

Sports

Upset!

Hanover Area slips by Lake-Lehman, 13-7

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In a hard-fought battle between the two teams, Hanover Area pulled a mild upset over Lake-Lehman Saturday afternoon when they cut down the Knights' quarterback Lenny Annetta's aerial attack in the second half and went on to win, 13-7.

Both teams played a tight defensive game in the first period with neither one able to get into the endzone. In the opening minutes of the second period, Hanover took the ball on its 27-yard line but moved it quickly to the Knights' 15-yard line when their halfback Greg Cherkaukas carried the ball for 60 yards evading the Lake-Lehman speedy defense.

On the next play, Hanover's Brian Hughes took a handoff from Quarterback Joe Ropietski and went to the one-yard line for a first down and goal. With 9:59 on the clock, on the next play Ropietski went into the endzone for the touchdown. Mike George's kick for the extra point sailed between the uprights and Hanover went in front, 7-0.

Coach Rich Gorgone's Knights went right to work and Sophomore Quarterback Lenny Annetta started at the Knights 32-yard line and went to the air. He confused the Hanover defense throwing a nine-yard strike to Jason Cadwalader, then hitting Chris Landmesser for nine yards

and on the next play 19 yards to Don Spencer.

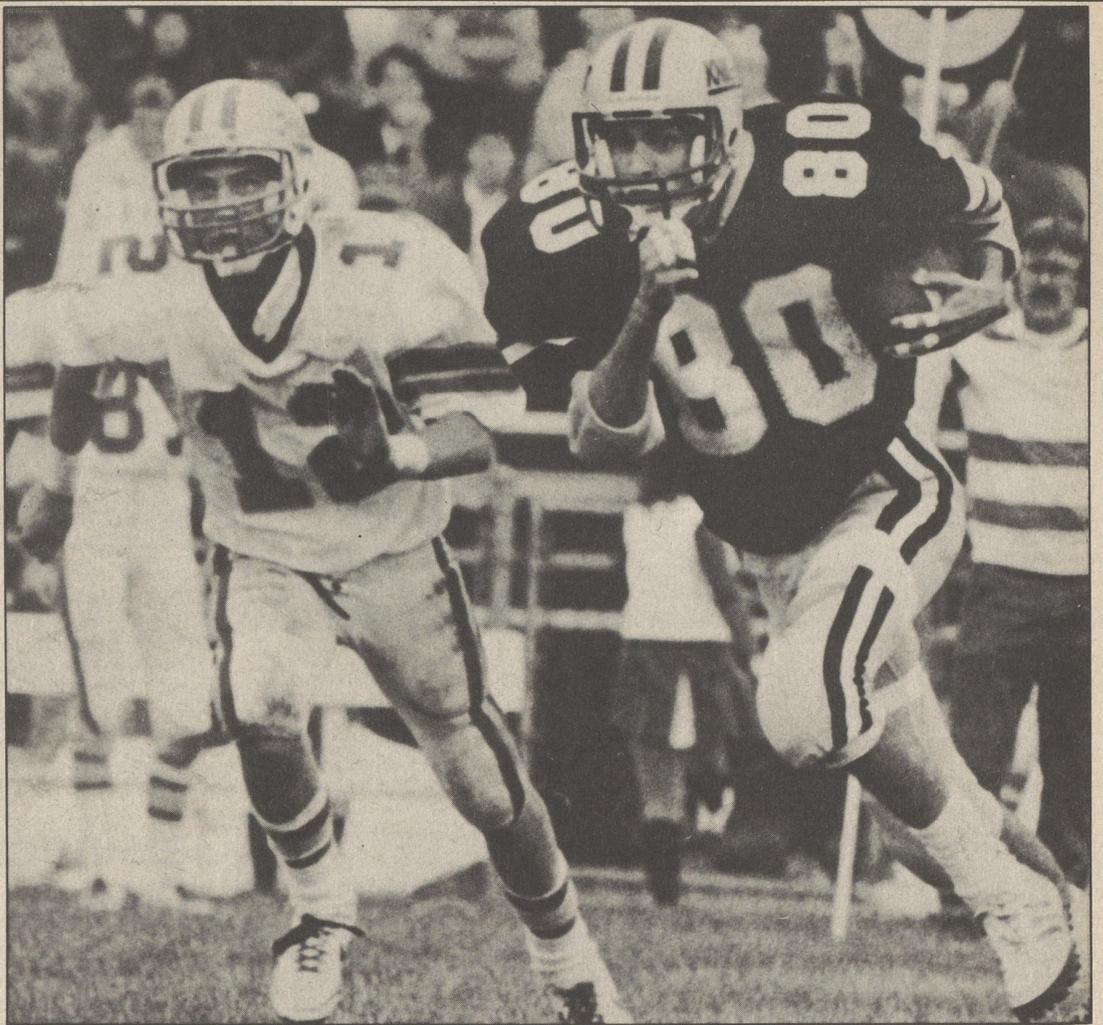
Annetta's next call was a 22-yard hit to Kevin Carey in the endzone to give the Knights six. Scott Shafer's kick for the extra point was good and the score was tied at 7-7.

In the second half, Hanover came out with a different approach and slowed down Annetta's aerial game. Their defense played for the pass and Annetta's throwing at will was cut down. The Hawks took advantage of their defense and put their offense to work attempting to confuse the Knights. The plan worked perfectly and the mixture of running and passing moved Hanover to the Knights three yard line with a first and three situation.

The Knights tightened their defense but on fourth and goal from the one yard line, senior Steve Turinski slipped into the endzone for a score. George's try for the extra point went wide and Hanover took a 13-7 lead.

Annetta again went to the air for the Knights but the Hawks were all over the sophomore quarterback's receivers keeping them from the ball. Penalties in the final period put the Knights at a disadvantage and time ran out before they could adjust their offense.

Annetta passed for 245 yards in the game and Scott Wascalus turned in a fine job on the ground running up 73 yards. Landmesser had six receptions for 90 yards on the day.



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Mountaineers will get jackets

The Dallas Gridiron Club will present the seniors with their jackets on Saturday, September 27, prior to the beginning of the Dallas/Tunkhannock football game.

The Wyoming Valley Conference game will be played on the Mountaineers' home field, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

High-tailin' it!

Chris Landmesser of the Lake-Lehman Knights football team high-tails it downfield with the pigskin neatly tucked under his arm as opponent Joe Ropietski of Hanover area is hot in

pursuit. Landmesser and the Black Knights suffered a 13-7 defeat at the hands of the Hawkeyes in Saturday's Wyoming Valley Conference game.

Meyers' Ismail romps all over Dallas gridders, 32-14

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Dallas knew exactly what it had to do against Meyers Saturday night if it was to remain unbeaten in Wyoming Valley Conference and Division 11 play — stop Raghib Ismail.

Ismail, a 5-10, 165 pound junior tailback and the leading scorer in the Wyoming Valley Football Conference, has been sensational for the Mohawks this season, earning the reputation as a threat to score anytime he carries the ball.

In just four games, Ismail has already rung up slightly over 500 yards in leading Meyers to two wins in its first three games and could very easily have made it three in a row if it weren't for a leg injury he suffered during the first half of a 42-22 loss to Crestwood. Ismail scored three touchdowns in the first half of a 22-22 thriller, but, unable to play in the second, the Mohawks lost both their spark and the game.

On Saturday night, the Mountaineers did manage to bottle Ismail for the first six minutes of the game, but his mere presence on the field posed enough of a threat to open up the passing game, which in turn opened up the running game — all of which meant a 32-14 Meyers win, with Ismail blazing for 189 yards on 29 carries and touchdown runs of 14, 2, 30 and 15 yards.

"They were bringing in their outside linebackers to help contain him," said Meyers coach Mickey Gorham. "So we started to throw the ball a little more to open things up."

Dallas effectively shutdown Ismail on the Mohawks' first two series, limiting him to 10 yards on five carries. Meanwhile, the offense started just as impressive when Mike Koprowski bolted for 52 yards to the 16

yard line on the Mounts first play from scrimmage. He wound up scoring on a two-yard run to end that drive and then Dallas picked up where it left off the next time they had the ball. But the game took on an entirely different look when the Mounts were stopped on a fourth-and-inches play from their own 49.

"I can't remember us doing anything right after that," said Dallas coach Ted Jackson. "I thought that was the turning point of the game."

Indeed it was as Meyers took to the air on two of its first three plays to easily move the ball to the 14. Ismail then zipped through the middle for the score and set the stage for the rest of the evening. And he did it in a hurry.

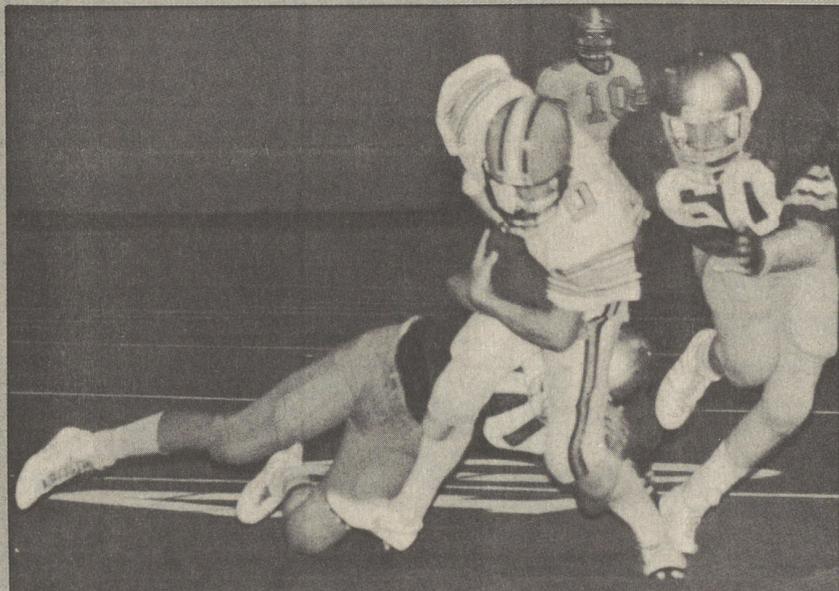
Ismail rushed for 102 of the Mohawks' 103 first half yards and carried the ball 14 of the teams 16 tries. He accounted for all of Meyers' yardage in the third before leaving the game with 8:14 left to play.

"They were the better team tonight," Jackson said. "They just beat us in every phase of the game." In fact, they beat them up a little too much. Meyers was penalized for a whopping 138 yards on 14 violations and were called for a number of unsportsmanlike penalties.

"Our guys were so fired up for this game that they had trouble controlling their emotions," Gorham explained. "That's why there so many penalties."

Dallas will need that same intensity if they are to stay within striking distance of the 3-1 Mohawks, now 2-0 in D-11 play. The Mountaineers will take on Tunkhannock next week in the Back Mountain in important divisional battle. The Tigers suffered their first setback of the season, losing to Coughlin, 8-0, on Friday night.

"We're in trouble," Jackson said. "I've seen them play. They are a good team. They don't have the speed of Meyers, but they are a very strong team."



Dallas Post/Donna Suttif

Slipping through

An unidentified member of the Dallas football team carries the ball through two defending Meyers Mohawks players. The two teams met Saturday evening in a Wyoming Valley Conference game that Meyers won, 32-14.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

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Coach John McCafferty's soccer team won an impressive 13-0 shutout over Seton Catholic last Thursday in the Wyoming Valley League play, but just eked out a 1-0 shutout over Bishop O'Reilly last Tuesday. The two wins kept the Dallas High School kickers in first place in the West Division of the conference.

Chris Scharff's scoring kept the Lake-Lehman Knights in contention when he scored five goals in Friday's game with Crestwood won by the Knights 6-3, and five goals in their 6-2 win over Valley West, Wednesday.

TEAM EFFORT

The Mountaineers gave a total team effort in their game with Crestwood to defeat them 13-0 on the Dallas field. Eleven Dallas players took part in the scoring with Jim Evans and visiting exchange student Joel Van Der Hoogen scoring two goals each.

The Mountaineers scored six times in the first period with Jim Lister putting them on the board first at 1:42 into the game on an assist by Ray Besecker. Reese Finn scored unassisted at 2:25 into the period, Besecker with an assist by Eric Rosenthal scored 6:45, Mark Richardson scored unassisted at 7:45 into the period, Rosenthal off an assist by Lister scored at 8:45 into the period and Jim Evans scored unassisted at 14:39.

In the second period Van Der Hoogen scored twice, both times with an assist by Brent Snowdon, and Snowdon off an assist by Brent Wayman scored the Mountaineers third goal to give them a 9-0 lead at the half.

YOUNGER PLAYERS SEE ACTION

Dallas opened the second half with most of their younger players on the field but they added four more goals in the half.

D. Evans with an assist by M. Lipo scored at the 2:00 mark and Dave Morris assisted by Scott Marshall scored at 7:20 in the third period. In the fourth period, Ken Koziel, off an assist by Morris, scored at 9:10 into the period and Mike Haggerty, with an assist by Chris Justice, scored at 14:00.

DALLAS CAUGHT OFF GUARD

In Tuesday's game, the Mountaineers eked out a 1-0 win over Bishop O'Reilly when they were caught off guard by the Queensmen's offside trap on defense. The Mountaineers used the offside trap to confuse the Queensmen on offense and to keep them from scoring.

O'Reilly's play proved to be effective when it worked so well that the Mountaineers lost chances to score by being charged with many offside penalties. At the same time, O'Reilly managed to get through the Mountaineers defense but they didn't have enough player at their end of the field to score.

BESECKER SCORES

Mountaineers Ray Besecker was the lone Dallas player to score against the Queensmen, getting through O'Reilly's goalkeeper at 9:10 into the first period off an assist by Jim Lister.

Coach McCafferty said although the Mountaineers were not expecting the offside trap defense his boys should have known how to break through.

"Our boys didn't play as well as they should and can," said McCafferty. "It's alright if you win but that's not always the case. Bishop O'Reilly played very well."

Dallas had seven corner shots, 23 shots on goal and goalkeeper John Sheehan had six saves. The Queensmen had only two corner shots, 12 shots on goal and their goalkeeper Marty Gable had eight saves.

SCHARFF STARS

Chris Scharff turned in a fine achievement for the Lake-Lehman Knights scoring five goals to lead them to a hardfought 6-3 win over Crestwood, Thursday at the Knights field.

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HIGH SCHOOL FIELD HOCKEY

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Coach Jean Lipski's Lady Knights ran their record to 4-0 last week by defeating Nanticoke, 5-1, Friday on the Back Mountain field and shutting out Northwest, 4-0, on the Rangers field, Wednesday afternoon.

A save by goalkeeper Eileen Walsh in the closing seconds of the meet gave the Dallas Mountaineers a 3-2 win over Wyoming Seminary, Wednesday. The Lady Mountaineers were idle Friday.

SLOCUM SPARKLES

In the Lady Knights game with Nanticoke, it was Susie Slocum's sparkling offense that led the local girls to their 5-1 victory. Slocum scored two goals assisted both times by Sue DeGennarro and assisted in the scoring of two others.

She scored at 1:45 into the game and three minutes later scored again with both assists by DeGennarro. Less than three minutes later, Trojan Colleen Mullery made the score 2-1 by putting in a short shot from right in front of the goal.

DEFENSE TOUGHENS

The score by the Trojans toughened the Knights defense and the defensive line made it tough for the Trojans to get their offense past their defenders.

Wendy Bebey scored the third goal for the Lady Knights with an assist from Slocum and Lori Pantle made it 4-1 in the first half by scoring on an assist by Bebey when a shot bounced off a Trojan player and went into the goal.

The Lady Knights scored a final shot in the second half when Sue DeGennarro scored on a crossing pass from Slocum with 3:05 off the clock.

LADY KNIGHTS IN CONTROL

In Wednesday's game, the Lady Knights controlled the ball the entire time although they played a better game the second half than they did the first. The Northwest Rangers were unable to stop the Knights

and were unable to hold against the Lake-Lehman girls.

Pantle scored the first goal for the Knights two minutes into the first period with an assist by DeGennarro and six minutes into the game, Slocum scored unassisted to give her team a 2-0 lead.

PANTLE SCORES LATE

With only two minutes left in the half, Pantle scored a second goal with DeGennarro again doing the assist and the Lady Knights led 3-0 at the half.

In the second half, Slocum scored the final goal for Lake-Lehman with an assist by DeGennarro. Noel Kuznicki turned in a fine performance for the Knights in both games.

Goalkeeper Kim Kosloski had six saves for the Knights against Northwest and three saves in the Nanticoke game.

DALLAS, SEMINARY PLAY WELL

Both Dallas and Wyoming Seminary played outstanding games against one another last Wednesday but it was Eileen Walsh who saved the game for the Mountaineers when she slapped away the ball from the cage with her hand. Lindsey Krivenko, who moved to the left inside from her former right inner played a superb game against Seminary and scored the third goal for the Mountaineers which proved to be the margin of victory for the Dallas girls.

Three minutes into the game Lori Warneka scored a goal off an assist by Renee Strauser to give Dallas a 1-0 lead. It was less than a minute later that the Blue Knights drove deep into the Mountaineers territory and Kathy Pasquale tied the score at 1-1 with a penalty shot.

DALLAS GOES AHEAD

Five minutes later, Dallas regained the lead on Joyce Tinner's goal off a corner shot with an assist by Warneka. Krivenko's goal moved the score to 3-1 but with only four seconds remaining in the half Liza Rosenthal scored for the Blue Knights to cut the Dallas lead to 3-2.