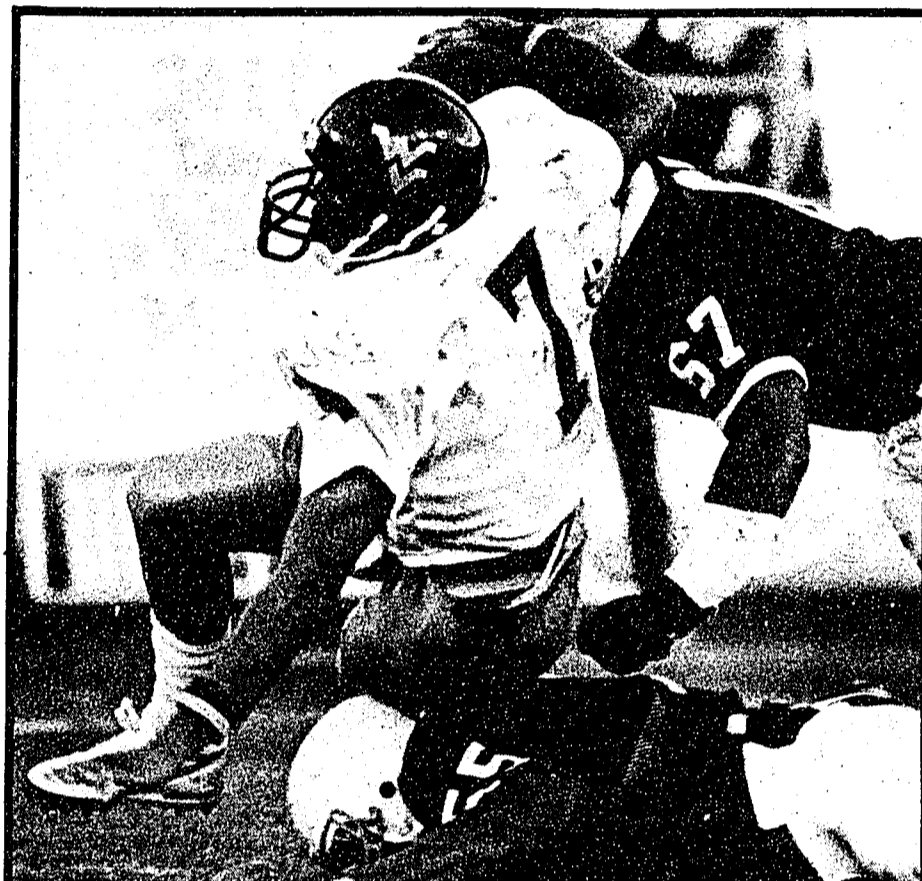


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Offense paces Lions past WVU

In a game that saw the offense take some pressure off of the defense, No. 3 Penn State used big plays by Ray Roundtree and D.J. Dozier to shut out West Virginia 27-0 in front of 85,534 at Beaver Stadium Saturday.

The game was sweet revenge for the Lions. After West Virginia defeated the Lions 17-14 last year to end a 25-game winning streak, many Penn State players complained that West Virginia fans pelted them with debris.

After the third play of the game, it was evident that it would be a long day for the Mountaineers. West Virginia quarterback John Talley dropped back to pass looking for a receiver, but linebacker Rogers Alexander stepped in front of the pass for the interception.

The Lions offense stalled, and Penn State had to settle for a Massimo Manca field goal and a 3-0 lead.

Late in the first period, the Lions jumped on the scoreboard again, this time on a 51-yard touchdown pass from John Shaffer to Roundtree. It was the first collegiate touchdown for Roundtree, a sophomore from Aiken, S.C.

The Shaffer-Roundtree tandem con-

ected again in the second period, this time resulting in a 15-yard touchdown. The play was set up by a spectacular 52-yard run by Dozier. The junior tailback ran left, found no openings and made a 360-degree turn to the right, where he saw a gaping hole towards the end zone. Only a saving tackle by a Mountaineer defender prevented Dozier from reaching paydirt.

After another field goal by Manca made the score 20-0, Dozier rounded out the scoring with a 14-yard dash early in the fourth quarter.

Dozier finished the day with 125 yards rushing and surpassed Franco Harris, Jon Williams and Booker Moore on the Penn State all-time rushing list. He currently ranks seventh on the list with 2,081 yards.

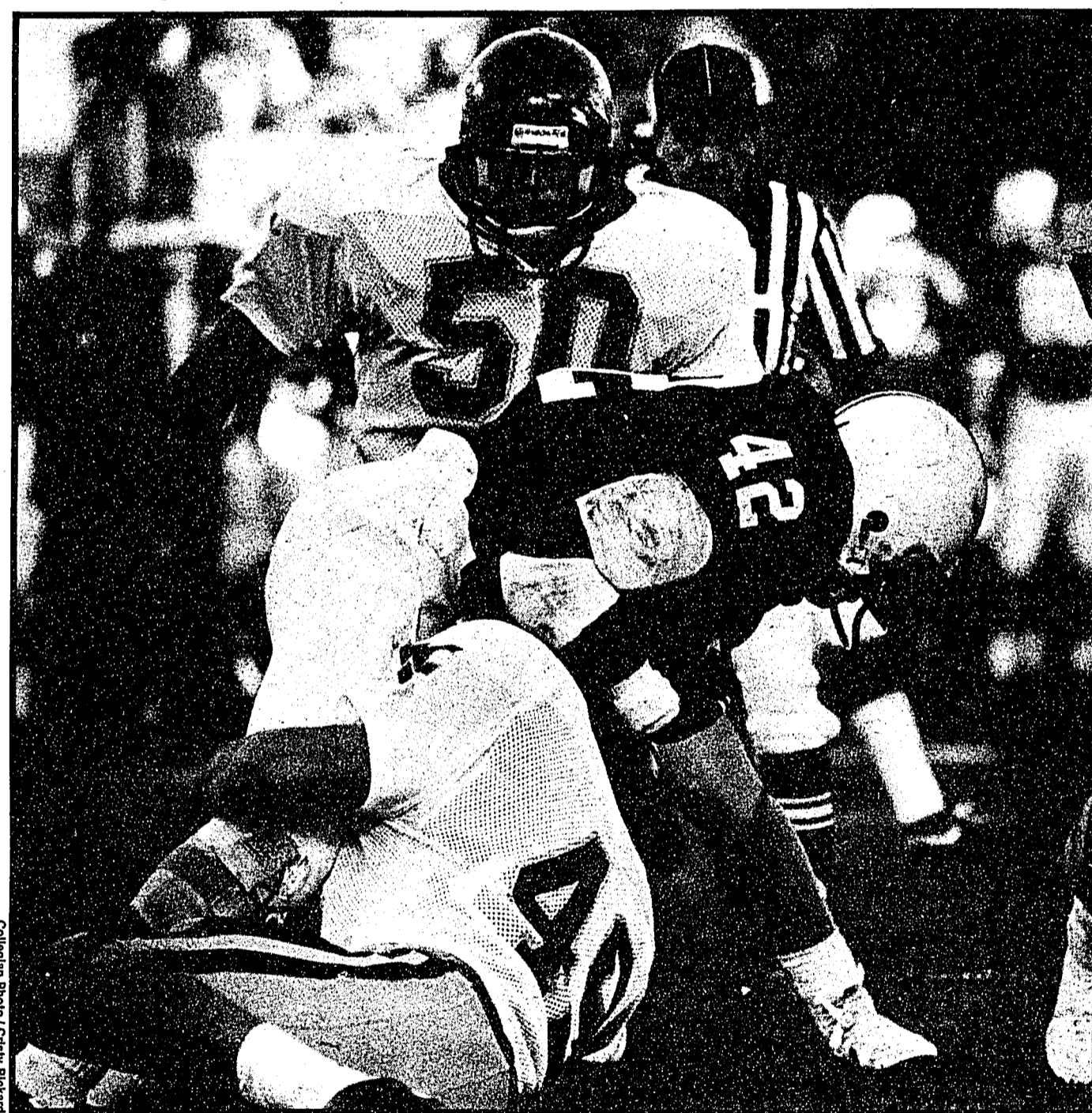
The West Virginia offense had trouble getting on track all day, due primarily to the Penn State defense. The defense caused four Mountaineer turnovers and recorded its first shutout since a 54-0 drubbing over North Carolina State in 1982.

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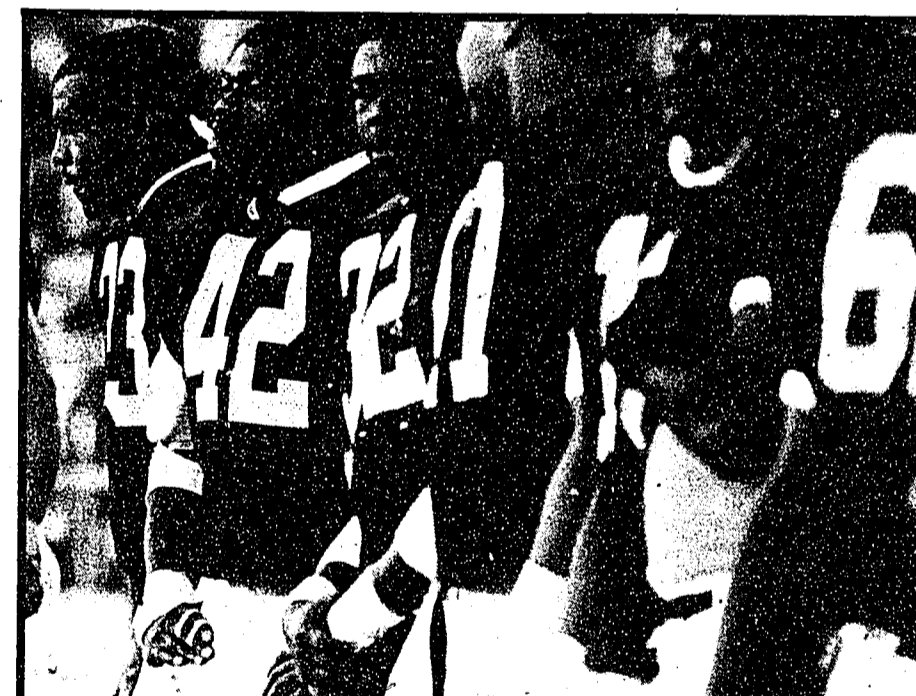


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Left to right: Lion tailback D.J. Dozier (42) fights for extra yardage as two West Virginia players lower the boom (right). Dozier (middle right) has his eye on the game even from the bench, where he stands amidst teammates during the West Virginia game. A Lion fan uses his head to express his favorite football team (far right), while fullback Steve Smith (33, upper right) looks for daylight in the Mountaineer defense last Saturday. West Virginia wasn't able to score at all against the Lions, and Tim Johnson (55) and Mike Russo (67, upper left) did what they could to keep Mountaineer quarterback John Talley under wraps for most of the game.



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