

Both West Washington and Salem came into this game 4-4 and both have come off losses, in this game with the County Champion on the line. The West Washington Senators have lost their last four games and were looking to get back into it before the Sectionals, relying mostly on the shoulders of quarter back Cody Maudlin. The Salem Lion's seniors have never beat the Senators and would like to end that trend with a strong running attack to lead them to win.

Salem started and ended the game running. On their first possession they pounded the ball down the field with Andrew Maudlin, after six minutes of running. Maudlin was able to punch in a 2yd touchdown, the extra point was good and the Lions were up 7-0. The Senators fumbled the kickoff and the Lions quarterback Jordan McNeely made a 6yd touchdown run because of it, to end the quarter the score was 14-0.

The second quarter had no scores but had fumbles from both Cody Maudlin and Andrew Maudlin, and a sack on Jordan McNeely by Dakota Harkness.

West Washington was looking to get back into the game to start the second half. But on the kickoff Salem's Storm Thomas returned a kickoff for 75yds and a touchdown, the extra point was missed and Salem was up 20-0.

The Senators stuck with their passing game trying to get things going and get a score. Cody Maudlin found the leading receiver Tyler Holiday for a 34yd touchdown pass to make their only score of the night, extra point was good. After that the Lion's Brent Garriott made a 16yd touchdown run. And the third quarter ended with Salem up 27-7.

The Lions didn't have a play over 20yds on their offense and never threw the ball. Their running back Andrew Maudlin had the biggest game with 68yds running and one touchdown. West Washington's center snapped the ball high multiple times resulting in three lost fumbles. One of those fumbles were on the goal line of the Lions, Brent Garriott scooped up the ball and returned it 99yds for the touchdown. Salem's Collin Badger made the final score of the night and the game ended 40-7 with Salem on top.

Salem's defense forced five turnovers from the Senators and only allowed 100yds rushing and 177yds passing. Salem's Coach Hartsfield commented about his defense saying "Defense played well all year. I mean were excited about that crew and hopefully next week they can continue to play." Salem had 184yds rushing. West Washington's receiver Tyler holiday had 68yds receiving.

Salem, who is now 5-4, has a tough game against Brown County in the sectionals, who is now 5-4 after a loss this week.

West Washington is now 4-5 and has lost five games straight after winning their first four. They will play 3-6 South Decatur, who just lost to Indian Creek.