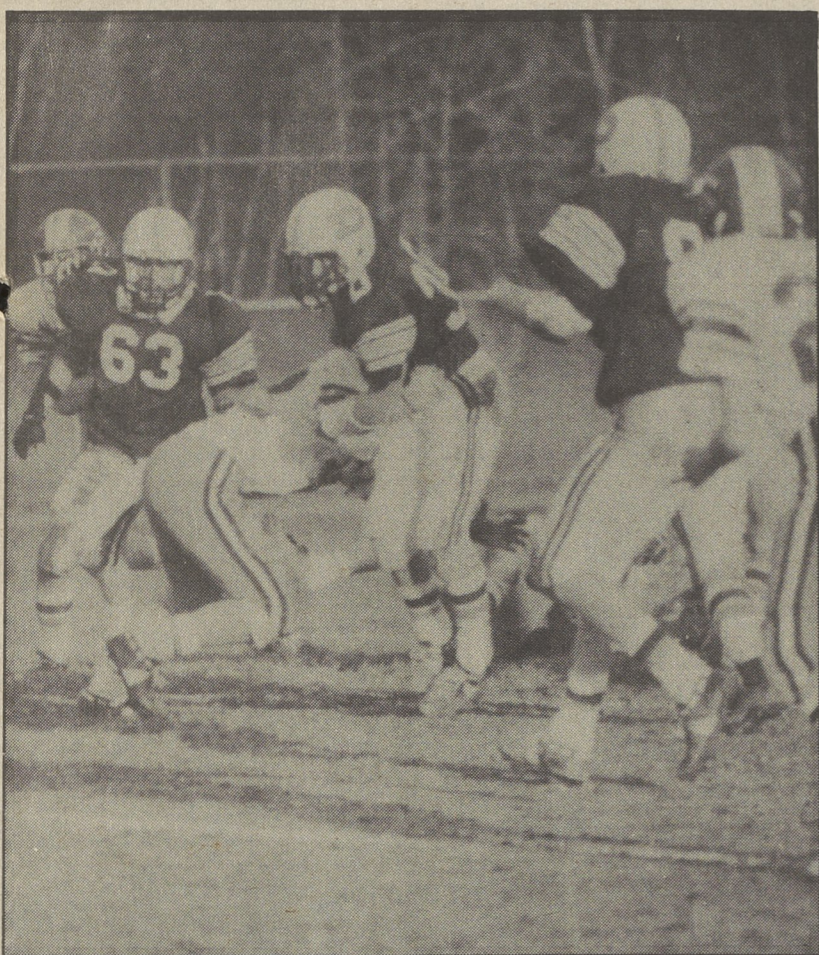


# Sports



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## Breaking through

An unidentified Dallas player is about to be tackled by a Wyoming Valley West defender while Mountaineer Glenn Eyt observes the play. Action was in Saturday's contest between the two Wyoming Valley Conference contenders in which the Spartans went home with a victory.

## Valley West wins

# Michaels has field day at Dallas

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It was Ed Michaels Day at Dallas last Saturday as the 6'2", 190-lb. senior tailback for Wyoming Valley West scored four touchdowns and went over the 1,000 yard mark for the season to lead his team to a 42-6 win over the young Mountaineers.

Michaels collected his 1,000 yards on his second carry of Saturday's game when he ran 77 yards for his first touchdown. He totaled 132 yards for the day in nine carries.

The Spartans overpowered the young Mountaineers in height and weight with their defense taking the Dallas ends and driving them back five and 10 yards. Dallas moved the ball several times, but the combination of mental errors and the Spartans' size was too much for the young team.

"They were bigger and stronger," said Dallas Coach Rybak, "And they had more athletes. Ed Michaels is fantastic but it was tough to see our kids get beat like that. We have a lot of the young kids coming around and for next season we will have at least 25 lettermen returning in key positions."

Dallas quarterback Tim Lyons scored the Mountaineers lone touchdown on a two yard run in the second period.

The Spartans went on the board first in the opening seconds of the game when, on the second play, Michaels went 77 yards for a touchdown. Darryl Emershaw kicked the extra point to give Valley West a 7-0 lead.

When the Mountaineers took possession, they gained only 14 yards on six plays before they had to turn the ball over. The Spartans took the punt on their own 34-yard line. On the next play, Valley West quarterback Joe Novitski handed off to Mike Honeywell who ran to the Dallas 19-yard line before he was brought down by Mike Janosik. Three plays later, Michaels scored his second touchdown, taking the ball over from the 3-yard line. Emershaw's kick gave the Spartans a 14-0 lead.

Late in the first quarter, Mountaineer Tim Lyons intercepted a Spartan pass and returned it to Valley West's 39-yard line. Nine plays later, Lyons took the ball in for a score from the two yard line with 10:15 remaining on the clock. On the kick for extra point, an offsides penalty was called on the Spartans. Instead of kicking, Lyons tried to run the ball in for two points, but was stopped by Honeywell and Spartan Joe Peterlin.

In the second period, the Spartans took over on their own 42-yard line with 9:30 on the clock. Following several passes by Novitski, a hold-

ing penalty and two carries by Michaels, Michaels went in from his right to score his third touchdown of the afternoon. Emershaw kicked the extra point and the Spartans were in front, 21-6.

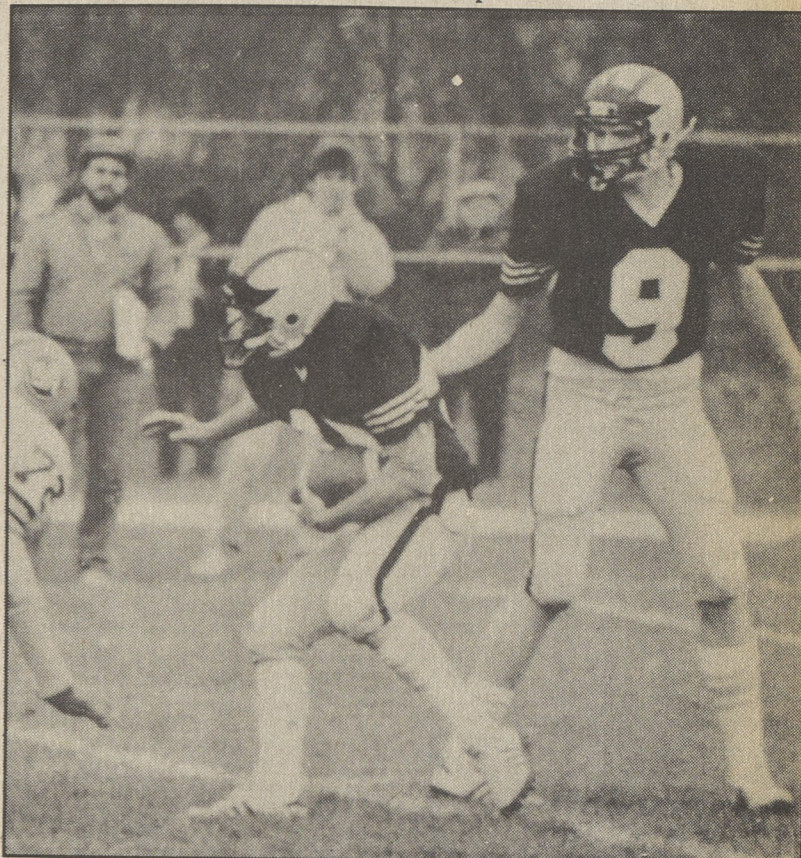
On its next possession, Dallas tried for a first down on fourth and four and failed with Valley West taking the ball with 4:02 on the clock. Michaels scored his fourth touchdown of the game taking the ball in from the 29-yard line and with 2:15 remaining in the half, Emershaw's kick made it 28-6.

The second half was a repeat of the first with the Spartans' Don

Charney running 78 yards for a touchdown on the first possession of the half.

On their possession, Dallas was forced to punt and Charney took the kick on his own 30-yard line and ran to the Dallas 30-yard line. A 15-yard clipping penalty moved the Spartans back to the Sparts 21 yard line but on the next play Novitsky handed off to Joe Perzia who went 79 yards for the score. Emershaw's kick was good and the Spartans went in front 42-6.

Neither team scored in the final period despite Coach Fennell putting in his younger players in the final period.



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# Warriors too mighty for Lehman

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Wyoming Area's offense and defense was too much for the Lake-

Lehman Knights last Saturday afternoon with the Warriors scoring four touchdowns in the first half and a fifth in the third quarter. It was Jeff Hague who led the Warriors in scoring running in two touchdowns

and scoring two points on a safety as Wyoming Area defeated Lake-Lehman, 37-8, Saturday afternoon.

Wyoming Area started the scoring early in the first period when Ken Kopetchny intercepted Cadwalader's pass on the Lake-Lehman 40-yard line. Wyoming Area failed to score on the drive but the Warrior defense came back on the next series of plays and Hague scored two points when he fell on a blocked punt in the endzone with 8:25 on the clock.

On the next kickoff, Kopetchny returned the ball to the Knights 32-yard line, then Leo Malsky connected with Don Cassetori to put the Warriors on the seven yard line on the next play to give the Warriors six points. Joe Kopeza kicked the extra point and Wyoming Area took a 8-0 lead.

The Warriors continued to score in the first half. Both teams went scoreless throughout the first half of the second period, but, with less than five minutes remaining in the half, the Knights failed on a fourth down attempt and the Warriors took the ball on their own 45-yard line. On the next play, Malsky connected with Fred Mecadon, who eluded several Knight tacklers and went to the Lake-Lehman 26-yard line. The Warriors used four plays to take the ball to the eight yard line from where Joe Bednarski ran it in for a touchdown. Kopeza kicked the PAT to put Wyoming in front 23-0.

On the punt return, the Knights fumbled the ball and Marvin Gilpin recovered it on the two yard line. Wyoming used two plays to move the ball to the one yard line from where Ken Weiskerger ran it in for six points. Kopeza kicked the extra point to give the Warriors a 30-0 lead.

With Coach Marranca using some of his younger defensive players, the Knights drove 70 yards downfield with T. Willy Cadwalader hitting Bill George for 30 yards and Bill Bearde for a 34-yard pass at the one yard line. George took it over for a touchdown. Earl Weidner took a bad snap and converted it into two points for the Knights with a run around the right side, to put the score at 30-8 at halftime.

The Warriors scored a final touchdown in the third period when Kopetchny picked off his fourth interception of the afternoon to set up a drive by the Warriors. Hague rammed over from the one yard line to give Wyoming a touchdown. Kopeza kicked the extra point to move the Warriors in front 37-8.

Neither team scored in the final period with the defense from both teams shutting down any threats by the offense of their opponents.

The loss dropped the Knights to 3-3 in Division AA, 3-7 overall.

## Take it and run

Lake-Lehman's Dave Martin takes a handoff from quarterback T. Willy Cadwalader and turns upfield during Saturday's contest with Wyoming Area. The might Warriors proved to be too much for the Black Knights as the Lehman boys suffered a 37-8 defeat.

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lader is another of the Knights top threats. He's a very good ball handler and his faking can confuse.

When the Mountaineers have the football, they'll rely on the off tackle or power game which includes counters and misdirection plays which were somewhat successful.

Dallas quarterback Tim Lyons is capable of throwing the football and Long is a good receiver. Most of the offense is geared around the running of Mike Janosik and Jeff Spudis. They like to trap up the middle. Lyons has run various boot-legs.

Coach Rybak will have a gadget play or two. Dallas is going to try to control the football on sustained marches. Perhaps some short passes early by Lyons could loosen up the Knights aggressive defense? If Lyons can get something clicking through the air, Mounds have a chance. This is a right-handed team with most of plays directed in that way.

Meanwhile, Lake-Lehman is regarded as the stronger of the two tams physically. Look for Coach Kirk to try to take advantage of this early.

Several coaches made mention of the Knights knack for playing a heap of teams really tough for three quarters only to get wore down.

Knights are a Wing T team which is geared to getting a bunch of blockers to the point of attack. They'll use some motion and like to run behind the likes of Keith Kendall, Ed Gavlick, Tom Stepanski, Jeff Ruzicki and Chris Kukosky.

VanGorder isn't a flashy runner, but will hit the holes with a heap of power and isn't easy to bring down.

T. Willy has two receiving threats in Bill Bearde and Earl Weidner. Early completions for a big gainer to either of the above could take sting out of Mounds defense.

Defensively, the Knights operate out of multiple sets with zone coverages deep. This is their strength. They thrive on contact and have outstanding pursuit. Leading the stop troops is VanGorder and

Kukosky. Ruzicki, Stepanski and Gavlick are hitters, too!

Knights will try to establish early control up front and neutralize the Dallas offense.

Here's some factors which both coaches should be considering:

- Pre-game preparation is a must. Mental aspect so important early in week.

- Weather conditions. If it's windy and you win the toss take the wind and use the kicking game to gain field position early.

- A complete team effort on every down by both teams.

- It's not a shame to get knocked down, but it is a shame to stay down.

- Coaches to stress getting pursuit from defensive personnel and getting as many people around the ball as possible.

- Tendencies of both teams is about 90 percent running and little passing.

- Defenses will try to break the other guy's rhythm and execution with good penetration.

- Dallas must mirror VanGorder and stop him before he gets up head of steam.

- Eliminate the mental breakdowns which can halt scoring drives.

- Go for the blocked punt early. Both punters haven't performed when pressured.

- First down is key with run-orientated teams. The charmed number is four yards.

- Momentum will shift several times.

- In a game of this caliber, there's several tactical situations: time, weather and field conditions, yardage and field position.

- How will the morale of both teams be by Saturday?

- Which team will adapt to the others strategy first?

- Emphasize effort on every down and make something happen!

- Last, but not least, both teams must concentrate on what they do best!

- Running first offensive series without a huddle in attempt to confuse.

	Joe GULA (54-30)	Dotty MARTIN (62-22)	Lee RICHARDS (61-23)	Ed CAMPBELL (57-27)	Charlot DENMON (60-24)	GoalPOST PETIE (62-22)
Lake Lehman/ Dallas	Lehman 24-12	Lehman 14-12	Lehman 20-19	Lehman 14-13	Lehman 12-7	Lehman 19-13
Valley West Coughlin	WWW 24-15	WWW 24-12	WWW 14-13	Coughlin 24-10	WWW 21-13	Coughlin 20-19
Penn State/ Notre Dame	Penn State 28-17	Penn State 28-21	Penn State 24-21	Penn State 21-14	Penn State 24-12	Penn State 28-21

## Lehman is expected to be winners

Although the decision took a lot of serious thinking on the part of every one of the six Dallas Post prognosticators, the ultimate decision with all of them is that the Black Knights of Lake-Lehman will emerge victorious over the Dallas Mountaineers in the annual Old Shoe Game set for this Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Lake-Lehman Football Stadium.

Lehman, which is coming off a defeat by Wyoming Valley West last weekend, actually looks the best on paper, however, with the high level of emotion that plays a major role in this game, one never knows what the Mountaineers might pull out of their hats.

All six Post prognosticators pick the Knights, but you'll notice how close they predict the score to be. This year's Old Shoe Game promises to be a real barn-burner.

With just one week of predictions remaining, GoalPOST Petie and

Dallas Post editor Dotty Martin are running neck-and-neck with identical 62-22 records.

Both Petie and Martin enjoyed unblemished slates last week, picking all six games right on the nose. Joe Gula and Ed Campbell also enjoyed 6-0 slates last week while

Richards and Denmon fell behind when they chose Tulane over Penn State.

With the Old-Shoe Game between Dallas and Lake-Lehman at stake, we'll have to wait until next week to see which one of the prognosticators will finish the year on top.

## Dallas team wins title

Dallas Junior High School girls field hockey team won its second consecutive league title by defeating Crestwood Junior High by a 6-0 score.

This year the league was reorganized by dividing it into East and West Divisions. The East included Wilkes-Barre Township, Meyers, Plains and Crestwood. The West included Dallas, Lake-Lehman, Wyoming Seminary and Wyoming Valley West.

Dallas played each team in the East Division twice and in the East Division once to compile a record of 9-0-1 and win the division title.

Dallas then played Crestwood, winner of the East Division and defeated them 6-0 to win the league championship. Amie Mathers led the team with three goals, Lindsey Krivenko scored two and seventh grader Heather Davey, the season's third highest scorer, put in the final goal.

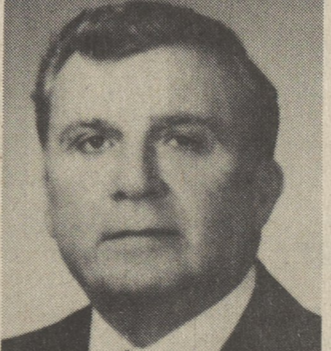
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