schools was announced last week by Dr. Thomas B. Southard, superintendent of education.

PREVIOUSLY he had served as director of accreditation and

federal fund deployment for county schools; was principal of Northeast High School from 1954 until 1965; principal of South Side Junior High 1948-54 and St. Petersburg High School head football coach 1943 and 1945-47.

Sexton's broad understanding of secondary education and guidance and his ability to innovate brought him national recognition.

He was named president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals in 1964, an organization attracting

10,000 delegates to its national conventions.

TWICE HE was invited to Washington to attend presidential conferences, in 1960 by President Eisenhower and in 1964 by President Johnson to witness the signing of a three-year extension of the National Defense Education Act.

During the past two years he has been a member of study teams visiting Mexico, Central and South America evaluating American schools which have applied for accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Sexton was one of 23 educators on a national committee to develop through large-scale use of computers, comprehensive information about a student's school career to aid in a cooperative plan for guidance and admission to college.

HIS READY WIT and jovial personality made him much in demand as a speaker and master of ceremonies. He had been called on to introduce such personalities as Henry Cabot Lodge, James B. Conant, former president of Harvard and ambassador to Germany; Sen. William Fulbright and Adam Clayton Powell.

Born in Albia, Iowa, Sexton compiled an outstanding record in athletics before turning to school administration. He was named all-America guard for Catholic schools in 1933 while playing football at DePaul University in Chicago and played professional football a year with the Chicago Cardinals.

After coaching championship teams in Iowa in football, basketball and track, he came to St. Petersburg in 1943 to coach the St. Petersburg Green Devils.

He received his master's degree in education from Drake University and turned to administration, developing outstanding academic programs at South Side and Northeast and winning a host of friends among parents, teachers and students.

He was a former president of the Florida High School Principal's Association, past president of the St. Petersburg Rotary Club, member of the Quarterhack Club and was listed in Who's Who in America.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Jane Scott Sexton; a son, Air Force Lt. John Dennis Sexton, Montgomery, Ala.; a daughter, Miss Suzanne Sexton, Washington, D.C., and a grandson, John Michael Sexton, Montgomery.

Services will be announced by John S. Rhodes Inc., West Chapel.

Northeast Claims 1st Victory 26-0

By HARRY TOCCE
Of The Times Staff

Northeast High's Vikings ended a seven-game famine last night by feasting on Bishop Barry's Barons for a 26-0 victory in a Pinellas County Conference football game at Stewart Field.

The Vikes, led by fullback Corey Coughlin and halfbacks Tom Waugh and Bill Guiney, rolled up 203 yards rushing in picking up their first victory of the season against six losses and a tie.

THE BARONS, held scoreless for the 24th consecutive quarter, suffered their ninth straight loss of the year. They are winless.

An alert Northeast defense led by Guiney, end Bill Hanley and guard Ken Olivieri helped pin the sixth straight shutout on the Barons.

THE VIKINGS needed but two minutes and 54 seconds to get on the scoreboard in the first quarter. Guiney recovered a Baron fumble on the Barry 25 and scored five plays later on quarterback Jim Hannemann's 20-yard pass. Bill Critz' PAT kick was blocked.

WAUGH and Coughlin combined to lead Northeast to its second score in the second period.

The Vikes moved from their 49 in 10 plays for the score with halfback Tom Davis plunging for the final yard. Waugh's runs of 14 and 10 yards and Coughlin's scamper of 10 yards highlighted the drive.

The Vikes completed the rout by adding fourth-quarter scores by halfback Roger Bowers and Coughlin. Critz was true with his

placements for the PAT on both occasions.

The Barons once again resorted to a spread formation with quarterback Stan Kmet doing the passing honors, but were able to manage but 49 yards rushing, 12 yards passing. Kmet, harassed by the entire Viking line, managed to complete two passes in 14 attempts.

BARON halfback Bob Hudgins led the Barry rushers by picking up 22 yards in seven carries.

Barry's deepest penetration into Viking territory came in the second quarter as they moved to the the Northeast 39 in seven plays. With a first and 10 at that point, three Kmet passes failed and the Barons were forced to punt.

Waugh led the Viking rushers with 67 yards in 11 carries while Coughlin added 59 yards in 12 tries.

Bowers shook loosed for 10 yards and the Vikes' third touchdown in the last stanza. The score was set up Waugh's return of a Barry punt from the Barons' 31 to the 13.

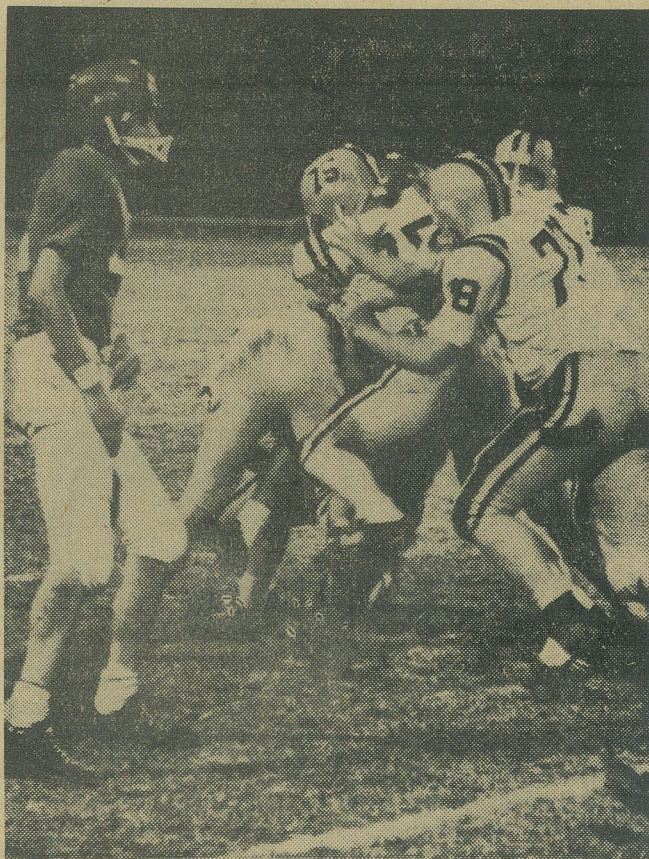
Coughlin's score came with 44 seconds left in the contest on a nine-yard pass from halfback Richard Gwarek. Davis' 15-yard run highlighted the 10-play drive.

Statistics

	Bishop Barry	Northeast
First Downs	4	15
Yards Gained	49	203
Yards Gained Passing	12	48
Passes	2-14	5-16
Passes Intercepted By	1	2
Punts	6-32	5-27
Fumbles Lost	3	3
Yards Penalized	25	80

Bishop Barry	0	0	0	0	—	0
Northeast	6	6	0	14	—	26

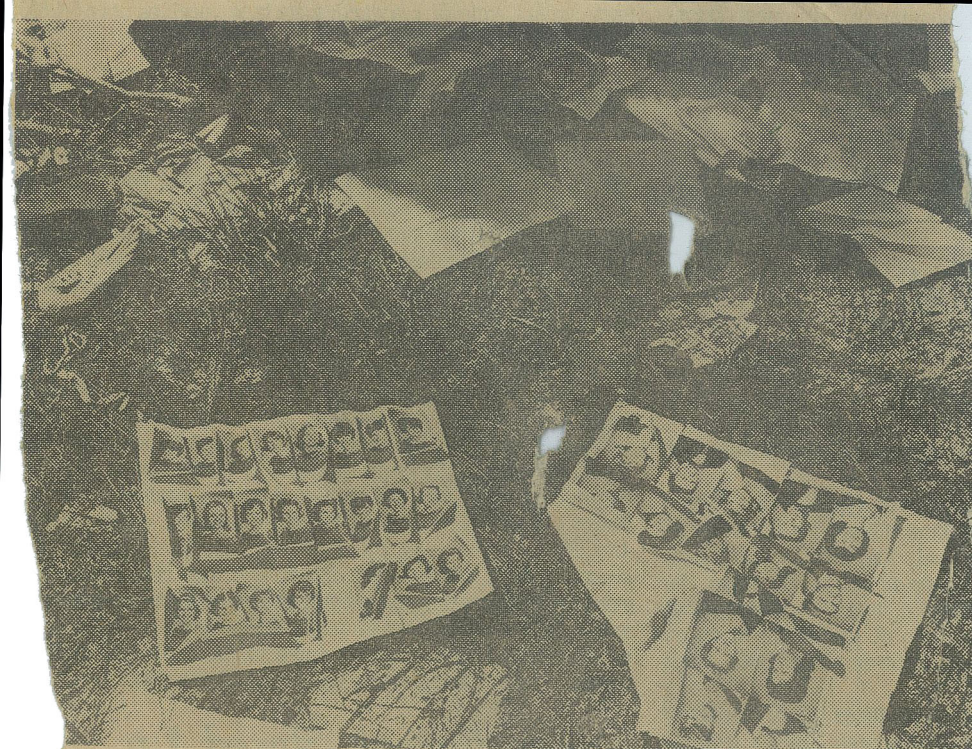
NE—Guiney 20 pass from Hannemann (kick blocked)
NE—Davis 1 run (kick wide)
NE—Bowers 10 run (Critz kick)
NE—Coughlin 9 pass from Gwarek (Critz kick)



—Photo by Joe Riden

'WHERE'S THE ACTION?'

... unidentified Northeast player (left) watches the action as three Bishop Barry tacklers maul Viking ball carrier Barons in on play are John

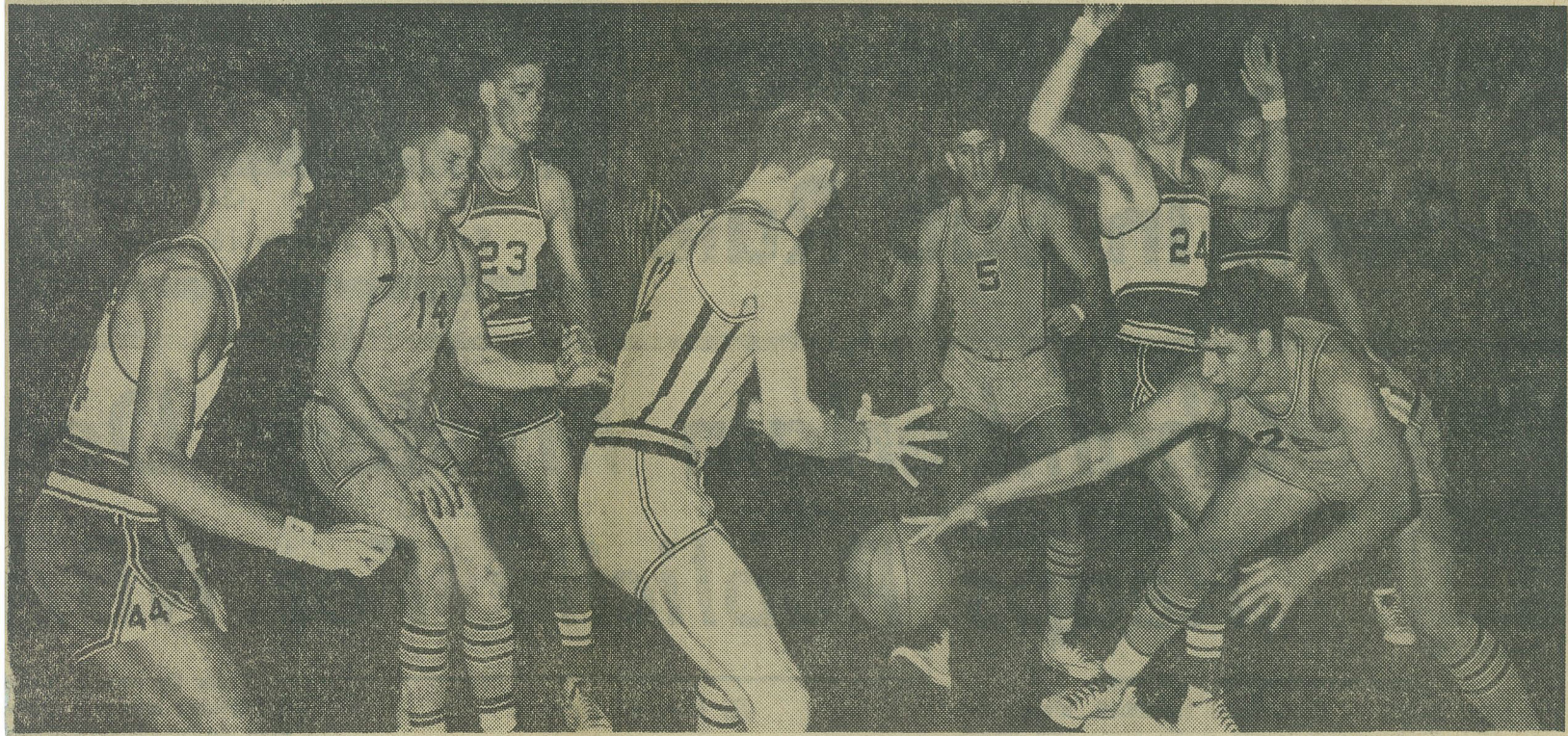


—Independent Photo by Victor Morgan

Today's Featured Dump

Independent reporters and photographers, while on assignments around Pinellas County, continually come across dumps, even though dumping trash in fields and along roads is illegal. And there's supposed to be a crackdown against such dumping. This one is on Shore Acres off a trail between Bayou

Grande Boulevard and Weedon Drive. It is littered with rusty beer cans and the make-up pages of the Northeast High School annual, among other things. Trails leading to the dump — also a beer drinking spot and trysting place, we are told — haven't been posted with "no dumping" signs.



—Staff Photo by Bob Hannah

Barry's Prinz Almost Loses Ball But Controls It With Long Arm As Mates And Foes Watch Intently.

The Bell Tolls This Time For Barry As Vikes Roll

By BILL BUCHALTER
Of The Times Staff

Bishop Barry believes in up-sets.

For the past two seasons the Barons have upset St. Petersburg High. They failed in that effort Tuesday but vowed to make up for it last night against Northeast.

They almost succeeded.

But Tom Bell, handicapped by fouls and the inability of a sluggish Viking team to get him the ball, ripped off seven straight fourth quarter points to take the wind from Barry's upset sails and give Northeast a thrilling 63-52 Pinellas County Conference basketball victory.

More than 1,000 watched Barry stage comebacks against the cold-shooting Vikes, only to fall by the wayside to a torrid effort by Bell — one that impressed many, including Davidson assistant coach Warren Mitchell.

The 6-1 senior accounted for 15 points but took only 12 shots from the floor, connecting on seven. The score was 52-46 when Bell, sidelined with four fouls, returned to action.

He maneuvered free for a lay-up and an eight-point lead. Then after a Mike Trehy free throw, he grabbed a rebound and drew a foul on the fast break, sinking one of his two attempts. He snared the next rebound and drew a foul on the fast break, sinking one of his two attempts. He snared the next rebound and drove in for another bucket. The damage was done.

Northeast is now 8-1 in the PCC and 11-1 for the year. Barry's record slipped to 3-6 and 5-6.

Key shooter in Barry's rock 'em-sock 'em upset bid was junior Mike McLaughlin who began his radar-like jump shots at the beginning of the fourth period and finished with a game-high 21 points.

Another factor was Northeast's consistent ability to remain in foul trouble. Jim Murphey and Bell departed, Dan Topping had four before being banished during a scuffle following a free ball, and Fran Bourdeau had four.

Barry put constant pressure on the backboards and held their own against the taller Vikes. But when the points were needed, Bell answered

Northeast					Bishop Barry				
	fg	ft	pf	tp		fg	ft	pf	tp
Bell	7	1	5	15	McL'hlin	8	5	4	21
Murphey	4	1	5	9	Francis	3	4	2	10
Holly	4	1	3	9	Trehy	1	5	1	7
Topping	3	0	4	6	Helinger	0	1	2	1
Bourdeau	4	6	4	14	Prinz	2	1	3	5
Feaster	4	0	1	8	Mann	0	1	0	1
Davis	0	0	0	0	Smith	0	0	0	0
Bond	0	2	0	2	Kmet	3	1	0	7
					Sch'ller	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	11	22	63	Totals	17	18	12	52
Northeast	24	10	13	63	Northeast	15	14	8	52
Bishop Barry	15	14	8	52	Bishop Barry	15	14	8	52

Coach Joe Paul's scrappers played without 6-4 Jim Collins who had the flu and also lost Charlie Francis (10 points) during the scuffle with Topping. Both were tied up during a jump ball and the shoving and elbows followed.

The Viking junior varsity also posted a 64-33 triumph.

Northeast, SPHS Renew Grid Wars

One of the city's oldest rivalries continues tonight at Stewart Field when St. Petersburg High clashes with Northeast at 8 p.m.

The Green Devils hold a decided 2-1 advantage over the Vikings but past performances are usually tossed out the window when these two head-knocking intra-city clubs meet.

Although it's SPHS who'll wear the Green tonight, both clubs have shown to be green—experience wise — in early drills and tonight's battle may well go the way that makes the fewest mistakes.

THE DEVILS may concentrate on a rugged defense built around a pair of 210-pound tackles in Bob Goucher and Carroll Yates. The twosome will have to keep Northeast's potent backs Fred Widener, Bill Guiney and Tommy Davis in check.

Tiny John Merolillo, a five-five, 255-pound halfback who loves to hit, is the key to the SPHS offense and defensive secondary. Pennis star John Gilbert makes his varsity debut on the gridiron and Devil fans are anxiously

Probable Starters

SPHS	(160)	NORTHEAST	(190)
Duncan	(210)	E Hall	(205)
Goucher	(165)	T Price	(180)
Hansen	(185)	G Oliverl	(230)
Bush	(160)	C Critz	(180)
Sherman	(210)	G Lamb	(230)
Yates	(185)	T Combes	(200)
Donahue	(210)	E Lazzeroni	(170)
Goucher	(160)	QB Guiney	(185)
Gilbart	(160)	HB Widener	(160)
Stelson	(125)	HB Davis	(175)
Merolillo	(175)	FB Miner	
Perry			

Vikes, Devils Through The Years

1954—SPHS 51, Northeast 0
1955—Northeast 12, SPHS 0
1956—SPHS 19, Northeast 7
1957—SPHS 35, Northeast 6
1958—SPHS 46, Northeast 13
1959—SPHS 0, Northeast 0
1960—SPHS 14, Northeast 0
1961—Northeast 7, SPHS 0
1962—SPHS 27, Northeast 6

awaiting to see his quarterback potential develop.

Northeast, shy on seniors but long on potential, must rely on Guiney, a defensive specialist last year, to run the club. Several juniors who played varsity last year, are the key men of front.

Included are tackle Tommy Price and center John Critz.

Another backyard brawl is slated for tonight up at Largo where Seminole tangles with the Largo Packers. It will be the opening of the second football season for the War Hawks who will be out to avenge a 34-0 loss last year at this same time.

FULLBACK Charlie Brammer, a 200-pound bull, is the main hope of the Hawks. Largo's Julius Dean keys the Packer offense while ends John Vandervor and Spud Koon are outstanding linemen.

Seminole looks to guards Ralph Parrish and Gary Tuhro for leadership in the forward wall. Junior Chuck Velasco will replace senior George Tingley in the starting lineup and will do the kicking. Tingley is out for the year with a leg injury.

A third Pinellas County Conference team, Tarpon Springs, kick off its season tonight at New Port Richey. The Spongers tangled with Gulf High and All-Tampa Bay Conference lineman Buz Crittenden.

Jack Hardman and Wayne Deas spark the Sponger offense while Bob Rue tops the linemen.

Devils, Vikes Slosh To 0-0 Tie

Teams 'Get Feet Wet' — Literally

By BILL BUCHALTER
Of The Times Staff

Northeast and St. Petersburg High literally got their feet wet in the 1963 football competition last night and when the sloppy going had ended, the two clubs were right back where they started, 0-0.

The only winner was Northeast business manager Paul Jenkins as he took tickets from an estimated 6,000 fans who had barely settled down into the Stewart

Statistics

First Downs	3	10
Rushing Yardage	30	103
Passing Yardage	35	23
Passes	4-3	3-2
Passes Intercepted By	1	0
Fumbles Lost	4	2
Yards Penalized	30	25

Field seats before a torrential downpour kept most of the action under water — but not under wraps.

The Green Devils won the battle of statistics, chalking up 10 first downs, 103 yards rushing . . . er . . . wading, and 23 more passing. Northeast wound up with 30 yards rushing and 35 passing. The Vikes were held to a minus three rushing in the second half by a fired-up Devil line.

THE WEATHER, as expected, played havoc with the football but both quarterbacks, John Gilbert of SPHS and Bill Guiney of Northeast, defied the elements with end sweeps, rollout pass patterns and pitchout plays.

The Devils got the better of it throughout, utilizing crunching blocks by tackles Bob Goucher and Carroll Yates and end Arnold Moore. Defensively, Harry Davis, Goucher, Tim Feldhausen, Jim Bush and Ken Helle continually piled up Viking carriers for little or no gain.

Bush and Davis covered two fumbles apiece. The Devils also lost the slippery ball twice.

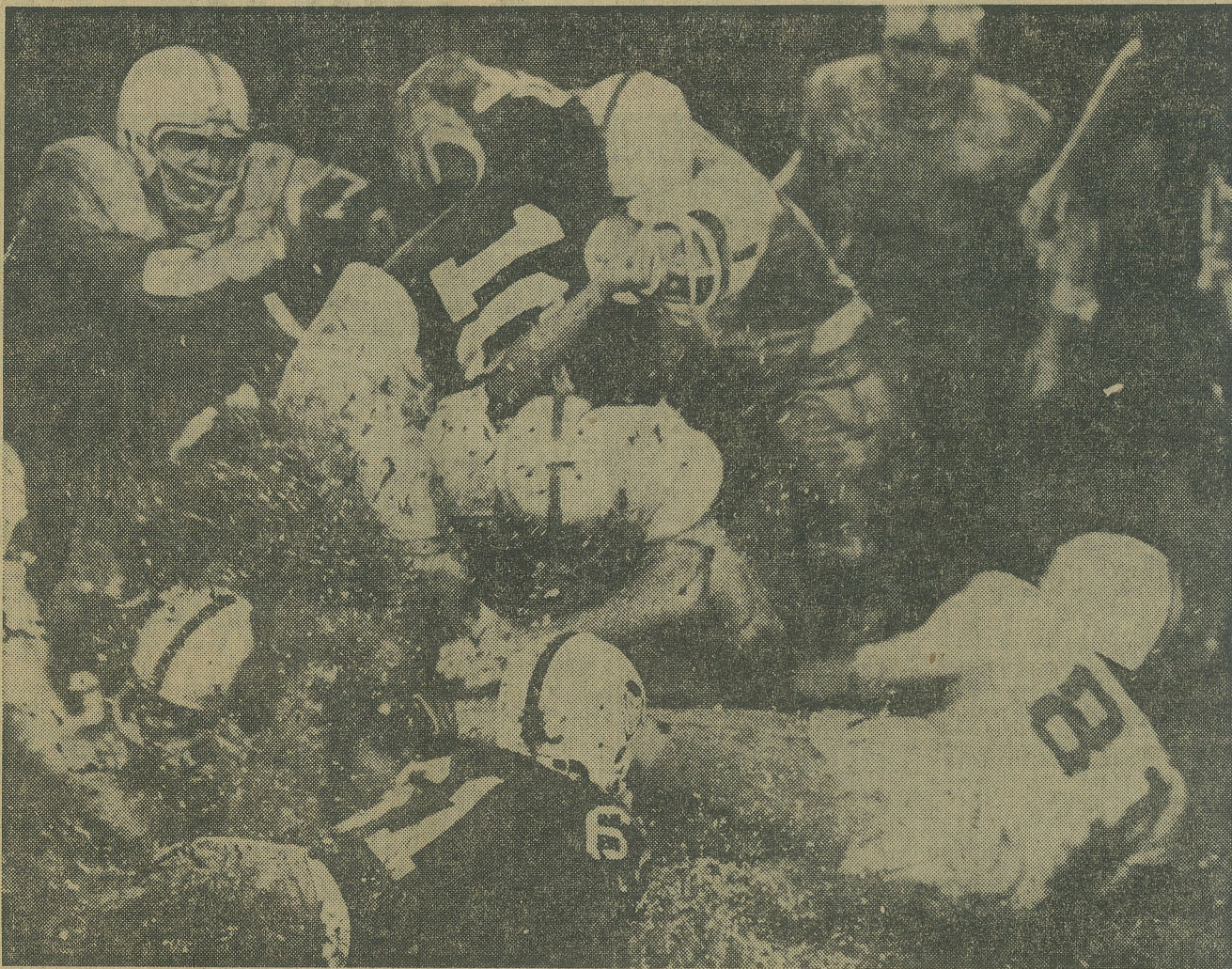
Coach Len Balas' Devils ended both halves deep in Northeast territory. The storm had wiped out the electric clock and the Devils were strictly in the dark as to time remaining.

JOHN PERRY smashed to the four-yard line but time ran out in the first half. Little John Merolillo slashed for 15 yards on the game's final play before being run out on the Vike 28.

Offensively, Gilbert passed his grid debut with flying colors, performing like a poised veteran. Junior halfback Bobby Stetson darted back and forth like Devil halfbacks of the past. And like his predecessors, he is a fine trackman, too. He ended with 45 yards rushing, tops for the night, and caught two of Gilbert's passes.

Hard-working Fred Widener, Tommy Davis and Guiney tried to spice up the Vike attack but for the most part, it was no go. Two Guiney-to-Widener aeri- als provided most of the excitement for the Northeast fans.

Up front, John Critz, Steve Hall and sophomore Greg Connes topped Northeast's defenders. Tom Waugh was also a cat from



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JOHN MEROLILLO BECOMES A MUDDER

. . . during Northeast-SPHS scoreless duel last night. Mud was the order of the night as torrential rain fell throughout to help slow down speedy

backs like Devil Merolillo (10) to become fair prey for Northeast defenders.