

THE South High Warriors, with two long runs, each scoring a touchdown, defeated their archrivals from across the river 14-0 at Rayen Stadium before a crowd of 7000, a sizable increase over the previous year's attendance. In the second quarter Don Lisbon went forty-three yards on a reverse to put South ahead, and Lou Floyd sped sixty-five yards off tackle in the fourth period to sew up the game. Except for these sudden bursts, Rayen's defense held the Warriors, especially on the T-formation. When the Southsiders used the single-wing they moved much better.

In the beginning, Rayen's George Dudley punted, and the ball rolled to the South 7. South was unable to move and Mervin Spencer kicked out to the 41 with Jim Frost rolling back to the 35. Frost turned left end for eleven yards and Ron Stout scooted right end for eight more. On the next play quarterback Tony Yannarella collided with Frost on a handoff and the play lost a yard. Vernon Hopkins went to the 15. Then Jack Holzbach, son of "Red" Holzbach, a local sports official, stopped Hopkins cold on the 15 and South took over on downs.

On the first play, Spencer dashed to the 34. Lisbon then turned left end, eluded several tacklers and set sail for the goal, but was caught by the Rayen safety man on the 32-yard line after a 34-yard jaunt. South could move no farther, and Spencer's kick went only seven yards. Rayen took over on the 24-yard line as the first quarter ended with a zero deadlock.

Opening the second quarter, Rayen moved to its 34. Spencer threw Frost for a 7-yard loss, but Frost fumbled Yannarella's toss and Buddy Smallwood recovered for the Red and Blue on the 31-yard line. South went to the single-wing and Floyd passed to John Berlon for a first down on the

Rayen 16. South was stymied here by the Rayen defense, featuring John Creatura and Lou Gori, Creatura recovering a fumble on the 23. A 15-yard penalty against South preceded Dudley's kick to the Rayen 44-yard line. Floyd hit off-tackle for a yard. On a reverse, Lisbon got away from Rayen end Reg Eutsey, and Yannarella sped down the sidelines, eluded another tackler, spun loose of Dudley's grasp and completed the 43-yard run for the touchdown. Pauley's kick made it 7-0, South, with about five minutes remaining in the period. Frost fumbled the kickoff but the ball bounced into his hands as he gained the 35 on the return. Stout, Henry Stubbs and Frost went to the 44. Then the omnipresent Holzbach threw Yannarella for a 6-yard loss as he tried to pass, and George Dudley's kick slid into the end zone. With only 1:24 left in the half, South tried to kill the clock, but Floyd fumbled and Dick McGuire recovered for Rayen on the South 17. Now with only forty-two seconds left, Rayen ignored the huddle to save time.

Frost went to the 10 and Stubbs to the 7. Stubbs missed a pitchout and Yannarella's pass was over Dudley's head in the end zone. Rayen was almost given a fifth down here but South protested and was given the ball, and the Warriors ran out the clock. The half ended, South leading 7-0.

In the third quarter, Spencer attempted a third-down quick kick, but he juggled the pass and booted the ball while running, and the kick only went twenty-three yards to the Rayen 32. Frost ran twenty-eight yards, caught by Floyd on the South 40. The attack stalled and Dudley's punt bounded back to the 39-yard line—a loss of a yard on the kick. With fourth down and three to go on their 20, South's Spencer booted far over the heads of the Rayen safety men and the ball rolled to the 7-yard line for a 77-yard kick. This was one of the longest punts in Rayen-South history.

As the fourth period opened, Smallwood tossed Rayen ball-carriers three consecutive times for losses. Rayen kicked, and Floyd signaled for a fair catch, but he was hit and Rayen

suffered a 15-yard penalty. But South could not move past the 38 and an exchange of kicks followed. With the aid of a 15-yard penalty and Frost's 31-yard return of a punt to the 44, Rayen appeared to be goalward bound. Three minutes left, Yannarella pitched to Frost; Floyd intercepted, returning twenty-four yards to the Rayen 41. A clipping penalty set South back to the 44. Frost threw Lisbon for a 9-yard loss back to the 35-yard line.

Then came the clincher. Floyd darted through tackle, eluded a tackler and was off to the races as if shot from a cannon, covering sixty-five yards for South's second touchdown. Jack Pauley's unerring kick made it 14-0, South. With little more than a minute left, Rayen's Yannarella filled the air with passes, but Bradley Lucarell of South spoiled most of them and the final gun ended hostilities.

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With this victory South High led the series with twenty-two wins, sixteen losses and six ties. The only casualty was Fred Ausnehmer's ankle injury which kept him out of action in the second half.

Rayen enjoyed the edge in first downs, 10-7, but South led in total yardage 201 to 129. South completed one pass in three attempts for fifteen yards while Rayen had one completion in eight attempts for the same yardage.

In addition to Don Lisbon and Lou Floyd's fine all-around play, South was favored with outstanding defensive play by Alex Ford, Buddy Smallwood and big Jack Holzbach. South's all-city fullback Mervin Spencer was held scoreless, but as usual his defensive play was outstanding and his punting sensational, getting one away for seventy-seven yards that sent Rayen back to its 7-yard line. Spencer had been bothered by an ailing knee and it was doubtful if he would play, but he insisted, and Coach McAfee was not sorry he used him.

This was "Dads' Night" for the Rayen squad, the fathers

seated beside the players' bench and introduced to the crowd. Each wore his son's number on his back.

It was "Homecoming" for South High and the half-time ceremonies featured the crowning of a new queen for the next year.

