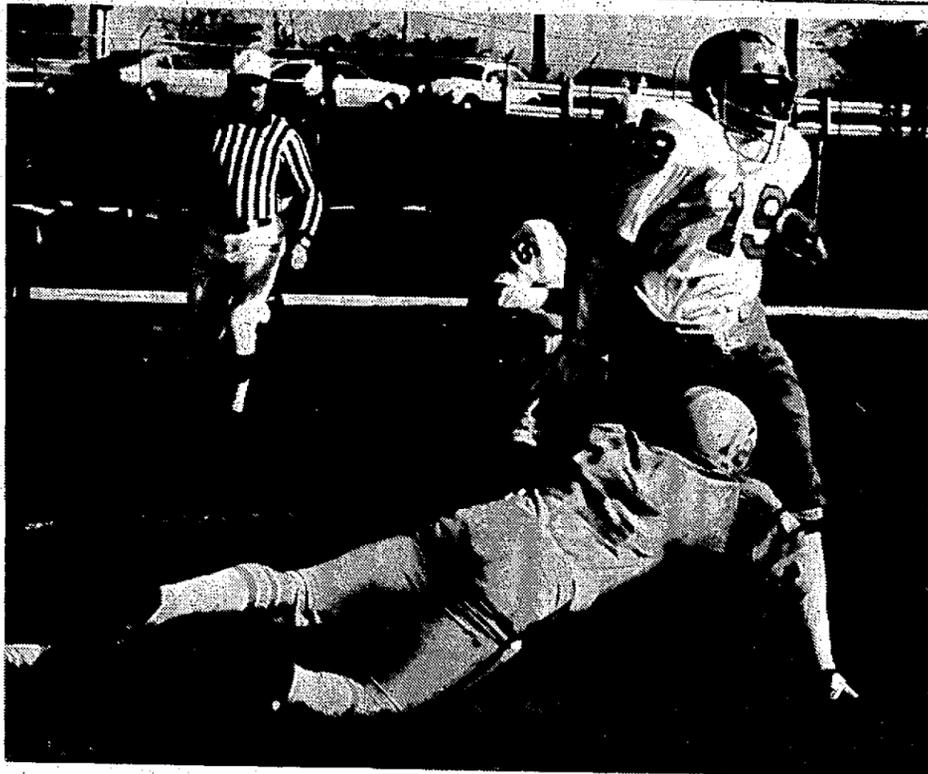


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Referee Frank May watches Dave Cranston of Sun Valley halt Chester's Walter Thomas.



It takes two Chester tacklers to stop Sun Valley quarterback Mike Boccella. Staff Photo by BERT HODGE

Sun Valley title Taylor-made

By GREG GREENDAY
Daily Times Correspondent

CHESTER — It's no secret that Jeff Owsley's hard-nosed running has been one of the most important factors in Sun Valley High's successful season.

But when it was discovered that the 5-11, 200-pound senior would not be available for Saturday's clash at Chester, Vanguard fans refused to panic. They were confident that Owsley's running mate, Bob Stone, would perform admirably.

But when Stone picked up a bug during the week and reported in on game day with a 102-degree temperature, the SV faithful contracted a case of the fidgets.

Sun Valley's head coach and resident type-casting genius, Bob Fithian, then decided to go with Ric Taylor, a slotback-defensive back whose total time at running back this season added up to

zilch.

The senior responded with an effort that just might earn Fithian the talent scout of the year award. Taylor carried the ball 18 times for 116 yards as Sun Valley captured its fourth Section II title in the last five years by blanking Chester, 10-0.

"I knew that we would have to go without Owsley," Fithian said, "but I didn't think that we would lose Stone, too."

"Taylor never ran from our backfield all year long, but we put him in at tailback today and he really responded to the situation."

Equally responsive was the Vanguard's defensive unit which yields points as freely as Idi Amin granted political pardons.

As brilliant as the defense was, it couldn't prevent Chester's Walter Thomas from gaining 106 yards and eclipsing the illustrious 1,000-yard mark.

"We didn't key on Thomas," Fithian said, "but you'd better believe that we well knew when he was carrying the ball. He's just a tremendous running back."

The game's only touchdown resulted from a high snap from center which gave the Vanguard a first-and-goal on the Chester two yardline late in the second quarter.

Two plays later, quarterback Mike Boccella sneaked in from the one and Dan Hutchinson tacked on the PAT to give SV a 7-0 halftime lead.

The young Chester team had numerous scoring chances but costly mistakes and a bending but never breaking SV defense thwarted its every effort.

"I'm very proud of our kids," said Chester coach Earle Mosley. "Their performance today was a vast improvement over last week's showing against Chi.

"The kids are young and their inexperience made the difference today. They made some crucial mistakes, but they were aggressive errors and that's a good sign."

Midway through the final period, the Vanguard were forced to punt, but the ball deflected off the foot of Chester's Tyrone Payne, who was downfield covering the kick, and SV's Dan Poirier alertly recovered at the Clippers' nine yardline.

Chester's defense stiffened, so Hutchinson put the contest out of reach with a 22-yard field goal.

The key to the victory, however, was the bullish performance of super-sub Taylor, whose timely blasts kept several Sun Valley drives alive and enabled the newly-crowned Section II champs to run off precious seconds from the clock.

"The kids really deserved the

title today," Fithian said. "They put on a gutsy performance without their two top running backs and the defense did its usual fine job. I'm really happy for them."

Sun Valley ran its record to 9-1 overall and 7-0 league with only a Thanksgiving Day meeting with archrival Chichester left on the schedule.

So the Section II race is officially over and Ric Taylor's one and only stint at running back figured prominently in its conclusion.

Rest assured he'll remember it well.

SV—0703—10
CH—0000—0

SV — Boccella 1 run (Hutchinson kick)
SV — FG Hutchinson 22



RIC TAYLOR

Widener wears MAC crown

By GENE GOMOLKA
Daily Times Staff Writer

SWARTHMORE— Don't kid yourself. Despite overwhelming odds in their favor, Widener College's Pioneers were concerned about meeting underdog Swarthmore here Saturday afternoon.

Nearly everybody on Widener's staff said so but most listeners thought it was just coaching-talk. Why should a team with a 7-1 record and undefeated (5-0) in the Middle Atlantic Conference Southern Division fear another team struggling to break .500?

Believe this—the Pioneers weren't going to take any chances of losing to their Delaware County neighbors. One Widener spokesman said earlier in the week he was concerned a quick Swarthmore score would give the Little Quakers momentum—momentum that might be hard for even a talented team like Widener to overcome.

Not taking any chances meant giving Swarthmore a 'look' it hadn't seen in any of the films of Pioneers' previous games.

"We did a couple of new things," said Widener coach Bill Manlove after the Pioneers overpowered Swarthmore, 32-3, to capture their second MAC crown in three years. "We added a screen pass that was new and a draw play we used only once two weeks ago."

Adding two plays was like buying victory-insurance. And, they paid quick dividends.

CHIP ZAWOISKI, who scored three touchdowns and rushed for 133 yards in 19 carries to maintain his Division III national-ranking in both departments, took the "new-look" screen pass from quarterback Mark Walter for a 65-yard second-period score.

And, Mark Draft scored one of his two touchdowns on a draw play that went 68 yards in Widener's 20-point second period. The only previous Widener draw was against Ursinus.

How's that for getting results fast? Zawoiski, who went over the 100-yard mark for the ninth straight time, maintained his status as the nation's No. 2 rusher. His three touchdowns gave him 18 on the season, the best among Division III.

"That's the first pass I caught a pass all season," Zawoiski said. "I thought since I had the ball, I'd try to do something with it."

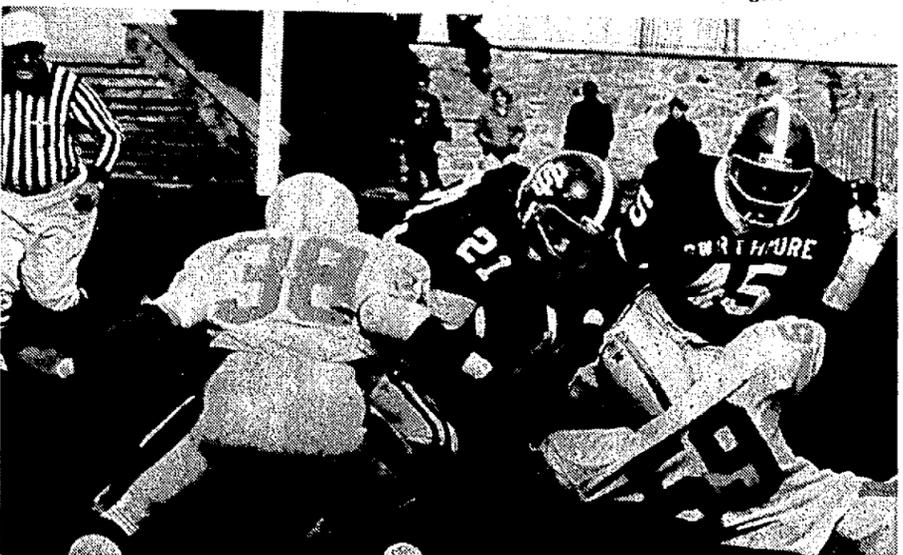
Once past the line, Zawoiski waited until his blockers cleared Swarthmore linebacker Jeff Leinberger from the middle, cut inside and was gone.

Zawoiski's other scores came on one-yard plunges in the first and third periods. Draft went 26 yards for his second touchdown to give the Pioneers a 20-3 halftime lead.

SWARTHMORE got on board with a 35-yard, second-quarter field goal by Craig Close after a six-play drive
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Chip Zawoiski of Widener is stopped by Swarthmore's Jeff Leinberger.



Rick Just of Swarthmore finds his way blocked off by Greg Ambrose (38) and John Connor (59) of Widener. Staff Photo by BERT HODGE

Marple Central champ

By DALE WEBER
Daily Times Correspondent

NEWTOWN — "I can't describe how I feel. This is something I have dreamed about since I was 14 years old and played football here and now my dream has come true."

These were Marple Newtown High coach Bob Kenig's initial remarks following his team's 13-0 shutout of Penncrest which gave the undefeated Tigers (10-0, 7-0) the Central League championship.

Four years ago, Kenig proclaimed that it would take him four years to build a champion and his club proved him to be correct by winning the title. However, following a very disappointing season last year, there were many Tiger followers who didn't feel Kenig deserved to coach again this year.

"Sure we were disappointed with our record last year, but what people failed to realize was the number of serious injuries we suffered," Kenig said. "We came back with basically the same bunch of kids this season and were fortunate in that we had very few injuries. That factor and an added year's experience were the big differences this year."

The game itself was a physical defensive struggle in which field position played a major role in the outcome.

The Tigers were able to march into Penncrest's territory twice in the first quarter, but both times were forced to punt. Following each punt, however, Penncrest was bottled up deep in its own territory, at the 20 and three yardlines.

Early in the second period, Penncrest began a drive deep from its own territory, this time at the 19. The Lions finally got their offense untracked and, with the help of three penalties against Marple, were able to advance

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Tigers take title

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into Tiger territory. However, quarterback Brian McCutcheon was intercepted by Joe Nutley at the 44 and M-N then began a drive which would culminate with a score shortly before halftime. Joe Wenner galloped 19 yards to the Penncrest 37 and Ed Mirra gained seven yards to the 32. Kurt Worley and George Schmidt added 12 and five yards, respectively, to advance the ball to the 13. Two plays later, Worley burst for eight yards to the five and two straight runs by Schmidt moved the ball into the endzone, with the score coming from two yards out. Marple's 7-0 lead stood at halftime.

Marple put together a seven-and-a-half minute, 16-play drive to open the second half, but was stopped short of a score at the six, thanks to a fine defensive stand by the Lions.

A Penncrest face-masking penalty had given MN a first down at the 13 and Wenner ran for two and seven yards to move the ball within inches of another first down. But the Lion defense held Schmidt to no gain and Worley was just barely able to make it on fourth down.

Worley bulled two more yards to the one, but Penncrest rose to the occasion and stopped two running attempts for no gain. A delay of game penalty moved the ball back to the six and a fourth-down pass fell incomplete as the Lions took over.

Dave Van Zant recovered a Marple fumble late in the period at the Tigers' 38 and Penncrest had its first excellent field position of the day. Richard McFarland was able to gain 12 yards to the 26, but the Lions couldn't pick up another first down in the drive and turned the ball over on downs at the 23.

Following an exchange of punts, Marple got good field position at the Penncrest 44 and marched in for the score which wrapped up both the game and the championship. Mirra had runs of 10 and 11 yards during the drive, but it was Worley who got the touchdown on a 15-yard sprint around left end, and Marple led, 13-0, with less than five minutes remaining.

But Joe Moglia's Lions, who are 5-4-1, were not about to quit. Taking over on their 39, they put on their best offensive display of the game, advancing to the Marple five before running out of downs. Tom Nicholson was the key player in the drive, gaining 45 yards, including a spectacular 32-yard gallop. However, Kenig and his team were not to be denied and the clock ran out with the Tigers on top, 13-0.

Before the season began, Kenig told his squad that "offense wins games, but defense wins championships." His team proved that this year.

Marple held Penncrest to just 128 yards on the ground and a net minus-28 through the air. MN's first-team defense allowed just three touchdowns and a field goal all season.

Marple's offensive line played an outstanding game, opening up some huge holes for the backs.

PEN-0000-0
M-N-0706-13

M-N - Schmidt 2 run (Lehman kick)

M-N - Worley 15 run (kick failed)

Auks stop Northeast

Archmere remains undefeated

NORTHEAST, Md. - Archmere Academy's football team won its eighth consecutive game of the season Saturday, beating Northeast High, 22-6.

The Auks took the opening kickoff and drove to their first score, which came on a 25-yard pass play from quarterback Jim McCrae (Ridley Park) to junior Mark DiNardo.

DiNardo added a two-point conversion by run.

Northeast (4-5-0) came right back for its only points of the game on a 7-yard pass from Frank Murphy to Larry Meekins. The conversion run failed.

Archmere scored again in the fourth quarter, on Dennis Selfridge's 1-yard run.

Northeast fumbled the kickoff and Dave McCrae of Archmere picked off the ball in mid-air and ran 36 yards for another touchdown.

Mike Lagasse caught the conversion pass from Jim McCrae.

Selfridge, who hails from Norwood, picked up 89 yards on 24 carries and DiNardo gained 86 yards on 25 carries.

McCrae completed three of four passes for 45 yards.

Sophomore linebacker Frank Nowaczyk was credited with eight unassisted tackles and nine assists to lead the Archmere defense.

Archmere tries for its first undefeated regular season since 1961 Saturday morning, hosting St. Elizabeth's.

The Auks are one of a number of teams being considered for invitations to the Delaware state football tournament.

ARCHMERE 8 0 0 14-22
NORTHEAST 6 0 0 6-6

A - DiNardo 25 pass from J. McCrae (DiNardo run)

N - Meekins 7 pass from Murphy (run failed)

A - Selfridge 1 run (pass failed)

A - D. McCrae 30 run with fumble (Lagasse pass from J. McCrae)

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Ranalli sparks Claymont to victory over McKean

CLAYMONT — Only Alexis I. duPont stands in Claymont's way for a second straight Delaware high school football playoff berth.

A win at Alexis next Saturday would give Claymont an 8-2 record, which would virtually clinch a Division II at-large berth in the tournament.

The Indians set the stage for next week's showdown by defeating visiting McKean, 20-7, Saturday.

Quarterback Vince Ranalli keyed the win, completing seven of 11 passes for 135 yards. One of his passes went for 63 yards and a touchdown to Jo Jo Johnson in the fourth quarter.

Claymont opened the scoring on its first possession of the game, marching 60 yards in five plays. Rich Bressi scored on a six-yard run after fullback Frank DeMaio had put the Indians in scoring position with a 43-yard gallop.

John Gatta returned a punt 52 yards to the McKean 16, setting the stage for a second-quarter touchdown for Claymont. The Indians moved to the four yardline, but faced a fourth-and-goal situation and brought in the field goal unit. Frank Fortuna took the snap, but instead of holding the ball in place for a kick threw a pass to Jimmy Mechell, who was alone in the

endzone.

Claymont's 14-0 lead held until the fourth quarter, when McKean (3-5-1) struck for its only touchdown, a six-yard run by Ken Mulshenok, following an interception by Hank Greenberg.

"After that, we just wanted to get a drive started," said Ranalli, who wasted little time, rifling the 63-yard touchdown pass to Johnson two plays later.

"Jo Jo ran a curl and was covered, so he went deep. I just got the ball over the defender's head," said Ranalli.

M-0007-7
C-7706-20

C - Bressi 6 run (DeMaio kick)
C - Mechell 4 pass from Fortuna (DeMaio kick)

M - Mulshenok 6 run (O'Toole kick)

C - Johnson 63 pass from Ranalli (run failed)

'Defense did nice job'

D-C rams Colls after slow start

By MARTY RUBENSTEIN
Daily Times Correspondent

COLLINGDALE — After the first quarter of Saturday's Section III game, Collingdale and visiting Darby-Colwyn seemed evenly matched.

Darby-Colwyn's quarterback was sacked twice, Collingdale's quarterback was intercepted once and both teams fumbled a few times, leaving the game scoreless after the first 12 minutes.

But D-C's offense opened up in the second quarter and set the stage for a 19-0 win over the Colls.

Starting from the Collingdale 38 yardline, D-C backs Paul Murtagh, Michael King and Harry Gallagher worked the ball down to the two and fullback Murtagh dove into the endzone for the first touchdown and the Rams led, 7-0.

Collingdale couldn't move the ball and D-C took over inside the Colls' 50. After failing to connect five times and being sacked twice in the first quarter, D-C quarterback David Maisch made his first completion a touchdown pass. He passed 23 yards to Joe Voigtsberger and Darby-Colwyn led, 13-0, at halftime.

At the start of the second half, Collingdale quarterback Bill Marquardt was intercepted by D-C's King, who ran 31 yards to the four yardline. Gallagher brought the ball into the endzone for D-C.

Gallagher's touchdown was to be the final one of the game, but the excitement didn't end there.

With a change in quarterbacks, Collingdale opened up later in the

third quarter. With fourth down at the D-C 38, the Colls' Tom Magee passed to Ray Clifton near the endzone. Clifton dropped the ball and it was recovered by Colwyn's Terry Coleman, who ran the ball back to the 39.

Interceptions by Collingdale's Marquardt and Colwyn's Murtagh and Jim Harris highlighted the fourth quarter. But neither team was able to score and Collingdale, in its final game of the season, was defeated, 19-0, closing out the season with a 4-6 record.

Darby-Colwyn coach Bill O'Neill said, "Collingdale is a pretty good team. Our defense did a nice job and the offense ran the ball successfully. I'm very happy with the way things turned out this season."

The Rams, who are 6-2-1, close out the season next week at Yeadon.

D-C-01360-19
Col.-0000-0

D-C - Murtagh 2 run (Mosley kick)

D-C - Voigtsberger 23 pass from Maisch (pass failed)

D-C - Gallagher 1 run (kick failed)

Oxford downs L-A

OXFORD — Mike Stephens' 35-yard touchdown pass to Mike Kelly gave visiting Lansdowne-Aldan High an early 6-0 lead, but the Lords were unable to hold it and dropped a 20-6 decision to Oxford Saturday.

Oxford, which buried Unionville 31-7 last week, intercepted five passes and recovered two fumbles en route to the victory.

Oxford struck for two touchdowns in the second quarter on runs of eight and five yards by Mike Modugno to claim a 14-6 advantage, then tallied again in the fourth quarter on a 12-yard run by Barry Hostetter.

L-A-6000-6
OXF-01406-20

L-A - Kelly 35 pass from Stephens (run failed)

OXF - Modugno 8 run (pass failed)

OXF - Modugno 5 run (Modugno run)

OXF - Hostetter 12 run (kick failed)

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