THS SCORES UPSET VICTORY OVER CAIRO

Bazemore Has Rough Job As Dosta Defends Title

By CURLY BOWERS

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Valdosta, Ga., Oct. 5.—(AP)—Wright Bazemore, former Mercer quarterback who tutored the Valdosta Wildcats to the state championship last year, would trade jobs this aegabs with most any mentor in South Georgia and circles.

He would rather turn the Wildcats over to Assistant Coach Rick Davis to defend the championship laurels the year.

Center Is Back Last Year, Would

The stocky-built V. H. S. coach, who lost his centire starting backfield last year and five startinc linemen, began almost from scratch this season, nevertheless sounded a stern warning to class A clubs when his Wildcats romped over Cairo 41 to 0, and dropped a heartbreaking 13 to 6 tilt to powerful choo AA Glynn Academy of Brunswick.

The Valdosta team is depending almost entirely on a running game this season, in contrast to the highly publicized "Green Stephenson aerial combine" of 1947.

Passer Is "Rookie"

Coach Bazemore has in his starting backfield, Jack "Bunker" Hill, hard running 175 pound fullback; Buford Joiner, 160-pound wingback, who understudied Stephenson last season; Carl Jones All-State basketball star who is playing his first season of football, as the team's quarterback; and Donald Jenkins 160-pound tailback who was an All Conference end last yeud.

Jenkins handles the linebacking chores and is one of the best in this section of the state. Joiner is co-captain of the squad.

In the reserve backfield, Bazemore has Franklin Singletary, quarterback; Jack Tillman, right halfback; Jack Mote, left half back and Jake Fleming, fullback. Donald Bonner, Lee Faulk, Charley Hill and Billy Stewart are other Wildcat hopefuls making up Bazemore's backfield.

Register Leads Forewall

A hard charging line, leading 210 pound Sammy Register, an All-State last season, is expected to develop into one of the best offensive aggregations in the two Southern reclons of the Georgia State High School Athletic Association.

Ray Burkett, at 175 pounds, holds down the other tackle slot; while Calhoun, 175 pound junior, playing his third year of football, heads a four man flank corps including Jack Smith, Glen Dowling and Billy Watson.

Smith and Dowling saw some action with last year's championship eleven, While Watson is a freshman.

Stocky Pete Smith, at 160 pounds, is probably the most outstanding of Bazemore's "miniature" guard group. Aaron Alderman and Billy Finley, at 145 each, complete the down the middle corps.

Center In Third Year

Co-captain Leona Goodin, light but rattling 160 pound center, is playing his third year on the V. H. S. varsity. He is one of the most deadly linebackers in South Georgia, and almost a sure bet for All-Conference honors this year. Ray Franks, 170 pound end and John Spells, at 140, are Bazemore's two "reserve" pivotmen.

Albert Copeland and Bobby Bonner, each at 180, are reserve tackles for the defending state champions, along with Gary Phillips at 165.

The Wildcats meet the South Georgia "Big" team in Valdosta Friday, and play host to the powerful Fitzgerald Purple Hurricane this Friday night.

The latter game is expected to attract upwards of 5,000 fans at Cleveland Field here.

Following the Fitzgerald game, the Valdosta schedule is as follows: Oct. 15, Jesup here; Oct. 22, Tifton there; Oct. 29, Commercial of Savannah, there; Nov. 5, Thomasville here; Nov. 12, Albany here and Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day, Waycross there.

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BUCKY HARRIS OUT AS YANK MANAGER; REPLACEMENT SOUGHT

New York, Oct. 5 (AP)—The job of leading the pennant-less New York Yankees second again today for the fourth time since 1943 is open.

Bucky Harris, who piloted the Yanks to third place this season after leading them to the American League pennant and a world series triumph in 1947, is out in the cold.

In a terse announcement yesterday, the Yanks said the decision not to renew Harris' contract was by "mutual agreement."

Among those believed to be considered for Harris' job are Jim Turner, former Yankee pitcher and Bill Skiff, who led the Yanks' Newark International League farm club last year.

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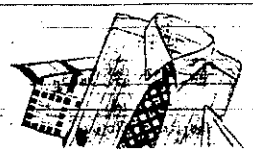

BILLY DUNLAP

Bulldog captain and end shines as pass receiver and defensive star in Thomasville's triumph over Cairo. He scored a 75-yard thrill from halfback Jake Dollar for the third touchdown. (Staff Photo by Emily R. Jerger.)

Dollar And Dunlap Spark Bulldogs To 18-7 Victory

By BILL McGROTHA

Cairo, Oct. 5—(Special)—Right halfback Jake Dollar and captain and Billy Dunlap led Thomasville's Bulldogs against the Cairo Syncopaters here last night and when the water had cascaded in the puddles over the field, the Rose City boys had their first victory of the season, an 18-7 conquest, a think of a team that outweighed them man-for-man by all appreciable margin.

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