

Neshaminy Bombs Chester In Staffieri's Debut, 54-0

L. Merion Loses Nine Regulars

Aces Lack Fleet Back

ARDMORE — Lower Merion indulged in a tie for second in Section One and posted a 6-3 over all record last year.

Coch John (Fritz) Brennan figures the Aces will need a lot of luck to do as well again.

"We lack experience and haven't got a breakout back. I don't expect to do much in Section One," the veteran coach said.

Lower Merion's losses have been heavy. Nine regulars are gone, including outstanding end Bruce McKissock and hard running fullback Bernie Blanchard.

FIVE RETURN

Five lettermen are back, but the only position in which the Aces appear to be solid is quarterback. Buddy Manges and John Parthenore played one-two last season and both seniors are ready to go again.

The other backfield slots are up for grabs. Two soph, John Acuff (5-10, 175) and Bernard Pierce (5-11, 180), are strong candidates for the halfback job.

The line appears in considerably better shape.

End George Malarec (6-0, 175), guard John Monaghan (5-11, 180) and tackle John Rohan (5-11, 190) were starters in '61. All are seniors.

Two other boys saw a lot of action as soph and should move right in to give the Aces a big and seasoned wall. They are junior tackle Billy McKendry (6-0, 190) and junior end William Beck (5-11, 180).

NEW BACKS

Lower Merion's success this season appears to hinge on the new backs. The two good quarterbacks will make up for some of the inexperience, but Brennan has to come up with some capable ball carriers to take advantage of the holes the line will likely open up.

The Aces open with two strong teams.

They have a non-league test with Plymouth - Whitmarsh at home Sept. 27 and run into Section One favorite Abington a week later.

Lower Merion this season may not show well in the early going, but with a fairly solid line and young backs, will probably develop into a typical Brennan powerhouse later in the campaign.

ACES HAVE GOOD LINE

COACH: John (Fritz) Brennan (LaSalle), starting 10th year.

ASSISTANTS: Glenn Ellweller (W & J) and Joe Quinn (West Chester). 1961: 6-3 over all. Tied with Norristown for second place in Section One with 4-2 record.

LOSSES: Nine lettermen. Fullback Bernard Blanchard and end Bruce McKissock will be most difficult to replace.

RETURNING: Seven experienced boys, including five linemen.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Linemen John Rohan and John Monaghan.

FORECAST: The Aces are never easy, but it may take them a few games to hit their stride with an inexperienced backfield.

He Was First

The first holder of the mile record in track was Charles Lawes of Great Britain, who ran it in 5:36.8 in 1864.



MOTHERBACK—Mrs. Charles Alexander takes up the quarterback position for her son, center Chuck Alexander, at Marple-Newtown High School's Parents Day Thursday.

Bonner Banned From Title Play

DRENEL HILL — Monsignor Bonner has been dethroned as Catholic League football champion without even playing a game.

The Friars, who open against Cardinal (Donaherty Sunday at Villanova Stadium, have been declared out of the running for the title because of a pre-season practice violation.

The Catholic League Board of Directors Friday announced the action following a two-day investigation. Brother G. John, West Catholic High principal and chairman of the Board of Directors, issued this statement.

"The Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Catholic League announced today that Monsignor Bonner High School's football games will be classified as exhibition games. The results of their games will have no bearing on the league standings. This decision was reached because of a violation of regulations concerning pre-season practice."

A league spokesman said charges that Bonner players had been holding practice sessions in late July and early August were made at Tuesday's league meeting. The starting date for pre-season practice was advanced to Aug. 10 last winter after spring practice was abolished.

It was reported that several Bonner graduates had organized the players for the workouts, with

more than 25 backs at one playground and between 30 and 40 linemen at another.

The Rev. Thomas Mahoney, O.S.A., Bonner principal, said the illegal practices took place without the knowledge of school officials or coach Al Postus.

Postus, who was starting his first year as head coach after having assisted Jack Ferrante with the city championship squad last season, said the Catholic League statement was the only one that would be made and had no further comment.

Bonner was given a good chance of successfully defending its title. La Salle, West Catholic, St. James and Father Judge were considered the principal contenders.

Lions Dump Unionville

LIMA — Penncrest opened its soccer season Friday with a hard fought 2-1 victory over Unionville on the Lions' field.

Chris Nevison opened the scoring for Penncrest with a first period goal. The Lions held the lead until Unionville scored in the third period, but senior Dave Hodges wrapped it up by heading home a perfect cross from All-Suburban wingback Ed McCauland at the beginning of the final quarter.

Rookie fullbacks Tracy Johnson, Sam Montgomery and Fritz Glonec turned in fine efforts for Coach Don Lambert's squad.

Injured Eagle Is Transferred

HARRISBURG (AP) — Defensive halfback Glen Amerson of the Philadelphia Eagles, hospitalized last month after blacking out during practice, will be transferred to Philadelphia's Haberman Hospital next Monday.

Officials at Harrisburg Hospital said Friday Amerson's condition is considered generally satisfactory and he is able to walk around.

Doctors have ruled out any chance of Amerson returning to football in the near future.

Mitchell Sparkles In Defeat

Clipper Air Attack Clicks

By ED GEBHART

Daily Times Sports Editor LANGHORNE — Dan Staffieri, Chester High's new football coach should have been a prize fighter. He can take a terrific punch and still come up smiling.

Neshaminy High delivered the knockout blow Friday night, right at Staffieri's solar plexus in the form of a 54-0 rout of the Clippers in Dan's debut as head coach.

Close to 4,000 fans saw coach John Peterousakis Redskins roll up a 40-0 halftime lead before calling off his charges. Neshaminy's first stringers sat out the third quarter, but returned long enough for no more TDs in the final period.

When it was all over, Staffieri was surrounded by well wishers from nearby Hallowboro - Hornham High, where he last coached and was treated as if he had just won the Rose Bowl.

PASSING PLEASES

"Anybody got any happy pills?" he asked his legion of admirers. As for the game itself:

"I think we proved on that last period drive that we can pass the ball," he said, referring to a late maneuver against Neshaminy's first team that carried the ball to the Indians' 5.

"I'd say that Billy Mitchell is as fine a quarterback as I've ever coached and Frank Sneed looks like he's going to be a fine receiver.

"Also, we found a pair of good linebackers in Bob Sturkey and Dan DeGrave.

"No, this loss won't have any bearing on the rest of the season. The squad's morale is still very high."

STOPPED ON 3

That late period drive was about the only thing Chester High fans had to get excited about all night. Starting on their own 30, the Clippers drove 63 yards before being stopped. Mitchell and junior signal caller Chuck Hamrick alternated at the controls as Chester completed 3 of 7 passes.

All together, the Clippers completed 11 of 24 passes for 133 yards. But on the ground, Chester's offense netted only 31 yards.

Neshaminy, a beautifully drilled single wing powerhouse, racked up 313 yards rushing in the first half alone.

On the Redskins first offensive play, ace fullback Bob Baxter turned left end for 33 yards and a touchdown, then booted the first of six extra points. Before the period had ended, wingback Bob Barr, ripped 24 yards up the middle on a delayed back for a second TD and fullback Bill Brundage got the third tally on a pitchout around right end for nine yards.

DEADLY

The second period was just as deadly. Junior Tommy Dee landed right end for 48 yards, setting up a 20-yard scoring scamper by second stringer Maury Tome. Brundage pitched 14 yards to end Bill Rasser to cap a 40-yard drive and second string halfback Mark Ciccone ripped off a dandy 40-yard touchdown run on the final play of the half to make it 49-0.

Chester played Neshaminy's reserves on even terms in the third session but the starters returned in the fourth period and racked up two more TDs in less than two minutes.

Brundage pitched 22 yards to quarterback Tom Preno for the first score, climaxing a 7-play, 77-yard drive. After Chester fumbled the kickoff, Preno pitched to big Ray Jenkins on a tackle-eight-o-maneuver for 26 yards and the final TD.

ENDS—Soccer: Powell, Hall, Linn, Smith, Wesley, Evans. Football: Swanson, Staples, Reed, Semchick, Swanson, Staples.

GUARDS — Redding, Ivey, Orr, Nelson, Byles.

CENTERS — Edwards, Kind. BACKS — Hamrick, Mitchell, Robinson, Wesley, Nevison, Sand, Payne, Albrecht.

NESHAMINY — JUNIOR — Rasmey, Harle, Leather, Tiersel, Donnan, Oler, Lange.

TACKLES — South, Michael, Kelso, Donny, Andrusky, Jenkins, Kahan. CENTERS — Cummings, Clark, Anderson.

BACKS — Preno, Barr, Brundage, Baxter, Tome, Ciccone, Pritchler, Roosevelt, Donn, Kaminski, Walker, Paul.

QUARTERBACK — Preno 31 10 0 14-30. TACKLES — South, Michael, Kelso, Donny, Andrusky, Jenkins, Kahan. CENTERS — Cummings, Clark, Anderson. BACKS — Preno, Barr, Brundage, Baxter, Tome, Ciccone, Pritchler, Roosevelt, Donn, Kaminski, Walker, Paul.

Elmira Halts Williamsport

ELMIRA, N.Y. (AP)—The Elmira Flyers have backed Williamsport, the pennant winner, into a corner in the Class A Eastern League playoff final.

Shutout whiz Steve Dalzkowski pitched his seventh shutout of the year, a five-hitter, to give Elmira a 2-0 victory and a 2-0 lead Friday in the best-of-5 series.

Rebuild Penncrest

Jayce letterwinners who are expected to see plenty of action include: fullback Dave Wamsley (5-10, 165), guard Wayne (5-10, 145), quarterback Sears (5-11, 170), center Skip Spielman (5-11, 170), end Steve Hodges (5-11, 170), and guards Larry How-

ers (5-11, 185) and Jim Scholten (5-10, 155).

Find Tracy Cady (6-1, 175), guard of the best linemen in the county,

and Steve Hodges (5-11, 170), end who is proficient in every area, and Ruper, whom Coach Udovich describes as "perhaps one of the best linemen in the county."

Church, Myers Fight Tonight