Ashbrook topples South Point for 2nd shutout

By Neale Patrick Special to the Gazette

The Green Wave of Ashbrook rolled to its second straight victory over a non-conference county rival, defeating the South Point Red Raiders 20-0 at Agabrook Friday night.

"It wasn't a pretty win, we made too many mistakes and turnovers in the first half," said Coach John Kinlaw. "We cut down the mistakes in the second half and when we got going, we were able to put points on the board."

The Wave turned the ball over four times before intermission, on three fumbles and one

interception, but trimmed the mistakes to zero in

the second half. "I was disappointed in our passing game," Kinlaw said of quarterback Jesse James' two completions in eight attempts, although the two completions to John Montgomery in the second half netted 49 yards. "We had receivers open, but Jesse

couldn't hit them. "Actually, Jesse was playing on a sprained ankle and while he ran the option well, he didn't seem to be able to take the stance on the ankle and throw

accurately." James led the Green Wave rushing with 69 yards in 10 carries, pacing six Ashbrook ball carriers, all of whom netted 30 or more yards.

"I was pleased with the way James ran the option," Kinlaw said of his quarterback who broke runs of 21 and 26 yards during the first half. "And we had good running from our two fullbacks, Brian Bolick (12 for 55 yards) and Harold Jackson (7 for 33). Jimmy McCurry also ran well, although he had

not practiced all week due to a thigh bruise."

McCurry netted 49 yards in nine caries." Kinlaw cited his team's defense as playing well throughout the game and pointed to Trip Goodrich as "playing the best game of his caree." at

defensive tackle. Coach Jim Biggerstaff pointed to the inexperience of his South Point team playing its first game of the season.

"We have only one defense starter returning and five on offense, so we are young and we make a lot of mistakes," Biggerstaff said. "But we played hard and held our own in the first half. Then we tired in the second half and I could tell the difference in our execution in the second half. We, also, had too many negative yards, on scrimage

losses and penalties on offense." Leg __mps also bothered the Raiders in playing their first game of the season on a hot and humid

"Give Ashbrook credit, however, I was real impressed with their execution and Jesse James was the difference in the game," the Raider coach

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South Point 0 0 0 -- 0 Ashbrook 0767-20 A - Bolick, 4 run (Cline kick) A — Bolick, 18 run (kick failed) A — Kendrick, 26 run (Cline kick) **Team Statistics** 1st downs 154 Rush-yards 31-110 C - 200 Pass yards 57 Poss C-A-I 411-1 2-8-1 Toti yage 167 329 Pugt a 6-6 1.0 Fmbls-lost 5.3 Pen-yards 6 62

MUSHING — South Point: A. Young 14 corries for 89 yards; Earle 4 for 16; Lee 8 corries for minus 4 yard; M. Young; 3 for 7 yards; Moore 2 for 2 yards. Ashbrook: James 10 carries for 69 yards; Bolick 12 for 55, two touchdowns; McCurry 9 for 49; Jackson 7 for 33; Kendrick 2 for 44, 1 touchdown; Givens 7 for 30.

PASSING — Sou. "~int: Lee completed 4 of 11 passes for 57 yards. Ashbrook: James completed 2 of 8 passes for 49

rords. RECEIVING — South Point: Crump 2 catches for 13 yards,: M. Young 1 for 5 yards, Robinson 1 for 27 yards. Ashbrook: Montgamery, 2 catches for 49 yords.

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