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DIBOLL HIGH SCHOOL faculty and staff members this school year include (front) Susan Haltom, Janice Cook, Terri Zimmerman, Beverly Huntsinger and Betty Montgomery. Middle row: Judy Williamson, Barbara Myers, Kay Gage, Lois Clemens, Teena Kellam and Florence Adkison. Back row: Cindy Maddox, Mary Ingram, Ann English, Betty Greer and Garvis Baldree.

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STAFF AND FACULTY at Diboll High School this year include (front) Sandra Ingram, Rebecca Shelton, Frank Lane, Phil Grant and Mark Wimberley. Middle row: Bobby Baker, Carol Drake, Frances Gillham, Elmer Kimbrough, Bob McCurry and Jesse Bradford. Back row: Principal Bill Greer, John Aiken, Joe Garr, Burlon Wilkerson, Fred Douglas, and Assistant Principal Alex Alexander. (Free Press Photo)

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RUNNING BACKS for the Lumberjacks this season will be (kneeling) Frank Mitchell, Bobby Williams and Jerry Teal. Standing are Matt Amason, Bay Bay Gibson and James Bray. The other two primary ball carriers not shown here will be Andre Vinson and Aaron Fenley. Diboll's starters in the first scrimmage had Gibson and Vinson at halfback slots, Amason at fullback and Clay DuBose at quarterback.

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QUARTERBACKS for the Lumberjacks this year are Dewayne Harris, Michael Wyatt and Clay DuBose. In Diboll's first scrimmage it was DuBose in the driver's seat as he threw two long touchdown bombs to Michael Wyatt, who was running at a split end position, to give Diboll a 2-0 scrimmage edge over Alto.

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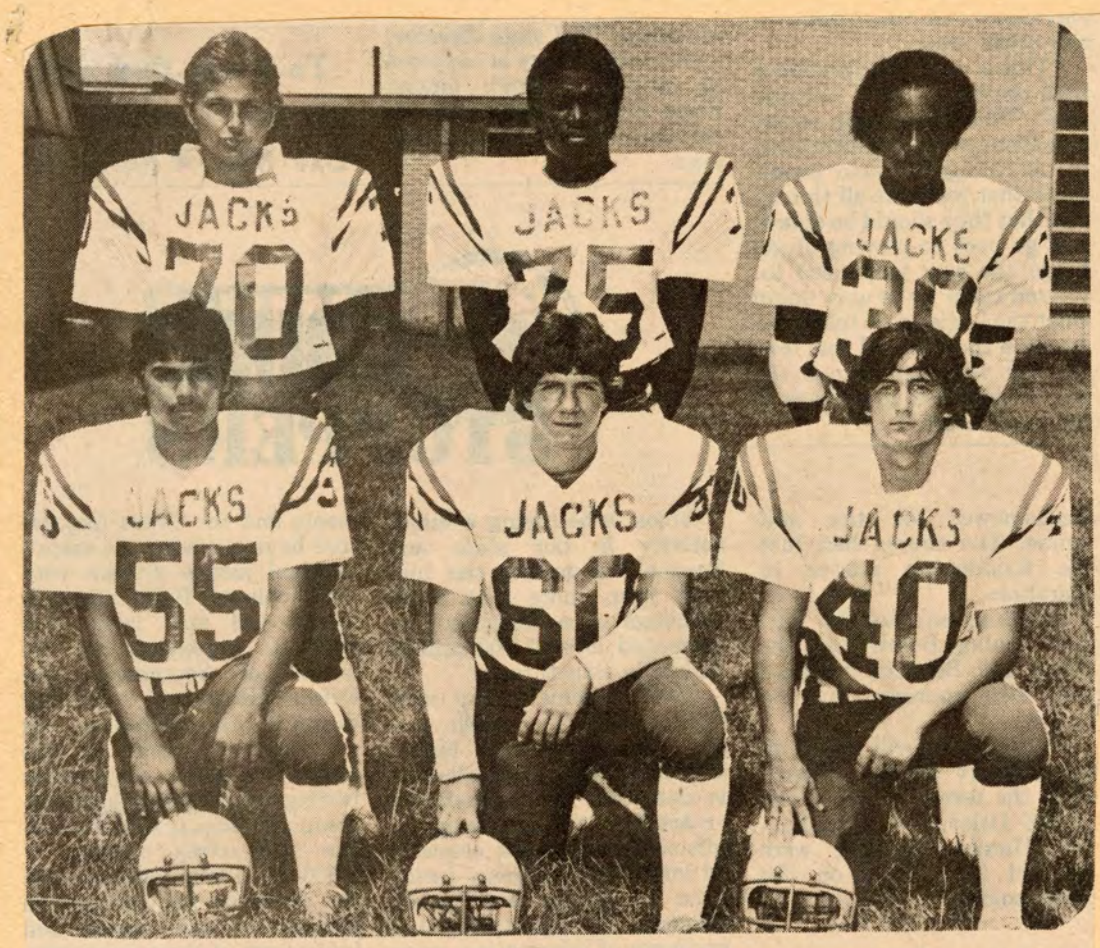
Long bombs give Jacks scrimmage win over Alto

By EDWIN QUARLES



THE COACHING STAFF for Diboll football this year include (seated) Davy DuBose, Head Coach and Athletic Director Bobby Baker, and Mark Wimberley. Standing are Ken Lightfoot, Wayne Geeslin, Karl Williams and Phil Grant. Diboll scrimmages at Trinity this Friday in preparation for the Sept. 3 opener here with Livingston.

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THE LINEBACKING CORPS for the Diboll Lumberjacks this season will be composed of (front) David De-Jesus, John Grissom and Bobby Williams. Standing are Steve Brasher, Billy Alexander and James Bray. They will be tested Friday in Trinity in a scrimmage with the state ranked Tigers.

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Diboll High School '82 Football Schedule

Sep.	3	Livingston	H	8:00
Sep.	10	Corrigan	T	8:00
Sep.	17	Groveton	T	8:00
Sep.	24	Crockett	H	8:00
Oct.	1	Rusk	H	8:00
Oct.	8	San Augustine*	T	7:30
Oct.	15	Woodville*	H	7:30
Oct.	22	Hemphill*	T	7:30
Oct.	29	Center*	H	7:30
Nov.	5	Newton*	T	7:30

*District Games

Diboll Junior Varsity '82 Football Schedule

Sep.	9	Corrigan-Cam.	H	7:30
Sep.	16	Groveton	H	7:30
Sep.	23	Crockett	H	7:30
Sep.	30	Rusk	T	7:30
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READY FOR SEASON OPENER

THE DIBOLL LUMBERJACKS open the 1982 football season Friday night and that also means the entrance of the Lumberjack Band for this year. Leading the front line will be (front) Shannon Farrow, drum major Vicky Mullins and head twirler Karen Ingram. In the middle are twirlers Tabitha Maxey, Tina Wolf and Angie Terrell and at top is Michelle Schmidt. Game time is 8 p.m. at Lumberjack Stadium for the Diboll-Livingston opener.

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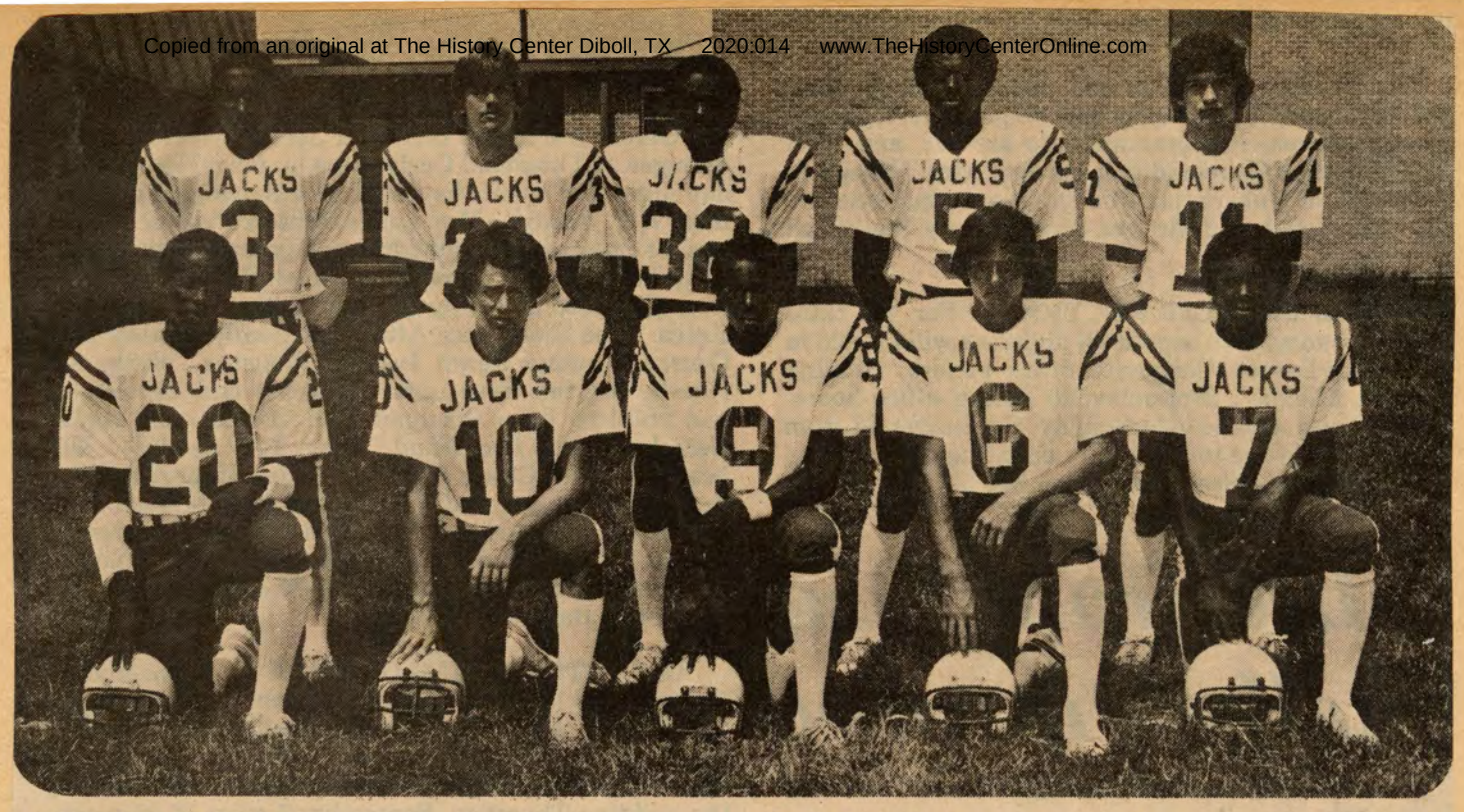


BAY BAY GIBSON sliced through the Navasota line for short yardage on this play from last Saturday's region game in Klein. The teams tied at 6-6 but Navasota got the best of the defensive struggle on penetrations to advance to the quarterfinals. Diboll finished the season with a 6-6-1 record and two playoff victories after rebounding from a 1-5 start this season.
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FRANK MITCHELL looks for a place to go as he popped through a hole in the Navasota Rattler defense last Saturday in a regional playoff game. The Jacks and Rattlers tied at 6-6 with Navasota advancing to the quarterfinals or penetrations in a game played at Klein The game was Diboll's deepest advance into the state 3A playoffs.
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DEFENSIVE SECONDARY for the Diboll Lumberjacks this season consists of (front) Frank Mitchell, Dewayne Harris, Jeff Jackson, Charles Coleman and Jerry Teal. Standing are Donald Alexander, Matt Amason, Bay Bay Gibson, Michael Wyatt and Clay DuBose. Not shown is Andre Vinson. (Free Press Photo)



THE LUMBERJACK offensive line will be one of the largest in recent years here. Members are (kneeling) Johnny Perry, Jeff Lyles, Jesse Garcia, Jose Cruz, John Grissom, Steve Brasher and Doug Clark. Standing are Keith Massey, Walter Levine, Lynn Stanford, David DeJesus, Billy Alexander, Mechie Harrell and Ronnie Coleman.

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September 2, 1982

Foundation grants $190,000 to school

The Diboll Independent School District got a welcome gift this week — a check for $190,000 from the T.L.L. Temple Foundation to be used for three needed projects the district could not otherwise afford at this time.

The money will be used to help double the size of the high school band hall, construct a number of covered walkways at all three campuses, and create a sheltered area for bus students at the elementary school.

Superintendent Don Robbins said he was not sure exactly how far the money would go toward completing all three primary objectives but that it would improve the district in areas which sorely need improvement.

The high school band hall will be the primary target. The facility was built for 45 students and it currently houses twice that number.

Temple Foundation trustee Ward R. Burke delivered the $190,000 check at Tuesday night's board meeting, saying that it indicates the interest and confidence which the Foundation has in Diboll schools, its administration and staff.

Burke said the Foundation trustees realize that schools have many problems and that society often expects schools to correct problems of society by themselves.

"We can never allow our schools to fail," he said.

Burke said he rejects the common cry that schools today are inadequate. He said he could remember when students would drop out of school because schools were not equipped to educate the handicapped and disturbed.

"You in this business get a lot of criticism you do not deserve. Our mission is to help you solve proglems, not create them," he said.

The Temple Foundation was created from the estate of the late Georgie T. Munz, daughter of the founder of the Temple enterprises. Burke said that money from that estate is plowed back into public projects in East Texas. The Foundation is strictly regulated by the IRS, he said, and can participate only in projects which are in the general public interest.

In other action at Tuesday's meeting the board:

- Approved purchase of a walk-in cooler at Diboll Elementary for about $2,000.
- Agreed to participate with the city in paving a portion of the parking lot at Louis Jordan Memorial Park, to cost the school about $2,100.
- Approved transfer for the children of Diane and Robert Conner who are moving into the district.
- Approved payment of additional $1,600 to contractor Bennie Capps on football field renovation. Original contract price was about $14,000.

(See SCHOOL, Page Four)

Enrollment up slightly

Enrollment in Diboll schools is up slightly over last year, according to a report given the Diboll school board Tuesday night.

Superintendent Don Robbins said that opening day enrollment this year of 1,762 was under the 1,789 opening day last year.

However, that figure has climbed to 1,839 this week, which is slightly higher than the 1,819 recorded near the end of school last year.

Enrollment is 757 at Diboll Elementary, down from last year; 618 at Temple School, up from last year; and 464 at Diboll High School, the largest enrollment ever there.

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STUDENT COUNCIL officers at Diboll High School this year include (seated) Debbie Hull, secretary; Leticia Silguero, vice president; Laurel Hendrick, president; and Vicky Mullins, treasurer. Standing are Karen Ingram, historian; Angie Terrell, chaplain; Alex Alexander, sponsor; Andrea Pouland, parliamentarian; and Denise Capps, reporter. Several of the officers attended a leadership training workshop at SFA University during July. (Free Press Photo)

Stadium manners

Diboll School Superintendent Don Robbins tells us that the school will make an extra effort this football season to see that there are fewer rowdy youngsters at the games. That is, they will try to corral the kids who run crazily about the stadium, throw dirt and ice and generally make things miserable for adult fans.

There will be different seating arrangements this season, with the band separated from the main bleachers, and a separate student section. Even so, there will be parents who will send their children to the games by themselves, or allow them to run wild even if they are there with them. It is those youngsters, usually grade two to grade six age range, who take the pleasure out of games for many fans.

Supt. Robbins says there will be new security people in addition to school principals patroling the stadium. but what would help more than anything else is for parents to see to it that their children sit down and stay out of other people's way. Students and adults attending the games have no responsibility to be your babysitter.

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Campus Time

By Monica Temple

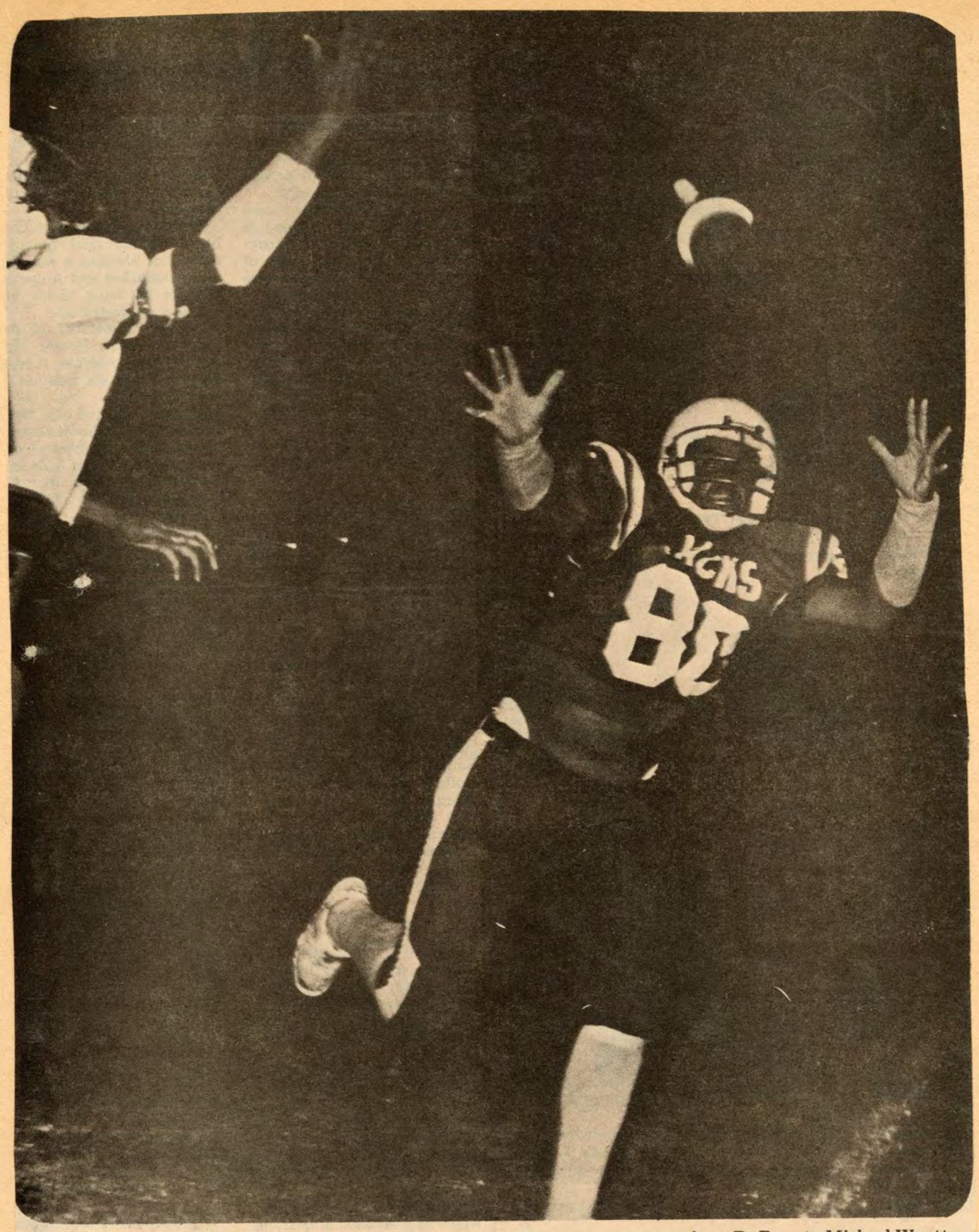
Five Jacks hurt as Lions post 19-6 win



ANDRE VINSON gets set to haul in a Clay DuBose pass in this action from last Friday's unsuccessful season opener here against Livingston. The Lions won the game 19-6. Diboll goes to Corrigan this Friday for its annual clash with the Bulldogs. (Free Press Photo)

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DIBOLL LUMBERJACK tight end Terry Moye dives for a pass from Clay DuBose in this action from last Friday's season opener against Livingston. Diboll's only score came on a pass from DuBose to Michael Wyatt as Livingston won the game 19-6 and five Lumberjack starters left the game with injuries. (Free Press Photo)

Series with Corrigan

	Diboll	Corrigan
1948	0	14
1949	19	6
1950	14	12
1951	13	54
1952	13	26
1953	13	54
1954	0	41
1955	39	8
1956	0	15
1957	0	33
1958	6	0
1959	30	6
1960	6	6
1961	24	8
1962	12	29
1963	35	14
1964	0	33
1965	18	24
1966	21	0
1967	40	0
1968	21	0
1969	74	7
1970	6	20
1971	14	7
1972	24	0
1973	25	7
1974	28	6
1975	25	6
1976	22	6
1977	0	36
1978	6	7
1979	28	6
1980	14	6
1981	9	6
Total Points	**601**	**503**

WINS IN THE SERIES
Diboll — 20 wins; Corrigan — 13 wins; and 1 tie.

SHUTOUTS IN SERIES
Corrigan 6 — Diboll 5

Jacks, Bulldogs collide for 35th straight game

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LUMBERJACK DEFENDERS Billy Alexander (75), Michael Wyatt (5) and Andre Vinson (12) hold a Corrigan-Camden halfback close to the line of scrimmage in last Friday's non-district game in Corrigan. Diboll won the game 26-6 and this week travel to Groveton to do battle with the always-tough Indians. Diboll has beaten the Tribe two of the last three seasons. (Free Press Photo)

Gibson's gallops push Lumberjacks by Bulldogs, 26-6

JV Ladyjacks win consolation

The Diboll junior varsity Ladyjacks took consolation Saturday in the Tyler JV tournament and junior Sandra Mitchell was named to the all tournament team.

The Ladyjacks lost to John Tyler JV 15-12 and 15-13. They then beat Corsicana in two sets, 15-4 and 13-10.

In the final game Diboll defeated Van, 15-7, 15-12.

Diboll's only loss was to John Tyler, the tourney champ.

The Diboll JV has a scrimmage record of 3-10 and a season record of 5-2. This Saturday they play in the Nacogdoches Tournament, meeting Mineola in the first game at 11:30.

The ninth grade Ladyjacks lost their consolation game in the Tyler Tournament, although Lenora Levine was named to the all tourney squad.

In the first game the Ladyjacks lost to Robert E. Lee, 15-6, 15-5. They came back to beat Corsicana, 15-10, 15-3, before losing to Van in the finals, 15-7, 15-13.

The ninth grade will play in the Nacogdoches Tournament this Saturday, meeting Nacogdoches in an 8:30 a.m. game.

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Junior varsity ties Bulldogs

By EDWIN QUARLES

Dan DuBose combined with Charles Mark on a 33 yard pass for Diboll's only score as the Lumberjack junior varsity played to an 8-8 tie with Corrigan-Camden here last Thursday.

Mark, a freshman, led all Jack rushers with 51 yards on just four carries.

The first quarter was scoreless. Diboll got a break with 39 seconds left in the quarter when Jerry Johnson recovered a Bulldog fumble at Corrigan's 43.

The Jacks moved before losing a fumble at the 18. Then with 1:37 left in the half Diboll stopped the Bulldogs on four downs and took possession at the Bulldog 48.

The Jacks moved to the 33 where DuBose hooked up with Mark on the scoring toss. Mark ran in the extra points to give the Jacks an 8-0 halftime lead.

The Jacks provided the only third quarter action with Kyle Cooke connecting with Ronnie Kilgore on a 39 yard gain to push the ball to the Bulldog 20. But the Jacks could get no further and Corrigan-Camden took over with 6:20 left in the quarter.

Neither team scored in the third quarter and Diboll nursed its 8-0 lead into the fourth.

The Bulldogs recovered a Diboll fumble early in the final period and in five quick plays marched to the Diboll 17. They scored on a 17 yard run, then ran the extra points to tie the game and complete scoring for the night.

Diboll took the ensuing kickoff and drove to the Bulldog 37. Charles Mark then exploded for 35 yards to the Bulldog two, but the Jacks fumbled the ball away on the next play and Corrigan took over.

The Bulldogs ran the clock down to 15 seconds before the Axmen recovered a fumble at the Bulldog 31. Three passes fell incomplete as time ran out.

The Jack JV hosts the Groveton Indian JV this Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

JUNIOR VARSITY

	Diboll	C-C
First downs	9	8
Rushing yds	111	148
Passing yds	3-7-86-0	0-3-0-0
Total yds	197	148
Penalties/yds	4/40	4/52
Fumbles/lost	4/3	2/2
Time of Poss	17:46	22:14

RUSHING

Diboll — Patrick Johnson 9-44, C. Mark 4-51.

PASSING

Diboll — K. Cooke 1-3-39-0, Dan DuBose 2-4-47-0.

RECEIVING

Diboll — R. Kilgore 1-39, C. Mark 1-33.

SCORING SUMMARY

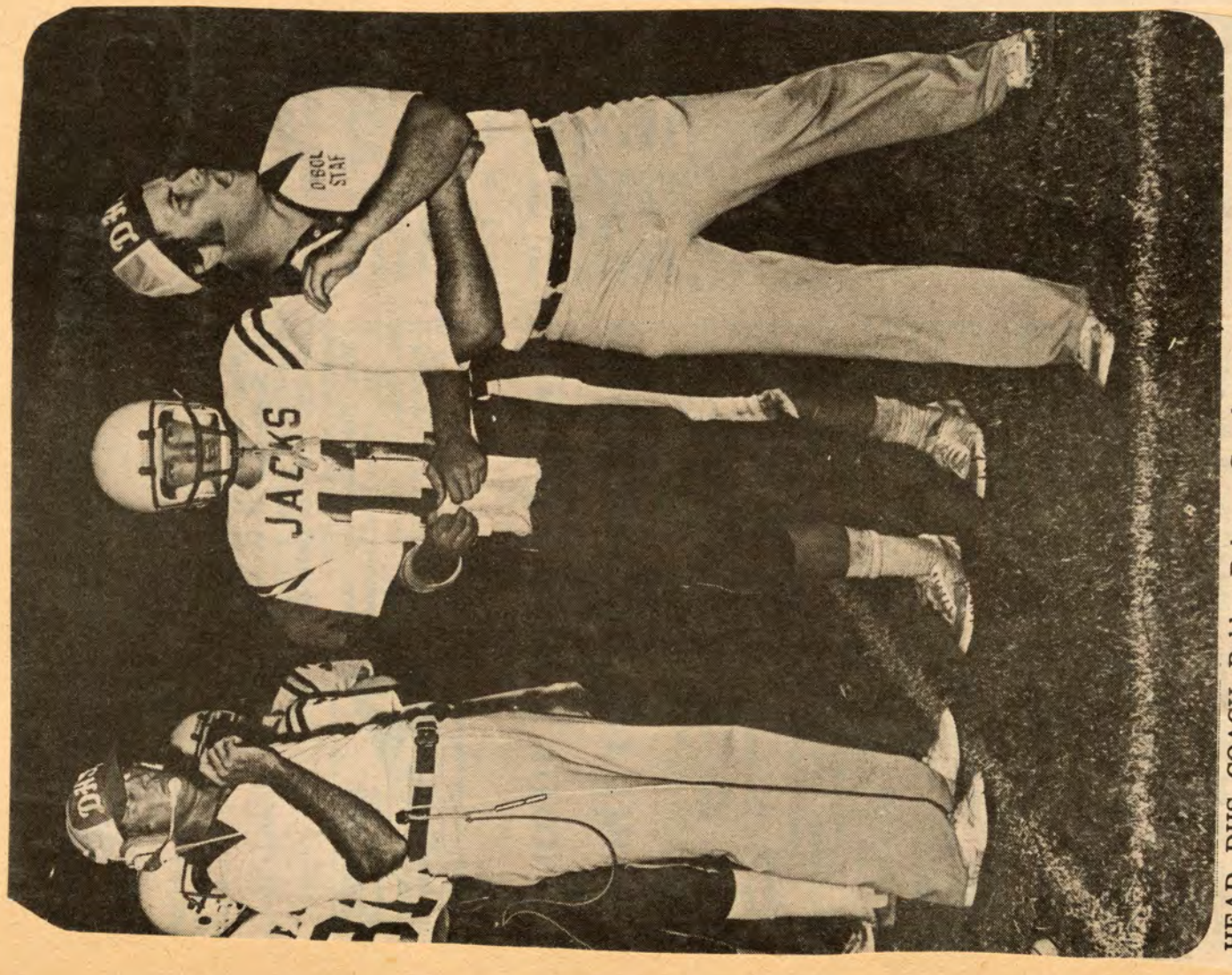
Diboll second quarter — DuBose 33 yd. pass to Mark, extra point run.

Corrigan-Camden fourth quarter — 17 yd. run, extra point run good.



LEADING THE CHEERS for the Diboll Lumberjack junior varsity this season are these energetic cheerleaders (clockwise from bottom) Donya Taylor, Deanne Ray, Wendy Grant and Debra Scott. The junior varsity hosts the Groveton JV this Thursday at 7:30.

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HEAD DHS COACH Bobby Baker (left) confers with his quarterback Clay DuBose (11) during a timeout while Coach Davy DuBose yells instructions during the Diboll-Corrigan-Camden game last Friday. The Lumberjacks beat the Bulldogs 26-6 in Corrigan for their first win of the season.

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DIBOLL'S ROBERT MITCHELL (82) is dragged down by a Corrigan-Camden defender in this action from last Friday's game in Corrigan won by the Jacks, 26-6, for their first win of the season against one loss.
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Little 'd'

By PAUL DURHAM
Free Press Editor

THIS TIME OF YEAR, everybody becomes a coach. Well, that is to say that most men becomes coaches. Women sort of gag, or appear bemused, or at best admire the muscles of the professional football players. If they are mothers of high school players, they worry and fret that junior might get hurt while he is out there doing something that is contrary to nature.

But the macho fathers get down to some serious coaching. It matters not that they didn't play much football in high school or college, or if they were Jim Dandies in both, although it seems to me that the most serious critics are those who were not very good players.

My good and great friend Jack Allen Goins, the sage of the Guadalupe River, once observed: "Durham, you watch and you'll see that the older people get the better they think they were when they were young." By his own admission the greatest duck hunter and fishermen and deer killer in the universe, Goins hit the nail on the head with that observation.

Anyway, this is the time of year for armchair coaches to get uncoiled. If they can't get into the woods and shoot at something, they like to fall back into a soft chair and try to tell Tom Landry or Ed Biles or Bobby Baker why their play selection is all wrong.

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FOR INSTANCE, last Saturday morning we talked to several people who had seen the Diboll-Corrigan game and the Lufkin-Conroe game. Of the Diboll game [illegible] recall these comments (and remember that Diboll wa[illegible]ning its first game of the season, impressively):

"Well, we won 26-6 but it should have b[illegible] had really let them go we would have wipe[illegible]

"I don't know how we won. We didn't do a[illegible] Our kids ain't in shape."

Of the Lufkin-Conroe game, which Lufkin lost [illegible]

"Well, they won ten to zip but it should have been [illegible]ore. They (Conroe) should have won by 50-0. We've got [illegible]ese big kids but they can't move. Cauley is a 2A coach [illegible] 5A job..."

And so it goes.

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THE TRUTH IS THAT MOST PEOPLE know little a[illegible] modern football. Even though it remains a game of block[illegible] tackling, running, kicking and throwing — with the emphas[illegible] on blocking and tackling — football today is far different than it was in my day and in the day of most of our armchair critics.

It is more exciting, for one reason, because we now have black people playing the game along with white people. A good many of those blacks are fast, a good many are big, and a good many are fast and big and good at the game. And though everybody knows that, some folks are still not color blind when the blacks make mistakes.

After Texas A&M was blown away by Boston College in the season opener, an Aggie alumnus was telling me about "this huge black boy who just stood up on the line and looked around, not rushing the passer or making a block or doing anything, and that's what Sherrill (Coach Jackie Sherrill) will have to take care of."

Which means, of course, that what has troubled A&M coaches for years is trying to take care of alumni who don't know beans about football before they can get down to serious coaching.

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BUT THE POINT HERE is not to berate that Aggie alumnus or comment on Sherrill's coaching. It is to say that what you see a player doing on the field, stupid as it may appear, may be his job. Everybody can't rush the passer. Everybody can't attempt to make a tackle. Coaches and players take a lot of flak because fans do not understand modern day assignments in football.

But, as fans, they have the right to yell and squeal and criticize. But we should always remember that no player, especially at the high school level, wants to embarrass himself. He does not deliberately screw up in front of thousands of people. When he does, it is more likely the fault of poor coaching than anything else. At the same time, coaches can't get on the field and play for the players. Even after practicing assignments for months, players will often do just the opposite in a game. Well drilled and disciplined players make fewer mistakes and thus win more ball games. Simple, isn't it!

Well drilled and disciplined sounds nice, but what that means is people trying to really hurt one another in practice. When a young man comes home with bruises and whelps on his forearms, knots on his head and shoulders, and goes to his room to rest for a few hours before eating — that is the sign of a well drilled and disciplined football player.

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FOOTBALL ISN'T EASY ANYMORE, to tell you the truth about it. It's work, when it's done properly, hard work. The big winners are those who eat and sleep it, seven days a week every day of the year. That's a pretty big commitment.

The game has gotten all too serious, to my notion. While I love to see well drilled teams perform, at all levels, there are more important things in life than what happens to Danny White or Randy White on Sundays. I'm more concerned, of course, about what happens to the Lumberjacks and Panthers, but even so we must realize that their losses don't mean the world is coming to an end.

By the way, armchair coaches, if you're in a 5-4 umbrella defense and the tight end blocks down and both guards pull, what does your middle linebacker do?

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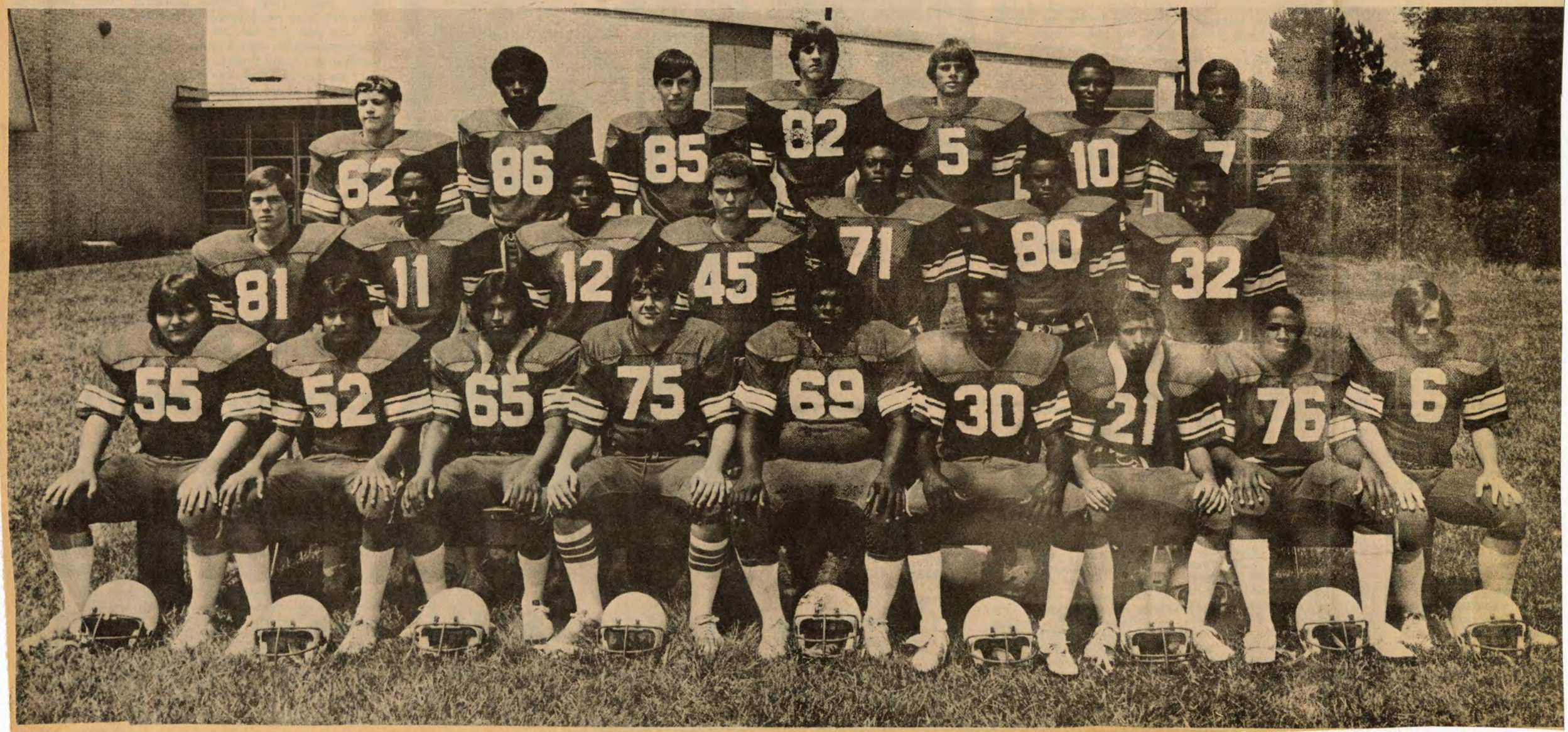
MEET THE LUMBERJACK JUNIOR VARSITY

THE LUMBERJACK JUNIOR VARSITY has compiled a good record so far this season. Members of the squad are (front row) James Bolt, David Garcia, Alfonso Compean, Jimmy Tate, Charles Levias, Charles Bray, Rodney Willis, Kenneth Turner and Kyle Cooke. M[illegible] row: Jessie Sinclair, Charles Steadham, Paul [illegible]ins, Bobby Smith, Reggis Davis, Andre Te[illegible], Patrick Johnson. Back row: Robert E[illegible]s[illegible], Michael McKinney, Jeff Bearden, Mike Bland, Ronnie Kilgore, Don Taylor and Jerry Johnson. The JV plays its games on Thursday. They will host the Groveton Indian JV this Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

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Jinx over Jacks?

Crockett comes to town



DIBOLL DEFENDERS Billy Alexander (75) and Michael Wyatt (5) put the crunch to a Groveton ball carrier in last Friday's game in Groveton. The Indians beat the Lumberjacks 21-12, the 20th time in 25 meetings that they have prevailed over the Axemen. Diboll played well except for some mental mistakes and a lack of enthusiasm in the last half said Coach Bobby Baker. (Photo by Kent Havard)

Thursday, September 23, 1982

Groveton subdues Jacks for 20th time

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THE DHS LADYJACK VARSITY this season is composed of (kneeling) Elizabeth Fergurson, manager, Ursula Younger, Cassandra Jackson, Sandy McCollum, Sharon Mitchell, manager and Tina Evans, manager. Standing are Diane Day, manager, Sonya Walker, Deridre Johnson, Sandra Teal, Gretchen Walker, Yvette Mitchell and Coach Carol Drake.

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THE JUNIOR VARSITY LADYJACKS at DHS this season are (front) Sharon Mitchell, manager, Evelyn Walker, Clevette Mark, Debra Scott, Lisa Gordon, Elizabeth Fergurson, manager. Standing are Diane Day, manager, Diana Bane, Sandra Mitchell, Faye Jones, Peggie Lewis, Tina Evans and Coach Sylvia Graham.

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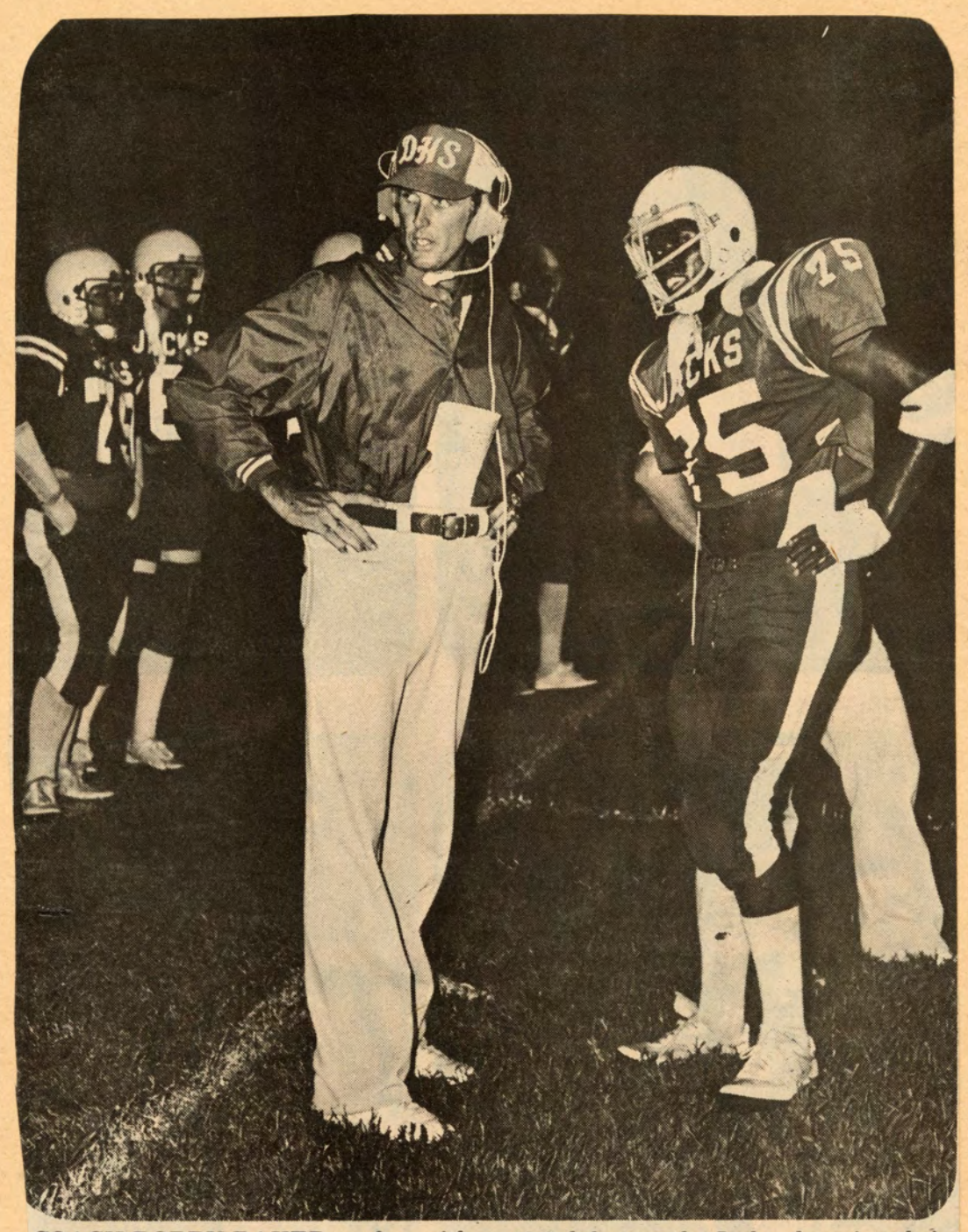
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Diboll, Rusk series even but Eagles soaring now

Series with Rusk

	Diboll	Rusk
1951	6	44
1954	0	40
1968	20	34
1969	28	0
1970	38	6
1971	21	0
1976	18	31
1977	0	36
1978	13	12
1979	21	13
Total Points	165	216

Diboll — 5 wins
Rusk — 5 wins



COACH BOBBY BAKER confers with one of his starters, Billy Alexander, during a timeout of the Diboll-Crockett game last Friday. Diboll could not contain the ranked Bulldogs, who laid a 40-0 defeat on the Jacks, dropping their season record to 1-3. Diboll hosts Rusk this Friday in the annual homecoming game.

(Photo by Kent Havard)

Crockett trounces Lumberjacks, 40-0

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THE FRESHMEN LADYJACKS at DHS this season are (front) Tina Evans, Stephanie Joshua, Paula Sparks, Susan Hannah, Nelda Scott, and Elizabeth Fergurson, manager. Standing are Diane Day, manager, Mirttie McCloud, Lenora Levine, Paula Sheffield, Frankie Hall, Mary Blount, Coach Sylvia Graham, and manager Sharon Mitchell.

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, September 30, 1982

COACH PHIL GRANT tended to an injured Ronnie Coleman in last week's game here with Crockett. The Bulldogs thrashed the Lumberjacks 40-0 in the non-district contest, lowering Diboll's season record to 1-3. The Jacks host Rusk here Friday in the annual homecoming game at 8 p.m.

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DHS HOMECOMING ROYALTY

DHS HOMECOMING QUEEN Marty Scarborough and escort Anthony Toole are congratulated by DHS student council president Laurel Hendrick (left) after halftime homecoming ceremonies Friday night at the Diboll-Rusk football game.

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SENIOR DUCHESS Leticia Silguero and Luis Medina at halftime homecoming activities last Friday.

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JUNIOR DUCHESS Denise Capps and escort Ted Cheavens at halftime homecoming activities last Friday.

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SOPHOMORE DUCHESS Theresa Sweeny and escort Mike Bland at halftime homecoming activities last Friday.
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FRESHMAN DUCHESS Emily Cheavens and escort Dan DuBose at halftime homecoming activities last Friday.
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Ladyjacks ranked 11th

Rankings released this week by the Texas High School Girls Coaches Association place the Diboll Ladyjacks in eleventh place statewide. The Ladyjacks, riding high with an unblemished district record, meet Hemphill Thursday night before going on the road again for Friday and Saturday in the Tyler tournament. Both the varsity and junior varsity Ladyjacks are undefeated in district play, and the varsity squad has lost only two games all season — both to teams from larger classification schools.

Varsity Coach Carol Drake said that the high ranking for the Ladyjacks by the state association is the first time a DHS volleyball team has been ranked as high as eleventh in the state in recent years.



JESSE GARCIA (left) munchs down in championship style as he ate his way to a first place finish in the peanut butter and jelly sandwich eating contest in Diboll Day field events Saturday. That and the frog-jumping contest were two new fun events for spectators this year, with Rodney Cheshire's frog winning in that event.

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QUEEN CANDIDATES for Diboll Day this year included Laurel Hendrick, who finished with $21,064.70; Andrea Pouland, whose group raised $20,000; Anita Coleman, who had $14,027.07; first runnerup Susan Beene with $24,765.50; Diboll Day Queen G.G. Denman with the winning $37,461.95; and the 1980 queen, Cheryl Schmidt. The five groups raised a total $117,319.22, second only to the 1980 queen's race total of $124,000. (Free Press Photo)

Rusk deals Jacks firm 18-0 shutout

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MEET THE UNDEFEATED FRESHMAN TEAM FROM DIBOLL

THE LUMBERJACK FRESHMAN TEAM is undefeated through four games this season, easily the hottest team going among Diboll football teams this season. Team members are (front) Rodney Grant, Bobby Flanagan, Zachary Scott, Micky Murry, Stacey Fasske, Earnie Frost, Eddi Esteves, Ted Massey and Dwain Clevenger. Middle row: Randy Burke, Richard Rector, Timothy Kilgore, Dernold Sigers, Craig Brown, Charles Mark and Frank Miranda. Back row: Wayne Wright, Daniel DuBose, Henry Fox, Jeffery Tolar, Kim Chandler, Tommy Havard, Darin Gibson, Jonathan Levias and Cecil Sheffield. The freshmen defeated Rusk 28-0 last week and that completes their schedule. They now join the junior varsity for district games and the JV hosts San Augustine this Thursday in the district JV opener.

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SAN AUGUSTINE'S Alan Eberlan heads downfield after taking a pass and is chased by Diboll's Michael Wyatt (5) and Jerry Teal (7) in last Friday's game won by the Wolves, 42-6. It was the district opener for both teams. Wolves QB Keith Johnson bombed the Jacks with three touchdown passes, then added another on the ground as Diboll continued to lose fumbles.

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Fumbles again costly

Wolves chew on Jacks in 19-3A opener, 42-6

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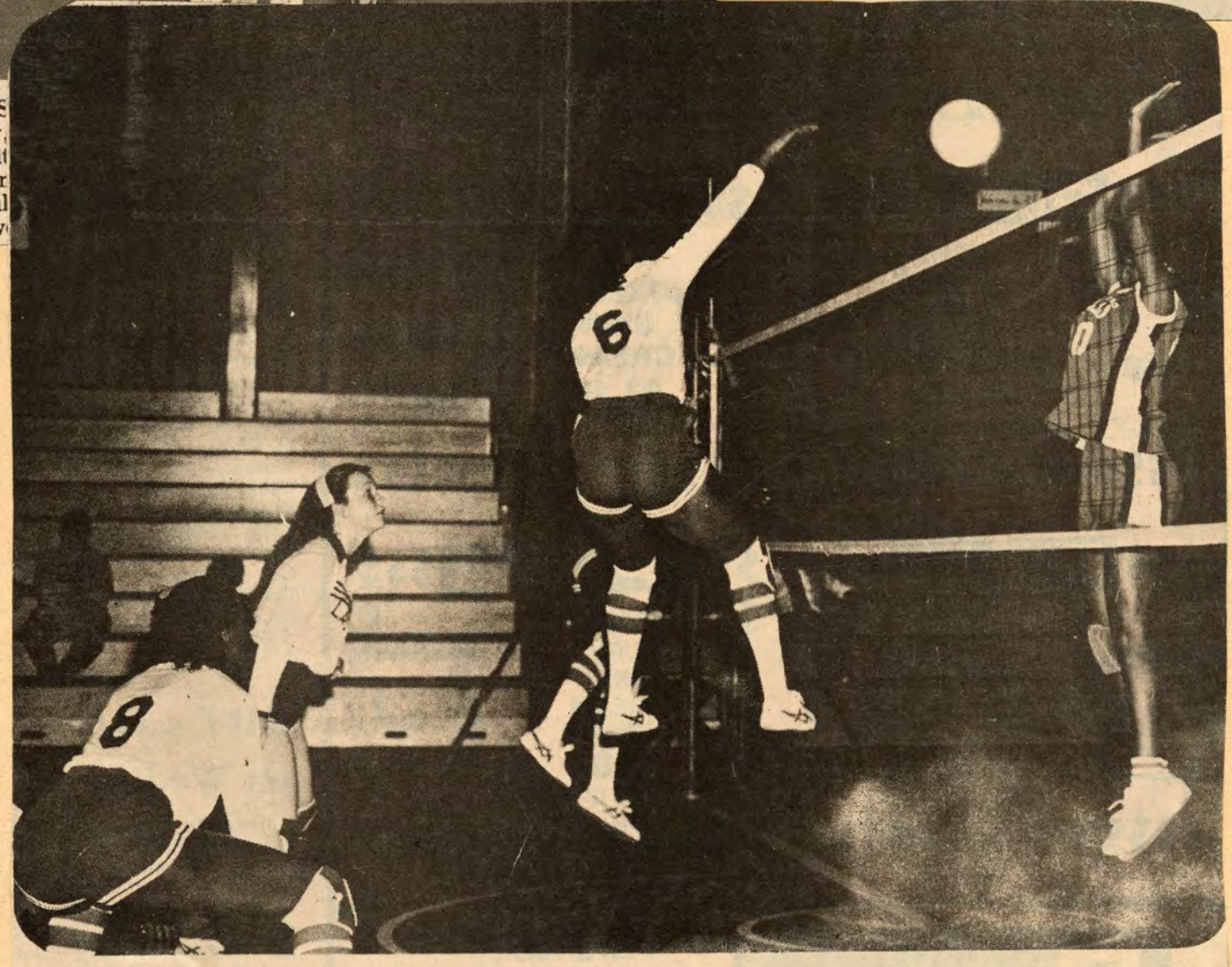
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JAMES BRAY comes to the sidelines for instructions from Head Coach Bobby Baker as Baker looks for assistance from his people overhead in last Friday's game in San Augustine. The Wolves battered the Jacks 42-6 in the district 19-3A opener. (Free Press Photo)



DIBOLL LADYJACK Sandra Teal (6) leaps high to spike the ball in district volleyball action last week against the Hemphill Lady Hornets. The Ladyjacks took 15-0, 15-3 wins to up their district record to 4-0.

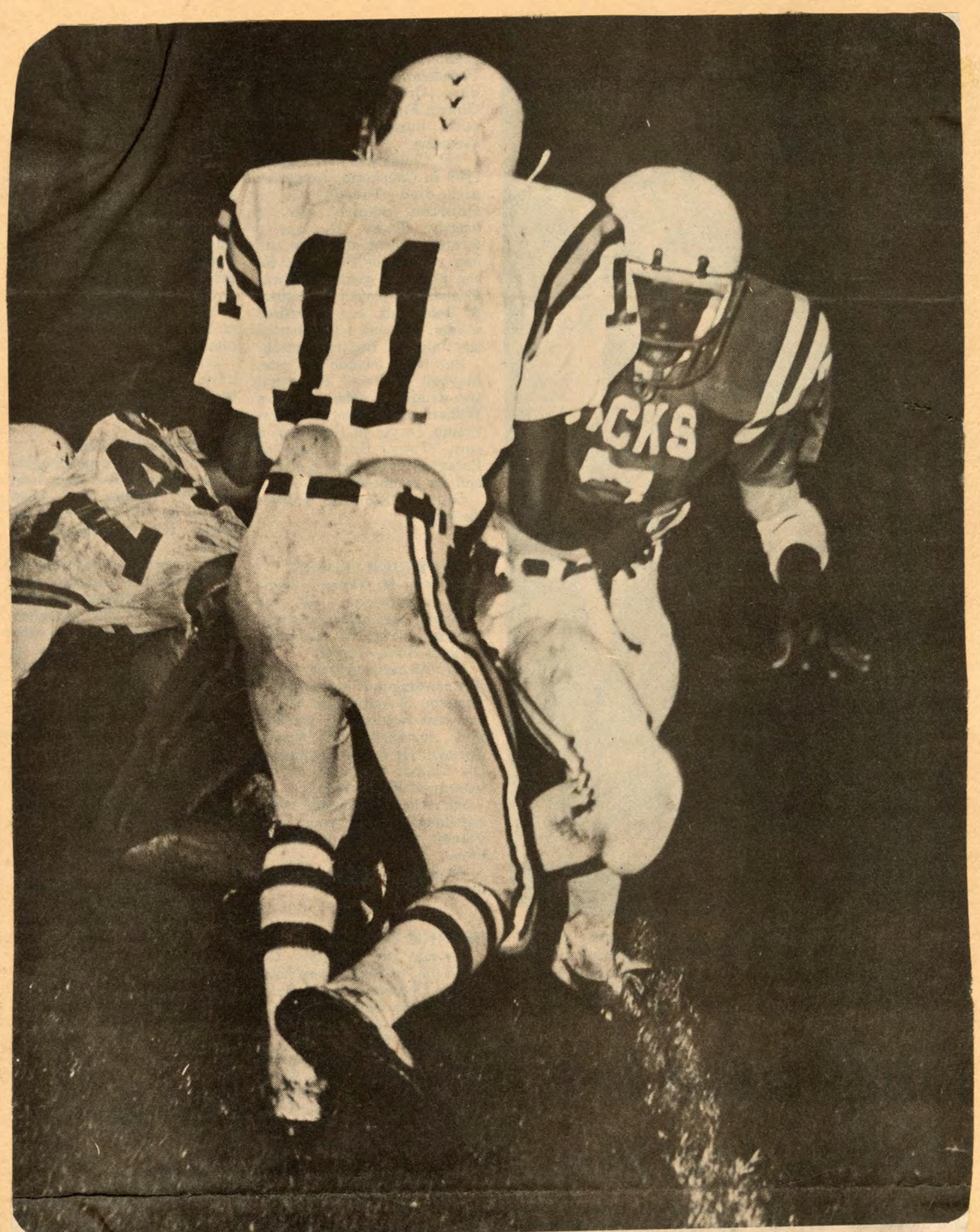
The varsity Ladyjacks are now ranked No. 11 in the state and have won all games in the first round of district competition.

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Jacks take muddy win over Woodville

Diboll Lumberjack JV rips hapless Eagles, 23-0



JERRY TEAL zeroed in on a Woodville Eagle early in the first half to keep the Eagles contained. Good defensive play for the Lumberjacks spelled doom for Woodville, which came out on the short end of a 12-6 score in Lumberjack Stadium last Friday night. The Jacks hop to continue their winning ways this week as they tak on the Hemphill Hornets of Hemphill.

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DHS FLAG CORPS

THE LUMBERJACK BAND, which missed its "Band Night" performance at home last week due to inclement weather, will be back on the field this week in Hemphill with flags waving. The Flag Corps color guard for the band this year is comprised of Marty Scarborough, Captain Debbie Hull, Captain G.G. Denman, Robin Squyres, Leticia Silguero, Peggie Lewis, Gretchen Walker and Kim Fairchild. The band and Flag Corps are currently putting together routines which will be used in UIL marching competition next month.

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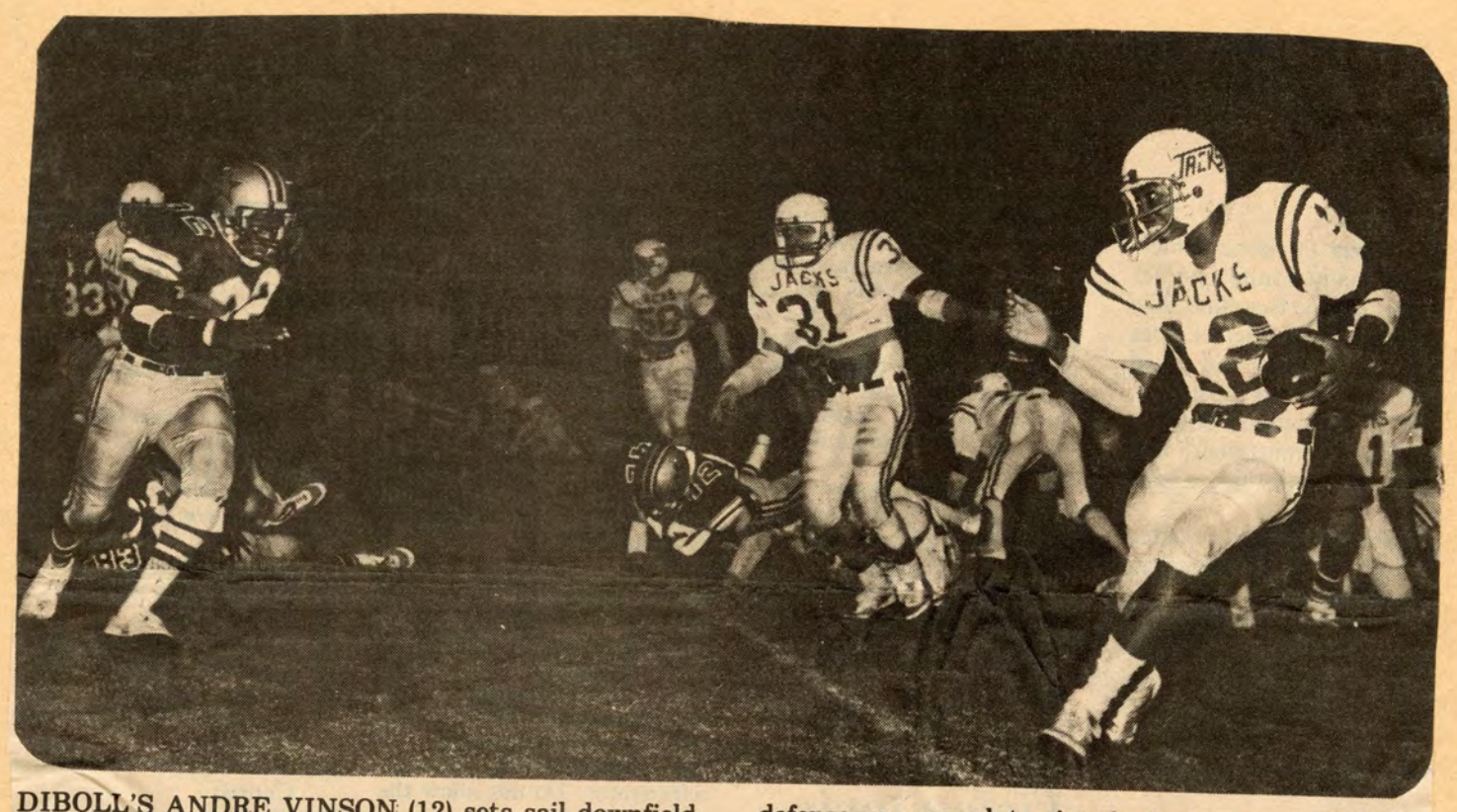
THE DHS PEP SQUA

1982 DIBOLL LUMBERJACK PEP SQUAD members are: (in front) Lisa Castillijo, Tina Evans, captain; Dianna Bane, captain; and Fidela Valdez. Second row: Alicia Guerrero, Amanda Powell, Marina Rodriguez, Ana Mendoza, Maria Prieto and Joy Bane. Back row: Stephanie Joshua, Donna Hardy, Diane Day, Katherine Parish, Janie Flores, Susan Hannah and Faye Jones.



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DIBOLL'S ANDRE VINSON (12) sets sail downfield with a Clay DuBose pass against Hemphill last Friday. Diboll's offense sputtered at times but it and a stingy defense was enough to give the Jacks a surprising 18-6 win over the previously undefeated Hornets.
(Kent Havard Photo



A CREW OF LUMBERJACK defenders brought Hemphill running back Willie Jackson to the ground in this action from Diboll's 18-6 upset of the Hornets last Friday in Hemphill. The Jacks host Center this Friday and a victory could keep them in prime contention for a playoff spot in District 19-3A. This sort of defense has won two straight games for the Jacks over Woodville and Hemphill.
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LEADING THE CHEERS AT DHS

CHEERS WILL BE LOUD AND LONG for the Diboll Lumberjacks this Friday night when they host the Center Roughriders in an important District 19-3A game. Leading those cheers are varsity cheerleaders (front) Monica Temple, Sylvia Mitchell and Deridre Johnson; (middle) Allison Lazarine and Lacy Yates and (top) Ursula Younger. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Lumberjack Stadium in a game which could determine if Diboll remains in the district playoff picture. See sports page for details. (Free Press Photo)

Stingy defense produces 18-6 upset of Hemphill

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UNITED WAY WINNERS — Members of the sophomore class at Diboll High School won themselves an hour off from school as part of a fund raising contest at the DHS campus for the United Fund. Class officers for the group, which raised $1,043.74 of the $2,800.02 collected at DHS are (seated) reporter Andrea Willmon, secretary Theresa Scarborough, vice president Tamisha Carnley and (standing) student council president Laurel Hendrick, sophomore class president Jimmy Tate and class treasurer Ronnie Kilgore. (Free Press Photo)



JANEY SMITH of the DHS senior class did her part to help the DHS United Way drive by raffling off a Lumberjack football cake she made for the occasion. Many students at the high school campus had special projects this year for the United Fund drive, which raised $2,800.02 at DHS. (Free Press Photo)



FRESHMAN CLASS members helping with the DHS United Way Drive sold chances on a Lumberjack shirt, a giant stuffed ape and a teddy bear duo as part of their fund raising activities. Participants included (from left) Ann Burnside, Leslie Capps, Maricela Franco and Emily Cheavens. Prize donors included Massey and Brown Sporting Goods, shirt; Miss Franco, giant ape; and Wal-Mart, the teddy bears.

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Hip, hip, hooray for our schools

Somebody is doing something right in our school system.

Really, when three campuses totaling about 1,830 young people can raise almost $5,000 for a cause such as the United Way, there is something good going on.

That is what our three schools in Diboll did this year. They have always done well, raising about $2,500 to $2,800 each year to help support the agencies which depend upon community support. But this year they outdid themselves, getting together almost twice that amount, in a year of severe economic depression for their families. Many of them obtained their contributions from mothers and fathers who had already contributed through the payroll deductions where they worked — Diboll after all contributes almost 20 percent of the United Way total, even though it has only about eight percent of the county's population.

Diboll school students contributed to the United Way to the tune of about $2.75 per student. If everyone in Angelina County had done so well, our United Way goal of $285,000 could have been $500,000.

Diboll schools gave almost as much as the much larger Lufkin School District, much more than four other entire communities combined, more than the goals of very highly paid professional groups in the county.

This isn't to berate any other group or community but to point out the spirit and aggressiveness of the Diboll school system. They're doing something right over there!

—P.D.

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SCHOOLS HELP SET RECORD

DIBOLL ISD faculty and students raised a record $4,902.43 for the Angelina County United Fund this year. Pictured are some of those workers who helped with the effort, including (from left) TJS principal James Porter, TJS student representative Mellie Esteves, Diboll Elementary principal Louree Eason and student representative Dawna Bowman, DHS student representative Laurel Hendick and vice principal Alex Alexander, DISD business manager Jim Dunlap and United Way co-chairman for Diboll Joe Sample. This year the high school collected $2,800.02, the junior school $1,427, elementary $537 and central administration $137 to make the big total possible.

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Diboll schools help push United Way toward goal

Diboll's check for $52,800 this week helped push the Angelina County United Way campaign past $246,000, to about 86 percent of the $285,000 goal, according to United Way officials.

Diboll co-chairman Joe Sample presented a check for $52,500 to officials and said Wednesday that he estimated another $300 would be forthcoming, bringing Diboll's total to a record $52,800.

Sample had high praise for the Diboll schools which this year contributed $4,902.43 to the United Way, an amount to help set the new record for Diboll.

The schools here normally give between $2,500 and $2,800 but with a special effort on all campuses this year that amount was almost doubled. The effort was paced by the high school, where students carried out a number of competitions over a two week period to raise $2,800.

Temple Junior School came up with $1,427, Diboll Elementary with $537 and the central administration with $137 to complete the school's effort.

Contributions from Diboll school students are particularly impressive, Sample said, because most of their parents work for Temple-Eastex, which contributes the bulk of Diboll donations to the United Way.

Temple-Eastex employees and the company this year contributed a total of just over $32,000 to the overall Diboll effort. Temple-Eastex matches its employees' contributions.

Diboll School Superintendent Don Robbins is co-chairman with Sample for Diboll. Robbins said he was of course pleased with the effort made by the schools and praised the school principals, teachers and students for their outstanding effort.

This year's United Way goal of $285,000 likely will be reached in a few days. Funds from the annual campaign help fund 17 agencies in Angelina County, including Temple Memorial Library and the Katherine Sage Temple Child Day Care Center in Diboll.

Co-chairman Sample also said he was cheered by this year's record giving from Diboll because the town has just completed raising $125,000 during Diboll Day activities, which means the town raised over $175,000 in a two month period for community projects.

"I think it is just an outstanding achievement for the people of Diboll to participate in this way, especially at a time when the economy has been so bad," Sample said.

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DEMETRIUS HARRELL was named the DHS student of the month by the Diboll Rotary Club. Mechie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ornell Harrell of Lufkin. He is senior class secretary, vice president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and has been a student council member for two years. He has been an all district football player the past two seasons and has served as Lumberjack team captain two of his four football seasons and the team's most valuable defensive lineman last season. Mechie plans to attend Lamar University to study business administration. Howard Daniel presented Harrell the top student award for September.

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VICKY MULLINS and Mike Conner were selected as the Diboll Lumberjack Band sweetheart and beau. They were presented at halftime ceremonies of the Diboll-Center game here last week. (Claude Welch Photo)



JAMES BRAY put on a stellar running performance for the Lumberjacks last week as he racked up 110 yards on 17 carries to spark the offense. Diboll outgained the visiting Roughriders but came out on the short end of an 18-1 score. The Axmen travel to Newton Fr day for the final regular game of th season.

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JERRY TEAL rambled dowfield to give Diboll good field posion on this kickoff return in the fist half of the Center game last Friday Center won in the final second, 18-12, af most of the second half was played a 12-12 tie.

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DIBOLL'S ANDRE VINSON (12) leaped over the top of the Center line behind the blocks of Matt Amason (31) and Frank Mitchell (20) to score Diboll's second touchdown that tied the Roughriders at 12-12 last Friday in the first half. The tie stood up until the final second of the game when Center scored on a desperation pass to win the important 18-3A game, 18-12.
(Photo by Kent Havard)

Center edges Jacks on last play, 18-12

District 18-AAA Season Standings

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
Newton	8	1		242	83
Hemphill	7	2		213	94
Woodville	5	4		193	155
Center	4	4	1	188	182
Diboll	3	6		92	176
S. Augustine	3	6		134	187

DISTRICT STANDINGS

Newton	3	1	114	41
Center	3	1	100	87
Hemphill	2	2	62	53
Diboll	2	2	42	71
S. Augustine	1	3	63	78
Woodville	1	3	44	93

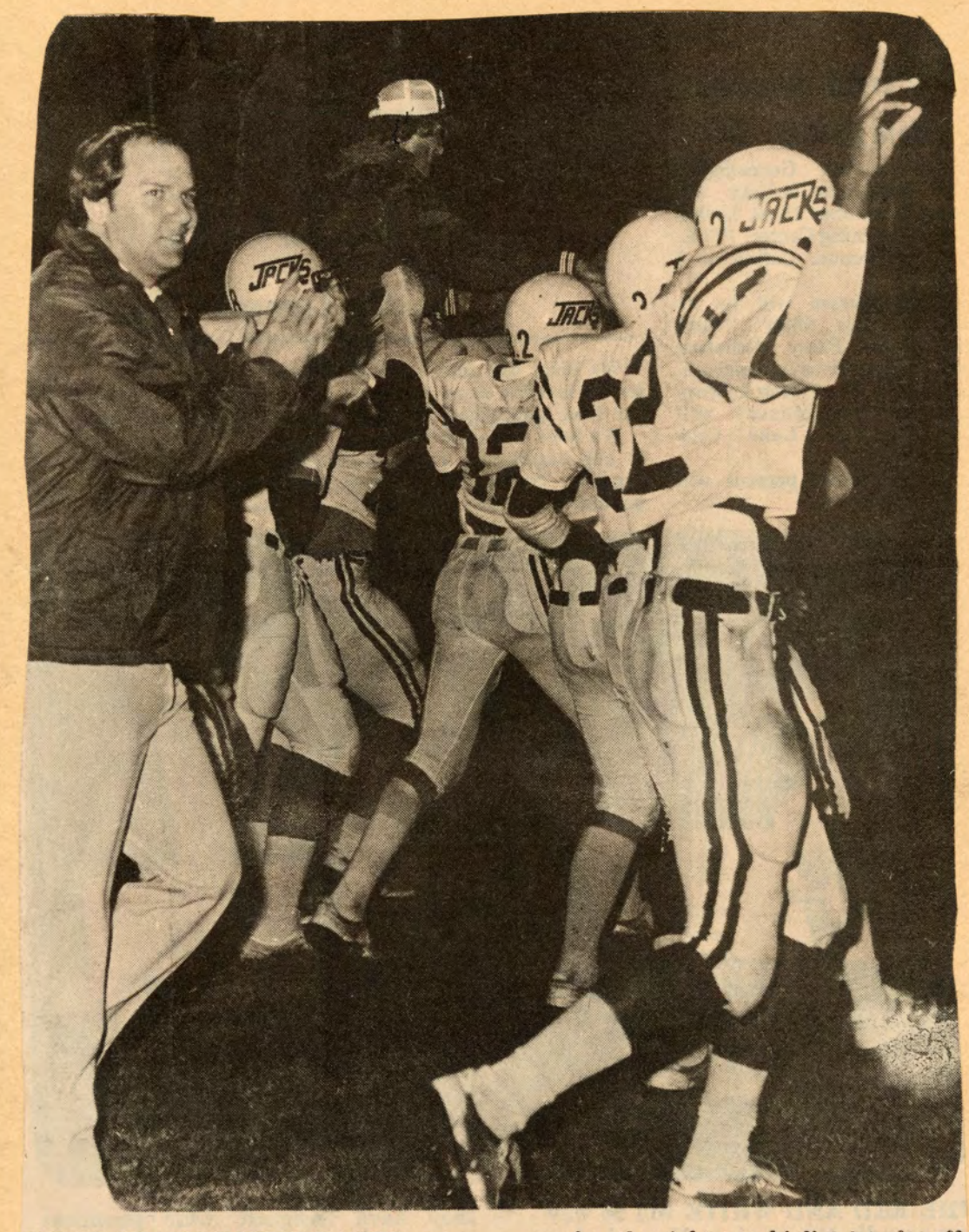
GAMES LAST WEEK

Center	18	Diboll	12
Newton	28	Hemphill	0
Woodville	25	S. Augustine	13

Jacks battle Newton for playoff berth

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Jacks upset Eagles, share playoff berth



HEAD COACH BOBBY BAKER gets a shoulder ride from his players as assistant coach Mark Wimberley and other team members display their joy after defeating Newton 7-3 last Friday and earning the right to a bi-district playoff berth this Friday against Rusk. It was the first time a Diboll team had ever beaten Newton in Newton.
(Photo by Kent Havard)

Coach Bobby Baker will take his Cinderella Diboll Lumberjacks into the bi-district playoffs against Rusk this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Nacogdoches High School Stadium.

The Lumberjacks upset defending champion Newton 7-3 last Friday to earn the second place playoff spot. Center won first place in district and will face Crockett in the other playoff game Friday, also at 7:30 in Lufkin's Abe Martin Stadium.

For the first time this year the first two teams in all Texas football districts go to the playoffs, with the second place team having as much opportunity to advance into the playoffs as the first place teams.

Diboll will be the underdog against the Eagles, who blanked the Jacks 18-0 in a non-district outing earlier this season. At that time, however, Diboll was plagued with injuries and playing at about half speed.

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DIBOLL'S BAY BAY GIBSON (32) gathers in a pass for an 11-yard gain against Newton last Friday. The Jacks used a stout defense to post a 7-3 win over the defending district champion Eagles and thereby ad to the bi-district playoffs this F against the Rusk Eagles in N doches.

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THE RED AND WHITE will be waving proudly this week in Nacogdoches, as the Lumberjacks enter bi-district football action. The DHS National Honor Society is doing its part to support the team this year, with placards they have designed. Club president Karen Ingram displays the colorful booster placards, along with Lumberjack Frank Mitchell, David DeJesus and Lynn Stanford.

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THE ANCHOR CLUB at Diboll High School was presented a U.S. flag which was flown over the Capitol, courtesy of U.S. Rep. Charles Wilson. Wilson staffer Peyton Walters (center) made the presentation last week to (from left) Anchor Club reporter Tina Evans, president Shannon Farrow, project coordinator Susan Beene, vice president G.G. Denman and treasurer Marty Scarborough. Club members plan to officially present the flag to DHS, along with a Texas flag, sometime later this year, as part of a club project. (Free Press Photo)

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OFFICERS FOR THE National Honor Society at Diboll High School for the 1982-83 school term are (seated) president Karen Ingram, vice president Susan Beene, (standing) secretary Shannon Farrow, reporter Greg Krull and treasurer Gina Donovan. Sponsor for the group is DHS counselor Mary Ingram, who said that the NHS members have several projects lined up for this school term.

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ANDREA POULAND was selected to receive the Diboll Rotary Club's student of the month award for October at Diboll High School. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ralph Pouland, Andrea has been particularly active in FFA, serving as president for two years, secretary, on the parliamentary procedures team four years, dairy judging team oneyear, hay judging one year and livestock judging two years. Andrea received the Lone Star Farmer Degree this year and showed the reserve champion steer at the Angelina County Junior Livestock Show earlier this year. She has shown Simmental and Brown Swiss heifers at many East Texas shows, has been an Anchor Club member for three years and student council parlimentarian. She was also a Diboll Day contestant this year. Howard Daniel made the presentation to Andrea.

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DIBOLL VS RUSK IN BI-DISTRICT PLAYOFF FRIDAY

The Daily Sentinel NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS

Diboll takes advantage of new format

By BILL GRIFFIN
Sports Editor

Diboll's Lumberjacks appreciated being allowed to enter the Class AAA playoffs via the second place spot in District 18-AAA. They appreciated it so much that they ousted the District 17-AAA champion Rusk Eagles from further competition with a 10-7 bi-district victory.

Diboll kicker Billy Alexander broke a halftime deadlock with a 43-yard field goal early in the third period and the 'Jacks then hung on with an outstanding defensive effort to capture just their fifth win of the season.

Rusk ended the season with a 9-2 record under first-year head coach Louis Caveness.

The Lumberjacks will now clash with the East Chambers in Class AAA area play. East Chambers downed Orangefield 20-14 in other b-district action.

Diboll, a team which had dropped an 18-0 decision to Rusk earlier this season, managed to put the first points on the board late in the first period. Both teams played a game of setback up until that point.

The Lumberjacks finally turned it around following a Rusk punt to the Diboll 41. The Lumberjacks unleashed their running game, highlighted by the play of Bay Bay Gibson, who had long gainers of 23 and 12 during the course of the drive. His 12-yard run moved the Lumberjacks to the Rusk five. But Diboll quarterback Clay DuBose fumbled and was dropped for a loss back to the 13.

DuBose recovered quickly and found wide receiver Andre Vinson down the right sideline and lofted a 13-yard touchdown pass with just 10 seconds to go in the first period. Alexander kicked the extra point to give the Lumberjacks a 7-0 lead.

After a volley of punts, Rusk settled down and put together the finest drive of the night. The Eagles mixed in a few passes to go with a solid running game to move down to the two where quarterback Brian Townsend sneaked in for the touchdown. Robert Grimes booted the extra point with 2:56 left in the half and the score remained knotted when both teams left the field for halftime.

The Lumberjacks received the biggest break of the game on the first play of the second half when Townsend mishandled a Rusk handoff and James Bray recovered for Diboll at the Rusk 25.

Diboll managed to actually lose a yard in three plays and on a fourth and 11, Alexander was called on by Lumberjack head coach Bobby Baker for a 43-yard field goal. The ball just cleared the crossbar and with 9:59 the Lumberjacks grabbed a 10-7 lead.

Diboll received another break a few minutes later when Rusk's Ronnie Shepard was separated from the ball and the Lumberjacks recovered at the Rusk 22. But two penalties and a quarterback sack pushed the Lumberjacks back to their own 47 and they were forced to punt.

The Lumberjacks put together their finest drive of the evening on their next possession and moved from their own 46 to the Rusk 13. But two consecutive incomplete passes at that point gave the ball back to Rusk.

Rusk failed to mount much offense in the second half and finished the night with only 91 yards on the ground and 61 yards through the air for 152 yards total offense.

Diboll, on the other hand, finished with 136 yards on the ground, led by Bay Bay Gibson's game-leading 78 yards on 14 carries, and 20 yards throug the air for 156 yards total offense.

The Statistics

	Diboll	Rusk
First Downs	12	12
Rushes-Yards	50-136	37-91
Passing Yards	20	61
Total Yards	156	152
Passes	14-2-0	16-7-1
Punts	7-28.4	4-28.0
Fumbles-Lost	6-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	9-65	4-30

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Diboll	7	0	3	0 — 10
Rusk	0	7	0	0 — 7

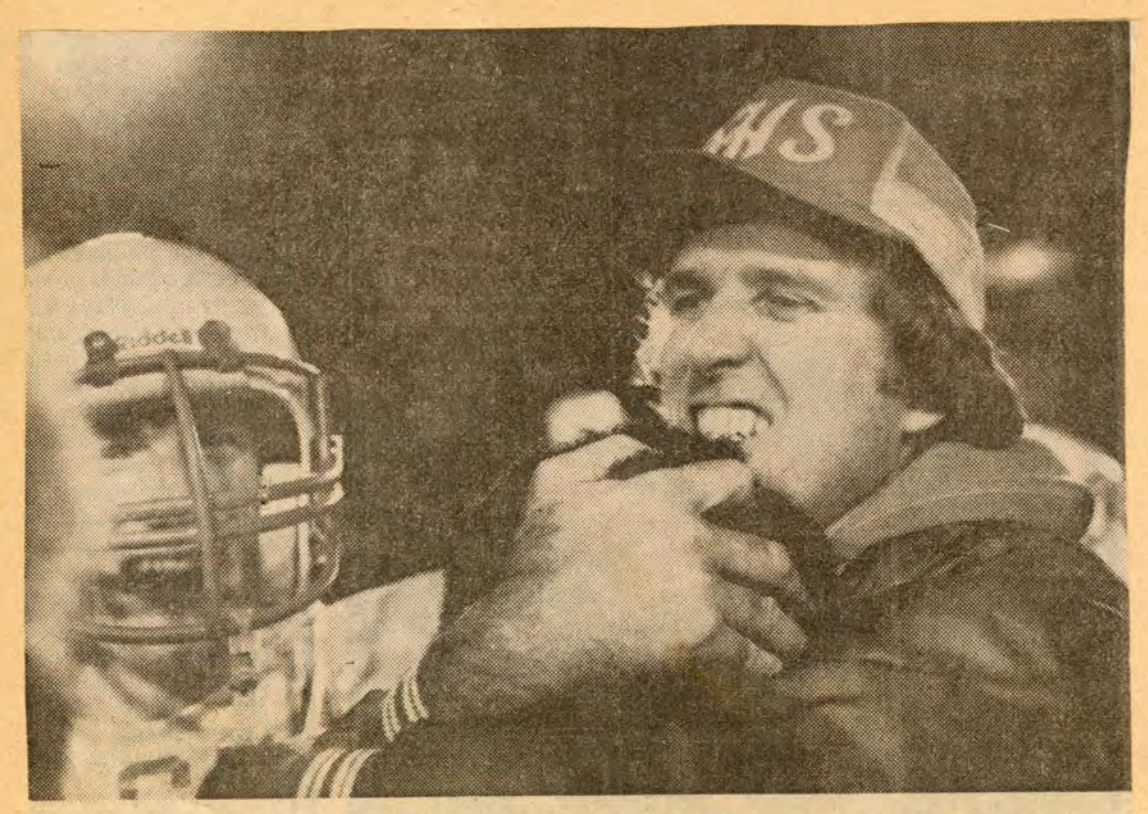


Get back, 'Jack!

Rusk running back Calvin Henderson (35) appears to motioning for Diboll linebacker James Bray (30) to stay away, but Bray moved in for the tackle anyway during Friday night's Class 3A bi-district playoff game in Nacogdoches. Diboll, who had lost to Rusk earlier in the year 18-0, avenged itself by winning the playoff game, 10-7. (Sports Photo by Lee Baker)

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'Jacks take bi-district crown, 10-7



Happy coach

Diboll Head Coach Bobby Baker flashes a grin as he hugs a Lumberjack player after his team's 10-7 victory over Rusk in a Class 3A bi-district playoff game in Nacogdoches Friday night. Baker's Lumberjacks got a touchdown pass from quarterback Clay DuBose to Andre Vinson and a 43-yard field goal from Billy Alexander for the playoff victory. (Sports Photo by Lee Baker)

By PHIL LATHAM
Staff Writer

NACOGDOCHES — Same song, fifth verse.

The Diboll Lumberjacks are beginning to get predictable — predicably good, and Friday's game against the Rusk Eagles was no exception to the new rule.

Using the same tools that allowed them to squeak into the playoffs as the runnerup team in District 18-3A — a tough defense and just enough offense — the Lumberjacks managed to come out with still another must win by whipping the Eagles, 10-7.

Diboll Coach Bobby Baker is still looking for a winning season, however, as his Lumberjacks, now 5-6-0, take on East Chambers, 6-4-1, next week in the area playoffs.

The playoff game has been set for Friday night at 7:30 at either the Silsbee or the Humble high school stadium, Baker said. School officials said Silsbee is the first choice with Humble as the alternate choice.

Baker himself is running out of superlatives about his team, which lost five of its first six games of the year before making a Cinderella comeback to make the playoffs.

"It was just another super defensive effort," Baker said. "Everybody just came together and did what they had to do. They played a great ball game."

There are almost too many defensive standouts to list in this one. Michael Wyatt, Andre Vinson, Rodney Grant, James Bray, Bay Bay Gibson, Aaron Fenley, David DeJesus, Billy Alexander, Mechie Harrell and Jose Cruz all had good defensive efforts. Grant is a freshman who was called up earlier in the season when the 'Jacks were decimated with injuries. "Rodney's been a pleasant surprise for us," Baker said. "He's stepped in and done the job well that we've asked of him."

It was again the defense, with an offense that showed spark when needed, that allowed Diboll to

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Like a loaf of bread

Diboll running back Bay Bay Gibson (32) carries the football precariously in one hand as he tries to escape the grasp of a Rusk tackler. Rusk's Tony Geisleman (81) moves in to make the stop during Diboll's Class 3A bi-district playoff game against Rusk in Nacogdoches Friday. Diboll won the game, 10-7, to advance in the playoffs next weekend against East Chambers. (Sports Photo by Lee Baker)

Diboll

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control this game virtually from start to finish.

Diboll defenders forced four fumbles, three of which Rusk lost and Vinson made a key interception on a spectacular, diving catch late in the game that ended any hopes the Eagles might have had.

The defense was especially hard-nosed in the second half. Rusk had found some success running wide and passing on Diboll, but the Lumberjacks allowed the Eagles to get no closer than 45 yards from their goal line throughout the second half.

Diboll scored its touchdown with 10 seconds remaining in the first quarter after a seven-play, 58-yard drive, that proved to be one of the few times the Lumberjacks could successfully move on the Eagles.

Gibson, who is returning to more offensive action each week after being out most of the year with injuries, made the big plays in the drive. Gibson made a slashing run up the middle to pick up 24 yards on the second play of the drive and then added 22 more yards on the next three plays to put the Lumberjacks on the five yard line. Gibson wound up the game's leading rusher, gaining 74 yards on 13 carries.

A fumble by quarterback Clay DuBose, though, put the Lumberjacks back on the 13 yard line. DuBose made up for his mistake one play later by lofting a perfect lob pass to Vinson who was uncovered in the endzone. Alexander added the extra point to put the 'Jacks in front 7-0.

Rusk came back with its own offensive fireworks in the second quarter, mounting an impressive 15-play, 80 yard drive. Rusk quarterback Brian Townsend passed for 29 of the yards to Ronnie Shepard. Townsend took the ball in himself on a two-yard quarterback sneak with 2:56 left in the half.

Diboll's other score, and the last score of the game, came with almost 10 minutes left in the third quarter after Townsend fumbled the ball on the Eagle 25 with Bray recovering.

Diboll was unable to move the ball forward, but Alexander did the next best thing by angling a 43-yard field goal through the goal posts to make the score 10-7.

Neither team was able to score after that.

Game at a glance

	Diboll	Rusk
First downs	10	8
Rushes-yards	44-142	32-89
Passing yards	25	56
Total yardage	167	145
Passes	3-15-0	6-15-1
Fumbles-lost	3-0	4-3
Penalties-yardage	2-20	5-35
Offensive plays	59	47

Score by quarters

Diboll	7	0	3	0--10
Rusk	0	7	0	0--7

Scoring summary

Diboll — Clay Dubose, 13-yard pass to Andre Vinson. (Billy Alexander kick).

Rusk — Brian Townsend, two-yard run (Bobby thrash kick).

Diboll — 43-yard field goal by Alexander.

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Defense nails down bi-district win, 10-7

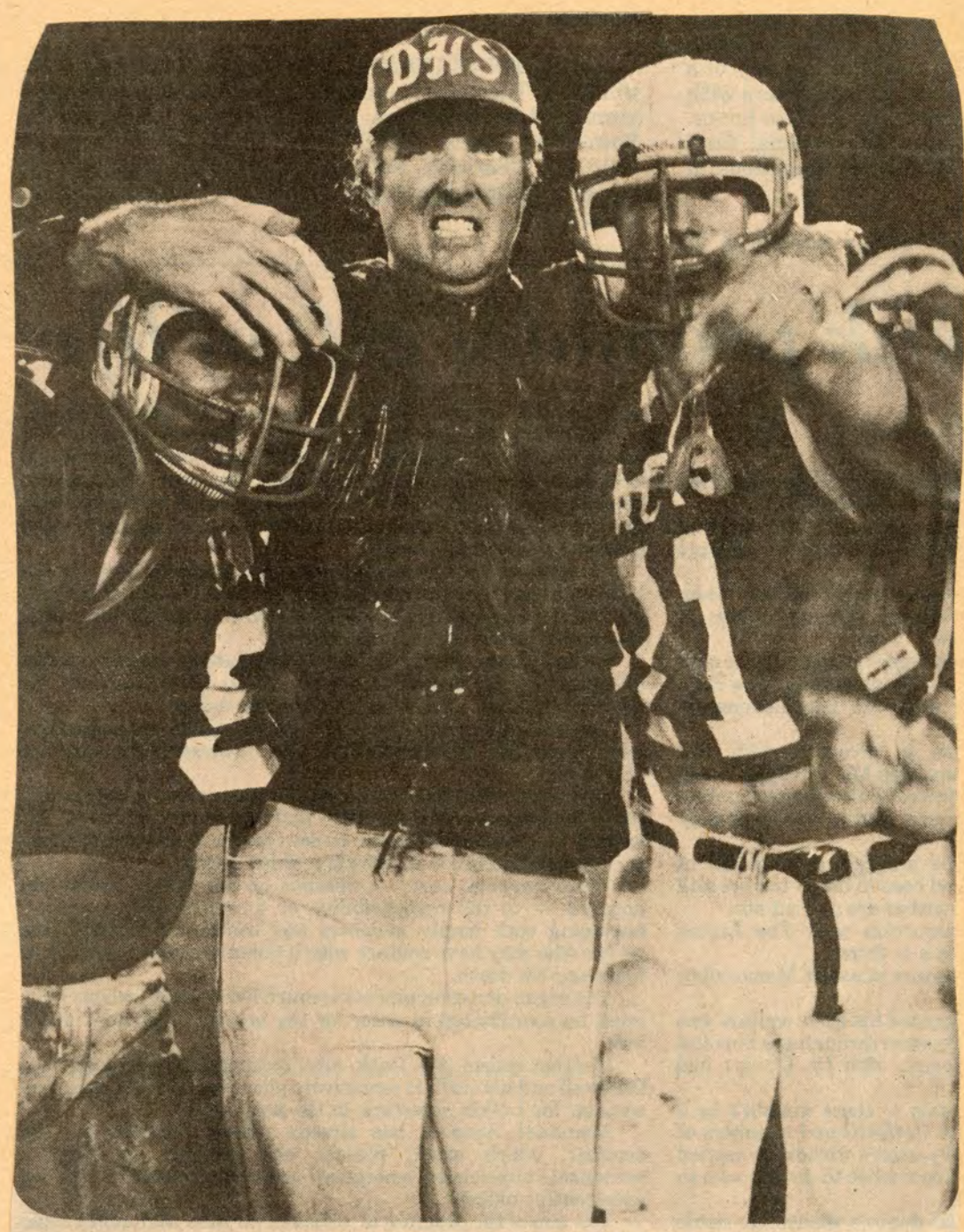
Jacks vs East Chambers in area playoff

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DIBOLL LUMBERJACKS
vs
EAST CHAMBERS BUCCANEERS
Friday, November 19, 1982
Silsbee High School
Silsbee, Texas



Celebration time

Diboll Head Coach Bobby Baker is mobbed by his team members, as his Lumberjacks pulled another one out of the hat Friday night. They nipped East Chambers 9-7, and stayed alive in the state high school playoffs. (Staff Photo by Phil Lathan)



VICTORIOUS LUMBERJACKS

DIBOLL HEAD COACH Bobby Baker embraces Jesse Garcia and Keith Massey along with other team members after his Lumberjacks defeated East Chambers 9-7 for the area championship last Friday in rain and mud in Silsbee.

The win over the tough Buccaneers sends the Lumberjacks against Navasota this Saturday night in Klein for the Region III title. See stories on the sports pages.

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Jacks beat Buccaneers 9-7 for area title

Diboll stay alive in playoffs

Diboll

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yards to gain a first and goal on the Diboll 10. Good defensive plays by Billy Alexander and Bay Bay Gibson took the Bucs back to the 16, but East Chambers tailback George Reedy, who gained 76 yards on the night, busted for an eight yard gain to set up fourth down with eight yards for a touchdown.

The Bucs set up for a field goal, but faked a kick and quarterback Donald George threw to fullback Phillip Savage. Diboll safety Andre Vinson, who seemed to be just in the right place all night, kept Savage from entering the endzone, though, giving the ball to the Lumberjacks.

East Chambers did manage to score the next time they got the ball, however, using the veer and triple option on a drive that began on the Diboll 33. Doug Girouard took the ball over on a three yard carry with 4:16 left in the first quarter to put the Bucs ahead 7-0.

Diboll got revenge on their first possession of the second quarter on one-play, 49-yard drive that consisted of quarterback Clay DuBose throwing long to Michael Wyatt. Wyatt, who had turned his coverage around, took the ball in from the 10 to tie the score with 11:41 left in the quarter.

The last scoring of the game was set up by a DuBose punt that left the Bucs starting on their own 10 yard line.

After stopping Reedy and Girouard for no gain on two consecutive rushes, Mechie Harrell and Aaron Fenley teamed up to sack George one yard deep in the endzone, making the score 9-7.

East Chambers threatened to score again in the fourth quarter, taking the ball from the Diboll 45 to the three yard line before George fumbled into the endzone and Diboll recovered for a touchback.

The Bucs fumbled on five of their eight possessions in the second half.

Baker said practicing Thanksgiving week should cause no more troubles than normal.

"The only thing is we will have more thanks to give," he said.

By EDWIN QUARLES

The Diboll Lumberjacks continued their spectacular comeback from a dismal 1-5 start last Friday as they defeated the East Chambers Buccaneers 9-7 in Silsbee to win the area championship of Region III.

Diboll will face the Navasota Rattlers for the Region III title this Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Klein High School in Spring.

The win is a first at DHS since this is the most games outside district that any Lumberjack team has won. Although their record is now trimmed at 6-6, the Jacks have won bi-district and area playoff games. The 1971 team finished with a 9-3 record but lost its region game after winning bi-district.

"This is a milestone for Diboll athletics," said Coach Bobby Baker. "Our record isn't that good but we're still in the playoffs. We can see the benefit of a two team playoff system. It adds excitement and it will improve each year. It's super for us since we came on strong at the end of the year."

Lumberjacks capitalize on numerous EC errors

SILSBEE — The Diboll Lumberjacks moved from their familiar pine forests Friday to the swamp folks here call Kirby Memorial Statium.

But it was the East Chambers Buccaneers who got lost in the quicksand.

What the Bucs lost most was the ball, giving it away seven times on fumbles as the Lumberjacks rolled on to an area championship by beating East Chambers 9-7.

The win evens the 'Jacks record at 6-6 and puts Diboll into the regional championship game against either Navasota or Bellville. Those two teams play tonight in Katy.

Baker said that game decisions will probably be made sometime Sunday with some attempt made to select a stadium that is between Diboll and the team they will play.

For Diboll fans and coaches, it was another chance to snack on their fingernails as the Lumberjacks just managed to scratch out a win that was based on a 49-yard touchdown pass, a safety, and a lot of defense.

"We're lucky, whew, we're lucky to come out of that one," Diboll coach Bobby Baker said. "They were much better than we thought. We knew they were going to be big. We didn't know they were going to be as big as they were."

In fact, the Buccaneers, whose starting offensive linemen all weigh more than 200 pounds, ran well most of the game against the Diboll defense, picking up 228 yards on 54 total carries.

The Lumberjack defense, though, made almost all of the big plays required of them. On three separate occasions — two of them within the 'Jack 20 yard line, the Diboll defense stopped East Chambers on crucial fourth down situations.

And despite the wet conditions, most of the Buccaneer fumbles came because of hard hitting by the defense.

"We got the whole thing on video tape and we looked at it and most of those fumbles were cause by some really vicious tackling," Baker said. "After looking at the film, I was pleased. The defense bent but it didn't break."

Even with the East Chambers rushing yardage, the defense did not bend much.

They were called to the test early, too. On the first play from scrimmage, halfback James Bray fumbled on the 22 yard line, with Buc tackle Floyd George recovering.

The Bucs gained a quick 12

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Game At A Glance

	Diboll	East Chambers
First Downs	6	13
Rushes-Yards	35-106	54-228
Passing Yards	79	19
Total Yardage	185	247
Passes	4-14-1	4-6-0
Fumbles Lost	4-3	8-7
Penalties-Yardage	6-55	4-65
Offensive Plays	49	60

Score by Quarters

Diboll	0	7	2	0—9
East Chambers	7	0	0	0—7

Scoring Summary

Diboll — Clay DuBose, 49-yard pass to Michael Wyatt (point-after by Alexander)

East Chambers — Doug Girouard, 3 run (point-after by Bob DuBose)

Diboll — Safety, quarterback Donald George tackled by Mechie Harrell and Aaron Fenley in endzone.

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BAY BAY GIBSON (32) curls around the corner behind Frank Mitchell's (20) watchful eye for yardage against a huge East Chambers defense Friday night. The teams battled in mud and rain throughout the game, with the Jacks earning a 9-7 area playoff victory. They play Navasota for the region title this Saturday night at Klein. Diboll ate up several Buccaneer fumbles and stopped the big Buc backs inside the 20 three times for the win. (Free Press Photo)

Memorial 35	Jasper 15	Plano 14	Dallas Carter 24	Knox City 20	Bay City 14
Jones 8	Columbia 0	S. Oak Cliff 0	Highland Park 21	Meridian 6	Lincoln 12
Anahuac 22	Diboll 9	Groveton 12	Edinburg 17	Highland 70	Goree 50
Crockett 20	E. Chambers 7	Garrison 6	SA Fox Tech 7	Southland 22	Strawn 34

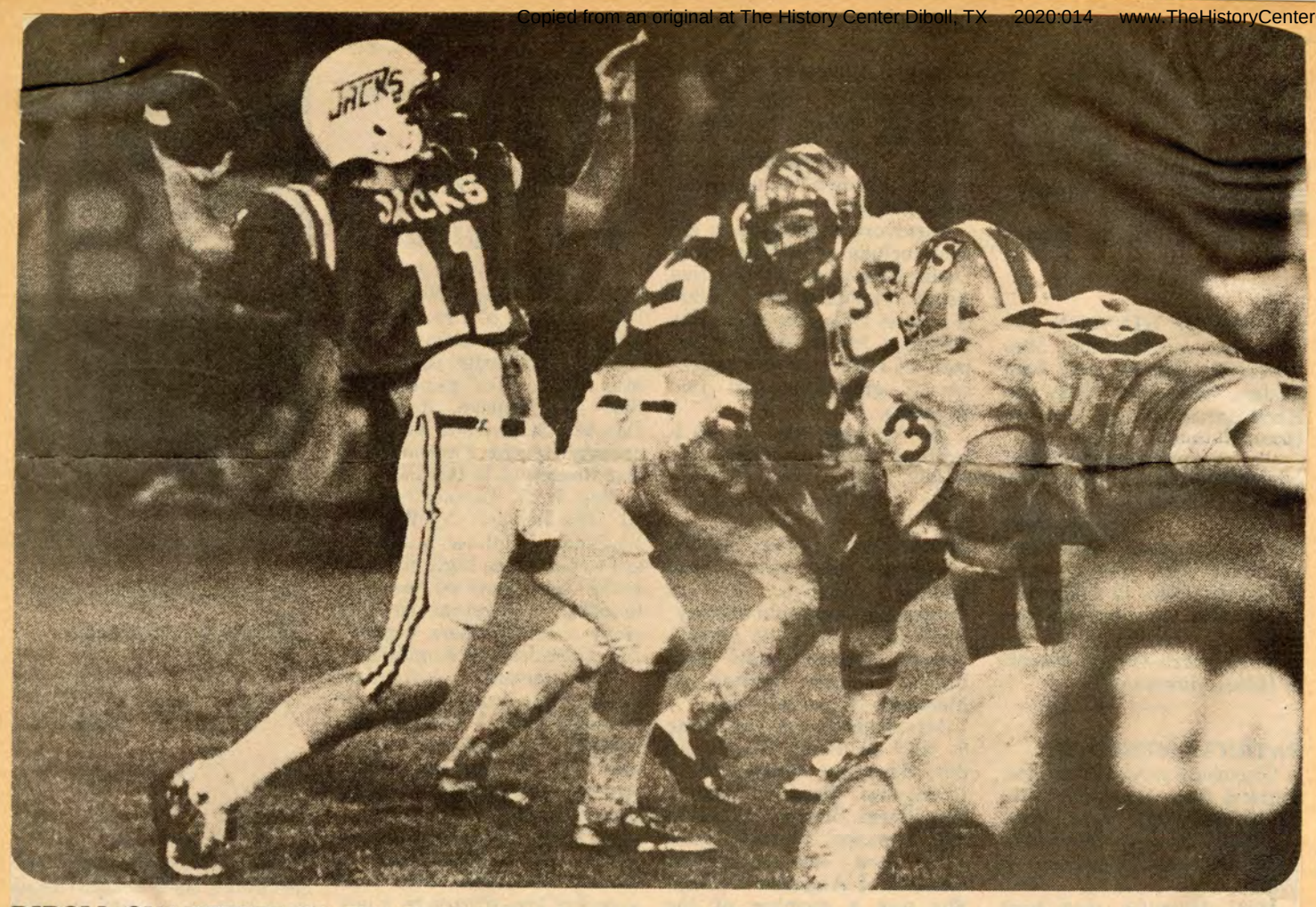
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DIBOLL QUARTERBACK Clay DuBose gets set to unload the 49 yard pass to Michael Wyatt that accounted for Diboll's only touchdown in their win over East Chambers last Friday. The TD strike and a safety gave the Jacks a 9-7 win over the Buccaneers and sends them to region this week against Navasota.

(Free Press Photo)

November 25, 1982

Jacks are area champs!

GAME AT A GLANCE

	Diboll	E. Chamb.
First downs	13	17
Rushing yds	80	188
Passing yds	79	17
Total yds	159	205
Fumbles/lost	4/3	10/8
Penalties/yds	6/60	4/63
Punts/avg	7/27.3	1/25.0
Time of Poss.	22:52	25:08

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rushing

Diboll — Mitchell 15-60, Gibson 9-25, Bray 5-8, Vinson 1-2, DuBose 4-—15.

East Chambers — Girouard 19-123, Reedy 17-21, George 22-—6.

Passing

Diboll — DuBose 4-14-2-79.

East Chambers — George 2-6-0-17.

Receiving

Diboll — Wyatt 1-49, Gibson 1-12, Mitchell 1-11, Vinson 1-7.

East Chambers — DuBose 1-7, Leday 1-10.

SCORING SUMMARY

East Chambers — first quarter — Reedy 3 yd run, extra point DuBose good.

Diboll second quarter — DuBose to Wyatt 49 yds, extra point, Alexander good.

Diboll third quarter — Fenley tackled George for safety.

SCORING BY QUARTERS

Diboll	0	7	2	0	— 9
E. Chambers	7	0	0	0	— 7

Jacks, Rattlers vie for Region trophy Saturday in Klein

Diboll's opponent in the Region III playoff this Saturday night in Klein, the Navasota Rattlers, will be the quickest team the Lumberjacks have faced this season, according to DHS Head Coach Bobby Baker.

Baker, who watched the Rattlers beat Bellville 24-7 last Saturday in an area title game, describes the Rattlers as "a very explosive team" on offense and having a solid defense capable of producing turnovers.

Hard-hitting by the Rattlers forced several crucial Bellville turnovers, as was the case in Diboll's 9-7 win over a powerful East Chambers team.

"But we gave up a lot of yards and we need to eliminate some of our defensive mistakes," Baker said this week.

"We're going to make some minor adjustments on offense. We've been scoring just enough points to win and we are going to have to generate more offense," he said.

Indeed, the Jacks beat Rusk for bi-district 10-7, then barely beat the Buccaneers by the two point margin.

The Lumberjacks failed to capitalize on numerous East Chambers fumbles, although the defense did manage to keep turning away the slashing Buc runners near the goal line in a game played in rain and mud at Silsbee.

The Lumberjacks are making school history with every play, however. No DHS team has evern won two playoff games past the district level. The 1970 team won bi-district but lost in region with a final 7-5.

The 1971 team managed a fine 9-3 record but also fell in region.

This year's 6-6 record equals the 12 games of those two teams but the 1982 Jacks benefitted from the dual playoff system and by winning five of their last six games to advance further than any other Jack team.

Navasota also is further into the playoffs than any Rattler team since 1956. They are 11-1 on the season. Their only loss was in the opening game to Hearne, but the Rattlers came back to defeat Hearne in bi-district.

What the Lumberjacks will be facing in addition to team quickness is a good quarterback in the Rattlers' Lynn James, a quick sophomore with a good arm.

The running backs are senior Archie Sauls who gained 84 yards against Bellville, and junior Andy Peavy, who carried the ball 17 times for 143 yards last week.

The Rattlers are not nearly as large as the huge East Chambers team the Jacks faced last week. Their biggest starter is 208 pound offensive lineman Tim Franklin. Perhaps their most impressive lineman is 205 pound tackle James Scott.

Diboll's primary goal will be to establish a running game, says Coach Baker. "We've got to maintain the football and keep it away from their explosive offense."

So, hard-hitting may again be the theme. It has kept Diboll in the game against Rusk and East Chambers, and it is certainly a mark of the Rattler team, according to Coach Baker.

The Rattlers dropped from 4A to the 3A level just this season.

"Every team left is good, we just have to take it week by week," Coach Baker observes.

That attitude has worked for the past six weeks, and the Lumberjacks have grown accustomed to their underdog role in each game. It hasn't hurt their play and may have helped.

But for anyone caring to look ahead, after the region game there are three games left to state — the quarterfinals, semifinals and finals.

Diboll has never played a Navasota team, but the 1971 team played in the present Klein stadium, losing by a 25-3 score. Klein eased by the Lumberjacks 19-14 in 1970, the only other time the two schools met before Klein's explosive growth put the school in 5A.

Game time is Saturday at 7:30 at Klein High School stadium at Spring.

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Lumberjacks tie, 6-6,

By PHIL LATHAM
Staff Writer

KLEIN — The Diboll Lumberjacks survived by defense during the 1982 football season but here Saturday they met their match in the Navasota Rattlers.

Navasota proved to be just better than the Lumberjacks as they advance to quarterfinal playoffs in Class 3A, moving on by way of penetrations after the two teams battled to a 6-6 tie.

Navasota found its way inside the Diboll 20-yard line three times while Diboll only managed to get inside the Navasota 20 on one occasion.

Actually, Navasota dominated much of the game, especially the second half when they held Diboll to minus-1 yard in total offense. The only yardage Diboll gained during the half came off a 19-yard pass interference call as quarterback Clay DuBose was throwing to end Andre Vinson.

Meanwhile, Navasota piled up 109 yards in second-half offense for a total of 215 yards in the game.

Until the second half, the game looked as if it would be another Diboll squeaker. After Navasota's Andy Peady leaped across the goalline at the end of a 3-yard touchdown run in the first quarter to put the Rattlers ahead 6-0, DuBose unleashed a 52-yard bomb to Vinson with 21 seconds left in the first half for a score.

That TD tied the score at 6-6. Both Navasota kicker Solomon

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but Navasota advances

McGinty and Diboll kicker Billy Alexander missed extra-point tries.

While the score was tied 6-6, the Lumberjacks obviously went into the dressing room at halftime with the momentum going their way. But the Rattlers turned that around quickly in the second half with five quarterback sacks that left DuBose with minus-24 yards in the final two quarters.

As an indication of their bad luck, the Lumberjacks' deepest possession of the second half was their own 37-yard line.

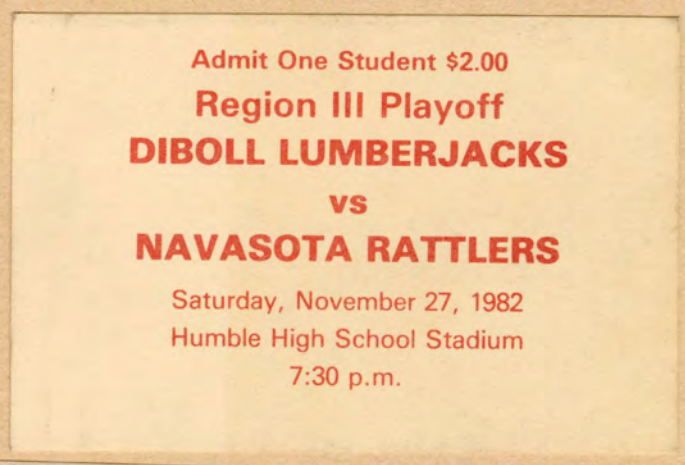
The Diboll defenders also found times tougher in the second half as Archie Saul rushed for 44 yards on eight carries and quarterback Lynn James rushed for 22 yards on nine carries.

However, Alexander had one of his best defensive games of the year with two quarterback sacks and numerous heavy pass rushes.

Diboll ended the game with 51 yards total rushing and 52 yards passing for a total of 103 yards. The 'Jacks got four first downs in the game to Navasota's 11.

Halfback James Bray led the Diboll rushing effort with 30 yards on 10 carries. Bay Bay Gibson also contributed 23 yards on seven carries.

The Lumberjacks finish the '82 football campaign with a 6-6-1 record. Navasota advances with a 10-2-1 mark.



Jacks' Cinderella season comes to end

Battling Axmen tie Navasota 6-6, but penetrations advance Rattlers

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BAY BAY GIBSON sliced through the Navasota line for short yardage on this play from last Saturday's region game in Klein. The teams tied at 6-6 but Navasota got the best of the defensive struggle on penetrations to advance to the quarterfinals. Diboll finished the season with a 6-6-1 record and two playoff victories after rebounding from a 1-5 start this season.
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FRANK MITCHELL looks for a place to go as he popped through a hole in the Navasota Rattler defense last Saturday in a regional playoff game. The Jacks and Rattlers tied at 6-6 with Navasota advancing to the quarterfinals on penetrations in a game played at Klein. The game was Diboll's deepest advance into the state 3A playoffs.
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Baker is coach of year, Alexander tops defense

Bobby Baker was named coach of the year and Billy Alexander was selected as the outstanding defensive player when District 18-3A coaches gathered this week to select all-district teams.

Greg Moore of Center was named the outstanding offensive player in the district.

The swift Michael Wyatt was the only Lumberjack selected to the first offensive and defensive teams.

Baker was tabbed as coach of the year after his Lumberjacks put on a fierce comeback after a slow start to take second place in the district, won bi-district and area playoff games, and tied Navasota in region. The first place team, Center, was beaten in bi-district.

Baker's Lumberjacks turned a 1-5 record at mid-season into a 6-6-1 finish, including the two wins and tie in playoff games, a remarkable comeback.

Billy Alexander turned in stellar performances all season as a lineman and linebacker. He made numerous quarterback sacks and anchored a Diboll defense that became almost impenetrable the last seven games they played.

The 190-pound senior certainly is all-state material according to Coach Bobby Baker.

Diboll's other players on the first defensive team were linebacker Michael Wyatt and Andre Vinson in the secondary.

Rounding out the first defensive team were Curtis Jackson of Newton, Matt Carrington of Center and Roy Matlock of Hemphill, linemen.

Ends were Kevin Dean of Newton and Tony Wilson of Center.

Joining Wyatt at linebacker were Robert Evans of Woodville and Danny Cosby of Center.

And joining Vinson in the secondary were Mark Hawthorn and Earl Johnson of Newton, and Burton Murchison of Woodville.

Michael Wyatt was the only Lumberjack named to the first offensive and defensive units. Wyatt of course was named to the ends on the first offensive team, along with Earl Johnson and Kevin Dean of Newton and Willie Harris of Center.

Others on the first offensive team were Keith Johnson and Dwayne Barnes of San Augustine, Greg Moore of Center, Willie Jackson of Hemphill and Robert Evans of Woodville, backs.

The center was Sonny Rice of Hemphill, and first team guards were Ellis Brazil of Woodville and Richard Wise of Hemphill.

Tackles were John Impson of Hemphill and Wallace Jackson of Newton.

Diboll named several players to the second offensive team. James Bray is a second team back, along with Vic Shofner of Center, Derrick Luna of Newton and Burton Murchison of Woodville.

John Grissom of the Lumberjacks is the second team center.

Jose Cruz of Diboll is a second team guard, along with Darren Bailey of Center.

Thomas of Newton and Arthur Hamilton of Hemphill.

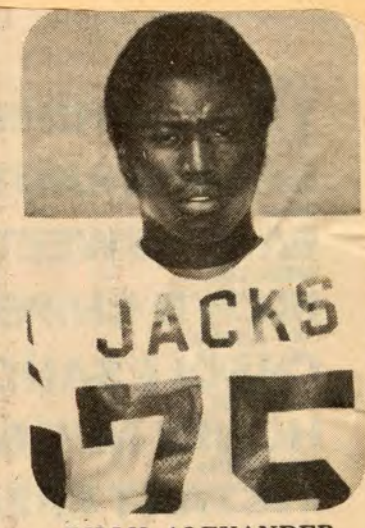
James Bray is a second team linebacker, along with Cecil Edwards of San Augustine and Dave Lewis of Newton.

Joining Frank Mitchell in the second team secondary are Vic Shofner of Center, Dwane Barnes of San Augustine and Gary Frick of Hemphill.

Lumberjacks gaining honorable mention to the all-district list were quarterback Clay DuBose and fullback Matt Amason on offense, and David DeJesus, Aaron Fenley and Bay Bay Gibson on defense.



COACH BOBBY BAKER



BILLY ALEXANDER

Thanks, Big Red!

Go Big Red!

And they did. Our Lumberjacks showed as much character the past seven weeks as an athletic team can show, winning five and tying one of their last seven games, all of them at the championship level. The poor showing early in the season was erased by the majestic comeback fashioned on the flinty defense that kept all three playoff opponents frustrated — and sore.

Nobody can say with certainty what caused the turnaround — why a 1-5 team suddenly picked up the gauntlet and showed us how to play good defense. But it happened, thanks to dedicated coaches and players and some lucky bounces of the ball at times.

We hope there is no bemoaning a lack of offense. We've heard that complaint in years past, when we were beating good teams 6-0 and 2-0. Regardless of how "explosive" and "exciting" a team might be on offense, those which make it into the playoffs are those which play good defense consistently.

As always, Diboll fans supported the Lumberjacks admirably, as did the band, cheerleaders, pep squad, just everybody. Our band sounded especially peppy Saturday in the regional game.

Somehow we found the "magic" — the same magic that sent our players to Austin earlier this year in basketball.

Thanks, Lumberjacks, for an exciting football season.

On to basketball!

—P.D.



DHS LADYJACKS named to the 18-3A all district team are Gretchen Walker, junior, honorable mention; Sandra Teal, senior, first team; Deridre Johnson, senior, first team; Sandy McCollum, senior, first team; Sonya Walker, senior, honorable mention. The Ladyjacks were undefeated for the second straight year in district with an 8-0 record.

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DHS Ladyjacks wrap up highly successful season

Three DHS Ladyjack volleyball players were named to the 18-3A all district team and two to honorable mention positions as the Ladyjacks closed out their second straight good season.

First team members are Sandra Teal, Deridre Johnson and Sandy McCollum, with Sonya Walker and Gretchen Walker gaining honorable mention.

The Ladyjacks won district for the second straight season with an unblemished 8-0 record. They went on to defeat Rusk for the bi-district title before losing to Warren in the area playoff.

The Ladyjacks trimmed Rusk 15-11 and 15-12 after losing the first set 12-15.

Against Warren, the Ladyjacks lost the first game, 10-15, then came back to win the second 15-7. They thought they had the third game won before an unusual call gave Warren new life and they came back to take the area title, 14-16.

Deridre Johnson led her team in passing, spiking, blocking and serving, while Sandy McCollum led the team in setting and Sandra Teal was the leader in dinking.

Coach Carol Drake now has two bi-district championships in her five years as Ladyjack mentor.

"I am very proud of this young team," she said. "It is quite an achievement to pull up and start four JV players and be able to have the good year that we have had. Coaches Fry and Graham are doing good jobs of preparing these young ladies.

"I would like to thank my athletes for such a good attitude this year. Also, thanks go to Mr. Greer, Mr. Alexander, Frank Lane, Velma Levine, Nell Faye Johnson, Ressie Mitchell, Kathy Saxton and all who supported these hard-working athletes," she said.

The Ladyjacks' final season record was 18-6.



SENATOR ROY BLAKE of Nacogdoches was in Diboll Monday to present a Texas flag to the Diboll High School Anchor Club. Accepting the flag on behalf of the club and DHS were (from left) treasurer Marty Scarborough, reporter Tina Evans, president Shannon Farrow, chaplain and project coordinator Karen Ingram, vice president G.G. Denman and secretary Andrea Pouland. The club plans to present the flag, and a U.S. flag, given by Rep. Charles Wilson, to DHS in ceremonies at a later date. (Free Press Photo)

LUMBERJACK BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1982-1983

Date	Opponent	Place	Team
November			
22	Livingston	H	A,B
26	Open		
30	Lufkin	H	A,B
December			
2-3-4	Lufkin Tourney	T	A
7	Livingston	T	A,B
9-	Woden		
10-11	Tourney	T	A
9-	Diboll JV		
10-11	Tourney	H	B
14	Lufkin	T	A,B
16-	Jacksonville		
17-18	Tourney	T	A
16-	Center JV		
17-18	Tourney	T	B
21	Apple Springs	H	A,B
30	Apple Springs	T	A,B
January			
4	Crockett	T	A,B
7	Hemphill	T	A,B
11	San Augustine	H	A,B
14	Center	H	A,B
18	Woodville	T	A,B
21	Hudson	AC	A,B
25	Newton	T	A,B
28	Open		
February			
1	Hemphill	H	A,B
4	San Augustine	T	A,B
8	Center	T	A,B
11	Woodville	H	A,B
15	Hudson	AC	A,B
18	Newton	H	A,B

Jacks defeat Livingston in opening game, 67-64

By EDWIN QUARLES

Coach Mark Wimberley's Lumberjack basketball team threw in 12 unanswered points to open the fourth quarter and rally from a ten point deficit to defeat the visiting Livingston Lions here Monday night,

John Ingram fund started

The Anchor Club at Diboll High School has started a John Ingram Memorial Scholarship fund.

Anyone wishing to contribute to it may do so by dropping your donation off at the school office or mailing it to them.

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Lumberjacks rally past Lufkin, 65-63

By EDWIN QUARLES

The Lumberjack basketball team broke loose from a 14 point halftime deficit to take a 65-63 victory over the Lufkin Panthers in Wilbur F. Pate Gymnasium here Tuesday night.

Diboll is now 2-0 on the season while the Panthers are 1-2.

Big Kevin Hurley scored 28 points to lead all scorers. Cedric Wilson hit 12 points to lead Lufkin.

The lead saw-sawed back



DIBOLL'S GREGG LAZARINE (15) tries to take a rebound away from Lufkin's Mark Hough and Anthony Blackshire as teammate Kevin Hurley (33) stands by to help in Diboll's win over the Panthers here T night, 65-63.

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DIBOLL HIGH SCHOOL

Freshmen, all A's: Eddie Esteves, Jerry Jenkins, Erik Lewis, Maria Martinez, David Maxwell, Carlton Odom and Younda Ramsey.

Freshmen, all A's and one B: Ann Burnside, Rulaine Capps, Deloris Havard, Yesenia Luna, Marina Rodriguez and Amy Ward.

Sophomores, all A's: Jesse Sinclair and Angie Terrell.

Sophomores, all A's and one B: Gregg Baker, Felicia Coleman, Kyle Cooke, Roy Crager, Bryan Klimpt, Don Rast and Susan Williams.

Juniors, all A's: Esteban Guerrero, Dwayne Harris, Steve Hodsden, Gregg Krull, Peggie Lewis and Jamey Miller.

Juniors, all A's and one B: Shelia Albro, Lora Burnside, Carmen Capps, Kathy Griggs and Cindy Sosa.

Seniors, all A's: Melissa Albrecht, Charlene Alexander, Diana Bane, Reginald Barnes and Susan Beene.

Also, Cherie Clark, Shannon Farrow, Karen Ingram, Gilberto Perez, Gregoria Sarmiento and Sandra Teal.

Seniors, all A's and one B: Tina Evans, Martha Harris, Aida Moreno and Sonya Walker.

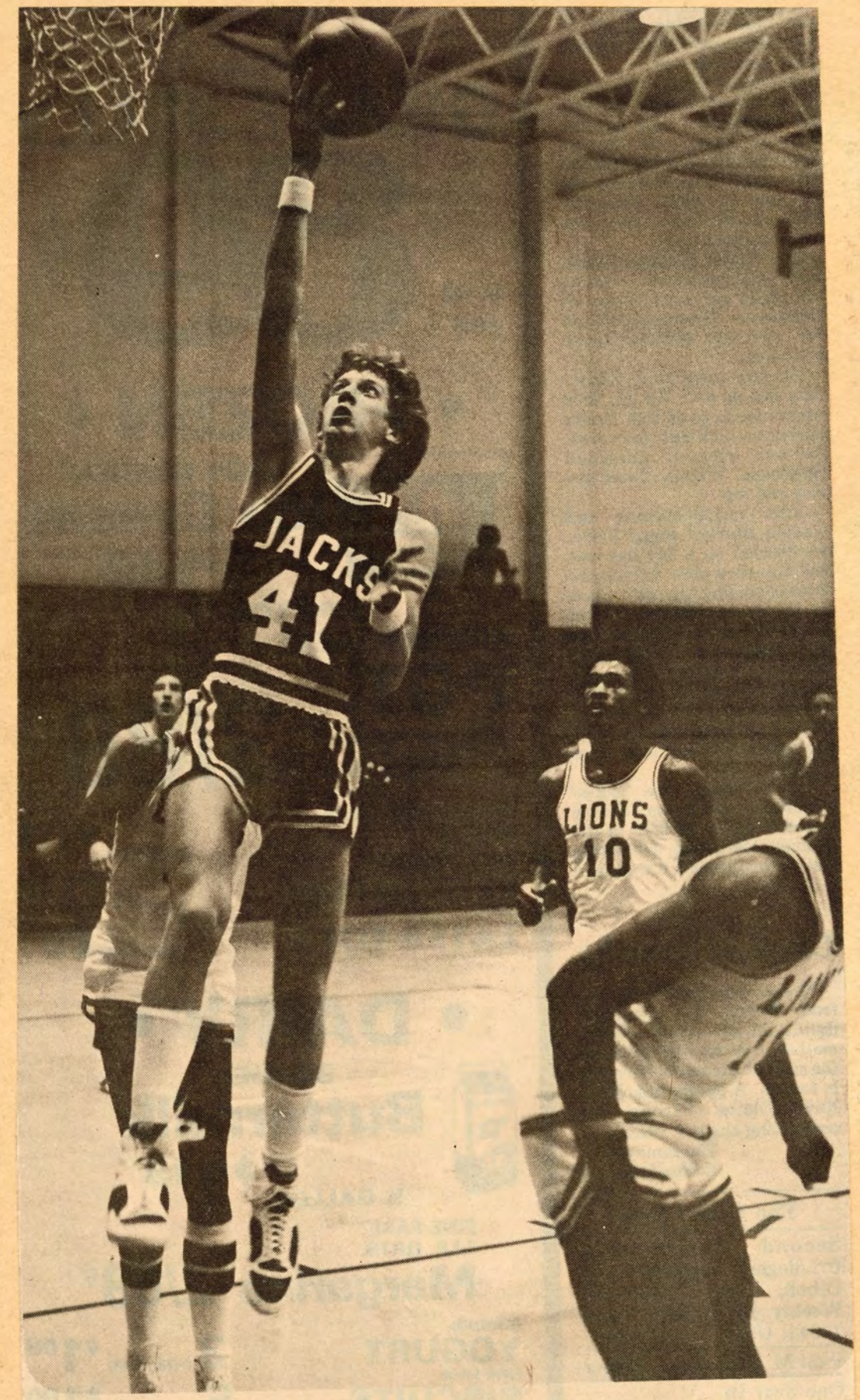
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Lions edge Jacks in overtime, 79-77

By EDWIN QUARLES

The Diboll Lumberjacks lost an exciting 79-77 overtime game to the Livingston Lions Tuesday night in Livingston, as the Lions avenged an earlier loss to the Lumberjacks.

Robert Taylor led Diboll



ANDY GOSSETT goes in for a layup against the Livingston Lions in Tuesday night's game won by the Lions in overtime, 79-77. The loss put Diboll's record at 4-3 as they prepare to enter the Woden Tournament this Thursday.

(Photo by Claude Welch)

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Jacks lose Classic playoff to Hornets

By EDWIN QUARLES

Coach Mark Wimberley's Diboll Lumberjacks won two games and lost two in the Pineywoods Classic in Lufkin last weekend, finally losing the consolation finals to Huntsville, 67-46.





TOP STUDENT

AREN INGRAM was named the HS student of the month for vember by the Rotary Club of Diboll. e daughter of Mrs. Sandra Ingram d the late John Ingram, Karen has en outstanding in the Lumberjack nd for four years. She has a first divi- n from the state solo and ensemble ntest, has been on the all region band r years, all area band, and four states nor band three years. She is first chair piccolo and second chair flute in the all region contest. In addition she has been active in the student council, Spanish Club, Anchor Club, and has been a National Honor Society member three years and serves as president this year. She plans to attend Stephen F. Austin State University. Howard Daniel made the presentation to Karen at Tuesday's Rotary meeting.

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Seniors busy

DIBOLL High School seniors took a "Seniors on the Job" day this week — visiting local businesses to learn about career portunities in vari fields. The jobs stude looked at varied fi Tina Wolf's visit to boll Elementary Sch (that's fourth grader R McElroy she's help out) to a larger gr which visited with Os Kennedy at Temp Eastex's computer ter. The Free Press a had a senior on the jo Allison Lazarine, v spent the morning lea ing about photography making pictures of classmates.

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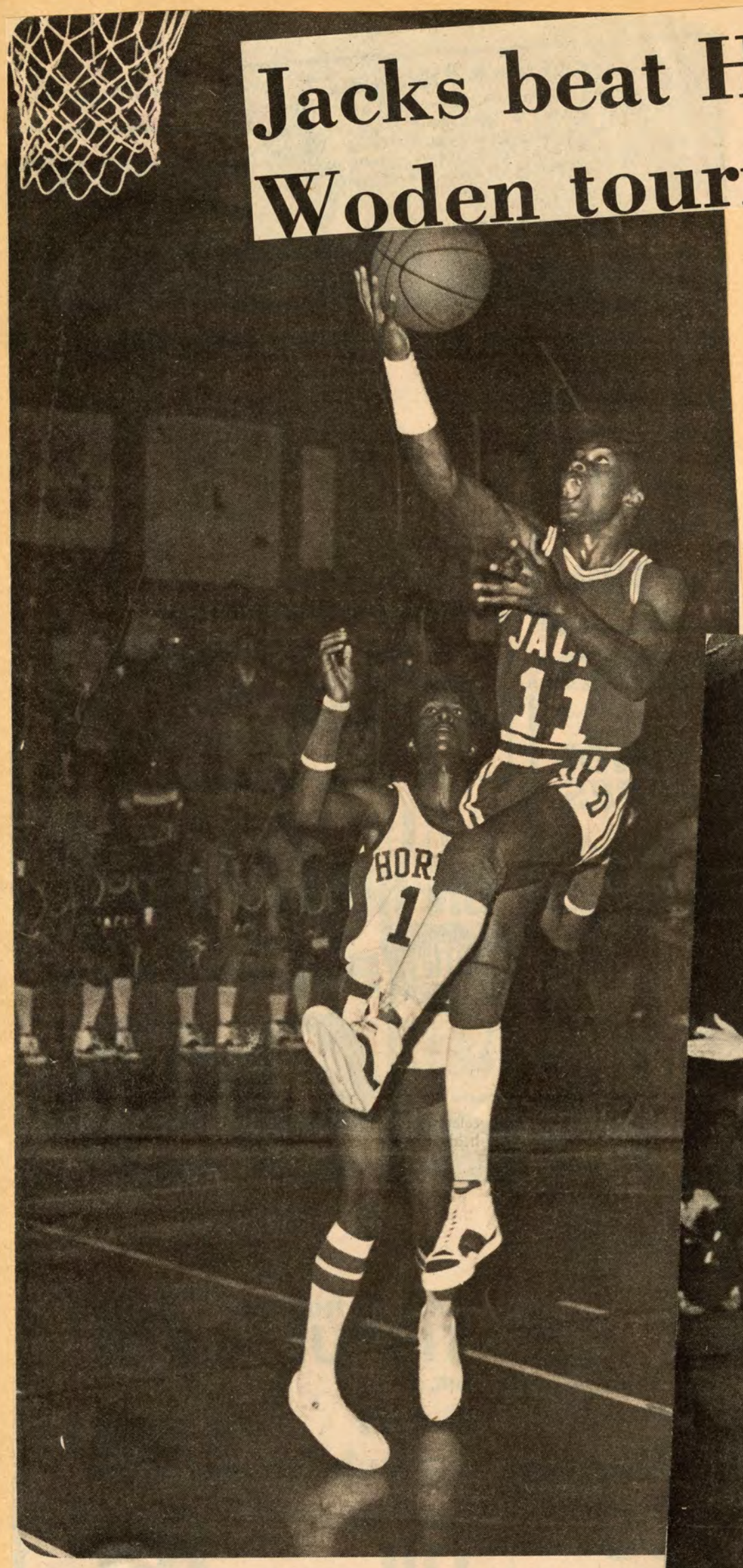
DHS PRINCIPAL Bill Greer accepted a new set of flags and a new "Diboll Lumberjacks" floor mat for the gym foyer given to the school by the Anchor Club. Making the presentation were Anchor Club officers Shannon Farrow and G.G. Denman.

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Jacks beat Hornets for Woden tournament title



BAY BAY GIBSON (11) does his thing by driving the lane for an easy two points against Hemphill in the finals of the Woden Tournament last Saturday. Gibson, Kevin Hurley and Robert Taylor of the Jacks named to the all-tourname Diboll beat Hemphill 55-54 tourney title.

(Photo by Clau



ROBERT TAYLOR (23) does the old dipsy-doo on this shot while being guarded by Hemphill's Sonny Rice in the finals of the Woden Tournament Saturday. Diboll beat the Hornets 55-54 in overtime. Bot Diboll's Taylor and Hemphill's Ri were named to the all-tournamer team.

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THE DIBOLL LUMBERJACKS show off the first place trophy they won at Woden Saturday. The Jacks ran their record to 8-3 with a 67-64 victory over Lufkin Tuesday night. Team members are (front) Andy Gossett, Jerry Teal, Gregg Lazarine, Coach Wimberley's son Andrew, Reggie Barnes and Micha Wyatt. Standing are Bay Bay Gibson, Bryan Holube Kevin Hurley, Andre Vinson, Robert Taylor, Jerr Johnson and Head Coach Mark Wimberley.

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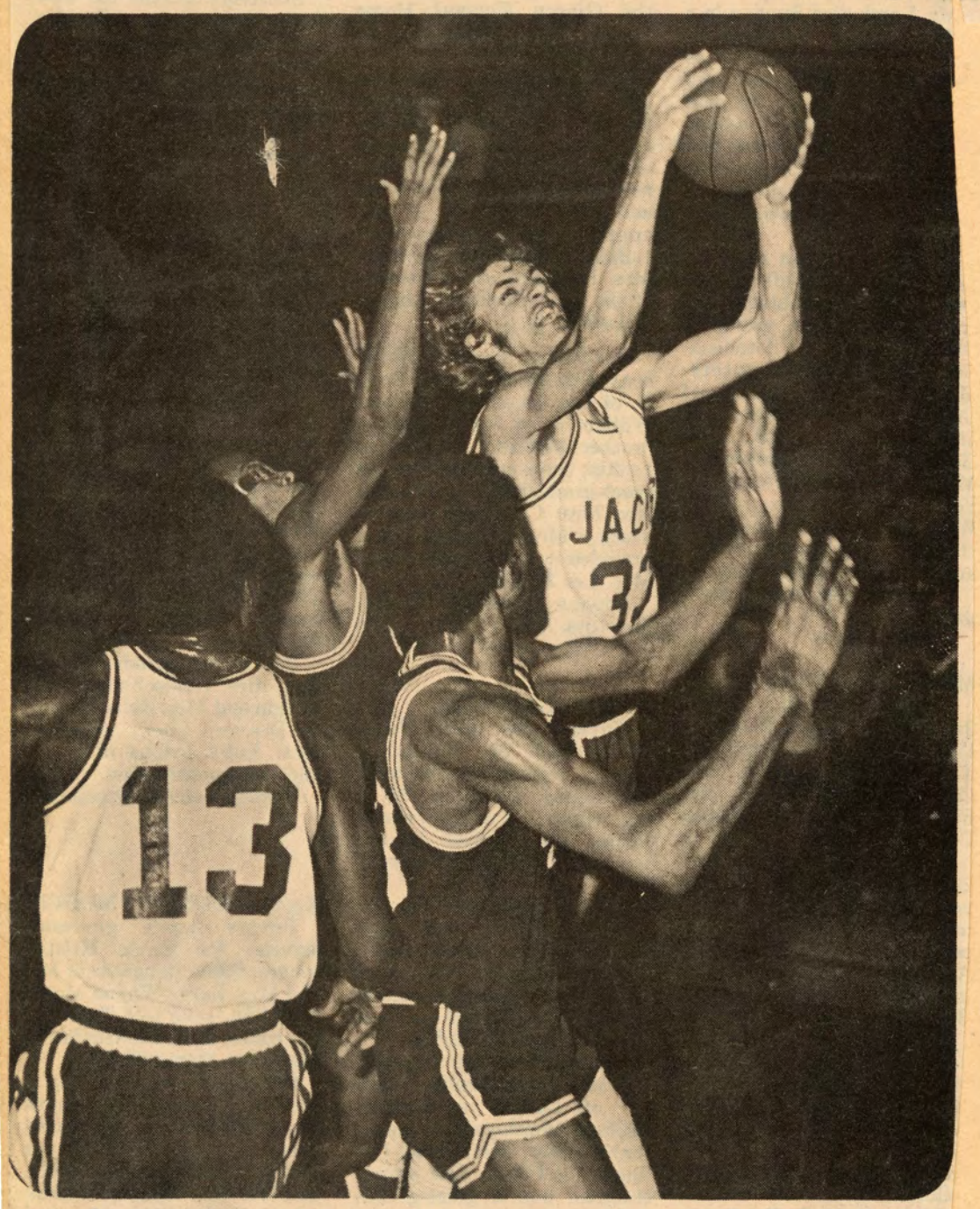
Record now at 8-3

Jacks' team effort racks Pack, 67-64

Jacks coast, post 60-43 win over Apple Springs

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Jacks top Wheatley, drop tourney finale



KEVIN HURLEY (33) is sandwiched between several Palestine Wildcat players on a rebound effort in Diboll's 66-60 semifinal victory over the Wildcats in the Jacksonville Tournament. Diboll beat Houston Wheatley and Palestine before bowing to Wilmer-Hutchins in the finals.

(Photo by Claude Welch

Diboll, Wheatley set new record point total

Diboll's 108-107 win over Houston Wheatley in the Jacksonville Tournament last Thursday was a record high number of points for a Diboll basketball team.

Though records are not available, it is believed that a Lumberjack team under Coach John McGilvra scored 101 points, in about 1968 or 1969. One school official believes the same number was scored under Coach Johnny Brown.

The total points scored by Diboll and Wheatley set a record for the Jacksonville Tournament and was the highest aggregate number of points ever scored in the Lon Morris Gymnasium.

Axmen return to action, open district play Jan. 7

By EDWIN QUARLES

As his Lumberjacks return to action from the Christmas holidays, Coach Mark Wimberley believes the team is about where it should be at this point in the season.

"We're about where I expected to be. We're just now playing like we should," Wimberley said of his 11-4 team.

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KAREN INGRAM

Karen Ingram earns place on All-State Band

Diboll High School senior Karen Ingram distinguished herself and her school this week by becoming the first DHS musician ever to be named to the prestigious All-State Band. It is the highest honor that a Texas band student can attain.

Miss Ingram was selected as one of five piccolo players to make the All-State Band, which is composed of the best high school musicians in the state selected from Class A through Class 5-A schools.

Students fromfour regions participated in tryouts held in Nacogdoches Saturday. To be eligible for those tryouts, the bandsmen had to have already placed in the top of their section in regional competition.

Only one piccolo player was selected from this area, and Miss Ingram outplayed students from the largest Houston 5-A schools to win that honor.

As part of an elite group of musicians, Karen will participate in the Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) All-State Band concert to be held next month at the TMEA conven-

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tion in San Antonio.

There, members of the All-State Band, All-State Orchestra and All-State Choir, will perform demanding literature as the best musical talent in the state is showcased.

The all-state groups in Texas have long been recognized as among the best of the best nationwide.

Historically, most of the musicians in the All-State Band have come from larger schools near cities where university and professional orchestra members tutor top students.

Students rehearse months on difficult audition scores before beginning a series of rigorous tryouts starting with the district level and concluding with the state tryouts.

Miss Ingram is also the first DHS student ever to win a 1st Division (superior) rating at UIL state competition in solo and ensemble performance.

She has also won four superior ratings at regional state solo and ensemble contests, and has been named to the Four States Honor Band based on nomination by band directors in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Jack rally subdues pesky Eagles 65-58

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DHS COACH BOBBY BAKER AND BILLY ALEXANDER

Billy Alexander all-state first team in football

Billy Alexander, whose defensive toughness and leadership rejuvenated an embattled Lumberjack football team in 1982, has been named to the first defensive all state 3A football team.

Alexander, a solid 6-1, 190-pounder, was an easy choice in the voting and becomes the first Diboll Lumberjack to make the all state team in several seasons.

The DHS senior helped transform a team that got off to a miserable 1-5 start into a granite-like defensive unit that wound up going to the region playoffs and a 6-6 record.

The team tied Navasota 6-6 in the region game, with Navasota advancing on penetrations. Navasota went on to the semifinals before losing to state champion Refugio.

Alexander made over 100 unassisted tackles during the season and numerous assists as the mainstay of a Lumberjack defense which gave up only 20 total points in the three playoff games against Rusk, East Chambers and Navasota.

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Jacks' Alexander on all-state team

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Alexander's team was the second district playoff team and advanced two games further than the district champion, Center.

Alexander was an easy all district choice who was named the top defensive player in District 18-3A last season.

"This young man certainly deserves the recognition," said his head coach, Bobby Baker. "Some colleges are looking at him and he deserves an opportunity to prove himself at the college level."

Alexander was the only player from District 18-3A named to the all state first team.

Running back Greg Moore of Center, 6-0, 199, was named to the second offensive unit. Moore's running paced Center to first place in district. The Roughriders were nosed out in the area playoff by Crockett.

Wallace Jackson of Newton, an offensive lineman, was also named to the second offensive team.

Tight end Kevin Dean of Newton was named honorable mention.

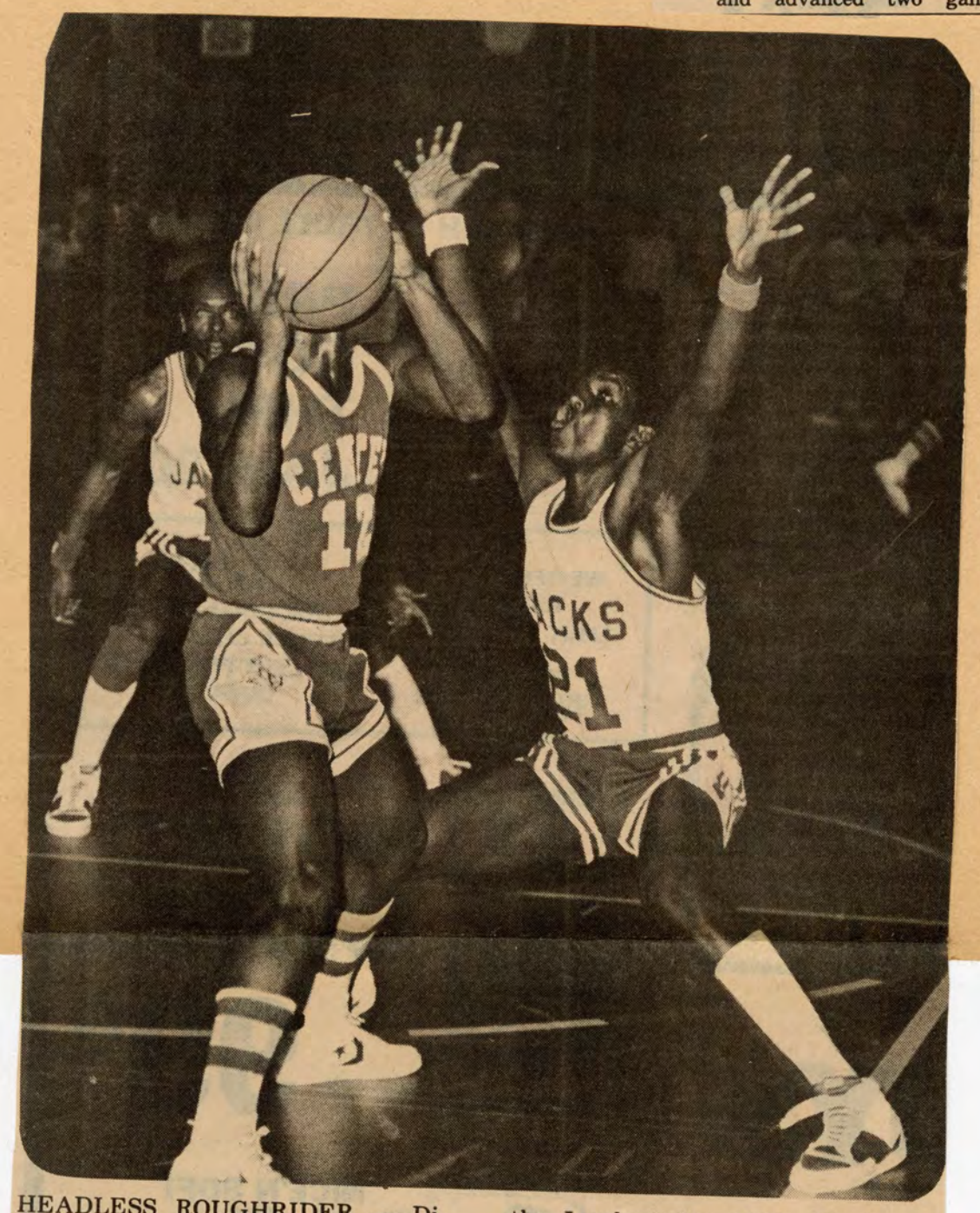
State 3A champion Refugio put running back Eugene Whitmire, offensive lineman Tony Wills and defensive back James Lott on the all state team.

Whitmire rushed for 1,445 yards and notched 16 touchdowns, and Lott intercepted eight passes and was credited with saving an average of one touchdown a game by breaking up a pass or a last man tackle in leading Refugio to a state title over Littlefield.

Bryan Gregory of Littlefield, who completed 111 passes for 1,637 yards and 12 touchdowns, made the 3A team along with teammate Scott Lewis a[illegible] defensive line post. Gregory, [illegible]ho intercepted eight passes, also was honored as a defensive back.

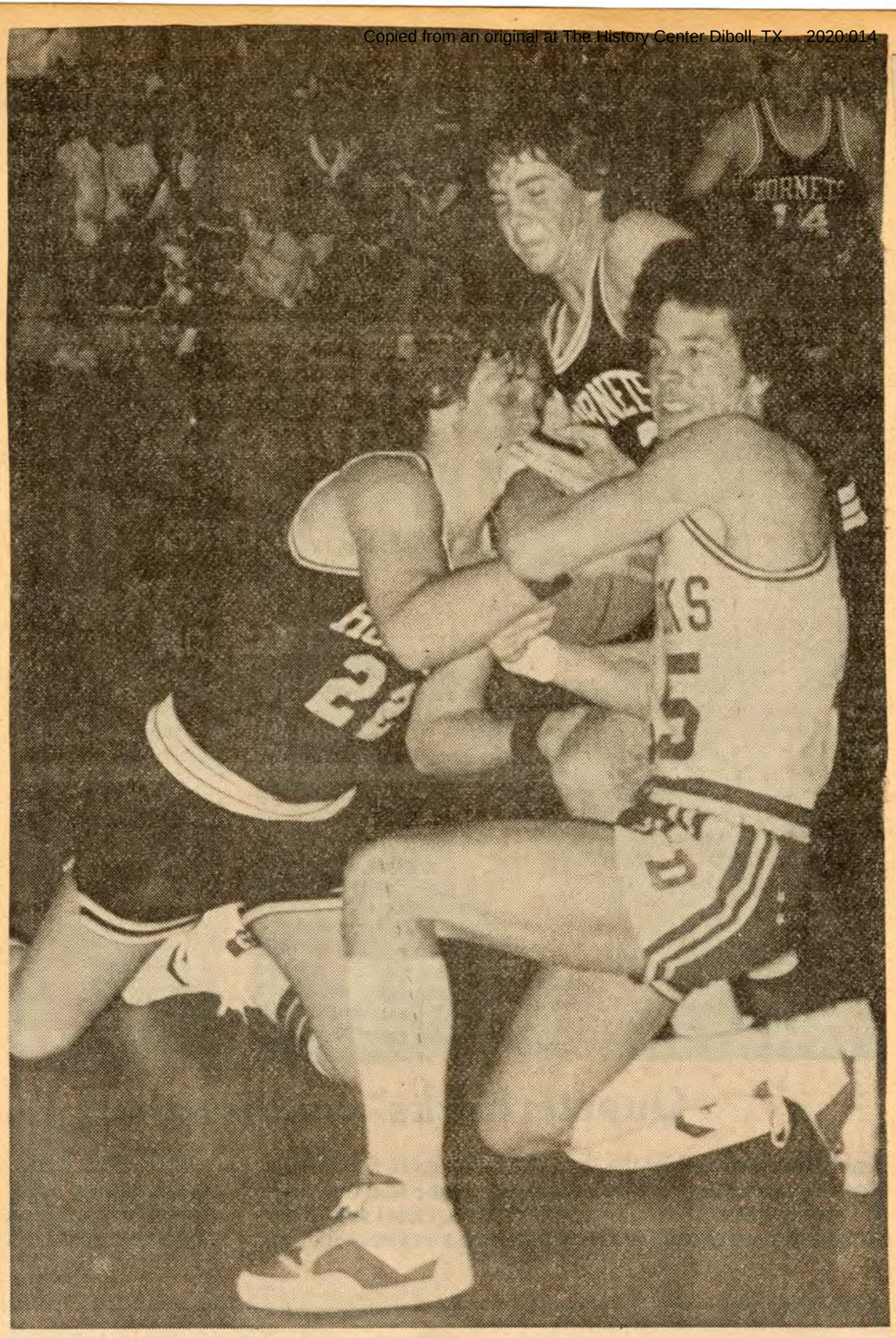
Sophomore Kedrick Williams of Anahuac and junior Milton Williams of Post were the other running backs selected. Kedrick rushed for 1,968 yards and 24 touchdowns and Milton gained 2,043 yards and scored 37 touchdowns.

Jimmy Norris of Warren, who caught 43 passes for 775 yards, edged David Lewis of Refugio by one point for tight end.



HEADLESS ROUGHRIDER — Diboll's Patrick Johnson (21) slows down Center's Eric Johnson (12) in a defensive move in last Friday's game here, won by the Lumberjacks, 62-58. Diboll was ranked No. 2 in the state and Center No. 3 prior to the matchup of the 18-3A powers. (Free Press Photo)

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Three-way tie

Diboll's Greg Lazarine (15, light jersey) fights for the basketball with Hudson's Joe Murphy (22) and Robert Ramsey during District 18-3A action in the Angelina College gym Friday night. Diboll took a 49-46 win in the contest to remain undefeated in district play. (Sports Photo by Lee Baker)

Lumberjacks hang on to beat Hudson, 49-46

Diboll let a 32-16 halftime lead slip away but the state-ranked Lumberjacks managed to hang on for a 49-46 triumph over the Hudson Hornets in a key District 18-3A basketball contest in the Angelina College gym Friday night.

The 'Jacks, ranked No. 2 in the Class 3A state rankings, extended their season won-loss total to 18-4 and upped their district mark to 5-0, but it wasn't easy as they had to fight off a late Hudson charge to win it.

Bay Bay Gibson led the Diboll scoring attack with a 15-point effort. Robert Mitchell added 11 for the Axemen, Kevin Hurley sank 10, Andre Vinson was good for eight and Greg Lazarine chipped in with five.

Randy Turner led Hudson with 14 points, followed by Joe Murphy with 12, Terry Sanches with eight, Robert Levens with six, Robert Ramsey with four and John Brown with two.

Hudson fell to 2-3 in league play with the loss.

The 'Jacks leaped out to a 10-4 lead after the first quarter and then extended that margin to 16 as Hudson fell way behind at halftime, 32-16.

The Hornets, though, refused to bow out of the contest and came back in the third quarter to outscore Diboll 14-7. In the fourth quarter, Murphy keyed the Hudson surge as he hit for eight points, leading the Hornets in their rally attempt which fell three points shy in the final seconds.

Diboll won the JV game, 80-64.

The 'Jacks will travel to Newton Tuesday to close out the first round of the 18-3A slate while Hudson hosts Hemphill also in the first-round finale. Gametimes are 6 and 7:30 p.m.



Diboll's Bay Bay Gibson sneaks past Center's Robert Cloudy trying to sink a two-pointer.

Diboll hangs on to beat Center

By TIM BROOKSHIRE
Sports Correspondent

DIBOLL — With a standing room only crowd looking on, the No. 2 and No. 3 teams in the state clashed Friday night as second-ranked Diboll took a big win over third-ranked Center in Diboll gym 62-58.

An estimated 150 people crowded around the walls to watch what was probably the best high school matchup in the state Friday night, as the stands had already been full an hour and a half before the tip off. That's not all that happened before the tip off however, Diboll had taken a one-nothing advantage before the game even started with a technical shot allowed to them, due to a dunking violation called on Center.

For Diboll that was the only time they had the lead until 1:43 left in the 2nd period when they went ahead 27-25 but they quickly lost that lead as the half time score was 27-29 Center.

The second half however would belong to Diboll due to some sharp shooting by Bay Bay Gibson and a lot of help on defense from Kevin Hurley.

At the end of the 3rd period Diboll had captured the lead 49-41 while the crowd came to life and began an early celebration.

The crowd's enthusiasm must have helped, as a feeling a confidence seemed to come over the entire Lumberjack team as Center began to slump.

In the fourth quarter the Lumberjacks continued to dominate Center by intimidating them into missing several under the bucket shots as well as lay ups as nothing in the seemed to go their way.

The last threat Center made was when they came within six points of the lead with 1:30 left to play Diboll holding a 59-53

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Center	TP	F	FG	FT	A	FT
Ricky Daniels	4	3	11	2		2
Robert Cloudy	12	4	12	5		2
Alvin Davis	10	5	13	12		6
Tony Wilson	12	1	8	4		2
Willie Harris	12	1	9	6		4
Eric Jackson	2	2	0	2		2
Kimble Gasor	2	1	1	0		0
Greg Moore	0	0	0	0		0
Tony Jackson	0	0	0	0		0
Lester Pitts	0	0	0	0		0
Darren Cloudy	0	0	0	0		0
Carlton Neables	0	0	0	0		0
Diboll	**TP**	**F**	**FG**	**FT**	**A**	**FT**
Robert Mitchell	11	5	8	2		1
Kevin Hurley	10	2	17	2		2
Greg Lazarine	7	4	4	4		3
Andre Vincent	5	5	4	2		1
Bay Bay Gibson	25	3	20	6		3
Robert Taylor	2	1	4	0		0
Michael Wyatt	2	2	2	1		0
Andy Gossett	0	0	0	0		0
Brian Holubec	0	0	0	0		0
Reginal Baines	0	0	0	0		0
Jerry Teal	0	0	0	0		0
Jerry Johnson	0	0	0	0		0

Score By Quarters

Center	16	13	12	17–58
Diboll	11	16	22	13–62

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Axmen blow lead but edge Hornets

Jacks upset by Newton, 77-71 to end first round

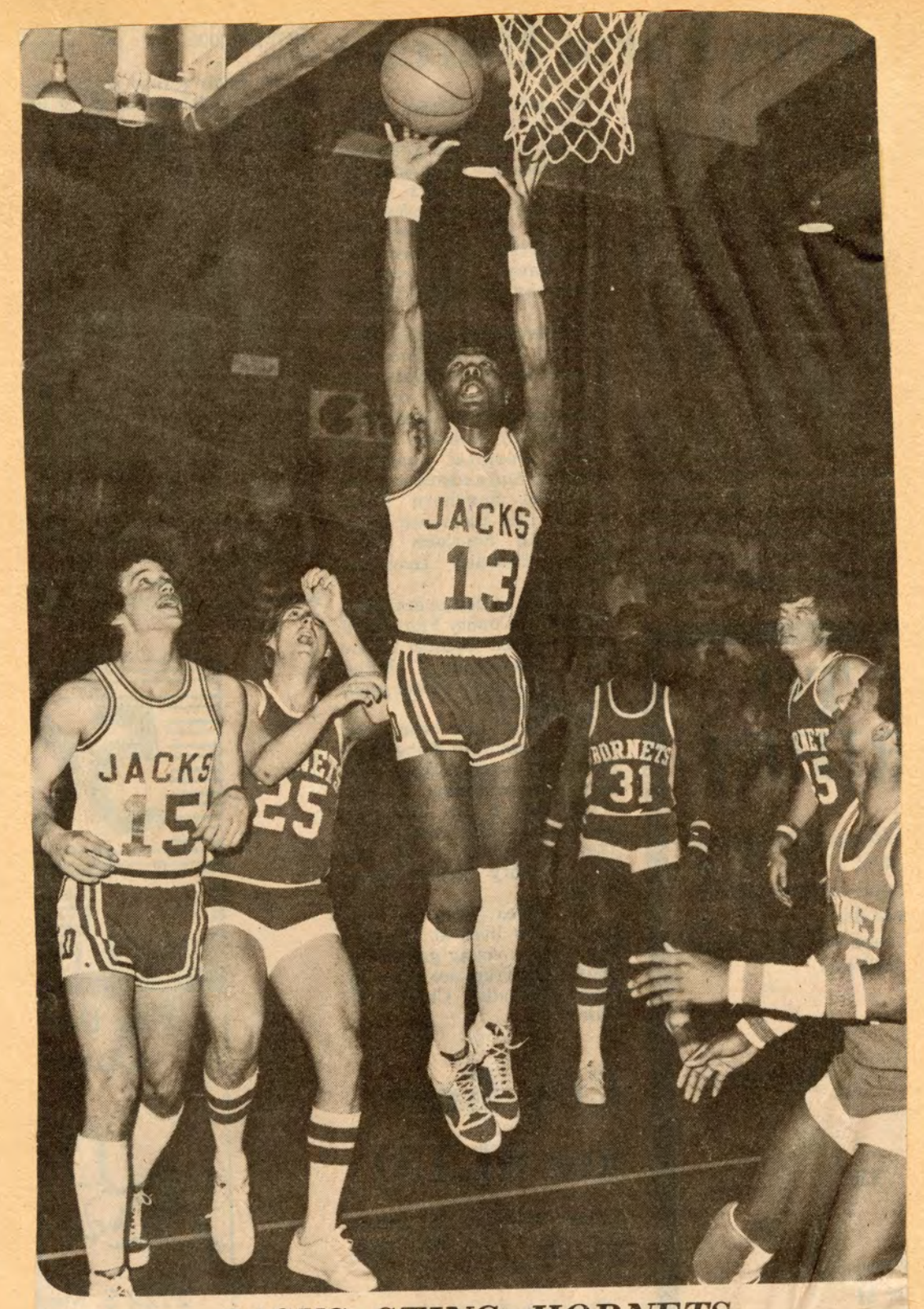
Jacks struggle in win over Hornets



GOOD CITIZENS — The Anthony Smith Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented its annual DAR Good Citizens Award this week to seven Angelina County girls. Receiving recognition were (from left) Mechelle Atwood, Zavalla High School; Angel Verner, Hudson High School; Connie McClendon, Central High School; Monica Lynn Durham, Huntington High School; Sandra Wood Lufkin High School; and Karen Ingram Diboll High School. Not pictured is Irene Ryan, Wells High School. The students selected are chosen on the basis of patriotism, dependability, service and leadership.

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JACKS STING HORNETS

ANDRE VINSON pushes a shot toward the basket in Diboll's 65-51 victory over Hemphill here Tuesday night as teammate Gregg Lazarine (15) looks on. Vinson led the Jacks in rebounding as they sent their district record to 6-1 and season mark to 19-5. The Axmen travel to San Augustine Friday night.

(Claude Welch photo)

Diboll school test scores best in many years

Achievement test scores released this week in a report to school trustees indicate that results this year in the Diboll ISD are "as good as we have received in the seven or eight years the test has been used."

That according to DISD Supt. Don Robbins, who told the school board that students in the DISD are continuing to perform at levels consistent with their abilities.

In the report submitted to the board by curriculum supervisor Dr. Fran Lavergne, DISD students are characterized as having "average scores higher than their anticipated scores" based on aptitude testing.

Aptitude tests, which measure Intelligence Quotient (IQ), indicated that the average score among all DISD students was 94. The students whose scores fall into this range are considered to be of average or normal intelligence, said the report.

The IQ score among DISD students compares favorably with the national norm IQ, which falls in a range of between 90 and 109, said Mrs. Mary Ingram, counselor at Diboll High School.

The report states that "As a group, the majority of the students in the Diboll Independent School District are achieving more than other students of similar age, sex, grade and academic ability."

It also notes that, "When compared to the national norm group, Diboll ISD students as a total group performed less well than their national counterparts in most areas."

While the two statements appear somewhat contradictory, according to Mrs. Ingram such findings are intended to complement one another, and both are correct.

It is true that overall IQ scores for DISD students may be lower by a point or two than the national norm, and this is due in part to varied socio-economic factors, said Mrs. Ingram.

Some districts such as Diboll, may have a number of minority students who may be deficient in English speaking abilities, and that brings the total score down somewhat, she explained. Other districts may have higher or lower overall scores depending on other social factors, said Mrs. Ingram.

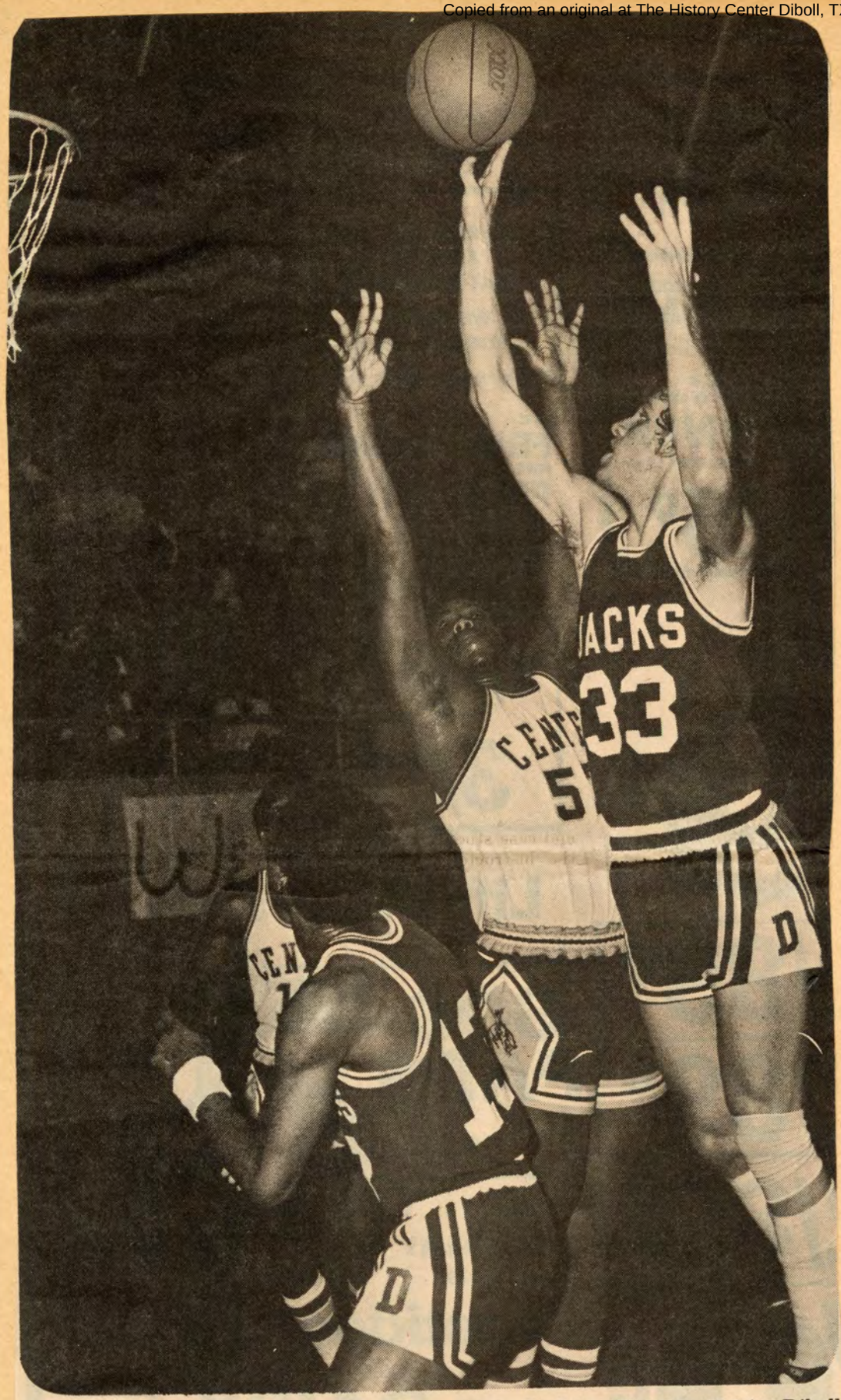
But while the overall IQ scores for the DISD are in the "lower end" of the average or normal range, students here seem to be making the most of what they have to work with, according to test results.

In almost every category, students in grades 2-11 were performing at a level higher than anticipated for their aptitude.

This is a further indicator of the programs at DISD schools doing a good job in instructing students here, according to Robbins.

Jacks zip to 65-51 win over Hemphill

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KEVIN HURLEY (33) tries to get a shot away Tuesday night against the Center Roughriders as Andre Vinson (13) waits for a rebound. Center mauled the Jacks 61-47 to take a two game lead in District 18-3A. Diboll still has a shot at a playoff berth if they can maintain their second place position.

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DIBOLL HIGH SCHOOL

Freshmen, all A's: Rulaine Capps, Jerry Jenkins and David Maxwell.

Freshmen, all A's and one B: Ann Burnside, Eddie Esteves, Yesensa Luna, Carlton Odom, Younda Ramsey, Marina Rodriguez and Amy Ward.

Sophomores, all A's: Kyle Cook, Chris Sellers, Angie Terrell and Susan Williams.

Sophomores, all A's and one B: James Bolt, Tamisha Carnley, Felicia Coleman, Deadra Hambrick, Faye Jones, Bryan Klimpt, Patricia Nash and Jesse Sinclair.

Juniors, all A's: Greg Krull, Peggie Lewis and Jamey Miller.

Juniors, all A's and one B: Diane Boyett, Lora Burnsides, Carmen Capps, Kathy Griggs, Estevan Guerrero, Nancy Hodges, Steve Hodsden, Frank Mitchell, Deborah Register and Valentina Sarmiento.

Seniors, all A's: Melissa Albrecht, Reginald Barnes, Susan Beene, Shannon Farrow and Karen Ingram.

Seniors, all A's and one B: Dianne Bane, Cherie Clark, Martha Harris, Aida Moreno and Sandra Teal.



DHS' SYLVIA MITCHELL models the first place award she was presented at the state 3A track meet after she won the 100 meter hurdles in a time of 14.1 seconds. Diboll finished fourth at the state meet with Sandra Mitchell running second in the 800 meter dash in a time of 2:17.1, and the 400 meter relay team of Sandra Teal, Sylvia Mitchell, Deridre Johnson and Ursula Younger placing second at 48.3.

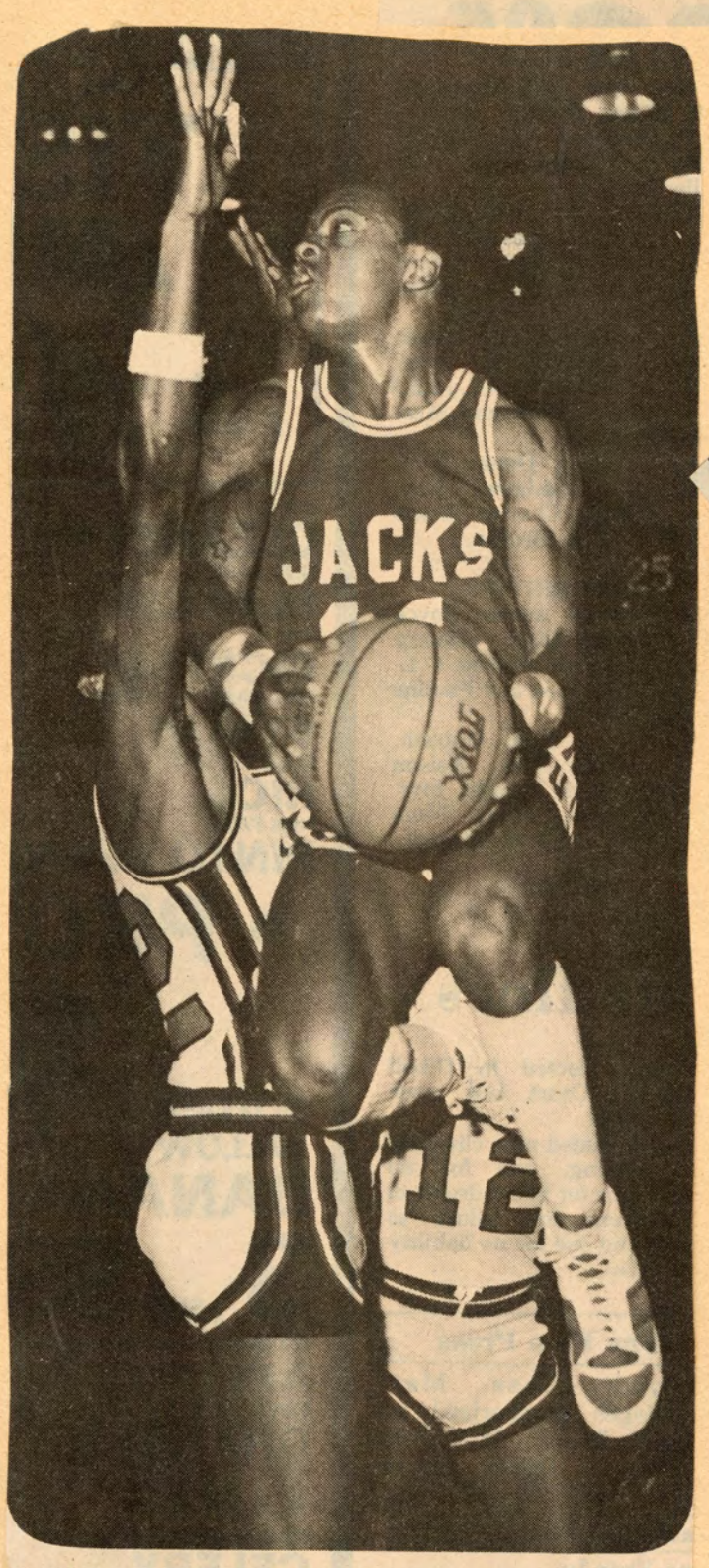
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Wolves, Riders put Jacks in deep hole

Wolves drop Jacks into second place in 18-3A

Diboll overpowers Crockett, 67-61



BAY BAY GIBSON tucks his legs under him on this layup against Center Tuesday night. Center won the game 61-47 to take a two game edge over the Lumberjacks in district play. (Claude Welch Photo)

Kountze kills Jack playoff hopes, 41-40

Jacks lose area playoff in overtime

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THE DIBOLL LADYJACK track team is one of the strongest in East Texas this season, perhaps in the state. The team is composed of (front row) Donnette Taylor, manager; Coach Sylvia Graham, Laura Scarborough, Deanne Ray, Anita Coleman, Stephanie Joshua, Vannette Canada, Paula Sparks, Robin Hogues, Felicia Coleman and Anna Mendoza, manager. Second row: Bridgette Sigers, Susan Hannah, Dianna Bane, Faye Jones and Ursula Younger. Third row: Michelle Schmidt, Gina Donovan, Paula Sheffield and Ramona Barlow. Fourth row: Tina Anthony, Jo Roach, Melissa Murphy and Deridre Johnson. Fifth row: Victoria Rodgers, Martha Harris, Mary Blount, Frankie Hall, Mirttie McCloud, Sylvia Mitchell and Sandra Teal. Back row: Lenora Levine. Not shown are Sandra Mitchell, Debra Scott, Nelda Scott, Charmian Moses, Sandy McCollum and Cheryl Gordon.

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THE DHS GIRLS' GOLF TEAM placed second in a tournament held here Monday. The team is composed of (front) Coach Bobby Baker, Brenda Ruby, Carla Havard, Tina Wolf, Robin Squyres and Andra Willmon. Standing are Emily Cheavens, Tamisha Carnley, Lorraine Lazarine, Autumn Capps, Cindy Ellison, Chaundra Hawthorne and Jennie Shadix.

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KEVIN HURLEY last week became the first Diboll High School athlete ever signed directly out of high school to play basketball at Stephen F. Austin State University. The 6-5 standout helped Diboll to the state 3A semifinals in 1981-1982 and to the area playoffs last season, in addition to being an outstanding baseball player. With him when he signed his letter of intent to SFA were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hurley and little brother Colin. Standing are his DHS coach Mark Wimberley, grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsey, and DHS Athletic Director Bobby Baker.

(Free Press Photo)

Kevin Hurley named MVP in Dist. 18-3A

Diboll's Kevin Hurley was named the most valuable player in District 18-3A basketball this season and teammate Bay Bay Gibson joined Hurley on the first team selected last week.

The Lumberjacks' Andre Vinson was named to the second team, while Robert Mitchell and Gregg Lazarine were given honorable mention.

Others on the first team selected by coaches were Alvin Davis and Robert Cloudy of Center, James Gulley of Newton, Dewey Harris of San Augustine and Sonny Rice of Hemphill.

Joining Vinson on the second team were Randy Turner of Hudson, Lawrence Lane of San Augustine, Kent Thomas of Hemphill, Willie Harris and Tony Wilson of Center, and Mark Hawthorne of Newton.

Hurley signs with SFA

DHS basketball star Kevin Hurley signed a letter of intent Wednesday to attend Stephen F. Austin State University on a basketball scholarship.

The 6-5 Hurley helped lead the Lumberjacks to the state 3-A semifinals in 1981-82 and to the area playoffs this past season.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hurley of Diboll also has been a standout first baseman and long ball hitter for the Lumberjack baseball team the past four seasons.

In choosing SFA, Hurley will be carrying on a tradition in basketball at that college by the Ramsey and Franks families that dates back many years.

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THE DIBOLL LUMBERJACK baseball team is composed of (front row) Dwayne Harris, Jesse Garcia, Darwin Blake, Lupe Compean, Richie Rector, Jose Cruz and Bo Smith. Standing are David Fenley, Estevan Guerrero, Gregg Lazarine, Scott Ray, Kevin Hurley, Reggie Davis, Clay DuBose, Mike Wyatt and Coach Davey DuBose. Bat boys are Matt DuBose and Clint DuBose. (Free Press Photo)



DAVID FENLEY connected for a solid single on this swing Tuesday as the Diboll Lumberjacks trimmed the Lufkin Panther JV 7-1 here to run the Jack season record at 3-1. (Free Press Photo)



LUPE COMPEAN made a neat turn around third but was nailed at the plate in this action from Diboll's 7-1 win over the Lufkin junior varsity here Tuesday afternoon.



Walking off

Diboll catcher Greg Lazarine walks off the field after turning in his uniform following an argument on a controversial play during Thursday's District 18-3A baseball game with Hudson, which the Hornets won, 15-8.

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THE DHS GIRLS TENNIS TEAM this season is composed of (front) Susan Beene, Yolanda Compean and Teresa Nash. In back are Coach Carol Drake, Delisa Kilgore, Karen Carnley and Mona Wright. Susan Beene advanced farthest in the district meet, bowing out in the third round. (Free Press Photo)



DIBOLL'S BILLY ALEXANDER has signed a letter agreeing to play in the Texas High School Coaches Association North-South All Star Game in July. The 6-0, 195-pound Alexander was the mainstay in Diboll's defense this past season which carried them to the region playoffs. Alexander was a first team choice to the Class 3A all state team for his defensive exploits last season. DHS Principal Bill Greer (left) and Athletic Director Bobby Baker congratulated Alexander on the accomplishment.
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THE DHS GOLF TEAM tied with Center for third place in the Diboll invitational meet here Monday. Jasper won the nine-team meet and Strake Jesuit of Houston was second. Members of the DHS team are (seated) Edwin Quarles, Greg Krull, Bo Smith, Jimmy Tate and Morris Smith. Standing are John Hutcheson, Roho Pouland, David Burt, Kenneth Baldwin, Ted Cheavens, Phillip Burnett and Coach Jerry Gartman. Ted Cheavens was the meet medalist with a 77.

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TOP GREENHANDS — Students from Diboll High School took top awards in the soil judging contests sponsored by the Upper Neches River Authority last week. Students Delores Havard, Kim Chandler, Ted Massey and Susan Hannah will compete in area contests to be held in Huntsville April 12. Massey will be shooting to equal his "High Individual" score for the county in the next set of contests, said student teacher/advisor Ray Thompson.

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Sports banquet set April 15th

Diboll High School Athletic Banquet will be held April 15, at 7 p.m. at the Angelina College cafeteria.

Tickets may be purchased from any Diboll High School coach on the high school staff for $6 each.

Guest for the banquet will be Steve McCarty, head coach and athletic director at Nacogdoches High School.

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THE DHS LADYJACK track team that easily walked away with district honors last week are (kneeling) Ursula Younger, Robin Hogues, Vannette Canada and Stephanie Joshua. Standing are Deridre Johnson, Sandra Teal, Sylvia Mitchell, Faye Jones, Paula Sheffield and Dianna Bane. Not shown is Sandra Mitchell. The Ladyjacks qualified for regional in 12 of the 15 district events and appear to have a strong shot at sending several people to state.

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Boys, girls golf teams also win

Ladyjacks stride to district title

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THE DHS GIRLS GOLF TEAM captured the District 18-3A title last week, led by medalist Robin Squyres' 124 in stormy weather. In front are Robin Squyres, Tina Wolf and Carla Havard. Standing are Brenda Ruby, Coach Jerry Gartman and Andra Wilmon. San Augustine finished second in district. The girls travel to Brenham for region playoffs April 21-22. The boys golf team and girls track team also chalked up district championships this past week.

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SOCIAL STUDIES WINNERS — Diboll High School won first place for class 3A schools in the annual social studies contest for top ranking high school students held at Stephen F. Austin State University. Approximately 100 students from 20 high schools participated in the competition which consisted of written tests in history, geography, government and sociology. Pictured are Joe Garr, sponsor, Dwayne Harris, Steve Hodsden, Gregory Krull and James Miller.

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THESE SEVEN LADYJACKS qualified for the state 3A track meet as they led the Ladyjacks to victory at the region meet last weekend. Kneeling are Stephanie Joshua, Ursula Younger and Vannette Canada. Standing are Sandra Teal, Deridre Johnson, Sandra Mitchell and Sylvia Mitchell. Diboll scored 71 points to win the region meet. Rosebud-Lott finished second with 45 points. (Free Press Photo)

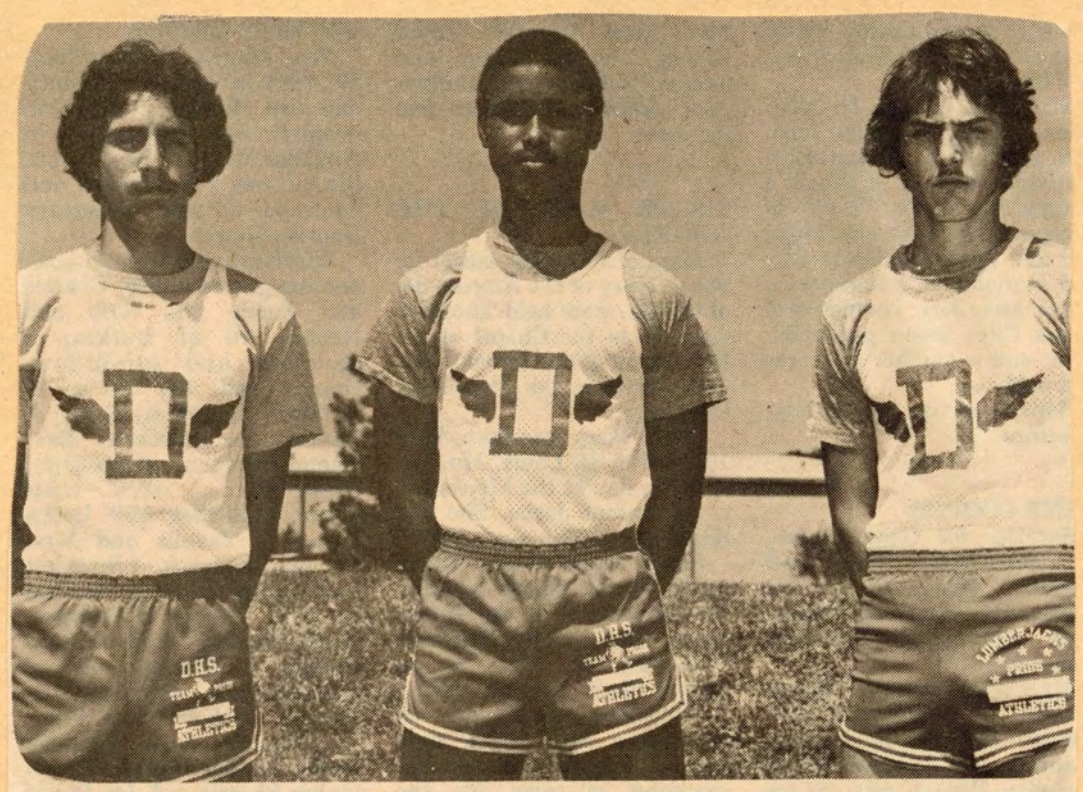
Ladyjacks win Region 3 meet

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THE DHS BOYS GOLF TEAM also won the District 18-3A golf championship Monday, carding a team total 749. Woodville was second at 764, San Augustine third at 766 and Center fourth at 775. Team members are Bo Smith, Edwin Quarles, Coach Jerry Gartman, Ted Cheavens, Kenneth Baldwin and Greg Krull.

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THESE LUMBERJACKS will advance to the region track and field meet. Vandall Rios, Don Taylor and Charles Coleman will go in running events. Not shown is Clay DuBose, who won district in the discus and will compete in that event at region.

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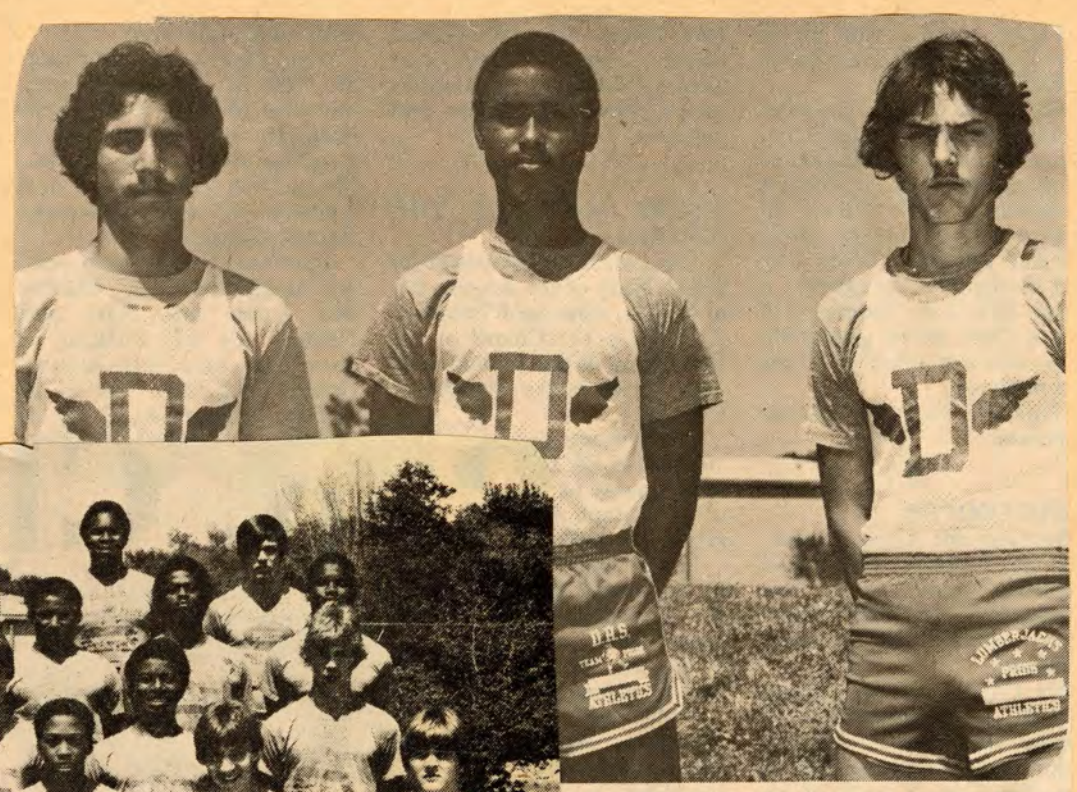


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MEMBERS of 1983 junior varsity and varsity track and field teams at DHS include (front) David Garcia, Rodney Williams, Patricio DeJesus, Zachary Scott, Craig Brown, Dettrick Hamilton, Jay Roach and Jeff Lyles. Second row: Tracy Grant, Ernie Frost, Vandal Rios, Jeff Bearden, Greg Grissom, Cary Grider, Dernald Sigers and Mike Garrett. Third row: Coach Bobby Baker, Charles Mark, Cecil Sheffield, Robert Mitchell, Donald Alexander, James Spencer, Patrick Johnson, Paul Perkins and Charles Bray. Fourth row: Charles Coleman, Terry Moye, Chris Johnson, Don Taylor, Mike McKinney, Andre Teal and Jesse Sinclair. The varsity finished third in District 18-3A while the junior varsity captured first in district.

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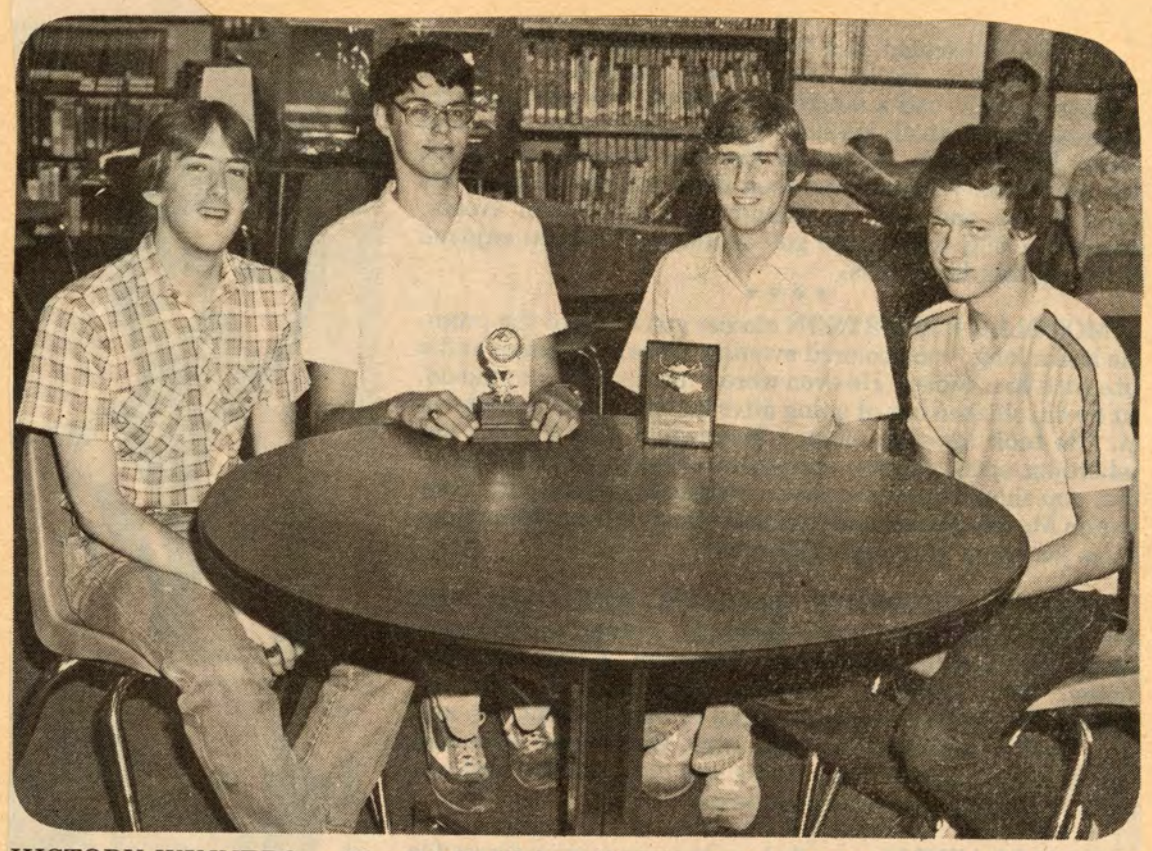
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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY members at Diboll High School this year include (front) Susan Beene, Karen Ingram, Melissa Albrecht and Tina Evans. Middle row: Lorraine Lazarine, Angela Terrell, Cherie Clark and Gina Donovan. Back row: Kyle Cooke, Bryan Klimpt, Reginald Barnes and Frank Mitchell. Cooke, Klimpt, Lazarine and Terrell were inducted into the society this year. NHS members are selected on the basis of scholarship, leadership, character and other high academic and social standards.

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HISTORY WINNERS — The Diboll High School team won the 3A American History competition at the UIL meet last week at Stephen F. Austin State University. Team members were Jamie Miller, Steve Hodsden, Greg Krull and Dwayne Harris. Steve Hodsden put another big feather in the DHS cap by capturing the overall individual top scorer ribbon, including competition against class 4A and 5A students. The team's sponsor is Joe Garr.

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FOUR LUMBERJACKS this week signed letters of intent to attend college on football scholarships. They are Ronnie Coleman, who will attend McMurry in Abilene; all-stater Billy Alexander, who will attend Texas A&I in Kingsville; Andre Vinson, headed for Blinn College; Lynn Stanford, who will join Coleman at McMurry. Alexander likely will be a linebacker-defensive end, Coleman and Stanford offensive linemen, and Vinson a defensive back. Standing are DHS Principal Bill Greer and Head Coach-Athletic Director Bobby Baker. (Free Press Photo)

In cool comfort---maybe

DHS graduates largest senior class Tuesday

Commencement exercises for the largest graduating class in Diboll High School history takes place in Wilbur F. Pate Gymnasium next Tuesday, May 24, at 8 p.m.

There are 102 members of this year's class, which easily beats the record of 83 in the 1980 class. The number of graduates could vary slightly depending on year-end grades for some students.

Perhaps in honor of the large graduating class, school officials have a treat in store for those who attend. The gymnasium will be air-conditioned for the graduation ceremonies only — also a first at DHS.

Superintendent Don Robbins said that they have been assured that the air-conditioning will work — at a cost of $900 for the approximate one-hour commencement ceremony.

"We don't know exactly how it's done, but we've been assured that the gym will be cool and comfortable," said Robbins.

Dibollians have sweated through graduation for years, and that has been cause on occasion for many to demand an air-conditioned auditorium or gymnasium.

Senior Kevin Hurley will give the invocation, and assistant high school principal Alec Alexander will give the scripture reading. Senior Gina Donovan will give the commencement message, school board president Milford Ruby will present diplomas, and senior Bay Bay Gibson will give the benediction.

Identity of high-ranking students is kept secret until the night of graduation

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READY TO GRADUATE

MR. AND MISS DHS for 1983, Kevin Hurley and Allison Lazarine, will be among 102 candidates for graduation at Diboll High School expected to receive diplomas at ceremonies set for 8 p.m. Tuesday in W.F. Pate gym. Allison, Lumberjack Band president and DHS cheerleader, plans to attend Angelina College following graduation, while Kevin, class president and a second team All-State basketball player, will attend Stephen F. Austin State University on an athletics scholarship.

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TOP DHS GRADUATES

DHS VALEDICTORIAN Karen Ingram (left) and salutatorian Susan Beene were given a congratulatory hug by DHS principal Bill Greer following commencement exercises Tuesday night at which a record 100 diplomas were awarded. Karen, graduating with an average of 97.91, will attend Stephen F. Austin State University. Susan, who had an average of 97.60, begins her college career at Texas A&M University next week with the first summer term. A standing room only crowd witnessed the graduation ceremonies at W.F. Pate Gymnasium. (Free Press Photo)



HONOR GRADUATES at Diboll High School were recognized at Tuesday's commencement exercises as having maintained a 90 or better average during their high school years. Seated are (from left) Valedictorian Karen Ingram, 97.91; Salutatorian Susan Beene, 97.60; Melissa Albrecht, 97.32; and Shannon Farrow, 96.23. Standing in the second row are Reginald Barnes, 96.16; Cherie Clark, 95.85; Gina Donovan, 93.42; Martha Harris, 93.26; and Tina Evans, 92.62. On the third row are Marty Scarborough, 92.17; Gilberto Perez, 91.54; Dianna Bane, 91.34; and Aida Moreno, 90.26. Not pictured is Andy Gossett, 91.90. The fourteen honor grads tied a record for total number of 90 or above students to graduate in a single class.

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SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS announced at the Diboll High School graduation ceremonies Tuesday night included (seated) Karen Ingram, Independent Universities and Colleges scholarship, Diboll Hope Club scholarship, Spanish Club scholarship, SFA academic scholarship, SFA music scholarship, John Ingram Memorial music scholarship and Home Savings and Loan scholarship; Martha Harris, SFA academic scholarship, Lufkin Young Homemakers scholarship; Monica Temple, Angelina College cheerleader scholarship; Marty Scarborough, AC academic scholarship; Leticia Silguero, AC academic scholarship; Shannon Farrow, AC academic scholarship; and Susan Beene, Independent Universities and Colleges scholarship, Angelina College A&M Mothers Club scholarship. Also (second row) Reginald Barnes, high ranking boy, Independent Universities and Colleges scholarship, Diboll Hope club scholarship, Pilot Club scholarship; Jerry Handy, Diboll Hope Club scholarship; Kevin Hurley, SFA basketball scholarship; Ronnie Coleman, McMurry College football scholarship; Lynn Stanford, McMurry College football scholarship; and Cherie Clark, Pilot Club scholarship, AC academic scholarship. Third row, Melissa Albrecht, Star Student Award; Brenda Ruby, AC Fine Arts scholarship, Pineywood Transportation Club scholarship; Andrea Pouland, AC academic scholarship; Dianna Bane, AC academic scholarship; Tina Evans, AC academic scholarship; Deridre Johnson, Diboll Hope Club scholarship; Aida Moreno, AC academic scholarship; and Gina Donovan, Houston Livestock Show scholarship. Not pictured are Billy Alexander, A&I University football scholarship; Andre Vinson, Blinn College football scholarship; and Sylvia Mitchell, UT, El Paso track scholarship. (Free Press Photo)



DHS LADYJACK track star Sylvia Mitchell became the first woman athlete from Diboll High to ever sign an athletics scholarship last week when she inked with The University of Texas at El Paso. Present at the signing were Sylvia's coach, Sylvia Graham, DHS Principal Bill Greer, Athletic Director Bobby Baker and Sylvia's parents, Frank and Alice Mitchell. (Free Press Photo)

Ladyjack Sylvia Mitchell to run for UT El Paso

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OTHER HIGH SCHOOL faculty and staff members in Diboll this year are (front) Betty Greer, secretary; Kay Gage, art; Alex Alexander, assistant principal; Susan Haltom, resource room; Joe Garr, history; and Bill Greer, principal. Middle row: Betty Montgomery, resource room; Teena Kellam, history/Spanish; Mary Ingram, counselor; Florence Adkison, teacher aide; and Phillip Grant, health/coach. Back row: Mark Wimberley, history/health/coach; Bobby Baker, athletic director/speech; Janice Cook, secretary; Carol Drake, HPE/coach; James Hughes, band director; and Gwain Hanna, librarian.

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DIBOLL HIGH SCHOOL faculty members this year include (front) Bob McCurry, vocational agriculture; Garvis Baldree, homemaking; Cindy Maddox, homemaking; Barbara Myers, English; Jesse Bradford, vocational agriculture; and Judith Williamson, business. Middle row: Elmer Kimbrough, math; Betty Manning, math; Terri Zimmerman, math; Lois Clemens, math; John Aiken, biology; and Ann Rotchstein, typing. Back row: Fred Douglas, English, Frances Gilham, English; Burlon Wilkerson, English; Kenneth Lightfoot, HPE/coach; Frank Lane, science.

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High school enrollment new record

By MIKE CRIM
Assistant Editor

Diboll school officials reported a smooth opening of classes for the 1983-84 term, with a total of 1,809 students reporting for class on opening day last Tuesday.

The opening day total of 1,809 was less than the 1,839 reported on the first day of classes last year, but by this week, attendance had increased to 1,874.

That figure includes some 482 students at Diboll High School — a new record enrollment, which peaked at about 463 last term.



VOLLEYBALL SCHOLARSHIP — Deridre Johnson has signed a volleyball scholarship to play for Lee Junior College in Baytown. Deridre was named to the all-district volleyball team each of her three years on the DHS squad, was the recipient of the 1982 most valuable player in volleyball and won the W.F. Pate award in 1983. Deridre also lettered in track for four years and was a varsity cheerleader for two years at DHS. Pictured with her are her mother Mrs. Nell Faye Johnson, DHS principal Bill Greer and athletic director Bobby Baker. (Free Press Photo)



BOB MCCURRY (center) and Jesse Bradford (right) of Diboll have received the area award to teachers who work with newspapers publicizing their local program. The award was presented by the president of the Vocational Agricultural Teachers Association, Kenneth Hughes, of Caldwell. The award was presented at the annual awards program for the association held in Austin.

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BAND HALL ALMOST READY

BAND DIRECTOR Jim Hughes casts a watchful eye on members of the Lumberjack Band Flag Corps as they try out some routines in the new DHS band hall, which is nearly complete. Band rehearsals begin at 9 a.m. Monday and Hughes said that he expects to have 100 or more band members enrolled this fall. (Free Press Photo)

New DHS band director, new band hall are ready

By MIKE CRIM
Assistant Editor

The sound of school bells is still distant in the ears of most students here in the first week of August.

But for the 100 or so members of the Diboll High School Band, summer vacation ends next week as the Lumberjack Band begins its own version of "two-a-day workouts" in preparation for the 1983 football season.

New band director Jim Hughes said that the analogy between football drills and band practice isn't that far-fetched, when the demands of summer practice are considered.

"It's a demanding experience for the kids — there's an enormous number of things they have to be aware of — intricate activity and speed of the marching involved makes it a physically exhausting activity," said Hughes.

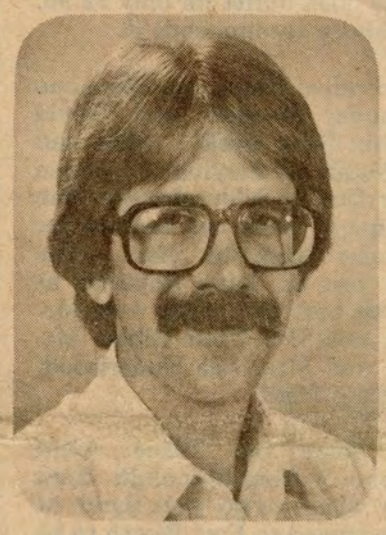
He thinks that the band will be ready for those challenges, though, when practice kicks off at 9 a.m. Monday.

For the Lumberjack Band this year, the biggest challenge Hughes sees is "learning how to win, and knowing what kind of work goes into winning and winning consistently," said Hughes.

The Lumberjack Band has not been able to lean on a winning tradition in recent years. Its last first division, superior rating other than in sight reading contests was in 1963, but Hughes said he feels that the program "is headed in the right direction" toward that goal of winning.

The work necessary to gain that end is just that — work. The band, for the next several weeks will practice from 9-12 and from 1-3 every day, five days a week.

Mornings are devoted to marching rehearsals and sectional rehearsals — time spent in intensive practice with smaller sections of the band. Afternoons are reserved for sitting down inside the new band hall and learning the



JIM HUGHES

music that will be played on the field.

That music this year will be a mixture of traditional military marches and "pop" tunes — but with special emphasis on the military march while the band is playing on the field.

"As far as the music goes, military marches are pretty standard in East Texas," said Hughes. "I like marches, and I feel that they are the best teaching tools for the kids because marches are harder to play than the pop tunes," he continues.

"Of course, we'll play the pop numbers, too, for the twirlers, in the stands and for other special numbers, but we'll use the marches, with their intricate and tasty nuances in a powerful and exciting way this year," said Hughes.

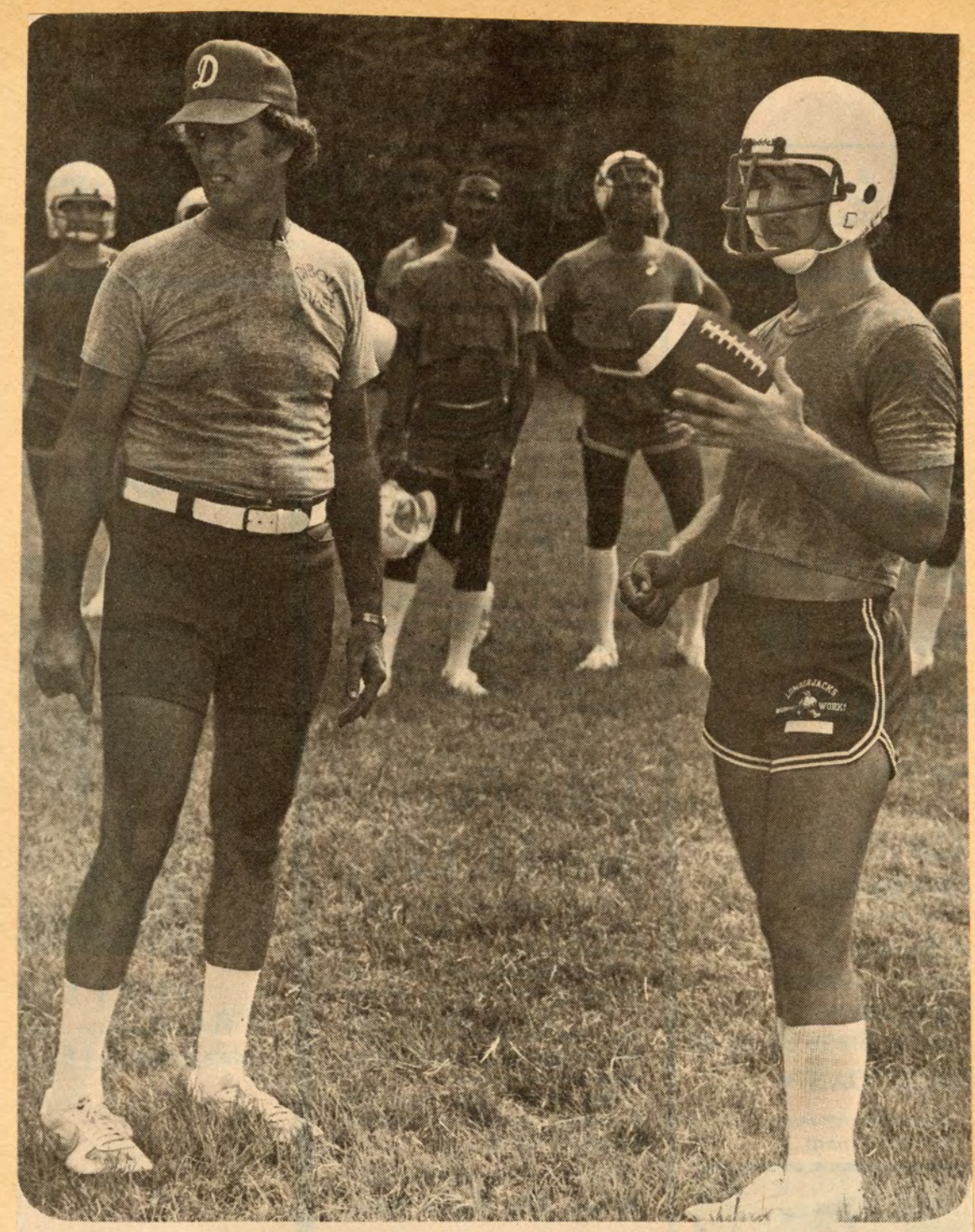
Diboll's new band director actually stepped in to help with the bands at mid-term last year. This fall will be the 27-year-old Hughes' first experience with the marching band, though.

Hughes is no stranger to top-notch marching — having worked as an assistant in Longview and at Lufkin, as well as directing Lufkin Junior High West. He plans to use the six-to-five (six steps to five yards) marching style, at a tempo somewhat faster than bands here have used in the past.

Charts showing each band members steps as the routine proceeds through the halftime show have been Hughes'

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THAT TIME OF YEAR

HEAD DHS COACH Bobby Baker and starting quarterback Clay DuBose were getting their heads together on the Lumberjack passing game this week during the first week of workouts. Only 70 of an expected 90 players showed up for initial two-a-day workouts. The Lumberjacks put on pads for the first time this Friday to work on their first scrimmage next Friday in Alto. The Jacks open the season Sept. 2 in Livingston.

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Lumberjacks romp past Lions, 19-6

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READY FOR HOME OPENER

DHS CHEERLEADERS who will be performing for the home fans for the first time this Friday night are (front) Jenny Shadix, Ursula Younger and Debra Scott. In middle are Deanne Ray and Lacey Yates, and at top are Stephanie Joshua, Nelda Scott and Donya Taylor. The young ladies and the Lumberjack Band will be performing Friday along with the Lumberjack football team when Corrigan-Camden comes to town for an 8 p.m. game.

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Diboll

Band hall construction to be finished for school opening

Students entering classes this Fall in the Diboll ISD will experience a few changes on all levels — the biggest addition being the new band hall on the high school campus, Superintendent Don Robbins said.

Summer construction projects will end several past problems for the district, including a crowded bus loading zone at the elementary school and cramped quarters for high school music students. Junior high students can look forward to new lockers and new carpeting in parts of the school.

According to Robbins, the district outgrew the old band hall built in 1970. "When the old one was built 13 years ago, we had 45 jr. high and high school band members. We've gone to 106 band members — all high school. We were just pressing bodies down there," he said.

Covering 2400 square feet, the new structure is "basically an accoustical shell with storage space," Robbins said. The music hall was one priority the school board's facilities committee set last year. Funds for the construction projects came from building fund reserve money and a grant from Temple Eastex.

Removing playground equipment to create a separate elementary school school exit was another board-set priority item completed this summer. "We're attempting to create a bus loading and unloading zone for greater safety; it had been utter chaos for some time," the superintendent said. In past years, teachers, parents, and buses had been channeled through one area.

"We're in a better position to put in a covered walkway now so kids will have some place to go out of the rain," Robbins said.

Academically, administrators have raised graduation requirements to 22 credits, added a fourth level to the high school agriculture sequence, and initiated a high school computer math class.

At the junior high level, a new occupations orientation class has been added. Robbins said plans are in the talking stage for adding computers to the district's bilingual program.

"We feel we have the strongest bilingual program in the area; meeting demands of the kids, Diboll has a large concentration of Spanish speaking residents," Robbins said.

Other signs of the coming of the computer age to the Diboll ISD are the addition of a TRS-80 in the library, and a computer room in the administration building.

"Now we're looking for an adequate software program in the basic skills for the regular curriculum," Robbins said.

Enrollment for the district, unfortunately, has not been growing as much as the academic program.

As local industry layoffs affect the number of families leaving the district, Robbins said their average daily attendence figures have been holding steady, neither growing nor decreasing for the past two years. "On the elementary level, the numbers have been dwindling over the last two, three years. On the jr. high and high school, they're increasing. We hd an ADA of 1900 during the 1982-83 school year, same as the last year," Robbins said. "The industries are doing what they can to keep people in some sort of a job."

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Jacks squeak by Bulldogs



CHING STAFF for the DHS
iack football teams this year is
of (front) Ken Lightfoot and
Bose. In back are Mark Wimberley, Head Coach Bobby Baker and Phil Grant. Coach Baker is starting his fifth season as head coach and athletic director. (Free Press Photo)



COACH BOBBY BAKER held a conference with his quarterback Clay DuBose during action in the Crockett game last week, won by the Bulldogs, 27-13, chiefly on Lumberjack errors. The Jacks travel to Rusk this week for the final non-district game before hosting San Augustine next week. (Kent Havard Photo)

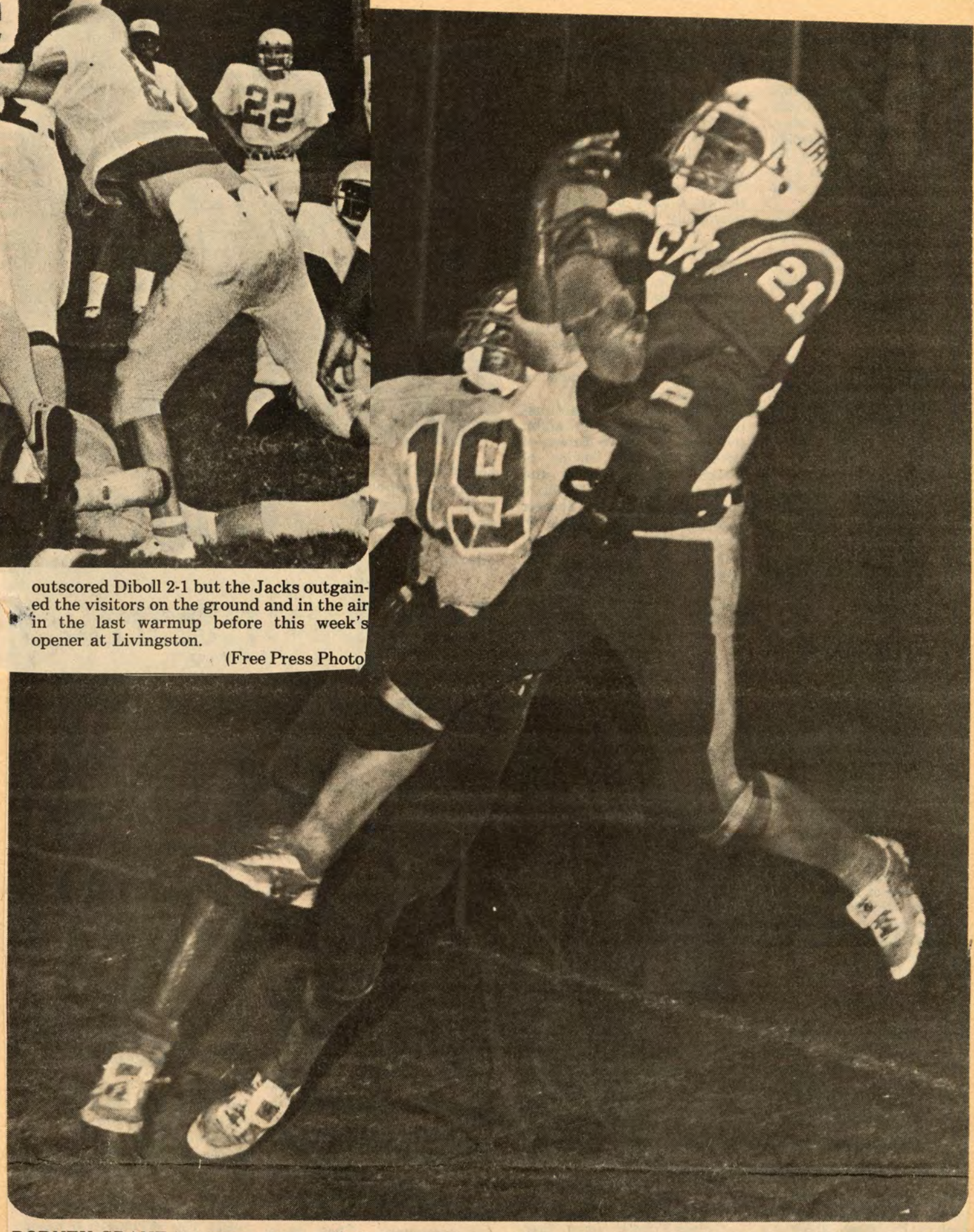
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LUMBERJACK tight end Terry Moye appears to have been hit too soon on this pass play in the Diboll-Shepherd scrimmage here Friday, and the early hit shook the ball loose from his grasp. Shepherd outscored Diboll 2-1 but the Jacks outgained the visitors on the ground and in the air in the last warmup before this week's opener at Livingston.

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RODNEY GRANT (21) comes down with the football to complete a pass from Clay DuBose for the winning score Friday night against Corrigan-Camden. He beat C-C's Roy Allen on the play to break a 7-7 deadlock late in the fourth quarter.

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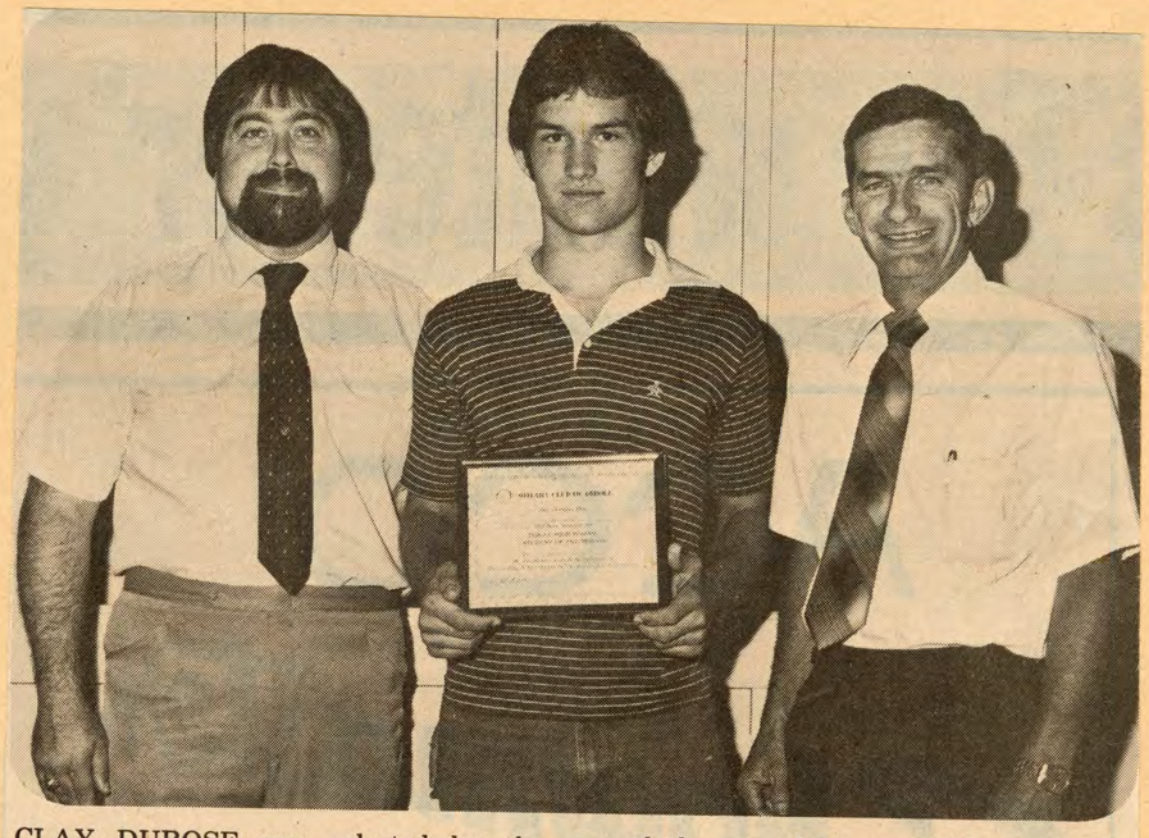
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Groveton shocks



PATRICK JOHNSON (32) scrambled around end after short yardage against Groveton here last Friday. Groveton held Diboll completely in check and romped to a 34-8 victory in what had been unwisely billed as the Great East Texas Shootout. Diboll travels to Crockett this Friday. (Kent Havard Photo)

Diboll, 34-8

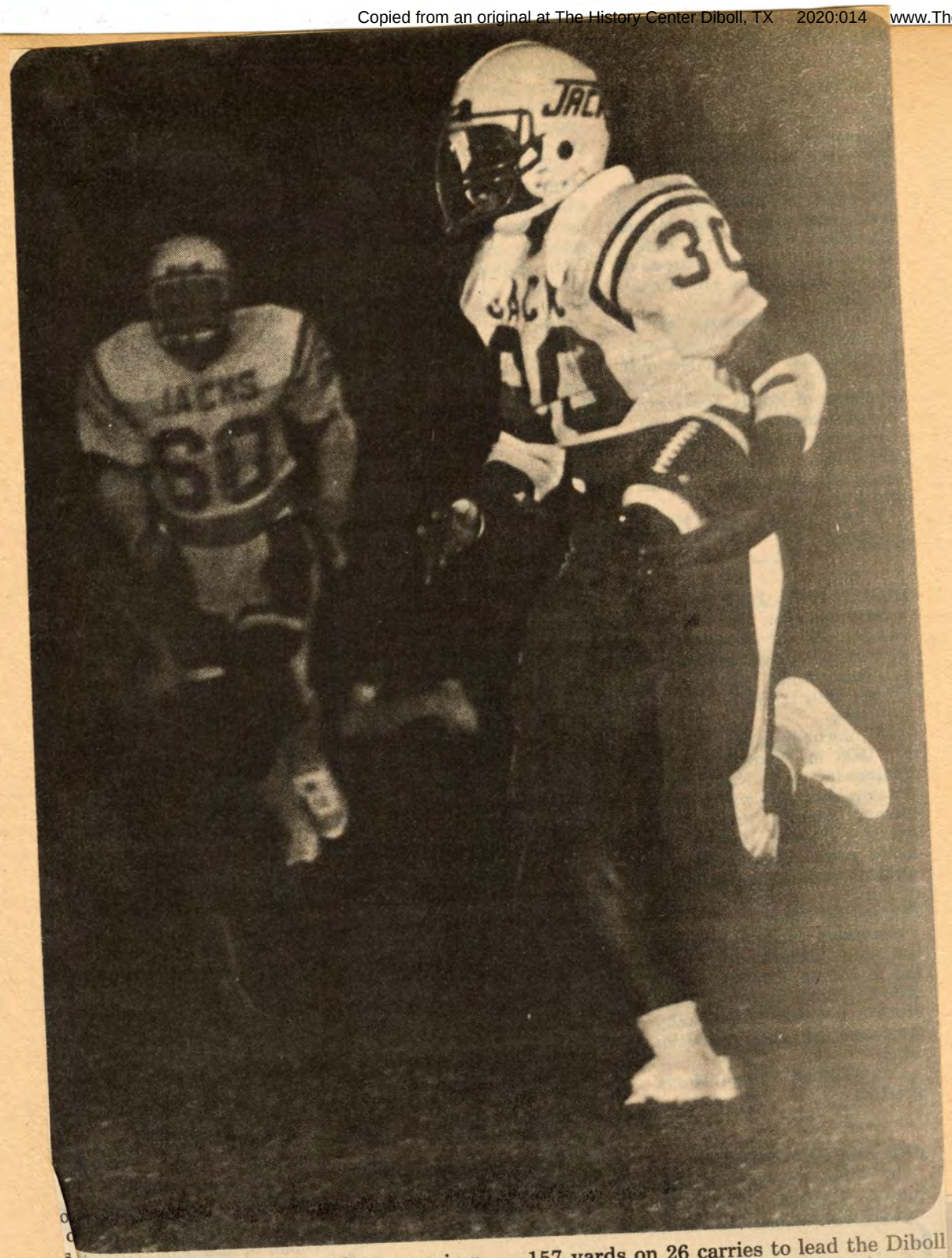


CLAY DUBOSE was selected by the Diboll Rotary Club as student of the month from Diboll High School. Special services chairman John Orynawka and club president Jack Beene made the presentation. DuBose is a DHS senior and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin DuBose. An excellent student, Clay is best known at present as the starting quarterback for the Lumberjack football team.

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AMES BRAY was the running rkhorse for the Diboll Lumberjacks in ir 19-6 opening win over Livingston. shing through holes created by a much-roved offensive line, Bray rushed for 157 yards on 26 carries to lead the Diboll attack. Bray and his Lumberjack teammates host the Corrigan-Camden Bulldogs this Friday at 8 p.m.

(Photo by Kent Havard)



LUMBERJACK BAND ON PARADE

THE DIBOLL LUMBERJACK BAND marched in the Pineland Day parade last Saturday, along with other area bands. The queen's race raised $70,400 for community projects in Pineland. The Lumberjack Band will be featured at halftime this week at the Diboll-San Augustine footbal game as DHS observes its annual homecoming. Game time is 7:30.

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READY FOR HOMECOMING

HOMECOMING HALFTIME activities Friday night at Lumberjack Stadium will feature the DHS Lumberjack Band and twirlers and special homecoming presentations. Twirlers for the 1983-84 edition of the DHS Band are (seated) Tabitha Maxey and Angie Terrell; Tricia Nash and Cindy Oaks; and (standing) Missy Murphy, drum major Rainey Lazarine and Michelle Schmidt. The homecoming bonfire will be held Thursday night. (Free Press Photo)

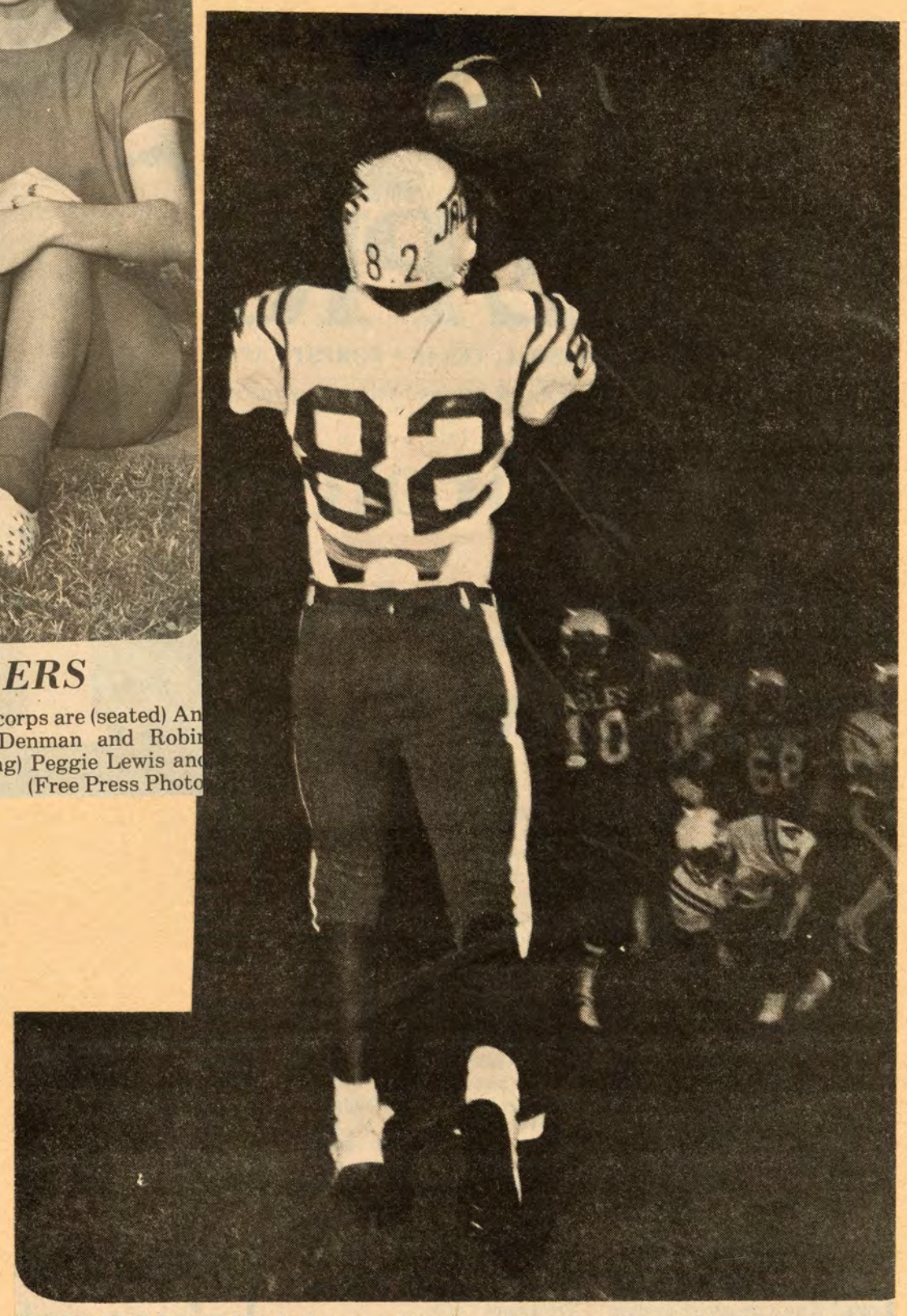
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LUMBERJACK FLAG BEARERS

THE DHS FLAG CORPS and band will be taking their show on the road this week, as the Lumberjacks take on Woodville in a District 18-3A clash this Friday night.

Members of the 1983 corps are (seated) An dra Willmon, G.G. Denman and Robi Squyres, and (standing) Peggie Lewis an Autumn Capps. (Free Press Photo



TIGHT END Robert Mitchell goes up for a touchdown pass against the Rusk Eagles in last week's 41-12 Diboll loss to the Eagles. Diboll was able to gain 93 yards in the air but a meager eight yards rushing as they were smothered by the Eagles in w must have been sweet revenge for Dibo 10-7 playoff triumph over the Eagles l season.

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Rusk belts Jacks in 41-12 runaway

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HOMECOMING QUEEN

DENISE CAPPS was presented as the 1983 homecoming queen at halftime activities of the Diboll-San Augustine game last Friday. Queen Denise was escorted by Ted Cheavens. (Free Press Photo)



PEGGIE LEWIS represented the senior class as duchess at the DHS homecoming last Friday. Her escort was Eric McCloud. (Free Press Photo)

Wolves claw out 12-0 victory here



TINA ANTHONY was the junior class duchess for the DHS homecoming activities last Friday. Her escort was Jay Roach. (Free Press Photo)

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LARA POUNDS was the freshman class duchess at Diboll High School homecoming last Friday. She was escorted by Brad Baker.



DIBOLL'S JIMMY TEAL had an outstanding game last Saturday in Texas A&M's 13-13 tie with the Baylor Bears. Teal, a 1981 graduate of Diboll High School, caught five passes for 135 yards against the Bears. Teal has rapidly developed into the Aggies' top wide receiver. He is a junior this year. Jimmy is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Teal of Diboll and of course was an outstanding receiver for the Diboll Lumberjacks before joining the Aggies on an athletic scholarship.



Campus Time

By Karen Fuller



EMILY CHEAVENS represented the sophomore class during DHS homecoming activities last Friday. Her escort was Daniel DuBose. (Free Press Photo)

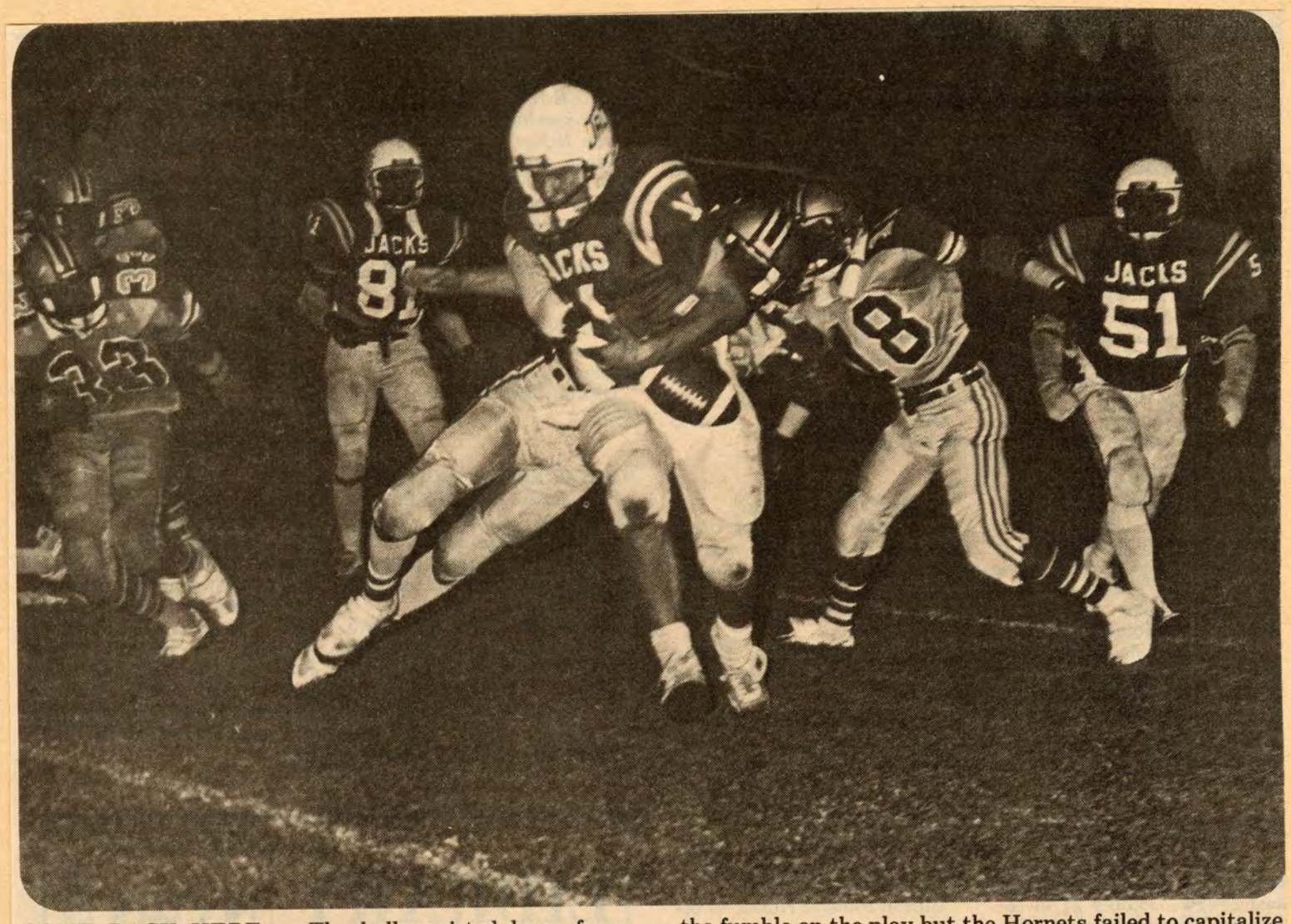
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Bray, defense pull 7-0 upset of Eagles

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DIBOLL LINEBACKER Rodney Grant (left) slams into Woodville's Ronald Hadnot during last Friday's 7-0 victory over the Eagles. It was Diboll's tough as nails defense that shut out the Eagles, who were previously undefeated and put the Lumberjacks back into the district race. The locals host Hemphill Friday. (Kent Havard Photo)



COME BACK HERE — The ball squirted loose from quarterback Clay DuBose's grasp on this sprint-out in Diboll's 21-13 win over Hemphill last Friday. DuBose lost the fumble on the play but the Hornets failed to capitalize on it. The Lumberjacks travel to Center for another crucial game this Friday. (Kent Havard Photo)

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Hemphill, 21-13

Defense throttles

Jacks cling to league tie



RODNEY GRANT turned the corner for short yardage in this action from Diboll's 19-10 loss to the Center Roughriders last Friday in Center. Despite the loss the Lumberjacks have a shot at making the playoffs if they can beat the Newton Eagles here this Friday in the final regular season game. (Kent Havard Photo)

Center stops Jacks, 19-10

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Diboll, Newton meet for playoff spot



DERNOLD SIGERS also ran for short yardage against Center on this play. The Lumberjack ground and air game was almost completely shut down by the Roughriders as they took a 19-10 victory over the Axemen, forcing a final game showdown this week between Diboll and the visiting Newton Eagles. (Kent Havard Photo



DENISE CAPPS has been selected student of the month from Diboll High School by the Rotary Club of Diboll, one of the club's ongoing programs to recognize local young people. Denise is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Capps. The senior DHS student was homecoming queen this year, FFA Sweetheart and Student Council representative. She has been active in numerous school activities throughout her four years and upon graduation plans to attend Angelina College to study nursing. (Free Press Pho

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Newton gets playoff spot

Eagles crush Jacks in final game, 49-0



LAST ROUNDUP — Quarterback Clay DuBose is dogged down by Newton defenders on this scramble in last Friday's game here. Newton ransacked the Lumberjacks 49-0 to advance to the playoffs, leaving the Lumberjacks to stow their gear until next season. Newton meets Crockett in Lufkin this week in one of the bi-district playoff games.

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Woodville, Newton head 18-3A all district teams

The Diboll Lumberjacks barely earned recognition on the District 18-3A all district teams this season.

Defensive tackle Jeff Williams was the only Lumberjack named to either the offensive or defensive teams.

Three Lumberjacks were named to the second offensive team and two to the second defensive unit.

Tight end Terry Moye, guard Jesse Garcia and running back James Bray were the offensive selections, while defensive tackle Leonard Hadnot and linebacker Lupe Compean were the defensive selections.

Tackle Johnny Perry, center John Grissom and quarterback Clay DuBose received honorable mention to the offense, and Jeff Bearden was honorable mention on the defense.

District champion Woodville and runnerup Newton of course dominated the all district selections, listed as follows:

1983 18-AAA ALL-CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM

OFFENSE — FIRST TEAM

WR	Alan Eberlan	San Augustine	5′8″	140	SR
TE	Tommy Knight	Woodville	6′1″	193	SR
TE	Wilton Parks	Hemphill	6′2″	175	JR
T	Dennis Noble	Newton	5′9″	175	JR
T	Wardlowe Lane	Center	6′1″	180	JR
G	Ellis Brazil	Woodville	5′9″	191	SR
G	Mark Caples	Newton	5′10″	165	SR
C	Sonny Rice	Hemphill	6′0″	188	SR
RB	Burton Murchison	Woodville	6′1″	178	SR
RB	Victor Byerly	Newton	5′8″	175	JR
RB	Darren Garrett	Center	6′0″	180	JR
QB	Dwayne Barnes	San Augustine (tie)	5′10″	170	SR
QB	Kenny Thomas	Hemphill (tie)	5′11″	135	SR
P	Ronny Skaggs	Hemphill	6′1″	195	SR
K	Curtis Hamilton	Center	5′10″	180	JR
K	Tommy Knight	Woodville	6′1″	193	SR

Offensive Player of the Year — Burton Murchison - Woodville

Coach of the Year — Melvin Houston - Woodville

OFFENSE — SECOND TEAM

WR	Mark Hawthorne	Newton	6′1″	170	SR
TE	Cedric Tanner	San Augustine	6′0″	170	SR
TE	Terry Moye	Diboll	6′2″	230	SR
T	Randy Williams	Woodville	6′4″	290	JR
T	Thomas Henry	Center	6′1″	215	SR
G	Jessie Garcia	Diboll	5′8″	210	SR
G	Jake Bonds	San Augustine	6′1″	185	SR
C	Robert Tanner	San Augustine	5′9″	160	JR
RB	Kevin Jenkins	Newton	5′10″	166	JR
RB	James Bray	Diboll	5′10″	165	SR
RB	Todd Hadnot	Woodville	5′10″	165	JR
QB	Paul Simmons	Newton	5′8″	145	SR

HONORABLE MENTION

UR	Pat Walker	Hemphill
TE	Andy Williams	Center
T	Kendale Speights	Hemphill
T	Shannon Kovar	San Augustine
T	Johnny Perry	Diboll
G	Ron Lout	Center
G	Charles Strickland	Hemphill
G	Chad Wilkerson	Newton
G	Randy Ward	Woodville
G	Mark Thompson	San Augustine
G	John Grissom	Diboll
B	Gene Polk	San Augustine
B	Eddie Hewitt	Center
B	Kurt Moruski	Hemphill
B	Clay DuBose	Diboll
B	Melvin Houston	Woodville

DEFENSE — FIRST TEAM

DE	Tommy Knight	Woodville	6′1″	193	SR
DE	Dwight Thomas	Newton	6′3″	235	SR
DT	Dale Dean	Newton	5′10″	170	SR
DT	Randy Williams	Woodville	6′4″	290	JR
DT	Rocky Stuart	Woodville	6′2″	260	SR
DT	Jeff Williams	Diboll	5′9″	190	JR
DT	Curtis Hamilton	Center	5′10″	180	JR
LB	Ellis Brazil	Woodville	5′9″	191	SR
LB	Troy Lewis	Newton	6′1″	175	JR
LB	Sonny Rice	Hemphill	6′0″	188	SR
SEC	Burton Murchison	Woodville	6′1″	178	SR
SEC	Mark Hawthorne	Newton	6′1″	170	SR
SEC	Dwayne Barnes	San Augustine	5′10″	170	SR
SEC	Scott Jackson	Center	5′8″	140	JR

Defensive Player of the Year — Troy Lewis — Newton

DEFENSE — SECOND TEAM

DE	Mark Irvin	Newton	6′0″	185	SR
DE	Cedric Tanner	San Augustine	6′0″	170	SR
DE	Randy Gore	Woodville	6′0″	192	SR
DT	Mike Garrett	Hemphill	5′11″	170	JR
DT	Prentice Roseman	Newton	5′10″	165	SR
DT	Antonio Nash	San Augustine	5′10″	240	JR
DT	Leonard Hardnot	Diboll	6′0″	185	JR
LB	Lupe Compean	Diboll	5′7″	180	JR
LB	Pat Garrett	Center	6′1″	180	SO
LB	Walter Sigler	San Augustine	5′8″	150	JR
SEC	Slade Medley	Newton	5′6″	125	SR
SEC	Melvin Houston	Woodville	5′11″	155	SR
SEC	Craig Barlow	Woodville	5′6″	135	JR
SEC	Alan Eberlan	San Augustine	5′8″	140	SR

HONORABLE MENTION

DE	Jeff Bearden	Diboll
DT	Alec Cune	Center
DT	Robert McNeil	Woodville
DT	Mark Thomas	San Augustine
B	Willie Simmons	Hemphill
B	Michael Sizemore	Center
C	Reginald Davis	Newton
C	Kelly Thomas	Hemphill
C	Jimmy Celestine	Woodville
C	Keith Fountain	Center

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WE'VE MENTIONED ON THIS PAGE several times in recent weeks about the improvement in our DHS Lumberjack Band. The group worked especially long and hard this year and there were some who felt they had a shot at a Division I rating in the marching and playing contest. They barely missed that, but we are predicting they will come home with that first place rating next year.

Hard work and dedication will pay off in the long run, and band members are to be congratulated for sticking with new band director Jim Hughes' regimen this year. It takes a lot of dedication to march up and down that practice field twice a day for several hours, but the hard work will eventually pay handsome dividends for the band and the school.

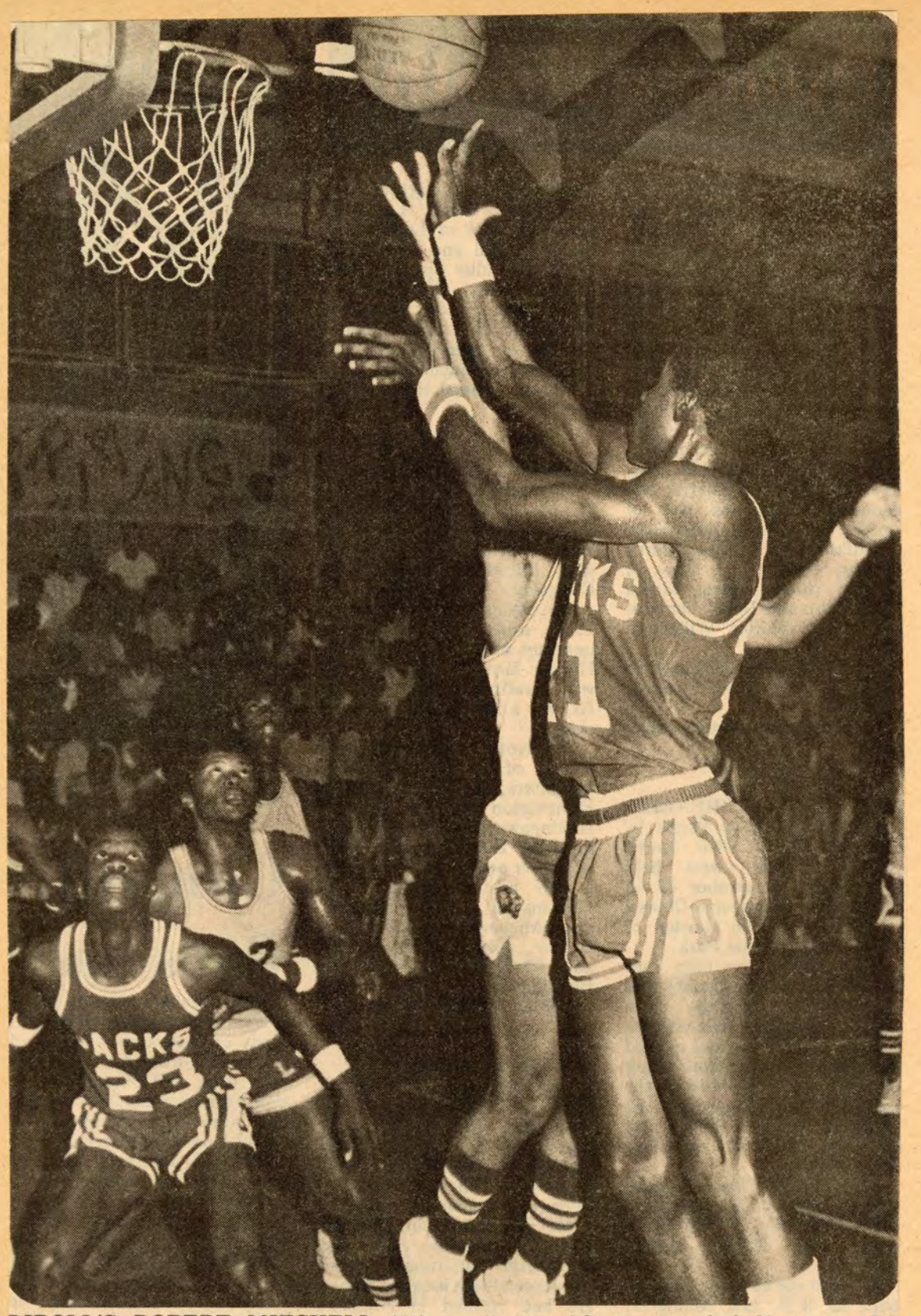
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WHILE WE'RE AT IT, congratulations to DHS Head Coach Bobby Baker and his staff for the fine condition of the Lumberjack Stadium turf this season. It looked about as good to us as any we've seen in the area.

But Bobby tells us that much of the credit for that goes to band director Hughes and his band for using the practice field near the school rather than practicing on the field. The football team also has a practice field, so the main field will naturally remain in better condition if it is used only for games.

It's good to see our people working together that way.

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DIBOLL'S ROBERT MITCHELL (21) battled with a Lufkin Panther for this rebound in Tuesday night's game as teammate Jerry Johnson (23) stands ready to help. Lufkin beat the Lumberjacks 63-46 with a second half surge. Diboll meets Hudson in the first round of the Pineywoods Tournament this weekend.

(Claude Welch Photo)



FRANK MITCHELL was chosen student of the month at Diboll High School and so honored by the Diboll Rotary Club. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell Jr., Frank is a senior at DHS. He was a freshman class favorite and member of the FFA. He served on the student council for two years and was selected to the National Honor Society his junior year. His athletic ability was evident as he was an outstanding offensive and defensive back in football for four years. Frank plans to enter college after graduation, hoping to attend either Texas Christian or Baylor University.

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Panthers take Jacks in second half surge

By EDWIN QUARLES

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Fourth in Lufkin Classic

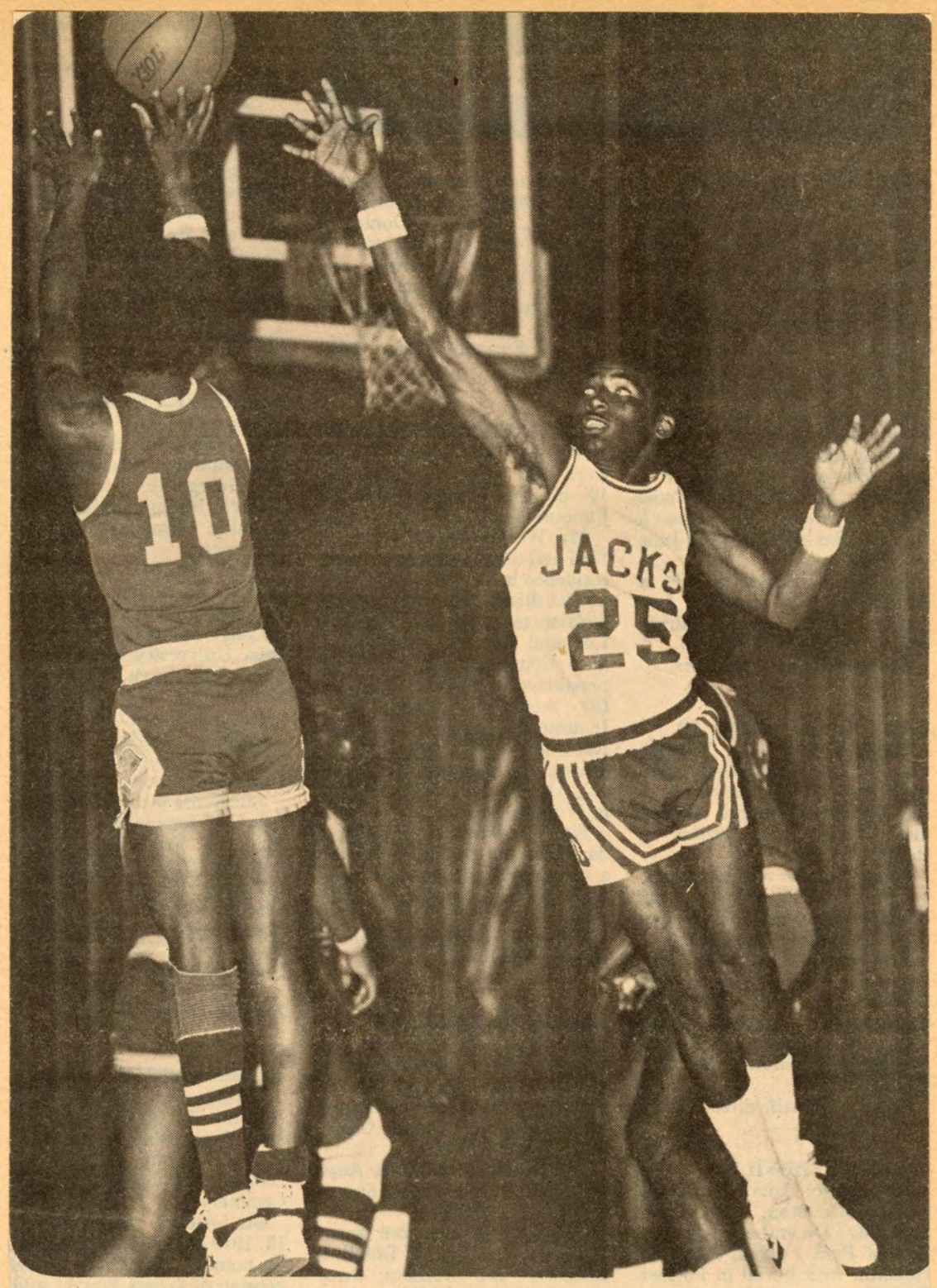


DIBOLL'S JERRY JOHNSON (23) took this one to the hoop in Diboll's victory over Hudson in the Pineywoods Tournament last weekend in Lufkin. After taking the Hornets, the Lumberjacks lost to Silsbee and then dropped its final game to Huntsville in a battle for third place in the tourney. (Claude E. Welch Photo)

, December 15, 1983

Jacks edge Hudson in Woden tourney

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DIBOLL'S PATRICK JOHNSON tries in vain to block a shot by Lufkin's Robert Hamilton in Lufkin's 44-40 win over the Jacks here Tuesday night. Hamilton was the Panther's leading scorer in the game Diboll will be hosting its own tournamen here later this week.

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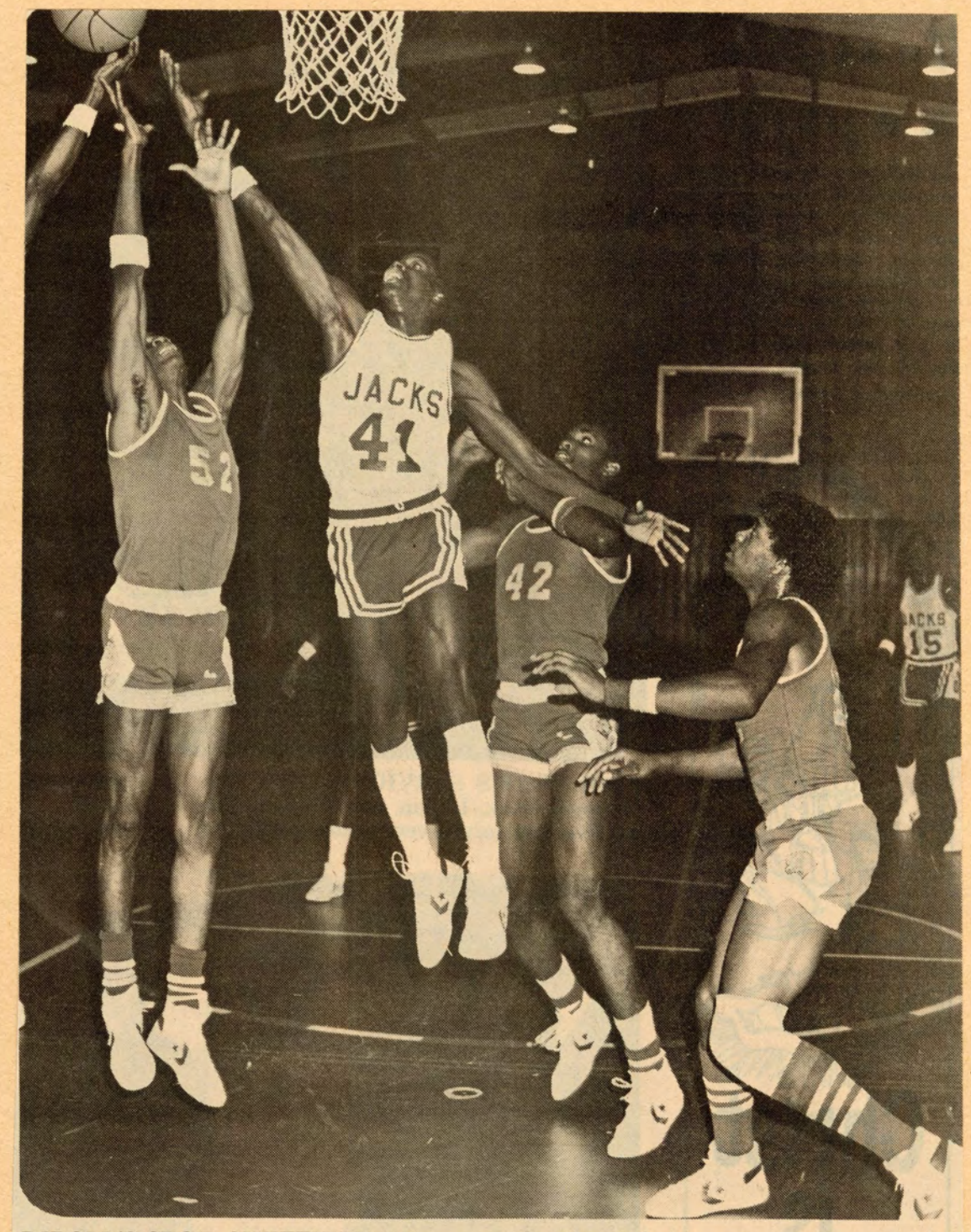
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Lufkin edges Jacks, 44-40

Crockett wins Jacks' tourney in overtime

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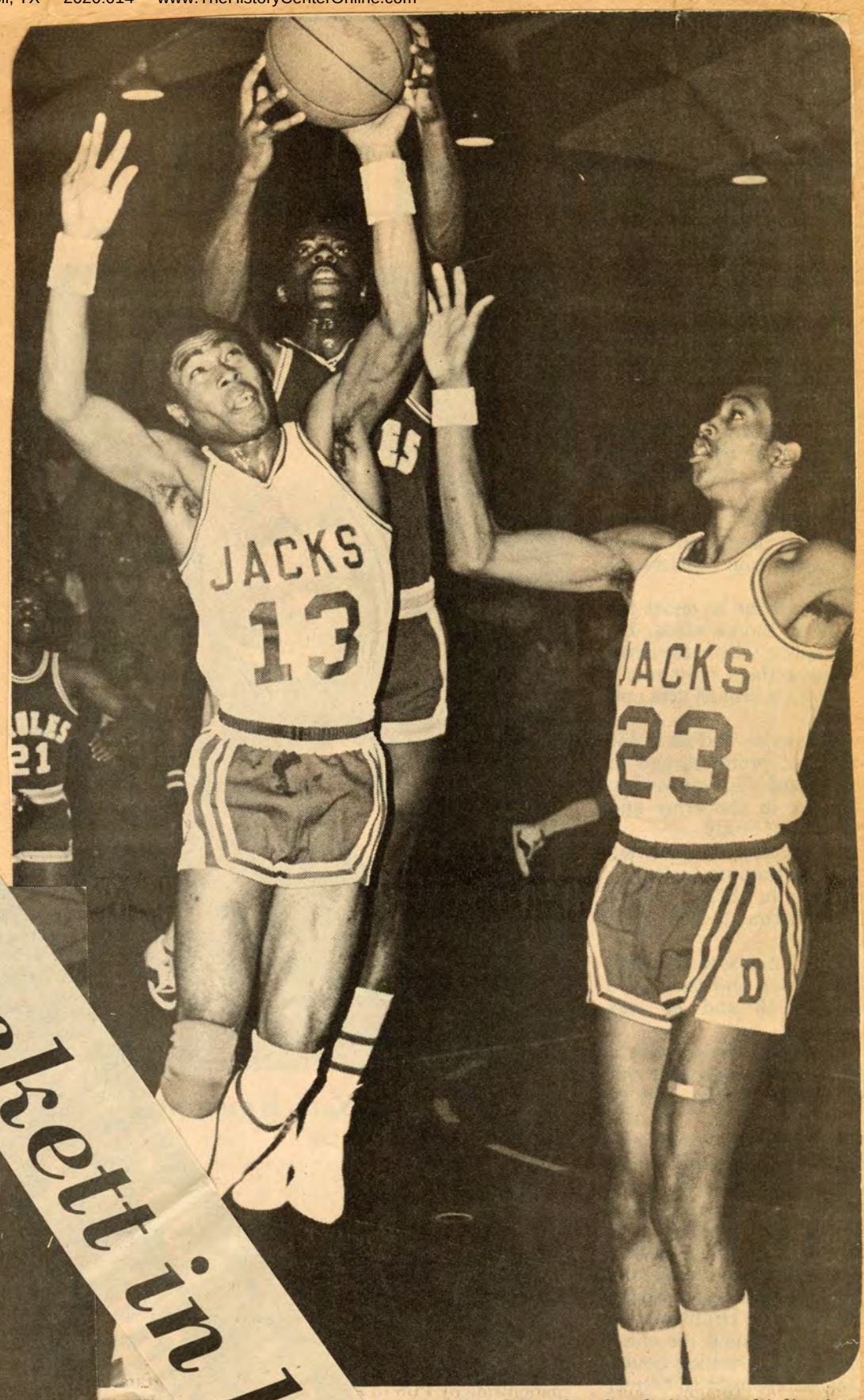


DIBOLL'S CECIL SHEFFIELD (41) contests a host of Lufkin Panthers in this action from a recent game. The Lumberjacks [illegible] after hosting their own tournament las weekend and playing Apple Springs Tues day.

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Jacks vs Crockett in bi-district





BAY BAY GIBSON is in a familiar pose as he drives to the basket against a futile defense motion by a Newton Eagle here last Friday. Gibson scored all his 19 points in the first half, as Lumberjack reserves played much of the second half in Diboll's 73-52 win.

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Lumberjacks head into a bi-district game Saturday at 7:30 p.m. against Crockett at neutral Nacogdoches High School gym.

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DIBOLL'S ANDRE VINSON goes to the hoop over a Newton player in this unusual above-the-rim photo by Mike Crim from Diboll's win over the Eagles here last Friday. Vinson and his Lumberjack teammates go against Crockett in bi-district at 7:30 this Saturday night in Nacogdoches.

(Free Press Photo)



BAY BAY GIBSON finds the lane crowded in this action against Woodville here last Friday as the Jacks romped to an 83-56 win. The Axmen defeated Hudson Tuesday night to assure them of a bi-district playoff berth against Crockett next week.

(Claude Welch photo)

Jacks face Crockett in bi-district game

The Diboll Lumberjacks will meet Crockett in a bi-district playoff game on either Feb. 25 or 26 at a neutral site yet to be determined.

Diboll, second place finisher in District 18-3A, will be facing the champion Bulldogs of District 17-3A.

The Center Roughriders, champions of 18-3A, will be facing Palestine Westwood, second place finisher in 17-3A in Jacksonville on Feb. 25 in the other bi-district game.

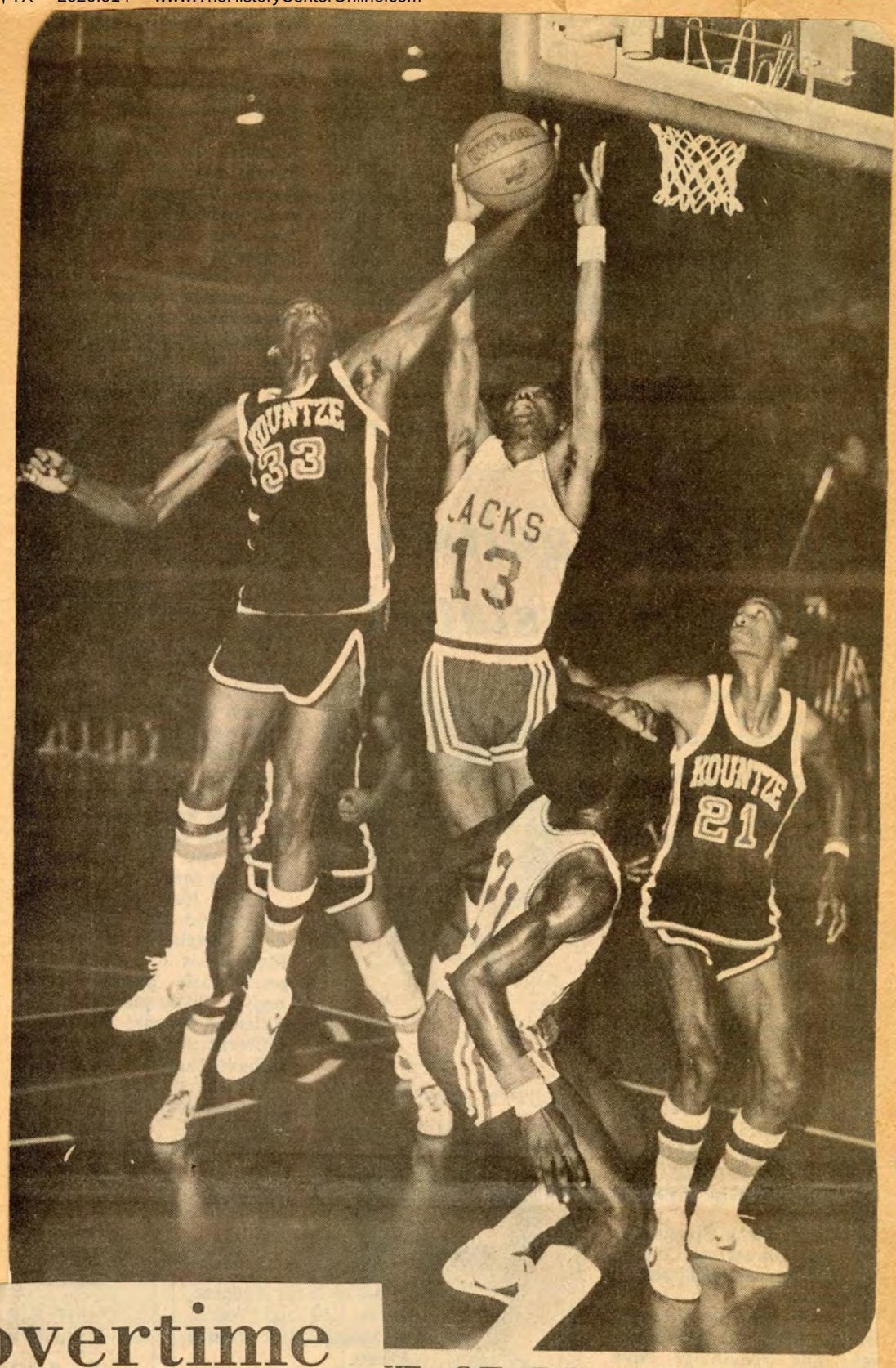
Center beat San Augustine Tuesday night 82-65, while Diboll defeated Hudson.

Diboll is negotiating to play the bi-district game with Crockett in Nacogdoches on Feb. 25 or 26, but the site had not been nailed down Wednesday.

Should the Lumberjacks win and advance, the area playoff game will be either Feb. 28 or March 1, with the region tournament set for March 4-5.

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Kountze went on to win the area playoff game 41-40 in overtime and advance to region, while Diboll's season comes to an end at 23-8. See story on sports page. (Free Press Photo)

Jacks bow out in overtime

By BRIAN OLIVER
Sports Writer

KINGWOOD — Even when things are free, some folks find it hard to accept them, as in the case of the Diboll Lumberjacks Tuesday night.

Diboll missed three crucial free throws in the fourth quarter and two in overtime in their 41-40 loss to the Kountze Lions in the area playoffs at Kingwood High School near Humble.

Diboll could only manage to connect on 4-10 from the charity stripe all nighjt, while Kountze was good on 11-15, including five key free throws in overtime.

The Lumberjacks started out like they would breeze through the game as Diboll took an 8-0 lead before Kountze managed to get on the scoreboard.

Kountze, who was much smaller than Diboll, cut the Lumberjacks lead to 10-8 with 25 seconds left in the first quarter.

Diboll's Bay Bay Gibson put the Lumberjacks back up by four, 12-8, on a jumpshot with 10 seconds left in the first period.

Kountze's Cedrick Hubbard hit a jumper with two seconds left, cutting Diboll's lead to 12-10, and was fouled by the Lumberjacks' Gibson. Hubbard couldn't convert on the free throw and Diboll had a 12-10 lead at the end of the first quarter.

The Lumberjacks worked the ball inside against the much smaller Lions, but Kountze tightened up their zone defense and forced Diboll to take outside shots.

Diboll held a slim, 16-14, lead at halftime.

Kountze stayed within one point of Diboll until the end of the third quarter when the Lions' Cedrick Hubbard stole the ball and made a lay-up as the buzzer went off, giving Kountze their first lead of the game, 26-25.

Diboll had been trying to stall for the last shot of the third quarter.

The Lumberjacks fought their way back as they took advantage of Kountze turnovers early in the fourth quarter, and regained the lead, 29-26, with 6:52 left in the fourth quarter.

The lead changed several times in the last six minutes of the game with no team having more than a two point lead.

Kountze went ahead, 35-34, with 1:58 seconds, left on two free throws by Alvin Darden.

With 1:40 left, Diboll's Kevin Hurley was fouled. Hurley missed the free throw but the Lumberjacks got the ball back as the Lions knocked it out of bounds.

The Lumberjacks' Robert Mitchell connected on a 12 ft. jumpshot with 1:18 left to give Diboll a 36-35 lead.

Kountze brought the ball up court and Diboll's Greg Lazarine fouled James Hubbard with 55 seconds left. Hubbard made the first free throw but missed the second and the score was tied again, 36-36.

Diboll then tried to stall the ball, but Lazarine was called for a five-second violation with 14 seconds left in regula-

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DIBOLL (40)	FG	FT-A	F	TP
Hurley	5	2-3	2	12
Vinson	3	0-3	2	6
Lazarine	0	0-0	3	0
Gibson	4	2-4	2	10
Mitchell	6	0-0	2	12
Totals	18	4-10	11	40
KOUNTZE (41)	FG	FT-A	F	TP
Hubbard, J.	0	3-4	4	3
Bottely, J.	0	0-0	2	0
Hubbard, C.	8	0-1	0	16
Tyson	2	2-2	0	6
Darden	2	4-6	3	8
Wilson	3	2-2	3	8
Totals	15	11-15	12	41

Score By Quarters

Diboll	12	4	9	11	4–40
Kountze	10	4	12	10	5–41

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LUMBERJACK FANS were jubilant when this picture was made as the Lumberjacks were beating Crockett 67-61 for the bi-district championship last Saturday in Nacogdoches. The glee turned to gloom Tuesday night, however, as the Jacks dropped a 41-40 game to the Kountze Lions in an area playoff game, ending the Lumberjack season at 23-8. It is the third time Diboll and Kountze have met in post-season play and Kountze has won all three times.

(Free Press Photo)

School board lets bids on computer, walkways

By MIKE CRIM
Assistant Editor

Diboll School Trustees Monday night voted to accept bids on a new computer system for the district, as well as bids on the long-awaited covered walkways for all three campuses.

Computer Managers of Lufkin was selected as the supplier for the district's new computer system, with a low bid of $22,980.

The new central computer system will handle business transactions, payroll, and various other record keeping functions. The new system is expandable for future district growth, as well.

Also approved Monday was the covered walkway project for the three school campuses here.

Trustees approved the low bid of $7,568 on the high school portion of the project, and $13,963 on the junior high segment from East Texas Construction Co. of Burke.

Low bid award on the elementary campus work went to East Texas Metal Buildings Inc. of Lufkin, with a bid of $13,192.

Total cost for the three projects is $34,723, and includes metal canopies for walkways at the three campuses, with metal support columns.

The school board also approved the low bid of $4,795 from Wallis Sales Co. for steel lockers to be used in the junior high school. Some 136 lockers are due to be installed there.

The board deferred action on final approval of the $103,000 bid for the band hall addition, pending receipt of a performance bond from Williams Construction Co. of Diboll, as required by statute.

In other business, the board:

- Approved one year contract extensions for DISD administrative staff, including central staff, principals and assistant principals and athletics director.
- Heard and approved the text book committee's report on book selections for the district.
- Adopted the 1983-84 school year calendar.
- Approved the request of the Jack Backers Club to use the high school weight training facility for a fund raising project.
- Set open house at Diboll schools for 6-8 p.m. Monday, March 7 as part of Public Schools Week in Texas.