Admissions essays: the bane and burden of U. applicants

BY DEBRA ABRAMS

If you were given the opportunity to spend the evening with any one person, living, deceased, or fictional, whom would you choose? Pat O'Donnell, a College freshman, asked the question of admissions officers.

Lauder, Fischer to fund floor of project

BY LAURIE GOLDBERG

Executive Officer Leonard Lauder has each originally donated $1.5 million for the project, which will be used to augment the gifts was a temporary "shell" of walls, electrical wiring and unfinished and having to go and continue to-steam plant at the Philadelphia

By I M Kit GOLDBERG

Going North

Penn State students aren't the only ones who made the journey to Carroll this weekend for the game. Admission Dean Les Newton (left) and President Sheldon Hackney went up north to watch the Quakers defeat the Big Red. The two administrations took a break from their duties to participate in the festivities going on inside the locker room building.

Harassment investigation is continuing

BY LES KEEER

Difficult accounts and a shortage of witnesses have hindered Public Safety's investigation of a racial harassment case involving the second-floor Morgan dormitory room at the City College. The case is expected to be resolved in the coming weeks.

For the city, garbage is a growing dilemma

BY BETTY SIMCHEK

The problem facing Philadelphia is the cost of waste disposal. Waste disposal is reaching a critical point in the city, which currently has more than 160,000 tons of trash per year. On average, each Philadelphia resident produces 20 pounds of trash per week.

Selling Out

Retail stores change owners but hope for same clientele

BY JENNY NOTZ

Although several Philadelphia department stores have been sold, their new owners are hopeful that they can keep the stores open.

Mayor Wilson Goode at his press conference announcing his new anti-drug policy

Goode stated in his testimony before the City Council Rules Committee on drug policy that it is important to be proactive.

Goode hands down new drug policy

By DAVID LARKS

Mayor Goode announced his comprehensive new anti-drug policy at a press conference Wednesday. The policy will be "organized enforcement and prevention, treatment, and law and media campaign" to convince young people not to use illegal drugs.

Cabdriver's "strange decision" made by Carter Hawley Hale, which also owns several department store chains including Neiman Marcus and Bergdorf Goodman.

Wannamaker's had sales of more than $100,000,000 in fiscal year 1987 and has not experienced financial difficulties. Acquisition of Wannamaker's, the first would have agreed to continue operations if they had been unable to a sale at a profit. "Philadelphia seems like a good market," he concluded. "We are adding to the number of career retail stores in the city, which will gain ownership of all 16 John Wanamaker stores, is expected to pay approximately $177 million for the chain.

Composed buyers are currents by considering a variety of changes in Wannamaker stores, including a (Continued on page 4)
Off the Wire

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WASHINGTON — In a surprising turn, Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole said yesterday that he would not support the President's proposal to extend the ban on new oil drilling along the U.S. coast as a way to stop the growing threat of terrorist acts.

Dole said his change of heart was prompted by the growing realization that the ban would not have the intended effect of reducing the threat of terrorist acts. He said that the ban was seen by many as a symbolic gesture rather than a real measure to prevent such acts.

Under the ban, which was signed into law last month, oil exploration and drilling would be prohibited in areas off the coasts of Alaska and the eastern seaboard. However, the ban does not extend to areas off the west coast, where most of the country's oil is produced.

Dole said he would vote against the ban when it comes up for a vote in the Senate later this month.

The ban was originally proposed as a way to reduce the threat of terrorist acts by forcing oil companies to look for new sources of energy. However, many have argued that the ban would have little impact on the overall supply of oil and would not significantly reduce the threat of terrorist acts.

"We are not going to fight this battle on the west coast," Dole said. "We are going to fight this battle on the east coast, where it really matters."
Students welcome holiday break with vacation plans

Thank God for Thanksgiving

Admissions...writing is source of applicant agony

Dixon Palmer dances to spread the word about his people

The Kiowa Indians

By ELEENA DELISSER

Dixon Palmer is a native American Indian of Kiowa and Choctaw Indian descent. He wears cowboy boots, flannel shirts and likes McDonald's. He is a member of the Kiowa tribe, one of the many nations who have contributed to the richness of American life.

Palmer was born in Anadarko, Oklahoma, and is a student at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the university's Native American Student Association and is active in its efforts to promote Native American culture.

By BETH BEINARD

After a breathtaking season harvest in the Plymouth Colony back in 1621, William Bradford, the governor of the colony, called for a day of thanksgiving marked by feasting and merrymaking.

More than 350 years later, students at many institutions of higher learning have taken their cue from the early settlers and are gathering to enjoy a day of thanksgiving marked by parties and pigging out.

Thanksgiving Day is a traditional national holiday which falls on the fourth Thursday of November. It is a day to give thanks and to remember our blessings.

However, this holiday is also a time of feasting and partying for most students, but there are some who just want a little rest and relaxation.

Eric Long was one of those students who decided to take a break from the festivities. He went camping with some friends in the Adirondacks for the weekend and had a great time.

"I just needed a break," said Eric. "Thanksgiving is always so hectic and stressful, so I decided to get away for a bit and relax."}

On the contrary, many students were looking forward to the festivities. They were excited to see their friends, eat delicious food, and have a good time.

"I love Thanksgiving," said Jennifer. "It's always a great time to catch up with friends and family and enjoy some good food."

By BETH BEINARD

Despite the festivity, it is important to remember the significance of the holiday. Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks and to remember our blessings.

"We should remember to be grateful for all the good things in our lives," said Eric. "It's easy to get caught up in the festivities, but we shouldn't forget the reason for the holiday."
**Campus Events**

**A listing of University news and events**

**NOTICE**

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE CURATION OF THE DEAF is sponsoring a meeting for parents of deaf children on Tuesday, November 25, at 7 p.m., in the Boardroom, Houston Hall. The meeting will provide an opportunity for parents to learn about the services offered by the American Society for the Curation of the Deaf. All parents of deaf children are welcome to attend.

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**U. police investigating costly jewelry robbery**

University police are investigating two unrelated burglaries—each involving the loss of thousands of dollars worth of jewelry.

Lt. Steven Heach said yesterday that a University student was robbed at gunpoint outside her Van-Pel House apartment at 4:22 a.m. on Sunday. She provided University police with an inventory of the jewelry missing from her apartment.

According to Lt. Heach, the complainant’s roommate, a woman, saw a man in the apartment, and asked him what he was doing. He mumbled something and then left the area, according to the roommate. She gave a brief description of the man to the police. The complainant added that the door to the apartment was not closed prior to the incident.

Although credit cards and money were in plain sight at the time of the burglary, only the jewelry was taken. Lt. Heach said.

The other burglary was discovered at 10:39 a.m. on Sunday when the complainant arrived at an office in the Heath said. The complainant also contacted Philadelphia police, but the search has produced no results, Lt. Heach said.

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Four arrested on theft charges

Articles taken from Quadramics members

By RUTH BERHANUR

Unidentified police arrested and charged four men on charges relating to the theft of various articles. Police said the men were caught after leaving the Quadramics office in the new building.

The police said that four men entered the Quadramics office and took various items, including coats, wallets, and identification cards. The police said that the men were caught after leaving the office and were in possession of the stolen property.

The police said that the men were charged with theft and that the investigation is ongoing.

The police said that more charges may be pending.

The police said that anyone with information about the thefts is asked to contact the police department.

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Mayor's anti-drug policy

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hold that, if three polls are incon-istent with, the commissioner from all Philadelphia, we will be able to say our children and our children's futures. Under a new city money to fight drug abuse this year. Garber explained, adding that they will try to obtain more federal and state funds. If funding is not available, the city will spend more of its money, "perhaps in next year's budget."

During the conference, Philadelphia Health Commissioner Maurice Clifford said that the new policy is the result of "a 12-fold in-crease in cocaine abuse" over the last five years. Hatch also noted that the statistic could get drastically worse, Clifford said, adding that he hopes the new police will "disourage ex-perimentation as well as repeated use of drugs."

Police Commissioner Kevin Tucker said the department is planning to in-crease the number of officers current-ly working in the drug enforcement unit. The commissioner said he realized some time ago that "traditional policing was not the answer to the drug problem in our city," and the police force needs a different approach to combat the problem.

In addition, District Attorney Rene Castille said that "(the city) is not waiting the battle on drugs now, we're not standing still about it. We want all of the help we can get," in added.

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Lauder/Fischer Building gets more funds

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amount of space," Zucker said.

Lauder Institute Director Jerry Wind also said last night that the two
groups may eventually hold some
joint seminars, and he added that the
Real Estate Center will be "a terrific-
neighbor."

At one point this year, the ar-
chitects' plans had expanded the
building to 24,000 square feet, and the
preliminary estimate had swelled to
almost $1 million over budget. Accor-
ding to Vice President for FaciJities
Management John Anderson,
elimination of the extra space and
other cost-cutting measures lowered
the estimate to approximately $3.25
million in an effort to meet the
original budget.

Designs for the building, which will
have separate entrances for its oc-
cupants, are expected to be finished
before Christmas. Construction on
the site behind Phi Delta Theta frater-
nity house, at the corner of 37th Street
and Locust Walk, is slated to begin
toward the end of March and last ap-
proximately one year. The University
has contracted with Lehrer-
McGovern-Bovis International to
serve as its construction management
firm.

Crime Blotter

A weekly listing of crime on campus

The following summary lists all crimes reported to the
University's Public Safety Department during the week
ending Sunday, November 23.

TOTAL CRIMES BY CATEGORY:

Crimes Against the Person

Burglary

Theft of Auto

 DETAILS LISTINGS

Crimes Against the Person

11/17/86, 1:42 p.m., 1900 Block Locust, Male robbed
suspect unknown.

DETAIL LISTINGS BY AREA

Number after location refers number of incidents in
that area. Entries include only cases where two or more
were reported.

26th to 30th / Spruce to Locust (3)

11/20/86, 12:03 a.m., Williams Hall, Wallet taken
from unattended backpack.

37th to 38th / Spruce to Locust (3)

11/23/86, 4:42 a.m., Van Pelt House, Jewelry taken
from open room.

39th to 40th / Spruce to Locust (2)

11/23/86, 4:41 p.m., Van Pelt House, Money taken
from wallet left unattended.

36th to 37th / Locust to Walnut (2)

11/20/86, 11:45 a.m., Lot number 27, Hood orna-
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Eckel finishes 68th at NCAA meet

It was the sweetest 68th place finish in Edward Eckel's career.

Quaker senior See Eckel completely redeemed his noteworthy performance at the 1987 NCAA Championships, finishing 68th in an intense field in the NCAA 5000 meter run. Eckel later made his presence known on the track with the arrival of Northern Arizona University mens track team. Eckel's performance was then followed up by another finisher in the NCAA meet, finishing 68th. The individual win was Angela Wood's seventh at NCAA, and she was named for the Cross Country Championships.

Burndick nets woman's hat

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physically and mentally. If it doesn't
in '87 depends on the other clubs.

"Things just didn't work out for
Jackson issued a statement that said:
"I'll be the sweetest 68th place finisher
in the history of the NCAA meet."

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"I don't want to talk about my

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M. Swimming beats Cornell, 74-56

Freshmen Steve Wiviot jumps to his first collegiate meet, accounted for 35 percent of Penn's points in only their first meet. The future is bright. Penn definitely will get a chance to move up against Princeton tomorrow.

Yukica goes out in style

In New York, Columbia made the news by losing its 31st consecutive game. But Penn fans saw Yale, leading 17-16 in half, turn the game around and manage only three first downs in the second half. Yale, behind the heroics of the Elis, ended the season with losing records for the first time since 1958. Yale finished 3-12-3, Princeton 5-5-1, Harvard 3-9-1.

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Columbia certainly had a hand in its own demise, as it turned the ball over three times and managed only five-of-23 passes. In addition, his frustration and two interceptions in the second half directly resulted in the Big Red's comeback win.

The crucial overtime was the third quarter when Columbia squandered a 10-point lead in the game's most dramatic moment. To be sure, the Quakers outscored the Big Red in the opening eight minutes. By that time, the Bruins had turned the ball over three times, including two fumbles, in the opening eight minutes. By that time, the Bruins had turned the ball over three times, including two fumbles, in the opening eight minutes.

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NEW YORK (AP) — It didn’t take St. Louis Cardinals’ pitcher Todd Worrell long to decide to play for the National League’s Rookie of the Year award — whether he won or not.

Worrell, who led all NL rookies with a .320 batting average, said he was aware of the award because he read about it in the newspapers.

"When I go to spring training, I want to win it," Worrell said by conference call from Columbus, Ohio. "I would have preferred to talk to (pitching coach Mike) Maddux about the Cy Young instead." Worrell finished fourth in voting for the Cy Young award.

Worrell, who led all NL pitchers with 13 complete games and 195 strikeouts in 257 innings, said he would have liked to win both awards.

"I went in with no expectations," Worrell said. "I just wanted to come in and do the best I could."

Worrell pitched three days in a row for the first time in his career, including a victory over Los Angeles last Thursday. He started June 26 and 28 and was scheduled for the third game of a three-game series against the Cardinals this weekend.

Worrell said he would not try to pitch three days in a row again.

"I think it’s definitely a good idea to do it right now because it’s the end of the season," Worrell said. "I want to win as many games as I can."
Ivies want spring practice
Some coaches want modified workouts

NEW YORK (AP) -- Several Ivy League football coaches are urging their university presidents to allow a modified form of spring practice before the 1988 season. Their plan was told to today's editions.

The coaches, concerned with the growing number of NCAA rules that seem to drop in the best of play in most major sports, want the spring season to "definitely link up with spring practice and to be made available before some spring season," Harvard Coach Joe Restic said.

"It's not what we're going to do," Coach Ford Davis said. "It's teaching, giving kids a chance to impress the future."

Temple tops Cats in NIT
Blackwell leads Owls' comeback

AP - Temple defeated Boston College 89-73 Monday night in the opening round of the NCAA Southeast regional in New Orleans. Joe Restic said.

"It's not over-emphasis," Colgate Coach John Fisk said. "It's teaching, giving kids a chance to impress the future."

Dartmouth finishes Yukacorea with a victory
Harvard comes from behind to defeat Yale; Brown pounds Columbia

The freshman awards went to two players at the annual post-season banquet held at the Union Club. They were perhaps looking past Wharton into the future, it would have seen that the classic in.

The forward most valuable player award was given to the senior offensive tackle Gabianelli, who became the first Quaker ever to lead the nation in rushing in the Ivy League. The Edgar Church Award went to the senior defensive end Zubarow, who led all-time passenger with 2390 yards. The Bednarik Award, presented to the senior defensive player, was given to the senior running back Comizio, who became the first Quaker ever to lead the nation in rushing in the Ivy League.

A few months ago, Gabianelli hit sophomore receiver Craig Gabianelli, 'completing 23-of-36 passes for 369 yards and six touchdowns. The Quakers downed Cornell, 103-34, in the third-place game.

"I would especially like to thank the offensive line," Zubarow said. "They deserve some recognition."

"Sharon (Doyle) swam great," Yukica said. "I was pretty excited about her." Yukica said. "I was pretty excited about her."

"I'm sure they'll do it again," Yukica said. "I'm sure they'll do it again."

The victory gave Yukica a career record of 27-9-1 as the Quakers nixed Dartmouth.

"It was the last game for the seniors also," Yukica said. "The seniors had a lot of fun."

"I hope we can win," Yukica said. "I hope we can win."
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On The Cover: Penn's Scott Scungio (left), Brent Novoselsky (85), Steve Buonato (60) and Ken Saunders (17) celebrate one of Novoselsky's three touchdown catches in the Quakers' 30-26 upset of Navy. Photo by Tommy Leonardi.

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Records Broken

Team

Rushing
Yards — Season: 2661 (2504, 1977)

Total Offense
Yards — Season: 3951 (3779, 1973)
Plays — Season: 713 (697, 1981)
First Downs — Season: 213 (184, 1983)

Individual

Rushing
Yards — Season: 1104, Rich Comizio; 917, Chris Flynn (880, Gerry Santini, 1968)

All-Purpose
Yards — Season: 1620, Chris Flynn (1390, Adolph Bellizeare, 1972)

Extra Points
Made — Season: 34, Jim Grass (33, Tom Murphy, 1984)

Punt Returns
Number — Season: 48, Chris Flynn (35, Chris Flynn, 1985)

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Team

Passing
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Individual

Passing
Touchdowns — Game: 4, Jim Crocicchia, Navy (three times, last was Marty Vaughn, Lafayette, 1984)

Scoring
Touchdown Passes Caught — Game: 3, Brent Novoselsky, Navy (three times, last was Karl Hall, Cornell, 1981)
The Final Moments

Counting down the last ticks

By Neil Weinberger

Ten. That's what the scoreboard clock read.

Ten seconds left in the game. Ten seconds left in the season. Ten seconds left until the dream that had been built day by day throughout the 1986 football season was to become a reality for the Pennsylvania Quakers.

The scoreboard also showed a score that was all too familiar to the Quakers and their fans. The one that had the Quakers ahead of the other team. It read simply "Cornell 21, Visitors 31."

Nine.

On the Crescent Side of Schoellkopf Field, all you could see from the end zone to the thirty-five yard line were students. Penn students. Jubilant Penn students. The one that had the Quakers in January. The only thing which could prove the progress that had been made to turn the Quaker program into a national power was an Ivy League championship by performing the only improvement that they could have made — beating Cornell.

Eight.

The Cornell fans sat in silence. In eight seconds, they would have to face the reality of what could have been. What should have been had it not been for the impenetrable Quaker defense and the unstoppable Penn offense.

They had their dreams. They had their fantasies. But so did Penn. And what Cornell didn't realize was that once the Quakers tasted their chance at a perfect season, nobody was to deny them their just desserts.

Seven.

The Cornell fans were violent and frustrated. Unable to beat Penn on the field, they decided to try to regain any prestige they might have lost. Snowballs abounded. Tempers flared. A force of Big Red students gathered to defend their goalposts from the evil Quaker fans.

Six.

But for the Quakers, the dream was anything but over. An old man wearing nothing but Red and Blue greeted his friend, who was dressed in Big Red garb, with a bottle of champagne over his head.

"Welcome to Pennsylvania," he said.

Five.

Penn's fans began to count down. A countdown to what they had been waiting for all season. Perfection. And then, only moments away, the Quakers and their fans could do nothing but wait. "I'm watching the clock," one fan said. "I want to make sure it doesn't stop."

Four.

It was time to start celebrating. All the questions had been answered. All the critics had been silenced. It was time to face the joyous reality of being 10-0.

"We had no doubt of losing," Penn linebacker Brad Hippenstiel said of Saturday's game. "But even near the end, we couldn't celebrate because we knew there was the chance that we'd have to go back on the field."

"I wasn't convinced and excited until there were about three or four seconds left."

Three.

Penn linebacker A.J. Sebastianelli had three seconds before he could officially claim the Ivy League championship. But it would be hours before he would realize it. "It's gonna take some time for all this to sink in," he said. "We've been building to 10-0 all year, but Coach Zubrow had told us to take things one day at a time."

Those days were over. It had been only a matter of time until Penn claimed the Ivy League Championship, and time had just about run out.

Sebastianelli summed it up well: "This team was destined to go 10-0."

Two.

Quaker running back Chris Flynn was experiencing what he calls "the best feeling he's ever had."

And with good reason.

Sure the Quakers had won championships before. Sure they had gone undefeated in the Ivy League before. But there they were, seconds away from the only improvement that they could have made on their past performances — a perfect season.

One.

Penn Quarterback Jim Croccia took the final snap of his collegiate career and fell on the ball. He got up, raised his arms in the air, and let out a jubilant yell. Then he stopped a moment to soak in the atmosphere and to cherish what had happened. He looked around at the sidelines, the scoreboard and the fans.

"I'm never taking this off," he said of his number-seven jersey. "This has been a dream season."

Zero.

The final gun sounded. It was over. The season of destiny was over. For Ed Zubrow — a man who took on the responsibility of keeping alive an incredible tradition, a man who performed the impossible task of taking a great team and making it better, a man who had taken his season day by day and never looked ahead to being undefeated — it was time to reflect on some achievements.

"I tell you the truth," Zubrow said. "I didn't think about winning the championship until the last whistle blew. But now the emotion is so deep it hasn't even hit me yet. It is just great to be everything we had wanted to be.

"It's going to be a fun trip home."

A fun trip indeed, for the Quakers have no regrets about the 1986 season. No matter how you look at it, you'll see that the Quakers had a perfect season. They did just about everything possible. Except lose.

Exc. Penn football coach Jerry Berndt.

Del. Penn defensive end John Voughel.

E. Penn defensive back Jeff Reinelein.

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10-0.

Say it one more time.

The Mentors

Staff makes fast adjustment

By Thomas Hill

Saturday's Ivy-title clinching win over Cornell was an emotional experience for all of the Penn football players. The seniors all completed dream careers on the varsity with three Ivy titles to boast. For the underclassmen, the Quakers' 10-0 record will be a wonderful memory and a perfect springboard into next year and the year after.

But for every bit of satisfaction the players felt, the coaching staff may have felt it tenfold.

Penn was not supposed to repeat as Ivy League champions. The Quakers returned only three starters on defense, and their modern-day version of Moses, former Head Coach Jerry Berndt, had left them to lead others to greater promised lands.

Still, the expectations placed on new Head Coach Ed Zubrow were high simply because Penn had won four consecutive league titles. Winning the Ivies was commonplace. Anything less would imply that Zubrow was not as good a coach as Berndt. Basically, he walked into what looked like a no-win situation.

The Quakers responded by doing the only thing which could prove the program had improved; they went undefeated.

"This year's team wrote a new chapter in the book," Zubrow said. "They rose to the level of the program of the notch."

Which is all fine and good. Penn was a senior-dominated team, meaning that many of the players had tasted a championship before, but also that some of them had seen those championships come and go without ever getting a chance to participate. This year, they were determined to change that.

"I sat on the pines the last two years," said senior defensive tackle A.J. Sebastianelli. "This year was my chance."

That can explain the bulk of the individual reasons why the Quakers won the title. But once those individual talents clash, a solid coaching staff is needed to hold the pieces together.

Now consider the following facts about this season. 1986 Penn football coaching staff. Ed Zubrow was in his first year as a head college coach. Defensive Coordinator Gary Steele was serving as defensive coordinator of a college program for the first time. Gary Schnell was in his first season coaching an offensive backfield. And Ted Zappooulos coached a college defensive line for the first time. At least they had all coached at Penn before, Zubrow since 1981, Steele, Schnell and Zappooulos since 1983. Offensive Coordinator Dick Maloney, Defensive Backfield Coach Jeff Reinelein and Quarterbacks and Receivers Coach John Audino all came to coach the Quakers in January.

So, how did this staff gel in time to mold Penn into a dominant force both in and out of the league?

We tried to leave nothing unexamined," Zubrow said. "These were new guys, and we weren't going to do anything just because it had been done before."

So last January the staff set about its task of scrutinizing every technique it would use, from recruiting to running practices to maintaining lines of communication in the football office from day to day. But it was not a complete tearing apart of the program which Berndt had established.

"We were very careful not to change the whole scheme," Zubrow said.

Instead, they instituted a plan of mixing the best of the old with the best of the new. It was a unique idea for a new head coach, but the Penn coaching staff faced a unique situation. Usually, hiring a new head coach means the influx of all new assistants. This Quaker staff was almost an equal mix of previous Penn assistants and new coaches.

Zubrow called the arrangement "an experiment in management."

He could have easily taken absolute control himself, or he could have been partial towards the coaches with whom he had worked during the past three seasons. He did neither.

"We all recognize that each of us has to separate ourselves to make decisions," Zubrow said last week. "We have enough respect for each other. In some areas, Gary Steele has the final say... but those guys realize that sometimes I have the final say."

Zubrow did not wield his power unwisely. When a decision needed to be made, he attempted to get all of the input before he made a choice. In particular, he pointed to a meeting of the minds during training camp in August.

"We had a major personnel decision to make on defense," he said. "So we all sat up discussing it until we came to an agreement at 4:30 in the morning. Looking back, I think we made the right decision."

When a team is undefeated, all of the decisions a coaching staff makes look to be the right ones. The rapidity with which a staff has come to be making all the right moves has been phenomenal. Now only time will tell whether this year's move will be the result of an unnaturally proficient and prudent staff.

Zubrow has already made up his mind. "I've done anything, right as head coach so far," he said, "it's hiring that staff that I'm most proud of."
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THACA, N.Y. — When the Penn football team invaded this quiet college town to face Cornell, the Quakers knew it would be an all-or-nothing affair. Both Penn and the Big Red had unblemished 6-0 league marks, and only one would come away with the undisputed Ivy crown.

As far as the Quakers were concerned, the result was absolutely perfect.

Despite falling behind in an Ivy League game for the first time this season, Penn battled past Cornell, 31-21, in an exciting and emotional game in front of 22,000 rabid fans. Penn finished the season with an 8-1 Ivy mark that boosted the Quakers to their record-breaking third consecutive undisputed Ivy championship and their record-tying fifth straight piece of the Ivy crown.

The Quakers also finished the 1986 campaign with a perfect 10-0 record, the first time Penn had an unblemished mark since 1904. “You dream about a season like this,” Penn quarterback Jim Crocicchia said. “But I honestly can’t say that I thought it would be a 10-0 season.”

Crocicchia and the rest of the seniors leave Penn with a near-perfect Ivy record, three championship rings and an unprecedented 20-1 league mark (25-3-1 Overall).

All this talk of winning streaks and championships, however, would not be taking place if it weren’t for a gutsy performance by the Quakers against a very good Cornell team.

The game was an epic battle with emotion running high. Early on, however, Penn struggled and quickly went into trouble.

Penn punt returner Chris Flynn tried to smother a rolling punt. He fumbled and suddenly Cornell had the ball deep in Quaker territory. Five plays later, Jeff Johnson ran the ball 96 yards down for a touchdown. After less than five minutes of play, Penn was down, 7-0.

“We were worried about getting down because of a mistake in the kicking game or anything like that,” Penn head coach Ed Zubrow said. “We were the first team that had to battle back against adversity. But there was no panic on our bench; we came back. When you talk about championship-caliber teams, they are capable of doing things like that.”

Penn was quickly in a good position to get the touchdown back. The first play after Cornell’s kickoff was a 42-yard pass play from a scrambling Crocicchia to Rich Comizio in the right flat. Two plays later, the Quakers were at the Big Red 26-yard line. But adversity knocked on Penn’s door again.

Crocicchia fumbled the snap from center, and Cornell’s Gary Rinkus recovered, thwarting Penn’s long drive.

After the Penn defense once again kept Cornell from getting a first down, the Quakers took over on their own 27-yard line. And although Penn drove to the Big Red nine-yard line, the Quakers had to settle for a 33-yard Jim Grass field goal.

But the Quakers only had to wait another 2:07 to register their first touch-
down. Jeff Fortna intercepted a Marty Stallone pass, and it took Penn only four plays to put the ball in the end zone. Crocicchia (11-21 passes, 294 yards, two touchdowns, two interceptions) found Scott Scungio for a five-yard touchdown pass, and a 10-7 lead.

Meanwhile the Big Red were being squelched by Penn’s spectacular defensive line. Despite injuries to starting nose tackle Dexter Desir and highly acclaimed defensive ends John Comizio and Brian Graves, the line held Cornell to a microscopic 12 net yards on the ground. “We started the game with Kyle Stephenson, Mike Lista and A.J. Setis-Tanuelli up front,” Zubrow said. “And we knew we would work in Ross Parsons, Dan Bauer and John Gaik to allow us to move Lista over to nose guard. You don’t go 10-0 without some depth. Injuries would have been an easy excuse for us, but character people don’t look for excuses.”

The Penn defense shut out Cornell for the rest of the half, and the Quakers put another touchdown on the board to lead 17-7 at intermission. The touchdown came on a bold fourth-down call when Crocicchia hit tight end Jim Miklos with a 31-yard pass.

“We were using a two-wide-tight offense, and the tight ends cross,” Miklos said. “It usually shakes up the linebackers covering us. Usually one of us will be open. I was just looking for the first down; the touchdown was an added bonus. You’ve got to be happy with that.”

It didn’t take long for the Big Red to strike back. From their own 42-yard line, the Big Red had the ball, and Stallone dropped back to pass. He found wide receiver Chris Hahn open near the right sideline. With Penn defensive backs James Fangmeyer and Tom Flynn converging, it seemed that Hahn would only gain a few yards. Instead, both defenders missed the tackle, and Hahn ran all the way for a 58-yard touchdown. Suddenly the score was 17-14.

Less than two minutes later, the Quakers had their 10-point bulge back. From the Cornell 39-yard line, Penn was set to let Comizio run left, towards the wide side of the field. But at the line of scrimmage, Crocicchia perfectly changed the play to go to the weak side. Comizio’s 39-yard run made the score 24-14, and it helped him become the first Penn runner in history to run for over 1,000 yards. Comizio ran for 162 yards on 29 carries to finish with 1,104 yards on the season and a Penn record 279 yards for his career. The 100-yard plus effort was Comizio’s fourth straight, and the 10th of his career. In addition, he ended up as the season’s leading rusher in the Ivies.

“It was great; you couldn’t ask for a better way to go out,” Comizio said. “All the pressure was there. We were away, and it’s good to come into someone’s place with a crowd like that and be able to win the title outright.”

“It was like a heavyweight fight out there, with both fighters looking to other to the canvas, and both having the character to come back,” Zubrow said. “And Penn had the character to come back that last time. That’s what makes the win so special.”

Following a fourth-quarter Big Red touchdown, the Quakers did not come back right away. After driving to the Cornell 26-yard line, they were forced to punt, and the Big Red took over on their own six-yard line. So with 8:26 on the clock, and momentum and the crowd on its side, Cornell was 94 yards away from the lead, and a possible Ivy title.

Two plays later, that hope quickly vanished as Fangmeyer picked off a pass at the Cornell 41-yard line. It seemed the Quakers were about to wrap things up.

“After allowing the long touchdown in the third quarter, I was as pissed off as I’ve been all year,” Fangmeyer said. “I owed Stallone one, and I got him back.”

Penn, however, still was not able to ice the game. The Quakers were quickly forced to punt, and Cornell took over on its 12-yard line with 5:28 remaining. The Big Red were unable to penetrate the Quaker defense, and they had to punt. Then the Quakers wrapped up the game when Flynn ran 32 yards for a touchdown on Penn’s next possession.

“It was an outside designed play with the option of going inside, and I decided to take it inside,” Flynn said. “I got through the initial line, and then I just had to break one tackle, and I had the whole offense in front of me. I just had to follow the blocks. After that I felt a lot better about the fumble.”

The run helped Flynn reach the 1,000-yard mark on the day, and the junior now ranks seventh on Penn’s all-time rushing list with 1,430 yards. Flynn finished with 917 yards on the season, the second best total in Penn history — behind Comizio, of course. And this season Flynn broke the Quakers’ single-season all-purpose yardage record with 1,620 yards.

And three minutes after Flynn’s run, it was over, the first perfect season at Pennsylvania in 82 years — much to the delight of the Penn players and fans.

“Every team starts out with the hope they can go undefeated,” Penn defensive back Don Wilson said. “After we beat Navy, it was right there in front of us. At various parts of the season we were pushed. Today we were really tested. I’m really proud, and I’m really glad the way the season ended up. 10-0 I still can’t really believe it. I’m just really happy.”

Tight end Jim Miklos scores after catching a fourth-down pass.

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Penn 31, Cornell 21

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HANOVER, N.H. — Could new coach Ed Zubrow win? Would quarterback Jim Crocicchia be able to lead the team? And could a defense with seven new starters stop anyone? These were the questions facing the Penn football team as it opened its 1986 season.

The answer was yes — to all of the above.

The Zubrow Era started on a winning note, as the Quakers began their Ivy League title defense by running over Dartmouth, 21-7. Literally running them over. The strength of the Penn offense was supposed to be its ground attack, and despite a soggy field that hampered footing, it was that, and more.

The team rushed for 253 yards, led by senior tailback Rich Comizio. Comizio continued his assault on the Penn record book, running for 136 yards on 25 carries. He became the Quakers’ sixth all-time leading rusher, with 1,151 yards.

“The [offensive] line was very supportive,” Comizio said. “We worked well as an offensive unit. I think we’re way ahead of where we were last year, and that comes from experience and familiarity.”

Penn set about establishing its running game right away. Early in the first quarter, Comizio and junior tailback Chris Flynn (87 yards on 12 carries) showed the Big Green — and the rest of the Ivy League — how dominant they can be. Taking over on their own 13-yard line, the Quakers scored in eight plays, gaining a 7-0 lead on a 20-yard run by Flynn. The drive showed the strength of a veteran offensive line and was a perfect example of the power football Penn wanted to establish — every yard gained on the drive came on foot.

The rest of the first half belonged to the Quaker defense. The second quarter saw Dartmouth gain 13 total yards and just one first down. The result of good footing, it was that, and more.

The key play on the drive was a 37-yard screen pass to Comizio, who would later score on a 14-yard burst through the left side.

What was most impressive, however, was the way that Crocicchia was able to move the offense. On the day he was eight-of-14 for 89 yards with no interceptions, but the numbers do not tell the whole story. He was able to lead his offense. He did not force passes. He showed composure when rushed, and he completed passes when he needed them.

“We felt in the end that Jim was the person we were going to go with as our starting quarterback,” Zubrow said. “We want to let him lead the team.”

Nineteen eighty five was a rough year for Crocicchia. He was inconsistent at times, and injured at others. Comparisons with John McGeehan, Penn’s all-Ivy 1984 quarterback, did not help. He had to beat out Scott Morcott for the starting job during the pre-season. But all that seemed forgotten.

“When we needed a pass, he came through,” center Steve Buonato said. “He did a good job of controlling the tempo on offense. There is a lot of weight on his shoulders, in terms of how we attack defenses, and I think he did a great job. Jim’s not one to be a follower — he’s a leader. He takes control of his offensive personnel very well.”

In 1985 the defense was the strength of the team, with four all-Ivy players. This year’s team, however, struck much more of a balance, as neither the offense nor the defense seems to have to bear the burden. Both units picked up for each other, coming through when they had to.

“I think that we did what we wanted to,” linebacker Jeff Fortna said. “We wanted to keep the tempo up, and we did. I think that our defense showed a lot of character out there.”

Fortna was one of only four returning starters on the defense. But what the Quakers were lacking in experience, the Quakers more than made up for in enthusiasm. Aside from its one scoring drive, Dartmouth only gained 152 yards on offense, it was a game where several players had their first chance to answer the doubters.

“It’s my first year to start,” Sebastiani said. “I was untested, and it was my turn to shine. I knew that a lot of guys depended on me. I knew I could do it, but I had to show the guys.”

But the person who may have had the greatest load on his shoulders never even stepped on the field. The fact that it was Ed Zubrow’s first game as head coach seemed kind of lost in the excitement of Penn’s win. But the players knew.

“You want to win no matter who’s the coach,” defensive guard Jim Panzini said, “but I’m happy for the new staff. I have all the confidence in the world in them. All the jitters go out the window once you step on the field anyway.”

Whether it is fair or not, Zubrow will be compared with Jerry Berndt, who left to take over Rice University’s football program. But if this first game was any indication, Zubrow did not have anything to fear. His Quakers were not pretty, but they more than got the job done.

“Our goal is to improve each day,” Zubrow said, “and we got to the point where we couldn’t improve without a game. I was pleased to see both sides picking up the other really well.
Defensive stand halts Bisons

By Marissa Handwerker

A s the final gun sounded, one could hear the sighs of relief emanating from the south stands of Franklin Field.

The Penn football team had just defeated Bucknell, 10-7, on a sometimes damp, mostly wet Franklin Field turf. The victory gave the Quakers an 18-2-1 record at home over the past four seasons.

Although the four-time Ivy League champions continued to roll over their opponents, they certainly hit their fair share of scares. But the Quakers always seem to come out of it okay. We made too many mistakes when we had a chance," Bucknell coach George Landis said. "Penn was pressuring us down there. There are only so many plays you can run when you can't stop the blitz."

But on third down, the Bisons were almost able to do just that. Auchenbach rolled out to the left and threw to the near left corner of the end zone. Just as the pass was to meet the outstretched arms of Bison receiver Mike Morrow, Quaker cornerback Donald George Landis said: "We knew [Auchenbach] was good and we'd worry about him next year," Zubrow said. "He did a great job."

In the first half, however, it was the Penn defense that controlled the flow of the game, pressuring the Bucknell offensive line and forcing Given out of the pocket. Given — who had averaged almost 300 yards passing per game this season — completed eight of 10 passes for just 69 yards during the first two quarters. Meanwhile, Bucknell's exploitive tailback Earl Beecham was held to two yards rushing in the first half.

"I compliment [the Penn] defense in that they're very strong up front," said Beecham, who had just 14 net yards on 15 carries in the game. "They pressured us from the inside."

On the other side of the field the Penn offense — a.k.a. running back Rich Comizio — was doing some pressuring of its own. Comizio scored Penn's only touchdown with 8:41 left in the first half on an 11-yard run. On the afternoon, he had 175 yards rushing. Add that figure to Comizio's 136 yards rushing in week one at Dartmouth and that brings him to 311 total yards on the season. After the Bucknell game, Comizio had 1686 yards, which placed him fourth on the Quakers' all-time list.

Sohmpomore halfback Chris Flynn had 45 yards on 10 carries, while junior fullback Joe Laurano added 47 yards on nine carries.

"Offensively, we're doing well, but we should have more points on the scoreboard than we do," Comizio said. "It's due to a lack of concentration. We beat ourselves."

The Quakers' scoring problems could also be attributed to a less-than-stellar passing game. Penn quarterback Jim Crocicchia attempted only 14 passes, completing just five of them.

"Being a quarterback, I'd love to throw the ball a little more," Crocicchia said. "It's just a matter of going with what's working."

At Dartmouth, however, Crocicchia was able to complete eight of his 14 pass attempts. "I think you have to look at the weather in both games," Comizio said. "We haven't been able to establish a passing game. But we haven't needed it yet."

"There are a lot of things that have to happen to be successful throwing the ball," Crocicchia said. "Sometimes we'll have breakdowns up front, by the receivers and a lot of times it's my fault. There are a lot of factors that come into play."

"We'll work on some things [at practice] and try and get our passing game on track, so when we need it, we can count on it."

"In the first half we have to realize that the offense was driving the ball effectively," Zubrow said. "Until people stop us from running the ball — that is our gameplan."

In the second half, however, the Quakers' game plan faltered just a bit. Coming out of the lockerroom with a 7-0 lead, Penn managed just three points for the remainder of the game. A Jim Gross 26-yard field goal with 3:53 left in the third quarter gave the Quakers a 10-0 lead. But Bucknell needed almost 12 minutes in the second half to take the ball downfield aggressively and slowly chipped away at the Quaker defense.

Auchenbach's 11-yard pass to wide receiver George Long gave the Bisons their only touchdown just 50 seconds into the fourth quarter. A successful extra-point attempt cut the Quakers' lead to 10-7.

"Defensively, we had a drive where we didn't do what we had to do," Zubrow said. "But you have to give the defense credit when the chips were down."

Those were all the points the Bisons would put up on the board. Not that they didn't try for more — and almost get them.

"We showed our youngness [sic]; we got excited and we made mistakes," Landis said.

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PENN 0 7 0 0 — 10

Second Quarter
P — Comizo 11 run (Grass kick), 6:19
B — Long 11 pass from Auchenbach (Carell kick), :50

Third Quarter
A — 15, 24:1

Fourth Quarter
B — Long 11 pass from Auchenbach (Carell kick), :50

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING — BUCKNELL: Dominick 2-19, Beecham 15-14, Given 5-11, Gudjohnson 3-6, Auchenbach 1-4, Kutz 1-6, PENN: Comizio 26-175, Laurano 9-47, Flynn 10-45, Kirl 2-14, Crocicchia 3-11.


Ground attack tames Lions

By Rick Resnick

With the clouded skies above Franklin Field before gametime, it was no shock that the Penn-Columbia football game was affected by showers. Yet the downpours were not your common, everyday rainstorms.

What was pelting the artificial turf throughout the game was a constant deluge of little yellow flags. But despite the heavy precipitation, the Quakers were able to brave the elements and storm past the Lions, 42-7.

The cause of the onslaught of yellow flags was some aggressive and sloppy play from both teams, especially the Quakers — who set a new Ivy League mark with 17 penalties. The Lions also did their part with 11 violations, thus helping establish a new two-team record of 28.

But not even Penn's record number of mistakes could keep the Quakers from dominating the gutsy, but severely overmatched Lions. The Quakers amassed a total of 522 yards, including 333 yards on the ground. Tailback Chris Flynn was the big gun for the Quakers, rushing for 142 yards on only 15 carries.

Flynn's rushing numbers more than tripled Columbia's total on the ground, as the Penn defense kept the Lions' runners to a microscopic 45 yards. To that point, the Quakers had not allowed a team to rush for more than 100 yards in a game, establishing a new Penn record in the process. And the Lions added to their dismal record, chalking up their 24th straight loss and 27th consecutive game without a win.

Flynn got the opportunity to be Penn's workhorse on offense when leading rusher Rich Comizio left the game after the first half. Comizio, who was suffering from bruised rubs and a bruised thigh, carried the ball only nine times for 45 yards.

But it wasn't the rushing attack that the Quakers were looking to establish early. After Columbia fumbled away its first possession, Penn took over on its 42-yard line and came out throwing. Although quarterback Jim Crocicchia's first two passes — both intended for wide receiver Ken Saunders — were incomplete, Crocicchia kept on firing. "It was designed to go to the right side for a 65-yard touchdown play," Crocicchia said. "That was a really big play for us." After another David Putelo incompletion, Putelo took over on the eight. "What a great play," Crocicchia said. "We expect things like that to happen. Ever since we've been here, we have. Once Columbia fumbled up to the goal line, the intensity really picked up. And Brad just made a really great play. That pretty much sealed their fate. From that point on, we knew that they wouldn't be going anywhere on us."

From that point on, the Columbia offense had little spark, and the main question was whether or not the Quakers could register a shutout. Other questions included whether or not the Quakers would break every penalty record in the book.

I was very concerned with the penalties," Zubrow said. "I was concerned about Columbia bringing us down below the level we are capable of playing. The penalties are a good example of how that can happen. I was confident that the only thing that could stop us was ourselves. I was just worried that we were going to have to make an effort to do that."

While all the mistakes didn't really hurt the Quakers, it did take a while for Penn to get untracked. After Grass missed a 39-yard field-goal try early in the first quarter, it was up to Comizio to put the Quakers on the board again. He capped off a 51-yard drive with a two-yard run for a 14-0 lead.

The score remained the same at the end of the half, but once the third quarter started, the Quakers pressured the run, and ran all over the Lions. Tailback Jim Bruni ran one yard for a touchdown less than three minutes into the third quarter. A little over two minutes later, Flynn — after having a 54-yard touchdown run brought back to the 24 because of a needless clip — ran four yards for another score. The rump was on. Flynn scored again early in the fourth on a 21-yard carry, but Columbia came back with some points of its own. Putelo found Horner Hill open breaking down the right side for a 65-yard touchdown strike.

"The same play worked at the end of the first half, but I just didn't throw the ball right," Putelo said. "We knew that play would work, and we should have had another touchdown on it somewhere."

The Quakers would get the final work, as Penn marched 58 yards on 13 plays to finish the scoring. It was John Deering — a member of Zubrow's late-game, revolving-door running back system that saw a total of 13 players run with the football — who scored the Quakers' last touchdown. Deering was not to be denied, running five times before his one-yard plunge into the end zone.

"Chris Flynn took up the slack for Comizio, and so did Jim Bruni," Penn guard Jim Panzini said. "Then when John Deering came in, he did the same thing. Whatever back we put in seemed to work well."

The fact that Penn did well was no surprise to McElreavy. "Penn is a very physical football team, a very good football team," McElreavy said. "We don't have a lot of team speed; we are playing on heart and enthusiasm. From a talent standpoint we don't match up to Penn. We use Penn as a model. It shows our players what they have to do, and how they have to make that commitment. What goes around will come around. Our turn will come."

Penn 42, Columbia 7

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

PASSING — COLUMBIA: Chirco 9-45, Pennwally 5-12, Brown 1-10, Gonzalez 2-4, Assaf 2-1, Putelo 11-27, PENN: Flynn 15-147, Bruni 10-58, Comuzio 8-45, Laurence 7-36, Deering 5-18, Beso 1-10, O'Connor, 2-1, Sander 2-1, Klar 1-9, Morcuzzi 1-3, Walter 2-3, Conway 2-1, Crocicchia 1-0.

A Season to Remember

September 20: PENN 21, Dartmouth 7
September 27: PENN 10, Bucknell 7
October 4: PENN 42, Columbia 7
October 11: PENN 34, Brown 0
October 18: PENN 30, Navy 26
October 25: PENN 24, Yale 6
November 1: PENN 23, Princeton 10
November 8: PENN 42, Lafayette 14
November 15: PENN 17, Harvard 10
November 22: PENN 31, Cornell 21
Highlights from a perfect season: Center — Penn head coach Ed Zubrow gets carried off the field by tailbacks Jim Bruni (left) and Chris Flynn (right). Clockwise from top right — Rover Brad Heinz (left) and cornerback Tom Flynn celebrate the Quakers' 34-0 drubbing of Brown; A.J. Sebastianelli, part of Penn's barking-dog defense, growls at Navy; Quakers working to stay on top — (back row) Steve Buonato, Scott Ernst; (middle row) Heinz, Jeff Sheftic, Jim Panzini, Mike Heyse; (in the wheelbarrow) Chris Flynn; Chris Flynn glares at Brown; tailback Rich Comizio adds to his single-season and career Penn rushing marks against Cornell.
Week Four
Penn 34, Brown 0

Cornerback Donald Wilson (21) comes up with an interception against Brown with the help of linebacker Brad Hippenstiel (99)

Quakers easily pass first test

By Dan Bollerman

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — For one of the two teams in the Penn-Brown football game, the contest was billed as "their Super Bowl."

For the other, it was a test of their progression.

In the end, the clash between the Quakers and Bruins — the Ivy League's two top teams — wasn't even close. Penn found out that it had progressed to a very high level by virtue of its 34-0 whitewash of Brown.

"Our football team put together the type of game that we had been building towards for the first four weeks of the season," Quaker head coach Ed Zubrow said. "When you're all alone, you want a game with some implications (for the future). I'm very pleased with our performance."

"They don't seem to have any weaknesses," said Bruins' head coach John Rosenberg about the Quakers. "They play the run well; they play the pass well. They are an outstanding football team."

Penn used its entire arsenal to stun Brown, Columbia or whoever. "We felt that Donovan had been tremendously effective in making the big plays, but less so when teams were able to put him under pressure," Zubrow said.

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Instead it was Donovan — who came in as the Ivies' top-rated passer — and the Bruins who had the long afternoon. Donovan was six-of-19 for 83 yards on the day. Bigby had one catch for 40 yards, while Fielding had no catches.

"I look at the personnel on that defense," Rosenberg said, "and they are outstanding. That's what did us in. If we could have rushed the football and made some progress, then we could have had a chance."

But the Quaker offense, like the defense, wouldn't let the Bruins have that chance. Tailbacks Rich Comizio (23 carries for 118 yards) and Chris Flynn (12 for 117) rushed for more than 100 yards in the game — the first time since 1977 that this feat had been accomplished by two Penn players.

One of the game's few sloppy moments would occur late in the first quarter, as the two teams combined for three turnovers in 18 seconds. On a first-down play, Donovan was intercepted by Penn safety James Fangmeyer. Crockxhia was then intercepted by Penn safety James Fangmeyer. Crockxhia was then intercepted by Penn safety James Fangmeyer.

For Flynn the 100-yard barrier was exceeded for the second consecutive game, easily showing the depth that Zubrow is fortunate to possess.

"We're trying to be a two-deep team," Zubrow said.

So deep that Brown drowned.

PENN 14 7 3 0 34
Brown 0 0 0 0 0

First Quarter
P — Novoselsky 24 pass from Crockxhia (Grass kick), 9:21
P — Scungio 4 pass from Crockxhia (Grass kick), 1:56

Second Quarter
P — Novoselsky 6 pass from Comizio (Grass kick), 2:35
P — Flynn 21 run (kick failed), 4:42
P — Flynn 14 run (Grass kick), 8:37
A — 11,500

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
BROWN: Wood 8-60, Karp 5-7, Oneyan 1-5, Falcone 1-4, Simone 6-1, Gunn 1-0, Shapiro 2-11, Donovan 3-28
PASSING — PENN: Crockxhia 11-17-141, Novoselsky 9-15-98, Mercs 1-3-3, Comizio 1-1-0
BROWN: Donovan 6-18-83.2, Zidhcky 1-4-0
RECEIVING — PENN: Novoselsky 3-46, Simones 1-15, Oneyan 2-22, Scungio 2-16, Laurano 2-12, Joyce 1-10, Solai 1-8, Oleksyka 1-5, BROWN: Simone 2-23, Bigby 1-40, Zidhcky 1-15, Karp 1-9, Solomon 1-4
By Jonathan Bondy

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — And on the fifth weekend, they passed. And they saw that it was good, so they kept on doing it.

All season long the passing game had played second fiddle to the Quakers’ running attack. Led by tailbacks Rich Comizio and Chris Flynn, Penn was third in Division I-AA rushing, averaging 295 yards per game on the ground. But Comizio re-aggravated a leg injury in the first quarter, unsettling him for the day — and Flynn was held to 63 yards. As a team, the Quakers gained 137 yards on 46 carries for a season-low average of 3.0 yards per carry.

But Crocicchia’s 191 yards passing were a season high. One hundred-twenty eight of those yards came in the decisive fourth quarter, when the Quakers turned a 20-10 deficit into a 30-20 lead in just over 11 minutes.

Jim Crocicchia made all the plays.” Head Coach Ed Zubrow said. “[Quarterbacks and receivers] coach [John] Audino works with him every day. Jim is an example of one player who improves every week. [Against Navy] he had to play well, and he played the best he ever did.”

The success of Penn’s running game, however, has cut down on Novoselsky’s receptions. He caught 17 passes in 1985, but had only five catches going into this game. He left Annapolis with four more catches for 82 yards, both career-bests.

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Four times Penn took possession of the ball, and three times it cashed in for touchdowns. Two of those scores were by junior tight end Brent Novoselsky.

“We saw on film that their free safety played really close to the line of scrimmage,” Crocicchia said. “We hoped we could get him to bite on the running plays, so that we could go deep. As far as throwing to Novo, well he’s a big target, and he’s got great hands. I love throwing to him.”

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He also had three touchdown catches, tying the Penn single-game record.

“I felt good about my performance,” Novoselsky said. “But [Scott Scungio, Jim Miklos and I] have been an intricate part of the offense this year as part of the line. We have always thought of ourselves as playing a key role. On offense, if all 11 guys don’t do their job, you don’t have a play.”

While Crocicchia and Novoselsky were busy producing touchdowns, tailback Chris Flynn was getting pounded. The 180-pound junior was forced to do most of the running for the Quakers due to Comizio’s injury. The Mids held him to 2.6 yards per carry, after he had been averaging 8.0. Comizio’s injury, however, opened the door for the forgotten member of Penn’s tailback trio — Jim Bruni. He only ran for 11 yards, but his 29-yard touchdown catch with just two minutes left proved to be the winning score.

“[This game] gives me back a lot of confidence,” Bruni said. “It’s tough as the third tailback to get mentally and physically prepared, because you know you’re not going to start. I just try to be ready at all times, to give my best whenever I get the chance to play.”

It took a complete game by the offense, the defense and the special teams to give Penn its first win over a Division I-A team since the Quakers beat Rutgers, 7-6, in 1963.

For the first time this year the Quakers passed for more yards than they gained rushing. Each game, the talk was of Comizio, of Flynn and of the defense, and deservedly so. And before each game, these were the areas that other teams prepared for.

“I hope we have some balance.” Crocicchia said. “I’ll do whatever it takes to win. The first couple of games we ran the ball well, and in the Brown game we moved the ball well through the air. It’s just execution — so far we’ve shown we can do it.

“On the field we have a lot to do with it; they’re working really hard. When you have eight seconds to hit the guy, you have to give the credit to the line. I’m not doing anything different.

Maybe he isn’t doing anything different, but the quarterback Crocicchia was against Navy has come a long way from the one he was in 1985. There were no foolish passes; he stayed in the pocket and scrambled when he had to. But most importantly, when his team needed him most, he produced.

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Penn 30, Navy 26

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS


Needle stays stuck on winning

By Ed Gefen

It was beginning to sound like a broken record.

"The Penn football team won its such-and-such consecutive game of the season, beating so-and-so on Saturday by a score of such-and-such. On offense, so-and-so and so-and-so combined to rush for this many yards, and quarterback Jim Crocicchia completed this many passes in this many attempts for this many yards. On defense, so-and-so and so-and-so led a strong group of Quakers that limited so-and-so's running and so-and-so led a strong group of yards."

On this occasion those blanks were filled in as follows: sixth, Yale, 24-6, Chris Flynn. Jim Bruni. 164. 12. 17, Brad Heinz. Jeff Fortna. Yale.

Yet, the Quakers took care of the visiting Elis, 24-6, on Franklin Field. Yes, it was Homecoming. Yes, this squad became the first group of Quakers to win the first six games of a season since 1947. Yes, milestones continued to be reached.

"Going into the game, we felt that time of possession would be important," said Penn head coach Ed Zuber, who became the Quakers' first first-year coach since Sol Metzger in 1908 to win his first six games. "We wanted to keep [Yale quarterback] Kelly Ryan off the field and keep him from getting a hot hand. Our first drive of the game, which eats up seven minutes of the first quarter, and our second drive of the third quarter, which is seven-and-a-half minutes, were really big drives in the football game."

Ball control has been the hallmark of the Quaker offense this year, but against Yale, Penn wasn't able to send its very best, tailback Rich Comizio, who saw limited action because of his sore right hamstring. But Zubrow was able to have Chris Flynn greet the Elis on 31 occasions — 22 rushes, four receptions, four punt returns and one kickoff return. Flynn's 221 total yards almost equalled that of the entire Yale offense, 228.

Flynn picked up his first 32 yards on the Quakers' first drive, a 13-play, 79-yard series that culminated in a six-yard touchdown run by, you guessed it, Flynn. Penn had all of the points that it would eventually need and led, 7-0.

At that point, it looked as though the Quakers would easily accomplish what they wanted by keeping Ryan off the field. But the Elis came back with a drive of their own. Ryan mixed up passes with runs by tailback Ted Macauley, and Yale controlled the ball for over six minutes in taking it from its 27 yard line down to the Penn nine. At this point, though, the Quaker defense stiffened, and Yale had to settle for a 25-yard field goal by John Duryea.

"In the past, we've seemed to have a little trouble at the start," said Penn co-captain rover Brad Heinz, "but we realized that they weren't a team to slough off. We buckled down, and we held them."

Which was something that the Elis were unable to do with Flynn for most of the afternoon. But Flynn wasn't all that Yale had to contend with on Franklin Field, there was a guy named Crocicchia. His passes found the mark on six out of eight first-half throws, enabling the Quakers to keep the Eli defense off balance, not just in the first two quarters, but in the second half as well.

"Every time we go out another part of our offense pops onto the scene," Crocicchia said. "I don't think this week was any different. I think we showed a little variation in our passing game."

But the Penn quarterback was quick to give his teammates some credit — especially the five guys who protect him in the pocket.

"I can't say enough about [the offensive line]." Crocicchia said. "Right across the board, they're giving me about eight, 10 seconds to throw the ball."

"That's why we're doing anything offensively. It all goes back to the offensive line. If we're not successful up front, the offense isn't going to be successful. They're the key to us, the heart and soul."

Crocicchia pointed to one play as a prime example. With the Quakers leading, 17-6, with five minutes to go in the third quarter, Penn had a third-down-and-nine at the Yale 14. Crocicchia dropped back to throw, but his primary receivers were covered. But the Eli pass rushers were still being occupied by Penn linemen. So Crocicchia waited . . . and waited. Finally he spotted Flynn waving his arms in the right flat. He threw the ball to Flynn at about the 10, and the elusive tailback slid away from two defenders and got the first down.

"On that one play," said Crocicchia, "I could have stayed back there and taken orders at Burger King if I wanted."

Bruni took the ball in from the four, and it was 24-6.

From then on the game belonged to the Penn defense. In fact, Yale was able to cross midfield only once in the entire second half. That was because of a Penn penalty. And once the Elis got into Penn territory, Ryan tossed four straight incomplete passes, giving the Quakers the ball on downs.

"We came out in the second half and got our heads in the game, did what we planned to do the whole week and shut them down," said Penn linebacker Jeff Fortna.

"We're an aggressive team," he added. "We like to establish some dominance."

The defense forced the Elis into having to settle for another field goal in the second quarter. With a first down at the Penn 11, the Yale offense was stopped and Duryea was called upon from 31 yards out.

This had followed a Penn field goal of 37 yards by Jim Grass earlier in the period.

Flynn's four-yard run on the third play of the third quarter gave the Quakers a 17-6 lead. It was set up by Bruni's 37-yard kickoff return and a 42-yard pass from Crocicchia to Ken Saunders, who made a superb over-the-shoulder catch at the Elis' seven.

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PENN 7 314 0-24

First Quarter
P — Flynn 6 run (Grass kick). 8:53
Second Quarter
Y — Duryea fg 25:10
P — Grass fg 37:3:06
Y — Duryea fg 31:12:48
Third Quarter
P — Flynn 4 run (Grass kick). 1:11
P — Bruni 4 run (Grass kick). 10:50
A — 32,761

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PASSING — Yale: Ryan 13-33-133-0
Brubaker 0-1-0-0. PENN: Crocicchia 12-17-192-1.
Quakers say 'a win is a win'

By Rick Resnick

PRINCETON, N.J. — Defensive back Tom Flynn was one of many Penn football players who acknowledged that the 23-10 win over Princeton was far from picture-perfect but was a victory nonetheless.

"It wasn't pretty, but it was a "W," he said to no one in particular after the game.

He and the Quakers had just wrapped up a tougher-than-expected win over the Tigers at Palmer Stadium. And while it was a game marked with Quaker mistakes and turnovers, Penn's talent advantage — and the ability to make the big plays — kept its undefeated streak alive.

The game was a lot closer than the final score would indicate. Penn held a precarious 16-10 lead midway through the second quarter, but was a victory nonetheless.

"I said that this was their chance to be heroes and make the heroic plays. And as you make big plays and good things happen, your self-confidence builds. I think that happened to us in the ballgame,}\n
"We kept beating ourselves offensively, and when things got tough, it was because we made our own mistakes," senior tailback Rich Comizio said. "I don't think they were ever controlling our offense."

As the Penn offense sputtered, the Tiger offense started to gel. Weisglass — who got the opportunity to play when starting quarterback Brad Hammond suffered a broken scapula in the first period — led his team on a 17-play, 80-yard drive spanning 7:15 on the third and fourth quarters. But Princeton had to settle for a 24-yard field goal by Rob Goodwin, as the Penn defense would not allow a major score. And it appeared that Princeton would get the touchdown after having the ball, first-and-10, form the Penn 11-yard line.

"All day, when the offense wasn't working, the defense was coming up big," Chris Flynn said.

On the possession after the field goal, the Quakers were forced to punt despite driving to the Princeton 40-yard line. The Tigers started on their 13-yard line and ran four plays before fumbling to Brad Heinz on the 28-yard line. After a long Comizio run brought the Quakers two yards away from another touchdown, Penn was hit with an illegal procedure penalty. This penalty was the one that coerced C rocicchia into trying to throw for the score, and the throw resulted in C ain's interception. Indirectly, the five-yard violation almost cost Penn the ballgame.

"We've got to cut out the mistakes," Chris Flynn said. "We've been doing it all year, and we can't be doing it against good teams. It's all mental. We have to start getting our stuff together.

Indeed, it wasn't the best game that the Quakers played all season. It certainly wasn't pretty. But for the seventh time in a row, it was a "W."

Penn 23, Princeton 10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS


PASSING — PENN: Crocicchia 7-16-7-1. Hammond 0-1-0^).


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Tight end Scott Scungio (right) and tailback Chris Flynn (center) watch the action on the field intently. Quarterback Jim Crocicchia dropped back to throw. As he was being forced out of the pocket, Crocicchia tried to force a pass into the right flat. Unfortunately for the Quakers, the only receiver in the area was Princeton safety Dean Cain. Cain caught the ball at the six and found only 94 yards of open territory standing between him and a tie ballgame.

"The defense's performance at the end of the fourth quarter is something I think we are going to remember for a long time," Zubrow said. "The kids have been through a lot, but they got the job done."

Early in the game, with the Penn rushing attack running Princeton ragged (300 of the Quakers 350 offensive yards came on the ground), it looked like another easy day at the office for the Quakers. Wassink's long touchdown quickly changed that idea.

"Princeton's offense caused problems; we had been saying that all week while preparing to defend that thing (Prince- ton's Wing-T offense)," Zubrow said. "They were running it well. The long touchdown was a breakdown in two assignments, which let them go into the end zone. We always talk about trying to limit the gains and keep the opponent out of the end zone. That's why the long TD was so disturbing."

The play didn't bother Rogerson at all. "I asked the kids to dig in deep and find ways to make big plays," Rogerson said. "I told them that this was their chance to be heroes and make the heroic
Leopards spotted early lead

By Marissa Handwerker

A.J. Sebastianelli didn't say it. He didn't have to. But the message was clear.

"Don't mess with the Penn defense. Lafayette was not paying much attention early in its game against Penn and was forced to learn the lesson during its 42-14 defeat at the hands of the Quakers on Franklin Field.

With just 4:31 gone in the first quarter, Leopard quarterback Paul Struncius completed a 12-yard touchdown pass to fullback Ryan Priest. Penn had been unable to contain Lafayette's offense on the first possession of the game, and the Quakers found themselves down early. That made Sebastianelli, a defensive tackle, mad.

But as the teams walked off the field, some choice mutterings could be heard from the Lafayette bench. Mutterings that were not to the liking of Sebastianelli or the rest of the Quaker defensive unit for that matter. And that made Sebastianelli more than just mad. It made him want to win.

"It just gives me more incentive to play more aggressively," Sebastianelli said. "We came to the bench and said, 'Hey, let's suck it up.'"

"The feeling was that we had to turn it around," defensive tackle Mike Lista said. "We knew that Lafayette was capable of playing very good football, they're a big team." Penn head coach Ed Zubrow said. "Our concern was that we didn't want to have to be playing from behind."

But that concern was quickly erased after the Quakers' first score, because Penn never did look back.

The first of those points came on the Quakers' first drive of the game in which Penn marched 60 yards on 11 plays. The drive concluded with a four-yard touchdown run by Rich Comizio on a pitch to the right.

Comizio singlehandedly gained 48 of those 60 yards on his way to becoming Penn's all-time leading rusher. Comizio surpassed Adolph Bellizeare — whose 2155 career yards were the standard for the past 12 years — in the third quarter. Ironically, the run that catapulted Comizio over the hurdle was a rush down the left sideline for 30 yards — his longest of the season to that point.

"It feels great to see him get the record," Zubrow said. "I think that he's breaking the record of a great back who'll be remembered around here for a long time, and I think Rich will be remembered for a long time, too."

"It's good to have that behind me now," Comizio said. "I think me, Chris [Flynn], Jimmy [Croicchia] and Jim Bruni, we all are the 'glory boys,' they call us, and all the guys up front do all the work — including the fullback. And you've got to give a lot of credit to those guys."

Not to mention the credit due to the defensive line as well, which was showcased by the team on the other side of the line of scrimmage. Lafayette's offensive line averaged 272 pounds, the biggest line Penn had faced all year.

\"They're a big offensive team and the goal of our defense was to play a quick, lateral game,\" Lista said. \"They outweighed us by a lot, and if we got tied up with them, they would neutralize our speed advantage.\"

But that scenario never did occur as the Leopards were unable to find the end zone on their next seven possessions, while Penn increased its lead to 21-7 at halftime.

The Quakers' second score came at 3:30 of the second quarter. On first down from the Lafayette 13-yard line, Bruni took a handoff from Croicchia and took the ball around the left side and into the end zone.

The Quakers scored again on their last possession of the first half. After shutting down the Lafayette offense for the remainder of the second quarter, Penn took over at its own 47 and scored on an 18-yard connection from Croicchia to Brent Novoselsky with just 31 seconds remaining in the half. The touchdown gave the Quakers a confident 14-point lead at the break.

"We pretty much did what we wanted to do — run the ball and control the game offensively," Croicchia said. "It happened because of our offensive line; they've always dominated the line in every game we've played. If they keep dominating the line of scrimmage like they have been, we're going to be successful. They want to win so bad and are really working hard to do it."

"One of the things we felt any team who plays Penn had to do was try and contain their running backs; we couldn't do it," Lafayette head coach Bill Russo said. "They did a good job of running the football, I think most of the rest of their game played stemmed around that."

Bruce McIntyre, the Leopards top rusher and fifth in Division I-AA going into the game, was held to 80 yards on the day. Comizio was Penn's top rusher, gaining 132 total yards, while Flynn turned in 71.

After the Penn Band performed a public marriage proposal at halftime, the Quakers proposed something else in the second half. That proposal was to continue their domination. And that proposal was accepted on both sides of the field. In the second half, the Leopards could manage just one more score, although they did have plenty of opportunities. After the Quakers scored on the opening drive of the third quarter, Lafayette brought the ball down to the Quakers' 18. On a fourth-and-five play, Leopard quarterback Clayton Evans — who had been brought into the game because of his superior mobility out of the pocket — was sacked for a six-yard loss, and Penn took over.

It was on the next drive that Comizio broke Bellizeare's record. As the game was stopped to award Comizio the game ball, he received a standing ovation from the 9210 fans at Franklin Field. Comizio also received personal congratulations from Bellizeare himself.

"When I came back (onto the field) the referee was calling an official timeout, and he was looking at me, and I was asking him what we wrong," Comizio said. "Then he told me to go and see the coach, and that's when I knew."

Lafayette's lone touchdown of the second half came on a 10-yard reverse pass from wide receiver Jim Johnson to wide receiver Philip Ng in the end zone, cutting the Quaker lead to 28-14.

Two plays later, with the ball on the Quakers' 23-yard-line, Croicchia handed off to Flynn up the middle. Flynn got caught up at the line of scrimmage, however, and the ball popped free, catastrophic over Croicchia's head. A scramble for the loose ball ensued, with Croicchia diving for the ball and coming away the winner, although not without suffering a bit for his efforts.

"You try and be ready for these things when they happen," Croicchia said. "I didn't think I was going to get to the ball because I had a 250-pound tackle on top of me."

"Had the Leopards recovered the fumble, they would have been within 20 yards of the Quaker end zone. There might have been a whole different ballgame out there. Instead, Lafayette never found the end zone, again while the Quakers added two more touchdowns before the final gun sounded, for the final of 42-14.

And Lafayette's first score of the game seemed eternities away.

"We won't sit there and take it," Lista said. "All you have to do is cut us in the face once — you don't need to do it twice."

"I just point to the scoreboard," Sebastianelli added. "That's my talk."

And those are fighting words.
Defense ensures another win

By Dan Bollerman

Think of great opposites. The east coast and the west coast. Cambodia and the French Riviera. Tequila and skim milk.

The first half of the Penn-Harvard football game against the second half of the same game.

That game was the perfect example of why the game of football is played in two halves, because the two halves were about as different as could be.

If you enjoy defense, then the first half was heaven. Only three points were scored, as Penn's Jim Grass booted a 25-yard field goal with 9:33 to play in the second quarter. The half's only other highlight was Chris Flynn's 24-yard run.

And by Cornell — which defeated Columbia, 28-0 — set up a head-to-head matchup for the Ivy title in Ithaca, N.Y., the first time since 1968 that two teams unbeaten in Ivy play met to determine the Ivy champion on the final weekend of play.

"You go into every season with the dream of having that opportunity [for an undefeated season]." Penn head coach Ed Zubrow said. "You just can't go out and force a win to happen because of how badly you want it to happen and how hard you've worked. You have to go out and play the game, execute and perform.

Both Penn and Harvard played the game, but the execution and performance of the two teams was less than stellar. Each team lost two fumbles, and Quaker quarterback Jim Crocicchia threw two interceptions.

It was the second of these which made the 25,650 fans in attendance very nervous. On the first play following a 30-yard field goal by the Crimson's Andy Maretz, Crocicchia was intercepted at the Penn 41 by corner Don Heberle, who returned the ball to the Quakers' 20. Four plays later on fourth down and seven from the 17, Harvard quarterback Tom Yohe found wingback George Sorbara in the end zone for the touchdown. Sorbara grabbed the ball between defensive backs James Fangmeyer and Donald Wilson, and visions of the 1982 game between these two teams danced through the minds of all. In that contest, Penn beat Harvard, 23-21, on a second-chance field goal with no time on the clock, after blowing a 20-0 fourth-quarter lead.

"We started to hit the receivers and move the ball," Harvard head coach Joe Restic said. "We ran the ball probably as well as anyone has against Penn this year."

The Crimson would get one last chance. Taking the ball with 7:25 to play on the Harvard 31, Yohe drove the ball to the Crimson to the Quaker 41. On third down and eight, Harvard backup quarterback David Landau entered the game for the first time — not as a quarterback, but as a wingback. The play was designed to have Yohe take the snap, pitch the ball to Landau, who would presumably fire it back to Yohe who possibly would be open. Call it what you will; it was certainly confusing.

"Penn's front four or five was applying so much pressure that we had no blocking on the back side for that play, so it never really materialized," Yohe said. "I was open short, and we had a guy possibly would be open. Call it what you will; it was certainly confusing."

The Quakers outgained Harvard on the ground, 234-84. Leading the way was tailback Rich Comizio, who rushed for 132 yards on 23 carries, and both of Penn's touchdowns. On the Quakers' first play from scrimmage in the second half, Comizio went down the left sideline for 41 yards, and the Penn single-season rushing record — formerly held by Gerry Santini in 1968 of 880 yards — was his. Comizio's total of 942 yards left him only 58 yards away from becoming the first running back in Quaker history to rush for 1000 yards in a season.

Five plays after that scamper, Comizio crashed through the right side of the end zone for Penn's first touchdown. Grass's point-after made it 10-0, Penn.

"The way that we came out in the third quarter was a key," Zubrow said. "We talk a lot about how important the first drive of the third quarter is on both sides of the ball and how important it is to the football game overall. We scored the first two times out in the third quarter and stuffed them on their first possession. Thank goodness we did."

The Quakers would score later in the quarter. Taking the ball on its 20-yard line, Penn would go the 80 yards in eight plays, culminating with Comizio's rushing the ball to the Harvard 12. Then the fun started.

And it was all set to continue the next Saturday in Ithaca for the showdown to end all Ivy League showdowns. Zubrow was ready for it.

"You can’t think about being 10-0 until you’re 90."
The numbers add up to 10-0

1986 Penn football stats

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RUSHING Att Yds Avd TD Lg
Richard Comizio 211 1104 6.5 8 41
Chris Flynn 149 917 6.2 12 46
Jim Brunii 46 213 4.6 4 19
Joe Laurano 36 175 4.9 0 17
Tom Kiar 41 194 4.9 0 12
S. Olekszyk 15 76 5.1 2 28
John Deering 6 20 3.3 1 6
Scott Morcott 3 15 5.0 0 15
Rob Andrews 13 73 5.6 0 15
Jim Beato 1 1010.0 0 10
Scott Sandler 1 7 7.0 0 7
Mike Waler 2 3 1.5 0 2
Tom Conway 2 2 1.0 0 2
Jim Crocicchia 24 -63-2.6 0 13

Totals 530 2664 5.0 25 46
Opponents 351 794 2.3 4

RECEIVING No Yds Avd TD Lg
B. Novoselsky 18 337 18.7 6 42
Ken Saunders 13 175 13.5 1 42
Chris Flynn 13 110 8.5 0 27
Tom Joyce 12 156 13.0 0 39
Rob Andrews 11 159 14.5 0 24
Rich Comizio 8 100 12.5 0 42
Scott Scungio 5 70 14.0 2 39
Jim Brunii 5 54 10.8 1 29
Jim Miklos 3 51 17.0 2 31
Ed Solari 3 35 11.7 0 18
Joe Laurano 3 18 6.0 0 12
Mike Heyse 2 20 10.0 0 12
Steve Olekszyk 1 5 5.0 0 5

Totals 97 1290 13.3 12 42
Opponents 118 1324 11.2 9

TEAM STATS PENN Opp
FIRST DOWNS 213 141
Rushing 139 64
Passing 60 56
Penalty 14 21
RUSHING YARDS 2661 794
Attempts 530 351
Yards Gained 2821 1539
Yards Lost 160 445
Yards Per Attempt 5.0 2.3
Yards Per Game 266.1 79.4
PASSING YARDS 1290 1324
Attempts 183 351
Completion 97 118
Had Intercepted 11 11
Yards Per Attempt 7.0 5.2
Yards Per Game 129.0 132.4
TOTAL YARDS 3951 2118
Offensive Plays 713 607
Yards Per Play 5.5 3.5
Yards Per Game 395.1 211.8
PUNTING YARDS 1520 2315
Punts 48 63
Gross Average 33.8 36.7
Punts Blocked 1 0
Punts Returned 21 50
Yards Returned 94 321
Net Average 31.8 31.7
PUNT RETURN YDS 321 94
Punt Returns 50 21
Yards Per Return 6.4 4.5
KO RETURN YDS 523 1026
Kickoff Returns 28 51
Yards Per Return 18.7 20.1
INT RETURN YDS 80 135
Interceptions 11 11
Yards Per Interception 73 12.3
PENALTIES 96-830 62-560
FUMBLES-LOST 20-8 23-13
THIRD DOWNS 63-145 44-143
Percent Converted 43.4 38.8
POSSESSION TIME 335:30 284:30
Time Per Game 33:33 26:27

PASSING Att Com Yds Pct Yds/A TD Int Lg
Jim Crocicchia 176 90 1200 51.1 6.8 11 11 42
Scott Morcott 6 6 84 100.0 14.0 0 0 39
Rich Comizio 1 1 6100.0 6.0 1 0 6

Totals 183 97 1290 53.0 7.1 12 11 42
Opponents 256 118 1324 46.1 5.2 9 11

PUNTING No Yds Avd 120 Br Rk Yds Net
Dave Fassnacht 47 1620 48.34 28 1 21 94 32.5

Totals 48 1620 48.38 28 1 21 94 31.8
Opponents 63 2313 36.7 14 0 50 321 31.7

SCORING TOUCHDOWNS TD Pts
Chris Flynn 12 72
Rich Comizio 8 48
Brent Novoselsky 6 36
Jim Brunii 5 30
Scott Scungio 2 12
Jim Miklos 2 12
John Deering 1 6
Ken Saunders 1 6

Totals 37 222
Opponents 13 78

KICKOFF RETURNS No Yds Avd Lg TD
Jim Brunii 10 208 20.8 51 0
Chris Flynn 14 270 19.3 27 0
Tom Gizz 2 32 16.0 21 0
S. Olekszyk 1 13 13.6 13 0
Dan McNally 1 0 0 0 0

Totals 26 523 18.7 51 0
Opponents 51 1026 20.1 0

PUNT RETURNS No Yds Avd Lg TD
Jim Grass 48 323 6.7 34 0
Scott Sandler 1 0 0 0 0
S. Walterhouse 1 2 2.0 2 0

Totals 50 321 6.4 34 0
Opponents 21 94 4.5 0

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Princeton 10
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Cornell 21

QUARTERBACK SACKS

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Bruce McConnell 27 70 97
A.J. Sebastianelli 19 66 85
Rick Inskipp 17 61 78
Mike Litsa 22 55 77
Brad Hippens 35 34 69
Donald Wilson 22 38 60
Jeff Fortna 21 33 54
Brad Heinz 17 34 51
James Fangmeyer 12 29 41
Tom Flynn 16 18 34
Dave Smith 10 17 27
Dexter Desir 6 18 24
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Mike Morrissey 3 5 8
Dan Bauer 2 6 8
Steve Johnson 3 4 7
Keith Ramm 3 4 7
Parker Rhodes 3 4 7
Gary Plummer 2 5 7
Bill Caughell 2 4 6
Tom Klar 4 1 5
Jim Grass 2 2 4
Tom McVittie 1 3 4
Tom Gizzi 4 4 4
Steve Olekszyk 2 1 3
John Zinser 1 3 3
Tony Owens 3 3
Jim Crocicchia 2 2
Rich Lober 1 1
Brent Novoselsky 1 1
Bill Walenda 1 1
Tony Delucio 1 1
Chris Flynn 1 1
Joe Laurano 1 1

Tackles leader Bruce McConnell

Interceptions No Yds Avd LG

James Fangmeyer 4 43 10.8 16
Jeff Fortna 2 14 7.0 11
Chris Lenczewicz 2 0 0 0
Brad Hippens 1 232.0 23
Tom Flynn 1 0 0 0
Donald Wilson 1 0 0 0

Totals 11 80 7.3 23
Opponents 11 135 12.3 37