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Ticketless students get lucky

System kink allows non-ticket holders access to Saturday's game

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On Saturday afternoon, an Indian girl with black hair and dark eyes showed ticketing personnel an ID+ card — which pictured a Caucasian male with blond hair and blue eyes.

She walked into Beaver Stadium without a problem.

"They did a double-take but didn't seem to care," Payal Patel (sophomore-information sciences

and technology) said. "I think they were just checking to see if you had an ID — not if it was yours."

Patel wasn't the only student who got into Beaver Stadium without her own ticket Saturday — in fact, Associate Athletic Director Greg Myford said any student would have been able to pass through Gate A on Saturday, thanks to an unforeseen technological glitch.

All gates require tickets to be scanned to gain entry, and Beaver

Stadium's entire data-reading system was out of operation on Saturday, Myford said. All scanners were fixed 10 to 15 minutes before the gates were scheduled to open — except one.

That was Gate A, the student entrance.

The athletic department wanted to get students into the stadium as quickly as possible and resorted to swiping ID cards at the entrance to the stadium, where they received a paper ticket.

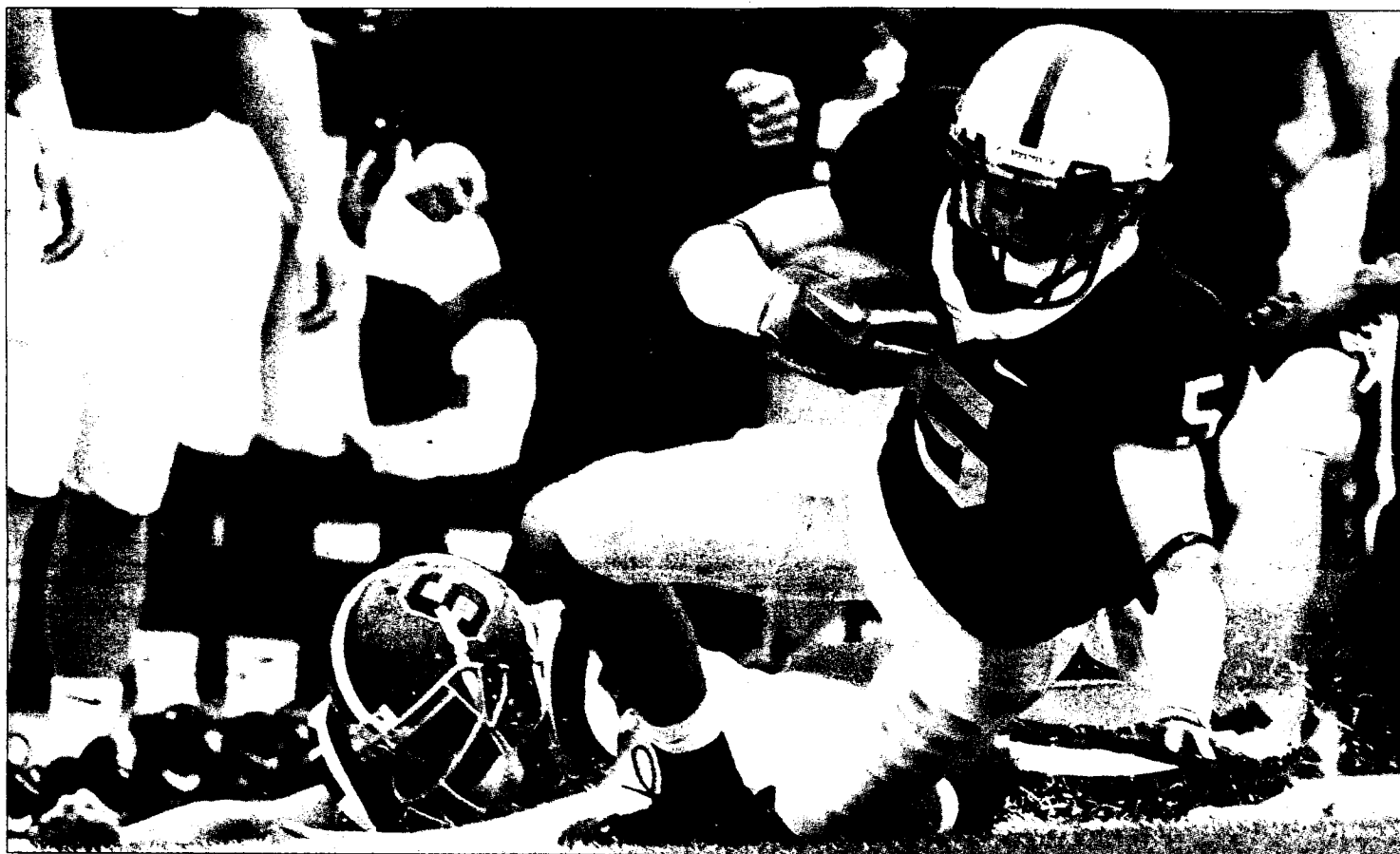
Myford said this action was taken not only to avoid confusion among students but also as a safeguard in case the scanners began to work again.

Myford said there is no problem with the new student system and that Saturday's problem stemmed from a general technology issue. Students can still manage their online ticket accounts and make transactions online, and the swipe system should be fully functional next weekend, he said.

"The biggest disappointment this week was to take a step back in week two," Myford said. "Fortunately, we have a string of home games to see these improvements in their entirety."

And though the practice of using another student's ID+ card is not new, Myford said there will be ramifications for offenders once the system is back in use. He said that if a student is caught using another student's ID+ card

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Penn State wide receiver Graham Zug (5) is tackled by a Syracuse player during Saturday's game. Penn State defeated Syracuse 28-7 during the matchup, which was the first time the teams met in Beaver Stadium since 1990.

Lions' running game flat in win

By Matt Fortuna

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The Penn State football team is now 2-0, but Joe Paterno remains unsatisfied after another win over another overmatched opponent.

"I think we've played well enough to win two games, that's all I know," the head coach said. "I think we have to get better. How much better? I don't know."

Such is the consensus surrounding the Nittany Lions after a

ho-hum 28-7 victory over visiting Syracuse (0-2) Saturday at Beaver Stadium.

The presence of Pro Football Hall of Famer Lenny Moore was not enough to bring this old rivalry back to its golden age.

Moore, who served as an honorary captain before Saturday's contest, took part in one of the greatest Penn State-Syracuse games ever in 1955. In that game, Moore was outruled by the Orange's Jim Brown, 159-146. But

his Lions came out with the 21-20 victory.

"Lenny Moore is probably the best player I've ever coached," said Paterno, who was an assistant with Penn State at the time.

Flash forward to Saturday. Paterno was still on the sidelines — this time as a head coach — but the Lions and the Orange combined for just 143 yards on the ground.

Evan Royster scored a touchdown on Penn State's first drive of

the game for the second week in a row, but the Lions' rushing attack again looked average.

Royster, the Big Ten's leading returning rusher heading into the season, carried the ball 12 times for 41 yards, though he had two catches for 61 yards and a touchdown.

But the Lions as a team managed just 78 yards on 35 carries —

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Police: Crime higher

Local police saw more incidents than is typical on a football weekend.

By Kevin Cirilli

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A Penn State student is in intensive care after being beaten by two unidentified men, a victim of one of the many incidents police encountered this weekend.

Police are looking for answers today after what State College Police Department Sgt. John Wilson called a "very, very busy" football weekend, including a separate incident in which a man told police he was threatened with a gun.

Police withheld the name of the injured male student, currently in intensive care at Mount Nittany Medical Center for a serious head injury. The student was taken to the hospital at about 2:45 a.m. Sunday, police said.

The student was intoxicated and "staggering" in the middle of the road along the 3500 block of South Atherton Street when two unidentified men got out of a silver sedan and began repeatedly punching him, Wilson said.

Less than two hours later, police responded to an unrelated incident involving terroristic threats and a gun.

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Jacquelyn Teoh/Collegian

A participant in the "Taxpayer March on Washington" rally holds a sign expressing her dislike of the Obama administration. People traveled from across the country to participate in the rally, including Penn State students.

D.C. draws thousands in protest of spending

By Jacquelyn Teoh

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Standing in the middle of Pennsylvania Avenue, an Obama-masked figure sporting a purple fur-trimmed bathrobe and a plastic golden crown chanted, "I am a liar! I am a liar!"

Around him, tens of thousands of protesters from all over the country — including some Penn State students — surged past in a

rally held at the nation's capital Saturday. The "Taxpayer March on Washington" aimed at voicing the disapproval some Americans have with the Obama administration.

"I'm going on this march to make a statement," Victor Schleich (freshman-broadcast journalism) said. "We want to show the left in the White House and the houses of Congress that they are trying to

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Mayor remembered fondly by close friends and family

By Katie Sullivan

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At his memorial service Sunday, friends, family and fellow State College residents all recalled a similar childhood image of late State College Mayor Bill Welch: in his boyhood hangout, Hoy Brothers General Merchandise, sipping on a cold Pepsi and shooting pinball with his posse of friends.

Welch's brother, Patrick Welch, of Hershey, Pa., said it was places like State College's Hoy Brothers that made his brother strive to make the town a "magical" place for all who passed through.

"Bill was always going back to find that magic that allowed him to look toward the future," Patrick Welch said. "He wanted his kids, his grandkids, everybody in State College to have that experience."

Welch was remembered amid moments of roaring laughter, thoughtful reflection and tearful realizations that the almost lifelong-State College resident would never again walk the streets of the town he loved so much.

More than 300 people gathered at the Penn State Hotel and Conference Center to celebrate the life of Welch, who died Sept. 4 after suffering complications from leg bypass surgery. Family, friends, co-workers and admirers shared stories, poems and songs that reflected aspects of the 67-year-old's life.

Welch's sister, the Rev. Elizabeth Parker, said Welch began to walk around downtown State College at a young age, soaking up bits of information and history that became his passion.

"He bonded with the community at a very young



Benedict A. Samuel/Collegian

Memorial service attendees watch a video tribute to the late State College Mayor Bill Welch. The video showed recorded comments from friends remembering him.

age because it met his needs: to love and be loved," Parker said.

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