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MAPPING OUT STRATEGY: Lion backfield coach Frank Patrick shows Rip Engle one of West Virginia's pet plays at a blackboard session before practice yesterday. Patrick scouted

the Mountaineers in their games against Army and George Washington. State will leave by bus this morning for Morgantown.

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By JIM KARL

After viewing movies of West Virginia's upsets over Pitt and Army, some Penn State players are calling the Mountaineers "the best team we'll face all year."

Lion halfback Junior Powell was one of the players impressed by West Virginia.

"I'm sure we'll be up for them," he said yesterday. "We'll have to be if they play Saturday the way they did against Army."

State will be favored by at least a touchdown in the battle at Morgantown tomorrow, but West Virginia has already scored upsets over two teams which the experts picked to win by three touchdowns.

Coach Gene Corum's gridders deflated Pitt, 20-6 four weeks ago.

A second State football player has been nominated to the roster of candidates for the All American team to be selected by the American Football Coaches Association.

Center Jay Huffman was named this week to the squad by the votes of more than 500 coaches. Earlier this season end Bob Mifinger received a nomination. The team has been narrowed to 51 players.

and after a 12-6 defeat at Boston University the next week, West Virginia surprised Army 7-3 at Michie Stadium.

It was the first time an Army team had failed to score a touchdown since the last game of the 1957 season, when Navy won 14-0.

The Mountaineers opened their campaign with losses to Richmond (35-26), Vanderbilt (16-6) and Syracuse (29-14) to run their winless streak to 18.

But they caught fire against Virginia Tech the next week and exploded for a 28-0 win.

Since that long-awaited taste of victory West Virginia's confidence and spirit has been growing with each game.

After the Pitt win there was a slight letdown at Boston and the Terriers, a team that expected to go places this year but wound up losing its first four games, didn't pass up the chance for an upset.

West Virginia rebounded at Army the next week and then defeated George Washington 12-6 last week.

There have been many factors present in the return of big time football to the hill country, but probably the most evident is the outstanding play of two sophomores, fullback Glenn Holton and quarterback Fred Colvard.

Four speedy halfbacks, Roger Holdinsky, Tom Woodshick, Jim Moss and Eli Kosanovich supplement Holton and Colvard in the backfield. Together these four have accounted for 929 yards rushing in eight games.

Holdinsky and co-captain Bob Timmerman have been sidelined with injuries but both are expected to be ready by tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Rip Engle is trying to decide what to do about his fullback dilemma. Starter Dave

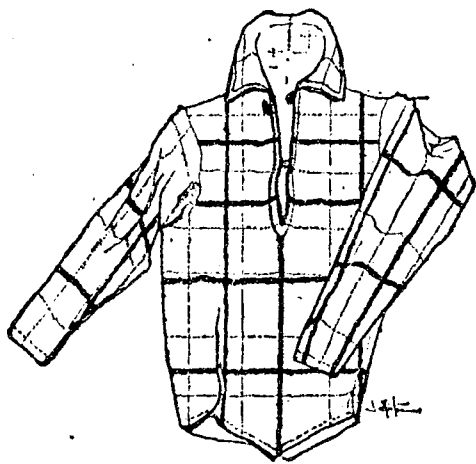
Hayes suffered a sprained ankle against Maryland. He'll make the trip but probably won't play.

Buddy Torris, who did a bang-up job in Hayes' absence against the Terrapins, will fill-in for Hayes, but a badly bruised elbow will keep him from going at full speed.

Bernie Sabol will back up Torris. Engle also is taking along sophomores Ed Stuckrath and Tom Urbanik and said he will use both if necessary.

Four linemen, Gerry Farkas, Bill Saul, Harrison Rosdahl and Dick Wilson, have been slowed by various injuries but should be ready tomorrow.

Gary Wydman, a Reddie Unit halfback, who has been out since the Syracuse game with a chest bruise, was pronounced fit yesterday by team physician Alfred H. Griess.



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Top NFL Draft Choices To Play in U.S. Bowl

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. bowl hopped into the scramble for top college football players yesterday. It announced a Jan. 7 all-star game matching teams composed of top draft choices of the National Football League.

The game's date puts the U.S. Bowl—to be played in the new 50,000-seat D.C. Stadium—in direct competition for players with two other all-star games the same weekend, the Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala., and the Hula in Honolulu.

"We're going after the top players hot and heavy," said Milton Fenster, U.S. Bowl general manager. "We're interested in only one thing—getting the best players possible for the game."

And Fenster said his group hopes to enlist the aid of Congress in recruiting top players by having the congressman from each player's district serve as an informal sponsor to help entertain him.

The contest will match players drafted for the NFL's Eastern Conference against players drafted for the Western Conference. Two NFL coaches will direct the 25-man squads.

Pete Rozelle, NFL commission-

er, commented in Philadelphia: "We in the National Football League are proud that our player selections are being used as a basis for the invitation of East and West squads. The concept of the game is excellent... we are certainly ready to cooperate with the U.S. Bowl committee in any way possible."

This is the second bowl game announced for the new D.C. stadium, which opened for business this fall.

The National Trophy Bowl plans a Dec. 30 game between two college teams. It announced yesterday it is considering Maryland and Navy as possible host teams with Alabama, Mississippi, Oregon and Georgia Tech in the running to complete the match.

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