

At left, Penn State quarterback Todd Blackledge and Boston College linebacker Steve DeOssie (99) look at a referee to see if Blackledge scored on an option play in the third quarter of Saturday's game at Beaver Stadium. At right, after the play was



signaled no touchdown, the two compare notes as to whether the Nittany Lion signal caller had actually scored. Penn State won the game 35-7 to remain undefeated.

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## Lions rout Boston College

By SHARON FINK Daily Collegian Sports Writer  
At least Boston College scored. But that was at the start of the fourth quarter of the BC-Penn State game Saturday. And at the time, the Lions were ahead 38-0.  
Both Penn State tailback Curt Warner and fullback Mike Meade had rushed for more than 100 yards. Quarterback Todd Blackledge had his best day passing as a Lion. And the Penn State offense, in the three previous quarters, had limited the Eagles to 78 yards rushing and two yards passing. Whatever BC (1-3) did after that was superfluous, as the Lions (4-0) rolled 38-7 at Beaver Stadium.

That BC touchdown was more symbolic than anything else, proving the Eagles could cross the goal line. And for the crowd of 84,473 waiting to see if the Lion defense could record its third shutout in four games, it also ended any suspense that was left in a game devoid of suspense.  
But the crowd got enough excitement from the Lions in a game coach Joe Paterno called a good, solid effort. Although Paterno said the Eagles' defense was very tough on the run, Warner quietly and unassuming ran up his fourth consecutive 100-yard game, getting 105 on 22 carries. He also scored two of the Lions' five touchdowns.  
But Warner wasn't the Lions' leading rusher. Meade, playing almost full-time because Joel Coles is out, had a career-high 107 yards in 13 carries and one touchdown. And even tailback Jon Williams had 54 yards and a touchdown.  
But the Lions are supposed to run. So one of the things that pleased Paterno was the continued improvement of the thing the Lions aren't supposed to do well — pass. Blackledge's career-best totals were eight of 17 for 182 yards and one touchdown.  
One of his receivers also had a career-best day. Flanker Kenny Jackson caught three passes — one of them for a touchdown — for 97 yards. The touchdown was a 39-yard connection in the second quarter in which Jackson outmaneuvered BC weak corner George Radachowsky and weak safety Vic Crawford. Next week's play Jackson said he and Blackledge worked on last week in practice.  
"Their free safety was lining up on the wrong side," Jackson said. "I saw it, and Todd saw it. It was something we worked on this week. That leaves me with one

guy, and if I can get him to the middle of the field, I can shake him. And that's what happened."  
"I kept on running the post until they were expecting it, and then I went straight."  
Paterno said Jackson's improvement from week to week is a big factor in the improvement of the entire passing attack.  
"The passing is becoming a little bit more explosive," he said. "We're getting the ball over more to Kenny. I said to myself that Kenny had had a very average preseason practice because he had been hurt and did not have a chance to really get his timing down."  
"Kenny is just starting to get good, plus a lot of the coverages we got today were one-on-one with Kenny. He's pretty tough to handle one-on-one all day. He's good to get open one or twice."  
The BC defense was tougher on the pass, though, and Blackledge had his problems. Several times his receivers

were covered well and he was rushed and forced to throw out of bounds. And Blackledge was sacked three times and intercepted twice.  
But that was minor compared to what the Lion defense did to BC. The Eagles rushed for only 78 yards. In three quarters, Eagles quarterback John Loughery was one of 13 for two yards. It took a quarterback not even listed on the depth chart, Doug Flutie, to get the Lions for 133 yards in the air.  
It was kind of a disappointment for the underpublicized Lion defense not to get the shutout, linebacker Matt Bradley said. The Eagles' touchdown happened on a pass pattern that was hard to cover. The overall effort couldn't be faulted much.  
"We like those shutouts; we look forward to them," Bradley said. "But I guess that happens. We weren't disappointed with the guys who were in there. (Boston College) ran that crossing pattern. That's a tough play to cover."  
"They're the type of offense that have a lot of different formations. They try to mix you up a little bit. We adjusted well. We went right at them, we didn't play around."  
Obviously not. The Eagles lost four fumbles and three interceptions, too. Some of that was due to the philosophy of BC coach Jack Bicknell.  
"We didn't want to be conservative today, but we just kept turning the ball over," he said. "We cautioned our kids before the game that lack of execution would mean a long afternoon."  
It was a long afternoon for everyone in one way or another.



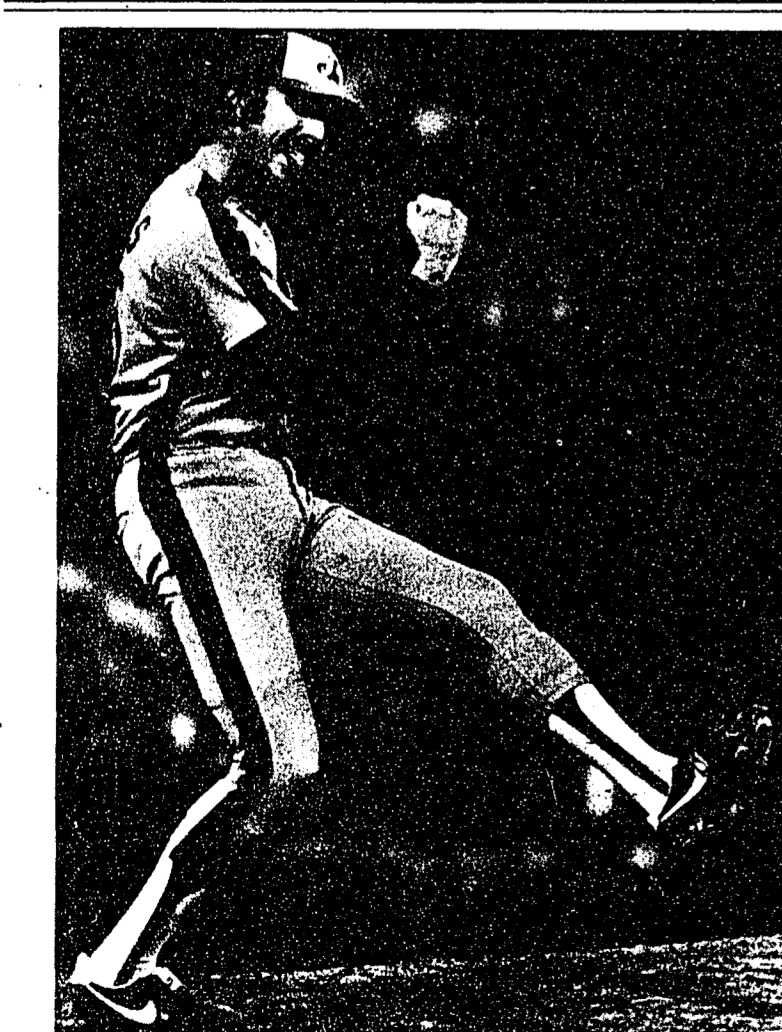
Fullback Mike Meade (38) scores a touchdown behind Sean Farrell's (62) block on Boston College linebacker Jim Bunchin in the second quarter of Saturday's win over the Eagles.

## No. 1 poll spot possible

By TOM VERDUCCI Daily Collegian Sports Writer  
Rich D'Amico heard about it on television. Walker Lee learned of it from a friend at a party. Todd Blackledge learned of it from a restaurant manager while he was dining with his family. And Harry Hamilton found out from a friend while discussing international politics with his family.  
By whatever means — television, telephone or tell a Penn State football fan — word of Arizona's stunning 13-0 upset of No. 1 USC on Saturday did not take long to reach the No. 2 Nittany Lions.  
The next news flash for Penn State comes tonight when The Associated Press and United Press International release their weekly college football polls. The new No. 1 team is likely to be either the Lions or No. 3 Texas, an impressive 34-14 victor over Oklahoma on Saturday.  
Penn State — ever the bridesmaid but never the bride — is this once again courted a national championship. The Lions held the top spot in both polls in 1978 from Nov. 13 until their Sugar Bowl loss to Alabama on New Year's Day.  
"We could possibly be No. 1," quarterback Blackledge said, "but I wouldn't be overly surprised if Texas were No. 1. It doesn't mean that much. As long as we keep winning, that's what counts."  
D'Amico, who was a freshman on the 1978 team, also downplayed the importance of the polls.  
"I don't even like to think about it," the senior defensive end said. "It can do more harm than good. You may think you have something to celebrate, but you really have nothing. There's not a No. 1 team. Nobody's proven anything. It doesn't mean

anything until the end of the season."  
Although the polls mean nothing now, they don't disregard the importance of Southern California's loss.  
"It means a lot to us," Ashley said. "We've been thinking of being national champions all along, and with USC, there was no way we could meet up with them in determining their fate."  
Since the winner of the Pacific 10 Conference goes to the Rose Bowl to play the Big 10 winner, USC could not face Penn State for a possible national championship showdown. Thus, the Lions now have more of a say in determining their fate.  
Texas is a member of the Southwestern Conference, and its champion earns a berth in the Cotton Bowl against a school invited regardless of conference tie-ups.  
But a No. 1 vs. No. 2 season-ending shootout is not yet on the Lions' minds.  
"I really don't like to look that far ahead," Hamilton said. "I just take things game by game."  
"It's too far down the line," Blackledge said. "I'm just thinking about Syracuse now."  
Penn State meets Syracuse this week at the Carrier Dome and then faces West Virginia, Miami (Fla.), North Carolina State, Alabama, Notre Dame and Pittsburgh.  
Pitt, a 17-0 winner in West Virginia on Saturday, joins Penn State, Texas, Missouri, Southern Methodist and North Carolina as the only remaining unbeaten and untied major college football teams.  
"This is not the first time Penn State and Texas have vied for the No. 1 poll position. In 1959, No. 3 Texas vaulted past No. 2 Penn State to win the national championship although both teams recorded perfect seasons.

Philadelphia threatened in the sixth, and although the Phillies got a break on a poor throw by shortstop Speier, they still couldn't score.  
Monday's opening opened the inning with a bunt single, and Rose walked. George Vukovich, whose 10th-inning pinch homer won Saturday's game, bounced to Manuel for what appeared a routine double play. But Speier's throw pulled first baseman Warren Cromartie off the bag, and Vukovich was safe.  
With runners at first and third and one out, Schmidt, the major league home run champion, grounded to Speier, and this time the Expos completed the double play, bailing Rogers out of trouble.  
Cromartie worked eight innings yesterday, allowing seven hits and all three Montreal runs.  
The victory gives Montreal manager Jim Fanning, who took over in early September for Dick Williams, a chance to become the first man to win a pennant after taking over in the season's final month.  
Dodgers 4, Astros 0  
Jerry Reuss outpitched Nolan Ryan and the Dodgers scored three runs in the sixth inning to soar to their third straight victory over Houston yesterday in Los Angeles to qualify for the National League Series. See DODGERS, Page 12.



Montreal pitcher Steve Rogers reacts to the Expos' play-off-clinching victory over the Phillies yesterday in Philadelphia.

## Expos eliminate Phils; Dodgers, Yanks win

By RALPH BENNSTEIN AP Sports Writer  
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Steve Rogers pitched a six-hit shutout and singled home the first two runs yesterday as the Montreal Expos beat the Philadelphia Phillies 3-0 to win their first National League East Division title in the 13-year history of the franchise.  
The Expos won the first two games at home, but the Phillies won here Friday and Saturday to send the best-of-five series to a fifth game.  
It was Rogers' second triumph of the series, and he again beat Phillies ace Steve Carlton to seal the victory over the defending world champion.  
Montreal took a 2-0 lead in the fifth on a two-run single by Rogers, his second hit of the game.  
The Expos boosted their lead to 3-0 in the sixth.  
Andre Dawson led off with a single to right, and, after Gary Carter fled out, Parrish belted a double to the wall in right-center, scoring Dawson.  
Rogers walked one and struck out two. He was in slight trouble in the first when the Phillies had hits from Pete Rose and Mike Schmidt, but each was retired.  
The Montreal pitcher also made a fine defensive play in the fifth inning when he caught a drive by shortstop Larry Bowa.

## Meade makes most of new responsibility

RON MUSSELMAN Daily Collegian Sports Writer  
After Penn State's first four games this year, fullback Mike Meade had gained only 77 yards on the ground while splitting the first-string job with Joel Coles.  
But with Coles sidelined for the season with a fractured tibia in his right foot, Meade has assumed the No. 1 job for the rest of the season.  
"This is the first time I've been listed as the starting fullback," Meade said in the locker room after the Lions' victory over Boston College on Saturday. "With Joel there, I felt like my name in the program should have had an asterisk beside it."  
Meade seems to like the idea of having the starting role all to himself.  
"I can prepare better for a game when I have more responsibility," Meade admitted. "And with Joel out, I saw more responsibility resting on my shoulders, which I didn't mind at all."  
In the first part of this season, Meade has been primarily responsible for opening holes for tailbacks Curt Warner and Jon Williams. But Saturday, he also got an opportunity to display his running talents.  
Meade shredded the Eagles' defense for 107 yards in 13 carries. He got 86 of those in the first half of the game.  
"I knew I had the one long run," said Meade, referring to a 47-yard jaunt in the second quarter. "But I didn't know how far it was."  
Nor did he appear to care.  
"If you get caught up with the numbers game, it affects you negatively," he responded. "If I make over 90 percent of my blocks, that's as important to me as rushing for a hundred yards."  
That point alone makes coach Joe Paterno happy.  
"Meade is a good football player who never really goes into a ballgame and carries the ball 10, 12 or 13 times a game," he said.  
Although Meade has been used exclusively as a blocking back the past two seasons, Paterno didn't seem to lack confidence in his fullback's ball-carrying ability.

## Varsity edges alumni laxers

Anyone who thought yesterday's men's lacrosse alumni game would be one of those "no-hum, nice to be back" affairs was in for a real surprise.  
The alumni squad and varsity did anything but go through the motions in a hard-fought contest that ended with an 11-10 varsity win in overtime at Pollock Field.  
"I think the varsity may have thought that they were just going to walk on the field and beat the alumni," Penn State coach Glenn Thiel said. "I think they were a little surprised with the depth of the alumni team. But they did take charge when they had to."  
Freshman George Connor scored the winning goal early in the overtime period after the two teams battled to an apparent 10-10 tie in regulation. (Actually, the two sides disagreed on the score and decided to settle matters with an overtime period.)  
Connor's goal completed an uphill battle for the current Lions as former stars like Mark Gelsomini and Billy Curran kept the alumni on top for most of the contest. Gelsomini and Curran each had two goals, and strong play by Keith McGuire, Paul Sullivan and Jack Barry kept the alumni in charge until the fourth quarter.

In the late minutes of the game, the varsity tied the game and then took the lead. But the alumni showed they still had some spunk left and sent the game into the extra period.  
"The alumni had a lot more personnel than we had anticipated, and they gave our team a good battle," Thiel said. "Our guys knew they'd be going against some talented players, but they didn't expect to face as many guys as they did."  
Particularly outstanding for the alumni was goalie Rich Caravella. At 6-4, 250

pounds, Caravella was very BIG for the returns, and his 24 saves helped keep his team in the game.  
Caravella's counterpart in the nets, freshman Tom Florence, was almost as impressive, with several clutch saves in his three periods of action. Thiel was very pleased with the goalkeeper.  
"This was the first time he faced anybody besides his own team in game action, and he played very well," Thiel said.  
—by Keith Greller

## Lions finish fall baseball with double-header win

Penn State closed out its fall baseball season with a double-header sweep against Lock Haven yesterday afternoon at Beaver Field.  
Lion starter Mike Bellemann gave up three hits in four innings enroute to a 6-0 Lion victory in the opener. Second baseman Bob D'Ambrosio banged out a single and a double and knocked in two runs to spark a 10-hit attack. Designated hitter

Keith Carango and outfielder John Tarley also collected two hits apiece.  
In the nightcap, Tom Bart worked four innings, allowing three hits, and relief pitcher Andy Scherckness closed the door in the final three frames to give the Lions a 2-0 victory. Each team collected three hits, with Randy Simcox driving in the lone Penn State run. The other scored on an error.

## USC loses, 'Bama ties

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON AP Sports Writer  
Has anybody seen college football's Top Twenty?  
The weekend wasn't a complete disaster. Fourteen members of the Top Twenty actually failed to lose, although one of them, seventh-ranked Alabama, settled for a 13-13 tie with Southern Mississippi and another, No. 16 Miami (Fla.), wasn't scheduled.  
The list of casualties begins at the top with No. 1-ranked Southern California dropping a 13-0 decision to unheralded Arizona, despite Marcus Allen's fifth consecutive 200-yard rushing effort.  
The other victims were eighth-ranked Brigham Young, a 45-41 loser to Nevada-Las Vegas as the nation's longest major college winning streak was snapped at 17 games; fifth-ranked Oklahoma, under the 500 mark (1-2-1) for the first time since 1968; No. 12 Iowa State, bombed by San Diego State 29-31; No. 17 UCLA, which fell to previously winless Stanford 26-23, and No. 18 Ohio State, a loser for the second

week in a row, this time bowing to Wisconsin 24-21.  
As a result of the wild, woolly, wacky, weird weekend, there are some strange doings in the conference races. Would you believe Wisconsin and Washington State in the Rose Bowl?  
For the time being, at least, the Big Four in college football are Texas, Penn State Pitt and North Carolina. Fourth-ranked Pitt, playing without quarterback Dan Marino, blanked West Virginia 17-0, and No. 5 North Carolina, minus tailback Kelvin Bryant, thrashed Wake Forest 48-10.  
Rounding out the Top Ten, ninth-ranked Clemson beat Virginia 27-0. Meanwhile, No. 11 Georgia maulled Mississippi 37-7, No. 13 Missouri buried Kansas State 56-13, No. 14 Southern Methodist clipped Baylor 37-20, No. 19 Mississippi State downed Colorado State 37-27 and No. 20 Florida State turned back Notre Dame 19-13.  
The top teams just don't get respect any more.  
Arizona trailed Southern Cal 10-0 after one period, but the Wildcats

rallied on field goals of 27 and 45 yards by Britt Weber and a 13-yard touchdown pass from Tom Tunnicliffe to Vance Johnson.  
That was enough to offset Allen's 211-yard afternoon, extending his national record to five consecutive 200-yard games and giving him 1,136 for the season. The old five-game yardage mark was 1,090 by Charles White, Allen's predecessor as USC's tailback, who did it in 1979.  
But who are the top teams?  
Texas trailed Oklahoma 14-3 at half-time but the Longhorns rallied behind Rick McIvor's scoring passes of 36 yards to Maurice McCloskey and 4 to Lawrence Sampleton.  
With Marino sidelined with a sprained shoulder, Pitt didn't complete a pass. But the Panthers got touchdowns runs of 43 and 2 yards from Brian Thomas and the defense limited West Virginia to 138 yards in total offense.  
Tyronne Anthony made North Carolina fans forget that Bryant was injured. The sophomore rushed for 224 yards on 26 carries.

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