

# Lions Jinx Panthers Again

## Crush Pitt Bowl Hopes In 7-7 Tie

By FRAN FANUCCI

Attempting to beat the Lion football team is becoming an insurmountable task for the Pittsburgh Panthers. The favorites the last five years, the Panthers have been able to top the Lions only one time—last year 20-0.

Saturday the Lions, a seven-point underdog, battled the Jungle Cats to a 7-7 tie and virtually beat them at their own game. Pitt regarded as a strong second half team was held scoreless in the last half for the first time this year.

In fact, it was fighting to keep the tie while the upset-minded Lions were going all out for the upset. The Lions displayed a strong bench, which could be the factor why Pitt was unable to score more than one touchdown.

Lion Coach Rip Engle said "We thought we had the better team today." Pitt Coach Johnny Michelen said:

"I'd say the two teams today were pretty evenly matched. The way Penn State played today they were as tough as any team we've seen all season."

The Lions missed the opportunity to win the game late in the fourth quarter when quarterback Milt Plum's attempted field goal, from the 13-yard line, went about two feet wide of the goal post.

Commenting after the game on the field goal, Engle said "I thought he would make it. It was simple. He could probably kick nine out of 10 like that any time."

If Plum made the field goal it would have been anti-climatic. The 6-2, 195 pound senior was the outstanding back on the field. He completed nine of 15 passes for 134 yards, intercepted a pass on the five-yard line to halt a Panther threat, and was flawless in his signal-calling and ball handling.

The line was spearheaded by guard Sam Valentine and end Jack Farls. Valentine was in on almost half the team's tackles and was a nuisance all day on offense.

Farls caught two passes for 44 yards, was outstanding on defense, caught Corny Salvaterra from behind on his 60-yard run, and almost blocked a kick deep in Panther territory. Overall he outplayed All-American Joe Walton, who did not catch a pass.

The 51,123 fans, who sat in 25 degree weather, watched in awe as the Panthers took the opening kickoff and marched to the Lion one-foot line before being stopped on a great goal line stand. Instrumental in the blockage was the Lions second unit, which played as well as it did in the Ohio State encounter.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Lions marched from their own 40 to score. Plum's passing led the march. Two consecutive passes and a five-yard gain by Bruce Gilmore brought the ball to the Pitt 38.

Plum then tossed to Les Walters on the 22, and Billy Kane took it to the 15 on the next play. Ray Alberigi drove to the 13 and Plum rattled off six yards on a roll-out around end. Alberigi went to the three and Kane dove over for the score. Plum's extra point was good and the Lions led 7-0.

But the Panthers grabbed Plum's kickoff and drove 75 yards in 10 plays for the tying touchdown and extra point. Dick Bowen and Salvaterra combined to take the ball to the Lion 18, setting the stage for the TD.

Salvaterra took the pass from center, faked to one man, and then rolled out around end. In the meantime end Bob, though was cutting across field to the end zone and was when Salvaterra's pass hit him. It was the only completion for the Panthers, who appeared to favor their strong running game throughout.

Salvaterra was the game's leading ground gainer with 96 yards. Kane had 56 to lead the Lions. Both Kane and Alberigi pushed over the 500 mark with



BILLY KANE sprints through the Pittsburgh line for short yardage in Saturday's game against the Panthers. Pitt halfback Bugs Bagamery (32) gets set to tackle the Lion halfback, Milt Plum (22), as Sam Valentine (on ground) watch action. Jack Calderone (75) is about to block a Pitt player.

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Saturday's yardage. Kane has 530 while Alberigi has 508.

The Lions had 166 yards rushing to the Panthers' 258, but out-gained their arch-rivals in the air 134 to 18. The Panthers led in first downs 16 to 14.

Outstanding defensivemen for the second team were Joe Sabol, Dick McMillen, and Maurice Schleicher. The latter was also a punishing runner every time he took the ball.

The Lions ended the season with a 6-2-1 record, a far cry from the predicted 2-7 they were supposed to attain at the beginning of the season. Pitt has the identical mark, but has one game—Miami—left on the schedule.

Yesterday's tie almost eliminated the Panthers from any bowl considerations, although there is a possibility that they may still receive one.

## Syracuse Leads In Lambert Vote

NEW YORK, Nov. 26 (AP)—Syracuse again heads the balloting for the Lambert Trophy, emblematic of Eastern college football supremacy, in the next-to-last weekly tabulation announced today.

Beaten only by Pitt in eight games, Syracuse was named first by 13 of the 15 newsmen, sportscasters and coaches making up the selection committee. One vote each went to Pitt and Yale.

Pitt and Penn State, which played to a 7-7 tie last Saturday, remained second and third followed by Yale, Navy and Army.

## Browns Draft Milt Plum

The Cleveland Browns of the National Football League took a big step toward relieving their quarterback problem yesterday when they grabbed Penn State's Milt Plum as a second draft choice.

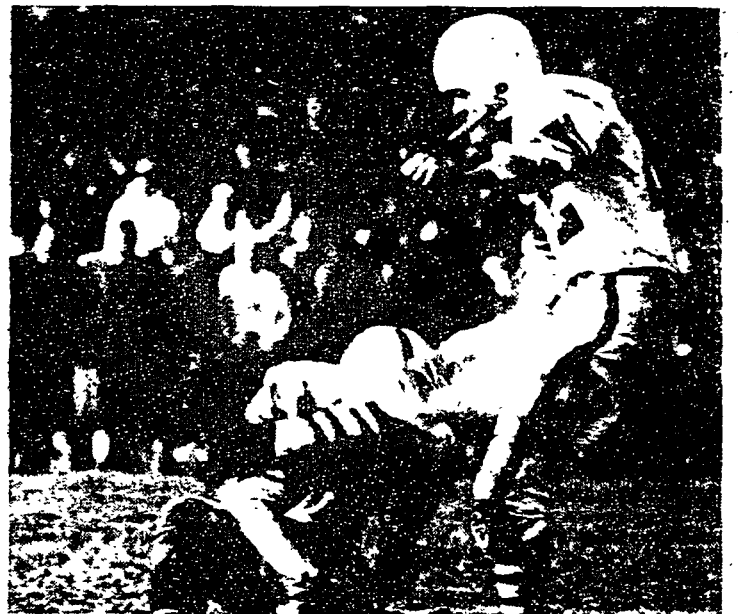
The Browns' No. 1 choice was Jim Brown, hard-running halfback from Syracuse. In addition to the bonus choice, the first four rounds of the draft were completed. The balance of the picks will come in January.

When Otto Graham made his second and "final" retirement at the beginning of the year, coach Paul Brown of the Browns turned to George Ratterman for the signal-calling post. After four games, however, Ratterman was shelved indefinitely with an injury.

Babe Parilli took over but was injured in his third game and now Tommy O'Connell does the quarterbacking. Cleveland, always known for a competent passing attack, now has in Plum an adroit passer whose over-all 1956 record shows 40 completions in 75 attempts for 53 per cent.

The Green Bay Packers chose Paul Hornung of Notre Dame as bonus choice. It was between the Packers and the Chicago Cardinals for the bonus pick and the Packers won the toss.

Penn State opponents during the season to be picked were End Joe Walton, Pitt, to the Washington Redskins on the second round; Guard Jim Parker, Ohio State, to the Baltimore Colts on the first round; Halfback Jim Ridlon, Syracuse, to the San Francisco 49'ers on the fourth round; and Guard Vince Scorsone, Pitt, to the Redskins on the fourth round.



MILT PLUM, Lion quarterback, misses field goal late in the fourth quarter. Plum's try, from the 13-yard line, would have put the Lions ahead 10-7 if successful.

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