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Quarterback Elliot Carlson raced beyond the Dundy County secondary for two monster touchdown runs and tacked on two more sizable ground scores—all in the first quarter—as Perkins County routed the Tigers 40-14 Friday night in Benkelman.

In his first start at quarterback, the senior Carlson found a play he liked and wore it out: the fake handoff and draw out of the shotgun. That play produced the gigantic touchdown runs of 72 and 65 yards.

On Carlson's longest run, he powered through the last-ditch tackling effort of Tigers defensive back Kyle Vandike and quickly blew beyond any other challengers.

"When nine guys execute a block, good things are going to happen. When Elliot made the right read, it was big," Plainsmen Head Coach Chip Kay said of his quarterback's dominating performance after the game.

Carlson racked up most of his astounding 255 rushing yards in the 33-0 first half blowout. The Plainsmen scored 117 unanswered points on Dundy County in three games, dating back to their last trip south in 2010.



Carlson, 23, scored on a 20-yard run in the first quarter, and then ran for 123 yards and two touchdowns in the second quarter. He also threw for 100 yards and two touchdowns in the third quarter. Carlson finished the game with 200 yards and four touchdowns. Plainsmen won the game 49-0.