

Golden Lions turn up heat on Red Raiders

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SHELBY — South Point couldn't stay onside Friday night and that helped Shelby win the Southwestern 3-A conference title.

But Red Raider coach Phil Tate would not deny the Golden Lions their due after Shelby defeated South Point 37-14.

"I don't think we played real well," Tate said. "But we just

got whipped. That's all there is to it."

South Point, which was penalized eight times for being offside, saw a 14-13 halftime lead slip ever so far away in the second half.

The Golden Lions turned up the heat on a cold night in the third period.

It all started when South Point's T.O. Wilson powered through the Shelby line for an

apparent 19-yard touchdown, which would have put the Raiders ahead 20-14.

But the Raiders were offside.

Two plays later John McGill broke a 75-yard run to put Shelby ahead 20-14.

Gerard Hardy set the tone for an exciting first half, when he raced 65 yards for a score on the game's first offensive play.

Wilson scored South Point's go-ahead touchdown from 11

yards with 3:00 left before half-time.

South Point is at North Davidson in the playoffs next Friday night.

South Point	7	7	0	0	- 14
Shelby	7	6	7	17	- 37
SP — Gerard Hardy 65 run (Ryan Werner kick)					
Sh — Omar Roberts 14 run (David Secrest kick)					
Sh — Cedric Huskey fumble recovery in end zone (kick failed)					
SP — T.O. Wilson 11 run (Werner kick)					
Sh — John McGill 75 run (Secrest kick)					
Sh — Secrest 37 field goal					
Sh — Ryan Wilson 7 run (Secrest kick)					
Sh — Roberts 15 run (Secrest kick)					