

Raiders trounce Trojans

East Lincoln moves to 7-0

From staff reports

BELMONT — The South Point defense limited winless Chase to four first downs and just 103 yards of offense Friday night as the Red Raiders rolled to a 39-0 victory for their second straight Southwestern 3-A Conference win.



The Red Raiders, 2-2 in league play and 2-4-1 overall, allowed Chase past its own 48-yard line only

once before the final minute of play, that coming on a lost fumble at the South Point 32 with eight seconds left in the second period.

"I thought our defense did play well," Red Raider coach Jim Biggerstaff said. "We were a little bit more physical than we've been being. There were some good hits out there."

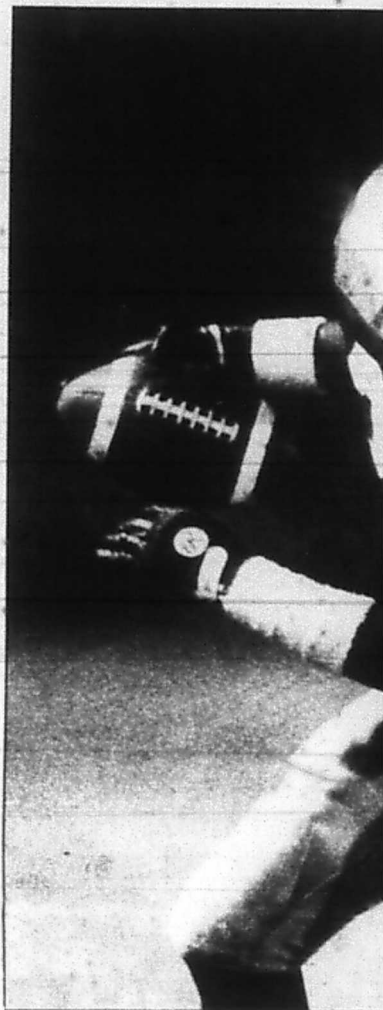
The Red Raider offense started sluggishly, taking a 6-0 lead with 34 seconds left in the first quarter on Willie Strain's 6-yard jaunt.

The pace quickly picked up after the Trojans fumbled the ensuing kickoff at their own 31. Three plays later, Chris Medlin lofted a 29-yard scoring toss to Robert McNeil, with Jamie Boyd adding the PAT to make it 13-0.

Taking the ball at the Chase 34 following a 15-yard punt, the Red Raiders added to their lead on a second Medlin-to-McNeil hookup, this one from 21 yards.

A Trojan fumble on its next offensive play set up the next Red Raider score, with Strain claiming the honors on a 1-yard touchdown run to up the gap to 26-0 at the half.

Two big plays — a 55-yard touchdown run by Strain and a 40-yard punt return for a score by Boyd — sealed the victory for South Point in the third period.



Cherryville's Shawn Degree lool

Strain finished with 125 yards on 22 carries, giving him 888 yards in seven games.

The loss drops Chase to 0-4 and 0-7.

— Dean Lowman

East Lincoln 43 West Caldwell 12

LENOIR — East Lincoln's undefeated Mustangs exploded for 21 points in the second period Friday night and went on to trounce Big Six 3-A rival West Caldwell.

The Mustangs, ranked fifth in the state among 3-A teams, are now 7-0 overall and 2-0 in the Big Six. West Caldwell falls to 4-3 and 1-1.

East Lincoln led 8-0 early on the strength J.J. Patterson's fumble recovery in the end zone and Wes Lockman's two-point conversion reception on a pass from Jay Barkley.

After West Caldwell got a 56-yard scoring pass from Rob Winkler to Terrence Davenport to pull within 8-6, the Mustangs went

Chase 0

South Point 39

Chase	0	0	0	0	—	0
South Point	6	20	13	0	—	39

SP — Willie Strain 6 run (kick failed)

SP — Robert McNeil 29 pass from Chris Medlin (James Boyd kick)

SP — McNeil 21 pass from Medlin (pass failed)

SP — Strain 1 run (Boyd kick)

SP — Strain 55 run (kick failed)

SP — Boyd 40 kick return (Boyd kick)