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Lions revitalize passing game, drub Owls

By WILL PAKUTKA
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They had old Joe third down and long, caught deep in his own locker room after last week's Nebraska game. They charged at him with pencils and pads raised, asking what, if anything, he could be dissatisfied with after one of his team's biggest victories in years. They wanted to know who they could go to should this team suddenly go down the toilet, or even worse, go down to Temple the next week.

Receivers, Joe. Time to go to the receivers.

Paterno admitted the team did need work in some areas and receiving happened to be one of them. Not that it was that big a problem, but when you're No. 2 and don't want to stay there forever, you'd better get picky.

Paterno's main running back, wide receiver and tight end had only caught one pass apiece that afternoon and he decided it deserved notice.

After Penn State's 30-0 win over Temple Saturday at Beaver Stadium, the receivers said thanks for the attention.

"During the week Joe was pretty tough on his receivers, but he paid off," said split end Gregg Garrity, who caught three passes for 54 yards against Temple after not catching a pass in the first two games. "We were sort of saying to each other, 'Let's keep it up and stick together.'"

The receivers hadn't really played badly in the first two games and quarterback Todd Blackledge, with a 32 percent completion rate, hadn't exactly been outstanding. But Paterno decided things could have been better with the receivers. Downfield blocking needed work.

All of it had been done for a purpose — for that one day when somebody was bound to prove Curt Warner of flesh and blood. The receiving would have to be sharp or else the Lions would be in trouble.

"The coach was looking over our shoulders this week," said Kenny Jackson, who scored on a touchdown pass play Blackledge called "unstoppable, if it's thrown properly."

Paterno looked over a few other shoulders this past week too. "Receiving-wise, he was down on all of us," said tight end and Mike McCloskey, who caught two passes for 45 yards in the game.

Of course, the Temple defensive line, even with end Vinnie Mini in a ni-ni game-ni, couldn't hold Warner Saturday. The

Owls had let up an average of 83 yards per game the first three times out — including one game against Joe Morris and Syracuse — but Warner picked up 117 by himself Saturday while Mike Meade, Joel Coles (out for the season) and Jon Williams together totaled another 107.

"They were solid and didn't give us an easy run," Paterno said. "They did a good job of calling their defense."

What hurt Temple was its kicking game and an offense that couldn't put a drive together after the first seven minutes of the first quarter.

That first quarter drive, which led down to the Penn State 4-yard line, ended with a cock-eyed field goal attempt.

Penn State drove pretty well though, once it started to break through Temple's defensive line.

Hero Harry Hamilton (say that three times) intercepted a Tink Murphy pass one minute into the second quarter to set the Lions up on their own 25-yard line.

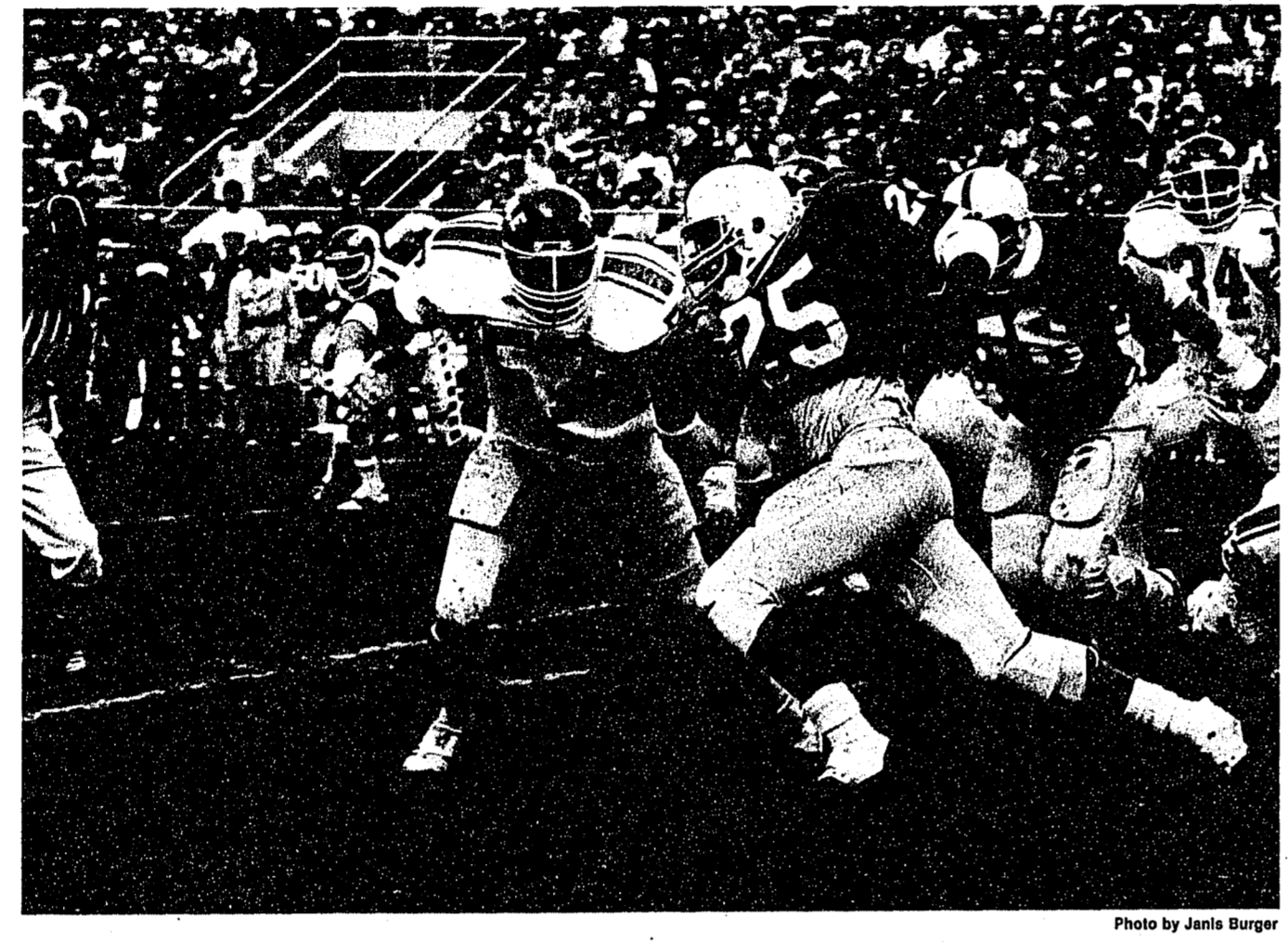
Blackledge soon hit McCloskey for 15 yards and a first down, then connected with Garrity for another first down on the Temple 19. From there, Warner followed his blockers for 10 yards, then cut left on his own for the final nine yards and the Lions' second touchdown.

Blackledge set up the Lions' final score when he hit McCloskey with a 30-yard pass which brought him to the Temple 2-yard line. That's not to be confused with last week's 30-yard pass from Blackledge that McCloskey took to the Nebraska 3-yard line.

"I'm telling you, I was really mad when I didn't make it in," McCloskey said. "It doesn't bother me, though. As long as we get in somehow."

That way people aren't prompted to look over your shoulder.

NOTES: Joel Coles broken foot may have put him out for the season, but the second-worst injury of the game went to Temple guard Joe Mazarella, who suffered three cuts around his eye in an out-of-bounds collision with Curt Warner. What made the whole situation worse, was that Mazarella is an offensive lineman and was simply standing on the sidelines when the whole thing happened. He received stitches and did not return to action on the sidelines. Temple kicker Bob Clauser's brother, Hank, holds the state high school record for most career extra points — 95. Apparently, the talent doesn't run in the Clauser family.



Nittany Lion tailback Curt Warner (25) ran for 117 yards on 22 carries in Penn State's 30-0 victory over the Temple Owls Saturday at Beaver Stadium in front of a crowd of 84,562. Owl linebacker Steve Kilkenny (57) defends on the play. It was the third consecutive 100-yard game for Warner.

Coles out for year with broken foot

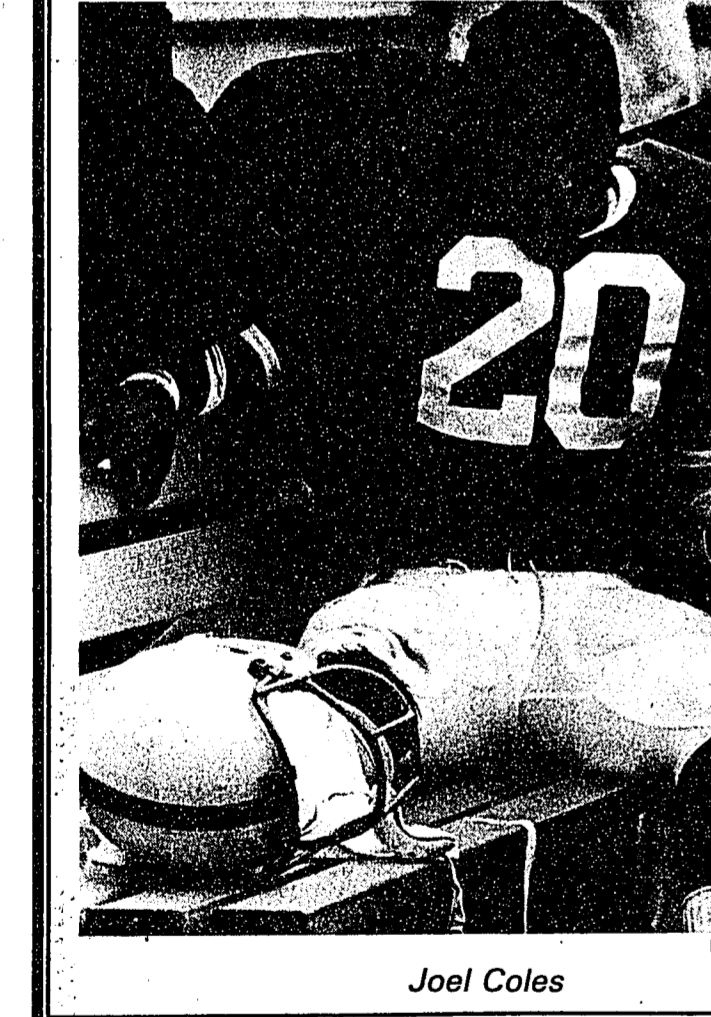
Penn State fullback Joel Coles, injured in the Temple game Saturday, will be sidelined the rest of the 1981 season with a broken bone in his right foot.

A senior, Coles broke the major bone above his right ankle in the third quarter of the Nittany Lions' 30-0 victory. He is expected to be in a cast for several weeks.

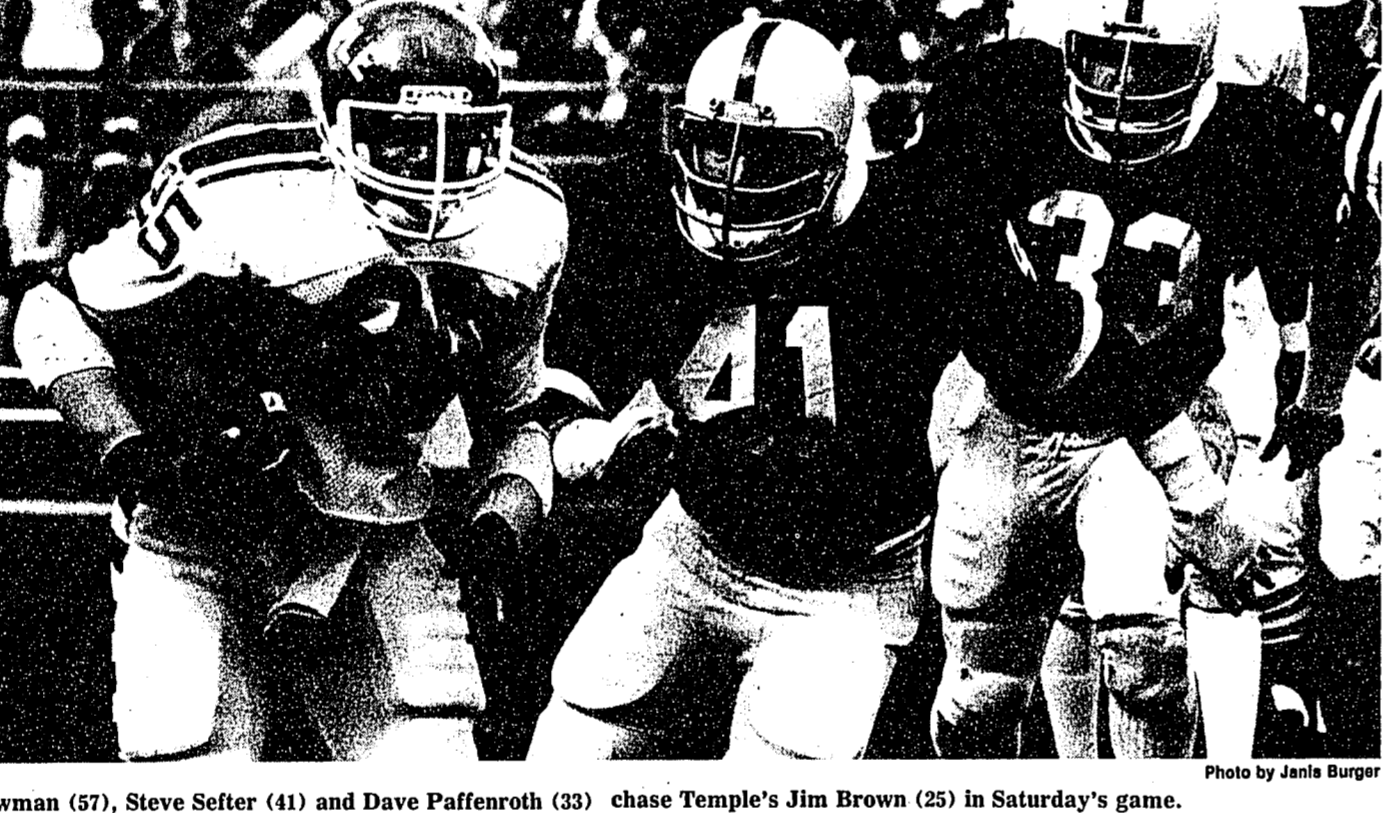
Coles, who had shared the fullback spot with Mike Meade, carried eight times for 40 yards and caught one

pass for 12 yards Saturday. On the season, Coles carried 17 times for 109 yards, a 5.5 yard per carry average, and scored two touchdowns.

In other injury developments, two key Lion defensive players who did not play Saturday are expected to suit up against Boston College this Saturday at Beaver Stadium. Tackle Leo Wisniewski and safety Dan Biondi, both recovering from strained ligaments, should play Saturday.



Joel Coles



Nittany Lions Kirk Bowman (57), Steve Selter (41) and Dave Paffenroth (23) chase Temple's Jim Brown (25) in Saturday's game.

No respect for improving Lion secondary

By SHARON FINK
Daily Collegian Sports Writer

By all appearances, Tink Murphy should have been devastated — or at least extremely depressed.

The Temple quarterback had in three previous games passed for more than 700 yards and thrown just two interceptions while averaging 236 yards passing per game. But now, Murphy had just gone 107 for 103 yards and had his interception total doubled by the Penn State defense in the Owls' loss to the Lions on Saturday.

His completion percentage for the year dropped almost four percentage points — 53.2 to 49.5. Six of his 17 incompletions were broken up by Penn State defenders. But after the game, by all appearances, Murphy was nonchalant about the whole thing.

He raved about the Lions' offensive line. He was impressed with the inebriated trio of Chet Parlavecchio, Ed Pryts and Matt Bradley. But when asked if the

Lions are weak in any area, Murphy said, "If Penn State does have a weakness, it's their pass defense."

That's not devastating news to the Lions or coach Joe Paterno. One thing Paterno stressed that he wanted to improve against Temple was the pass defense that gave up too many big plays and got burned too many times against Nebraska.

Paterno said he was anxious to see if the Lions could play pass defense against a well-organized passing team like Temple. And although Murphy said he wasn't impressed with what he saw, a solid and at times swarming effort in the defense made Paterno happy.

"I was pleased we stayed with the pass defense," he said. "This week they worked hard on our zones. We tried to change up a little bit with our man coverage. We tried to get a little better ball reaction."

But during Temple's second possession, it looked like the pass defense

hadn't changed much. On the first play, Murphy threw to Tracy Hall for 31 yards, taking the Owls from their own 20 to the Penn State 49. After two short running plays and a delay of game penalty against Temple, Murphy passed again, this time to Gerald Lucear for 17 yards to the Lions' 28.

Those were the two biggest plays in Temple's only serious scoring drive of the day — one that ended with a botched 20-yard field goal attempt. Those were also the Owls' two longest gainers of the day. The defense tightened up after that. And as Penn State's slowly-developing passing game picked up momentum, Temple's splattered.

Murphy's next two passes were incomplete, one of them broken up by Bradley. In the second quarter he threw both interceptions. The second one occurred on a desperation throw with two seconds left in the half, with defensive halfback Roger Jackson getting his first theft of the year.

The first interception was grabbed by hero Harry Hamilton early in the second quarter.

"It was a defense where I had curl responsibility," said Hamilton, who also broke up a pass, "and the wide receiver did a curl and came in behind me. And probably the quarterback didn't see me dropping into my pass coverage responsibility and the ball was released."

Murphy spent the rest of the afternoon throwing incomplete passes that more often than were in the hands of a Lion defender.

Murphy was rarely hurried into throwing. He was never sacked, and only a few times was he really pressured, on rushes by Bradley and tackle Dave Opar. It was the secondary that stuck closely to Hall and Lucear. Murphy's primary receivers, and kept Temple from burning the Lions.

Two things made the difference in the pass defense's performance between

Owl coach, players agree Lions deserve No. 2 spot

By STEVE GRAHAM
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Already, only three games into this college football season, the comparisons are being made.

The year was 1978.

Talk of a national championship, Penn State's first ever, was in the air. Quarterback Chuck Fusina was gunning for a Heisman trophy, Matt Bahr was as dependable as the Coligan Man, and Salt and Pepper anchored one of the stingiest defenses in the country.

Now, it's 1981, and the Lions are still looking for their first national title. This time, it's Blackledge throwing long to Jackson, Brian Franco making everything in sight, and Curt Warner bursting through opposing defenses for huge chunks of yardage.

And yes, the talk of a national championship is back. The dream of going all the way has been revived.

But how good is this Penn State team, a squad head coach Joe Paterno calls his fastest, and possibly his best, ever?

After Penn State destroyed archival Temple 30-0 Saturday afternoon at Beaver Stadium, nobody was more convinced about the Lions' overall strength than Owl head coach Wayne Hardin and his players.

Hardin has seen some quality Penn State teams in his day. He saw the 1970 team beat his Owls 10-0 on a Bear field goal in the waning moments at Veteran's Stadium. And he's seen the undefeated teams of 1966, '69 and '73.

But no Penn State team since 1955, the year Hardin began watching the Lions, has as much speed, as much awesome power, as this year's squad. Just ask Hardin.

"Penn State has a fine football team," Hardin said after Saturday's game. "They're ranked No. 2 in the country and

they can lay claim to being No. 1 until somebody beats them."

No doubt about that. If the Lions do go undefeated through the regular season, they have every right to be ranked No. 1.

But getting there is the hardest part. Penn State cleared a major hurdle last week with a big road victory over Nebraska, 30-24. But with Miami (Fla.), Alabama, Notre Dame and Pittsburgh (all Top 20 teams at one point this year) still to play, the worst is yet to come.

In light of Penn State's speed and power, Steve Conjar, the Owls' 5-11, 236-pound middle linebacker, said Saturday's game was a chance for Temple to improve on its surprising and disappointing 12-7 loss to Delaware two weeks ago.

Forever the realist, Conjar said the Owls really didn't expect to beat the Lions.

"With Penn State the No. 2-ranked team in the country, they're great," said Conjar, whose 12 tackles (10 unassisted)

weren't enough to stop Warner from racking up 117 yards on 22 carries.

"I think they're the best team in the country," Conjar said. "I hope they go far, I think they deserve it. I hope they win the national championship because that'll say something for Eastern football."

Conjar can hardly be blamed for not stopping Warner or any of Penn State's other running backs. The big difference, according to Conjar and Owl defensive back Sam Shaffer, was Penn State's heralded offensive line.

"They've got a hellacious offensive line," said Shaffer, who intercepted two passes to raise his season total to five.

The Lions' strengths, Shaffer said, are manful. Besides the offensive line, Penn State has quick, hard-hitting linebackers, an outstanding tailback in Warner and talented defensive backs.

All of which prompted Shaffer to turn into a prognosticator after the game.

"I think," Shaffer said with a sigh, "Penn State is going to be No. 1 at the end of the season."

After passing for only 101 yards on 10-of-27 passes, Owl quarterback Tink Murphy also became a convert Saturday afternoon. If he wasn't sure of the Lions' strengths before the game, he is now.

"If they're able to play with seven or eight men up front, they're tough," Murphy said of Penn State's 4-4 defense. "We were able to move the ball pretty well in the beginning."

In fact, on Temple's second possession of the game, Murphy moved his troops from their own 20-yard line to the Penn State 11 behind passes to flanker Gerald Lucear (17 yards) and former Lion Tracy Hall (31 yards).

But then, the 4-4 defense stiffened. An incomplete pass and two rushes by running back Harold Harmon put Temple on Penn State's four-yard line. On fourth down, a poor snap, a poor hold and a poor

Easy victory cures Lion doldrums

By JEFF SCHULER
Daily Collegian Sports Writer

If men's soccer coach Walt Bahr had taken his ailing team (one win in its past four games) to a doctor last week, the prescription probably would have been to find a patsy on the schedule and have some fun.

Friday night at wind-swept Jeffrey Field, Fordham proved to be just what the doctor ordered as the Lions (7-2-1) walked to a 6-0 rout over the hapless Rams.

"We played with more energy tonight," Bahr said. "Maybe we didn't play with as much skill as we'd like at times, but we're at the point where we have to win."

"This was probably the most encouraging game we've played this year. I am more encouraged after this game than after any game this year."

Lion midfielder Duncan MacEwan said he noticed a change in attitude among the Lions that he hopes will carry through the rest of the year.

"The spirit is picking up again," he said. "I hope it leads to better things. We needed a few games like this."

"The four games prior to this one (losses to William & Mary and Lock Haven, a win over West Virginia, and a tie with Cleveland State) have been tough games. Fordham came along at the right time."

For the first time this year, the Lions came out storming. Pete Jobling, who has finally cracked the starting lineup, enhanced his position when he headed one in off a Lou Karbiener assist in 11 minutes. Less than five minutes later, Dan Murphy set up Pete Janewski in front of the net, and the senior headed it home for a 2-0 Penn State lead.

"Getting those two goals early helped us a lot," MacEwan said. "It helped to relax us a bit more."

If getting those two goals helped to relax the Lions, Penn State's dominance almost put goalkeepers Greg Kenney and Dave Wilson to sleep. Kenney, starting his third straight game, played the first half, Wilson, the starter in the first two games, replaced him in the second half. Neither one worked up a sweat as the Rams got only one shot on goal.

"To be honest with you, I think they (Fordham) had an off day," MacEwan said. "I expected a bit more out of them."

But the only things that there were more of was Penn State goals. Freshman Gerry Moyer scored at 26:16 and MacE-

wan tallied with 2:56 left as the Lions roared to a 4-0 halftime lead.

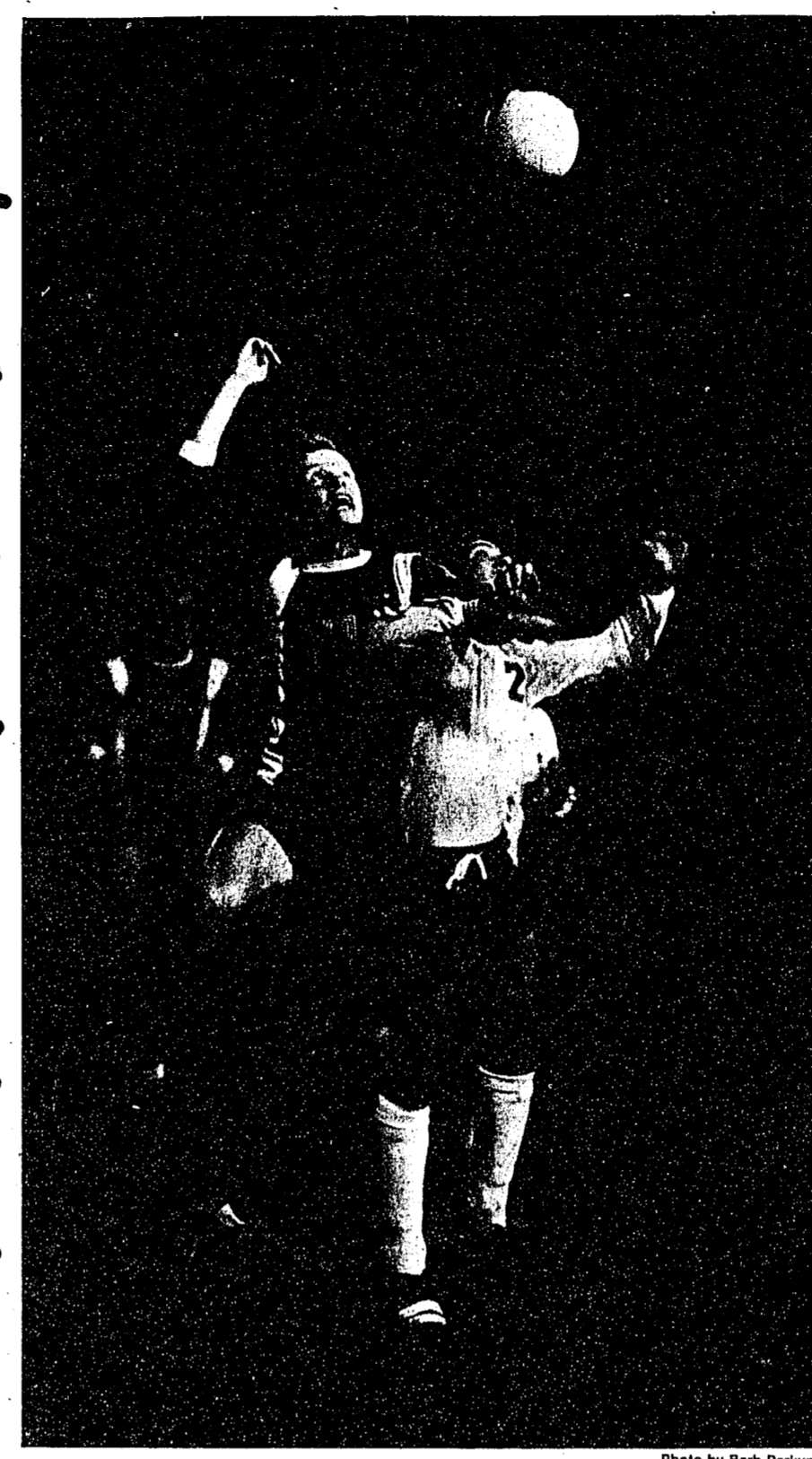
MacEwan's goal may have been the best of the year. He took a pass from Karbiener waist high, controlled it with his thigh, and before it could hit the ground blasted it past Fordham goalie Brian Jamison.

"We had some super goals tonight," said forward Steve Blumenthal, who scored a goal of his own late in the second half. "I expected a bit more out of them."

"We wanted to get a lot of scoring. It seemed that we were always close around the goal with our shots; tonight we finally broke the net."

Or in this case, three.

CORNER KICKS: Doug Moyer's goal, which appeared to be sailing high over the net and Jamison, was held up by the wind and dropped over the line. . . . This was the Rams first loss (3-1-1). . . . The Lions travel to Bucknell tomorrow, then host Maryland Friday.



Penn State's Scott Maierhofer (right) battles with a Fordham player for a loose ball during the Lions' 6-0 romp Friday night at Jeffrey Field.

Booters face long road ahead

By JEFF SCHULER
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All season long the men's soccer team has been saying that it is too early to talk about rankings and the playoffs. Wait until the end of the season, the players said.

"That was fine when Penn State was ranked third in the country. But that was before losses to William & Mary and Lock Haven and a tie with Cleveland State. Now the Lions are ranked 12th, and Friday night's 6-0 win over Fordham doesn't figure to improve their standing when the polls are released Wednesday morning."

The Lions (7-2-1) travel to Bucknell tomorrow for a game that should be win No. 8. But when Maryland comes to town Friday night, it marks the beginning of the second half of the season. The schedule doesn't exactly favor the Lions either; six of their last 10 games are on the road. And half of them, including three road contests, figure to be crucial tests for Penn State:

The Terts. Last year Maryland beat the Lions 2-1, and the series between the two teams can't be any closer than it is — 14-14-5.

At Long Island, Oct. 17. The Sounders are currently ranked fourth in the nation with a 6-0 record as of last Wednesday.

At Navy, Oct. 23. Penn State won last year's battle 1-0, but the Middies and the Lions have played 54 times — one of the Lions' longest series. And playing at Annapolis is never a picnic.

Connecticut, Nov. 6 at Jeffrey Field. These two powers battled to a scoreless tie last year, and the Huskies are currently ranked No. 1 with a 7-0 record.

At Temple, Oct. 8. Another traditional (48 games) opponent, the Owls are always tough on their home field.

"We never try to look that far ahead," said Lion midfielder Duncan MacEwan. "We got a couple of hard games ahead. With two defeats, it's obvious we can't afford to lose too many more games — maybe two or three."

Penn State coach Walt Bahr said he was encouraged with his team's play Friday night. The Lions, a team that had scored just five goals in its last four games, exploded for six against the Rams. And perhaps more important than that was that they looked good while doing it.

"The West Virginia game (a 1-0 win) helped," Bahr said. "We got kicked in the backside a few times and it brought us to life. If we had played in the two games we lost with the same energy (as tonight), I'm sure we would have had different results."

The Lions figure to be one of the 16 teams qualifying for the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament. How high they're seeded could depend on how well they do in these remaining games. And how well they do in the tournament, could depend on that seeding.

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sified by the fact that coach Paterno had told us before the game," Lankford said. "That Temple was the type of team that could come in here and hurt you if you're not up to par and doing what you're supposed to do."

It doesn't matter who's impressed and who isn't, as long as it works.

Concentration keys secondary improvement

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Temple and Nebraska. One, defensive halfback Paul Lankford said, was each team's style of passing attack — the play action of Nebraska and the straight drop back of Temple.

"You knew more or less that (Temple) was going to come at you," Lankford

said, "and it makes it a little easier because you don't have to decide if it's run or pass, if you have a run assignment. The other thing was increased concentration on individual responsibilities, agreed Lankford and Hamilton.

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lapses that hurt the team," Lankford said. "This week I just played my game, played the assignment that I was assigned to. It makes it easier that way if you're not out to par and doing what everybody else is going to do, you just do what you have to do." Plus, "Concentration was probably intens-

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Geosciences Colloquium, 3:45 p.m., Room 101 Kern. Dr. Claude Herzberg, Dept. of Geological Sciences, Rutgers Univ., on "Magma Densities at High Pressure: Geophysical and Geochemical Implications."
MCB Seminar, 4 p.m., Room 101 Alumni Lab. Dr. Randall R. Reed, Dept. of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, Yale Univ., on "Transposon Mediated Site Specific Recombination."
Philosophy Colloquium, 4 p.m., Room 220 Willard Bldg. Prof. Bernard Waldenfels, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Institut für Philosophie, on "The Despised Doxa: Husserl and the Continuing Crisis of Western Reason."
Alpha Kappa Psi meeting, 6 p.m., Room 265 Willard Bldg.
Aikido Course for Beginners, 6:30 p.m., IM Wrestling Room.
OTIS meeting, 7 p.m., Room 307 HUB.
Francis Bacon, "Viscount," Death in Venice, 7 and 9 p.m., Room 112 Kern.
Phi Beta Lambda meeting, 7:30 p.m., Room 203 Willard Bldg.
Marine Science Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., Room 101 Kern.
Interdisciplinary Symposium on Value, 8 p.m., Room 101 Kern. Christopher Johnston, Delaware Campus, on "Ethics, Communication, and the Pursuit of Wisdom."
Central PA Society of the Archeological Institute of America illustrated lecture, 8 p.m., Room 120 Carnegie Bldg. Dr. Clemency Coggins, research associate, Peabody Museum, Harvard Univ., on "The Tombs and Temples of Tikal Guatemala."
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