

NORTH CAMBRIA SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Patton Panthers Lose 15-6 Decision Here to Homer City

60-Yard Forward Passes Set Up Scoring Stages

Coach Pat Marquette's Patton High School Panthers lost the opening game of the 1949 football season to an invading Homer City High School Eleven last Saturday afternoon on the Patton gridiron.

The visitors scored touchdowns in the first and second periods and a safety in the last minute of play to make the final score Homer City 15, Patton 6.

Both of the visitors TD's came as a result of forward passes which were good for 60 yards each. In the first quarter Patton fumbled on the Homer City 40 yard strip to set the stage for the first invader touchdown. Daurilio trailed in the first and again in the second frame. Smith kicked the extra point and at the end of the half the score was 13-0 in favor of Homer City.

Benscreek Tops Windber In Champ Playoff Series

Benscreek, the Cambria County Industrial Baseball champions of 1949 defeated Windber, Somerset County League winners, in the fifth and deciding game of the series by the score of 14-5, last Thursday, Sept. 8, on the Benscreek diamond.

Benscreek is now playing New Florence, the Conemaugh Valley League winners, in a three game series.

Spangler Raps Carrolltown, 7-0, in Opener Friday Night

Aschroft Pushes Over On Off-Tackle Play

A second-quarter fumble by Carrolltown on their own 20-yard line last Friday evening under the lights of the Carrolltown High School Stadium, set the stage for Spangler's only touchdown. A crowd of 4,000 spectators witnessed the game which was the opener for both teams.

The game was evenly matched throughout the evening but in the second-period the Mountaineers intercepted a Spangler pass on their own 20. On the next play Spangler fumbled the ball and Spangler recovered on the Carrolltown 25, setting up the stage for the only touchdown. Two fast gains put Spangler on the enemy six where Paul Aschroft ran off-tackle for six points. Aschroft also plunged through the line for the extra point.

Coach Mario (Huck) Cicero's Mountaineers gave Spangler a hard time in the third-quarter as the home team blocked an enemy punt on the Spangler 40. After two plays and two first-downs Carrolltown had advanced the ball to Spangler's 19 yard line, where

Gallitzin Clinches PNA Loop Crown

Gallitzin defeated Nanty Glo, 10-4, last Sunday to clinch the Cambria County PNA League title. It is the first time Gallitzin has won the championship since entering the circuit in 1933.

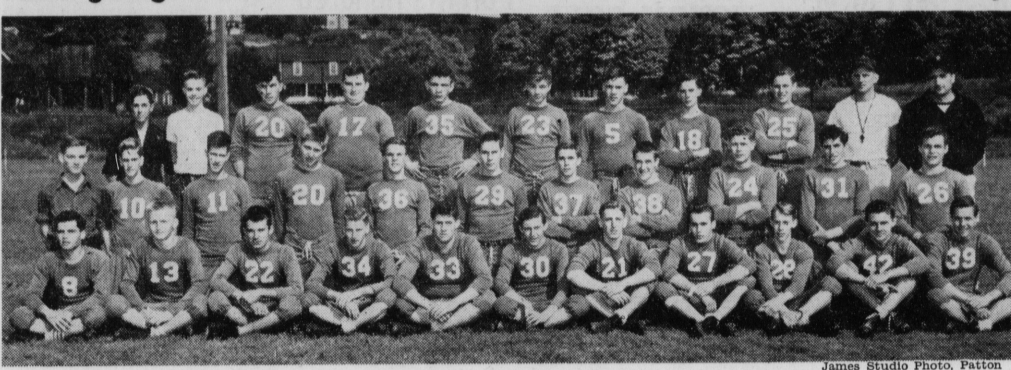
The title holders pushed over four runs in the first inning and never were behind. The winning run crossed the plate in the 2nd, when Gallitzin scored twice. The summary:

Gallitzin—W. Nigborowicz ss; J. Nigborowicz 1b; Bernuzzi 3b; Tedora 2b; Dolabo 1b; Maday cf; Boldizar rf; Bocci c; Schmitt p.

Nanty Glo—E. Struggala rf; J. Luber ss; Barocky cf; Mottin lf; Struggala 1b; Bernuzzi 3b; S. Lubert 2b; Molnar c; Bernicky p.

Final score: Gallitzin 10, Nanty Glo 4. 1949 PNA Loop 10-4.

Hastings High School Has One of Heaviest Teams in Northern Cambria County



Hastings High School's 1949 football team shows good promise this year, being one of the heaviest in the district. In its opener Saturday, HHS played to a 6-6 tie with the strong Lilly High squad. Coached by John Nevins (second from right in back row), the Hastings gridders will clash with Pine Twp. High School this Thursday evening at 8 p. m. on the modern, new Hastings Athletic Field.

Portage Joint High Routs Gallitzin, 33-7, Friday Night

Portage rammed over two TD's in the first period and then went on to rout Gallitzin, 33-7, last Friday evening in the 1949 football curtain raiser for both schools. The game was played on the Portage field.

Ken Sosong ran for three of the Portage TD's with Smalley accounting for another and Barno tallying the last six-pointers.

Sosong scored in the first and added two TD's in the second-period for Portage. Smalley and Barno of Portage scored six-pointers in the first and second respectively.

Gallitzin's lone touchdown came in the closing minutes of the tilt in McTavish's 16-yard dash. He also plunged for the extra point.

Portage held a small edge in

GRAYS TOP HASTINGS

The Homestead Grays defeated the Hastings All-stars by the score of 12-8 last Thursday evening in the Hastings Athletic Field. The Grays broke an 8-8 tie and capped the win with a 4-run rally in the final frame.

Official 1949 Referees' Grid Signals

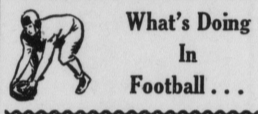


Only 5 New Football Rules Have Effect On '49 Games

Majority of 40 Changes Are Merely Rewordings

Effect—Makes it easier on officials, who no longer have the difficult decision to make as to who touched it last. Most of the time they could only guess at this point, especially in the case of pile-ups.

These are the only rules which particularly concern spectators, although there are some 40 different changes in the code. Many of these are just rewordings to make things simpler—we mean simpler for lawyers, for the rule book still reads like a supreme court decision.



What's Doing In Football...

Old—Subs could come in anytime.

New—Subs can enter the game only when the clock already is stopped, or when possession of the ball changes.

Effect—This will cut down on the annoying stream of subs entering the game after play. But it makes it easy to change full teams when the ball changes hands.

T-Formation Quarterbacks

Old—A player could stand one yard behind the line of scrimmage and still be considered a backfield man, eligible to catch a forward pass.

New—The player's head—not his feet—must be a yard behind the line of scrimmage when stamping out the possibility of a tall player being able to reach a yard forward to the center. Also, no man in a position to receive a hand-to-hand snap from the center can catch a forward pass.

Effect—This means no T-formation quarterback can catch a pass.

Intentionally Grounding Forward Pass

Old—Penalty of 15 yards from line of scrimmage.

New—Loss of down and five-yard penalty from spot of foul.

Effect—Eliminates the motive for a trapped passer to ground the ball instead of being tackled for a loss. If you're going to lose a down and the yardage anyway, why take a penalty along with it?

Ineligible Pass Receiver

Old—When a forward pass hit an ineligible receiver, the pass automatically was incomplete.

New—Pass is incomplete only if the ball hits the ground or goes out of bounds. If it hits an ineligible receiver and bounds loose, it's still a free ball.

Effect—Some wild scrambling you haven't seen before.

Free Ball Out of Bounds

Old—When a free ball went out of bounds, it belonged to the team which last touched it, as in basketball.

New—When a free ball goes out of bounds, it belongs to the team which last had possession.

2 Sensational Touchdowns Scored As Hastings, Lilly Play Deadlock

Willie Campagna of Lilly capped a 54-yard touchdown push in the final period with a one-yard plunge through center to give Lilly High School a 6-6 deadlock with Hastings High School last Saturday night on the Hastings field.

After a scoreless first half, the Hastings gridmen went ahead with a six-pointer in the third period. Paul Abel shot a 37-yard left tackle and raced 51 yards to paydirt. Paul Selestok hit the center of the line in the extra-point attempt but failed.

Lilly's line buck for the extra point for Lilly failed, thus holding the game at 6-6.

In the second chapter Lilly reached the Hastings 15 but was forced to relinquish the ball on downs.

The Lilly team held an 8-1 edge in first downs although the home force picked up 110 yards rushing to 87 for Lilly. The summary:

Lilly—6 Hastings—6
 LG—Adelsburg Ulrich
 LG—Nadolsky Hindmarch
 LG—Bachtel R. W. Wainwright
 RG—Hershel Nadis
 RB—Hershel Nadis
 QB—M. Biglin Ra. Wolanin
 RB—Biglin Ra. Wolanin
 RB—Campagna Weiskald
 FB—Inman A. Hoover
 Spangler—0
 Hastings: Lilly—Walters, Fort, Law, Hastings—Bednar, Bobal, Anna, Molino, Mancuso, Rogel, Mader, Campagna.
 Referee—Shaffer. Umpire—Visnovsky. Linesman—McCull.

Western Conference Grid Circuit Includes All North Cambria Teams

Western conference scholastic eleven operation, the circuit over the past week and for the 25th straight season.

Four loops are operating within the Western conference, the circuits being the Central Counties Conference (all class A schools), Mountain conference (all class A schools), Inter-County Conference (all class B schools) and the Moshannon Valley conference (class A and B schools).

The Western conference has 24 class A contenders and 20 class B competitors as follows:

Class A—Adams Township, Bedford, Bellefonte, Clearfield, Conemaugh, Curwensville, Mader, Moshannon, DuBois, East Conemaugh, Ebensburg, Hollidaysburg, Huntingdon, Indiana, Jersey Shore, Lewistown, Lock Haven, Mount Union, Philipsburg, Punxsutawney, Somerset, State College, Tyrone, Westmont and Windber.

Class B—Barnesboro, Beaverdale, Bellwood-Antis, Moshannon Joint, Carrolltown, Claysburg, Cresson, Gallitzin, Hastings, Lilly, Meyersdale, Nanty Glo, Ocochea, Patton, Portage Joint, Roaring Springs, Saxton-Liberty, Shade Township, Spangler and Williamsburg.

Tyrone is the defending Western conference Class A champ and Roaring Springs will be out to protect its 1948 B title.

Commission Hits Doe As Ruining Good Deer Hunting

The State Game Commission said last week doe deer "are slowly but surely" ruining the future of deer hunting in Pennsylvania.

A reduction in the "present excessive number of does is vital to the future of deer hunting in the commonwealth, the commission declared in its official publication, the Pennsylvania Game News.

The 1949 buck season opens on Nov. 28 and continues through to Dec. 9. The one-day doe season follows on Dec. 10.

Too many hunters, the commission asserted, believe that "killing a female whitetail is reputed to be the brand of a coward, the mark of a traitor to sportsmanship."

To the contrary, the commission said, this point of view has permitted the state's deer population to increase to 700,000 which is far too big to find adequate food.

It added that "Pennsylvania deer not only do not have enough to eat now but are literally ruining the food now being produced which might offer some relief in the future."

"The only feasible and sensible method of balancing our deer crop with the available food supply," the commission stressed, "is by harvesting a regular crop of antlerless animals."

It pointed out that because of the high birth rate of deer and "because a few bucks can serve many does, a reduction in the present excessive numbers of does will improve the future of deer hunting."

Westmont Raps Cresson High, 19-7, Under Arc Lights

Driving for two touchdowns in the final quarter, Westmont defeated Cresson, 19-7, last Friday evening under the lights on the Cresson gridiron.

After a scoreless first period the visitors staged a long drive which netted six points when the Hoefecker crossed to paydirt. T. C. Cush of Westmont booked the extra point.

CHS evened things up in the closing minutes of the third period when they recovered an enemy fumble on Westmont's 22. After Reghetti passed to McClure to the 10 yard stripe, Burley crossed to pay-dirt from the 3-yard line. Fontanella scored the extra point on an end run.

Westmont came back, however, as Hofman went off-tackle for a TD after a 60-yard drive. The second fourth-period Westmont score came as Hofman again hit the double-stripe capping a 60-yard drive.

Westmont held the advantage in first downs, 18-5. The summary:

Westmont—19 Cresson—7
 LG—Kahl McClure
 LG—Stagle Hogler
 LG—Walker Stanley
 RG—Blimmel Iltis
 RB—Berkebile Iltis
 RB—Berkebile Adams
 RB—Berkebile Adams
 RB—Cush Fontanella
 RB—Hofman Burley
 FB—Hoefcker Reghetti
 Westmont—0
 Cresson—0
 Substitutions: Westmont—Stinson, Johnson, Fontanella (run), Hayer, Cresson—Flahel, Wilk, Collan, Touchdowns—Hoefcker, Hofman 2, McClure.
 Points after touchdown—Cush (placement), Fontanella (run).
 Referee—Billetteur. Umpire—Solte. Linesman—J. Hartnet.

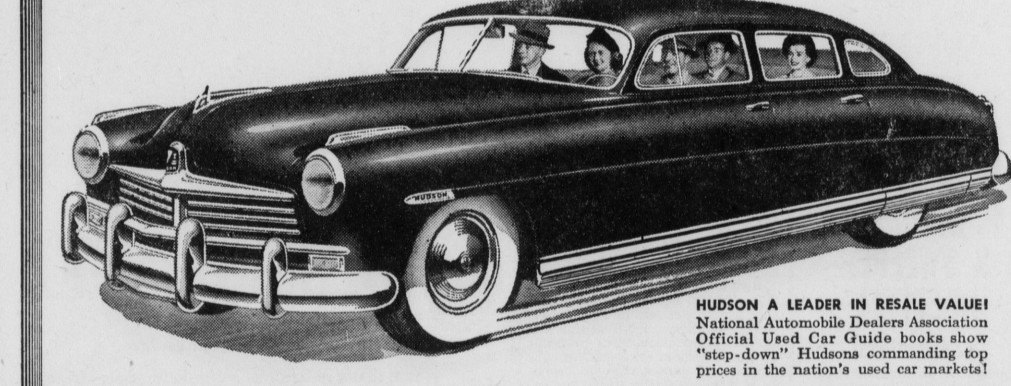
WINS JUNIOR LAURELS

Cincinnati won the national junior amateur baseball championship in Louisville, Ky., last Tuesday by shelling three Detroit pitchers for 16 hits and an 11-2 victory.

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