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It may have been a case of ‘turnoveritis.’

Seven turnovers helped Decatur Community High School spoil homecoming for Perkins County on the football field.

The Red Devils were able to blank PCS, 44-0, in Grant on Oct. 11.

The Plainsmen committed three interceptions and four fumbles in the game.

“The team did put some things together offensively and defensively. We just had bad luck. We have got to be more disciplined. False start and turnovers hurt our team,” Plainsmen head coach Carlie Wells said. “I think we are growing as a team and getting better each week.”

With 10:35 left in the first quarter Decatur struck first as Dayton Dreher scrambled into the end zone for six points. The two-point conversion was no good.

PCS was able to show some signs of an effective offense, however, untimely penalties and turnovers stalled drives.

“We did some nice things up front on the offensive line. We just have to do it consistently,” Wells said.

With 9:00 left in the first quarter, Dreher scored on a 29-yard run. The PAT was no good.

Holding a 12-0 lead, the Plainsmen were undaunted and looked to have the offense on track, however, a Christian White pass was picked off by Regent Erickson and he rumbled 70 yards for the score. A two-point conversion finally worked for Decatur and the Red Devils were up 20-0.

As the half came to a close, Decatur capped off a drive with an 11-yard TD to go up 26-0 after the two-point conversion was no good.

Prolonged drives by both squads to start the third quarter finally ended with a three-yard TD from Dreher for Decatur with 2:24 left in the third quarter.

Chase Miyamoto of PCS blocked the PAT, making the score 32-0 in favor of the Red Devils.

With :20 left in the third quarter Bryson Wesley scored from one-yard out for Decatur. The two-point conversion put PCS down 38-0 to start the fourth quarter.

Dreher scored his fourth touchdown of the night for Decatur with 6:32 left in the game. A two-point conversion was again no good. The Red Devils were up 44-0 to close out the contest.

The Plainsmen defense had some shining moments as they held the Red Devils on fourth down. Decatur was 0 for 3 on fourth down conversions. Miyamoto had an interception to go with six solo and four assisted tackles.

Timothy Johnson had led the team on defense with 10 solo and eight assisted tackles while Kaleb Vak had four solo and one assisted stop.

On offense, Johnson had 13 yards receiving on two receptions and 30 yards rushing on 10 attempts.

Leading rusher for the Plainsmen was Derek Sis, picking up 69 yards on 16 carries.

Vak had 61 yards on 13 carries, including a 15 first down run.

PCS heads to Bayard this week for a 7 p.m. kickoff before ending the regular season at home against Bridgeport.

“They are a solid team. They run a spread offense so we are going to have to be disciplined in our assignments defensively. Offensively, we have to reduce our false starts and turnovers,” Wells said.