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Mistakes Costly Against Carroll

Liberal didn't have much margin for error. Not against the #1 ranked defending state champion Bishop Carroll Eagles. But LHS coughed up three first have turnovers which the Eagles turned into 14 points in a 53-18 Carroll win at Redskin Field.

Carroll's defense bullied the LHS offense to an output of less than 300 yards. Carroll put up 408 yards of offense but also had three turnovers.

Carroll first scored first when quarterback Colton Howell swung out a 4th and 7 pass to Adam Bailey for a 15 yard score at the 7:10 mark. Then Carroll's Josh Hornback intercepted a pass. Carroll wasted little time and Howell found Scott Linnebur for a 34 yard TD into the southwest endzone. Then BC recovered an LHS fumble and Denzel Goolsby rushed for a TD several plays later so it was 21-0 at the end of one quarter after two LHS turnovers led to 14 points.

Tory Smith's 47 yard run at the 7:02 mark of the second quarter gave the Eagles a 27-0 lead after the point after failed. Smith ran for 170 yards. Abbott tossed another interception by Carroll's Mark Quaney but LHS made a stand of their own when Mershek Wiltshire picked off his third pass of the season. It was 27-0 at the half for the Senior Night Festivities.

The Redskins recovered their first onside kick since week two when Adrian Carrasco's kick bounced high into the night sky and Trenton Hammond recovered. That set up Britton Abbott to Nolan Larkin for his fourth TD grab of the season. But the Skins couldn't slow Smith who's 37 yard run made it 33-6 with 9:56 to play in the third. Larkin stripped the ball from a Carroll receiver setting up an Abbott to Hammond 20 yard score making the score 33-12 BC with 3:19 to play in the third.

The Eagles scored first in the fourth quarter as backup quarterback Tyler Skilling ran for a four yard score. Nick Nolting blocked an Abbott punt for a TD. Backup running back Ty Seyfert's two yard TD run made it 53-12 with 4:38 to play. Abbott found Hammond for a TD for the 18th time this season from 10 yards out.

Carroll beats LHS for the eighth consecutive time and BC wins their 22nd straight game. Liberal is 5-4 and plays at Kapaun Friday night at 7 on 1270 and kscbnews.net.

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