

Alvin's Running Game Brings Gators to

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Dickinson — Alvin's running game shaded Dickinson's passing as the two clubs tangled in a wild District 12-AAA opener here Friday night.

The visiting Yellowjackets stayed off a frantic Gator comeback to win the game, 34-23, and take the inside track toward the district title.

It was the fifth straight win for Alvin, but the Jackets had some second-half scares from Dickinson, now 1-4 overall.

Alert Alvin cashed a pair of fumble recoveries into easy touchdowns in the first half and built up a 21-0 half-time lead before the shocked Gators could get reorganized.

Pass master Raymond Young passed and passed and then passed some more. He led Dickinson to a pair of fourth-quarter scores that had a standing-room crowd of 6200 at Gator Stadium in a nervous tizzy by the time this one finished up.

The two teams ran and

passed the ball for a bewildering total of 874 yards during the evening. Alvin, which crunched out 307 yards running, had a 444-430 advantage. The Gators included 309 yards passing in their total.

The game, billed as the area game of the week by The Chronicle, lived up to its advance notice. And Alvin probably retained its hold on the newspaper's No. 1 spot in Class AAA with the "must" victory.

David Harris, who led Al-

vin with 145 yards in 21 rushes, ran 36 yards around right end to get the Jackets on the board in the first period. Larry Peterson had recovered a Dickinson fumble to set it up.

Alvin exploded for a pair of TD's in the second period.

The first came on a three-yard run by Tom Wollam. For the other, the Jackets stole a page out of Dickinson's passing game, and got six points on a 15-yard toss from Gary Keithley to Robert Cain.

Dickinson got started in the third period, as Young hit Dennis Cook with a 22-yard pass.

Then it was Alvin's turn as Mr. Do-Everything Keithley ran over from the four.

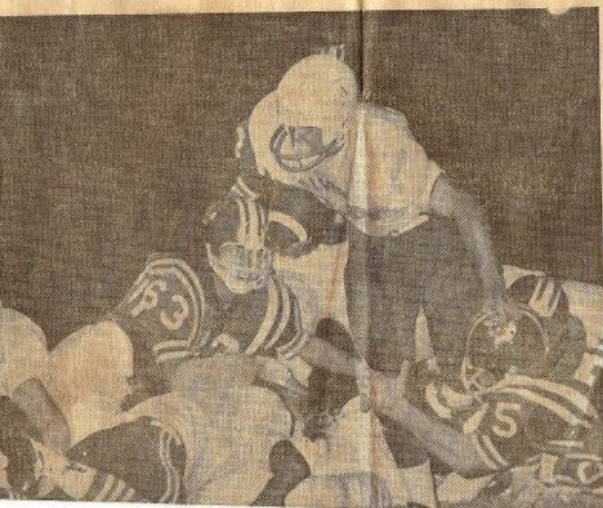
Young then wound up the pitching arm and connected with Lewis Little on a 63-yard bomb for the Gators. Little ended up catching eight passes for 154 yards during the evening.

Alvin scored again on Harris' second TD, a six-yard run.

With time running out, Dickinson counted again as Carl Woods passed 13 yards to Cook.

Dickinson picked up an amazing 235 passing yards in the second half. But the two early fumbles that led to quick Yellowjacket touchdowns were more than the Gator attack could overcome.

In spite of the yardage totals, there was some defense played, notably by Dickinson defensive end Mike Mills (14 tackles) and linebacker Rob-



and touchdowns in the third and fourth quarters to give Alvin their second straight victory.



ALVIN'S RANDY HOUK
Catches Key Pass

ert Gerasimowicz (12), along with Alvin defensive end Larry Dietrich (11).

Alvin	7	14	7	6—34
Dickinson	0	0	7	16—23

Alvin—Harris 36 run (Stephens kick)

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Alvin — Cain 15 pass from Keithley (Stephens kick)

Dickinson—Cook 22 pass from Young (Abraham pass from Young)

Alvin—Harris 6 run (kick failed)

Dickinson—Cook 13 pass from Woods (Pawlik run)

STATISTICS

Alvin Dickinson

First Downs	23	15
Rushing Yardage	307	121
Passing Yardage	137	309
Passes	15-9-1	26-16-2
Punts	3-46-3	3-45-0
Fumbles Lost	0	2
Yards Penalized	4-40	5-26