



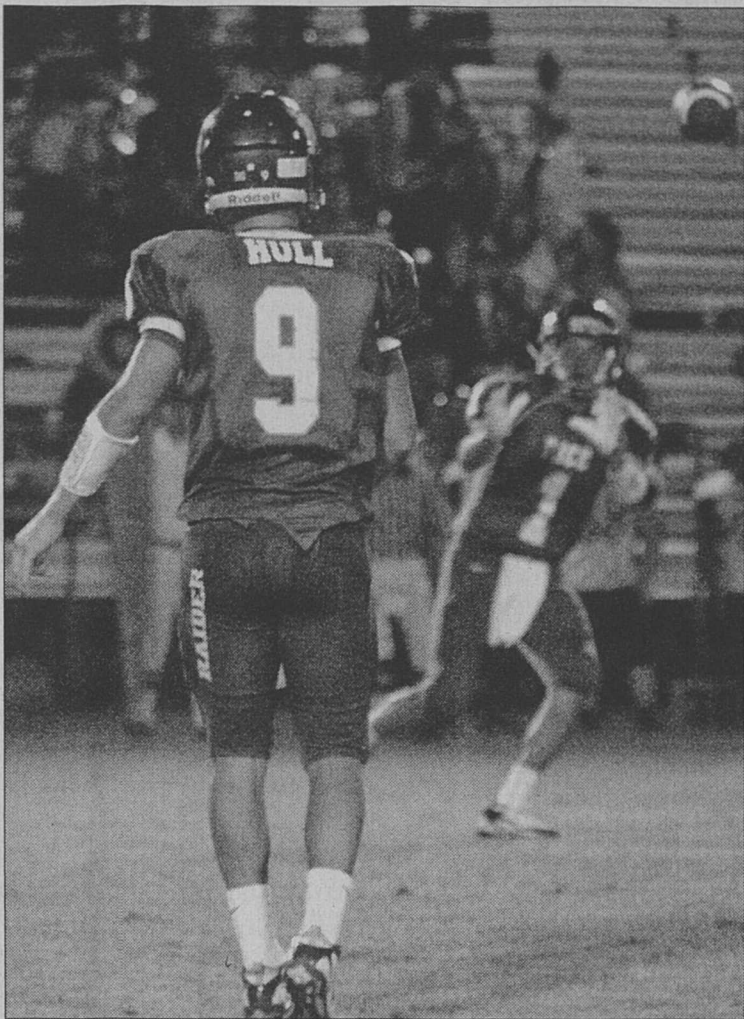
Raiders versus Hempstead

Friday, October 30

Hempstead - 7:30 p.m.



Chris Dorsey hauls in a touchdown pass on Friday.



Mario Hull watches his pass fly toward Tim Morales.

Raiders Beat Shorthorns 20-9 To Clinch Playoffs

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of Raiders to block with only the punter in the way. Sixty-one yards later and Hull was in the end zone for the Raiders' first points.

Cristian Samaniego made the extra point for a 7-0 Rice lead with 5:01 left in the first quarter.

Schulenburg's next drive started on their 37 and was their most successful drive of the evening.

They mixed up the pass and run and drove down to the Raider 10, but were unable to convert a first down and settled for a field goal to make the score 7-3 in favor of Rice with one quarter gone.

Rice was not able to move the ball and were forced to punt on

their next possession after just three plays.

The Raider defense returned the favor with a stuff for a five-yard loss on third and eight by Jonavan Allen, Damien Stevens and Erik Gold.

The Raiders got the ball at the 20, and Ellis broke off a 46-yard carry to the Schulenburg 34.

The drive stalled out there, and the Raiders turned the ball over on downs after an incomplete pass on fourth and seven.

Schulenburg took over and got a big, 32-yard gain on a pass to the Rice 25.

Shorter came up with a huge

sack on the next play for a seven-yard loss.

Dorsey batted down a pass attempt on the following play and a screen pass was stopped short of a first down by the Raider defense and Schulenburg was forced to try another field goal. This one a 42-yard try and it was good.

The score was Rice 7-6 with about two minutes left in the half.

Rice was not able to do anything with the ball and the score remained 7-6 at the half.

Rice started the second half with the ball and after a 13-yard pass to Dorsey, a long pass attempt was intercepted by a leaping Schulenburg defender. This was the Raiders' only turnover on the night.

Schulenburg again mixed up the run and pass and moved the ball down to the Raider 17 after a long pass play.

The Raider defense dug-in again and would not yield another first down.

Another field goal attempt was made and Schulenburg took a 9-7 lead with 7:29 left in the third quarter.

Rice got the ball at the 20, and two Shorter runs pushed to

the 30.

Two plays later, Hull looked to pass, but was forced to scramble and ended up with a 39-yard gain to the Schulenburg 27.

Shorter ran for another 11 yards to the 16.

After two short runs, Hull scrambled to the right before throwing back across the field to Morales for a 10-yard touch-down.

Rice went for two, but failed making the score 13-9, with 2:53 left in the third.

The Raider defense was stout on Schulenburg's next drive, and got the ball back to the offense after stopping a run on fourth and two.

Rice took over about midfield and after a short run, Hull threw to Reggins for a 20-yard gain to the 29.

Hull ran the ball on the next three downs, but gained only nine yards, making it fourth and one.

Rice went for it and Shorter carried for the first down to the 15.

Three plays later Hull threw to Dorsey for a 10-yard score.

The extra point was good and Rice led 20-9 with 8:19 left in the game.

Schulenburg come out throwing on the next possession, but were unable to complete any passes. On third down, Carlos Sosa broke up a pass attempt to force Schulenburg to punt the ball away.

The Raiders kept the ball on the ground to run the clock down, but were forced to punt after picking up one first down.

Rice tried a fake punt, but a pass from Hull went off the fingertips of the receiver and Schulenburg took over, down 11 with 5:27 left in the game.

They moved the ball down to the 28, but then after two incompleteness, Reggins broke up a third down pass attempt and Hull intercepted the next pass to end the Schulenburg threat.

Rice took over with 2:44 on the clock and ran the ball to drain the clock.

Defensive standouts for Rice were:

Damien Stevens, 9 tackles, 3 solo; Chris Dorsey, 8 tackles, 2 solo, sack, forced fumble, pass broken up; Terrance Shorter, 8 tackles, 2 solo, sack, fumble recovery; Francisco Vazquez, 8 tackles, 3 solo.

	RICE	S'Burg
Score	20	9
1st Downs	12	12
Rush-Yards	29-199	29-62
Pass Yards	69	159
Comp-Att-Int	7-17-1	14-26-1
Punts-Yards	3-78	3-99
Fumble-Lost	0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-50	2-10

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