

# Farmers' Big Second Half Smashes Leonard 28 to 7

More than a year of frustration came to an end for the Farmersville Farmers Friday night.

Not since late in the 1961 season had they won a football game. It since they beat Wylie, 20-7, on Oct. 27, 1961, had they tasted victory. Not since Oct. 20 of the same year had they scored as many points.

But in a team effort that saw the offense running and a defense that improved steadily through the game, Coach Harold Stanger's Farmers knocked down Leonard, 28-7, to make Stanger's bow as the new head coach a success.

Leonard led 7-6 at halftime and the Farmers had muffed a good scoring opportunity in the second quarter.

Then the Farmers rallied sharply

in the second half, with the defense playing as vital a role as the offense. They scored once in the third quarter, then tacked on two more tallies in the fourth to win the game and break a 10-game losing streak.

Charles Watson, the left halfback and quarterback Ronnie Webb scored two touchdowns each in the triumph which sent hundreds of Farmersville fans into a march of jubilation after the final whistle. Halfback John Cooper did the only other scoring, a two-point conversion after the third tally.

A tipoff to things to come came the first time the Farmers got the ball after holding Leonard on downs early in the first quarter. Leonard kicked out, and the locals moved into paydirt in just seven plays.

Cooper gained eight, Watson 11. Fullback Tommy Caraway was stopped for nothing at the middle. Cooper romped 10 yards, Watson failed to gain, and then Watson put together runs of 4 and 14 yards for the touchdown. A run for the points failed and it was 8-0.

Leonard, coached by Farmersville ex Perry Morris, drove 64 yards for its only touchdown in the second quarter. Speedy Joe Allen and Fullback Walter Davis did most of the damage to the

Farmersville defense, clicking off sizeable gains. Bernard Wallace did the big damage, however, on a 29-yard sprint that saw him elude the Farmers on a run that started to his left and wound up with Leonard halfback cutting back to his right and going to the double strike through a swarm of would-be tacklers. Wallace kicked the point and Leonard had his only lead of the night, 7-6.

THE FARMERS drove 60 yards (Continued on Page 8)

## VAN ALSTYNE IS NEXT ON AGENDA

Farmersville's old nemesis—the Van Alstyne Panthers—will be the next visitor to Farmer Field.

Coach Roy Jackson's Panthers invade Friday night at 8 o'clock, hoping to continue their long string of victories over Farmersville.

But fresh from their 28-7 victory over Leonard, the Farmers will be seeking to break the drought and at the same time keep their 1963 record perfect.

Last week, Van Alstyne clubbed Howe, 36-0.

In last year's game at Van Alstyne, the Panthers ran up a 20-0 lead in the first three quarters and then staved off a Farmer comeback to win, 20-12.

FARMERS		TIGERS	
2	First Downs	12	
91	Net yards rushing	167	
3	Net yards passing	8	
2	Passes comp.	2-11	
	Passes intcptd. by	0	
38.6	Punts, No., Avg.	2-29.5	
50	Penalties, No., ydg.	3-20	
	Fumbles lost	3	
by quarters:			
Leonard	0-7-0	6-7	
Farmersville	8-0-6	16-25	



**NO STOPPING HIM**—Farmer halfback Charles Watson (26) was a hard man to stop Friday night as the Farmers clubbed Leonard, 28-7. Here he romps into the end zone with the locals' final touchdown.

Trying vainly to stop him is the Tigers No. 85, Bernard Wallace, who scored Leonard's only touchdown in the second quarter. —Times Photo by Ronnie Dowlen.