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COFFEE BLACK, OF COURSE

Sad Session For OC Area Coaches

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At a wake, "guests" customarily take their coffee black.

That's the way the area's four Ohio Conference football coaches drank their morning adrenalin at this week's meeting held in the Gloom Room.

All of the pigskin professors answered muster — Keith Piper of Denison, Glenn Fraser of Ohio Wesleyan, a sick Gene Slaughter of Capital and Bob Agler of Otterbein — but none could find encouragement in this week's work schedule, and all were reluctant to talk about the "dead" of last week.

It was a forced smile that came across the ruddy face of Denison's Piper as he accepted congratulations on his victory over Wooster, thin as it was, 6-0. The Big Red Pipers (4-0) of Granville are unbeaten and untied — one of four among the 35 Buckeye grid teams — own the conference lead and now look like a better than even a risk to to cop the league title.

DENISON tackles Mt. Union Saturday at Alliance. As usual, Piper fears the Raiders, even though they own a 1-3 mark over-all and are 1-2 in the league. The Mounts absorbed a 31-0 pasting at Muskingum Saturday night.

"Our offense is still sputtering," Piper complained. "We don't seem to be able to put more than two plays together properly. Our attack simply lacks consistency. I'm not happy with it at all," he added.

Piper did find words of praise for his defense. In four games the Big Red barrier has given up but 18 points. The offense has manufactured only 36 points. Tailback Tony Hall, who scored the Denison TD against Wooster, and Fullback Bill Giffin have gimpy legs. Hall has not fully re-

covered from a month-old charley horse.

"Mt. Union is a better club than their record," Piper cliched. "We respect Coach Ken Wable's ability and expect a tough ball game."

SLAUGHTER, fighting a virus-induced fever, could be thankful he was alive. The thought of facing winless Kenyon (0-3) gave him more chills and higher temperatures.

Severe injury to six starters cuts deeper into the Crusaders' already thin ranks. Wittenberg's 51-14 massacre decimated the Crusader ranks and handed Slaughter the worst beating of his coaching career.

"With the patch job we must do this week, we have to be afraid of Kenyon," Slaughter muttered. "They have a pretty good team and Quarterback Mike Wood is a fine football player . . . he throws well and runs well."

Capital's fine offensive guard, Paul Ward (6-1, 220 pounds) broke his ankle and joins regular linemen Gary Muller and Jim Heine on the gone-for-the-season list. Tackle Ron Glass and End Roy Eulberg have ankle injuries. Tackle Warner Sipola has a bruised thigh and Jim Makar, who lost three teeth at Baldwin-Wallace, has a banged up hip. A head injury has shelved End Jim Surett and Halfback Bob Ott is hobbling around on an ouchy knee.

HEADING FOR the aspirin cabinet, Slaughter wrote off the Wittenberg debacle simply: "Wittenberg is just about two steps faster in every department than any team in the conference."

Otterbein's Agler couldn't have laughed if he had sat on a feather. He echoed his colleague's comments on the upcoming task. Agler figures Hiram, upset at Marietta, will be a pack of rabid Terriers in their own kennel. Hiram leads the conference in rushing defense, yielding only 150 yards in three games.

Otterbein's Terry Mickey and Tom Shoaf and Back Joe Booth were hurt in the Oberlin game. Booth is out with a shoulder separation.

Oberlin's 19-13 shocker over the Otters was aided and abetted by four Card fumbles, two recovered by Hiram inside the 10, and a Terrier theft of an Otter aerial on the four in the final minutes of the game.

GOING AGAINST this charged Oberlin team on its home field was enough to erase the ever-present grin from the Bishops' Fraser's face. But in the 31-6 defeat at Bucknell, Fraser could sort a few bits of consolation.

The Bishops held their own through the first half. Bucknell could earn only two first downs in the first 30 minutes. But the NCAA substitution rule (OC has free substitution) and Bucknell's depth proved too much for the Buckeye invaders. In spite of the handicaps, Wesleyan registered nine first downs and 209 yards against the bigger and stronger Bisons.

Rounding out Saturday's first full OC schedule, Marietta plays at Wittenberg, Akron at Wooster and Heidelberg at Muskingum. In the lone non-leaguer, Baldwin-Wallace entertains Hillsdale, Mich.

BROWNS

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Frank Ryan calls some, Dub Jones sends in some from what he sees in the pressbox and I even call some."

AND THE celebrated Brown-Sam Huff duel?

"The publicity is great," said Brown. "Huff and I have played against one another for six years and we had words once or twice. Two scraps in six years is not very bad. There are a couple of Pittsburgh Steelers that I could blast but maybe they don't know any better."

Naturally, Brown didn't name the Steelers. They play at Pittsburgh, Nov. 10.

"I looked down at my ankles so many times and saw No. 70, Huff's number, that we're going to have to do something about him in the beginning of the game next time." Brown looked at Huff in the audience and added, "you had a good first half."

BROWN WENT out of his way to point out the quarterbacking of Frank Ryan and the fine play by Cleveland's re-made offensive line were being overlooked in some talk about the team.

"The line came on faster than we thought it would," he said. "Some of the writers wrote it off as nothing in the exhibition season. They believe in themselves and in me. Now they tell me before a game 'we're going to get you 150 today.'"



TOUGH DUTY—Capital's football squad has been so hard hit by injuries that Coach Gene Slaughter may turn to the homecoming queen and her court for help. Slaughter is pictured with Queen Starr Wolle, left, and her maid of honor, Sandra Ingling, right. Old grads will come back for Saturday's game with Kenyon at Bernlohr Stadium.

STEIGERWALD STARS

Two Triplicates In Team Events

Hundreds of individual triplicate series are recorded in one bowling season, but only a small handful of team "ditto" scores.

Two of the latter were posted Monday in league competition. The Water Refining team shot three 933 games with the Ole Timers at Olen-tangy, while Zelko Coin cashed in three 748 lines in the Star Room group at Main Lanes.

Best individual efforts for

Browns Hunt Linebacker; Vets Ailing

CLEVELAND (AP) — The effects of bruising contact with the New York Giants Sunday have left the Cleveland Browns with a critical shortage of line backers.

The Browns Monday asked waivers on Mike Lucci, who suffered cartilage damage to a knee. He is sharing a room in the Shaker Medical Center Hospital with Captain Galen Fiss, also a line backer. Fiss has a muscle tear below the calf.

SAM TIDMORE, who was pressed into service at line backer against the Giants; aggravated a knee injury and certainly can't go full steam.

If other teams in the National Football League waive on Lucci, he'll be out for at least four games. The damaged knee will keep him inactive for that period of time at least, and perhaps longer.

Accenting the need for a linebacker is the fact Philadelphia, whom the Browns play here Sunday, has one of the most dangerous passing

the day were Ed Woodring's 680 for Arena Lanes in the Classic at Main and Barb Steigerwald's 674 for Seafood Bay in the women's All-Star at CCC. The latter helped her team to this city-high series:

Betty Bonnette	186	159	136	481
Key Santo	118	184	186	488
Andrew Jones	205	196	162	563
Jane Holliday	221	171	160	552
Barb Steigerwald	247	235	192	674
Total	977	945	834	2754

John Worden put in a big bid with the 101 crowd at Swan. Worden, who averages 163, had eight straight strikes to open his second game, but left the 10-pin on the ninth ball and finished with 257.

At Holiday, Claudia Bellis had an all-spares 179 line in the Five-Star League.

SUNDAY ENDS the head-pin tournament being sponsored by the Prairie-Lincoln Jaycees at Lincoln Lanes. Prizes are being awarded to the first five places in men's and women's divisions and first two among boys and girls.

Leading the men are Dick Redden 117 and Jim Rhodes and Howard Miller 116 each. Heading the women is Mary Wood at 111, then Vilma Kinney 109 and Martha Toms 108. Kerry Hammond's 107 tops the teenage boys and Jacques Morris leads the young girls with 104.

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