

Jackets Begin Season With Wins

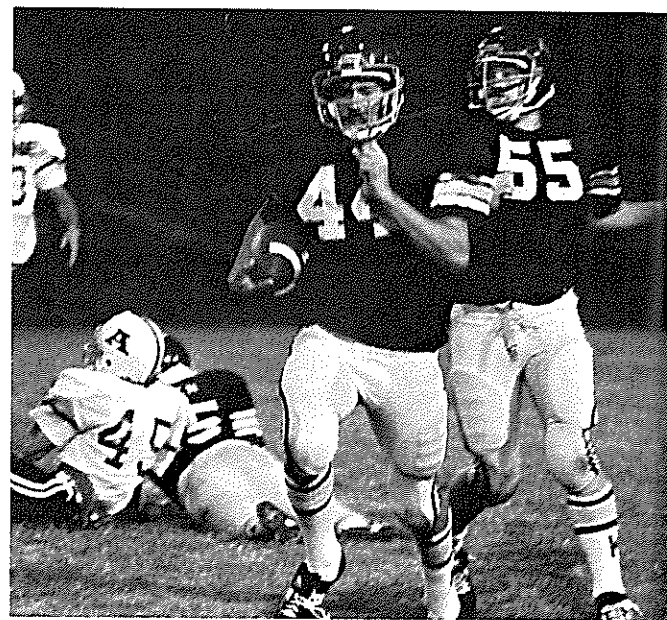
The 1978 Yellow Jacket football squad opened their season with a 26 to 6 victory over the Alpine Bucks at Walton Field. The Jackets got off to a slow start, but dominated the game from the second quarter on.

Leading the Jacket offense were Alfred McGilbra and quarterback Brent Barrs.

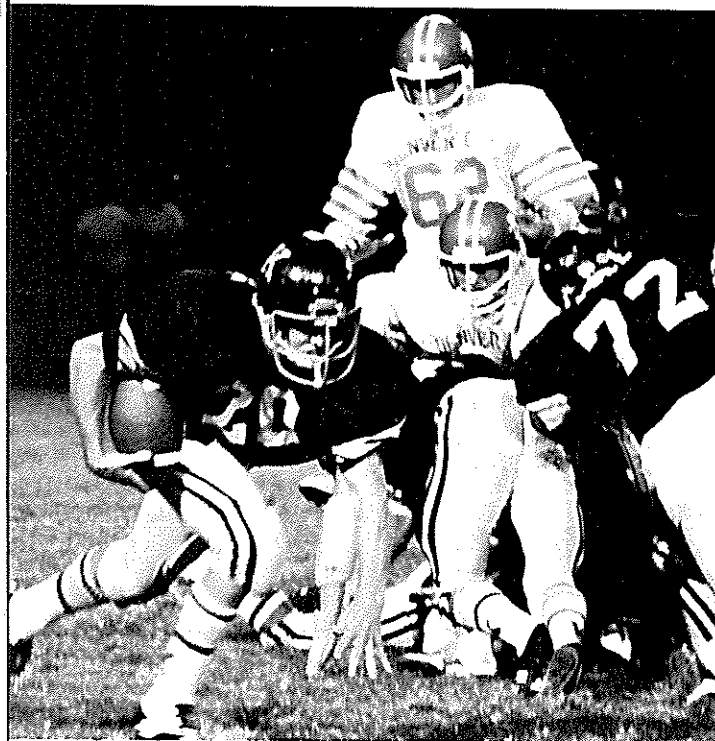
In the second game of the season the Jackets zipped by a surprisingly tough Denver City squad by a 14-0 margin at Walton Field.

Todd Ethridge was the leading KHS offensive player of the game as he scored both touchdowns. Making interceptions were Sammy Hancock and Cole Mitchell.

For their third encounter the Jackets handed the Lovington Wildcats their first loss of the season. Kermit won 14-0. Scoring for the Jackets were David Fulbright and Alfred McGilbra. Collecting interceptions for the KHS squad were Todd Ethridge, Montie Wren, Cole Mitchell and Layne Nutt.



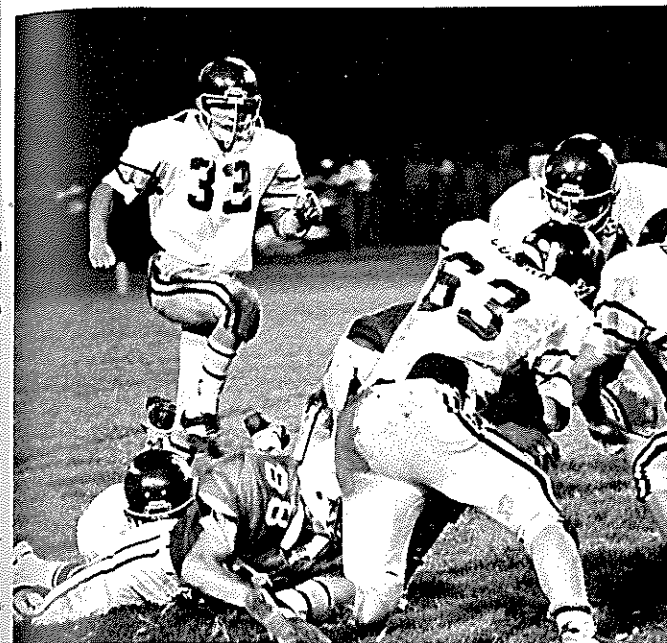
Mike Speed (44) displays his running ability against the Alpine Bucks. Looking for a block is Edwin McCasland (55).



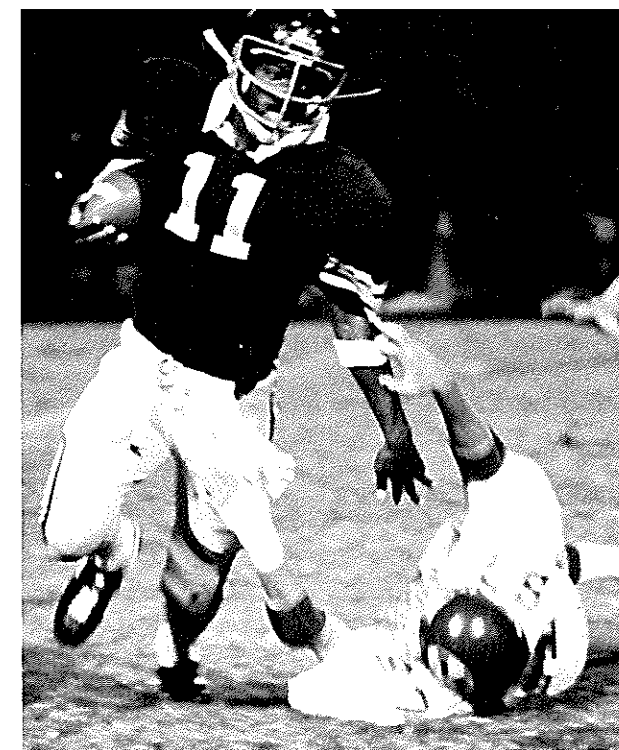
Todd Ethridge (20) squirts through a hole in the line as Roland Bell (72) blocks for him. Final score: Kermit 14 — Denver City 0.



Alfred McGilbra (22) makes a cut to avoid a Lovington Wildcat. The Jackets beat the Wildcats 14-0.



The KHS Yellow Jacket defense is shown putting on the brakes for a Ft. Stockton Panther. Above are Junior Jennings (33) and Clark Coburn (63).



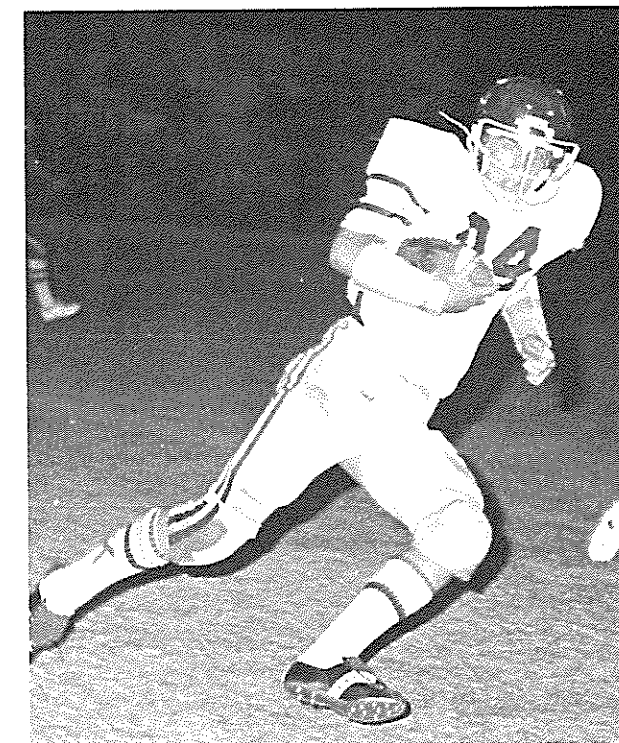
David Fulbright (11) eludes the grasp of a Monahans Lobo as the Jackets battled Monahans to a 17-17 tie.

Jackets Display Courage, Determination

The Ft. Stockton Panthers gave the Jackets their first loss of the season. The state-ranked Panthers defeated KHS 21-0. The first period was a defensive battle, but the Panthers began to score in the second quarter. The Jackets threatened three times but were never able to get across the goal line. One highlight was Todd Etheridge's blocking of a FSHS punt.

The Jackets took on the 2-AAA Monahans Lobos and immediately took the upper hand. A last minute touchdown and two-point conversion gave the Lobos a 17-17 tie. Scoring for Kermit were Todd Ethridge, a field goal by Layne Nutt and another TD by Deon Bryant.

After tying Monahans the Jackets demolished the Fabens Wildcats 42 to 28. Shannon Cooke began the KHS scoring by returning the opening kickoff. Also scoring for the Yellow Jackets were Deon Bryant, Alfred McGilbra, Roy Bursleson, and David Fulbright. Layne Nutt booted all of the extra points.



Roy Burleson dashed for paydirt against the Fabens Wildcats. Kermit won the game 42 to 28 over the Fabens crew.