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SPORTS

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Best Officials at Aces' Game

Referee Zehner and head linesman Coleman, who worked the Aces-St. Ann's game along with umpire Gallagher, are the first sought-after officials in suburban Philadelphia scholastic ranks.

Furthermore, they are respected as the most honest and capable in the business. And when they saw fit to award Bill Marion a TD on that off-tackle slant in the third quarter Sunday, they called the play as they saw it.

Some of the fans, but not the majority, were expected. The same fans who hurled derisive remarks at the Aces also were booing Wayne Schneider, a kid whom they cheered a few years ago. There was no reason to jeer either. If these fans had to let off steam there certainly was plenty of reason to cheer the Aces, who

truly merited vocal support for their excellent work.

From our vantage point Marion did not appear to be over. However, he would have made a first down on the foot line. This would have given St. Ann's four more cracks. But the Aces might have held, recovered a fumble, etc. Then the final score would have been 6-6.

In all our experience we have never seen a man go over as fast as Marlon nor get rocked back as furiously. Watching the play from the sidelines on the one yard line it appeared as if the ball had been over, but the ball, which was neatly tucked in his arm, was not across the line. And in the final analysis it is the ball and not the body which must go on or over the final chalk mark. Anyhow, it was too close to argue about and Zehner, Coleman and Gallagher called the play as they saw it.

Suggest Merger with Bux-Mont

NEW BACKS CLICK AS MORRISVILLE HIGH BEATS LANGHORNE, 34-6, IN LOWER BUCKS CONFERENCE

Morrisville High, aided by two comparatively new backs who up until this week were members of the second team, displayed surprising form in easily defeating Langhorne here last week, 34-6.

The manner in which Bill Powell, fleet Colored right halfback, and Johnny Marcucci, fullback, fitted into the crippled Morrisville backfield was especially pleasing to Coach Gordon Davies. These players took the places of Charley Johnson, Dick Walsh and Harry Bodine, all of whom are on the injured list.

Seldom this season has Morrisville looked more impressive offensively than it did against the Redskins. Although Langhorne is admittedly weak, Morrisville made them look bad by ripping off four and five yards at a clip from their T-formation attack.

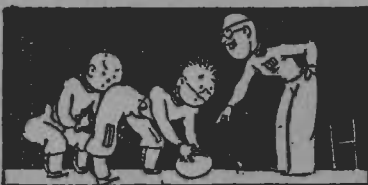
Bob Felver, hard-running 165-pound Morrisville halfback, was the best runner on the field. In addition to scoring a TD on a two-yard buck in the second period, Felver electrified a small crowd that braved adverse weather elements by taking the second half kickoff 70 yards for a score. On the latter dash Felver broke very quickly and practically bulldozed his way past a host of over-eager tacklers. Cutting to his left, Bob sped down the sidelines with several Langhorne men in vain pursuit. Felver also plunged for two extra points to rake up 16 for the afternoon.

Fizzano Scores 40-Yard TD

For Langhorne capable Armand Fizzano again was the star. The Redskin captain, almost carrying the load alone this season, made a large percentage of the tackles backing up the line, and in the third quarter he put Langhorne into contention for a short time by breaking over Morrisville's left side for a 40-yard TD gallop. This cut the winner's lead to 20-6 and gave Langhorne hope. Morrisville immediately retaliated by taking the ensuing kickoff from its 40 in 14 plays 60 yards for a TD to make it 27-6.

The game started out in a rain and windstorm, and Langhorne got into an immediate hole at the outset. Cassey took the kickoff in back of the goal after it was touched by a Langhorne player and ran it to the eight. On the second running play Powell recovered a Redskin fumble on the 12. Marcucci and Felver moved to the nine, but a backfield motion penalty took the ball back to the 14. On the next play Felver picked up 10 yards to the four. Felver hit the middle to the two, and on the next stab Marcucci went

Football Facts



Advance District Ratings

	W	L	T	P
Bensalem	4	0	1	9
Morrisville	3	1	1	7
Council Rock	2	1	1	5
Southampton	2	2	0	4
Bristol	1	0	1	3
Langhorne	1	3	0	2
Pennsbury	0	5	0	0

Big Four Conference

	W	L	T	P
Bensalem	1	0	1	3
Bristol	1	0	1	3
Morrisville	1	1	0	2
Langhorne	0	2	0	0

Little Three Conference

	W	L	T	P
Council Rock	1	0	0	2
Southampton	1	0	0	2
Pennsbury	0	2	0	0

over. The play was recalled and a motion penalty again set Morrisville back to the seven. Marcucci took the ball, however, and again scored. Felver bulldozed over for the extra point to make it 7-0.

Langhorne, with Cassey returning, moved the kickoff to the 27, but after three plays lost to the 25, VanSant was forced to punt to the Langhorne 45. It took Morrisville 11 plays to move the ball to the Langhorne two. Then, on the first play of the second quarter, Felver plunged over for another TD. He also plunged for the point to make it 14-0.

Langhorne had an excellent opportunity in the second quarter. Immediately after the kickoff following Felver's TD, VanSant sent a long punt downfield that stopped rolling on the Morrisville four. After moving out to the eight, Smith punted to the Bulldogs 33. On the first play Morrisville was offside to the 28. Smith then broke through and caught Schneider from behind for a loss to the 35. Two tries by Fizzano picked up nothing, and VanSant punted over the line.

After that Langhorne threat Morrisville drove from its 20 to the 44 and would have gone further had it not been for numerous penalties. The first half ended as Smith booted to the Langhorne 30.

Morrisville forged ahead 20-0

on Felver's sensational 70-yard kickoff return, and Langhorne decreased the advantage to 20-6 on Fizzano's dash, both previously described. Wayne Stradling got an assist in Langhorne's only TD because he set it up by recovering a fumble on the 40.

A bit of strategy after Fizzano's score enabled Morrisville to make it 27-6. Fine running by Felver and Powell and two passes by Fleischer moved the ball from the Morrisville 40 to the 35. Fleischer then found Tom Gavin with a pass on the 10. On the next play Powell lost to the 15. Fleischer's pass to Gavin was long. Then Felver, who had been running all during the game, crossed Langhorne up by passing to Fleischer who caught it on the 10 and ran over to increase the lead. Mitchell's placement was no good.

After that TD Morrisville kicked to the Langhorne 40. Three-running plays by the Redskins, as usual, failed to gain, and VanSant punted to the 37. Powell, Marcucci and Felver then staged a blistering rushing attack that resulted in a 63-yard TD drive, Powell finally going over from the three. The only time Morrisville took the ball off the ground was when Marcucci passed to Don Roberts from the 31 to the 12. Mitchell's placement ended the scoring at 34-6.

Morrisville threatened to hit the 40 point mark when Powell intercepted Kaupp's pass late in the game on the 50. He ran to the 21 before being pulled down from behind. Marcucci hit tackle to the 18. But Mongillo got Langhorne out of danger by intercepting Fleischer's pass on the line of scrimmage. Fizzano then hit Biedka with a pass to the 40. On succeeding maneuvers a spread formation pass play was a failure. Fizzano tried the line for no gain, and Lawrence swept end and was chased out of bound for no gain. VanSant punted over the Bulldog's goal line as the game ended.

Morrisville High

Ends—D. Roberts, Bucknum, Gavin, Thompson, Watson.
Tackles—Foster, Martin, Zurlo.
Guards—Johnson, Pfeleger, Disler, North.
Centers—R. Roberts, Smith, Lawson, Brewer.
Backs—Fleischer, Felver, Powell, Marcucci, Mitchell.

Langhorne High

Ends—Bodenschatz, Caufield, Enright, Dorsey, Romberger, Davis
Tackles—VanSant, Stradling, Caldwell, Leitch.
Guards—Tobias, Curtis, Sofield, Jackson.
Centers—Gring, Reilly, Orff.
Backs—Kaupp, Cassey, Lawrence, Fizzano, Maurer, Mongillo, Schneider, Biedka.

McCAHAN THINKS BASKETBALL WILL HELP ARM

(The following story appeared in the Nov. 10 issue of "The Sporting News" concerning Bill McCahan, former Langhorne High star athlete and present Athletics pitcher).

By STAN BAUMGARTNER

Did you ever hear of a man who was strangled by his own strength?

That is what happened last winter to Bill McCahan, the Athletics' promising young righthanded pitching star from Duke University and Prospect Park, and he isn't going to let it happen again this winter.

At the finish of the 1947 season, McCahan, who had won ten and lost five, decided he wanted to make a little off-season money. By terms of his contract with Connie Mack, he could not play basketball or football without the Athletics' permission. This was not forthcoming. So Bill decided he'd go to work. He's taken an outside job with plenty of exercise that not only would keep him in shape but make him stronger.

McCahan got a job pushing 100-pound oil drums around. It was good money and made him strong.

But when he reported at West Palm Beach last spring, his arm, shoulder and chest muscles were as stiff as the drums he had pushed about.

Pitching demands smooth, rippling, long-fibered muscles—tissues that enable a man to follow through with the snap of a rubber band, not the jolt of a trip hammer. McCahan's muscles were short and hard as rocks last winter. Even the Florida sun failed to stretch them out. The result was that he labored all year like a man pushing a shot, instead of a baseball, toward the home plate. When the season was over he had won four and lost six and had been about as useful to Connie Mack in the fight for the pennant as Mrs. O'Leary's cow.

This winter, McCahan is going to play basketball—with the blessing of the A's—and he hopes that the exercise will stretch out the muscles that made him a great young hurler the year before.

If he does and if he can reach the same form he had in 1947, you can count the Athletics in for the pennant right now. They needed only a few more victories

last season to scare the daylights out of the Indians.

McCahan spent two weeks after the season playing with Danny Litwhiler's All-Stars and when he returned to Shibe Park a few days ago, he looked trimmer than he had at any time last year.

"I gained seven pounds in that banquet league," he said. "I played at many more dinner plates than home plates, but I'm ready for basketball now." McCahan will play for Atlantic City, the old Philadelphia Sphas. It is a fast league, so the young hurler isn't going to be able to sit back and take it easy."

Four members of the A's hurling staff finished on the right side of the ledger last year. Dick Fowler led the mound corps with 15 victories and eight defeats, while Carl Scheib was a close second with 14-8. Lou Brissie had 14-10 and Joe Coleman 14-13. It is the youngest, most powerful hurling staff in the big leagues. If McCahan can return to form and Phil Marchildon forget his worries, the Athletics are going to be tough customers next season.

LANGHORNE GRIDDEERS SEEK THIRD STRAIGHT IN HOME START AGAINST LOWER MORELAND

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Dynamite Dooney Damaging Devil

Philadelphia grid fans have something new to talk about. He is Ray Dooney, a low-slung guy who batters a line like a bull for Old Penn.

The older fans already are comparing him with Bill Hollenback and Bob Folwell, while those of younger vintage say he resembles Bill Kurlish or Bert Stiff.

Irregardless of who he is like, (in Penn football you have to be a counter-part of something traditional) he is a valuable cog in a fine machine because he draws the defense in and sets the stage for plays to the outside or overhead. Only when he does, he goes for quite a distance thereby making those other plays unnecessary.

Local Fans Will Miss Ted Horn

People from the Langhorne section have seen auto racers come and go.

Many of those who went were soon forgotten. Others lingered longer in their memories. Some will never be forgotten.

But most of them go the same way. They die with their boots on and their goggles fitted closely to their face and their

To be exceptional, every top-flight football team must have a guy that bends nails and eats iron filings for breakfast like Dooney, Blanehard, Nagurski, Savoldi, Osmanski, etc. Have you ever seen a really good ball club which didn't possess at least one off-tackle plunger of known ability. Drifting and split defenses can usually stop the swift boys on sweeps, while rushing tactics and zone defenses can halt passes. But with one good guy like Dooney to alternate between various offensive plays, a team is set.

But if you can get a plunger who carries the job to extremes, like Dooney can do, alternation is unnecessary.

wheel of high-powered automotive equipment.

Because Langhorne is the dirt track auto racing capital of the world, fans are well versed in the sport of speed. And the fans who reside here were saddened but not shocked at the death Sunday of Ted Horn, who finally got it on a small fair track at DuQuoin, Ill.

Along with Rex Mays, Pater-son's Ted Horn ranks as one of the all-time favorites of Langhorne race goers. Ted was a careful, considerate, steady driver who took meticulous care of his car. Thus it is ironical that his death should be caused by a mechanical defect—a broken spindle that threw him head-long onto the track. At Langhorne before each race Ted usually rebuilt his Offenhauser.

National champion in 1946 and 1947, Ted's only ambition was to win the great Indianapolis race and then retire. He was one of the greatest competitors in Langhorne's history, and his name will rest with the all-time greats.

Redskins Open Here In Saturday Night Game Under Lights

After winning two of its first three games on the road, Coach Jim Egli's Langhorne High Redskins make their home debut this Saturday night on Playwicki Field against Lower Moreland High. The kickoff will take place at 8.15 p. m.

The Redskins thus far have proved themselves to be the "Comeback Kids" in district schoolboy football circles. Behind in games against Pennsbury and Mt. Pleasant, the locals overcame leads to win by staging last half rallies.

Lower Moreland comes here after two straight beatings administered by Germantown Frds. and Council Rock. But year after year Lower Moreland was supposedly been weak only to offer Langhorne stiff resistance.

At Mt. Pleasant, Del., last week, Langhorne was trailing the Green Knights, 6-0, going into the third quarter. But they put on a 55-yard drive in the third quarter and Lou Mongillo, who starred all during the game on the offense, found a hole and went 20-yards off-tackle to tie the count at 6-6. Armand Fizzano plunged for the extra point to make it 7-6.

The final touchdown came in the last quarter when Fizzano tossed a 25-yard pass to Caulfield. Knisely plunged for the extra point.

Langhorne outplayed Mt. Pleasant by a large margin, but every time they neared scoring territory either a fumble or an officials decision deterred them. Incidentally, the officiating left much to be desired, according to the Langhorne version.

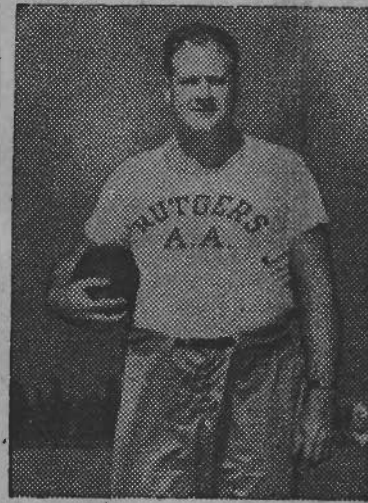
A second quarter score, made by Fizzano and set up on a long pass from Fizzano to Bodenschatz, was nullified by a 15-yard penalty. Langhorne registered 14 first downs to Mt. Pleasant's seven.

This week Coach Egli anticipates more first half action by the Redskins against Lower Moreland. Marked improvement has been displayed by the entire squad since the first two contests and the Red and Blue griddeers are out to show fans they can repeat as district champions despite the loss of 10 starters from last year's machine.

A large turnout is expected at the local field Saturday as this is the only night game on the high school schedule.

Wagner to Box Johnny Williams

TIGER TAMER?



HARVEY HARMAN

Who takes his Rutgers football team to nearby Princeton this Saturday for their traditional meeting with Princeton. Harman, whose team beat Temple last week, formerly coached Penn.

Aces Defeated By Goodwill on Late Touchdown

Pass Up Several Scoring Chances; Edgehill Here Sun.

That old bugaboo that has been trailing the Langhorne-Middle-town Aces all season finally caught up with them at Bristol Saturday night and as a result the locals dropped a 6-0 verdict to Goodwill.

Scoring with 30 seconds to play, Goodwill rightfully earned its thrilling victory. But the manner in which the Aces outplayed their adversaries only to bog down again and again when in scoring territory was heartbreaking to the Green Wave team as well as their followers.

Mickey Iannucci, former All-Scholastic lineman at Bristol High, set the stage for Goodwill's winning TD with the game almost at an end. He intercepted an Aces pass on the 40 and lugged it to the 10 before being tackled by Salvatore. On the first play Goodwill received a 25-yard holding penalty that set them back to the 25.

After this momentary setback Goodwill scored. Bernie Stiles faded to his 33 and threw a pass in the end zone intended for Joe Elmer. An Aces defender was on the job, but when he batted the ball away from Elmer another Goodwill back, Jack Coyne, who followed the play, caught the ball in the end zone for the winning TD.



the other to Jim Saller. In the fourth quarter VanHart took another pass from Charley Stewart for the third score. Left halfback Bill Finney made it 24-0 in the last quarter when he intercepted a Friends Central pass and carried it 45 yards for the Little Quakers final score.

Bensalem put on one of its most satisfying and convincing shows in years Saturday at Cornwells eights to trounce Penna. Deaf School of Philadelphia, 27-12. The unbeaten Owls were really flying after a shaky second quarter.

Ed Oliver was the big gun for Bensalem. He pitched three TD passes to Bob King, Frank Cantwell and George Ashton, and set up the other. In addition, Oliver sent three drop kicks between the bars for extra points.

Oliver's first TD heave was an 18-yard toss to Bob King. His second was an eight-yard throw to Cantwell. His third was the best of the contest. Standing on his own 30 in the last quarter, he hit Ashton on the PSD 30 and Ashton raced across the enemy goal. Ray Truehart tallied the other TD on an 18-yard sweep. In all, Oliver completed eight of nine passes.

Morrisville's upset win over Burlington was a humdinger. Plenty of rugged football was played during the viscious battle as each eleven pounded unmercifully for a score after Morrisville's first quarter TD.

The 6-0 win resulted from alertness in capitalizin on a break. Don Bucknum broke through from his end post and intercepted Fandetta's lateral intended for Hutton on the 22. Bucknum took it over for the game-winning marker.

Morrisville penetrated to the Burlington foot line in the last quarter. The Burls held and then staged a blistering drive, raking up five first downs and going 94 yards to the six before the clock ran out on them.

With the exception of that late drive Morrisville outplayed Burlington. The co-star along with Bucknum for the winners was Dick Roberts, whose recovery of a blocked punt for Morrisville or their own 17 saved the day in the second quarter.

Credit for the success of local teams last week goes to the coaches. All district mentors are doing outstanding jobs this year. At Morrisville hard-working Gordon Davies is performing won-

VAN BUREN MUST BATTLE TO RETAIN GRIDIRON HONORS

The race, for the individual ground gaining championship in the National League should be the best in years. Steve VanBuren, defending champion, hampered by injuries, is meeting stern competition from Tony Candeo, Green Bay; John Clement, Pittsburgh; his teammate, Bosh Pritchard; Walt Schlinkham, Green Bay; Charley Trippi, Cards; Jim Castiglia, Washington, and a number of others.



SCHOLASTIC FOOTBALL

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
Florence at Pennsbury
Ft. Washington at Bryn Athyn

FRIDAY NIGHT
St. Francis at Southampton
Seton Hall at Trenton Catholic

SATURDAY AFTERNOON
Lambertville at George School
Bristol at Abington

SATURDAY NIGHT
Lw. Moreland at Langhorne
Bensalem at Morrisville

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INDEPENDENT FOOTBALL
Sunday Afternoon

Edgehill at Langhorne Aces
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BOXING
Tuesday Night (Trenton Arena)
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WRESTLING
Saturday Night (Trenton Arena)

few better line backers around than Jim Walsh. Morrisville's pass defense has also been very good.

The game will serve as an interesting tip-off as to the probable district champion. Both teams are fairly deep in reserves. However Morrisville must be accorded a slight edge because of its exhibitions thus far against relatively top-notch opposition. But Bensalem, unbeaten against Class B foes, can prove itself worthy of title consideration providing it is not outsmarted by Morrisville's tight defense. **JG**

TRAP SHOOT AT NEWTOWN

The Newtown A. C. will sponsor an open shooting match at Double Woods, near Newtown, this Sunday. The Lewis Class contest will start at 1 p. m., and several nice prizes have been provided for the winners.

Donnie Klein, former star athlete at Langhorne-Middletown High School, is again a member of the Ice Capets group of the Ice Capades of 1949 which opens in Philadelphia Monday.

FOOTBALL

Langhorne-Middletown Aces

VS.

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Langhorne Beaten By Riverside, 31-6

RIVERSIDE, N. J., Oct. 2.—Riverside High evened its record at one victory and one defeat by overwhelming Langhorne, 31-6, before 2000 tonight. Riverside had lost to Burlington a week ago.

Charles Olgiati tallied twice, Herb Hozier and Emire George once, and Perry Bal scampered 68 yards in the final quarter to account for the winners' touchdowns.

LANGHORNE

TACKLES—VanZandt, Sofield, Jackson.
 ENDS—Davis, Laufield, Lawrence, Dorsey.
 GUARDS—Curtis, Tobas, Brown.
 CENTERS—Gring, Lewis.
 BACKS—Pizziano, Maurer, Schneider, Cassidy, Budken, Rielley.

RIVERSIDE

ENDS—Clark, Eckert, E. Hozier.
 TACKLES—Canzini, Dottillio, Berry.
 GUARDS—Blanon, Tallard, Biacone.
 CENTERS—Wilkins.
 BACKS—Gilbert, Olgiati, Bal, H. Hozier, Kles-sattle, Materi, Grant, Georges.

Langhorne	_____	6	0	0	0	→ 6
Riverside	_____	12	6	7	6	→ 31

LANGHORNE SCORING—Touchdown—Sofield.
 RIVERSIDE SCORING—Touchdowns—Olgiati
 2, Hozier, Georges, Bal. Extra point—
 Hozier (placement).