

# Post Sports

## Dallas cagers win first

Dallas Mountaineers defeated the Montrose Meteors 79-69, on their home court, Tuesday, Dec. 9, to win their first game of the exhibition season.

Jim Thomas paced the Mountaineers with 28 points while Brian Muldoon, according to

Dallas Coach Clint Brobst, played a great floor game. Paul Darling connected for 14 points from the court and hit five for 10 from the foul line.

"The boys played a controlled game against a big and good team," said Brobst. "Instead of for-

cing the ball up and down the court, and throwing up poor shots as they did in previous games, they worked the ball around and came up with only 16 turnovers. They shot 55 percent from the field.

"It was a great improvement over past games where the boys turned over the ball 25 or 30 times and shot around 27 percent in the previous five games."

Brobst said his team still needs more self-discipline and patience on the court and when this comes, the Dallas coach believes his boys shooting will start to fall in place.

"It was good to play at home after five games on the road," said Brobst. "Usually we have better games in our own gym just as most teams do."

The Mountaineers trailed only once in the game. That was at the end of the first period when the Meteors were in front 13-12. In the second period, Dallas scored 21 points to the Meteors 15 to take a 34-27 lead at half time. Dallas scored 46 points in the second half while Montrose hit for 41.

"Montrose was very physical," said Brobst. "They committed 45 fouls but our boys hit on only 25 of these. The Meteors dumped in 21 for going out of the charity stripe."

## Mounds lose to Trojans

The Nanticoke Trojans jumped out to an early lead in their game with the Dallas Mountaineers, Friday night, at the Back Mountain gym and stayed in front by five or six points most of the game as they went on to win 67-51.

"Our boys started with cold shooting hands," said Dallas Coach Clint Brobst, "and turned over the ball several times. They fell behind 18-8 at the end of the first quarter."

"We outscored the Trojans 14-12 in the second period but they were in front, 30-22, at the end of the half."

In the second half the young Mountaineers came out and began to run an offense which provided a better shooting selection. They closed the gap to within four points, 55-51, with 2:30 remaining on the clock.

The Mountaineers were unable to score from that point while the Trojans added 11 points to their total, most of them from the foul line. The excessive fouling by Dallas sent the Trojans to the charity stripe 23 times in the final period while the Mountaineers went to the

line only three times.

"Our shooting was poor," said Brobst. "The boys shot only 37 percent with 20 turnovers. They are still taking too many bad shots and they are having several mental lapses in the exhibition games."

"We can't do these things against teams of the caliber we are playing. However, the boys are not quitting and are showing a lot of character by fighting right to the end."

"Several coaches have commented on the more aggressive play of some team members this year. If we learn through the mistakes we are making in these exhibition contests and begin to put a decent percentage on the board I believe we will be okay."

Jim Thomas was high for Dallas with 24 points, collecting 22 points from the court and hitting 2-for-2 from the free line. Paul Darling added 14, 12 from the court and 2-for-2 from the foul line.

Dave Piavis hit 20 points for the Trojans, 14 of them in the final quarter. Ken Bartuska added 16.

## Knights hand Tigers 43-36 loss

The Lake-Lehman Knights downed Tunkhannock 43-36, Thursday night, at the Lehman gym to hand the Tigers their first loss of the season.

Tunkhannock outscored the Knights 17 to 15 field goals but the Knights made 15 of 19 fouls while the Tigers hit on only two of seven free throws.

Mike DeCesaris paced the Knights with 14 points and John Wendel added 12.

"Penkrot played great defense and was excellent on rebounds even though he had only six points," said Coach Rodger Bearde. "He pulled down 15 rebounds."

"John Miliuskas had eight rebounds and scored nine points, making six from the court and hitting three for four from the

free line. "Bill Jones was hitting from the outside and Wendell played an excellent game. We had the lowest number of turnovers this season."

"We're strong on rebounding and our offense is improving. I'm pleased with the way the kids are hustling on defense. But there are some things which we need to work on yet."

The Knights had a tough schedule set for this week, meeting Montrose away, Tuesday, then playing Pittston Area at home, Friday.

"I'm pleased with the way the boys are improving. When January comes round, we should be ready. That's when it counts."

## Penkrot wins for Knights

Lake-Lehman's Dave Penkrot dumped in two shots from the foul line in the final seconds of the game to defeat Bishop Hoban, 54-53, in Tuesday night's contest. The game was played on the Argents court and put the Knights record at 6-1 for the exhibition season. The Argents dropped to 2-2.

Penkrot continued to add up points to lead in the scoring with 25 points. Mike DeCesaris hit the double figure column with 11 points.

Lake-Lehman was leading 52-51 when Penkrot stepped to the free stripe and sank two shots to give his team a 54-51 lead.

The Argents Dan Polachek put in the final two points before time ran

out and Hoban went down to defeat 54-53. M. Slavoski and G. Simon added 14 and 13 points respectively to the Argents score.

"It was a good win for us," said Knight Coach Rodger Bearde. "It was the first time that Lake-Lehman defeated Bishop Hoban and it was on the Argents court."

"Penkrot did a great job not only on scoring but on defense. And Joe Kishkild did a good job coming off the bench, especially in the final quarter. He had a key rebound and a key steal."

"The kids didn't quit, they showed great composure and they played excellent team defense."

## Penn State cagers lose to Pinebrook

Penn State Wilkes-Barre Campus basketball team lost its first league game, 76-65, Saturday night, to a fast-breaking Pinebrook Junior College at Lake-Lehman High School. Penn State is now 2-1 on the season.

Bob Moore was high with 21 points and sophomore captain Bill Baux followed with 19. Pinebrook's Derek

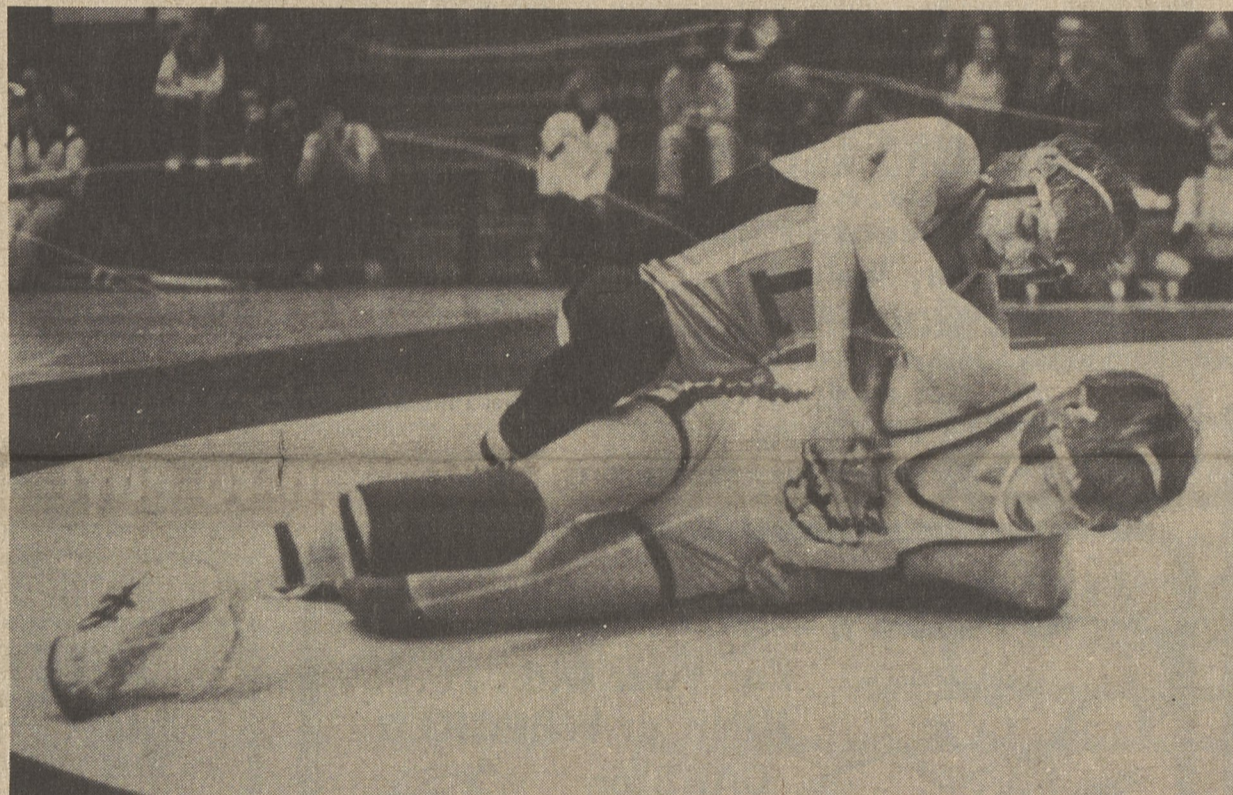
Simpson led all scorers with 31 points.

"It was a close contest until the final six minutes of the game," said Penn State coach Bill Kaiser. "Then Penn State went into a shooting drought."

Kaiser's team, now 2-1, was to host league foe, Lincoln Technical Institute, Tuesday night, at Lake-Lehman High School.



AERIAL ARTIST—Could be but it's actually Mountaineer cager Tim Guzek (20) as he flies through mid-air in hopes of saving the ball from going out of bounds in the Dallas-Montrose game. (Mark Moran Photo)



SUPERIOR DECISION—126-lb. Knight grappler Rock Bonomo works on a hold as he goes on to record a superior decision over his Valley View opponent. (Mark Moran Photo)

## Knights take tourney, Mounds 6th

Dallas matmen, a young team with only one senior in the lineup, captured sixth place in the Tunkhannock tournament last weekend.

"We didn't do too bad considering we have a squad of underclassmen. I think that sixth place out of 16 teams is a good showing," said Dallas Coach Larry Schuler.

The young Mountaineers had 105-lb. Bill Rudick, who placed second in his weight class and 98-lb. Len Falcone, who came in third.

The Lake-Lehman Knights copped the team title with 226½ points, followed by Montrose, Wyoming, G.A.R., Tunkhannock, then Dallas.

The Knights came home with seven tournament champs in Darren Barbacci 105; Kevin Bonham 112; Rich Bonomo 119; Rock Bonomo 126; Bernie Janusz 145; Dave Wolfe 185, and Mike Leskowsky, heavyweight.

The Mounds 105-lb. Bill Rudick lost in the finals to Barbacci after pinning Poster of Tunkhannock in 3:53. Valentine of Mountain View in :35 and shutting out Brasby of G.A.R. 3-0.

98 lb. Len Falcone pinned Place of Towanda in the wrestlebacks, lost to Reagan of G.A.R., 4-2, in the semi-finals, then pinned Doss of Wyoming Area in the final consolation.

Vince Scalisi was pinned in his first bout by 112-lb. Knight K. Bonham and lost his next bout by default.

Edison Culver pinned 126-lb. Howorth of Honesdale in 4:45 but lost 9-0 to Corbett of Towanda. In his next bout he lost 5-0 to Feduchak of Mountain View.

132-lb. R. Kirshner lost 19-6 to Elk Lake's Lunger, last year's outstanding wrestler in the tournament. He lost his second bout to Kopicki of Bishop O'Reilly by one point.

Mike Ramirez, 138-lb. dropped a 12-8 bout to Casner of Mountain View then was pinned by Kerrick of Towanda. It was Ramirez' third bout

of the year.

Bill Griffin was flattened by 145-lb. Bentler of North Pocono in 1:45 then lost by a pin to Green of Lackawanna Trail.

155-lb. Mark Kravits lost to Hitthcock of Wyalusing 10-2, then defeated Pugh of Lackawanna Trail, 5-2. In the third bout, he was defeated again by Hitchcock, 6-1.

Matt Kravits shut out Bowman of Mountain View 4-0 but in his next time around was pinned by Moore of Wyalusing in :25. Moore went on to take the 167-lb. class title. In

the wrestlebacks, Kravits was pinned by Harshbarger of Lake-Lehman.

Ed Jakobowicz pinned 187-lb. Abramo, Montrose in 4:55 but lost to Gayoski of Pittston Area 9-2. In the wrestlebacks, he lost to Parsons of Lackawanna Trail by a close 3-2 score.

Heavyweight Greg Dukinas drew a bye the first round, then was pinned by Giambetti of Valley View in 1:59. Dukinas pinned Matenus of Bishop O'Reilly in 3:59 but next time round was pinned by Keifer of Montrose in 3:40.

## Bowling news

Disque Funeral Home blanked Roberts Oil in the George Shupp League last week despite the fact none of the men were able to hit high series. D. Katyl scattered pins for 221-211 (574) and J. Maculis tumbled them for 572 to lead Stanton TV in taking four points from Endless Mountains. L. Lavelle added 519. J. Swingle walloped the pins for 233 (617) to pace Dallas Nursery to three points from Fino's Pharmacy. P. Jordan rolled 237 (586) and F. Adams hit the pins for 552. D. Eddy, Sr. contributed 527. J. Strazdus spilled pins for 233 (591) for the druggist and B. Considine rolled 571. R. Bonomo hit 556 and K. Youngblood added 533. A. Wendel's 214 (617) led Harris Associates to three points from Gino's Shoe Store, whose V. Miller hit 216 (527).

In the Ladies Country League D. Vrhel's 172-171 (498) and M. Culver's 477 showed the way for the Castlettes three point win

over Daring's Market. L. Cyphers toppled the pins for 179 (487) for the grocery girls. R. Radzinski hit the pins for 182-173 (512) to lead David Ertley to a three point win from G.H. Harris. Three members of Fashion Vending hit high scores to aid their team in taking three points from Grotto Pizza. T. Langdon spilled pins for 201 (499). K. Scavone rolled 191 and V. Magistro scattered pins for 189.

The Falcons shut out the Skylarks in the Idetown Compact League and the Valiants took all from the Corvairs. Mel Morris hit the pins for 211 (534) for the Valiants. The Ramblers copped three from the Comets. Neither team posted high scores as the Tempests and Larks divided evenly. J. Curtis hit the pins for 512 for the Corvettes and they split 2-2 with the Darts.

In the Bowlerette League the Checkerboard took all from Mr. Donut while D. Vrhel's 179 paced

Tom Reese girls to three points from the Hoagie Bar, whose C. Davies hit the pins for 171.

In the Thursday's Girls League the Thistles blanked the Magentas. R. Muchler hit the strike zone for 173-180 (521) for the Thistles. Scarlets shut out the Periwinkles paced by K. Newhart's 172 (463). M.L. Swingle topped pins for 170 and B. Hanna knocked them down for 169. Melons copped three from the Turquoise sparked by J. Richards 174 (467). F. Cowett rolled 177 (469) for the Turquoise. The Pine Green and Cornflowers split 2-2. K. Richards sparked the Pine Greens with 220 (480) and A. Jordan spilled pins for 476. B. Rogers 163 was high for the Cornflowers.

Bar Room Buddies shut out the Strike Outs in Our Gang League. B. Eipper's 212 (586) was high for both teams. V. Hudak knocked down pins for 525 and M. Carkhuff added 506 but it wasn't enough as the Buffalo Chip Kickers

## WILKES-BARRE FATS

### Bowl games

by Lee L. Richards

The determination last week by the local PIAA regarding Paul Jobson being ruled ineligible to play roundball at Lake-Lehman came as no surprise. I was informed by a reliable source recently the local whips were using this case as an example to prevent further transfers by athletes. I was told by several athletic directors that if anymore athletes happen to transfer to a certain school for football they'd be the first ones to ask for a complete investigation into the matter.

Meanwhile, Coach Roger Bearde sure does have his Lake-Lehman five performing at a mighty impressive level of play at the present time. Knights are 7-1. With the services of Jobson they may have been the team to beat in their division. I wonder if that had any influence on the decision of the local PIAA Committee?

Two more bowl games on tap this weekend with the Holiday Bowl on Friday and the Tangerine Saturday.

BYU vs. SMU—If you haven't seen BYU flame-thrower Jim McMahon you're in for a treat. He's put it up from anywhere on field. Lots of razzmatazz in offense but ordinary defense. Highest scoring team in college ranks, but can they stop the Ponies? Thanks to ESPN I've seen both teams and I'm going to call SMU in an upset because of runners Craig James and Eric Dickerson and tough dudes on defense. James outran Texas secondary so you can imagine his speed. SMU, 24-21.

Maryland vs. Florida—Reports from Terp camp is the defense is playing very well. Gators have an edge in quickness and more formidable weapons to score with. QB Wayne Peace is a good competitor. In LBs Fernando Jackson and David Little they could put the clamps on Meyers' Charlie Wysocki. Terps must throw to win. Gators a bit more diversified, so were going with the home folks...Florida, 17-10.

Enjoy talking football with Joe Urban. He mentioned to me last week that Pitt's Ricky Jackson may have been the best kept secret in college football the past two seasons. That's because of the recognition given Hugh Green, who was named winner of Lombardi Trophy. Urban, who has been known to root a bit for the Nittany Lions, likes Panthers chances for winding up No. 1.

Scuttlebutt out of the SWC is Arkansas boss Lou Holtz is looking for a new bunch of defensive coaches. I guess he got a bit tired of the guys and wants some fresh ideas. These are same people that helped him win coach of the year a couple of years ago. Holtz has been known to be a bit witty.

The Eagles will get a workout this Sunday when they visit the Cowboys. I'll guarantee that after they lucked out of first meeting when one of the NFC's finest choked on interference call in the end zone. Ride 'em Cowboys!

CLIPBOARD NOTES: Classy is the best way to describe move by Wilkes' John Reese when he had Mark Popple continue in recent Lehigh meet after being slammed when he could have taken sure six-pointer...While watching the replay on Chanel 44, it was amusing how announcer Larry Sheridan was telling fans how Colin Kilrain bowed to Iowa's Ed Banich in NCAA semi-finals last year. He claims Kilrain was injured and that was reason he was defeated. That's a bunch of baloney. Banich ripped Kilrain in the final period. It was a super bout and didn't need any excuses from Sheridan. Don't forget I was there.

Because of the abundance of injuries to key personnel I won't be surprised to see Clarion State pass up the coming Wilkes Open. Coach Bob Bubb wants his charges to be 100 percent for important duals slated for remainder of season...We'll be conducting our first Eastern Mat Poll this week and it should be wide open race for the No. 1 slot. Lehigh is the top team until beaten by an Eastern team in my book. Watch out for Syracuse this season.

Dave Fagula told me if he owned the New England Pats he'd have canned the whole coaching staff after the Monday night bummer in Orange Bowl. It was obvious they weren't going to let QB Matt Cavanaugh play it his way. Fagula feels George Allen is the answer to the Pats problems and he would lead them to the Super Bowl.

Three Nanticoke guys I know drove all the way to Buffalo recently to see the Rams and Bills go at it. Gary Veronick, a Rams buff, purchased the tickets during the summer. He and Joe Chacke did the driving while Damian Starkey rode in the back seat. They returned to Nanticoke as soon as the game was over. Driving time round trip was over 13 hours. Wow!

Pennsylvania Football Coaches Association is taking the PIAA to court. They want playoffs for a state title and the PIAA whips want no part of it. I've always felt the PIAA has never taken the athletes welfare into consideration and isn't realistic in its overall approach to athletics. They are only concerned with making a buck. District 2 committee has a heap of bucks stashed away in CDs and for what? They nickle and dime our athletes in the playoffs so they can bank the big bucks, while our kids travel second class?

Even coaches Jackie Sherrill of Pitt and Joe Paterno of PSU are backing the coaches for the playoffs. Seems strange but everytime we've met new coaches from the south or midwest they couldn't believe how far behind the times Pennsylvania athletics are and it can be traced right to the PIAA.

The National Football League has too many rules which is ridiculous when you sit and watch the games every week. Several of the fans I've talked with agree the rules are ruining the game.

Foul Ups. P. Swingle gave the Foul Ups 506. Cyclones earned three from the E-Z Rollers and the Good Persons picked up three points from the Space Cadets who had E. Dingle's 508.

In Franklin Family Restaurant's League A. Wendel clobbered the pins for 241-244 (661) to show the way for four points for the Half Pounders. Williams' 579. C. Kazokas' 566 and H. Bennett's 538 aided in the Half Pounders win over the Bermudas. F. Stevens spilled pins for 552 and C. Williams knocked them down for 549 to lead the Slim Liners to three points from the Beach Combers whose J. Hanley topped pins for 540. R. Bonomo walloped the pins for 235-219 (609) to lead the Big Bens to three points from the Alpiners. J. Roan rolled 578. T. Nevel hit 221 (567) and K. Youngblood added 561 to the win. C.M.P.'s and the Hambos divided evenly. R. Bonomo posted 234 (603) and R. McKeel hit 538 for the C.M.P.'s. L. Coolbaugh knocked down pins for 212 (537) and L. Yankowski rolled 217 (535) for the Hambos.

In the Imperialette League Mahaffey Oil took three from Gino's Shoe Store to hold first place 17 games in front of Roth Jewelry and the Jean Shop who are tied for second. Lamoreaux Auto Parts are just two games behind Roth and the Jean Shop. Roth's took three from Lombardo Bakery and the Jean Shop copped three from Lamoreaux. High scores were N. Ide 192-181 (528), J. Edwards 180, J. Zimmerman 175 (471), D. Botteon 174, M. Fondo 174, C. Williams 174, W. Harrington 172 and J. Clark 171.

Half the work that is done in this world is to make things appear what they are not. —E. R. Beadle.