

# The Sports Post

## Wilkes-Barre Fats

### Boyle and Bearde out of action

BY LEE L. RICHARDS

My choice for College Coach of the Year is Air Force Senior Ken Hatfield. Why? Simply because of the restrictions the Academy has on recruiting and the teams the Falcons defeated.

The Falcons first got my attention when they edged BYU, 39-38. Then, two weeks after Notre Dame knocked Pitt out of No. 1, a three touchdown underdog Air Force team hammered the Fighting Irish behind the dazzling running and passing of QB Marty Louthan, 30-17.

The Falcons were a 'token choice' for the Hall of Fame Bowl so Vanderbilt could win. However, the Falcons won that contest going away. I can appreciate the superb job of preparation Coach Hatfield and his staff did with the limited personnel they have to work with.

The Falcons wound up with a 9-4 slate much to the surprise of the football world.

When I spoke of the USFL making the grade in pro football, I didn't anticipate the new loop signing two quality performers so quickly. Chicago inked Tim Spencer of Ohio State, while Washington landed Craig James of SMU. Both are stellar running backs. Look out for the USFL.

--Coach Larry Schuler's Dallas matmen gave Shorty Hitchcock's Lake-Lehman squad all it could handle last week. Mountaineers haven't topped the Black Knights since around 1976. However, they have wrestled to two ties during the span.

--Roger Bearde is hoping to have two of his Black Knight roundballers back in the starting lineup by the big pit with Dallas on the 27th of this month. Chris Boyle is out with mono and Billy Bearde is simply rundown, too. Bearde hopes they can recharge their batteries and get back in action as both supplied most of the scoring punch.

--Coach Clarence Orgo has his Dallas Mountaineers doing all of the right things but the Big D lads are having trouble getting the ball in the hoop. Dave Thomas has been productive thus far. Once the Mountaineers establish some scoring consistency inside, look for them to post some wins.

--While on the subject of roundball, Dallas grid coach Ron Rybak has quietly established himself as one of the better cage refs in the area.

--One of the more elated Penn State alumnus in the Back Mountain has to be Jay May. I heard when he returned from the Sugar Bowl in the early morning

hours, he wasted little time in waking some of his friends that rooted for the Dawgs.

--With the return of Bill Martin to the Yanks, I've started a pool as to how many weeks he'll last. Big George will get tired of him again and give him the bum's rush.

--Fran Fisher, the voice of Penn State football, has retired from his broadcasting duties. Fran sure lent a lot of style to Lion action and I for one will miss him. He finally got his national title. He'll still be traveling around to watch--Coach Rich Lorenzo's PSU wrestlers perform.

--Notre Dame Coach Gerry (Farce) Faust made home visit to Crestwood star Matt LaVigna's home Thursday in an attempt to sell him on performing at Golden Dome next season. Matt visited Boston College over the weekend and is slated for South Bend this weekend.

--I didn't shed any tears last week when Dick Vermeil called it quits with the Eagles. I never took hankering to him since he treated pals, John Mazur and Walter Michaels so shabbily. Vermeil did get the most out of a group of rather ordinary players. However, some of his actions left a bad taste in a lot of NFL coaches' mouths. His running up some scores, the famous jersey incident with the Cowboys and celebrating with champagne after bowing to the Cowboys, but scoring enough points to gain the home field advantage. With the emotional tears shed by Len Tose, Jim Murray and Vermeil, it looked to me like it was a marriage made in heaven.

--Couldn't help but remember the story Jets' Coach Walter Michaels told me when he first went to Jets back in late 1960s. Walter was handling the linebackers for the Oakland Raiders at the time Weeb Ewbank called then Coach Al Davis about hiring Michaels. Davis gave his OK. The next day after accepting position with Jets, Walter returned to his office to pick up his old Cleveland Browns playbooks and other personal belongings only to find Davis had changed the locks! Needless to say Davis has never been too popular with Walter.

--Isn't Citizens' Voice Sports Staff overdoing it with this bit about this area being St. Joe Paterno Country? If they check the records closely over past 10 years it's about 65-35 of players going to Maryland, Pitt, Syracuse, Boston College, West Virginia, then comes Penn State. Sure Nittany Lions have gotten their share, but they sure haven't cornered the market as they'd lead you to believe. I'm basing this from Allentown to Scranton.



MEET THE WRESTLERS--It was Meet the Wrestlers at Lake-Lehman High School last week during the Knights-Mountaineer wrestling meet. Wrestlers, managers and cheerleaders were introduced to the fans and mothers of each presented with a corsage. Left to right, above, is 98-lb. Jeff Austin; Kim Sorber, cheerleader escort; Mrs. Charles Austin, Jeff's mother; Karen Evanish, cheerleader escort; and Charles Austin, Jeff's dad. (Mark Moran Photo)

## Lady Knights remain undefeated

Lake-Lehman's Lady Knights took a hard-fought 50-38 win from the Crestwood Comets last Tuesday to run their league record to 3-0 and remain tied with Seton Catholic for the AA Division lead.

Kim Fey paced the Lady Knights with 16 points, making nine of them in the first half when the local girls took a 19-12 lead into the lockerroom at halftime. Fey scored her other seven points in the final quarter of the game.

Rhonda Hudzik hit for 13 points putting in six goals from the field and converting one shot from the charity stripe. Jill Solinski put three shots through the nets for six points and keyed in five points from the foul line for a total of 11 points.

Crestwood cagers were outscored 31-26 in the second half. They were led in scoring by Diane Madl with 12 points. Colleen Raczkowski put in seven points.

The loss gave Crestwood a 1-1 record.

## Bowling League Results

J. Clark's 208 paced Lombardo Bakery to three points from American Building Maintenance in the Imperiaette League. W. Harrington's 188 (498) and Johnson's 191 (488) led Mahafee Oil to three points from Humphrey's Apparel while Jean Shop shut out Lamoreaux Auto.

In the George Shupp League Harris Associates blanked Endless Mountains while Dallas Nursery took all from Gino's Shoe Store. Fino's Pharmacy took three from Roberts Oil and Stanton TV picked up three from Disque Funeral Home. High scorers were L. Lavelle 220 (636), Ted Wilson 224-247 (671), K. Youngblood 226 (598), J. Strazdus 225 (577), B. Downs 571, A. Wendell 266 (663), N. Stredny 243 (603), R. Stair 575, F. Adams 570 and C. Glasser 538.

Aries blanked the Fire-eds in the Idetown Compact League led by J. Roan's 572. Lynx took four from the Citations and D. Doty's 548 and C. Doty's 547 paced the LaBarons to three points from the Cimarrons, who had Marilyn Morris' 188, and

Marie Carkhuff's 202. Omegas earned three from the Capris paced by D. Trumbower's 171. Camaros copped three from the Mustangs aided by M. Balberchak's 217 (588).

In the Friday Night Major League CMP's blanked the Bermudas while the Hambos were shutting out the Big Bens. Slim Liners took three from Back Mountain Sporting Goods and G.H. Harris divided evenly with the Beach Combers. High rollers were L. Yankoski 218 (625), T. Zekas 592, T. Shalata 578, J. Roan 542, G. Mazer 243 (555), B. Varner 525, R. Bennett 217, D. Wickard 522, K. Spencer 568, F. Stevens 220 (567), M. Whiting 535, A. Wendel 222 (596), and K. Spencer, Jr. (534).

T. Langdon hit 202 (495) and L. Cyphers added 178 to lead A.F. Roan Inc. to four points from Grotto Pizza whose A. Hospodar rolled 171 (486) in the Ladies Country League. Castlettes shut out Fashion Vending sparked by M. Culver's 180 (477) and K. Kalafsky's 179. D. Vrhel hit 177 for the vending team. Daring's

Market split 2-2 with G.H. Harris Inc. paced by R. Radzinski's 173 (481). J. Lamoreaux rolled 177 for the Harris girls.

In the Bowlerette League Mr. Donut took three from the Hoagie Bar led by M. Reese's 171. G. Grant's 173 showed the way for Franklin's three points from Tom Reese girls.

Trucksville C took all from Carverton A in the Back Mountain Church League. Shavertown B grabbed three from Trucksville B and Shavertown A picked up three

from Orange B. Orange A made it three and one half from Carverton B while East Dallas split with Maple Grove and the Lutherans divided with Dallas A.

High scores were rolled by R. Stair 551, Ted Wilson 533, K. Spencer 231 (574), R. Moore 222-232 (612), J. Berti 519, K. Spencer, Jr. 571, B. Cyphers 574, W. Davis 561, C. Kazokas 235 (608), W. Walko 543, C. Molley 525, S. Hoover 530, E. Higgins 512, S. Williams 565, F. Hughes 521, J. Curtis 551 and L. Stallard 536.



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