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Lutes fumble away title game to Indians 24-7

Turnovers, injuries stop PLU momentum

by Clayton Cowl
Mast staff reporter

Six turnovers and a string of injuries plagued the Lutes, while Dan Lowney rushed 25 times for 92 yards as the Wisconsin-LaCrosse Indians upset No. 3 Pacific Lutheran, 24-7, in the NAIA Division II national championship game Friday in the Tacoma Dome.

The Lutes finished in the finals as the runnerup team for the second time in three years, winding up the 1985 season at 10-1-1. Wisconsin-LaCrosse (11-1-2) took home its first national championship ever.

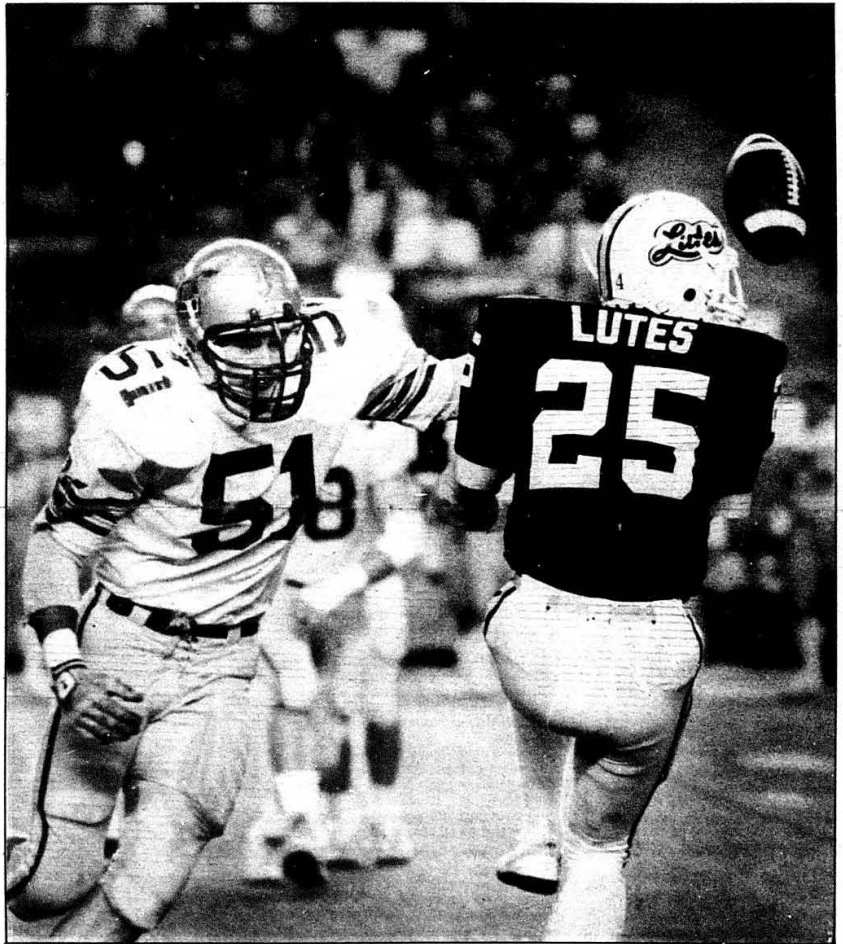
"They were playing a game against us that took us out of our rhythm," explained PLU coach Frosty Westering. "Maybe we did so well during the regular season that the law of averages caught up to us. We had too many penalties and our injuries hurt us. Turnovers really killed us and they dominated the line of scrimmage."

"We knew if we could come at them early, we wouldn't have to play catch-up football like teams have played against PLU all season," said Indian's coach Roger Harring. "The stats were misleading for PLU all season because they would get out ahead of people and just keep on rolling."

"Our goal this year wasn't to win our conference or even the national championship," Harring continued, "but just to play as well as you are capable of doing."

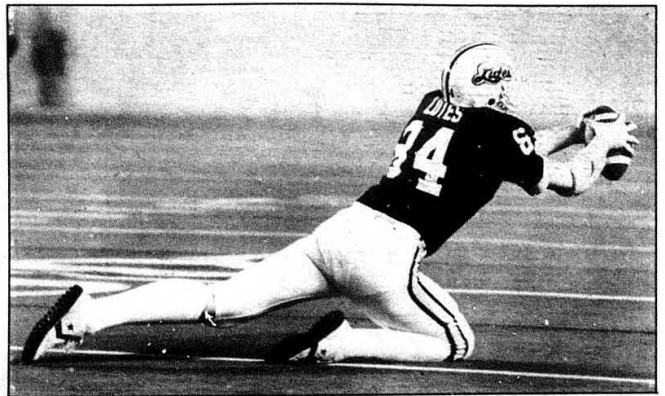
The Lutes played a solid defensive game against an inspired Indian ground game, but six turnovers (including three fumbles by Mike Vindivich and a pair of interceptions by Jeff Yarnell) and injuries to offensive linemen Mark Rill (severe ankle sprain), Aaron Linquist (concussion) and Paul Baker (ankle strain) kept the Lutes from ever getting off the ground offensively.

The Indians got on the board early after Vindivich fumbled on the Wisconsin-LaCrosse 37 yardline. Lowney, a 6'0" 250 pound senior running back, took five straight carries to the PLU 24 where Joe Mirasola hit his first of three field goals, this one a



It was a tough day all over for the Lutes as the machine overdrive just never kicked in. Here Craig Puzey (25) goes up for a pass against the Indians stingy defense.

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In this sequence, PLU receiver Mark Miller makes a miraculous diving catch to keep a PLU drive going.

1985 season is over, but Lute pride lives on

by Clayton Cowl
Mast staff reporter

It takes real sportsmanship to be a good winner, but it takes something special to be a good loser. If there's a way to lose with class, the Lutes did it Friday night in the Tacoma Dome.

It's easy to speak of good sportsmanship, a great attitude and playing through Christ on the field. It's quite a different challenge to put words into action. A season that began in June for many PLU players with a trip to the french Riviera Football Classic, ended last weekend before 7,150 spectators in the NAIA Division II national championship game with Wisconsin-LaCrosse. From opening workouts

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in the hot summer sun, to the sub-freezing line drills held during an early snow, PLU football had a season to remember and one to be proud of.

Statistics and records are soon forgotten after a successful football season, but the memories and fellowship on the field remains a crisp vision in each player's mind.

Senior offensive lineman Aaron Linquist, a four-year starter who left his last game as a Lute in the first period with a concussion, said it all. With his head held high, Linquist told a group of about 300 PLU family and friends that gathered in the corner of the stadium after the game, that all was not lost in the 24-7 defeat.

"So many guys hang up their shoulder pads for the last time and lose their identity," Linquist said. "It can't be like that. I'm going to bang up my shoulder pads for the last time tonight, but I'm still going to have the identity of who I am as a person and what I've learned here. We have to be able to pick up our pads every day."

Linquist epitomizes the class and respect that each PLU player deserves. Two key injuries to offensive lineman, six turnovers and a hatrage of penalties stalled the Lutes attack the entire night, yet the squad never gave up.

Neither did the fans.
Over four thousand screaming PLU supporters jammed the cheering sections, balsting out encouragement to players even as the final gun sounded. And after the realization that a dream for a national title had ended, the sorrow was shared by all, grim faces reflected inner hurt, while an occasional tear streaming down a tired face told a story of their own.

The sixteen Lute seniors will be missed by the entire PLU program, but the athletes leave with a concept of what "team" really means.

Jay Carlson reflected after Friday's loss. "I went in for Aaron (Linquist) and really felt his hurt out there," he said. "I remember him just bawling and saying, 'They won't let me play. They won't let me play.' They announced a lot of All



A caring Lute fan (52) tries to console a disappointed Paul Baker (72) in the fourth quarter.

Americans tonight, but Aaron is the real All American."

Frustration was felt at every level in the final game of the 1985 season. "What if's and 'I only's" filled the minds and hearts of each supporter or player around. But the battle is over. The helmets are realigned on their hooks, the pads are placed on their racks and the pants are hung up for yet another season.

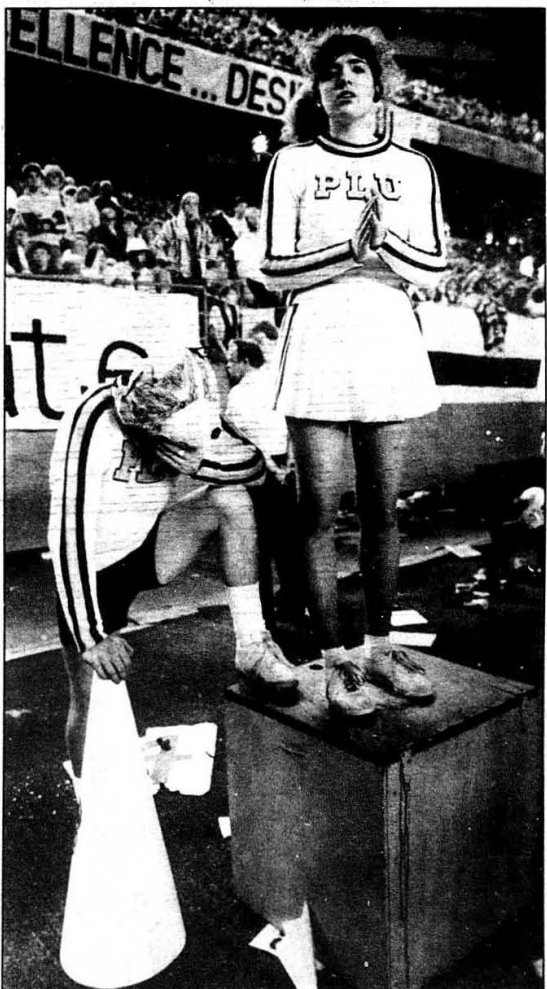
To the PLU student body, faculty, alumni, and the thousands of PLU football fans;

We want to take this opportunity to share with you a gift of praise and love to you for your outstanding loyalty and support during the 1985 season and the NAIA national championship playoffs.

How a team plays the game shows something of their character - How a team loses a game shows all of it - Believe us, we all shared the double-win in Friday night's game.

You and we all shared a real touch of class.

Matthew 5:16
Frosty, the PLU football team and staff



No matter how tough a hole the PLU got in, the crowd was behind their Lutes all the way.

Lutes 'run out of bullets'

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46-yard shot with 9:18 remaining in the first quarter.

Mirasola hit a 25-yard field goal early in the second quarter, but not before a missed 40-yard attempt was called back when the Lutes had 12 men on the field.

Drex Zimmerman misplayed a punt that Wisconsin-LaCrosse fell on at the PLU 10 with 1:22 left in the first half. Four plays later, quarterback Steve Althaus scored on a one-yard plunge.

Turnovers continued to hurt the Lutes in the second half as the Indian's Ken Van Vreede picked off a pass at the PLU 36 on the Lute's first possession. Althaus hit receiver Jose Alba on a 35-yard aerial strike to the PLU one yard line, before Althaus scored his second touchdown of the night. A two-point conversion toss from Althaus to Joe Jelnske made it 21-0.

PLU's only score of the game came after Yarnell hit Craig Puzey on a 35-yard touchdown pass with 6:07 remaining in the third quarter.

After three consecutive Lute drives were stymied, the Indians put the championship title away when Mirasola punched a 43-yard field goal through the uprights with three minutes left in the game.

The Lutes outgained the squad from Wisconsin-LaCrosse in total offense 313-208 as fullback Mark Helm rushed 10 times for 67 yards, Vindivich ran 12 times for 51 yards and Puzey snagged six passes for 77 yards. Mark Miller had two grabs for 50 yards on the night.

"They're ability to make the big play and their control of the line really made a big difference tonight," admitted Westering. "They played like champions. It's tough when you get a strong, 15-yard run and then get it called back on a penalty. The kids gave it everything they had."

"It's kind of like Butch Cassidy when he walked out of the saloon for the last time," continued Westering. "Sometimes you run out of bullets."

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Senators lack knowledge of parliamentary procedure

by Kathy Lawrence
Mast staff reporter

After announcing at the senate's December 5 meeting that their South African resolution had actually passed, Jennifer Hubbard, ASPLU's vice president, said it is obvious that the senate and its executives lack knowledge concerning parliamentary procedure.

The senate originally voted on the resolution, which calls for the university to affirm the American Lutheran Church's stand on South Africa and to review its mutual fund investments, in its November 21 meeting. After receiving a vote of six "yes," two "no," and six abstentions, the senate announced that the resolution had failed.

Hubbard said that two weeks later, just prior to the December 5 meeting, Marvin Swenson, director of the University Center and campus activities, informed ASPLU that abstentions are blanks, rather than "no" votes.

"Luckily, he told us just in time to avoid a nasty mix-up in the senate," Hubbard said.

Michael Bartanen, acting chair of the Communication Arts department and PLU's faculty parliamentarian, said that although the senate's resolution technically passed, *Robert's Rules of Order* specifies that the proper procedure would be to reconsider the vote.

He said that it is not legitimate to just announce that the resolution passed two weeks ago.

"A group can do anything they want. But, if it's worth doing, it should be done right," Bartanen said.

Bartanen said that by failing to reconsider the resolution in their December 5 meeting, the senate abused the rights of the people voting.

He said that not only were those who abstained not put in a position where they had to make a stand, but also those who voted "no" were denied their rights of representation.

ASPLU positions now run May to May

By Kathy Lawrence
Mast staff reporter

ASPLU officers will now remain in office from May to May, due to the passage of an amendment by ASPLU at their Dec. 5 meeting.

The only exception to the amendment is the freshman senator, who will hold office from election time in the fall until the end of the academic year.

Prior to the amendment, executive and senate terms ran from March to March, with the exception of ASPLU's comptroller and programs director who served until April.

ASPLU's new office terms will become effective in the 1987-88 elections. The present office holders and those of the following year will each serve an extra month in order to compensate for the change.

Soine said that all of the university's planning occurs in the spring, which is when ASPLU office holders are changing. Therefore, she said, ASPLU has not been an active part of university planning.

Soine said that under the old system, officers began their duties, totally unaware of what they were doing, left for summer vacation, returned for two productive months, and, when they came back from Christmas vacation, their term was over.

Trent Ling, ASPLU's senator, said that although he voted "no" on the resolution, he does not see any point in reconsidering the proposal unless senators are willing to take a deeper look at the issue of divestment.

Due to the lack of knowledge and support, Ling said, the resolution is not a strong proposal. He added that a weak proposal does not do much for those who pass it.

Hubbard said that although the senate lacked knowledge about South Africa when the vote was taken, their knowledge has increased. She said that not only did some of the senators research the subject, but also Jack Birmingham, assistant professor of history, spoke to the senate at the December 5 meeting about the issues of South Africa.

The senate, Soine said, was "wholeheartedly" for the amendment. She said the new term will enable an experienced senate to pass a budget in the spring, before they leave office, rather than leave the budgeting process to new members.

This way, she said, student government will have more input into how much money they are allocated.

"It (the amendment) is going to make us a lot more influential in university planning instead of just being a reac-

tionary group," Soine said.

Soine said that six Cave applicants were interviewed by the Cave Board and selections were made on December 4. She said the board chose Merry Butler, a junior, as director, and Freshman Lisa Hussey as assistant director.

Soine said Butler has worked in the Cave since her freshman year and that Hussey has experience in restaurant management. She said that although the two represent "young blood," they are both very qualified.

Presidential Forum set for Jan. 22

The second 1985-86 Presidential Forum, set for next month, will look at the growing technology in medicine, health care and genetic research.

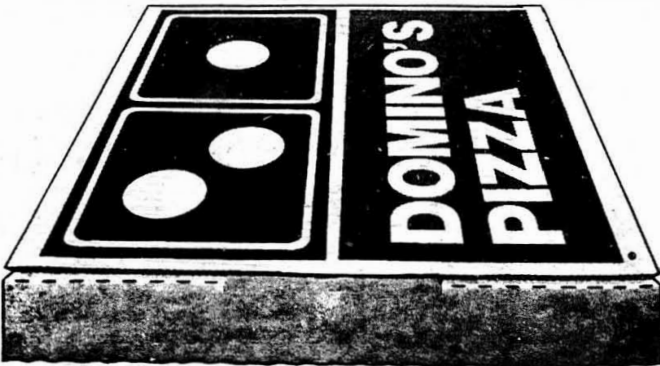
Set for Jan. 22 in Eastvold Auditorium, Presidential Forum II will offer PLU students, faculty and the public the chance to gain a better understanding of the ethical implications of biomedical technology.

"It's important to understand why these topics are important," said Paul Menzel, philosophy professor and the forum's first speaker. "It's important to know - are we going to force people to pull the plug because we don't have any money to pay them anymore? potentially it's big brother telling me I've got to die."

The event will get underway at 1 p.m., with all classes being canceled at that time. Menzel will speak on "moral restraints for medical technology: curbing the high costs of suing and dying," delivering his address at 1:15. Constance Kirkpatrick, a nursing professor, will speak on international aspects of health care, at 2:30 p.m.

Following a period for audience responses, a workshop and the faculty banquet, which is set for 5:45 in the Chris Knutzen Hall, the forum will continue at 7:15. Tom Carlson, biology professor, will deliver his address, entitled "the prospects for human gene therapy." The forum is scheduled to run until 8:45 p.m.

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To the Editor:

A word of comment on and appreciation for the editorial regarding Phi Beta Kappa in *The Mast*. In my opinion, it presented what is, in general, a sober, balanced, and defensible assessment of the significance of Phi Beta Kappa and of PLU's situation in regard to the matter. Phi Beta Kappa is not the only hallmark of quality education, nor are its standards above dispute; but, like it or not, it symbolizes in the minds of a very large number of people with influence in the academic world the kind of quality which first rate colleges and universities ought to have.

What impressed me a great deal about your editorial was the insistence on the

need for an overriding interest in high standards in education rather than ease and convenience in getting students in, through, and out.

Only a clear perception in the minds of constituents of a commitment to quality standards will enable PLU in the long run to maintain and build a credible program, and to continue to draw good students who will pay the price.

Thank you for the editorial. As one among a goodly number here who for years have worked laboriously toward the eventual goal of a Phi Beta Kappa chapter on this campus, I appreciate your understanding and concern.

**George Arbaugh, Professor
Department of Philosophy**

To the Editor

I am appalled that the resolution condemning PLU's investment in corporations was ever passed. The resolution contained certain economic and political ramifications that I do not think were clearly understood by the ASPLU Senate.

Certainly, there are moral issues involved. But creating "change" in South Africa is a superficial reading of the real situation in that poor country.

Divestment will cause revolution in South Africa. A recent study in the *Western Political Quarterly* reported that divestment has a much greater impact on the economy of South Africa than we had previously imagined.

With the South African economy on the brink of disaster already because of Prime Minister Botha's economic policies, our resolution to divest only compounds problems that are quickly leading to civil war.

The Lincoln Institute, a black-run, U.S.-based think tank notes that as more economic turmoil arrives in South Africa, more blacks turn to revolution as a way to create change.

"Change." That was Jennifer Hubbard's neat word in *The Mast* article on December 6. What she meant by "change" was a peaceful process brought about by some small amount of civil strife.

We can have divestment and massive economic dislocation and revolution, or

we can have no divestment and support incremental change—something that may over the long run of ten years or more rid South Africa of apartheid and yet avoid revolution and the attendant Marxist takeover.

Which do we choose? Revolution, with thousands dying (mostly blacks) in the streets, economic disaster so great people starve in the gutter, and eventually South African gulags run by a black Marxist regime with hundreds of thousands of people fleeing the country like they did in Vietnam and Cambodia, with U.S. policy-makers denying that their actions led to this atrocity?

Or do we take a look at the deeper moral issues, and support this incremental change, pressuring the government in constructive ways to change, avoiding revolution but constantly seeking ways to destroy apartheid? We must avoid divestment.

One final point. Did you know South Africa has the nuclear bomb? The U.S. Government, the Carnegie Endowment for Peace (and anti-nuclear proliferation group) and other groups opposed to the spread of nuclear weapons believe so.

What do we do if a radical Marxist government decides to use it on other nations in southern Africa, like Zimbabwe, or Mozambique or Botswana? Can we take the chance? Consider.

Tim Evanson

To the Editor:

The article entitled, "Senate promotes South African divestment" brings up some interesting points about ASPLU and how they operate.

To begin with, do our student representatives understand parliamentary procedure well enough to be using it? Obviously, the answer is a sad no.

When I read the ASPLU One-Liners (Yes, Bruce, I did read it.) I had to laugh at their oversight. I am no parliamentarian, but it was clear to me that Jennifer Hubbard, Senate chairman, should have declared the resolution as passing.

Secondly, I have to wonder why Hubbard was the one to write the resolution instead of one of the senators. The duties of a senator include writing such resolutions, they are not the ASPLU vice president.

Next, I have to ask why Lynette Shaw, ASPLU comptroller advised the senators to abstain if they did not have a strong, informed opinion on the issue. ASPLU officers should be advisors. Shaw should be able to answer any and

all questions concerning ASPLU financial matters, which in this resolution, she did not. Maybe this is one reason so many senators abstained.

The senators received this resolution the day before the meeting and one has to ask him/herself if that is adequate time to allow the senators to talk with their constituents.

I know my senator, Eric Galarneau, abstained not because of ignorance but because he wanted to know how the men of Hinderlie Hall felt about this resolution.

Galarneau feels very strongly about this issue, but he is not in the senate to represent himself, but his constituents.

Maybe if the senate followed their ByLaws and sent the resolution to the appropriate Standing Committee none of these problems would have occurred.

Maybe this is a good example of why we need to have an election next February instead of yet another popularity contest.

Michael E. Jones

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