

# Mountaineers Halt Lion 11-Game Win Streak

## Homecoming Fans Spur West Virginia To Upset

Penn State won't have to worry about meeting Syracuse this week with an undefeated record, for the Mountaineers from West Virginia ended an 11-game winning streak by outplaying the Lions, 24-0, before 12,000 at a homecoming game in Morgantown, W. Va., Saturday.

Throughout the entire game, the Nittany eleven failed to click, as "everything went wrong" in Coach Bob Higgins' words. Homecoming alumni perked up the West Virginians' spirits and helped inspire the first touchdown which came after little more than five minutes of play.

The Lions' best chance to score failed when the Blue and White got possession of the ball on the West Virginia one-yard line in the third period, but fumbled on the first try for a tally.

Penn State was outplayed; figures show the Mountaineers racked up 13 first downs to the Lions' 8 and gained 191 yards rushing while the visiting Higmen gained 85 yards on the ground.

Penn State kicked off, but after three plays the Mountaineers kicked back to the Penn State three. Cenci kicked out of the corner to the spirited West Virginians who completed several passes, Martin to McElwee, picked up ground rushing, and pushed over for the first score within five and one-half minutes of the opening whistle.

On the kickoff after the touchdown, Sparky Brown contributed the longest run of the game as he caught the ball eight yards behind the Penn State goal line and raced 57 yards to the West Virginia 49. Four plays later found Cenci kicking to the Mountaineers' 11, and later getting possession of the pigskin again on the opponent's 27 after Schrader made a poor kick out.

Here a shovel pass, Larry Joe to Cliff St. Clair, was completed, but the ball left St. Clair's hands on what was ruled a lateral, and West Virginia recovered. The Mountaineers' second string took the ball on the 32, pushed to the 15 yard stripe, and picked up three more points when McElwee split the goal posts.

## Gets 11 Points



Dick McElwee, West Virginian back who scored a touchdown, booted a field goal, and converted two extra points as the Mountaineers stopped Penn State's 11-game winning streak.

## Delta Chi Defeats Sigma Nu 7-0

In a clean, hard-fought game Delta Chi defeated the Sigma Nu last night by a score of 7-0. The game marked the first time in two years that the Delta Chi's have not won by two touchdowns. They have been undefeated and unscored upon for the same length of time.

Both teams played a hard, fast game, and the lone tally came as a result of a triple pass from Briner to See to Halderman. The extra point was completed by a pass from Briner to Charlie Sorber.

Delta Chi pushed through to two first downs over one for Sigma Nu. The Delta Chi's line put up a stiff defense against the Sigma Nu's ground attack, holding them to one first down.

## Harriers Wind Up Undefeated Season With Spartan Win

Victorious in Saturday's meet with Michigan State, Penn State's cross-country team finished its dual-meet season with an unblemished record for the first time since 1938.

A 24-32 win at East Lansing, Michigan climaxed a three-meet season in which the Lion's swept all opposition by the way in none too gentle fashion. Syracuse and Manhattan had previously fallen before the Nittany men by overwhelming scores.

Curt Stone, steady Lion junior distance man, ran an excellent race and took top honors in the good time of 21:34.6. Following two seconds later was Captain Norm Gordon of the Blue and White.

The remainder of Penn State's "big four" finished close to the leaders. Mac Smith squeezed in fourth place between Bill Scott and Ralph Monroe, Spartan senior runners. Jerry Karver, who developed stomach cramp half-way through the race, placed sixth ahead of Jerry Page, number three man for the Westerners.

According to Lion Coach Chick Werner, the Spartan meet was "very encouraging." Almost every man but Stone developed some sort of cramp or stitches. The fifth man problem is still with the team, however.

In an effort to find a number five man that could place well in the two remaining tournaments, Werner may draft the services of one or two of the freshmen. Werner, however, would not comment on this except to say that "it is a possibility."

Bill Scott, first to finish for the home club, started off in the lead, but Stone and Gordon passed him at the three-mile mark and were never headed. The race was for four miles-regulation for the National Intercollegiate race that will be run on the same course November 23.

The summaries follow:

Stone (PS)	21:34.6
Gordon (PS)	21:36
Scott (MS)	21:42
Smith (PS)	21:46
Monroe (MS)	21:47
Karver (PS)	21:52
Page (MS)	22:32
Niemeyer (MS)	22:37
Horski (MS)	22:40
Hershiser (MS)	22:44
Horne (PS)	22:51
Beach (PS)	23:08
Williams (PS)	23:27
Fritz (MS)	23:34

## Between The Lions

With DON DAVIS—Sports Editor

### Bleak Was the Word

Bleak was the word for Morgantown. Not only was the game with West Virginia's inspired grid team depressing, but the very countryside was gray and barren. We're glad to get back from those desolate mountains—back to the friendly Nittany Hills.

It is no wonder that the 24-0 defeat came as such a surprise to Lion followers. Didn't we have a more impressive record than the mountaineers? Weren't we undefeated? These facts were all true and at State College, Penn State was the favorite. But as we went West and heard Pittsburgh and Uniontown talk we were surprised to find that not State but West Virginia was the favorite.

We still weren't convinced. In fact our only reaction was—here's a good chance to make a little change at most favorable odds. And we tried it. And we lost.

### Merciless Kerns

Then came the game. From the start it was apparent that it was going to be West Virginia's day. Bill Kerns was merciless and expert in his handling of the game from the bench. After the first touchdown was pushed across, a complete new fresh team entered the game. This procedure of switching entire teams was practiced throughout the game while Bob Higgins had to be content with an occasional single replacement.

When we say Kerns was merciless we refer to the fact that in the closing minutes of the game, the Mountaineers played more like a team that was hopelessly behind than a team that was leading 17-0. They didn't coast through these final minutes as most teams would have done. Quite the opposite—Kerns' men unleashed a seemingly desperate passing attack. And the result was the heart-sickening 24-0 defeat.

The game's past history now, however. It was just one of those days in which everything, literally everything, went wrong. We for one are ready to forget it and start pointing for this weekend and Syracuse. It is quite likely that we were overrated when we started for Morgantown. From here in this bugaboo will not exist. It's a lot healthier situation for us to know just how good the team is and what its weaknesses are. And we do know that now!

## Soccermen Prep To 'Sink Navy'

"Sink the Navy" is the battle-cry of the undefeated Penn State soccermen this week as they prepare for their next to last game of the season this Saturday, when they travel to Annapolis to meet the Blue and Gold clad Middies.

Saturday the varsity squad engaged their freshman teammates in an intra-squad tussle which saw the senior team come out victorious 3-0. Originally the boofers were supposed to take on the Maryland University team, but when that school decided to discontinue soccer as an intercollegiate sport, the game was canceled. Coach Bill Jeffrey should be able to field a starting lineup at full strength against Navy for the first time this year. Allen Heck, veteran fullback out with injuries for the first five games, is expected to be back in action and should strengthen the Lion defense.

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