

BETWEEN THE LIONS

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Sports Editor

That Pitt played its best game of the season against State was the unanimous chant of every Smoky City sports writer in the press box following the 14-6 Saturday finale.

According to Alex Zelenski, sports editor of the Pitt University News, State normally would have been several touchdowns better than the 14-6 score indicated, but the unexpected display of good blocking and tackling by the Panthers not only made a scrap of an otherwise dull afternoon, but kept most of Penn State's backs from even breaking into Sunday's newspaper stories on the game.

That 90-yard second period touchdown runback by Larry Joe was no half-time short order concoction as many fans believed—who saw it, that is. Actually it's an old standing play the Lions have had on stock for years. The last time it worked, many of you may remember, was in the 1940 N. Y. U. game, when Chuck Peters chugged 101-yards in much the same manner Larry Joe did Saturday.

Joe was merely brought over to the center lane and shaken loose, making the Pitt tacklers, who were looking down the sidelines for him as usual, appear like a gathering of rheumatic rabbits on the wet grass as he proceeded to lay on the coal.

The cross-blocking by the team at the beginning of the play was better than many of the illustrations you would find in any coach's manual, and the one I saw Cenci apply was sufficiently bruising to put any fellow like myself in a 4-F classification for the duration.

The fact that "Wild" Bill Dutton—Pitt's one man show until Saturday—gained a net yardage of 2 yards for the afternoon bears mute testimony to the brilliant-as-usual type of playing done by the Penn State line—even Minnesota, Indiana, and Ohio State and others of the Big Time had failed to stop Dutton before.

Incidentally, Cenci made his first touchdown in a Lion uniform when he took Bobby Williams' up over the shoulder in the final period and trotted over for the final score.

Outstanding linemen for State were undoubtedly Ken Schoonover and Leo Nobile. Schoonover again proved that he is a good dashman overtaking Saksa on the State ten to postpone the inevitable Pitt score. Nobile personally took charge of stopping Dutton.

About this bowl speculation—the team and the Blue Band are NOT under contract to appear in any bowl anywhere yet. The players are NOT shopping for summer drapes for southern wear; they're just waiting hopefully the same as all the rest of us. The College has not received a bowl bid, and in all probability will not.

Although Penn State has one of the best records in the East, it is not one of those colleges currently being considered as a bowl prospect. The AP boys haven't even mentioned us as a possibility.

We just happen to have a darn good football team, but isolated as we are, few others know it—or want to know it, whatever the case may be.

Only one college eleven has definitely been booked for a bowl, and that is Boston College which will appear in the Sugar Bowl. The rest of the bowl scramble is just so much soup so far—with everybody stirring.

Maybe the old process of elimination will shove us up before the eyes of the boys who pick 'em. Anyway, we're not out of the picture yet.

Lion, Indiana Harriers Tie For National Honors Lions Await Bowl Bid After Beating Pitt

Panthers Gain Only 21 Yards, Dutton Loses 2

Watchful waiting for a post-season bowl bid keynotes Nittany Lion gridiron activities this week after the Blue and White's smashing 14 to 6 victory over a stubborn Pitt contingent Saturday.

With unbeaten Eastern teams a rarity this year, and with the Lions supporting a record surpassed only by Boston College, Nittany griders and coaching staff are keeping their fingers crossed in anticipation of one of the "feelers" that have by-passed successful Penn State football teams during the last four years.

By defeating the up-and-down Pitt squad that was definitely "up" Saturday, the Lions brought the season to a close with a record that stands on par with the 1939, 40, and 41 seasons that saw the Lions win 19, lose only 5, while being deadlocked on two occasions.

The story of Saturday's game with Pitt is one of great defensive football. Against a Panther squad that had averaged 220 yds. against such teams as Minnesota, Indiana, Duke, and Ohio State, the Lion forward wall just wouldn't give ground.

Pitt netted 21 yards from scrimmage. Bill Dutton, who was seeking the all-time Pitt yardage record, netted minus two yards. Five of Dutton's passes were intercepted by Lion defenders. All of which adds up to defense par excellence!

On the offensive side of the ledger, Larry Joe's brilliant 90 yard run-back of the second half kickoff was probably the best piece of individual ball toting seen on New Beaver Field since Chuck Peter's 97 yard jaunt against NYU in 1940. Credit, however, must be extended to the entire Lion team for the blocking on the play, blocking that enabled Joe to be clear of the last Pitt defenders before he crossed the midfield stripe.

Perhaps the most gratifying play of the game was the Williams to Cenci pass that netted the Lions their final and clinching touchdown. The giant Cenci, who usually clears the way for the other backfielders, and who backs up a line like a McArthur armored division, scored the first touchdown of his career.

Inauguration

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Activities office.

A new by-law was proposed by Richard S. Kurtz '43, president of the IMA, but was tabled because of lack of time for discussion. The by-law stated that the independent men's representative on All-College Cabinet be selected from the four top ranking officers of the IMA and the Penn State Club, both incoming and outgoing officers included.

Philly Club Awards Cenci Maxwell Trophy For Penn Game Work

For his outstanding work against Penn a week ago, Aldo Cenci, Nittany Lion quarterback was awarded the Maxwell trophy at a luncheon yesterday in Philadelphia. The award is made by the Maxwell Club every week to the football player who turns in the best performance on a Philadelphia district gridiron.

In receiving the award, Cenci became the second Lion footballer to be so honored in recent years. Johnny Patrick, who like Cenci, played at the blocking back position, received the award in 1940 for his work against Temple.

Cenci was accompanied to Philadelphia by Earl Edwards, Lion end coach.

Norm Gordon Paces Team With Fifth

After ten years of cross-country teams that rated "just below the national leaders," Penn State assumed a top spot in the harriers sport last Saturday.

They, however, had to be content to share honors with the "Flying Hoosiers" from Indiana as the two teams tied for first place in the fifth annual National Collegiate cross-country run at East Lansing, Michigan.

This tie for the title combined with the second place the Lions copped in the IC4-A meet November 16 places Penn State second to none in national rating in the thin-clad sport. Penn State will, however, have to share the national spotlight with Indiana and Rhode Island State, who won the IC4-A team title.

Paced by Captain Norm Gordon, who grabbed fifth place, the Lions equalled the Hoosier's total of 57 points to far outstrip the third place Rhode Island State hill and dalers with 79 points.

Four Wernermen finished in the first fifteen medal winners of the meet. When Howard Horne, lanky sophomore runner, crossed the line in 32nd place, the Nittany men had tied the Big Ten champs despite a second by Earl Mitchell, Indiana number one man.

Once again Penn State's "Big Four" finished close to the leaders. Gordon, with a fifth, placed first for the Lions followed by Curt Stone in seventh. Close behind was Jerry Karver in ninth and Mac Smith in thirteenth.

Howard Horne turned in a great performance by gaining fifth for the Lions and 32nd in the race, which was the only hope that Penn State had of gaining first place.

Because many colleges did not enter full teams, their runners did not count in the team point scoring. Hence, Gordon got four points because Leroy Schwartzkopf of Yale, who placed third, did not enter in team scoring. Stone counted six points; Karver, seven; Smith, eleven, and Horne 29, which makes a total of 57 points.

Other Lions to finish were Joe Beach, who took 48th, and Rufus Williams, who captured 52nd.

Individual winner of the meet was Ollie Hunter of Notre Dame, who set a course record despite the fact that he strayed from his course and had to run at least 250

IM Fights Move To Semi-Finals

Semi-final IM boxing thrillers were packed full of well rounded blows last night.

Renton and Krug opened up with a barrage of power-packed blows as soon as they stepped out of their corners, but before the end of the third round both contenders were lying on each other. This marathon to see who could stand up the longest was won by Krug.

Catanoso almost met his equal last night. Whitten's lightning-fast left stopped Catanoso cold several times but lacked enough power to cop the evenly contested battle.

Proving that a fight is never won until the sound of the final bell, Serago snatched a fight from George when he made a comeback in the last round to outpoint his boxing mate.

Stealing the independent show for the evening, Wright trounced Stronko, by combining an excellent offensive and defensive.

Second TKO for the season went to Hean, Phi Kappa Tau's slug master. Driving Norton all over the ring and finally cornering him, Hean cut lose with a series of lethal blows that made the judges stop the fight.

Gordon, fighting in the 121 independent class outreached, out-slugged, and out-pointed his opponent in a three round battle. Kappa Sig's Golden won the nod of the judges over Hirsh of S.A.E. Bache copped a close contest from Lehmen.

Tomorrow's Line-up:

Independent—127 — Wright vs Prave, 145—Krug vs Ashenfelder, 155—Muehlitz vs Lauri.

Fraternity—135 — Ridenour vs Shoemaker, 145—Maloney vs Greenly, 155—Mattern vs Russel, 165—Good vs McCormick, 175—Borges vs Derbyshire.

yards extra. His winning time was 20:18 for the four-mile course. ♀

Just ahead of Gordon was Bob Nichols of the defending Rhode Islanders, whose sprint in the last quarter mile beat the Lion Captain. Sandwiched between Norm and Stone was Clarence Dunn of Illinois and between Curt and Karver was Johnnie Twomey, lone Western Illinois Teachers entry.

Football Statistics

	State	Pitt
First downs	7	43
Rushing	6	1
Passing	0	2
Penalties	1	0
Yards gained rushing	142	59
Yards lost rushing	24	38
Net yardage rushing	118	21
Forwards attempted	7	18
Forwards completed	2	3
Passes intercepted	5	1
Yards gained passing	10	30
Punts—number	11	11
Punts—total yards	408	406
Punts—average	37	37
Punts—runback yds.	23	119
No. of kickoffs	2	3
Yds. runback kickoffs	126	13
No. of fumbles	2	0
Ball lost—fumbles	1	3
No. of penalties	1	0
Yds. lost penalties	5	15

X-Country Statistics

Team Scoring

1. Penn State	4 6 7 11 29	57
1. Indiana	2 8 10 13 24	57
3. Rhode I. S.	3 16 17 21 22	79
4. Mich. S.	9 18 19 30 32	108
5. Illinois	5 20 26 38 45	134
6. Notre Dame	1 14 39 44 47	145

Individual Scoring

1. Hunter (ND)	20:18.0
2. Mitchell (D)	20:49.0
3. Schwartzkopf (Y)	20:54.0
4. Nichols (R)	21:00.0
5. Gordon (PS)	21:07.0
6. Dunn (Ill.)	21:11.0
8. Twomey (W. Ill.)	21:13.0
9. Karver (PS)	21:15.0
10. Labotka (D)	21:15.1
13. Smith (PS)	21:23.1
32. Horne (PS)	21:17.0
48. Beach (PS)	22:55.0
52. Williams (PS)	23:15.0

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