

Post Sports

Patriots win 36-6

'They outplayed us all the way'

Pittston Patriots easily handled the Lake-Lehman Knights last Saturday afternoon at the Back Mountain field to take a 36-6 win.

"What can you say about a game when the score is so one-sided?" said Knights Coach Tom Hisiro.

"We're disappointed—it's a big loss midway into the season. Pittston is a fine team—but our kids played a very poor game. Our offense did no running or passing and our defense was not aggressive.

"We could not contain their speed—it was just a very poor team performance.

"There is very little to say about stats—Mike Leskowsky was our lead on offense and our lead tackle. He had 48 yards total in rushing and pass receptions.

"Our quarterback was sacked several times and we didn't have many carries—16 carries and we threw the ball 26 times.

"Playing catchup football is tough, it pulls us out of our game pattern. We had to go to the air and you can't throw the ball that many times.

"The Patriots are healthy and a good combination. They are a fine team and played a good game. They out-

played us all the way.

"Now we have to put it behind us and get ready for another tough one this weekend against GAR."

The Knights only score was by Don Benza in the fourth quarter when he went over from the three yard line. His score came after Lake-Lehman recovered a fumble on the Patriots 27 yard line.

Mike Sobeski scored the first Pittston touchdown in the first period when he went into the end zone from the one yard line and Al Michalec scored the second one on a 47 yard run to put the Patriots in front 12-0.

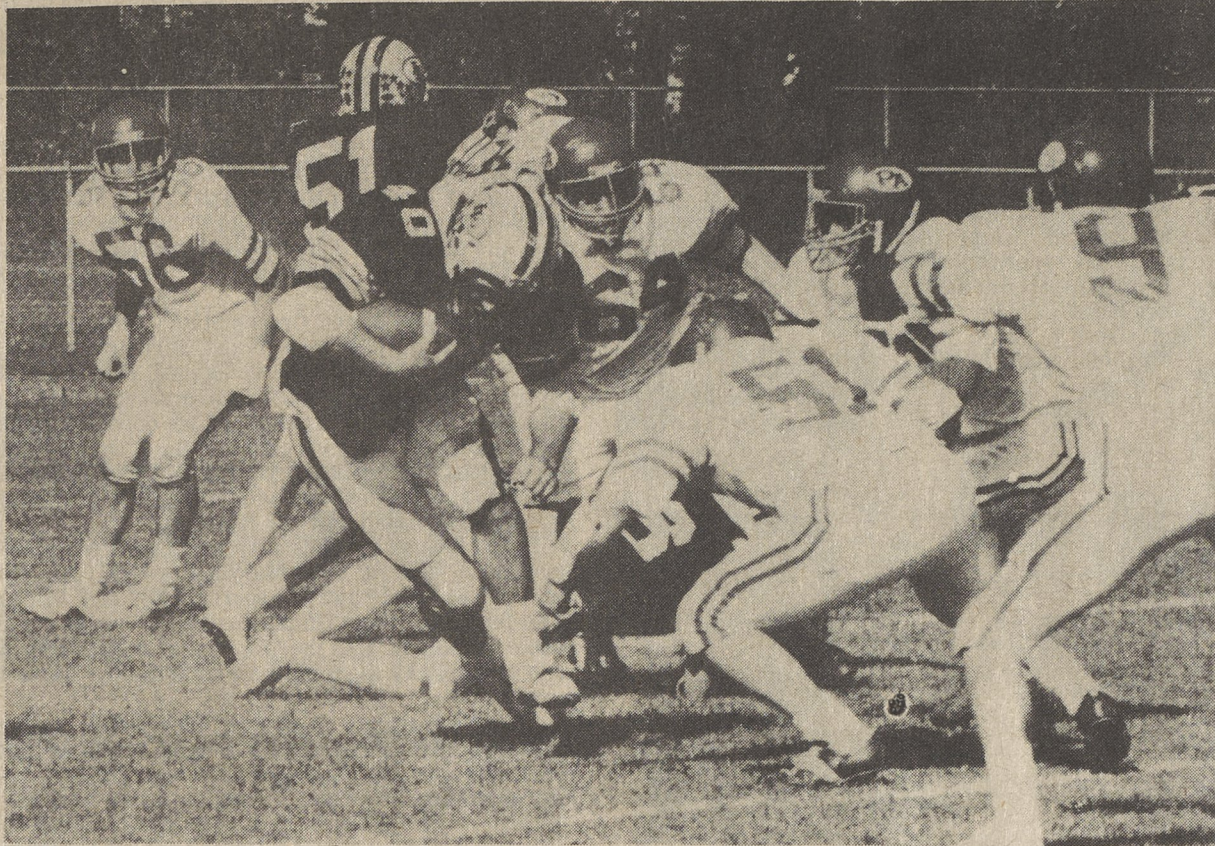
Before the half ended Sobeski scored a second

touchdown from the two yard line and Bob Bianco kicked the extra point, to give the Patriots a 21-0 lead at half time.

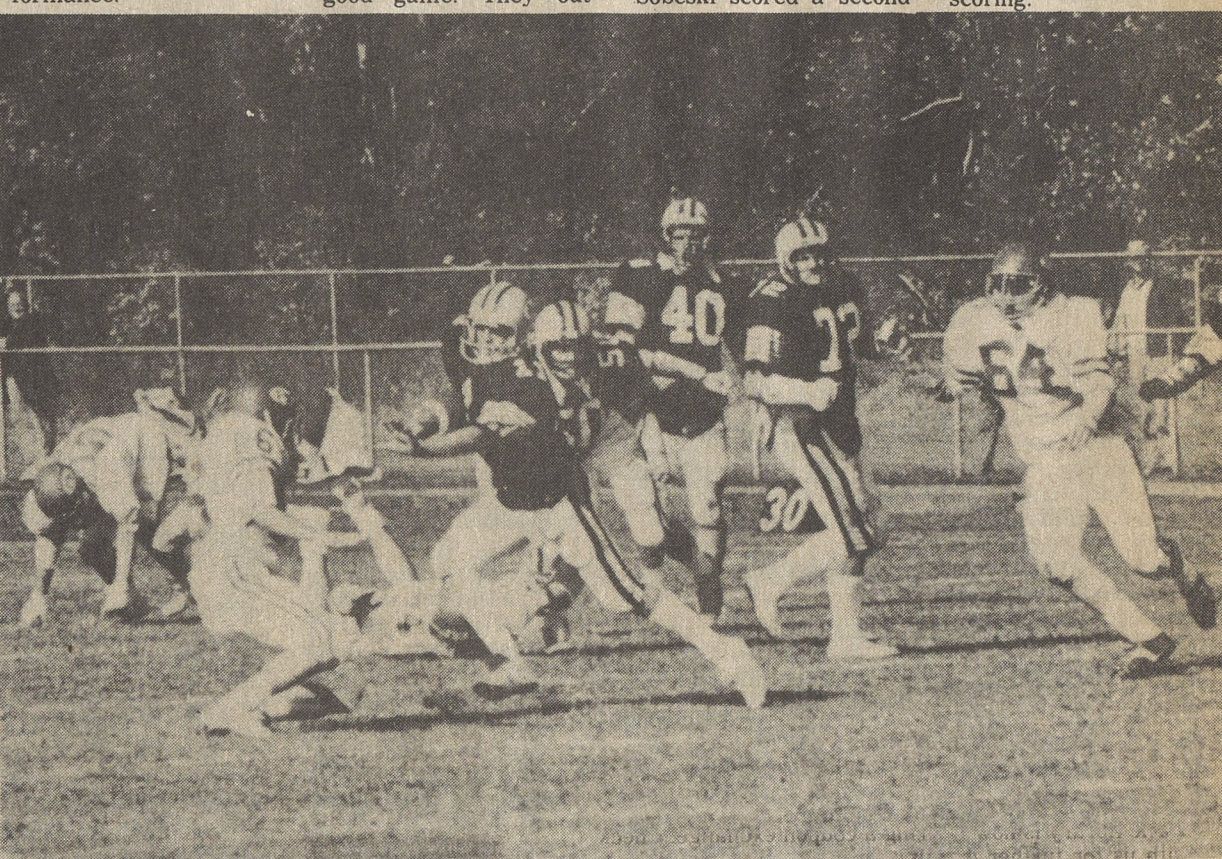
Joe Brannon added another Pittston touchdown in the third period when he connected with Carl DeLuca's 50 yard pass. Bianco kicked the extra point.

Benza's touchdown put the score at 26-6 but the Knight's try for two points failed.

The Patriots added 10 points in the fourth period on Bianco's field goal and Sobeski's third touchdown. Bianco kicked the extra point to finish the scoring.



GRINDING OUT YARDS—Knight Mike Leskowsky (40) puts his head down and bulls for a few yards for Lake-Lehman during their game with Pittston last Saturday. (Photo by Mark Moran)



KNIGHTS GAIN—Lake-Lehman Quarterback Don Benza (11) puts a forearm on a Pittston defender as he rushes forward to pick up yardage in first half action in the Saturday contest while Jeff Drugotch (50) falls back after opening the way. Mike Leskowsky (40) and Todd McCarroll (72) are in the background. (Photo by Mark Moran)

Mounds lose 34-12

'Fumbles and inexperience hurt us'

Mountaineer Ron Kelley's value on offense was evident Friday night when the Dallas squad went against Nanticoke and came out on short end of the 34-12 score.

"We knew with Kelley out of the lineup due to injuries, we would have problems," said Dallas Coach Ron Rybak, "but going into the game we thought the boys would do better than they did.

"Kelley is our key man on offense and defense and with him out of the game, we had to play our sophomores and we just couldn't move. They are good athletes but they lack experience and they're not ready to go all the way.

"We started the game with four inexperienced sophomores. Depth is a problem—when someone is hurt we have to go with our younger kids.

"fumbles hurt us

throughout the game. We gave up the ball too many times."

The Trojans tailback Joe Baker scored three times in the first half his first score in the opening of the game when he went down the side for a touchdown. Greg Golanoski kicked the extra point.

Baker scored again in the first quarter when he took a pass from Jeff Distasio and went to the 17 yard line before Mount Steve Federici brought him down. Two plays later Baker went over from the 15 yard line for his second touchdown. Golanoski again kicked the extra point.

The Mountaineers put the score at 14-6 when Kurt Goeringer went over for a touchdown. The score was set up when the Trojans were called for pass interference deep in Nanticoke territory.

Goeringer went over from the 15 yrd line on a keeper but the Dallas attempt for extra points failed.

Fumbles plagued the Mountaineers in the second quarter giving the Trojans complete control of entire period.

Baker went in for his third score from the three yard line after his teammate Mike Rokosz recovered a Dallas fumble on the three yard line.

The Mountaineers continued to fumble and Nanticoke picked up its fourth score when Mark Michno recovered a fumble on the Dallas nine yard line and on the next play Ron Cheponis took it in for a touchdown. Golanoski kicked his fourth extra point of the contest.

Golanoski spoiled Dallas' attempt at a passing game in the

second half by staying with the Mountaineer quarterback.

Goeringer picked up his second score of the game in the third quarter when he went around right end and scored from the 27 yard line on a fourth and one situation.

Kevin Korch scored the final Trojan touchdown when he fell on the ball in the Mountaineer end zone after Gwinski blocked a Dallas punt.

The Mountaineers host Pittston Saturday afternoon with game time at 2 p.m.

"We have to wait and see what happens. One of our problems will be numbers," said Rybak. "Pittston suits about 60 men, we suit about 38 and at the present time we have eight men out with injuries. We will have to see who is in good shape and work from there."

Bobcats sweep Northwest Eagles

Kingston Twp. Bobcats journeyed to Shickshinny on Sunday to play Northwest Eagles and came home with three wins 8-0, 14-0, and 12-6. Bobcats "C" team had a defensive struggle with Eagles in their 8-0 win. Bobcats younger and first year players keep getting better each week with their blocking and tackling. Bobcats score came on an end sweep by quarterback Steven Shotwell. Extra points were scored by Shotwell on a quarterback sneak. Also running for good yardage during game was John Hutchins. Bobcats defensive standouts were Ricky Davenport, Steve Mathers, Billy Schmiddle and Todd Lenahan.

Bobcats "B" team upped its record to 5-1 in downing the Eagles 14-0. Defensive safety Chris

Nulton got Bobcats on scoreboard during Eagles first possession when he intercepted an Eagles pass and ran it 26 yards for a score. Try for extra points failed.

Bobcats scored on their second series on a beautiful 53 yard pass play from quarterback Marty Kriner to Billy Mathers only to be called back for a holding penalty. Bobcats hit the end zone again just before the end of first half on another pass play from Kriner to Mathers. Mathers took a pass on the 15 yard line and with some beautiful cuts and running crossed into the end zone. Extra points were scored by Bryan Maseychik on a pass from Kriner. The half ended 14-0 Bobcats.

Bobcats second string offensive and defensive

backs took over in the second half with a score of 14-0. Although not putting any points on the scoreboard they moved the ball and the defense played its tremendous and steady game. Game ended 14-0 Bobcats.

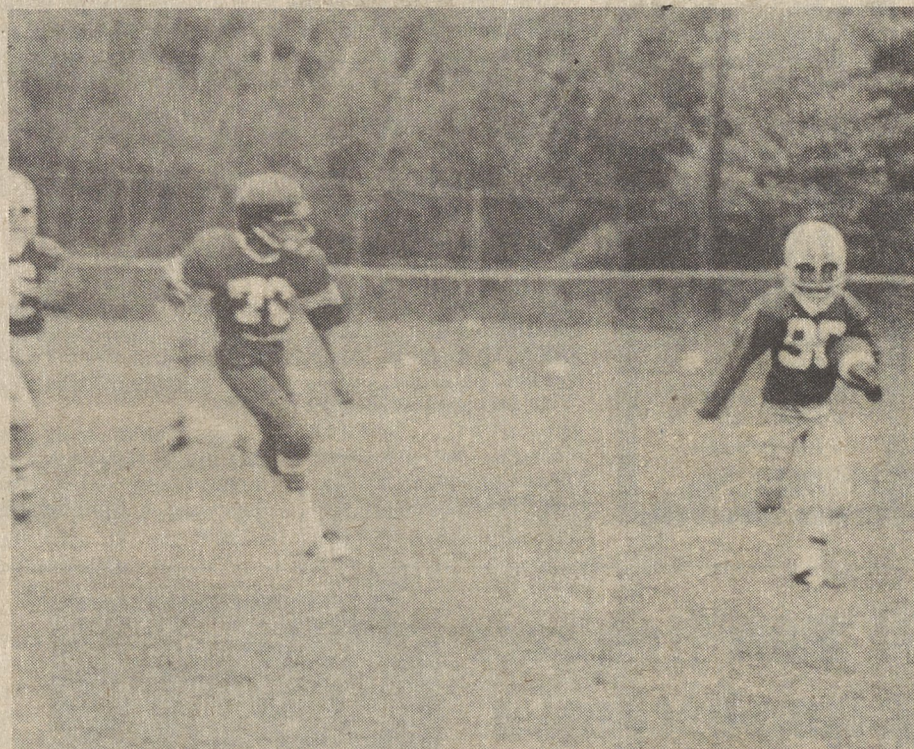
Bobcats scratch and claw "A" team put another win in their column with tremendous defense and fine blocking and running on offense.

Eagles scored first on a 40 yard pass to Mike Walsh. Try for extra points failed. Bobcats defense was tested severely the whole first half when the offense kept turning the ball over to the Eagles deep in their own territory time after time, but each time the Bobcats defense stopped the Eagles cold and the half ended 6-0 Eagles. Bobcats defense picked

up where they left off and stopped the Eagles cold entire second half with great defensive effort. Offense finally settled down and started moving the ball behind the running of Darin Breining, Jeff Brin, and Pat McDermott. Jeff took it in for a score with the extra points failing, making the score 6-6.

Bobcats got the winning touchdown with 35 seconds left on clock when Darin Breining bulled his way into the end zone for the score.

Try for extra points failed. Score was 12-6 Bobcats. Eagles tried four straight passes but were denied by Bobcats defense and tremendous pressure on quarterback from nose guard Gary Vincelli, who spent much of day in the Eagle backfield. Bobcats ran out the clock and got the win 12-6.



PUNT RETURN—Dallas Cowboy B team player Eric Olsen (96) returns a punt in Sunday's game to give his team long yardage in the second quarter of the game Sunday afternoon. Mike Kroprowski (36) runs to aid. (Photo by Sharon Wall)

Grid Bits

Three Bobcats teams played excellent defense...defensive teams were constantly in Northwest backfield...Interior line of Billy Schmiddle, Dan Luke and Rick Davenport awesome in "C" game...John Hutchins has good running game... "B" team Steven Shotwell recovers fumble...Chris Nulton intercepts pass for 26 yard score... "B" team passing attack vastly improved...Marty Kriner has superb day capped with 15 yard TD pass...53 yard Bobcats touchdown pass nullified by penalty...Darin Breining once again offensive workhorse for "A" team...Gary Vincelli has outstanding defensive game...Three "B" players, Paul Feeney, Bill Mathers and Bryan Maseychik, moved up for "A" game recover fumbles.

Cowboys A team outplays Northeast

A football spectacular was created by the Dallas Cowboys "A" team against the Northeast Crusaders Sunday at the Dallas field.

The excellent playing by the offensive team led by quarterbacks Ken Thompson and Keith Hillard brought a Dallas victory by a score of 36-8.

It was a running and passing game for Dallas with touchdowns made by James Patts, Steve Brace, Mark McLaughlin and Stan Kroprowski. Extra points were made by Ken Thompson and Keith Hillard.

The devastating power of the Dallas Cowboys defensive team kept the Crusaders to one touchdown, and two extra points.

The offensive and defensive lines of the Cowboys made it all possible for the fine game that was played by the Dallas Cowboys.

The fine playing of Mark Coolbaugh, Chris Dreher, John Harris, Rich Holthaus, Mike Janosik, Bob O'Donnell, Jeff Olsen, Jamie Opalicki, Joe Patts, Jim Aikman, Matt Pretko, Dave Roberts, Mark Rogers,

Steve Wilson, and Charlie Young showed great offensive and defensive playing by the Cowboys.

Thanks must be given to a beautiful squad of cheerleaders who cheered the boys to victory.

From the opening kickoff to the very last play of the game, the Dallas Cowboys "B" team fought the unbeaten Northeast Crusaders only to be defeated by the more powerful team.

The aggressiveness of the offense and the holding power of the powerful Dallas defense held the Crusaders to a

two touchdown game, leaving the score 12-0.

Although the Cowboys went down to the Crusaders, the team played a fine game for the large crowd in attendance.

Luncheon guests

Mr. and Mrs. James Turner, Sherman Oaks, Calif., were recent guests at a luncheon given by Mr. and Mrs. Abram Nesbitt, II, of Lake Catalpa, Dallas.

Ride-a-thon proves successful

Borrowdale Acres Exceptional Riders' Club recently held its first major fundraising project. The event was the Handicapper Horsepower Ride-a-thon and Raffle.

Robby Ceselsky brought in the most sponsor money. Sherry Pudim sold the most raffle tickets. Kathy Reinhart and Andrea

Lanning, both members of the Showin' Blue 4-H Club, completed the 15-mile trail ride in the shortest time.

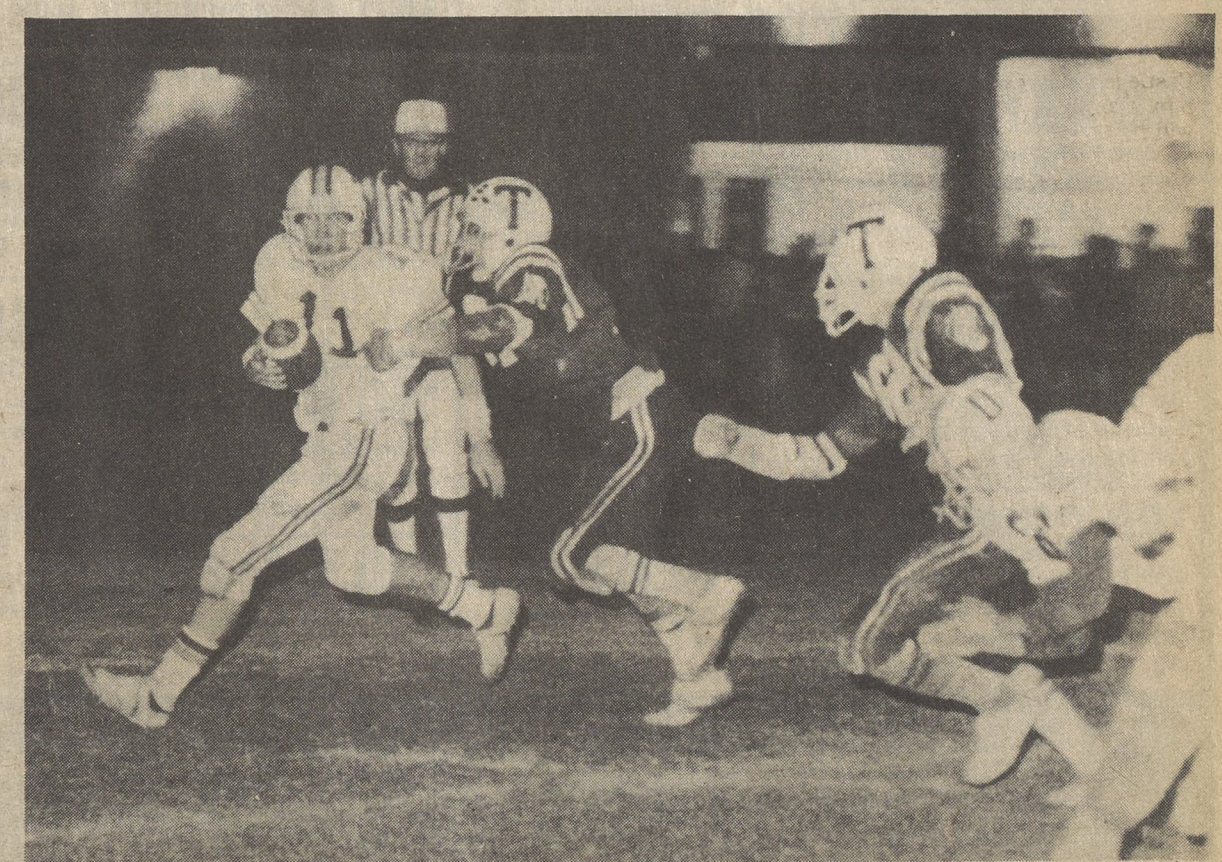
The Showin' Blue 4-H Club won a trophy for being the largest participating group. Jill and Tammy Archavage were awarded T-shirts for being the most faithful volunteers.

The \$100 first prize was won by Bill Youngblood, Shavertown. The winning ticket was sold by Terry Brown.

The \$50 second prize was awarded to Judy Masaites and was purchased from Janie Cocco. Winning the \$25 third prize was Joann Litwak, who bought her ticket from Sherry Pudim. The \$25 fourth

prize was won by Michel Sabadish and that ticket was sold by Joe Kaminsky.

After the ride, everyone stayed for a weiner roast. Other participants in the Ride-a-thon included Stephen Fronzcek, John Paul Bielecki, and David Galli. All participants received a Handicapper Horsepower T-shirt.



QUARTERBACK KEEPER—Dave Oster (11) Dallas quarterback, looks for running room downfield as he tries to break away from a Trojan defender. (Photo by Mark Moran)