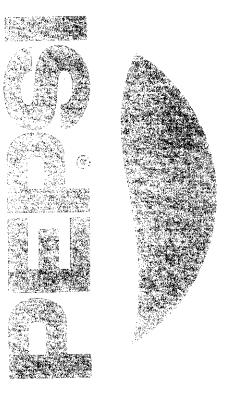
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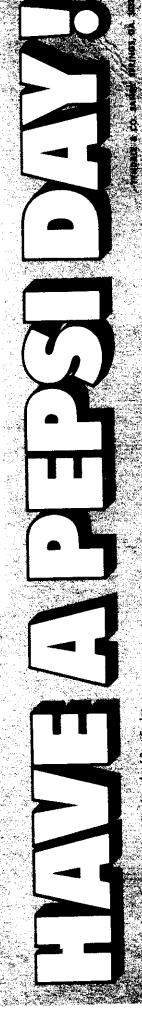
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X NOV. 3. IOWA CITY WEST (PARENT'S NIGHT)



(x) Home Games
Games Start at 5:45 p.m.
Varsity Games at 8:00
Kingston Stadium



By Bob Hersom Gazejte sports writer

If it weren't for some lost fumbles, dropped passes, missed kicks and defensive lapses, the Davenport Central and Cedar Rapids Washington football teams would be unbeaten and ranked as they were five weeks Central No. 1 and Wash No. 2.

But either the 8-1 Blue Devils or 7-2 Warriors will be out of the race for No. 1 Wednesday night, as they meet at 7:30 in an opening round Class 4A playoff game at Davenport's Brady Street Stadium.

Central's lone loss was to Bettendorf 15-14 while Wash's only setbacks have come against Dubuque Hempstead 20-18 and C.R. Regis 16-

Against Bettendorf, Central outgained the Bulldogs 296-141, but lost five of eight fumbles, two of them setting up Bettendorf touchdowns

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and another giving the Bulldogs a safety which ultimately produced the game-winning margin.

Wash's loss at currently No. 1 ranked Hempstead (UPI) could have been avoided if the Warriors hadn't dropped a pair of two-point passes in the end zone and missed an extrapoint kick.

And the Warriors seemed headed for victory against Regis, leading 14-13 with 25 seconds left and the Royals on their 31 yard line. But Regis drove 48 yards in those final seconds to set up a game-winning field goal.

In other playoff games involving Gazette area teams Wednesday night, Marion hosts Decorah and Regis plays at Pella in 3A, Mount Vernon entertains Center Point in 2A and, in Class A openers, West Central hosts Alden while Olin travels to Preston.

It could be - make sure you read the could be - an interesting Saturday afternoon of football at Kingston Stadium. If Regis beats Pella and Marion beats Decorah, those two will meet at Kingston. And if Wash beats Central and Hempstead beats Clinton, the Warriors and Mustangs will have a rematch — this time at Kings-

In second round games Saturday at 1:30 p.m., the second team in alphabetical order plays at home unless it played at home in the first round and its second round opponent did not.

Washington 7-2 at Dav. Central 8-1

Central is the highest-scoring team in the 4A playoff field, averaging 29.3 points per game. And Wash ranks third with a 25.2 average. Cenwin over Jeff, which lost to Wash 19-7 one week later. Game will feature backs in Wash's Kyle Doolin (who 133 in its last three games. didn't play against Hempstead) and Central's Roger Craig. Davenport schools have won four of the last five 4A titles — Central in '73 and '76 and West in '74 and '77 - and 11 of 14 state games.

Decorah 8-0 at Marion 9-0

Marion's scoring average of 35.3 longest in the state to Manilla's 21-Marion's Steve Schone vs. Decorah's West Central won 56-0. Lon Olejniczak. Decorah is in playoffs for third time, Marion for first time after several near-misses.

Regis 8-1 at Pella 9-0

the playoffs. Only Emmetsburg and the first time in a regular season West Des Moines Dowling have finale, 20-8 to Durant. First playoff qualified more times in the playoffs' appearance for each team.

seven-year history. Regis features running of 1,000-yard fullback Dennis Miller. Pella has a 1,200-yard passer (Barry Sagraves) and 1,000-. yard runner (Scott DeJong). Regis' 4-I record against 4A teams was tops among 3A teams; the rest of the state's 3A's were only 8-20 against 4A foes.

Center Point 9-0 at Mt. Vernon 8-0

A pair of playoff veterans making their third state appearance. Center Point has qualified the last two years but lost its opener each time. Mount Vernon has a 3-1 record in playoffs, and the Mustangs have advanced to the championship game each time they've qualified, finishing second in 1973 and first in 1974. Could be a classic battle of great defense vs. great offense. Mount Vernon held its tral opened its season with a 12-0 first six opponents scoreless before allowing 14 points in its final two games. Center Point is averaging two of the state's fastest running 35.8 points per game and has scored

Alden 9-0 at West Central 6-2

Is this going to be another "Prairie City game" for West Central? Unbeaten Alden has outscored its opponents by a whopping 318-18. But that won't awe West Central. Last year, the Blue Devils finished their regular season 6-2 and went to the state is the highest in 3A, and the Indians playoffs for the first time. Enroute to have won 15 straight games, second. finishing second in the state, they played a semifinal round game at game streak. Will be showdown of Prairie City, which was 10-0 and had two of the state's best quarterbacks: outscored its opponents 189-40.

Olin 8-1 at Preston 7-1

This is a rematch, as Olin opened its season with a 30-8 win over Preston. But Preston has won seven Regis is making its fourth trip to straight since then and Olin lost for

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and Cedar Rapids Washington - in that order by UPI and reverse order by AP. Marion remained the highest wakerson opens playoff competition at Davenport Central.

The remaining UPI Top 10 teams:

Decorah, ninth; and Urbandale, tenth.

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Class 3A C.R. Regis, which meets Pella in Wednesday's playoffs, moved from No. 10 to No. 8 in the

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