

# Mounts lose to Prep in sudden death



CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS—Members of the Dallas High School golf team who defeated Nanticoke Area golfers to take the Wyoming Valley Golf Conference title are first row, left to right, Jim McDonald, Jim Smith, Jeff Balmer; second row, Cameron Spivey, Caleb Greissman and Mark Hughes. Charles Preece is golf coach. (Photo by Mark Moran)

Dallas High School golfers downed Nanticoke Area 14-7 last Friday to take the Wyoming Valley Golf Conference title, then advanced to meet Scranton Prep for the district title on Saturday. The Dallas golfers met the Scranton school at the Wilkes-Barre Golf Club where they played to a 9-9 tie in 18-holes of match play. Because of the tie the teams went into sudden death play. Before starting play, it was agreed that in the event of a tie the teams would go to the No. One hole and at the completion of that hole, the scores of each team would be added. The team with the lowest total would be declared district champ. The tie did occur so both

teams played the No. One hole. When the scores were totaled, Dallas came up with 29; Scranton Prep had 28. Thus, the Scranton school was declared district champ and will advance to the next match. Coach Charles Preece said that he was extremely proud of his team. "They're a great bunch of boys," said Preece. "It was a pleasure to coach them. They turned in a fantastic performance this year." After losing to Nanticoke earlier in the league play, Dallas played the Trojans for the league title on Thursday. It was freshman Cameron Spivey who sank the 25-foot putt on the 18th

hole at the Wilkes-Barre course to give the team its 10½-10½ tie with Nanticoke. Because of the tie, the two teams met again on Friday to determine the league champ and the right to play Scranton Prep. In Friday's match, Jim McDonald of Dallas was medalist with 78. Other winning Mounts were Jim Smith 80; Jeff Balmer 81; Cameron Spivey 83; and

Mark Hughes 85. In Saturday's 9-9 tie with Scranton Prep, McDonald had 3-3, as did Junior Mark Hughes. Spivey had 2-3 and Greissman and Smith each had half point. Hughes has played superlative golf losing only one point out of nine, according to Preece. "Our boys did a fantastic job," said Preece. "Prep had five seniors

and one junior while we had two seniors, three juniors and one freshman. Preece also said that he did not know where McDonald ended in the state competition, but expected to be notified soon. "He had a bad start," said Preece, "the first day he shot an 88 but he came back the second day with an 81. I expect that he will end up in the top 50

# 'It's difficult to analyze' says Rybak

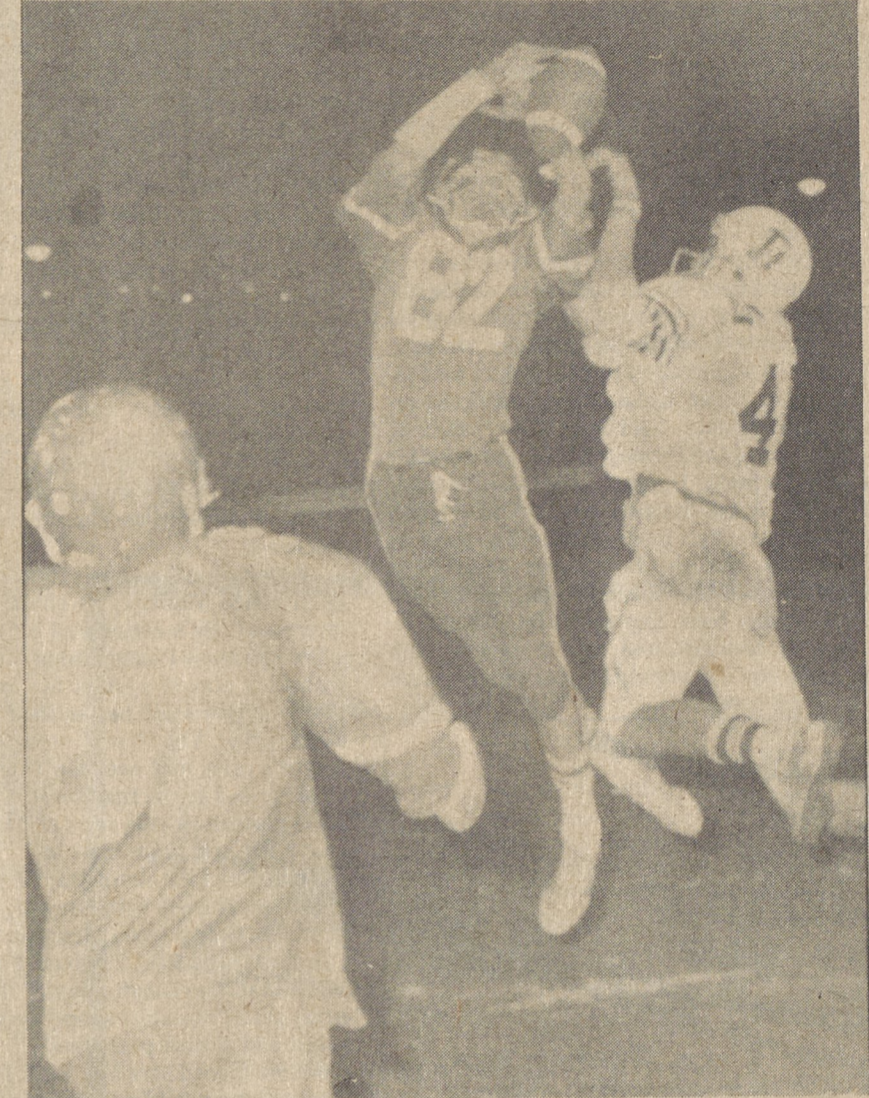
"It's difficult to analyze a game when you're hammered," said Dallas Coach Ron Rybak commenting on his Mountaineers' 39-0 defeat by Pittston Area. "The kids gave the Patriots a touchdown and a field goal on fumbles. Then they straightened up and played good defense. They recovered a fumble and drove to Pittston's three-yard line. "I thought they had recovered—then they made a critical error on the three-yard line and after that they seemed to have a mental and physical breakdown. "Our quarterback was hitting the receivers right on target but the receivers were dropping the ball from their hands. "Again I think it's their

inexperience—I'm playing a lot of sophomores. It's tough for them to get everything at once. I'm playing a lot of kids, however, and they are getting a lot of experience for next year. "Dave Williams, Norm Bordley and Kurt Goeringer are seeing a lot of action. They and a lot of others will be ready next year. "Mike Getz played another fantastic game. I feel sorry for him—he's completely overlooked. In a winning season, he would be noticed." The first points on the scoreboard for Pittston when Bob Bianco kicked a 35-yard field goal with 9:41 minutes left in the first quarter. The Mountaineers received the kickoff but

for the second time fumbled the ball, this time at their own 41. The Patriots recovered. Pittston's Tony Burns hit Jeff Singer who crossed the goal line for six points. Bianco kicked the extra point to give his team a 10-0 lead. With the score 10-0 at the half, the Mountaineers came out for the third quarter and kicked off to Pittston. The Patriots fumbled and Dallas recovered on the Pittston 24-yard line. Bordley carried the ball on four plays to the three-yard line. A broken play and a fumble cost the Dallas gridders their chance to score. Pittston's Steve Hannon picked up the ball and ran it to the Dallas 12-yard line before Bordley took

him down. Pittston scored its second touchdown when Burns hit Michalek from 12 yards out for the touchdown with 3:15 remaining in the third quarter. The kick for extra point was good and the Patriots led 17-0. Following a successful onside kick, Burns threw another touchdown pass to Joe O'Boyle. Bianco's kick was good and the score moved to 24-0. With only 9:04 remaining in the final quarter Mike Sobeski went over from the Dallas five-yard line for another Patriot score and Bianco kicked the PAT. Pittston's final score of the game came when reserve quarterback Bob Bucci hit Joe O'Boyle with a 38-yard TD pass with

1:34 left in the game. A two-point pass from Burns to O'Boyle gave the Patriots their 39-0 win. "This Saturday's game with Bishop Hoban?" said Rybak. "At the beginning of the season, Hoban was expected to do great things. They seem to have run into some of the same problems we've had. "They're a good team. Their quarterback Slavoski played a great game against O'Reilly. "Our defense has been doing some good playing all season. I hope they continue this Saturday. I hope our offense gets moving and our ends start catching the ball. That's what we need. "But the kids will be in there trying. They are a great bunch—they don't give up."



JUMP BALL—Dallas' John Shaffer (45) and Pittston's Joe Brannan (82) look like they're playing a different game here as they contend for the ball with the Patriots in possession. The visitors' Rich Scarantino looks on. (Photo by Sam Salinsky)

# 'Game closer than score indicates'

"The kids played well considering we were up against one of the strongest teams in the state," said Lake-Lehman Coach Tom Hisiro referring to his Knights' 33-0 defeat by the Coughlin Crusaders. "They didn't let down and the game was closer than the score indicates. If you take away the touchdown in the closing seconds of the first quarter and the score in the final quarter with less than 20 seconds to go, it's a 19-0 ball game. "Junior Tony Langston at defense turned in a strong performance. He was in on 12 tackles at the defensive end position. "Our offense had a total of more than 200 yards which is good against a team like Coughlin. "We had opportunities but failed to use them to our advantage. We gave

them the big plays. "We were at the two-yard line once but couldn't push it across. Michaels did a good job at passing and Wayne DeCesaris had a good day. Decesaris and Dan Haeefele each picked off one of Sallitt's passes. "But we played against their first team all the way. It's frustrating when you're playing catch up football. You're forced to do things you wouldn't do ordinarily. That's what "Initially our kids came out strong but they (Coughlin) are the best team in the conference. They are an awesome football team. I have a great deal of respect for them before, during and after," said Hisiro. "It was Dave Shimshock as usual, who led Coughlin a step closer to the league title last Friday night at the Plains stadium.

Shimshock got fantastic blocking from his backs and collected about 250 yards in 26 carries. He had four touchdowns for the night—a 76-yard run, an eight, six and one yard run. Lake-Lehman threatened early in the first quarter when Haeefele intercepted Coughlin's Sam Sallitt's pass and took it to the Crusaders 38-yard line. Michaels passed to Bernie Hrabowski on a fourth and three for a first down on the Crusaders 24 yard line. The Knights were stopped on the Coughlin 18-yard line when Michaels failed to hit Haeefele on a fourth down and three. "It was Coughlin's turn then when Shimshock went around the right side for his 79-yard touchdown. T. J. Jasonis kicked the

extra point for his 32nd of the year. Early in the second quarter Shimshock scored again and Jasonis kicked his 33rd extra point. With the score 14-0, the Knights were on the Crusaders 20-yard line but their hopes were dashed when Coughlin's Dave Evans intercepted Michaels pass. With one minute remaining in the half Sallitt threw a 25-yard pass to John Dragon for the Crusaders third touchdown of the game. Jasonis kicked the extra point but the ball was called back because of illegal procedure. Jasonis' second attempt went wide ending his scoring streak. The Crusaders got their fourth TD of the night when Shimshock went over from the one-yard line with only 11 seconds

left in the third quarter. Shimshock picked up his fourth TD with an eight-yard run up the center with only 51 seconds left in the game. Final touchdown for the Crusaders was late in the final quarter when Sallitt hit Ron Savage with a 42-yard pass. "We play Pittston this Saturday at home," said Hisiro. "It's a crucial game. We're 500 now, if we beat Pittston it will be the best record in recent Lake-Lehman history. I hope our boys pick themselves up for this one. "Pittston is a small, aggressive, fast team. They are a bunch of fine athletes and they are well coached. They're one of the fastest teams in the conference. "We have to re-group and prepare for Saturday—it's a key game for us."



STICKY SITUATION—Coach Tom Hisiro of Lake-Lehman sprays some stickum on the hands of running back Mike Leskowsky during the Coughlin game. (Photo by Mark Moran)

# CM Men's basketball team to open

Penn State at Wilkes-Barre will be the first opponent for College Misericordia's new men's basketball team, according to an announcement by Coach John Szela. The local match will be held at Misericordia at 9 p.m. on Dec. 3 and will be the first game in an 18-game schedule set-up by Szela for this year. The game will be part of a

double header at the college, with the women's team also opening its season that evening with a game against Lackawanna Junior College at 7. Most of Misericordia's men's games this year will be against two-year institutions, but Szela has scheduled Alvernia and Cabrini colleges of New York, both four-year institutions similar to

Misericordia. Other opponents in the first year lineup are Williamsport Area Community College, Lackawanna Junior College, Penn State University at Hazleton, Somerset Community College, Northampton County Community College, and the Red Rock Center. The Highlanders will also play in the High Acres Holiday Classic in

Hazleton on Dec. 19 and 20. Coach Szela says he has "high hopes" for his team this first season and sees them as "developing well" in practice. "We want to establish Misericordia as a serious contender in the area," he said, "capable of meeting other teams with more experienced ballplayers and giving them a good game."

No story is the same to us after a lapse of time; or rather we who read it are no longer the same interpreters. —George Eliot.

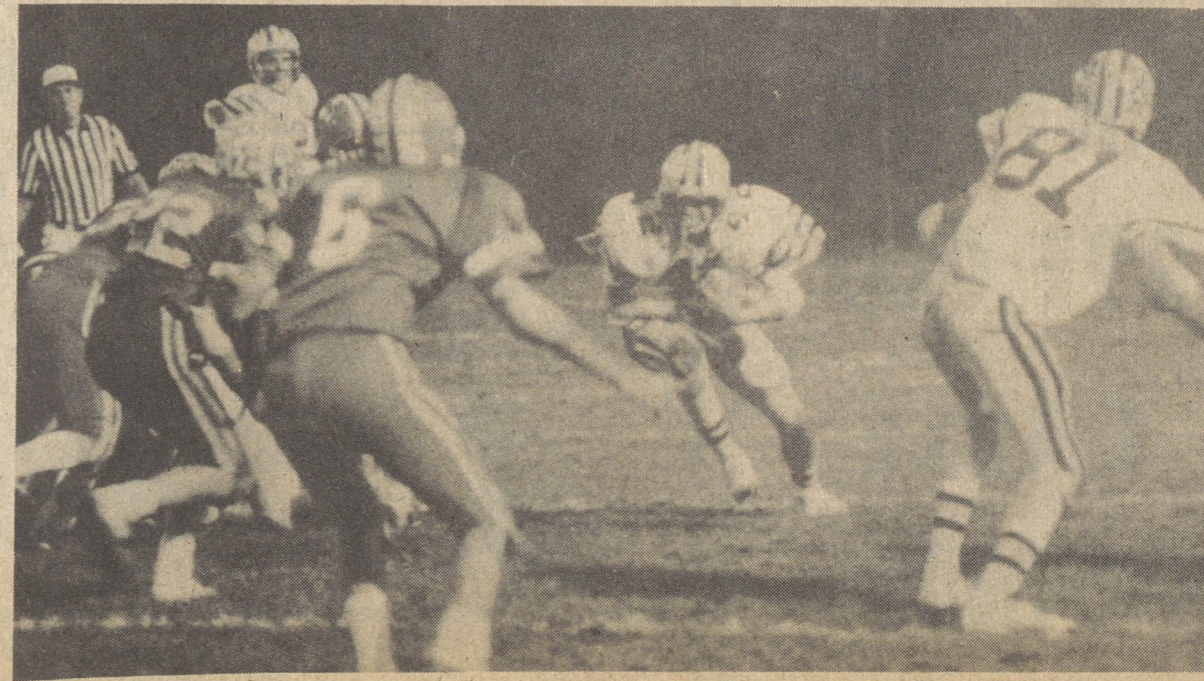
# Bobcats B team wins final game

It was a perfect day for football on Sunday and the Kingston Township Bobcats "B" team took advantage of the conditions and beat Newport 10-0 in Dallas. The only touchdown of the game was on a pass from Brian Maseychik to

Tim Moyer. The conversion was added on a run by Billy Mathers. The only other scoring of the game was a safety as Bobcats Louie Kaskey and Matt Andrasko sacked the Newport quarterback in his own end zone. Special thanks go out to

This was the final league game for the Bobcats and leaves them with a 3-2-1 record. It's been a good year, and the Bobcats express their appreciation to all who supported them throughout the year. cheerleaders for their hard work and loyalty throughout the year: Jennifer Parduski, Carey Ann Barto, Lisa Williams, Lisa Chaney, Kim Andrews, Pam Ash, Erin Friar, Michele Kriner, Tracy Karuza, Melody Coscia and coach.

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HURLEY FOR FIVE—Jim Hurley crashes through the quarterback Jim Michaels in the background keeps a sharp eye out for what develops. (Photo by Mark Moran)