

# SPORTS

## Last-second field goal earns York tie with Queen's in preseason game

By KARIM HAJEE

A field goal with only seven seconds left in the game gave York a 13-13 come from behind tie against Queen's in their first exhibition game last Saturday.

One of the key players in the game for York was running back Terry Douglas. Douglas, playing for less than three quarters, hauled in passes for 160 yard and racked up 40 yards on the ground.

"Douglas played superb," said head coach Frank Cosentino. "If Terry remains healthy this year he should make all Canadian." A healthy Douglas could also mean York has a strong chance of winning the OUA Eastern division.

Queen's opened the scoring late in the first quarter with a field goal which was followed by a second. After a York field goal in the second quarter, Andy Douglas, Terry's brother, scored York's only touchdown on a pass from rookie quarterback Adam Karlsson which put York ahead 10-6 at the half.

In the second half the Golden Gaels pulled ahead 13-10 with a 33 yard touchdown reception. But late in the fourth quarter, Karlsson

marched the Yeomen downfield where Allan Myers kicked a 29 yard field goal to salvage a tie.

After the game Cosentino, a former CFL quarterback, praised Karlsson. "He has a nice touch to the ball," Cosentino said, "an almost effortless throw with a quick release." The loss of 11 starters to graduation has forced Cosentino to change his offense and go to the air more. "The loss of players has forced us to change our whole approach," Cosentino said. "Today we threw 35 passes or more, last year we never threw so much in one game."

The new offence also requires the quarterback to do a little more and Karlsson proved he was capable. "With a passing game the quarterback has to read and react to the defence," Cosentino said, "(and that's) something Karlsson did well."

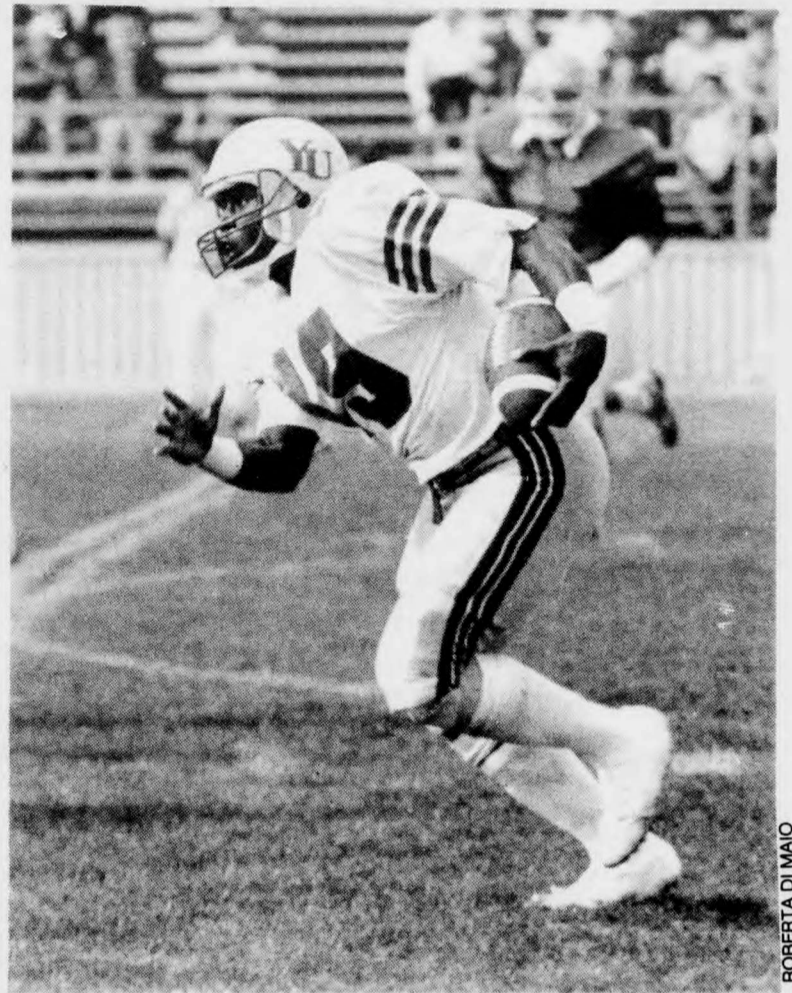
However, York's other quarterback, Glen Humenik, was trying to get the right touch. Humenik came out passing on York's first play, moving the offence 48 yards before being intercepted. Later, in the fourth quarter, Humenik was again intercepted. Despite the off day

for Humenik Cosentino didn't make any hasty decisions after the game. "At this point I can't say who will start against McMaster," Cosentino said. "Glen had a rough day but he was going against the wind on both occasions."

As for York's questionable defence, they managed to keep Queen's out of the end zone until the fourth quarter, and blocked a field goal from the 25 yard line. "I thought the defence played well, (even though) they made some minor errors," Cosentino said. If defensive coaches Rick Lyall and Steve Valeriotte can correct the minor errors the Yeomen could likely have a solid defence once again.

The greatest weakness is on specialty teams. Everytime York kicked the ball away Queen's came back with a big return, averaging close to 35 yards each. York, on the other hand, only managed a little over 10 yards a return. "The specialty teams need work," Cosentino stated, "but that will come in time." Let's hope a week is enough time.

This Saturday at North York civic stadium the Yeomen will face McMaster; kickoff is at 2:00 p.m.



TERRY DOUGLAS: York's running back in action on weekend

ROBERTA DI MAIO

## 'Win at all cost' attitude proves lethal price to pay

Another season of Canadian college sport has arrived. From Memorial University in Newfoundland to the University of Victoria's campus on Vancouver Island, athletes and coaches are earnestly preparing for a hectic eight months. However, unlike their cohorts to the south, Canadian college athletes perform in relative isolation.

In America, college sport is king with the athletes and coaches as the crown princes. North of the 49th, the general public largely frowns upon their native athletes. Instead of personally supporting their own athletes, Canadians are usually found glued to their television sets adoring the glitz and hype to the south.

Rather than accept our own college athletics as is, the tendency in this country is to talk of movement towards the American model of college sport. Certainly there is a measure of legitimacy in the idea of full athletic scholarships, increased media coverage and greater public awareness. Yet there are serious dangers in heading down the path chosen by many schools in the United States.

For example, this summer's tragic death of University of Maryland basketball star Len Bias was not an isolated case. Bias' death served to highlight the grave injustices of the American system.

The pressure to win in America is so enormous that a stark polarity between winning and losing often overshadows the

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true spirit of competition. Many young adults are elevated to full blown star status while they lack the necessary maturity to handle the consequences. One would think that education would be stressed in such cases, yet on Len Bias' team for instance (University of Maryland), five of the 12 seniors flunked out of school. Yet somehow they did manage (coincidentally!) to finish four years of basketball eligibility.

Jack Davis, a director for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) has referred to "students causing the problems" of drug abuse in college sport. Davis fails to recognize drug abuse as a problem of the system itself. By placing the burden of responsibility on the victims, he illustrates an ignorance of the ideals at the roots of education. As a result of outlooks similar to Davis', the Len Bias story was not a first. Even sadder, it will not be the last.

In fact, the NCAA is now so paranoid and confused about its direction that it has recently come to pass that they are considering a ludicrous rules violation against the University of Alabama. Alabama's players attended the funeral of a teammate one day after a game in New Jersey. "Transportation to a funeral is not one of the permissible expenses an

institution can provide a student-athlete," said Kevin Lennon of the NCAA Legislative Services office.

There is a definite loss of perspective regarding American college sport. I've always found it ironic that a coach like Penn State's Joe Paterno is considered a 'great' man because he places greater emphasis on education than football. Should it not simply be an obvious statement of all institutions seeking the pursuit of higher education?

In Canada, York head coach Frank Cosentino is not singled out for his leadership as an educator beyond being a football coach. The fact that Paterno is a national deity and Cosentino a virtual unknown says a lot about the two approaches to university athletics.

I spent the week before school began in southern Florida. There, the university is not an institution—college football is. In Florida, the first week of September was filled with excitement over two big college football match-ups; Florida State played host to Nebraska, while the University of Miami battled the state's other powerhouse, the University of Florida. In Istanbul and Karachi however, that week is remembered for far different reasons.

A Sunday morning major Florida newspaper brought front page headlines of senseless slaughter and horrific death in other parts of the world. Yet those headlines were dwarfed by a half page photo of the Florida-Miami football showdown the night before. Poignantly, the editors lost the wider perspective.

In Canada, a "college" game could never achieve such a high profile, never mind alongside such terrifying news.

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