

Mountaineers "lethargic" in 35-24 victory

MORGANTOWN, W. Va. (UPI) — Greg Jones passed for two touchdowns Saturday in his first collegiate start to spark West Virginia to a 35-24 victory over Kent State, in an effort that WVU coach Don Nehlen called "lethargic."

"We were flat, lethargic," said Nehlen, who remained undefeated in 11 Mountaineer opening games. "We didn't look very crisp. Scoring a touchdown on the first play was the worst thing that could happen to us."

Jones, a fifth-year senior, completed a 7-yard touchdown pass to Michael Baker for a 14-0 lead in the first quarter. Jones' 7-yard scoring pass to Rico Tyler six minutes before halftime gave West Virginia a 21-3 lead.

Jones, taking over the helm after Major Harris gave up his final year of eligibility to go to the Canadian Football League, completed 15 of 25 passes for 174 yards and none intercepted.

Three tailbacks scored West Virginia's other touchdowns. Garrett Ford raced 57 yards on West Virginia's first play of the game for a 7-0 lead with 1:37 gone.

Mike Beasley went 1 yard up the middle to give the Mountaineers a 28-17 margin on the final play of the third quarter. Jon Jones, a redshirt freshman, ran 32 yards around right end for a touchdown on his first carry in a college game.

Jones' burst sewed up the game with 6:17 left. Joe Dalpra passed for two touchdowns and ran 3 yards to keep Kent State in contention against the heavily favored Mountaineers.

Dalpra passed 3 yards to James Woody for a touchdown to bring the Golden Flashes within 21-10 with 2:16 remaining in the first half. Dalpra ran 3 yards for a touchdown to pull Kent within 21-17 with 8:15 left in the third period.

Early in the fourth quarter, Dalpra hit Tony Gucciardo on a 4 yard pass in the end zone to put the visitors within 28-24 with 9:57 remaining in the game. Kent State's Marty Rogers kicked a 36-yard field goal for Kent State in the first quarter.

Dalpra completed 15 of 32 passes for 171 yards and did not have an interception until a theft by Sam Wilson with 1:08 left in the game.

Ford finished with 94 yards on 14 carries to lead the Mountaineer rushing game, and three other tailbacks — Beasley, Jon Jones and Adrian Murrell — combined for 108 yards on 14 carries.

Nehlen said if the Mountaineers play like this again, "The honeymoon's over." WVU plays at home again next Saturday against Maryland, a 20-13 victor over Virginia Tech in its opener.

"I hope we can take this game and improve on it," Neh-

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len said. The coach said he thinks Greg Jones played "pretty solid" in his first start.

"The score doesn't bother me that much; I'm disappointed we didn't play with much enthusiasm," Nehlen said.

Kent State coach Dick Crum said his young team played well. The Golden Flashes have 28 freshmen on the squad, trying to bounce back from a winless season last year.

"It's not a moral victory," Crum said.

Nebraska 13, Baylor 0

8 At Lincoln, Neb., Gregg Barrios kicked two field goals and Scott Baldwin ran for a late touchdown Saturday night, leading No. 8 Nebraska to a 13-0 victory over Baylor in the season opener for both teams.

Barrios kicked field goals of 37 and 20 yards in the second quarter. Baldwin, a reserve I-back, capped the scoring with a 2-yard run with 22 seconds left. Baldwin finished with 92 yards on 14 carries.

Tennessee 55, Pacific 7

9 At Knoxville, Tenn., No. 9 Tennessee piled up a school record 31 points in the opening quarter and rolled to a 55-7 victory over Pacific Saturday night, but lost star tailback Chuck Webb with a knee injury.

Texas A & M 28, Hawaii 13

11 At Honolulu, Darren Lewis carried for 117 yards and one touchdown Saturday to lead No. 11 Texas A&M to a 28-13 victory over Hawaii in the season opener for both schools.

The Aggies scored twice in each of the first two quarters and relied on their defense the rest of the way.

BYU 30, UTEP 10

16 At El Paso, Texas, Ty Detmer threw for 387 yards and one touchdown and ran for two more scores Saturday night, leading No. 16 Brigham Young to a 30-10 victory over Texas-El Paso in the season opener for both teams.

Detmer, a leading candidate for the Heisman Trophy, completed 33 of 46 passes on the night with one interception.

Virginia 59, Kansas 10

21 At Lawrence, Kan., Shawn Moore passed for three touchdowns and ran for another Saturday, with two scores coming 18 seconds apart, lifting No. 21 Virginia to a 59-10 romp over Kansas.

The game was played in blistering heat, which measured 116 degrees on Kansas' new artificial turf at the opening kickoff and 129 degrees at halftime.



Sean Gilbert (left) of Pittsburgh and teammate Ricardo McDonald stop stop Anthony Thompson of Ohio University as he attempts to run the ball during the first quarter. The Panthers dumped the Bobcats, 35-3.

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Pitt hands Hackett first regular season victory

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — Most coaches win their first regular-season game before earning their first bowl victory. Pittsburgh Coach Paul Hackett took it in reverse.

Derrick Lewis ran for two touchdowns and Curvin Richards scored another and rushed for 119 yards Saturday, giving Hackett his first regular-season win with a 35-3 victory over Ohio University.

The game was Hackett's first regular-season contest as Panthers coach. He led Pitt to a victory over Texas A&M in the Hancock Bowl last year after taking over for the fired Mike Gottfried.

"It's nice to get a first victory, nice to get started on the right track," Hackett said. "Offensively, I felt we had a nice, crisp beginning."

Hackett said the key for the Panthers was the protection provided by his inexperienced offensive line.

"The mark of this football team is going to be the running game," said Hackett. "When you have a young offensive line, running the ball early like we did can be a big confidence builder. We know we can pass the ball. The thing we have to do is establish that we can run the football."

Lewis gave Pitt a 7-0 lead on a 2-yard run up the middle with 11:49 remaining in the first quarter. Richards, who finished with 15 carries, paced the drive by picking up 46 yards on four carries.

The Panthers scored again with 5:40 left in the first quarter. Alex Van Pelt threw to Olanda Truitt, who weaved his way into the end zone for a 30-yard touchdown and 14-0 lead.

Van Pelt, a sophomore, hit 10 of 13 passes for 151 yards before leaving early in the third quarter.

"It's very enjoyable to hand the ball off, sit back there, and see a huge hole," Van Pelt said. "When dropping back, I think I got hit once, and

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it was a late hit."

Ohio pulled within 14-3 when Jeff Marchant kicked a 24-yard field goal with 9:38 remaining in the second quarter.

Glenn Deveaux broke a couple of tackles to score on a 25-yard run with 6:38 left in the second quarter, boosting Pitt's lead to 21-3.

Lewis, who finished the game with 49 yards on nine carries, scored his second touchdown on a 1-yard run with 11 seconds remaining in the second quarter to give the Panthers a 28-3 lead at halftime.

Richards picked up 110 yards on 14 carries in the first half, including 99 yards on 11 rushes in the first quarter.

"The offensive line did a great job," said Richards. "That was from all the work we did in camp."

Richards scored on a 9-yard run 18 seconds into the third quarter after Pitt defensive tackle Sean Gilbert recovered a fumble by Ohio's Ricky Howell on the first play from scrimmage.

"It wasn't much fun at the end of it," said Ohio Coach Tom Licitenberg, coaching his first game for the Bobcats. "Coming into the game, I knew that they were good and that they had great personnel. At about the end of the third quarter, they took out Van Pelt and Richards, then with eight minutes or so to go they took out all their first-teamers and I said thanks."

Browns

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New York Jets last week. Simms, who completed 12 of 18 for 210 yards and two interceptions, also hit Mark Ingram on a 9-yard touchdown. Giants linebacker Steve DeOssie added a 33-yard interception return of a Pat Ryan pass on the first play of the fourth quarter to make it 21-3.

The Browns, 1-4, scored on rookie Jerry Kauric's 30-yard second-quarter field goal and Mike Pagel's 15-yard pass to Derrick Gainer with 2:11 left.

New York opens the regular season next Sunday night at home against Philadelphia, while the Browns play home against Pittsburgh.

The Giants moved 75 yards on five plays on their second third-quarter possession, ending in Hampton's TD. Simms hit Odessa Turner for 50 yards on a post pattern down the middle to the 26, two plays before the score.

Hampton's rushing TD capped a 90-yard, 10-play drive. He added an 18-yard run in the march.

The Giants took a 7-0 lead when Simms hit Ingram from 9 yards to cap an eight-play, 48-yard drive with 13:52 left in the half. Dave Meggett, who gave the Giants field position with an 18-yard punt return, caught third-down passes of 18 and 21 yards to set up Ingram's TD catch on second-and-seven. Ingram caught Simms' pass on the left sideline at the 2, and stepped into the end zone.

The Browns came back with a 68-yard, 13-play drive ending with Kauric's 30-yard field goal with 6:11 left. Eric Metcalf picked up 27 yards on a cut-back run and caught an 11-yard Kosar pass on the drive. Kosar also hit fullback Kevin Mack for 16 yards to the 6, but Nu Faaola and Metcalf were thrown for losses on sweeps and Cleveland settled for the field goal and a 7-3 halftime deficit.

Kauric finished the preseason 8 for 9 in field goal tries. He was 8 for 8 before bouncing a 42-yard third-quarter try off the right upright. Kauric, a rookie free agent, is battling veteran Matt Bahr for the Browns kicking job. Bahr did not kick Saturday night.

The crowd of 33,148 gave Giants tight end Mark Bavaro a huge ovation after he caught a 20-yard Simms pass on New York's last first-half possession.

Allen

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came in here with a lot of enthusiasm, and I didn't think they let down at any time, and I don't think they quit."

Allen, the second-oldest coach ever in th NCAA, had a record of 116-47-2 as coach of the Washington Redskins and the Los Angeles Rams. He never had a losing season, but Clemson proved too much for a 49er team in which only 21 of 58 players had ever been in a college football game.

SMCC

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yards away was off the mark with 6:24 left in the third quarter.

Three plays later, it was senior Jay Overmyer intercepting Lamb and the Streaks were in business again at the SMCC 35.

This time, they were not to be denied.

After senior Tim Dondero rambled for eight yards, Szakovits hooked up with Overmyer for a 25-yard gain to the SMCC two-yard line.

Still, it took the Streaks three plays to reach paydirt with Sza-

kovits hitting senior Hans Hetrick on a five-yard toss for what proved to be the winning score with 2:42 showing on the clock. Drabik added the point after and St. Joe led, 10-3.

And, there were no further serious scoring threats from that point on as the defensive units excelled.

"At halftime, we really felt one more score would win the game. Whoever got field position would probably win," noted Narducci.

"I thought P.J. did a great job running the offense. He got the hot hand with the shorter routes. But, it was frustrating to get down there so close and not be able to punch it in because we could've broken the

game open. Defense set the tempo in this one," added Narducci.

Szakovits was on target much of the night, completing 20 of 29 passes for 176 yards. His favorite target was Overmyer with seven receptions for 78 yards while Hetrick caught five for 24 yards and Kevin Furlong grabbed four for 35 yards.

Ed Will was on the receiving end of two Lamb completions for 30 yards and he was the leading ground gainer for the Panthers with 20 yards on nine carries. Dondero paced St. Joe's ground game with 44 yards on 15 carries.

SMCC drew first blood in the contest with a 12-play drive ending with a 33-yard field goal

by junior Gary Schaefer with 1:08 left in the first period.

The Streaks came right back on the ensuing possession with a 14-play drive which was climaxed by a 22-yard field goal by Drabik to knot the score at 3-3.

"Their defensive line was the root of our problems. We tried to spread it out offensively in hopes of confusing them and cutting down some on their aggressiveness," said Hammond.

"We just turned the ball over too much and could get nothing going offensively. We had receivers open at times but the pressure they were giving us didn't allow just time to get the ball to them," added Hammond.

STATISTICS		SMCC	SJOE
First Downs (total)	.....	8	13
by rushing	.....	3	4
by passing	.....	4	9
by penalty	.....	1	0
Rushes (total)	.....	26	35
net yards rushing	.....	10	62
passes attempted	.....	21	29
passes completed	.....	6	20
passes intercepted	.....	3	0
net yards passing	.....	74	176
Total plays	.....	47	64
Total Net Yards Gained	.....	84	238
Fumbles (number)	.....	4	2
ball lost	.....	1	1
Penalties (number)	.....	2	12
yards penalized	.....	10	87

SCORE BY QUARTERS			
St. Mary's	3	0	0
St. Joe	0	3	7

SMCC — Gary Schaefer, 33 field goal
St. Joe — J.J. Drabik, 22 field goal
St. Joe — Hans Hetrick, 5 pass from P.J. Szakovits (Drabik, kick)

Plymouth rallies in FC opener

NORWALK — Plymouth got a pair of touchdowns from both David Sparks and Duke Hall in a 28-7 win over Norwalk St. Paul Saturday night at Whitney Field in the Firelands Conference opener for both teams.

The Big Red, 1-1, were looking at a 7-0 deficit midway through the second period of play. St. Paul, falling to 0-2, scored on a one-yard run by Jim Good and Jim Landoll booted the conversion for a 7-0 lead with 7:08 to go in the first half. Then, Plymouth struck for a

pair of scores within a two-minute span right before intermission.

Sparks hauled in a seven-yard pass from Bryan Combs and Ryan Buurma split the uprights on the conversion as the Big Red pulled even at 7-7 with 2:18 showing on the clock.

With 27 seconds left on the clock, Hall scored the first of his two touchdowns on a one-yard plunge to paydirt and Buurma converted to put Plymouth ahead to stay, 14-7. There was no further scoring

until the final stanza when the Big Red added a pair of insurance touchdowns. Sparks nailed in a 23-yard scoring toss from Combs with 8:39 to go in the game and Hall came right back seven minutes later, scoring on a five-yard sprint to the end zone. Buurma converted after both scores for the final 28-7 count.

Both teams are in action Friday with St. Paul visiting Monroeville in FC play while Plymouth hosts Eaton in non-conference play.