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Western Kentucky Football

1952-1954


Third Row, left to right: Jim Hale, Jim Feix, Bill McKenzie, Don Spurio, Sam Short, Willie Watson, Don Hill, Whitey Sanders, R. H. Simpson, Ronnie Holtknecht, Jack Bingley, Howard Nutter, and Joe Hardy.

Fourth Row, left to right: Coach Jack Clayton, Trainer Buddy Sydnor, Dewey Smith, Gene McFadden, Butch Gilbert, James McCasney, Herb Henry, Henry Hina, Leon Henry, Cecil Schrztzinger, Leo Magers, Manager Lowell Stewart and Assistant Coach Frank Griffin.
Feix of Western Is A Big Grid Fish Causing A Tidal Wave In Little Pond

BY LARRY BOECK
Courier-Journal Staff Writer

Bowling Green, Ky., Oct. 13
-A boy who preferred being a big fish in a little pond has turned out to be a whale of a football player.

Georgia Tech, Kentucky and Louisville were interested in little All-American candidate Jimmy Feix. This passing phenomenon Western Kentucky State surprised, and he says he's never regretted the choice.

Neither have the friendly folks of this hospitable city, which is more widely known for its minor-league basketball than for its minor-league football.

Figures Are Impressive

Feix is one of the leading passers this season among the nation's small colleges. He has thrown the football 55 times in three games, and has amassed 1,109 yards and seven touchdowns.

Last season, when he ranked eighth nationally in small-college passing, the ace from Barret High of Henderson completed 86 of 181 aerials for 1,189 yards and eight touchdowns.

Why, we've been wondering-as, no doubt, many fans have-didn't they have him backfield with one of the nation's gridiron powerhouses?

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"Shucks, I never have known what it is."

He thinks, however, he has benefited tremendously from the sport as it is played here.

"People have here to offer," he said. "But if you lose, there isn't any great pressure exerted on the player or the coach."

"I've gotten a lot of fun out of playing the game. Maybe I would have, too, at a bigger school, but I think it would have been more taxing."

"People . . . Awfully Nice"

"Another virtue of the small school is that you get to know almost everybody. People here have been awfully nice, and that means a lot too, you know."

Feix said he didn't want to leave the impression that he's against big-time football, because "I'm not-at a matter of fact, Georgia Tech had the transcript of my high-school grades. It's just that in my case I think I'm better off at a small school."

"Some fellows are better off at a bigger school. I'm happy, and what's that, anyway? I don't think I've missed a thing football has to offer."

Feix, who made the Little All-America second team last season, has been traveling at a brisk pace this season. If Western played 10 or 11 games instead of nine, he'd be a cinch to break some small-college records. (Western still has six games to play.) Still, he's threatening some records.

Record Set In 1949

Ford of Hardin-Simmons set the record for touchdown passes in 1949 with 56. . . . McGowan of New Mexico State set the record for most yards gained by passing that year with 1,712. . . . The record for percentage of completions is 64.8, set by Peterson of Hanover. . . . MacDonald of Central Michigan owns the mark for most completions, 114 in 1951.

Whether or not he sets any national records, Feix already has proved that he's the little fish who outgrew his pond.
HILLTOPPER CO-CAPTAINS Willard Price, left, of Louisville, and Willie Watson of Princeton will be playing their last game in the Western Stadium this afternoon when Western meets Southeast Missouri. It will be the final home game of the season for the Hilltoppers.
HILLTOPPER PUNCH—Four former all-state prep backs will supply the scoring punch for Western Kentucky's Hilltoppers this season. From left, they are Bobby Bilyeu, junior halfback from Bowling Green; Jimmy Feix, senior quarterback from Henderson; Gene McFadden, junior fullback from Owensboro, and John Sowders, senior halfback from Middlesboro.

1951 (4-5-0) / OVC: 6th (2-4-0)
Coach: Jack Clayton
Captain: Lawrence "Butch" Gilbert

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CANDIDATES for homecoming queen and co-captains of the Western team discuss the game with Eastern’s Maroons Saturday. They are left to right: Co-captain Willard Price, Louisville; Co-captain Willie Watson, Princeton; Mary Dean Pedigo, Bowling Green; Tyler Diemer, Jeffersontown, and Pat Horn, Princeton.

Western Host To Eastern In Homecoming

Bowling Green, Ky. Western’s Hilltoppers collide with their oldest gridiron rival, the Eastern Maroons, Saturday afternoon in the annual homecoming game here.

Western and Eastern began one of the Commonwealth’s oldest rivalries back in 1914. Since then the elevens have met 24 times. Western has won 18 times and Eastern six.

The Hilltoppers first post-war win over the Maroons came in 1948 when Western stopped Eastern 14-13, after leading 14-0 at halftime. Eastern came back with a deadly passing attack which almost paid off. Jim Pickens, Hilltopper quarterback, saved the day with four timely interceptions to turn back the desperate Maroons.

Feix Pass Clicked

In 1950, Eastern came back to Bowling Green for Western’s homecoming game. The Maroons were in front 13-7 with 10 seconds to go. The Stadium was empty as it appeared the Hilltoppers were headed for certain defeat. Jimmy Feix, the Hilltoppers’ brilliant little quarterback cut loose with a 40-yard pass to halfback Max Stevens which went for a touchdown to tie the score. Butch Gilbert kicked the extra point to put the Hilltoppers on top, 14-13.

The Hilltoppers have won five games and lost one. To stay in the running for a tie with Tennessee Tech for the Ohio Valley Championship, the Hilltoppers must beat the Maroons. Eastern has won three, lost two and tied one this season but is out of the race for the championship with two losses in the O.V.C.

Western has rolled up 2,603 yards. In passing, the Hilltoppers have gained 1,301 yards. Of this total, Feix has accounted for 1,080 yards on 74 completions of 111 attempts. He has thrown for 11 touchdowns.

The homecoming festivities will get under way Friday afternoon. A parade through Bowling Green is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. ending at the baseball field where a bonfire and pep rally will be held.

The annual homecoming dance will be held in the Western gym at 9 p.m. Numerous breakfasts are scheduled for Saturday morning with the homecoming chapel to be held in Van Meter Auditorium at 10 a.m. A highlight of the chapel program will be the selection by popular vote of the homecoming queen. The candidates are Tyler Diemer, Jeffersontown; Pat Horn, Princeton, and Mary Dean Pedigo, Bowling Green. The queen will be crowned during the half-time ceremonies.
SIX MEMBERS of the Western Kentucky football squad played their high school football in Louisville. Shown kneeling above are, from left, tackle Willard Price, Male; guard Marvin Satterly, Manual; guard Warren Mahan, Manual. Standing, guard George Sauer, Male; tackle Jerry Passafiume, St. X., and quarterback Ronnie Holzknecht, Flaget.
Ruby's Report
Bryant's Bid For Kentucky Boys Sends State Colleges Beating Bordering Bushes

By EARL RUBY, Courier-Journal Sports Editor

Bowling Green, Ky., Sept. 5—Football coaches at Kentucky's state colleges will testify that Paul Bryant's round-up of graduating high school football stars in the state has been highly successful.

"Paul said he would take only five out-of-state boys," said Jack Clayton, Western's head coach. "He could have added that he would take all but five of the in-state boys. He got all of the good prospects with only five exceptions. Those five are distributed pretty thinly around the small colleges.

"If you know what that did to us—it caused us to take second looks at kids in the bushes of bordering states."

Jack and the other state college mentors may get a second chance at some corralled by Paul... "It's a long chance," said Jack, "but a few may drop out of U.K. at mid-term."

Even this year, Western's season will depend, not on freshman reinforcements as in the past, but on transfers who arrived at mid-term.

(Prevails of other Kentucky college football squads will appear in early issues of The Courier-Journal. Harry Bolser will tell you about Murray. Joe Reister is looking toward Eastern and Morehead. Other correspondents are visiting Georgetown, Centre and others. Tommy Fitzgerald will make an Indiana campus tour shortly... I'll give you the lowdown on S.E.C. teams starting tomorrow with Vandy.)

Got One From U. of L.

Could Be Better—if the transfer students come through, Clayton will have a better ball club than last year, when he lost 5, won 4, and had the third highest-scoring team in the school's history... Arnie Oaken, who came over from the University of Chattanooga at mid-term, will be a starting center on offense. Ed Worley, from the same place, is a regular defensive guard, and Tom Patterson, a mid-termer from Vanderbilt, is a sure starter at defensive fullback... Other promising transfers are Jim Phifer, a tackle from Chattanooga, Jim Gunnell from Oregon, and Jerry Nassano from U. of L.

Feix Is The Boy—The talk of the campus is Jimmy Feix, senior quarterback from Henderson... Jimmy spent the summer at R.O.T.C. camp and returned in top physical condition and faster than ever. He carried a hod last summer and it slowed him up a bit... Jimmy ranked seventh in the country among small college passers last year and helped Western achieve a ranking of 17th in total offense... You can look for this fellow to set a new mark this season.

George Satterly

Improved—Gene McFadden, junior fullback from Owensboro, leading ground-gainer last year, is 10 pounds heavier and looking great.

He worked outdoors all summer and packed his 263 pounds pretty solid... (Most of the boys had summer jobs, but none to compare with one held by Lowell Stewart, team manager. Lowell worked at a hydrogen bomb plant, installing insulation. He made $300 in one week)... Marvin Satterly, senior guard from Louisville, looks unusually good and should rate some national honors... Overall, the team lacks experience, however, and only time will tell how it will fare.

Four Doubles—Four of the squad will have to play both offense and defense because of a shortage of reserves... They are Satterly, R. E. Simpson, a wingman from Sturgis; Bob Bilyeu, halfback from Bowling Green, and John Sowders, halfback from Bell County... The starting backs on offense will be Feix, McFadden, Sowders and Bilyeu... The line: Joe Goodman of Portsmouth and Simpson, ends; Warren Mahan of Louisville and Gordon Ware of Owensboro, tackles; Satterly and George Saur, Louisville, guards, and Oaken, center... On defense, it will be Bilyeu, Sowders, Max Stevens of Sturgis and Patterson in the secondary, and this line: Simpson and Bill Ploumis (not here yet), on the ends; Jerry Passafiume of Louisville and Willard Price, a really brilliant tackle from Louisville; Satterly and Worley at the guards, and Walter Apperson, sophomore from Mayfield, at center.

Tells Kiwanis—Clayton had to cut his morning work short to attend Kiwanis and tell about his athletes... "We can never have the same ratio of top material in football that we have in basketball," he told the club members, "but we meet the best in our class and win more than our share."... This year he has on his schedule five state colleges from five different states.

The Western roster:

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-Marvin Satterly

Jack Clayton
Hilltoppers Hold Final Heavy Drills Before Opener

Special to the Courier-Journal
Bowling Green, Ky., Sept. 18.
—Western's football-squad held its final heavy offensive contact session Tuesday afternoon prior to the Hilltoppers' opening game of the season Saturday night in the Western Stadium against the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders.

Gains Consistently
Coach Jack Clayton said the rest of the week would be spent working on pass defense and intensive dummy scrimmages to polish up the Western line play. At the close of Tuesday's long session the Hilltopper coach was pleased with the showing of his probable backfield starters but was somewhat pessimistic about the line play.

Gene McFadden, the 190-pound junior fullback from Owensboro, was a consistent ground gainer on power smashes into the line. Jim Sanford, a 205-pound freshman halfback who starred in high school at Russellville two years ago, continued to show his ability to break into the open and shake off tacklers for long gains. In addition, Max Stevens, Bobby Bilyeu, R. H. Simpson, John Sowers and Jimmy Hale indicated they were ready for Middle Tennessee by flashing consistent gains.

Coach Clayton will have a 45-man squad to call on Saturday night for Western's opening game of a nine-game schedule. It will consist of five Ohio Valley Conference tilts the Hilltoppers will play this season. It will also mark Middle Tennessee's initial appearance as an O.V.C. member. The Raiders joined the league last spring.

Names Probable Starters
This year's Hilltopper squad will consist of 17 returning varsity lettermen, 10 sophomores who lettered as freshmen last season, six outstanding transfer prospects and 12 freshmen who have looked exceptionally good in practice.

Coach Clayton indicated that he would probably start Bill Ploumis and R. H. Simpson at the ends, Jerry Passafiume and co-captain Willard Price at the tackles, Marvin Satterly, All-O.V.C. in 1951, and Warren Mahan at guards and transfer Arnie Oaken at center. This line will average 193 pounds.

In the backfield Jimmy Feix, All-O.V.C. last season, will be in at quarterback, Max Stevens at right half, John Sowers at left half and Gene McFadden at fullback. The backfield will average 170 pounds.

The defensive unit will probably consist of Simpson and Bill Tate at the ends, transfers Ed Worley and Jim Phifer at tackles, Price and Satterly at guards and transfer Red Patterson at center. In the backfield will be Bobby Bilyeu, Sanford and Walter Apperson.
FOUR DUE FOR DOUBLE DUTY—Scheduled to operate on both platoons in Western's opener here Saturday night are holdover linemen Price, Satterly, Simpson and Pioumls. Mahan will be an offensive starter at guard. Tate was a starting defensive end last year and will divide time with Pioumls.

Hilltoppers Go For 11 TD In Offensive Drill

Western uncorked 11 all-the-way touchdown plays in a 90-minute offensive scrimmage yesterday to lift somewhat Coach Jack Clayton's hopes for a winning opener here Saturday.

Seven of the touchdowns were on the ground. Quarterbacks Jimmy Felix and Jerry Nassano unlimitered for two scoring passes apiece. Clayton would not permit his first-string combination to go for scores piecemeal. He started every play from about midfield or the touchdown production would have been far higher.

“Our timing was poor,” said Clay­ton. “But our blocking became less uncertain as we worked. We're about as far along as we could expect to be.”

With a couple of mainstays—End Bill Pioumls and Tackle Willard Price—missing because of ROTC exams at Smyrna Air Base, a sophomore tackle stole the headlines. He's Jerry Passafiume, 300-pounder from Louisville, whose name keeps cropping up in Clay­ton's 1952 book.

Expected to operate as a front-line reserve on both platoons a week ago, Passafiume has all but earned himself a starting post now. His blocking crew repeated praise from Clayton, who also singled him out as one of the best performers in last week's intra-squad game.

Passafiume made his big splash last year as a defender.

End Rubber Simpson and Center Arnie Oaken turned in what Clay­ton called "their usually fine per­formances." . . .

Veteran Halfback John Sowdes got rhythm into his sit-down gait yesterday and outran everybody to rack-up four touchdowns.

Simpson and Halfback Jim Sanford scored twice apiece and Gene McFadden, Bobby Blyeu and MX Stevens counted once each.

Sanford continues to impress ob­servers as a serious fellow about this college football. He possesses the best combination of size, speed and agility of any of the backs.

A pass defense drill which pre­ceded the scrimmage left Clayton with a sour taste in his mouth and the head man scheduled more of the same for the rest of the week.

Meanwhile word came from Mur­freesboro today that Middle Tennes­see Fullback Bobby Young may miss Saturday's game with the Hilltop­pers. The high-scoring soph, who counted 78 points last year, suffered a head injury in last week's 19-7 decision over Carson-Newman. Carson-Newman has been a door mat for years—and the Raiders' two-touchdown win seemingly would have indicated something amiss.

But Middle Tennessee Captain Jim Lofoten told reporters yesterday that C-N had as good a line as the Raiders faced all last year. He evidently was including Vander­bilt's. The Commodores tumbled MT only 22-7 last year.
Toppers Underdogs In Opener Here Tomorrow Night

Raiders Have 30 Squadmen Back From '51

Western and Middle Tennessee, a pair of covered half clubs, roll for 7 to here tomorrow night in a game that will produce an early-season favorite for the OVC championship.

The Hilltoppers have on hand seven of the offensive starters who made major contributions to 1951's total offensive of 3,185 yards. Nice defensive regulars are back.

Middle Tennessee, making its debut in OVC play in tomorrow's 7:20 p.m. duel, has 59 squad members returning from the combination which lost only to Vanderbilt (22-7) and Murray (12-7) in 11 games a year ago.

The Raiders have been established as a one-touchdown favorite of their record last year and one victory already slowed away this season.

The Hilltoppers will die hard, though. They saw dreams of an all-winning league season after a 42-7 humiliation of Evansville last Sep-

Smith, Middle Tennessee State's split-T quarterback, who runs passes and kicks.

Raiders Have

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difference between last year's 4-5 record and a near-the-top finish in '52.

The Raiders look superior on the ground with Smith guiding a split-T that features 180-pound Bruce Adams and spreaders George Lunn and Don Stotser.

Up front, Western can pair newcomer Center Arnie Oaken and rookie Tackle Ed Worley with veterans in Ends Bill Flimonts and Hubber Simpson, Tackle Willard Pirtle, Guards Marvin Batterly and Warren Mahan. Worley may give way to Sophomore Jerry Peatilume. MTS has already exhibited a fair defense against a ground game.

With veterans at most of the stations Western should be better than the team which yielded 2, 158 yards in the air and on the ground in 1951. It still looks vulnerable outside but packs solidity elsewhere.

The probable starting lineup:

Western

Pos Middle Tenn.

Flimonts (175) L.R. (170) Patton

Worley (210) L.T. (210) Lincoln

Mahan (195) L.O. (190) West

Oaken (210) C. (210) Hayes

Battery (185) RG (185) Lutton

Price (185) RT (220) Aime

Flimonts (230) RB (230) R. Smith

Peatilume (155) QB (155) J. Smith

Sowers (170) L.H. (150) Stotser

Stevens (195) RE (170) Lunn

McFadden (190) FB (130) Adams

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Western Cracks M.T.S.C.;
Eastern Nips Toledo 7-6

Kentuckians' Speed Provides Edge;
Both Scores Occur In 2d Period

Special to The Courier-Journal

Toledo, Ohio, Sept. 20.—Eastern Kentucky State College gridders possessed too much speed for the University of Toledo here tonight and won their opening game of the season 7-6.

All scoring took place in the second quarter. Toledo tallied first on a five-yard pass from David Andrzelewski to Jim Haggerty after a 53-yard drive. A pass from center on the placement attempt was wide and Toledo was unable to try a kick.

Eastern Recovers Fumble

A few minutes later, Eastern recovered a Toledo fumble on the latter's 22 and five plays later Don Daly plunged three yards to score. Bill Bradford booted the extra point.

Eastern dominated play for the remainder of the game and threatened to score several times but never quite made it.

The game was marked by penalties, mostly the five-yard variety. Toledo drew nine for a total of 65 yards in the first quarter, the only period the Ohioans showed superiority. In all, Toledo lost 120 yards on 14 penalty calls.

Eastern was penalized eight times for a total of 80 yards.

Scores by periods:

Eastern............. Toledo.............

Morehead Loses

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 21 (AP)—Morehead plastered Marshall 48-14 tonight, the largest Marshall margin of victory in the 44-year history of football between the two schools.

It almost, but not quite, avenged the 51-6 shellacking "Chuckin' Charley" Porter and his mates hung on the Big Green two years ago. Porter, back again, passed all over the lot, but contributed to only one of the visitor's two touchdowns.

He passed to Bill Goble, who lateraled to Frank Bloss for a first down on the Marshall one in the third period.

Scores on Interception

The other Eagle score came minutes later when Jim Hoffman intercepted Ogden Thomas' pass and ran 61 yards to score.

But the damage had already been done to the Kentuckians' cause. Marshall, with Thomas doing the hurling and helped by the running of big Len Heilper, Carl York and Phil York, had piled up a 28-0 advantage.

Scores by periods:

Morehead.......... Marshall.............

Rhode Island Rolls 32-0

Kingston, R. I., Sept. 20 (UP)—The University of Rhode Island started off the football season by tying over heavily-favored Northeastern 32-0 today before some 4,000 fans at Mack Field.

The "Rams" celebrated the return of head coach Harold Koop from military service by running roughshod over Northeastern which was undefeated and tied only once last year.

Sophomore halfback Pat Abrucel led the Rhode Island scoring parade with running touchdowns in the first and third periods.

Scoring by quarters:

Western.......... Middle Tennessee .......

Hilltoppers Trail at Half

Special to The Courier-Journal

Bowling Green, Ky., Sept. 20.—The Western Hilltoppers rolled in the second half to overcome Middle Tennessee State College 23-19 in an Ohio Valley Conference opener here tonight.

It was Middle Tennessee’s debut in the O.V.C. and a renewal of a rivalry with Western which was abandoned in 1914.

Middle Tennessee led 12-6 at the first quarter and 19-13 at the half but the Hilltoppers turned on in the final two periods with passer Jim Feix doing most of the damage.

The losers scored on the second play of the game when a pass, John Smith to Don Sotzer, covered 46 yards. Western came right back to tie the score as John Sowders climaxcd a long drive by going over from the one. Sotzer again scored for Middle Tennessee, also bucking across from the one, before the first quarter ended.

Smith Scores

Sowders tallied Western’s second touchdown on a short burst but the score was nullified by Smith who scored from the seven before the half ended.

Max Stevens gained six points for Western by going over from the three after a long drive at the start of the third quarter. Then Feix passed to Bill Ploumis for 31 yards and the fourth Hilltopper touchdown.

R. H. Simpson ended the night’s scoring by rushing 34 yards on an end-around in the final quarter.

Feix completed 12 of 18 attempted passes for 170 yards and one touchdown and was the main difference between the two teams.

Scoring by quarters:

Western.......... Middle Tennessee .......

Western Kentucky Batters MTSC 33-19

Bowling Green, Ky. — Western Kentucky's spirited Hilltoppers in their opening game of the season cleanly mauled Middle Tennessee State, 33-19, here Saturday night.

The Hilltoppers, playing without their star fullback in the line-up, came out on top against the visiting Blue Raiders. The Hilltoppers scored all their points in the first three quarters, but Middle Tennessee State scored the last 19 points of the game.

During the game, the Hilltoppers outgained the Blue Raiders in total offense, 335 to 194. The Hilltoppers' ground game produced 212 yards, while their aerial attack accounted for 123 yards. Middle Tennessee State's offense managed 108 yards on the ground and 86 through the air.

The Hilltoppers' defense was dominant, allowing the Blue Raiders to gain only 13 first downs in the game. The Blue Raiders' offense was limited to 151 passing yards and 43 rushing yards.

The Hilltoppers' offense was led by quarterback Jimmy Feix, who completed 12 of 18 passes for 170 yards and one touchdown. Feix's play was a key factor in the Hilltoppers' victory.

The Hilltoppers' defense was also strong, holding the Blue Raiders to 160 yards of total offense. The Hilltoppers' defensive line, led by tackle Willard Price and end Bill Pinkston, were instrumental in limiting the Blue Raiders' offense.

In the opening game of the season against Middle Tennessee State, the Hilltoppers were victorious, showing their resilience and skill on both offense and defense.

Feix Threatening Own Pass Record

Special to The Courier-Journal

Bowling Green, Oct. 6—Jimmy Feix, Western Kentucky's brilliant little quarterback who ranked seventh in the nation last year among the small-college passers, has started out this season to better his 1951 mark.

Last year after two games, Feix had attempted 29 passes and completed 14 for 262 yards. He had thrown three touchdown passes, one pass that was intercepted. During the season, Feix attempted 101 passes, completing 60 for 1,289 yards. He threw eight touchdown passes.

This season with two games played, the little Hilltopper quarterback general has thrown 32 passes, completing 21 for 330 yards. Four of his passes have gone for touchdowns. One pass has been intercepted.

Starred at Henderson

Feix, who is a senior this year, was an all-state quarterback at Henderson High School in Henderson. He stepped in as the first-string Hilltopper quarterback during the third game of the season in 1949 when he was a freshman. He has directed the Western Kentucky attack in every game since.

Feix has shown steady improvement in each game and Coach Jack Clayton believes he is as good, if not better, than any T-formation quarterback in the nation.

The 5-foot, 6-inch, 160-pounder is much cooler under pressure than he was last year. In the two victories registered so far by the Hilltoppers, he showed great imagination and versatility in directing the Western Kentucky attack.

In the opening game of the season against Middle Tennessee
Western Rocks
Morehead 39-7

Morehead, Ky., Oct. 11 (AP)—Quarterback Jimmy Feix, Western Kentucky’s ace passer, led the Hilltoppers to their third straight football victory today over outclassed Morehead, 39-7.

Morehead’s fine passer, Charley Porter, took over the aerial department for the Eagles, but many of his attempts fell incomplete.

The home team could connect on only 18 out of 42, and six of the failures ended up in the arms of alert Western defenders.

Completed 19 Passes

Feix hurled most of the ‘Toppers’ 32 attempts, out of which they were 19 completions.

Gene McFaddin, Max Stevens and Jim Sanford supplemented the Western attack on the ground; consistently breaking away for long runs that helped turn the game into a rout.

The score might have been larger, except for Porter’s punting. He kicked five times for an average of 42 yards.

Western Kentucky 8 20 42
Morehead 0 7 0 0--7

Scoring: Western—Touchdown—Steven’s, Patouts, Watson, Sanford, Simpson, Brickley. Conversions—Nutter 3.
Morehead—Touchdown—Off man.

The sensational centerfielder is Max Stevens who is making like Mickey Mantle.

This slender Sturgis operative grabbed two enemy passes Saturday to run his total for the past 12 games to an incredible 14. He owns five in this season’s three games.

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Top Passing
Game Brings New Record

Besides pointing to a record-smashing passing attack today, Western could boast of the best centerfielder in small-college football.

While records are not complete, the Hilltoppers’ 360 yards in the air against Morehead Saturday rates as a new standard for the college until somebody disputes it.

Coach Jack Clayton could recall no equal total in his five years here. Other close followers of the team could not remember when Western ever gained even 300 yards in the air.

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Toppers Go After Fourth Win Here

Northeast Louisiana To Be Foe

Western sends its football fast-break against Northeast Louisiana State at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the Illini's first home showing in a month.

Off to as fine a start as any team in the college's history, Western will show the home folks one of the four most volatile attacking forces among the nation's small colleges.

Owner of 111 points in three victories, the Hilltoppers have thrust for a tremendous average of 465 yards a game and have captured the imagination of Southern Kentuckians like no Hilltoppe since more than a decade.

Quarterback Jimmy Felx, the nation's second most accurate passer, and Erne Bill Ploumie and Ruben Simpson provide major production to a passing attack which has produced 10 touchdowns and 191 yards.

Such runners as Gene McPadden, Max Stevens and Freshman Jim Sanford foreman the ground operations which have produced 200 yards a game.

Coach Jack Clayton has welded a sound defense corps also, one which has reaped a spectacular 13 pass interception—already this year and has been impressive on the ground since the opening game.

And the brightest angle in this success to Clayton, has been that he will have 13 of his 28 two-platoon starters back again next year.

Northeastern comes in almost an unknown. The Indians have won only one of four games. But in a 41-20 loss to Stetson, Northeastern showed a 38-9 edge in first downs and that is enough to cause respect. Stetson is ranked equal to such outfits as Kansas State and Harvard.

The Indians, according to Clayton's scouting reports, have lacked only a scoring punch so far. They have reaped enough first downs and yards to have won three of the four.

In addition to the loss to Stetson, Northeastern bowed to Southeast Louisiana 32-20 and to McNeese Stetson 41-7. The Indians whipped Livingstone 21-20 and to McNeese 25-9.

But weather, a high-scoring ball game looks like a certain.

TOP FOOTBALL BATTERY—Western's Jimmy Felx (left), the nation's No. 3 small-college passer in completion percentage, has a well-equipped target in End Bill Ploumie, who measures 6-foot-4. Ploumie leads the Hilltoppers in passes caught with nine, two of them good for touchdowns.

Northeast

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Bobby Blythe, still operating on a bum ankle, Western in a solid four-touchdown favorite.

Clayton's big Job all week has been to keep the Toppers from looking ahead to next week's battle with Tennessee Tech. That one can decide the Ohio Valley Conference championship.

Clayton will have only five seniors in his starting offensive team—Felx, Halfback John Bowles, Guard Warren Mahan, Tackle Willard Price and Simpson. Only four seniors will start on defense—Simpson, Guard Guy Newton, Bowles and Halfback Willie Wilson. The fifth one, Price, is expected to be relieved tomorrow by Sophomore Gordon Ware.

Northeastern is due here this afternoon. Coach Jim Malone wired ahead this morning that he will start eight frosh on defense.

Probable starting line-up:

Western

Fos Louisiana

Ploumie (200) LE (185) Queenie

Price (200) LT (185) Corkon

Mahan (190) LG (175) Chambers

Bowles (212) C (185) Goodwin

Price (198) RG (209) Wheeler

Simpson (175) RT (185) Teven

Bowles (180) RE (185) Brown

Felx (155) QB (175) Neustadt

Stevens (180) LH (180) Detore

Bowles (175) RH (180) Ploumie

McPadden (190) FB (180) Kepper
Eagles will have a trio back who haven't been in action lately. James Kidd, end, and half-backs Don Francisco and Paul Satterfield should also be ready to go. Satterfield has been limping this week but Coach Putty Overall figures he'll see limited action anyhow.

The Eagles have been working hard all week on pass defense in an effort to stop Western's Jimmy Feix. He has completed nearly 65 per cent this season and must be stopped if TPI expects to win.

Coach Overall says the big problem for his coaching staff is to try and get the Eagles "up" for the third straight game. They've pulled two upsets now and although this game is rated a toss-up the winner will really have to play alert ball. TPI is expecting a capacity crowd for this game which may easily decide the Ohio Valley conference champion. TPI has a 3-0 record in league competition.

Western has won two without a loss in the conference. Both teams are undefeated for the season. Western's record is 4-0 and TPI 5-0.

Hilltoppers Eager

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.—Western Kentucky, eager for revenge, raced through a brisk practice yesterday afternoon for the big game with Tennessee Tech tomorrow night in Cookeville.

The Hilltoppers were upset 14 to 7 here before a homecoming crowd last season and they haven't forgotten it. It won't be TPI's homecoming but a victory will have the same effect tomorrow for the OVC lead hangs in the balance.

The Hilltoppers have been working all week on a pass defense to stop Jack Van Rooser, TPI's thrower. Tuesday they went through a long scrimmage but took it easy yesterday and planned nothing more than exercises today.

Biggest worry for Coach Jack Clayton is at tackle. Co-Captain Willard Price, 195 pounder, and Jerry Passafiume, 200 pounder, are both on the doubtful list. If they aren't able to go the distance Coach Clayton will probably move in Warren Mahan, 190 pounds, and Gordon Ware, a 220 pounder.

Bob Bilyeu, punt returner deluxe, will be ready though. He has missed the last two games and his return will give the Westerners added strength.

Coach Clayton has the team mentally ready and figures this game can go either way with the breaks possibly deciding it.

The Hilltoppers will leave early in the morning by bus.
Unbeaten OVC
Elevens Clash
At Cookeville

BY BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

Unbeaten since the season's opening game when it came from behind three times to book a 14-point victory, all-winning Western has its murderous offensive to the year's most critical test tomorrow.

In a game which should decide the Ohio Valley Conference championship, the Hilltoppers take on front-running Tennessee Tech at Cookeville. The 9 p.m. battle rates favorable with any small-college game in the nation this week.

Tech, winner five straight, rules the league by half a game with a 3-0 record. Western, owner of four victories, is the conference's only other unbeaten and ranks a 2-0 ledger.

Western rates a one-touchdown favorite and gets the nod from this corner by two touchdowns. Morehead, the only mutual foe, lost to the Hilltoppers by 14-7.

Rivals On Record

WESTERN
13-Middle Tennessee
29-Evansville
33-Morehead
42-North East.
113-113

TENNESSEE TECH
27-Camp Campbell
9-Murray
6-Morehead
119-119

Tech at Cookeville by 24 points and bowed to Western at Morehead by 32.

This could be a super ball game as Western football teams go.

Although extended for three quarters in an opening 13-10 victory over Middle Tennessee, Jack Clayton's offensive were unchallenged masters at the game's end.

Only once since then have the Hilltoppers been pressed. That was last week when Northeast Louisiana battled to a second-quarter 14-all tie and then, ham-ham-ham, fell three touchdowns behind.

This is a club which hasn't peaked yet, but one which still ranks with the nation's top ten in points and yardage.

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Unbeaten OVC

have produced four touchdowns per game.

Defensively, Tech is Little fohnson. Western has yielded an average of 13 points a game and Tech's score is

The Hilltoppers' defensive plate has limited the opposition to an average of 27 yards in 297 plays. Tech's defense has a 2.7-yard average on 291 plays.

With pass expected to figure prominently in the decision, both teams field ball-hawking secondaries. Western's 14 interception is a national's only combo, has a bruised shoulder, but the Topper co-captain is scheduled to start.

Defensively, Western has a bit hole-on paper. The Hilltoppers have averaged 7.2 yards in 268 running and passing plays. The club owns 61,018 yards in the air and 263 overland. It has averaged six touchdowns a game.

Tech has advanced the ball an average of 15 yards on 321 plays. The Eagles own 1,048 yards on the ground and 319 in the air. They have produced four touchdowns per game.
Tech Knocks Western From Unbeaten Ranks By 21-13

Undeated Eagles Move Nearer Crown

By HERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

COOKEVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 29 - Tennessee Tech's brilliant defensive platoon turned two intercepted passes into touchdowns tonight to stop Western 21-13 in a battle of Ohio Valley Conference unbeatens.

Tech almost entirely overland Western punched across touchdown in the third and fourth quarters in a game where backfield and ground and with 15-yard margin in total offense. Total gain Tech 264 yards rushing and passing-315 yards off its season passing—To Tech's 264.

But a second quarter pass steal by Guard Charles Parris and another one in the final period by Halfback Ivy Mitchell wrecked Western's all-winning record and left Tech with the only perfect ledger in the league.


| First Downs | 22 | 16 |
| Yards Rushing | 180 | 195 |
| Yards Passing | 59 | 52 |
| Passes Att. | 18 | 20 |
| Passes Comp. | 9 | 9 |
| Passes Int. By | 3 | 3 |
| Penalties | 4 | 5 |
| Fumbles | 5 | 5 |

Paul Satterfield raced 30 yards around left end to break the scoreless deadlock. Halfback 20 on a 50- or 55-yard thunder thrust him loose on a tight rope run down the sideline.

The very next time Tech got the ball Tech went 80 yards in ten plays. Two penalties totaling 30 yards damaged Western in this drive. But so did a couple of delayed bursts around the right flank.

Halfback Paul Anderson went 14 yards on a reverse and Quarterback Jack Van Hooser fumpled 11 on a boot after faking a thrust at the line and a pitchout to the other side. Anderson, dived over right tackle from the one for the counter. Western's aerial attack, third best in the nation among small colleges, was thwarted throughout these two periods by a stunning 2-1 front line defense which occasionally moved into a 5-2. Tech charged its middle and held its outside defenders.

Score by periods:

| Tech West. | O | 7 | 6 | 8 |
| Western | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |

The half ended 14-0 but it almost was 21-0. Tech's sub quarterback, Jack Matthews, pulled a "rock" when, with the ball on Western's 3 and third down coming up, he hurled one in which Max Stevens intercepted. It might have been 21-0 anyhow by half-time but for great linebacker Tom Patterson, who was the finest defender on the field throughout this bruising game.

Western moved 63 yards on nine plays to take a 7-0 lead when Fullback Fann led a one yard march after right tackle dive.

But the top percentage among the small college passers with an effectiveness mark of 69.

And completed 51 of 75 passes.

Western's passing attack had av- eraged 283 yards a game before tonight, third top mark among the nation's smaller schools. The total yardage per game average of 411 also was good enough for third place in that department.

But tonight was Tech's night. Tech now has won six straight and is 4-0 in the OVC.

Western's overall record is 4-1 to 2-1 in the league. Western's only hope now for a share in the league title rests with Middle Tennessee which meets Tech next month.

Scores by periods:

| Tennessee Tech | 14 | 0 | 7-2 |
| Western | 0 | 0 | 7-5 |

Tech scoring: Touchdowns—Satterfield, Anderson 2. PAT—Hollis 3.

Western scoring: Touchdowns—Satterfield, Anderson 2. PAT—Hollis 3.

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Undeated

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Western Blasts
Delta State 35-13

Bowling Green, Ky., Nov. 1 (AP)—The passing of Jimmy Feix, backed by a hard-charging defensive team, led Western State College to a 35-13 victory over Delta State College today.

Feix, Western’s senior quarterback from Henderson, completed 16 of 20 passes for 220 yards and two touchdowns. Going into today’s game he was classed the nation’s ninth-ranking small college passer. Today’s production gave him a total of 3,123 passing yards for his four years at Western.

Western’s defensive platoon, active throughout, spoiled two Delta State punts—turning one into a Western touchdown, the other into a safety—and intercepted two Delta State passes.

It was Western’s fifth victory against one defeat. The Cleveland, Tenn., team has won three and lost two.

Western 7 9 12 7--35
Delta State 0 6 0 7--13

Western Scoring: Touchdowns—Watson 2, Ratcliff 2; conversion and safety, Ratcliff.

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Cain, Ratcliff scored on a sneaky from the one but missed the extra-point. The half ended 16-6.

Western went 62 yards almost entirely on the ground for its third touchdown. Feix alternated McFadden, Watson and Ray Nutter to the one. McFadden plowed over from there to make it 22-6.

On the very first play after the kickoff, Patterson grabbed a Ratcliff pass on the Delta 36. After Halfback Max Stevens picked up a yard over right tackle, Feix pitched the left flat to Watson for 12 and then hig Ploumis in the end zone from 23 yards out. The big end reached three defenders.

Early in the fourth quarter Western ate up 79 yards in five plays to wrap up its scoring. McFadden plowed for five through the middle. Feix faked the same thrust and then hit Stevens deep for a 44-yard gain.

Again Feix faded as though to pass and gunned McFadden up the middle on the draw play for 20 yards. Then, from the 13, Feix tagged Stevens in the end zone with a perfect down-the-middle shot which the angling Stevens took right out of the Delta safety’s hands. The TD gives Max 54 points for the season.

Delta got its other score in the final 40 seconds against a second-string defense. Ratcliff scored this one, too, on a charge from the three. His kick was good this time.

Feix now owns 74 completions in 111 passes for 1,080 yards and 11 touchdowns. His percentage of completion, 66.7, is the best of any small-college passer in the nation. He is third in both yardage and touchdowns.

McFadden, who operated at right halfback most of the way, led the rushers with 93 yards in 17 carries. Watson picked up 62 in 10 slants. Ploumis’ seven receptions were for 24, 22, 20, 16, 15, 7 and 6 yards. He now has caught 24 for 308 yards this year, figures which put him among the top 15 targets in the country.

Delta’s loss was its second in five games.

Lineups:
Western: End—Simpson, Tate, Ploumis, Goodman, Sparks, Binkley. Tackles—Passafiume, Phifer, Price, Worley, Ware, Thurkau. Guards—Culley, Satterly, Sauer, Wilson, Newcom. Centers—Patterson, Apperson, Oaken.

Score by periods:
Delta 0 6 0 7--13
Western 7 9 12 7--35

Delta scoring: Touchdowns—Ratcliff 2. PAT—Ratcliff. Safety—(Fragile's kick blocked by Phifer).
Western scoring: Touchdowns—Watson, Tate McFadden, Ploumis, Stevens. PAT—Sanders 3.
Toppers Favored in Homecoming

Go Against Eastern

**Capacity Crowd Expected For 2 P.M. Kickoff**

*BY BERT BORBONE*

Daily News Sports Editor

Western's victory offensive football corps is favored by up to two touchdowns to make tomorrow's 33rd Homecoming a bowing success.

Eastern, a 14-13 victim in both the 1948 and 1950 Homecoming battles, challenges Coach Jack Clayton's 34-point a game combine at 2 p.m.

With the weatherman forecasting a crisp, dry afternoon, up to 5,000 customers are expected to watch the once-beaten Hilltoppers try to preserve their chances for a share of the Ohio Valley Conference championship.

Possessor of the third most productive attack in small-college football, one which has averaged 434 yards a game, the Hilltoppers look capable of scoring three or four times against Eastern.

A defense which has stolen the ball from the enemy 28 times on interception, blocked kicks and fumbles figures to make 20 to 35 points enough for a victory.

With five of their regular linemen suspended for violating training rules, the Maroons are expected to take to the air in their bid for victory. Tiny Bobby Landersman and southwest Roy Kidd have combined to pitch Eastern to 256 yards and four touchdowns. Jim Rice, 6-foot-4 end, has caught 28 of the passes for 300 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Western's Jimmy Flez, the nation's small-college leader in percentage of completions, far surpasses those marks with 74 connections good for 1,080 yards and 11 touchdowns.

His top receivers are 5-foot-4 End Bill Fillum, who has grabbed 24 for 268 yards and three scores, and fleet Halfback Max Stevens, who has caught 19 for four touchdowns. Fillum is one of the nation's leaders in number received.

Western's explosive aerial game was blunted by Tennessee Tech's defense, which managed to prevent the long throws and a sloman secondary to handle the short strike.

Eastern's scouts sat up on that one and may try the same deployment tomorrow.

The Maroons' superior speed looks like a match for Western's.

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**Capacity Crowd**

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slower but more powerful ground game, Hill Bradford, a 160-pound fullback, rushed for 172 yards in last week's 35-0 conquest of Evanville and owns 311 yards for the season.

Western's top rushing is Fullback Gene McCadden, a 160-pound fullback, who has scored on 5 of 42 yards. Stevens, ranks next with 327 yards. He's the top scorer with 34 points.

The rivals, who will be meeting for the 28th time, have played three Mutual victories. Western's is four points superior against Evansville, six points superior against Tech and 29 points stronger off the Morehead game.

These margins average out 14 points.

The long series, initiated in 1914 has never produced a tie. Western has won 16 times and Eastern has dropped six victories.

Clayton will have only three Offensive leaders rating double duty tomorrow. End Bobby Simpson, Tackle Jimmy Fellows, and Halfback John Bowden.

The offensive lines are listed below. Defensively, Clayton will employ Simpson and Bill Tate at the ends. Halfbacks and Jim Fifer at tackles, Ed Weller and Mary Shady at guards, Carl Apperson and Tom Patterson at linemen, Bowden and Stevens at the halves and Bobby Byers at safety.

The probable starting offensive

**Toppers**

Eastern

Plume 200 LE 110 Rice
Parks 200 LT 186 Pitts
Olley 165 LG 126 Maumee
Oak 219 G 128 Palahackie
Baker 178 RH 140 Smoak
Price 185 RT 128 Glenn
Simpson 175 RE 126 Hinch
Fitts 155 GB 183 Laddman
Nutter 170 LN 158 Keith
Bowden 175 RH 130 George
McPadden 165 LF 150 Bradford

**Western**

Plume 269 LE 222 Vicks
Parks 190 LT 151 Hall
Olley 165 LG 127 Maumee
Oak 219 G 128 Palahackie
Baker 178 RH 140 Smoak
Price 185 RT 128 Glenn
Simpson 175 RE 126 Hinch
Fitts 155 GB 183 Laddman
Nutter 170 LN 158 Keith
Bowden 175 RH 130 George
McPadden 165 LF 150 Bradford

**Western Total Offense Is Third Among Small Colleges**

Western is the third ranking small-college team in the nation in total offense, according to figures released today by the NCAA's service bureau in New York.

And Quarterback Jimmy Flez is No. 1 in percentage of completions, third in passing yards, tied for fourth in touchdowns passes and seventh in total offense and number of passes completed.

Approximately 200 members of the NCAA are ranked "small colleges." About 123 more are majors. The small and major college rankings are determined by the criteria of opposition played.

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Scoring Record Falls As Western Wins No. 6

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Stevens, who ran his scoring to 85 points with yesterday's two touchdowns, intercepted the other Eastern pass. It was his eighth of the year. And Linebacker Tom Patterson and Tackle Ed Wooley gobbled up the other fumbles.

Pats, who even completed one pass left handed, connected on 14 of 23 in all. He hit End Builder Simpson six times for 58 yards and connected with Stevens Twice for 47. He now owns 13 touchdown passes and 1285 yards in the air.

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Scoring Record

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Nearly all of Eastern's 85 yards came on optional run-pass plays when the runners outdisted Western's defense.

The Maroons, who lost five regular linemen this week because of training rules infractions, battled fiercely all the way. But no club in the OVC could have stood up under Western's remorseless 60-yard pounding.

It was Eastern's third loss against three victories and a tie.

Western
Phase - Simpson, Ploench, Tate, Riddle, Apperson, Patterson.
Quarterbacks - Feix, Sanders, Todd.
Halfbacks - Stevens, Nutter, Wing, Miracle, Bond, Greene, White, Hanlon, North.
Guards - Churley, Bauer, Snyder, Mahan, Newcomb, Fox.
Ends - Ennis, Okame, Apperson, Patterson.
Fullbacks - McFadden, Watson, Binkley.

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Guards - Balsamone, Sammons, Boyer, Crawford.
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By HARRY BOLSER, The Courier-Journal West Kentucky Bureau

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But Felix had to share the glory that is heaped on a gridiron hero with a slender halfback from Sturgis, Ky., Max Stevens.

With only 2 minutes and 22 seconds left in the bruising battle and Murray out in front by 7-0, Felix shot a long pass down the middle from the Western 39. The 150-pound Stevens got out in front of the Murray secondary on the Thoroughbred 30 and snagged the ball as it came over his right shoulder. He was overtaken on the one-yard line by Murray halfback John Bohna, but scored the winning touchdown on the next play.

Apperson Helps

Felix' 60-yard victory shot blasted the game right out of the Thoroughbred's hands, resounded in Crutchin Stadium like a cannon blast and echoed from the hallowed hilltop on which Western State stands so majestically.

Not to be overlooked in recording the heroic deeds of the great Western defenders was end Walter Apperson, the rangy flankman from Mayfield. He broke up Murray's final do-or-die aerial onslaught after Western's second T.D. when he intercepted a Thoroughbred pass on the first play after the kickoff.

Murray played one of its best games of the season and the entire Thoroughbred squad covered itself with glory even in defeat. Fumbles and pass interceptions by the alert Hilltopper defensive team was a big factor in the Murray downfall. The Racers lost the ball six times on fumbles at crucial points and saw six of their 13 passes intercepted by Western.

Fumbles Hurt Breds

Four times in the first half the Thoroughbreds' blew chances to roll, on three fumbles and a pass interception. As a result Murray was able to penetrate Hilltopper territory no deeper than the 48 in the first half. They did receive one tough break early in the second period that might have meant the turning point in the game. A 36-yard run by quarterback Murray Witt on a fake handoff to the Western 10 but was foiled by a 15-yard Murray muffed several punts in the first
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Head Coach: Jack Clayton
Arkansas State Coach Is Impressed By Play Of Hilltopper Defensive Platoon

By BERT BORBONE

"It was a wonderful ball game," the man said as he joined 2,000 others streaming from the stands of the 18th collision between Western and Murray. "But I almost wish I hadn't seen it."

The caller was Forrest (Provy) England, coach of the Arkansas State combine which meets Western in the Refrigerator Bowl game at Knoxville Dec. 1.

"Franklin, I didn't think a team which had scored as many points as Western could field such a tremendous defensive platoon. It's going to be awfully hard for us to get past those two linebackers (Tom Paterson and Walt Apperson), they're about as good as we've seen.

"And this (Jimmy) Feix, that little quarterback. I can't say he is the best passer we've faced. We went up against a pretty fair thrower in Jack Parker of Mississippi State, you know, but Feix is as good as any we've met."

"Why there in those last three minutes when Western fell behind, everybody in the stadium knew Feix had to pass if Western were to win. And with all the pressure in the world on him, he set 'em up with that short pass and then hit on that long one and won the game. And, say, didn't that (Max) Stevens kid made some catch!"

(That touchdown, by the way gives Stevens 72 points for the year tops in the state.)

"Feix is just a good, tough boy. Deploys his backs well, I thought he called a brilliant game."

England asked how many touchdowns Feix had thrown this year. Somebody told him 15. Provy shook his head.

"England also had a good word for Mav Satterly, defensive guard, and Jerry Passalume, defensive tackle. That Satterly looks awful hard to move, Passalume showed me explosive power."

Somebody asked England if, after watching Western, he expected the bowl game to be high-scoring.

"It probably will be for Western. I don't know how well we can move against that defense, though. It's just a lot tougher than I expected."

England disclosed that his star runner, Richie Woll, the nation's top runner with 1,250 yards in 10 games this year, suffered a broken bone in his ankle in the Indians' final game.

"We expect him to play against Western, all right. But he may not be too effective."

England didn't say so, but it was evident from his tone that Western was far less effective on the ground than he had expected. The Hilltoppers gained only 79 yards rushing.

Coach Jack Clayton felt that the team greatly missed injured John Sowers. "John excels at splitting the kind of defense that Murray used," Clayton observed after being mobbed by well-wishers after the game. "I feel certain that we would have been much more effective on the ground with him in there."

Western planned today to query the NCAA to learn if post-season games can be counted in the compilation of national small-college statistics.

The reason is that Feix can crack a national record for passing accuracy if he should have an excellent day against Arkansas. However, he would have to complete something like 80 per cent to turn the 64-4 completion percentage record.

Feix also could crack the old record for number of completions and passing yards. But two other operators this year have already exceeded both of these ground along with them.

The Hilltopper defense has been charged with 18 touchdowns. But only five times has the enemy driven as much as 53 yards, for a score.

Five of the touchdowns came after passes were intercepted in Hilltopper territory. The other two touchdowns came after fumbles were lost near Western's end zone.

What about the attacking status of this defensive platoon? It has scored two touchdowns and a safety outright and has set up 10 more touchdowns.

This outfit hit its peak in the final three games, winning possession of the ball 52 times on pass interceptions and fumble recoveries. The only two touchdowns it yielded in these three games came after the offensive line fumbled on Western's 4 and 8 yard lines.

The usual condition is that everybody on a ball club wants to play offense. You aren't rated first string until you make that offensive platoon.

But the situation is just the reverse on the Hill, where nearly all the members of his record-breaking attacking unit are clamoring for a shot at defensive duty.

And the defensive platoon may need relief Sunday at Bracksville. For it fits into the new college rushing crew, a combination which has averaged 254 yards a game on the ground.

Later in the week we'll take a look at that Arkansas State attack.
Western Wins 34-19 In Refrigerator Bowl
Feix Voted Outstanding Player for Setting Up Five Touchdowns

By HARRY BOLSER
The Courier-Journal Western Kentucky Bureau
Evansville, Ind., Dec. 7—Sharp-shooting Jimmy Feix, Western Kentucky State's phenomenal passer, fired the swashbuckling Hilltoppers to a 34-19 victory over the Arkansas State Indians here this afternoon in the fifth annual Refrigerator Bowl football game.

Feix, a native of Henderson across the Ohio River from Evansville, was voted the outstanding player in the annual grid classic sponsored by the Evansville Junior Chamber of Commerce. The rifle-armed Feix, a 150-pound senior playing his final game for the Hilltoppers, won the William A. Carson outstanding player award on an overwhelming vote of newspaper and radio men who covered the game.

Watson Runs Well
But Feix was the first to declare that the outstanding player trophy should be cut into pieces and distributed among the other Western heroes who made it possible for him to be honored. It was Feix's passes that paved the way for five of the Western touchdowns. But for the sensational snatching of those shots by Joe Goodman, Portsmouth, Ohio; Max Stevens, Sturgis; Bill Flomans, Pittsburgh, Pa., and R. E. Simpson, Sturgis, they might have gone for naught.

On the ground, Willie Watson, co-captain from Princeton, who played one of the best games in his grid career, Stevens, Simpson, Ray Nutter, Jim Sansford and Gene McFadden sparked drives that produced several touchdowns. After Arkansas rolled 62 yards for its first touchdown four minutes and 10 seconds after the game opened, Western's defensive linemen bowed their necks and started playing the vicious brand of ball for which they became famous this season throughout the Ohio Valley Conference.

Woit Doesn't Play
The Indians were forced to go against Western without their great ball carrier, Richie Woit, who led the Tribe to a 46-12 romp over nearby Camp Breckenridge in the 1951 Refrigerator Bowl classic. Woit was on the sidelines with a fractured ankle bone. But it is doubtful that Woit would have given Arkansas enough edge to beat Western today. The Hilltoppers played in midseason form and as though a national championship were at stake.

Feix flipped 25 aerials today and completed 16 for a total of 162 yards. Today's completion gave him a 63.2 completion percentage, but for the nation. In 10 games this season he threw 201 passes and completed 127 for 1,743 yards.

One of the two Arkansas T. D.'s in the fourth period came on a 26-yard run by end John Koldus, after intercepting a Feix pass, one of the few the Henderson great lost during the game. Four Long Drives
The first four Western touchdowns came on drives of 64 and 63 yards and two for 78 yards each. Of the 286 yards tabbed on those touchdowns the Indians' backs were counted on six Feix passes.

The third Western T.D., the one that probably broke the Indians' backs, came early in the third period on a 46-yard run by Stevens. It was the most thrilling payoff dash in the game.

Western also enjoyed a wide margin in ground warfare. The Hilltoppers outgained the Indians 22-14 in first downs. The Indians threw 15 passes and completed five for 77 yards.

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Western Kentucky scoring: Touchdowns—Watson, Sanford, Stevens, Feix. Conversion—Sanford.

Western Kentucky quarterback from Henderson, throws a screen pass to Willie Watson of Princeton in the second quarter of yesterday's Refrigerator Bowl game at Evansville, Ind. Feix completed 16 of 25 passes to lead the Hilltoppers to a 34-19 triumph over Arkansas State. This one lost two yards, though.

OFF FOR 23 YARDS—Jim Sanford, Western Kentucky back, rips off a 23-yard gain in the first quarter against Arkansas State. He evaded John Koldus (68), shown diving for the tackle, but Rudy Wagner (23), caught him from the side after Koldus slowed him up.
Offensive Line, Feix Outstanding in Victory

By BERT SORrone
Daily News-Sports Editor

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 8-With its forgotten corps, Western stormed to a 34-19 Refrigerator Bowl victory over Arkansas State's defending champions yesterday.

Better than 9,000 Reitz Field spectators saw the wonderfully-conditioned Hilltoppers, famed for their deadly passing game and their defense, strike overland for all five touchdowns and turn the game into a 34-0 rout before Coach Jack Clayton filled the bowl with substitutes.

That sledgehammering-up front thrust the ball 72 yards on a 41-yard touchdown gallop, created a tremendous hole up the middle for a 16-yard scoring blast by Willie Wilson and moved State's heavier defense into its own end zone on short touchdown smashers by John Fox, Jim Sanford and Joy Feix.

State had to play without its great runner Richie Wolf who sat on the sidelines in civilian clothes with his broken knee heavily taped. He won the most valuable player award last year.

But even Jonaborn (AR) sportswriters doubted Wolf could have made a winning difference to day. And counting his loss was Western's loss of regular fullback Gene McFadden on a personal foul after he had run 55 yards on his first offensive play.

Those Western forwards cleared the way for a 33-yard rushing total and so well protected Feix that he passed for 170 more. This is a total offense of 464 yards, a Refrigerator Bowl record.

Cuts like Tackle Willard Price, Guard Marvin Saylor and Ends Bill Ploums and Rubber Simpson were effective beyond all expectation.

Arkansas Coach Fredy England summed it up by ter: "Our line handles more this afternoon, got north - not even by Mississippi State. We had to late rally to pull away to a 34-19 victory over England's club in mid-season.

Feix, mapping a magnificent four- yard quarter at Western, won the W. A. Carson most valuable player award after his fantastic play, selection and the 113 yards he accumulated in the air against a State defense which had worked for two weeks to defend him.

Western's two co-captains, Price and Fullback Willie Watson, were little less outstanding than Feix. Price was the take-charge guy up front. Western's two first-half touchdowns, both of them earned, were by Price.

Watson, who has played comparatively little this season and is getting a little old and weighs only 165, has been through the middle from two to three weeks. He has done a tremendous amount of work.

Goldie McFadden (22) Is the offensive tackle guy. He is being used as a receiver for the Toppers came to within an inch of the end zone this game.

The Hilltoppers were stopped on the 14.

...But after Bob Reid launched a tremendous 49-yard kick to Western's 29, the Toppers came back to go ahead for good. A 25-yard pass from Feix to Stevens, on which Ploums again got a definite scattering block, was the big one. And those two-four-down smashers by Watson kept the drive alive.

Reid scored off right tackle from three yards out on the true play of the second quarter for the score and Whitby Sanders converted. Sanders hit on four of his placements, his third one being blocked.

After a couple of punt exchanges Western struck again, moving 80 yards in nine plays this time. Halfback Clinton made two sensational catches in this drive for gains of 11 and 8 yards. The last one carried to the 5-yard line. Sanders bolted his way off the right side for the touchdown. The ball ended 14-7.

State moved with the second-half kickoff from 19 to Western's 9 in only three plays before Nutter made a saving tackle and then fourth down blanked a pass receiver in the end zone.

Western lost over on its 28 yard line and was required only six plays this time to move ahead 1-0. Feix saw Stevens wide open in this series and employed Sanders on deep slants, dropping the middle.

...Then from State's 61 and plunged against the left sideline, he propelled Stevens over left side cleared by Ploums and Corner Wave, on a quick-splitter. Magid did not have a prayer of going all the way. But he gave the secondary a charge-of-pass and was

### Statistics

**Western Ark**

- **First Downs**: 32 vs 15
- **Yards Rushing**: 291 vs 377
- **Yards Passing**: 170 vs 77
- **Total Yards**: 468 vs 454
- **Net Yards**: 9 vs 62
- **Avg. Gain**: 8.3 vs 4.5
- **Passes Att**: 25 vs 12
- **Passes Comp**: 16 vs 8
- **Passes Int**: 9 vs 3
- **Return Int** Pass: 40 vs 26
- **Pen. Yards**: 4 vs 6
- **Punt Avg**: 30.5 vs 27.5
- **Yards Kick Ret.**: 64 vs 81
- **Penalties**: 35 vs 24

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Statistics for the fifteenth annual Refrigerator Bowl game between Western Kentucky and Arkansas State.

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The Toppers came to within an inch of the end zone this game and carried the ball over for another touchdown. They scored with only 2:10 on the clock.

Then with eight minutes gone in the final quarter, this Bilyeu carry carried the ball 19 yards to the Arkansas 21. Feix hit Good man for eight yards. Then Nutter moved the remaining 15 yards for the key three points, slamming into Al Kunz on the three.

Western moved the ball 18 yards to the goal line but on fourth down Bob Reid fumbled. Bob had the ball on the final 10.

Clayton kicked the field goal with reserves then. And State marched 67 yards in three scores, Mannie Vital, State's big ground gainer at 170, scored from the 17.

Then in the last minute Bilyeu rolled out of bounds after a pass that bounced off one Hilltopper's fingers and ricocheted into the hands of State Halfback Jack Hodges on the Western 28. Hodges could have walked into the end zone. That closed out the scoring.

Bilyeu, with his feet still in the air in a post-game speech accepted the winning trophy. "This is the greatest moments in our career."

**LINEUPS:**

**W ESTERN:**

- Quarterbacks: Bilyeu, Ploums, Simpson, Tate, Goodman, Biltney, Sparks.
- Tackles: Price, Ware, Patterson, Felx, Wright, Sanders.
- Guards: Saylor, Mahan, Culley, Dauer, Phifer, Newcomb, Wilson, John Fox.
- Centers: Olksen, Anderson, Paterson.
- End: Bilyeu, Biltney, Haltenholz, Sanders.
- Fullbacks: Nutter, Simpson, Tate, Goodman, Biltney, Patterson.
- Mike: McFadden, Wilson.
- State's backFIELD:

**Arkansas:**

- Quarterbacks: Evansville, Ind., Dec. 8-19 Refrigerator Bowl victory over Arkansas State's defending champions yesterday.

Better than 9,000 Reitz Field spectators saw the wonderfully-conditioned Hilltoppers, famed for their deadly passing game and their defense, strike overland for all five touchdowns and turn the game into a 34-0 rout before Coach Jack Clayton filled the bowl with substitutes.

That sledgehammering-up front thrust the ball 72 yards on a 41-yard touchdown gallop, created a tremendous hole up the middle for a 16-yard scoring blast by Willie Wilson and moved State's heavier defense into its own end zone on short touchdown smashers by John Fox, Jim Sanford and Joy Feix.

State had to play without its great runner Richie Wolf who sat on the sidelines in civilian clothes with his broken knee heavily taped. He won the most valuable player award last year.

But even Jonaborn (AR) sportswriters doubted Wolf could have made a winning difference to day. And counting his loss was Western's loss of regular fullback Gene McFadden on a personal foul after he had run 55 yards on his first offensive play.

Those Western forwards cleared the way for a 33-yard rushing total and so well protected Feix that he passed for 170 more. This is a total offense of 464 yards, a Refrigerator Bowl record.

Cuts like Tackle Willard Price, Guard Marvin Saylor and Ends Bill Ploums and Rubber Simpson were effective beyond all expectation.
Feix' Passing, Woit's Running
To Feature Refrigerator Bowl

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 6 (AP) —
The accurate arm of Jimmy Feix will be matched against the crafty running of Richie Woit here Sunday, when Western Kentucky and Arkansas State clash in the Refrigerator Bowl.

And around these two team standouts are two of the strongest small college defensive and offensive football squads in the country. Holding almost identical season records, they promise to offer one of the hardest fought post-season scraps this year.

During regular season play both teams claimed eight victories, with Western suffering one setback and State two. Western scored 340 points while its opponents were getting 309; and Arkansas State racked up 333 points against 88 for its opposition. State lost to Mississippi State 41-14 and to Tennessee Tech 14-10.

21-13, Western's lone defeat came at the hands of Tennessee Tech by the same score, 21-13.

Arkansas State, which won the Refrigerator Bowl last year, gouged four of its opponents this year, while Western held two of its foes to zero.

Western's offense is built around its brilliant little quarterback, Feix, a Henderson, Ky., senior who led the Hilltoppers to their best grid record since 1928. In fact, its 8-1 season record is the same mark established by the 1928 team.

Feix has completed 111 of 176 pass attempts for a remarkable 63.1 per cent, top mark in the nation. He threatened the all-time record of 64.8 per cent. He has tossed for 1,546 yards and 15 touchdowns. Feix already has been named to the Little All-America second team.

Arkansas State, featuring a ground attack, is sparked by halfback Woit, named the outstanding back in last year's bowl game.

One of the nation's leading rushers in the small college fields, Woit scored 302 points this season, 14 more than all of State's opponents put together.

Other State leaders are Don LaPlante who registered 36; Bill Daniels, 33; and Ralph Habert and Manuel Vidal 30 apiece.

While Feix was responsible for many of Western's scores, he didn't claim scoring honors. These went to halfback Max Stevens of Sturgis, Ky., whose 72 points established a record at Western.

He also was the leading scorer in the Ohio Valley Conference and the State of Kentucky.

Western's leading ground gainer is Gene McFadden, Owensboro, Ky., who smashed the line for 601 yards in 108 carries for an average of 5.6 yards for each try.

The Hilltoppers set an O.V.C. mark for offense with 3,382 yards in nine games for an average of 435.8 yards per game, placing them in the nation's top 10 small colleges.

HILLTOPPER AGAIN—Jim Sanford, 205-pound freshman from Louisville, makes a four-yard gain for Western Kentucky against the crafty running of Arkansas State, which won the Refrigerator Bowl last year, by the same score, 21-13.
GAY'S SAY
By MARVIN N. GAY, JR.

'Feix' Play Heats Up Refrigerator

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 8.—The hidden value of a football player to his team is often a matter of opinion, but the worth of little Jimmy Feix, pass-slinging quarterback, was apparent to every one of those 9,000 viewing yesterday's brilliant 34-19 victory by Western Kentucky in the Refrigerator Bowl here in Evansville.

But great as his passing was—and every last member of the vanquished Arkansas Staters will attest to that—he had an even greater importance to the hot Hilltoppers of Jack Stevens, Jim Sanford, Ray Nutter, R. E. Simpson and Gene McFadden to eat up huge chunks of ground — 320 yards in all.

Burley Barney Wilson, the old William and Mary coach, cautioned, "and don't overlook Feix's Faulkingham job. He did a tremendous job of that." Barney is out of coaching, being in business in Evansville, but seldom misses an athletic contest.

LITTLE FEIX WAS involved in one of those "for the book" plays. He faked to pass, a line- man charged through and blocked the attempted aerial. Feix reached up and grabbed the ball, thus catching his own pass.

'Tip' Has Say

Former Western gridder Andrew Tipton, who played for Swede Anderson in 1935-36-37, had words of praise for "the aggressiveness of the Hilltopper linemen. They were busting through there on defense and taking care of the Arkansas linebackers." Tipton coached several years at Dresden, Tenn., and Eminence, and keeps his hand in the game by officiating for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.

"Please don't overlook the work of such pass receivers as Bill Pleumis, Simpson, Stevens and Joe Goodman," pleaded Elwood Sanders, who played a lot of center for the Toppers, 1938 through 1940. "They helped make Feix look so good."

That they did and the Henderson flash was among the first to recognize it. When he accepted the William A. Carson outstanding player trophy (the voting wasn't close), he asserted, "this really belongs to the team. The other boys made it possible for me to be honored."

OUTSTANDING IN THE line for the victors were Walter Apperson, as sure a tackler as there is, Willard Price and Jerry Passafiume. The last two hail from Louisville, Apperson from Mayfield.

Welcome Back

This was a fine bowl game, conducted, as smooth-as-silk by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Staters opened as if to chase the Toppers right off the wind-swept hilltop. They moved 78 yards the first time they had the ball to vault into a 60 lead.

But that only made the Toppers mad. The defensive boys dug in and forced the Staters to say "Uncle" until the last five minutes. By then the Western lead was up to 34-6 and coach Clayton was giving everyone a chance to say "I played in a bowl game."

The Toppers enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Since considerable of the ripping and slashing was done by those other than seniors, it's just likely they may pay the Refrigerator folk another visit next fall and defend their title. That would be all right, too.

Play Of Feix Praised By Observers

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 8 — "Superb generalship," "dazzling use of the pass" were tags placed yesterday on the play of Western Quarterback Jimmy Feix by some 40 sportswriters and sportscasters who selected him as the Refrigerator Bowl's most valuable player.

Feix received more than five times as many votes as his nearest competitor and got more points than a great many others combined.

The Henderson received the handsomest W. A. Carson award.

In an acceptance speech, Feix said: "I want you to know that this is a team award. Without the spirit this team had we would not have won enough games for any individual to receive an award like this."

"The boys are great," asserted Arkansas State Coach Frosty England following the game. "We worried two weeks to defense against him and he still gained 170 yards on us."

"But I'd like to add this—rarely have I seen such sensational catching as at least four of those Western ends made this afternoon."

Other Western players receiving votes were Pullback Willie Watson, Halfback Max Stevens, Safety Bobby Silvy, Linebacker Walter Apperson, End Bobbi Simpson and Halfback Jim Sanford.

Biloxi, who intercepted two passes and was in on nine tackles, Apperson and defensive Linebacker "never let the balloting for
1952 (9-1-0) / OVC: Co-Champion (4-1-0)
Coach: Jack Clayton
Captains: Will Price, Willie Watson
Refrigerator Bowl Champion

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#Refrigerator Bowl, Evansville, Ind.
Feix Named On AP’s Little All-America Second Team

By HAROLD CLAASSEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (AP) - Jodie Connell, a one-armed guard for the Jacksonville, Ala., Teachers football team has been named to a berth on The Associated Press’ Little All-American team of 1952.

An accident in a swing in which he was 10 years old cost him his left arm before the elbow, but the rugged 6-3 athlete from Cadesden, Ala., is ranked today on a par with the other gridiron greats of 1952.

Connell was the running guard in the Alabama Teachers’ Notre Dame box attack and his agile 180 pounds made him the team’s most effective blocker. In addition, he was used a time or two as a ball carrier in the venerable guards-around-play. Probably the most amazing Connell feat of the year was his one-handed interception of a pass.

Twenty-two colleges and universities are represented on the Little All-America, a team which got its name from the line of the schools involved.

Two athletes are repeaters from the No. 1 team of a year ago — halfback Ralph DiMaggio of Alfred and tackle Chester Lagod of Chattanooga. Both are seniors and Lagod has been drafted by the New York Giants of the National Football League.

With DiMaggio in the offensive backfield is Al Conway of William Jewell, the nation’s greatest punt-maker; Don Gottlob of San Houston State, the country’s leading ground gainer and Steve Trudnak, fullback of the unbeaten Lend-Rhyne team which plays in the Cigar Bowl.

Connell went to the Little Missouri college after leaving the U. S. Military Academy following the crippling scandals of 1951.

The offensive team’s line is made up of Joe Kirkve, Frederick, and Tony Chambers, Massachusetts, at end; Robert to, Peru, Neb., Teachers, and Eugene Finn, Tennessee Tech, at tackle; Pete Swanson, Whitewater, of the Joconnel at guards and Lou Bouchard of Iowa State Teachers at center.

Lagod and his tackle mate, Cal Roberts of Gustavus-Adolphus, are the big wheels in the defensive setup that includes two light, but furious, line-backers. They are Robert Winchard of Kings Point, and Ted Lereveldsen of the Lawrence, Wis., Teachers.

The secondary defense is completed by Ben Billings of Pacific Lutheran, Wally Bullington of Abilene Christian and Neil Garrote of Nevada.

The second team backfield includes Jimmy Feix, the 2-quarterback magician from Western Kentucky. Others on the second team:

Ends — Jim Leid, Bowling Green, Ohio; Jack Abell, Wofford. Tackles — D. L. (Bruno) Ashley, East Texas State; Robert Jennings, South Dakota.

Guards — Ron Hoffman, St. Lawrence; La Vern Robbins, Midwestern, Texas.

Center — Frank Troubetz, Springfield. Hacks — Frank Buckovich, Pacific University; Bruce Blafox, Lawrence; Bucky McIlroy, Mississippi Southern.

Baron To Lend Talents To Intramural Sports At U. K.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 3 (AP) — Idle in collegiate competition at the request of the NCAA, Kentucky basketball forces plan an intra-squad exhibition for Dec. 13 that will be open to the public.

Five or six exhibitions are to be played on an intramural basis. Coach Adolph Rupp said he was inviting high school coaches and teams to watch the Kentucky’s work. He and assistant Harry Landin will answer questions and help high-school players or coaches with their problems.

The coach also will work once each week on a clinical basis with university intramural quintets.
The Lord has told us what is good.

What he requires of us is this:
to do what is just, to show constant love,
and to live in humble fellowship with our God.

Micah 6:8
James (Jimmy) W. Feix

James "Jimmy" W. Feix, 83, of Bowling Green, died Oct. 5, 2014, at Greenview Hospital. The Henderson native was the son of the late James Wyne Feix and Essie McCoy Feix.

Mr. Feix spent 27 years as a member of the coaching staff at Western Kentucky University, the last 16 of those (1968-83) as head football coach. During those years, he amassed 106 wins as coach. Mr. Feix came to the university in 1949 and served the school for many years in many roles, including as an All-American athlete, assistant and head football coach, assistant director and director of alumni affairs and director of athletics. He retired in 1990.

Mr. Feix was a first lieutenant in the Air Force. He was a pilot and also served as the basketball coach for Pope Air Force Base. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Bowling Green, where he served as deacon and was a Sunday school teacher. Mr. Feix was a former Optimist club member, where he served as president and lieutenant governor. He was a board member of Bowling Green Parks and Recreation and volunteered as a Little League coach.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church of Bowling Green. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the church. Johnson-Vaughn-Phelps Funeral Home is directing.

Survivors include his wife, Frankie Biggers Feix; his two sons, Dr. Jimmy B. Feix of Milwaukee, Wis., and Dr. Jeff Feix of Nashville; brother, Albert J. Feix (Betty) of Henderson; two grandchildren, Dr. James Alexander Feix (Allison) of Whitefish Bay, Wis., and Peter Feix of Milwaukee, Wis.; two great-grandchildren, James Nolan Feix and Josephine Mae Feix; and his three caregivers, Candice Holder, Bridgette Cline and Dianne Tabor.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the Jimmy Feix Fund – Fellowship of Christian Athletes in care of College Heights Foundation or to a charity of your choice.

A Celebration of the Life of Coach Jimmy Feix
August 1, 1931 - October 5, 2014
Micah 6:8
He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Ephesians 2:8,9
For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God - not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

2 Timothy 4:6-8
As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.
HILLTOPPER TOPS—Three finalists in Western Kentucky's contest to choose a Homecoming Queen offer a little encouragement to the football co-captains who'll lead the Hilltoppers in Saturday's big homecoming battle with Eastern Kentucky. Both teams are undefeated. The queen will be chosen by ballot at a chapel program. Left to right are Jim Phifer of Chattanooga, Miss Netta Oldham of Owensboro, Miss Shirley Smith of Glasgow, Miss Deborah Walters of Cumberland and Jerry Passafiume of Louisville.

LOUISVILLE and Jefferson County players on the Western football squad include, kneeling, from left, Sonny Berthold, Jerry Passafiume and Leon Dunningan. Standing, Marvin Satterly, Ross Warren, Jack Sizemore, George Sauer and Ronnie Holzknecht.
WESTERN'S SENIORS

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Arnie Oaken—Center
Don Sparks—End

Tom Patterson—Center
Jerry Passafiume—Tackle
Jim Gunnell—Halfback

The Hilltoppers pictured above will take over the job of supplying the leadership next year for the Western football team. They will be seniors with three years of heavy duty behind them as key members of some of Western's most successful teams. All have the ability, experience, and personality to give the 1954 Hilltoppers the type of inspired leadership all football team must have to win tough football games.
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### OFFICIALS:

- **Referee**: Ray Ernst, Cincinnati
- **Umpire**: Webb Porter, Trenton
- **Tenn.**: Head Linesman: Ernie Chattin, Ashland, Ky.
- **Field Judge**: Robert Hudson, Evansville, Ind.

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Today's clash with the Murray Thoroughbreds closes out the 1953 football season for the Hilltoppers. Eleven Western seniors will be playing their last game in the Western Stadium. A twelfth senior will have to watch the game from the sidelines as he is out of action with a bad knee.

The eleven who will see action for the last time in a Hilltopper uniform are Co-captain Marvin Satterly, Bill Ploumis, Gene McFadden, Ed Worley, George Sauer, Bill Tate, Ray Nutter, Joe Goodman, Bobby Bilyeu, Jim Phifer and Ronnie Holzknecht.

Co-captain Max Stevens suffered a badly torn knee in practice two weeks ago and will watch the game. He missed playing in Westerns last three games.

The Hilltoppers go into today's game with a seasons record of five wins and four losses. Murray has won three and lost five. The two teams are tied for fourth place in the Ohio Valley Conference with one victory and three losses against loop foes.

Over the years these two rivals have met nineteen times. Western has won nine of the meetings. Murray has won six and four games have ended in deadlocks.

Last year at Murray the heavily favored Hilltoppers were pushed right down to the final gun by a fired-up band of Thoroughbreds. In the final minutes Murray went into a 7-6 lead and the Western cause appeared doomed. Jimmy Feix, the Hilltoppers' great little quarterback who graduated last June, quickly teamed up with Max Stevens, who will miss today's game, for a 65-yard pass which carried to Murray's two-yard line. On the next play Stevens plunged over to pull out the hair-raising triumph, 12-7.

Last year's thrilling hard-fought battle is typical of what generally happens when the Hilltoppers and the Thoroughbreds tangle. Almost every one of the previous nineteen clashes has been a thriller with the outcome in doubt right down to the final gun.

So today Western and Murray renew their traditional rivalry for the twentieth time.
**CLEAN-UP SPOT**

Casey's chatter still confusing;
Hornung commerce student at N.D.

By FRANK HARTLEY
Louisville Times Staff Writer

Times haven't changed. Some of Casey Stengel's remarks as manager of a second-place American League team don't make any more sense than did some of his remarks as manager of a first-place Yankee club.

A couple of recent statements credited to Stengel make you wonder just how panicked the Yankee people are.

One day not so long ago Stengel was reported to have asserted that his fellows have won five straight championships and there's no reason they won't come through again.

The very next day, Casey was quoted to the effect that he certainly plans to be back as Yankee skipper next season—and that something has to be done. New younger talent is needed, according to Stengel. He left no doubt that too many old hands were causing his headaches.

When you analyze the two thoughts, you can't help but wonder who is kidding whom and just exactly what Stengel means.

If Casey's headaches are so bad—and surely they are—how can he be thinking that the fellows who have clicked five times can do it again?

**FUTURE STAR**—Football writers throughout the Midwest have proclaimed that Louisville's Paul Hornung is a youngster who can miss becoming a great Notre Dame quarterback. His curly-sprung ankle isn't apt to change that thinking, but Irish officials act like they didn't hear the raves in the first place. In typical Notre Dame fashion, a press release from South Bend simply says: "Among the 80 candidates reporting for fall practice for 1954 will Paul Hornung, sophomore from Louisville... Hornung is enrolled in the commerce course.”

**WESTERNERS**—Five Louisvillians, including co-captain Jerry Passafiume, are listed on the Western State football roster. Passafiume is a senior tackle. Others are sophomore Dewey Bratcher, 175-pound end; Sonny Berthol, sophomore tackle weighing 215; Leon Dunagan, 20 pound sophomore tackle, and Twyman Patterson, 220-pound freshman tackle. The Hilltoppers open home September 18 against Wittenberg College University of Louisville invades Bowling Green Oct. 30.

**COLONELS’ RECORD**—Easiest team in the American Association for the Colonels to whom this season was Charleston. Louisville's record against the Sens is 16 victories, 6 losses. Next has been Minneapolis and Toledo. The record favors Minneapolis 14-8. The Colonels have a 13-9 margin over St. Paul and are even with Columbus at 8-8 with four games remaining. The Colonels won only 8 against 13 losses to Kansas City and took 9 from Indianapolis while dropping 13.

**FIELDING THE BUNTS**—Mississippi grid coach John Vaught must feel like Dodger manager Walt Alston did last spring. Francis Wallace, Collier's writer, put Vaught on the spot much as ex-Dodger manager Charley Dressen and writers did Alston. Wallace says Vaught should have the top grid team in the nation; Dressen predicted Brooklyn couldn't miss repeating as National League champion.

A New York Giant deal yesterday may prove helpful to the Colonels. The Giants purchased pitcher George Spencer from Minneapolis. If Louisville meets the Millers in the playoffs, Spencer is one hurler manager Pinky Higgins can stand to see Minneapolis lose.

Former Colonel catcher Warren "Sheriff" Robinson is manager of the Corning team which won the Pony League pennant an Louisvilleian Bunky Gruner is one of his stars.

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Western Will Be Host To Morehead Tonight

Special to The Courier-Journal

Bowling Green, Ky., Oct. 9.—Coach Jack Clayton has been driving his Western Hilltoppers hard this week in an effort to correct the mistakes that showed up in their 18-7 defeat last week by Stetson at Deland, Fla.

Tomorrow night, the Hilltoppers will take on the Morehead Eagles in an Ohio Valley Conference battle at Western Stadium. Both eves have lost one game in conference play. Middle Tennessee dropped Western in the season's opener at Murfreesboro, Tenn., 13-0, and Tennessee Tech stopped Morehead 27-0 at Morehead last week.

Western's season record is one win against two losses, while Morehead has lost all three of its games.

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BY BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

It they had played the same five teams so far this year, Western and Tennessee Tech hardly could have met more comparable opposition.

Because the strength of the two schedules has been very nearly equal— with a slight edge going to Tech’s—the points and yards they have added up take on extraordinary significance.

Western has scored very nearly twice as many points as Tech— 115 to 55.

The Hilltoppers have yielded more than twice as many points as Tech. The opposition has counted 44 against Western, only 21 against the Eagles.

Four of the seven ‘touchdowns scored against Western were the direct result of the Hilltoppers’ own mistakes. They lost fumbles on the 2, 3 and 10-yard lines. They had a punt blocked on their 7 yard line.

The enemy has had to go 89, 48 and 36 yards for its other touchdowns.

Only once in the five games has Tech given up a cheap score. Against Memphis, the Eagles saw a lost fumble on their six turned into a touchdown. The other two touchdowns against Tech were the result of a 59-yard pass by Memphis and a long overland drive by Florida Atlantic (Ala) during.

Longest scoring play against Western was a 51-yard run by a Stetson Tapp. All of the other six TD’s were scored from inside the five-yard line.

Defensively, Western has given up 88 yards a game on the ground, 48 in the air. Tech has been solved for 80 yards a game on the ground, 58 by passing.

Thus if you could wipe out those mistakes, those four errors that gave the enemy cheap touchdowns, the Toppers and Tech would be able.

Here’s the way Jack Clayton’s operatives have scored:

Halfback Max Stevens, five touchdowns— 89 yards with a punt, 50 yards with a Whitey Sanders pass, 13, 5 and 3 yards on runs.

Fullback Gene McFadden, four touchdowns— 95 yards on a trap up the middle, 39, 26 and 4 yards on runs.

Halfback Bobby Bilyeu, three touchdowns— 77 yards with a G. D. Graham pass, 30 yards with a Ronnie Hightuck pass 7 yards with a Jerry Nassano pass.

Halfback Ray Nutter, two touchdowns— 5 yards with a Nassano pass, 3 yards on a run.

Quarterback Jerry Nassano, one touchdown— 90 yards with a punt.

End Bill Ploums, one touchdown— 9 yards with a Sanders pass.

End Bill Ploums, one touchdown— 88 yards with a Wallace pass. One touchdown—one yard on a plunge.

McFadden, the 200-pound senior fullback who was harassed at every turn in last year’s game, is one of the nation’s small-college rushing leaders. He has gained 430 yards in 51 bursts for an 8.4 average. That makes him easily the greatest running threat of this game.

Western, other two big ground gainers have been Nutter, 47 yards per run, and Stevens, 3.7.

In the air Quarterbacks Sanders, still ailing with a bad ankle, and Nassano have been almost equally effective. Sanders has completed 22 of 37 passes for 326 yards and two touchdowns. Nassano has hit on 19 of 36 for 270 yards and two scores.

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Tech Is Even Choice To Spoil

Western's Homecoming

Eagles Have Won Last Two Games In Series

BY BERT BORRONE
(Daily News-Sports Editor)

Tennessee Tech, spoiler of Western's Homecoming two years ago, is an even choice to stop the Hilltoppers again in tomorrow's 2 p.m. Homecomer at the Stadium.

Nationally-syndicated selectors have Tech as one of four co-champs.

Their is even choice.

But comparative scores make these defending Ohio Valley Conference champions a virtual standoff. And you can never underdog the Hilltoppers in a predicted close one because the 24-year history of Homecoming is crammed with gallant combats and superb stands.

Off their collision with the only mutual foe—Morehead—Western is 21 points superior. Another, more devious route gives Tech a 20-point bulge. The Eagles whopped Eastern 7-0, Eastern whipped Middle Tennessee 13-5 and Middle Tennessee slipped Western 14-6.

Tech's grinding defense, No short-stridden wearying attack has pulled out two straight victories over Western. The Eagles won here in 1951 by 14-7 and triumphed at Cookeville last fall 21-13. That was the only blemish on Western's finest football record ever.

The offense — and Western had the better attack for three years running — cannot remain forever frustrated in the meeting of these two, which in the past three years has overshadowed even Western's glorious series with Murray and Eastern.

The Hilltoppers are a big-scoring long-striking assault weapon again this year.

The odds are against Tech.

They own one of the nation's rushing leaders in eight-yard Gene McFadden, the 205-pound fullback bull, who will be hampered somewhat by a bruised shoulder.

They have two competent passers in Whitey Sanders, who has completed 50 per cent this year, and Jerry Kassman, 58 per cent.

They have perhaps the league's finest receivers in End Bill Flournoy and Halfback Max Stevens.

They'll hit your goal from any distance. They have gone 59, 69 and 69 yards on touchdown runs already this season and they average 31/4 yards on their 27 touchdowns plays.

Tech's attack has not been nearly as explosive or productive in the past three years. But the Eagles have not made the offensive mistakes Western has. They have yielded just as many yards as the Hilltoppers but have given up less than half as many points.

Tech stopped Little All-America Quarterback Jimmy Felix in the air last fall. They turned two interceptions into touchdowns.

They have all but two of those 1951 regulars back. And, if they don't stop Felix, the reasonable assumption is they can handle Sanders and Nassano, both in their first year of more than occasional directing.

They handled Western on the ground pretty well last year, too. But so far the Hilltoppers have been a better rushing unit than last year's outfit was and they may have the overland weapons this time to make Tech jam its defense and thereby open up the air lanes.

A time passing team in 1951, almost exclusively a rushing unit last year, Tech poses the threat of both tomorrow.

Quarterbacks Ervin Mitchell and Jack Van Hoeer both sharpened their previously poor accuracy against tough Memphis State last week. The two completed almost as many passes in that game as they had connected on in the four previous scraps combined.

They have solid short-yardage runners in Paul Anderson and Ken They continued on page 12, column 3.
Eastern Hoping Western Will Not Spoil Big Homecoming Celebration

"This looks like the biggest Homecoming we've ever had," Eastern Football Coach Tom Samuels telephoned this morning.

"We've had the biggest advance ticket sale ever. We're looking for a crowd around 6,500.

"You can understand, of course, that there is a lot of interest in this game up here. We still have a chance to tie for the league championship if we beat Western.

"And all of us can distinctly recall what happened at Bowling Green last fall."

Samuels, a one-time All-Big Ten tackle at Michigan, had reference to Western's astounding 48-6 decision on the Hilltop in the 1962 Homecomer. Powered by only a pair of touchdowns, Western turned the game into a rout with a series of pass interceptions and fumble recoveries.

Even Coach Jack Clayton could not hold down the score by a team which recalled all too well its 34-7 licking at Eastern's hands the previous year. The Hilltoppers entered the third quarter of that struggle and then fell apart as Eastern crammed 19 points into 12 minutes of the second half.

"We hope, too," said Samuels, "that Western does not spoil our personal streak of seeing them only in defeat. We've scouted you twice-against Middle Tennessee and Tennessee Techn — and you lost both.

"But you looked so great in losing that we have serious doubts about the outcome.""""

Samuels starred on brilliant Michigan teams of 1928-30-31 and can be expected to recognize a good football player when he sees one.

"You've got four boys who could play with nearly anybody," he said, "in (Max) Stevens, (Gene) McDadden, (Mary) Batterly and Jerry Passafiume."

Passafiume was such a terror in last year's Homecomer that a veteran OVC official remarked after the game that "that No. 24 ought to come equipped with a sign."

Samuels' own pride and joy is concentrated from tackle to tackle.

Tackles Frank Naotida (156) and Karl Bays (221), Guards Carl Oakley (183) and Eliek Lambert (156) and Center Jerry Johns (207) have earned superior ratings in every one of Eastern's five victories and two losses.

"We're as good this year as we were in 1951," Samuels said. "Maybe we're better. Because we're faster. We have very good speed in Jack Bond, Chuck Bell and Bill Bradford."

Eastern has a pair of pretty fair tusslers in Roy Kidd and Bobby Lenderman, but passes only rarely.

For instance in that 59-8 rout of Evansville last week, the Maroons rushed for a stunning total of 424 yards.

There is one other point Samuels wished to make clear:

He hopes Western End Bill Ploumis will be as friendly to his poor little boys this Saturday as he was last week.

A broken hand kept Ploumis from making the trip to Delta. So he traveled to Evansville. And sat on Eastern's bench during the game.

Samuels really is the guy who sent Ploumis to Western. He cut the big end from the Maroon squad because he was "too slow." Ploumis' No. 1 aim in life for four years has been not to let Samuels forget that.

HOW ABOUT THIS? — Off comparative scores every one of the six OVC teams, even winless Morehead, is superior to Alabama. Mississippi Southern beat Sammis by six. Memphis State whipped Southern by 14. Middle Tennessee beat State by six. Eastern conquered Middle Tennessee by nine. That makes the Maroons 35 points better than Alabama. Yet Eastern got past Morehead by only 18 points. Taking another route, you get Western 40 points better than Bama. This one includes Western's 18-point win over East Ten, which won by eight over Tech to lost to Memphis by seven.
Replacement For Stevens
Big ’54 Job For Clayton

Right up at the top of Coach Jack Clayton’s assignments for 1954 is to find another halfback like Max Stevens.

The rail-thin zender, who has probably played more minutes in football in the past three years than anybody else on the squad, has contributed more than 2,000 yards to Western’s cause in the last 26 games, besides intercepting 20-old passes, making saving tackles, and handling a lot of the punting.

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Figures for Max’s freshman year are incomplete. But starting with his sophomore season, his totals look like this:

- Rushing—183 times for 613 yards.
- Pass catching—36 for a whopping 920 yards.
- Kick returns—35 for 538 yards.
- Kick Interception returns—17 for 112 yards.
- Touchdowns—22 for 132 points.

His total yardage amounts to 2,153 for the 2½ seasons, quite possibly the greatest for a 26-game span ever racked up by a non-passer at Western.

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Stevens got 161 of his yards against Delta State Saturday night as the Hilltoppers slaged two comebacks to write a 21-19 victory.

“We played some of our best football of the year,” Clayton said.

“I’ve seen teams fold under fewer tough breaks than we got. Penalties nearly killed us that first half. And we had to go nearly the entire last half without a fullback.”

Clayton termed that third quarter Hilltopper play as good as any since he has been at Western.

“Stevens, of course, played a great game for us,” he said. “And Bobby Blyden was very good. We thought Ray Nutter and Jim Gun­ cell played outstanding ball, too.”

Linemen Tank Wilson, Ed Worr­ ley, Jerry Passafiume, and Jim Phifer were standout also.

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The big surprise in the league Saturday night was East Tennessee’s 21-13 decision over conference leader Tennessee Tech. East Tennessee led 21-0 until the final quarter.

Tech was a big favorite. The Eagles had whipped Western by two touchdowns and Western had sacked East Tennessee by three TD’s.

Middle Tennessee rolled up 172 yards passing and running but fell to Memphis State 14-0.

- Eastern, Western’s foe at Rich­ mond next Saturday afternoon, pul­ verized Evansville 59-0 and Murray got past Morehead 33-9 in other games.

Western emerged from the Delta game with only two casualties, Tackle Dave Patton required five stitches to patch a cut lip and Quarter­ back Jerry Nassano aggravated a bad cold.

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- Middle Tennessee at Murray, 2 p.m.
- Tennessee Tech at Miami (O), 3 p.m.
- Morehead at Stetson (Fla), 8 p.m.
Eastern Edges
Western 13-7

By TOMMY FITZGERALD

Richmond, Ky., Nov. 7—Eastern built a better mousetrap here this afternoon and kept beating a path to Western's door in scoring a solid 13-7 homecoming victory.

The triumph in this 26th gridiron collision between these two well-passionate rivals within the borders of Kentucky actually came on a six-yard left-handed pass from quarterback Roy Kidd to end Larry North in the end zone near the end of the third period.

This broke a 7-7 tie that was made possible for Western when Bob Bilyeu ran the second-half kickoff back for 90 yards and a touchdown that startled the crowd of more than 4,600 out of its hunched and shivering numbness this cold, but bright, afternoon.

Use Trap Play

But it was Eastern's ground game—and especially a trap play and forced to rely on second-line half-backs and also handicapped in other spots—did well to hold favored and superior Eastern to such a score.

Western was beaten much worse than the final tally shows. Eastern made 18 first downs to Western's four, Eastern piled up 289 yards on the ground to 48, and Eastern threw for 65 yards to Western's 32.

Eastern's trap play gained 101 of the 289 yards, going for 23, 15, 20, 13, and 30 yards the first five times it was used. Only once was it stopped—the sixth and final time it was used.

Stiffen Defense

Western kept the score respectable by several sturdy stands on its doorstep.

Eastern's line practically starved Western's attack. Those 48 yards the Hilltoppers netted on the ground were accounted for in a single play—a 48-yard run by quarterback Whitey Sanders on a fooling run from punt formation in the first quarter.

Except for the 90-yard kickoff run, Western made it into Eastern territory only twice—to the 41-yard line in the opening period. Continued on Page 5, Column 1

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Eastern Is Victor
At Homecoming

right and the 16-yard stripe early in the third quarter.

Right here is where Western had its big and only chance to pull an upset. It got a break after Bilyeu's touchdown run and Roy Nutter's kick for the point that tied it up 7-7 with just 11 seconds gone in the third quarter.

Two plays later, the Hilltoppers got a fumble on the Eastern 36. A 20-yard pass from Sanders to Nutter put the ball on the Eastern 16.

Western Loses Ball

In two plays, Western was thrown back to the 33 and finally lost the ball on downs on the 28. Its big chance to go ahead and possibly make a different game of it was gone.

Kidd, who passed to North for the winning score, tallied Eastern's other touchdown and the first score of the game with a slash for five yards through right tackle with only 2:47 remaining in the first half. The thrust climaxd a 68-yard drive by the Maroons—a drive in which Bob Muller's 16-yard burst up the middle on a trap play was the big gainer.

The Maroons, now 4-1 in the league, could end up in a triple tie for the title if Middle Tennessee beats Tennessee Tech (4-0) on November 26.

Eastern—which plays University of Louisville next week in Louisville—had several good, hard-running backs with Chuck Bell, a little sophomore from Pineville, Ky., seeming to be their fastest and most dangerous man. He gained 103 yards in the 11 times he carried the ball for an average of better than nine yards a try.

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By TIMMY FITZGERALD

ZIP. Bill Bradford of Eastern reeled off an eight-yard gain against Western. Teammate Carl Oakley trails him.

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Nassano Leads Hilltoppers To 26-13 Win Over Aces

By Bert Borrone

The sophomore quarterback put the ball game at 13-7. The Hilltoppers scored in the second quarter when Mills, a crazy-legged kid from Lynch, was goading Western toward another touchdown in the third quarter when he fumbled. He had just picked up 16 and 13 yards on consecutive cross slants when he lost the ball on the Evansville 39.

Neither club had threatened until late in the second quarter when Whitley Sanders put the Aces in a hole with a 38-yard punt to the 12. The return kick carried only to the 38. Nassano fired 18 yards to Freshman Randy Mills, who looked good with the ball all afternoon. He sprang Mills wide for four and sent Gene McPadden up the middle on a pick play for three more.

Then from his 12, Nassano faked into the middle and hit Ploumi& in the left over Ken Lutterbach's head. Freshman G. D. Graham came in to kick the point.

Three plays later Philer stole Fisher's pass on the 30. Nassano hit Gunnell near the right sidelines and Jim shock loose from Bill Parish and Ron Miller to make it 13-0.

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The Aces moved the necessary 71 yards in 13 plays. Fisher passed for 33 of these yards against Clayton's all-freshman secondary and finally sent Lutterbach bulling over from two yards out. Bob Scott's kick made it 13-7.

The regulars came back in then and Western marched 72 yards with

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MR. SATTERLY, MEET MR. BOHNA—Western Co-Captains Marv Satterly (left) closes out a distinguished career here tomorrow with the hope that many times during the afternoon he will be in position to help Murray's John Bohna to his feet. Bohna, a racy 165-pounder, is Murray's climax runner.

Western and Murray try to salvage a measure of glory from a topsy-turvy season in their 20th meeting here tomorrow at 2 p.m. The setting is a bit strange because for the first time in four years no share of the Ohio Valley Conference championship rides on the outcome.

Indeed, Murray, which won the flag in 1950 and '51, and Western, co-champ last year, will settle only fourth place tomorrow.

But a capacity 8,000 is expected just the same if the weather is decent. Because, even in the lean years, there is magic in those names. The leanest year—the two combined have ever known was 1948 when they carried a record of six victories and 11 defeats into a magnificent game won by Western 10-7 on a last-quarter comeback. They are so close statistically, so even off games with mutual foes that indeed a field goal might decide it tomorrow.

If you want a favorite, the book says it is Murray, though.

The Racers are "coming." They lost their first four games, beat Evansville 14-7, and then took ad-

Rivals On Record

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**Breds Slight Favorites In Stadium Tilt**

BY BERT BORRONE

Daily News Sports Editor

Western has a spectacular combined rushing average of 14.7 yards. Only a bagful of fumbles on their field have kept these three from hauling Murray back to the top of the OVC.

Western's finest throwing guns—Gene McFadden, Jim Gunnell and Bobby Bilyeu — lack more than a yard or two of equalling that average and are not as prepared to go wide nearly so often.

The Hilltoppers have been far more dangerous in the air, though. They have hurled 10 scoring passes. Murray has yet to count a touchdown on a pass.

And helping Western's passing game tomorrow, if the field is not soggy, is Murray's lack of secondary height. The Racers' deep defensive averages only 6-foot-10 and its linebackers are only 6-11.

Western ran through one of its most spirited drills in two months yesterday as Coach Jack Clayton put the finishing touches on his expanded offense and the some 25 defensive patterns he will hunt at Murray.

The Hilltoppers will take calculated gambles on defense, hoping to make the breaks that enabled them to steal the ball from Murray 10 times last year on fumbles and pass interceptions.

The major defensive villains of that 14-7 classic of a year ago are still around — Marv Satterly, Jerry Passaffine, Tom Patterson, Walt Apperson & Co.

If they can come up with the ball once in a while, Western can win on the field where it last beat Murray in — believe it or not — Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-Five-

SPECULATOR — The fellow whose touchdown beat Murray last year and who helped tie them 27-all here in 1960, Co-Captain Max Stevens, will be a sideline unlocker tomorrow. His knee, successfully operated on two weeks ago, still pains him, but Max aims to be there.
Murray promptly fumbled the ball right back on their 41. It popped loose from Carl Walks when Guard Jim Worley blocked him and Gunnell pounced on it. In just three plays, Western had a touchdown. Gene McFadden bolted for four yards.

Sinders hit Ploumis on an 11-yard shot then and as he was falling, a shoveled lateral that Bobby Bilyeu came from nowhere to grab, Bilyeu was pitched out of bounds by his lines but he found daylight and went all the way to the one-yard.

The Hilltoppers were penalized 40 yards of the 94 yards Murray moved the ball. And when the Racers finally got a first and goal on the eight the regulars came back in.

But he didn't.

And this Ploumis, magnificent in all phases yesterday, did.

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DOUBLE-PLAY COMBINATION—Murray Fullback Calvin Walls (20) grimaces as he prepares to hit the turf on a stop by Whitney Sanders (left) and Gene McFadden. In background is Murray's Bob Holt, whose first quarter skull gave Western its winning touchdown. (Story on sports page.)
Six Players Repeat on All-O.V.C. Grid Team

By BOB COCHRAN
Courier-Journal Correspondent

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 8.
—Six players named to the 1953 All-Ohio Valley Conference football team were also members of the 1952 unit. Repeaters from last year on the first team are Howard Alsup, Middle Tennessee tackle; Bobby Young, M.T.S.C. back; John Bohna, Murray back; Gene McFadden and Max Stevens, Western backs, and Marvin Satterly, Western guard. Satterly has been named on the all-O.V.C. team for the past three years.

Twelve men appear on this year’s first team. Stevens and Bohna tied for a backfield spot and the league decided to name them both to the first team.

Bill Ploumis, Western end, and Young were the only players unanimously selected and were named co-captains of the 1953 teams.

Picked By Coaches

The team was chosen by a vote of the six league coaches.

Western led in the balloting with five men on the first team. In addition to the men who repeated from last year for the Hilltoppers, Arnie Oaken was picked at center.

Tennessee Tech, 1953 league champion, placed Marshall Taylor at end and James Passons at tackle. Middle Tennessee placed Young and Alsup. Eastern is represented by Roy Kidd in the backfield and Carl Oakley at a guard post. Murray placed only Bohna.

When he announced the 1953 all-OVC team today, Kelly Thompson, public relations at the Ohio Valley Conference, said that all 12 of the men named on the First team would receive gold engraved certificates.

Tech Leads

Tech led in the balloting for the second team, placing five men. Eastern is represented by three men, Middle Tennessee by two and Murray one.

Jerry Daniels, tackle; Virgil Raines, guard; William Starnes, center, and two backs, Ken Broyles and Mac Reeves, were named to the second team from Tech. Eastern placed Bob Hatfield, end; Frank Nassida, tackle, and Bill Bradford, back. Mitchell Jones, end, and Garnett Rather, back, were picked from Middle Tennessee, Ben Chamness, guard, represented Murray.


Scottsville Wins

Special to The Courier-Journal
Scottsville, Ky., Dec. 8.—The Scottsville High basketball team bowed to host Morgantown 47-45. L. J. Sanders of Scottsville was top scorer of the day with 23 points. Shields of Morgantown hit for 14.
Offense or Defense—Passafiume Is There

Fiume's teammates honored him — Jerry Passafiume, a 210-pound senior tackle from Louisville, is rated as one of the best linemen to ever play for Western Kentucky.

A 1951 graduate of St. Xavier High School, Passafiume came to Western Kentucky in the fall of 1951. By the fifth game of the season he had broken into the lineup as a starting tackle.

Injuries hampered him during his first season but beginning with the opening game of the 1952 season, the burly tackle has started every important game the Hilltopper squad along with his teammates.

When Hilltopper Head Coach Jack Clayton wanted to replace his star tackle on defense (he is a brilliant offensive lineman), Passafiume said, "Let me stay in coach, defense is more fun." And stay in he has.

Passafiume has sustained injuries which would have sidelined any ordinary football player, but when game time rolls around he is always in there making things brutally rough on opposing linemen.

On offense Passafiume leads most of the plays through the line. On defense he is in on better than 90 per cent of the tackles. He is very deceptive in appearance with his lumbering, flat-footed gait. But he moves like a cat once a play is started. He has an uncanny ability to diagnose where a play is going almost every time and he usually gets there to be in on the stop. As a blocker there is none better. Opposing ball carriers say that when Passafiume tackles, you really know you have been hit.

Named Co-Captain

In this his senior year, Passafiume's teammates honored him by electing him co-captain of the Hilltopper squad along with his cohort, Jim Phifer, another top flight senior tackle. With these two, Western Kentucky boasts two of the finest tackles in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Passafiume will graduate in August, 1955. He expects to go on active duty as a second lieutenant in infantry shortly after graduation. He is an outstanding member of the Ground Force R.O.T.C. at Western Kentucky. This past summer at R.O.T.C. summer camp held at Fort Meade, Md., he was one of the top cadets.

A better than average student, Passafiume is majoring in Geography with minors in Physical Education and Industrial Arts. He plans to coach football when he finishes his tour of duty in the Army.

Passafiume Quick Starter
For 5-10, 205-Pound Tackle

"That Jerry Passafiume," said a veteran Ohio Valley Conference official after last year's Eastern game, "ought to come equipped with a siren.

This Junior tackle from Louisville ball-stealing defensive end from last year, can probably generate more impact power in less yardage than any other lineman in the league...."
WESTERN GRIDDERS HONORED—Four members of this year's Western football team were honored at the annual grid banquet Sunday night. Coach Jack Clayton (center) presented Ronnie Holzknecht (left), Louisville, with the Coaches' award and Ed Worley (right) was named the outstanding player. Jerry Passafiume (second from left), Louisville, and Jim Phifer were elected co-captains for next season.
Defensive Specialists Take Far Quicker To New Two-Way Football

It appeared after a few Western football drills, that the two-platoon system's defensive specialists enjoyed a solid margin over the players with only offensive experience in the new one-platoon game.

"Oh, my gosh, yes," said head football man Jack Clayton.

"Our defensive platoon last year was made up of our roughest, most aggressive boys. They learned how to play on instinct and courage. I'd say they're going to have a big advantage next fall over the boys who have played only offense for several seasons."

He pointed to Tackle Jerry Pasamino and Center-Lineman Tom Patterson as prime examples of what he was talking about. They are taking to one-platoon football as though they had never been defensive specialists.

Clayton's top 11 players now are almost exclusively vets of his defensive unit last fall.

"We've got one good ball club," he said. "Our second 11 is average. We're hurting after that."

Clayton is enthusiastic over what he's seen of Jerry Nussman, the rookie quarterback who transferred from U. of L. last year. "He's better mechanically right now than Jimmy Nel's, our Little All-America quarterback, was in his sophomore year," he said.

Clayton could be four deep in capable quarterbacks if he gets Mayfield High's R. D. Graham, the WJC's smartest signal-caller last fall.

COMING — What happens on the drill field these days determines who's going to be around next fall and who has to go. The new OVC regulation limits football scholarships to 35.

Of the 48 now working out, 40 are on scholarship. All but 25 to 30 of them have to go. Clayton will fill out his 35 with freshman, High on his priority list are ends and tackles.

DROP IN ENTHUSIASM? — One angle of the return to one-platoon football that hasn't been explored was broached by Clayton today.

"After we get pretty well set on our top 11 players, I wonder how the morale of the other boys will be?" he queried. "In the past, the boys figured if they couldn't make the offensive team, then, by golly, they'd give the defensive unit a try."

"We're going to have to find some way to play all the fellows who really put out for us."

MURRAY SIGNS U.L. — University of Louisville is one of the feature opponents on Murray's 1953 football schedule. The Racers also meet Tennessee Tech, Eastern, Memphis State, Evansville, Morehead, Middle Tennessee and Austin Peay in addition to Western.

Fred Faurot, the Racers' coach, also is hunting some tackles. And, like Clayton, he is missing around with the single-wing to go with his split-T. PUBLISHER's publicist Bert Hensley, though, hints Faurot will shift into the wing some next year.
Clayton Believes Passafiume, Phifer Are OVC's Best Tackles

By Bert Borrone
Daily News Sports Editor

If Western does not have the best pair of tackles in the Ohio Valley Conference next fall, somebody's going to own a couple of Little All-Americans.

Authority for that statement is Coach Jack Clayton.

Authority for Clayton are Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, his co-captain tackles.

... Although two such utterly different types rarely are seen on the same club, both of these guys were honorable mention All-OVC selections last fall.

Passafiume, whom a lot of people claim ought to be made to wear a shirt, is the hurry-up-and-wait type.

Phifer never leaves before he looks and up to the moment of combat looks like the poetry-reading type you used to find in the spoonholders up on the Hill in the spring.

These two gentlemen will be in action for the favored Reds in Western's annual spring football game Wednesday night at the stadium. Game time is 7:30 p.m. Admission is a quarter.

... Phifer and Passafiume are just two of five real good boys Clayton will show off in the middle of the Red line.

In fact, the middle of that line looks so good to Clayton that he has been encouraged to move Arnie Oaken from center to guard.

And Mr. Oaken was merely a first-team All-OVC center last fall.

Clayton figures a widely-known redhead, Thomas Patterson, who often is penalized for what the coaches insist is only boyish aggressiveness, can handle the center slot. And nobody doubts this, provided Mr. Patterson can refrain from getting penalized too much.

With Oaken at guard likely will be Tank Wilson, whom Clayton said three or four times last fall was the most improved boy in camp.

... The Reds' ends will be Clay- ton's two best, Walt Apperson and Don Sparks. Both are light, though, and at the moment, end is the big problem.

Clayton possible could be motivated to make Phifer an end if one or two White tackles look good Wednesday night.

Two of them — Sonny Berthold and Twyman Patterson — have extraordinary size. Indeed, if you didn't have a program, you'd pick these two over Passafiume and Phifer as the two best tackles on the Hill.

Clayton has an end on the Whites he says you'd better watch too. That's Joe Cunningham, another of the endless, goodlooking Sturgis products.

"He could be another Bubber Simpson (All-OVC end of two years ago)," says Clayton.

Simpson, along with half a dozen other of Western's fines in recent years came from Sturgis.

... If Cunningham does come through the Hill may be known as the University of Sturgis is another year or so.

Skinny, hot-tempered Mike Mortarity will operate with Cunningham at end.

Carroll Speers will team with Patterson or Berthold at tackle.

Gene Robinson and Dave Patton are the likeliest White Guard starters.

Bill Straw, a refugee from tackle, is the center.

Nearly all of the neutral observers say the Red line will whip the Whites handily.

But if Patterson gets real serious and Cunningham starts looking like Simpson ahead of schedule, it could be a corking battle.
Passafiume, Nassano Standouts In Reds’ 20-0 Intra-Squad Victory

By BERT BORRONE

Daily News Sports Editor

Take it from Bill Ploumis, All-Ohio Valley Conference end and star of last year’s spring game, that Western’s Jerry Passafiume is a whole lot of tackle.

Ploumis helped officiate last night’s Red-White skirmish and walked off the field mopping his forehead with a soaking wet handkerchief and extolling the virtues of that Passafiume.

“Blocking in the big leagues couldn’t be any more vicious than that Passafiume,” he said. “The guy was great.”

“Chuck Passafiume was in the middle of 60 per cent of the plays. I just don’t believe we will see two better tackles than Jerry and Jim Fuller next year.”

The 200-pounder, called one of the greatest operatives ever to come out of Louisville’s St. Xavier High, did indeed prove himself as he led in all of the touchdowns.

Nassano bucked a yard for the first score.

He passed six yards to End Walt Apperson, who fielded spectacularly in the eerie half-light of the Stadium’s dimming lighting system, for the second touchdown.

Trapped on another attempted pass, Nassano slithered 19 yards for the final six-pointer in the evening’s most explosive play.

The Reds’ tough line limited the nearly all-rookie Whites to 33 yards running and passing and stopped their only threat 11 yards away from a touchdown on a fourth down tackle by Passafiume and Tank Wilson.

But the Reds had the toughest help of a penalty, they moved from the Reds 49 to the 11. There, on fourth down, Duncan failed by a foot for a first down when Wilson and Passafiume raked him.

Nassano completed 10 of 21 passes for 143 yards.

Apperson and Sparks fielded nearly all of them.

Apperson scored five, good for 61 yards. Sparks flagged down three which covered 61 yards.

“Sparks has been a pleasant surprise to us all spring,” said Clayton. “I don’t believe he has dropped but one pass this year.”

Clayton thought all of his ends looked pretty good both ways. That’s just what he was hoping for because the rest of the front-liners are pretty solid.

Scoring:

Reds 0-14-6-0-20

Whites

APPROXIMATE BASIC EXPENSES FOR A RESIDENT KENTUCKIAN FRESHMAN AT WESTERN KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE SEMESTER.

*TUITION ................................ None

ROOM AND BOARD

Meals
A spacious new cafeteria, a part of Western's new Student Union Building, is open to all students. The cost of food varies according to individual tastes. A survey shows that the average student spends for food per semester approximately.

$125.00

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BOOKS .............................................. 20.00

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TOTAL ........................................... $237.00

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1954 SUMMER SESSION CALENDAR and
1954-1955 COLLEGE CALENDAR

Western Kentucky State College
Bowling Green, Kentucky

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Approximate Basic Expenses For A Resident Kentuckian Freshman At Western Kentucky State College For A Period Of One Semester

For Further Information write
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June 10, to Aug. 4

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June 11, Fri. ................... Classes begin.
June 12, Sat. ................... Last day to register for full load.
June 14, Mon. ............ Last day to enter a class for credit.
June 21, Mon. ........ Last day on which a course may be dropped without a grade.
Aug 1, Sun. .... Commencement week begins.
Aug 4, Wed. ................. Final Examinations.

1954 COLLEGE CALENDAR 1955
First Semester 1954.

Sept. 16-17, Thur. and Fri. .... Freshman Days
Sept. 18, Sat. .... Registration of upper classmen.
Sept. 20, Mon. ........ Classes begin.
Sept. 22, Wed. .... Last day to register for full load.
Sept. 27, Mon. ..... Last day to enter a course for credit with a reduced load.

Oct. 11, Mon. .... Last day on which a course may be dropped without a grade.
Nov. 22, Mon .... Mid-semester report to the Dean.
Nov. 24, Wed., 5 p.m. .... Thanksgiving holidays begin.
Nov. 29, Mon., 8 a.m. ..... Classes resumed.
Dec. 17, Fri., 5 p.m. .... Christmas holidays begin.
Jan. 3, Mon., 8 a.m. .... Classes resumed.
Jan. 27, Thurs., 5 p.m. .... First Semester ends.

Second Semester 1955

Jan. 10-21, Mon-Fri .... Preregistration of upper classmen and graduate students.
Jan. 31, Mon .... Registration of freshmen, sophomores, and new students.
Feb. 1, Tues. ........ Classes begin.
Feb. 3, Thur.... Last day to register for full load.
Feb. 9, Wed. .... Last day to register for full credit with a reduced load.
Feb. 23, Wed. .... Last day on which a course may be dropped with a grade.
April 14, Wed. 5:00 P.M. .... K. E. A. holidays begin.
April 18, Mon. .... Classes resumed.
June 2, Thur., 5 p.m. .... Second semester ends.

The summer school of 1955 will begin Thursday, June 9, and continue for a period of eight weeks ending Wednesday, August 3.
(First row, left to right) Tom Patterson, center; Don Sparks, end; Jim Phifer, tackle, co-captain; Jerry Passalumme, tackle, co-captain; Arnie Oaken, guard; Jim Gunnel, end; Walt Apperson, end; Jim Aurs, back; and Millard Shirley, fullback.

(Second row, left to right) Sonny Berthold, tackle; Bob Gerard, fullback; Jack Johnson, back; Carol Spears, tackle; Jim Chamblish, back; Jerry Braatley, back; John Fox, guard; Wayne Duncan, fullback; Leon Dunagan, tackle; Vernon Wilson, guard; and Twyman Patterson, tackle.

(Third row, left to right) Dick Brown, fullback; Gene Robinson, guard; Ray Jenner, back; Bill Straw, center; Bob Clark, back; Ralph Madison, center; Howser Leath, back; Billy Kinslow, back; Joe Cunningham, end; and Bo Culley, guard.

(Fourth row, left to right) Jim Fox, end; Eddie Scott, tackle; Wayne Leath, center; Ken Barret, back; Jerry Griggs, back; Joe Hughes, end; Jerry Nassano, quarterback; Carol Van Hooser, quarterback; Stanley Hornbeck, guard; and Dudley Hazel, tackle.

(Back row, left to right) Al McHaffey, guard; James Cannon, guard; J. W. DeBoe, guard; Mike Moriarty, end; Don Niemiere, quarterback; and Don Cissell, back.
Top Coach Must Find Replacements For 4 All-Conference Performers

"You might say we will be in a class by ourselves this fall," said Western's Jack Clayton today, on the eve of the launching of football drills.

But the Hilltoppers' head man quickly dispelled any suspicion that he was violating the sacred code of his profession by predicting an all-winning season.

"I know," said Clayton, "of no other team in our league which must replace four all-conference players."

Clayton all but summed up the Hilltop status quo with that sentence.

Western owned five—almost half a team—All-Ohio Valley Conference operatives in 1953. Only one of them, Center Arnie Oaken, is still around.

"Quantitatively, our losses were not unusually severe, although 11 of our top 23 boys are gone," Clayton said.

"But qualitatively, we've never taken a harder blow. End Bill Ploumis, Guard Marvin Satterly, Halfback Max Stevens and Fullback Gene McFadden—all of them All-OVC selections one or more years—have finished."

Besides these losses and the passing on of seven other top operatives, Clayton will be sorely missing a pair of good-looking frosh from last year.

Randy Mills, the crazy-legged kid from the mountains who was being counted on for three great years, and Quarterback G. D. Graham both ran into scholastic problems and won't be around this fall.

Only at tackle is Clayton really set.

Here he has Co-Captains Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, both of them regulars for two years. And backing them up are Sonny Berthold, the big hunk of man from Louisville, and some other sizeable citizens.

Clayton will have few fears at center if Tom (Red) Patterson can confine his assault on the enemy to what the referee regards as legal.

Clayton is convinced he can have a solid pair of guards in Arnie Oaken and Tank Wilson.

Backing these tackle-to-tackle candidates are a couple of dangerous characters named Bill Strawn and Dave Patton. Strawn may be the OVC's strongest man. He set a new league shot-put record last spring.

Clayton sums up the rest of the club like this:

"Our end play is questionable right now. And we will be awfully inexperienced in the backfield."

Walt Apperson and Don Sparks, both light for two-way football, were the top ends in the spring intra-squad game, although Clayton is expecting big things from Joe Cunningham, a rangy converted halfback.

Clayton's backfield is littered with "may be's" and "could be's."

Few doubt Jerry Nassano can get the job done at quarterback. And if it develops Whitey Sanders, the nation's most accurate small-college passer last year, has another year of eligibility, quarterback will be about as strong as tackle.

Elsewhere Clayton has hope for Millard Shirley and Wayne Duncan at fullback, Jack Johnson and Jim Gunnell at right half, and Jim Aurs and Jim Chambless at left half.

There is plenty of room everywhere, except tackle, though, for the other returnees and the newcomers.

Clayton said the squad will drill from 9 to 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. each day, except Sundays, until classes open in mid-September.

The opening game is set here against Wittenberg (O.) College Sept. 18.
Ruby's Report

Other Colleges Might Try This:
Western To Offer Whole Season Of Football For Three Bucks

By EARL RUBY, Courier-Journal Sports Editor

Bowling Green, Sept. 3.—Smaller colleges who have been wondering what to do about football attendance and expenses, will be watching Western Kentucky College closely this fall.

Western will attempt a bold experimental ticket plan that might solve many problems, says Kelly Thompson, assistant to the president.

The plan, briefly, is this: with a brilliant five-game home schedule, including a visit by the University of Louisville, Western will offer season tickets for $3. Through a big sales drive it will attempt to sell so many tickets at $3 that it will take in as much, or more than it has in the past at the old price of $7.

It was suggested by the "W" Club, a campus organization of lettermen and will be carried out by the "W" Club.

"If it succeeds," said Kelly, "we will have a lot of roisterers in the stands and their enthusiasm will help our boys play better football. If it succeeds, our season tickets will be $3 from now on."

Single game tickets will remain $1.50 each.

Built Around Tackles

Coach Jack Clayton appears to have the makings of another heavy, tough team. He hasn't had a losing season since he came here as an assistant in '47 and was elevated to the top spot a year later. He has lost only two home games in the last three seasons. Last year he placed men in five of the 11 positions on the all-O.V.C. team.

This year he seems sure to have four—two tackles, a guard and a center.

He is building his team around his tackles, who are co-captains. Jim Phifer, who comes from Chattanooga, weighs 200 and stands 6-1. Jerry Passafiume, a product of Louisville St. Xavier, weighs 210 and is 5-10. This will be their third year as varsity regulars, and their second as 60-minute mean on offense and defense.

The boys are so powerful and team up so well, Clayton is working on a special set of plays concentrating their striking power.

(Sports Editor Earl Ruby has started his annual visit to Southeastern Conference schools. His first column will feature Vanderbilt. It will appear Sunday.)
Passafiume, Phifer Make Toppers Strong At Tackle

The nearest approach to a Little All-America footballer at Western was Quarterback Jimmy Fox, 12th man on the 1952 small-college honor team.

One who can rank higher when this season is stowed away is Tackle Jerry Passafiume, a cat-quick 205-pounder whom nearly every competent observer suspects is qualified to play first string for the likes of Notre Dame or Maryland or Oklahoma.

Coach Jack Clayton calls the Louisville senior the "finest defensive tackle I have ever coached."

And Clayton says he finds it most difficult to seriously fault the 5-foot-10 co-captain in any phase of offense.

Presence of Passafiume, Co-Captain Jim Phifer and a pair of massive undergraduates make tackle by far the strongest position on this Western club.

Phifer is the almost perfect antithesis of Passafiume. Whereas Jerry doesn't waste time looking before he leaps and gets away with it because of his marvelous reactive powers, the rangier (6-foot-1, 195-pound), milder-looking Phifer stirs up a play and then moves virtually unnoticed into the thick of it.

Passafiume is in his fourth year as a regular. This is Phifer's third year as a starter.

No. 2 operatives at tackle are Sophomore Sonny Berthold and Freshman Tommy Patterson, both of whom go over 210 pounds.

The ends are not nearly so well fortified.

Clayton's first-stringers at the moment are 175-pound Don Sparks, who has not dropped a pass since the start of spring practice, and Walt Apperson, 170, a star of last spring's intra-squad game.

Backing them up are a pair of more sizeable sophomores — Mike Moriarity and Joe Cunningham. Cunningham is ticketed for eventual stardom by Clayton. He runs like the halfback he was in high school at Burgis and his blocking occasionally draws a "exceptional" from the coaches.

Barring injuries, the tackles will be stronger than a year ago.

The three top ends from 1953 are gone and this position must be rated weaker at the moment.

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### OFFICIALS

- **Referee:** Webb Porter (Middle Tennessee)
- **Head Linesman:** Joe Russell (Murray State)
- **Umpire:** Roy Patey (Union University)
- **Field Judge:** Edgar McNabb (Morehead State)

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### BOWLING GREEN COCA-COLA

Bottling Works, Bowling Green, Ky.
Western, Eastern Make Bows At Home Tonight

'Toppers Host Wittenberg 11

Special to The Courier-Journal
Bowling Green, Ky., Sept. 17.

—Wittenberg College from Springfield, Ohio, will be the opponent when the Western Hilltoppers make their initial start of the rain 1954 season tomorrow night in the Western Stadium.

Coach Jack Clayton today indicated the Hilltopper starting line-up will be made up of seven senior lettermen, three junior lettermen and one sophomore.

The line will have veterans from end to end. Don Sparks and Walt Apperson, both seniors, will open at the flank posts. Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, Western's co-captains who are rated among the best tackles ever to play in the Ohio Valley Conference, will hold down the tackle slots. Passafiume has been a top flight performer for the Hilltoppers over the past three years and is given an excellent chance to receive Little All-America honors this season.

Oaken, At Guard

The guard positions will be manned by Arnie Oaken, a senior who was the O.V.C.'s all-conference center last year, and either Tank Wilson or Dave Patton, two rugged juniors. Oaken was moved to guard to give the Hilltopper line added power after three-time All-O.V.C. guard Marvin Satterly finished last June.

Tom Patterson, a senior, will start at center.

The only senior in the backfield will be Jim Gunnel, a speedy and quick-thinking right halfback.

Jerry Nassano, a junior ball-handler, will be the quarterback. Nassano has demonstrated the qualities which made Western's quarterbacks of the past few seasons, Jimmy Feix and Whitey Sanders, great team leaders.

At fullback will be Millard Shirley, 180-pound junior who was.

Jim Chambless, 175-pound left halfback from Sturges, Ky., will be the only sophomore in the starting line-up. Chambless in practice has convinced Coach Clayton that he has what it takes to replace that colorful Sturges product, Max Stevens, who starred for Western over the past three campaigns before he graduated last June.

Reserve strength will come from 14 top notch sophomores and a crew of some dozen freshmen. Twyman Patterson and Sonny Berthold, two big sophomores tackles from Louisville Male, are expected to supply plenty of relief for Passafiume and Phifer. Berthold will be out of action for a few days with a badly dislocated thumb he suffered in practice this week. Leon Dunagan, a sophomore tough from St. Xavier, will also be ready for duty at tackle.

Reserves Listed

Bill Strawn, 248-pound sophomore, will provide reserve power at center.

Mike Moriarty and Joe Cunningham, two up-and-coming sophomores, will help take care of the ends.

Bo Culley, John Fox and Gene Robinson will get the first calls for relief at the guards.

In the backfield the Hilltoppers have several fleet sophomores to call on. Wayne Duncan and Bob "Just" Gerard are heavy line-crashing fullbacks. Jim Aurs, Jack Johnson, Jerry Brantley, Billy Kinslow, Bob Clark and Ken Barrett are halfback speedsters.

Carrol Van Hooser and Don Niemiere are two freshman quarterbacks Coach Clayton is expecting to give Nassano a lot of help.

The coaches aren't saying a word yet, but Western is beginning to show two distinguishing characteristics of the 1952 Refrigerator Bowl champions.

They're a knock for stealing that ball and an outright refusal to blow scoring chances.

In two games now, in which they have run up 56 points to the enemy's 13, those Hilltoppers have come up with five intercepted passes and two fumble recoveries.

Only twice have the first or second-stringers gone past the enemy's 40 and failed to score. One drive was stopped on the opponent's 13 and another was aborted by a wild lateral on the 17.

"They're quick, yes," said Clayton. "They haven't made the same mistake twice yet. They've been opportunists so far. But we'll have to wait awhile to see if playing both ways, they are as alert as the 1952 two-platoon team."

Clayton called the offensive blocking of his line "superior" in Saturday night's 24-6 decision over East Tennessee.

Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, Guards Arnie Oaken, Dave Patton and Vern Wilson, Center Tom Patterson and Ends Walt Apperson, Don Sparks and Joe Cunningham did a bang-up job in clearing the way for the game's running stars, Jim Gunnel and Millard Shirley.

Clayton also thought Quarterback Jerry Nassano did the best job of play-selecting of his career. "I even lost the ball and guessed wrong on the plays he called," Clayton laughed.

Meanwhile, it appeared today the Ohio Valley Conference championship trophy is headed back for Kentucky after two years in which Tennessee teams either won or shared it.

Eastern scored an astonishing 26-0 victory over a Middle Tennessee eleven which even the Raider coaches figured is one of their best offensive clubs.

And Murray up-ended defending champion Tennessee Tech 12-12.


All six teams play within the league this weekend—with the Murray at Eastern scrap Friday night the big one.

Western has a chance Saturday night to knock Middle Tennessee completely out of the race. That one will be played here. Saturday night's other contest sends Morehead to Tech.

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The weekend schedule:

Friday night—Murray at Eastern.

Saturday night—Middle Tennessee at Western, 7:30 p.m. Morehead at Tennessee Tech.
Host Middle Tennessee In Saturday Night Go

Sure-fingered and threatening the spectacular in slams past two September foes, Western tries the Ohio Valley Conference for size at the Stadium tomorrow night.

And the consensus is that Middle Tennessee's Raiders, annually one of the OVC's upper-crust, will prove a tight fit in the 7:30 p.m. battle.

The Raiders are a one-touchdown favorite in a couple of nationally-syndicated rating systems, hold a six-pound per man weight advantage in the line and are three deep in the backfield.

None who saw Coach Jack Clayton's operatives dispatch Wittenberg and East Tennessee by three-touchdown margins can rank Western the underdog, though.

Getting their wallop from a line, which by season's end could rank with the Hilltop's all-time best, the Toppers have shown a lot of the dash and fire and the flair for capitalization on each enemy mistake which was the brand of 1952's Refrigerator Bowl champions.

While they lack Middle Tennessee's heralded depth, the Toppers own four backs with better than a six-yard rushing average and possess in Jerry Nassano a passer whose accuracy mark of 72 percent — off 18 completions in 25 throws—is a spectacular one in any league.

Western in the Clayton regime, however, has been a club which moves best straight ahead, as witness last week's running heroics by Jim Gunnell and Millard Shirley.
Nassano Leads Western to 2d Victory
With 24-6 Romp Over East Tennessee

Special to The Courier-Journal

Johnson City, Tenn., Sept. 26.—Western's powerful line and the passing wizardry of quarterback Jerry Nassano carried the Hilltoppers to their second straight victory here tonight.

The Toppers, after being blanked in the first quarter, pounded out four touchdowns to down East Tennessee State 24-6.

The men of Coach Jack Clayton pushed the home team all over the field in the first quarter, and, even though not scoring, relieved anxiety of their followers.

They took all pressure off by tallying twice in the second quarter. After receiving a punt at midfield and carrying to the East Tennessee 37, the Toppers broke the scoring ice in four plays. Nassano, Walt Apperson and Jim Gunnel set up the payoff plunge of five yards by Jim Chambliss.

Gunnel got the second touchdown shortly before the half ended. East Tennessee had pounded its way to the Western 10, and fumbled, with Western recovering. In 10 plays, Gunnel went over from the 3. Gunnel earned the right to hit pay dirt with runs of 10, 15 and 7 in the long drive.

Midway in the third quarter, Western took over on its own 20 and swept to the Tennessee goal in 10 plays. Millard Shirley went over from the one for the third touchdown.

Coach Clayton sent in his second and third stringers in the fourth quarter and East Tennessee took advantage by driving 32 yards in five plays to save a shutout. Buddy Salsbury plunged from the one for the tally.

Western's first team came back into the game and swept 62 yards in 12 plays for the final score. Nassano's pass for 5 yards to end Mike Moriarty accounted for the final yardage.

The battle of statistics also was won by the Hilltoppers. They made 20 first downs to 9 for East Tennessee, piled up 285 on the ground to 60 for their opponents, and had 109 yards by passing to 111 for the Tennesseans.

Nassano completed 12 of 17 passes.

An idea of the play of Western's line can be gleaned from the yardage figures which show East Tennessee was held to a minus 7 yards on the ground in the first half.

Western will plunge into O.V.C. play next Saturday night when the Toppers are home to Middle Tennessee.
Hilltoppers Strike On

Game's Last Play For

7-6 Win

Spill Middle Tennessee To Remain Undefeated

By BERT BORRENE
Daily News Sports Editor

Western gathered its frustration for 59 minutes and 59 seconds last night and then as the clock stood at zero struck the story-book blow that sent Middle Tennessee crashing to a 7-6 defeat.

Sophomore Halfback Jim Chambliss thundered through the line from two yards out for the tying touchdown as the scoreboard clock clicked off the last second of this Ohio Valley Conference battle.

And then, with the game already over, Sophomore Jerry Brantley calmly kicked the extra-point that brought as incredible a victory as the ball has achieved.

The crowd of 4,000 had seen the unbeaten Hilltoppers blow two great scoring opportunities with fumbles on the Raiders' 4 and 17-yard-lines.

They had seen the Tennesseans fire a 29-yard touchdown pass from Jim Dunlap to End Gene Sadler in the game's first five minutes and then put the issue in the hands of a bruising, ball-stealing defense. Frank Reynolds' punt. The ball went out of bounds on the Tennesseans' 16-yard line.

On first down Nassano hit Sophomore End Mike Moriarty with a seven-yard pass.

Shirley lost a yard on a sweep, but came right back to gain four on a barrel-roll through the middle.

Nassano, on the clutch fourth-down play, curled to the four to keep the hopes alive. There were less than 30 seconds to go now.

Shirley was stopped cold on a sweep.

The clock ticked to 10 seconds as Nassano took his time. He crept to six seconds, to five and Western was still in that huddle.

The clock hit three seconds and out came the Hilltoppers.

The ball was snapped on the first count, heating the game-ending gun by no more than half a second. You never saw a wilder 4,000 when Chambliss crashed through to the end zone.

Then a flag fell. You could have heard the clock tick if there had been any more time.

But it was Middle Tennessee which was the victor. The Raiders were off-side. And it didn't take Co-Captains Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer a second to choose the play.

In came Brantley. Into position rushed Western for this placement which could decide it.

The center was over the ball when Brantley coolly knelt down, adjusted his shoe laces and flexed his line.

Up he came, Back came the ball. And there was never any doubt about this third straight victory being in the books.

"Sorry we had to run up the score on you," Coach Jack Clayton laughingly greeted the Raiders' head man, Bubber Murphy.

More serious a minute later, Clayton found little to praise in Western's performance besides its guts. The Hilltoppers showed once for all they've got plenty of those.

The paralyzing defeat was Middle Tennessee's second straight, both within the OVC, after a non-conference win. Eastern had smacked the Raiders 25-0 last week.

You can't say Western was lucky to win. Because a team of lesser stature would have quit after losing that fumble four yards from the promised lead with four minutes to play.

But you can surely say they were fortunate to have lost. It could be the making of them.

The Raiders took advantage of a 10-yard Western punt to strike for their touchdown. The payoff came on third down from the 50 when Dunlap found Sadler open in a corner of the end zone.

Garner Eells' attempt of the extra-point was weak and far wide.

Helped by a 55-yard kickoff return by Jim Gunnell, Western struck right back to the Raiders' 30.

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Western Nips Morehead 19-13 For 4th Straight Win

Tops Rally, Then Hang On In OVC Duel

MOREHEAD, Ky., Oct. 9 (Spl.) — Unbeaten Western Kentucky stood in imminent peril of a shocking upset loss to Morehead throughout this soft autumn afternoon before pulling out by 19-13 its fourth consecutive victory.

Facing big odds in manpower, Morehead crammed two touchdowns into 60 seconds of the second quarter, grudgingly yielded Western the tying and lead touchdowns just before and just after the half's end and then came storming back with threat after threat.

Morehead slammed to the Western one-yard-line only to lose a fumble again. They surged to the seven and again the Hilltopper defense stopped them.

... A final gesture penetrated in the closing minute to the 32 where a pass interception by Jim Gunnell finally sealed the Hilltoppers' victory.

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Tops Rally

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on for Morehead all afternoon, though. The Eagles, held to 46 yards on the ground, hit for 92 in the air off eight completions.

Western marched 40 yards after a fumble recovery for an early touchdown, scored back-to-back on a rattling 15-yard dash. Halfback Jim Gunnell converted.

Two minutes later Western stole a fumble on the Morehead 55. But the Hilltoppers ran out of gas on the 21 and they were never in real command of the situation thereafter.

A pass interception and 22-yard return by Connie Fappas late in the first period set the stage for Morehead's tying counter. It was scored early in the second quarter by Ousley on that 25-yard pass from Ackins. Hal Barker's placement tied it up at 7-all.

Morehead thenJarred the ensuing kickoff loose from Jim Chambliss on Western's four-yard-line and Hart rambled across the goal on the second play. Dick Brown's Lieke was blocked this time.

Western struck back with a 67-yard drive just before the half's end to tie it again, at 13-all. A 26-yard gallop by Gunnell was the big gainer. Nassano scampered across from six yards out, but Gunnell missed the conversion.

The Hilltoppers went 63 yards the first time they got the ball in the third quarter, capping the long and arduous advance with Shirley's six-yard sprint. Gunnell again missed on the placement.

Western led 19-13 now and the scoring was over. But it would have been hard to convince the assembled 1,600 of this 10 minutes later when Morehead pounded to the Western on-yard-line. On first down, though, Jim McKenzie fumbled and the Hilltoppers recovered.

That was the pattern the rest of the game. Western stuck to straight football and was kept backed up deep in its own territory until the final whistle.

Morehead could not put across the equalizer, however, against that Hilltopper defense.

The victory gave Western a 3-0 record in the Ohio Valley Conference. They are second in the standings behind Eastern, which has a 3-0 record.

Western's defense, the heroic factor in nearly every victory so far, hit so hard it swiped four fumbles from Morehead during the course of the game and intercepted three passes, two of them by Sophomore Jim Aurs.

But the Hilltopper offense was plagued with fumbles also. It lost the ball four times on bobbles and one of them led directly to an Eagle touchdown.

Penalties — 144 yards of them — also hamstrung Western throughout the afternoon.

Fullback Millard Shirley scored two of Western's touchdowns on runs of 15 and 6 yards. Quarterback Jerry Nassano counted the other on a six-yard sweep.

Paul Ousley on a 25-yard pass and Ronnie Hart on a three-yard run counted Morehead's six-pointers.

Nassano, who entered the game as the nation's No. 4 passer among small college players, completed only three of 10 tosses for but 24 yards.

The pass was a dangerous weapon.

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SCORED WINNER—Fullback Millard Shirley's 6-yard touchdown run in the third quarter gave Western its margin.
Hilltoppers Have Given Up Only
464 Yards, 19 Points To 3 Foes

Universally accepted as the finest defense unit assembled at Western in the postwar era is the 1952 outfit.

Coach Jack Clayton took advantage of two-platoon football that year to weld 11 ball-stealing operatives into an unyielding machine which suffered only one defeat and brought the college its only bowl title in history.

Yet on sheer figures through the first three games against opposition comparable to 1952's, the current club is better.

Before you start ordering any bowl tickets, though, you must realize that offense is generally down somewhat from two-platoon football's wild final year.

In short, the Hilltoppers' defense has not been facing so polished a series of offenses as two years ago. Still, the figures are bold ones.

Through the first three games of 1952 the enemy had totaled 632 yards running and passing and had scored 36 points.

The comparable figures for this season are 464 yards and 19 points.

The 1952 team had intercepted 13 passes and captured three enemy fumbles through three games.

The current combination has stolen seven aerials and four fumbles.

Pass interceptions are down, but the percentage is up. Through three games in 1952 the opposition had hurled 81 passes against only 38 this year. The percentage of interceptions is 19.4 this year against 16.0 in 1952.

This year's rushing offense is slightly superior to 1952's—635 yards to 605. The passing is almost 500 yards off, though—281 yards to 791.

Clayton's current gang has an excellent background in defense.

Four of its regulars were stick-outs on the 1952 defensive platoon—Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, Center Tom Patterson and End Walt Apperson.

Clayton comes right out and says that Passafiume and Phifer, his co-captains, are the biggest reason the Hilltoppers have come through with three straight wins.

"They are wonderful leaders," he says.

They are aptly placed at tackle, too, because tackling is an art in which they excel.

For instance, Western Sports Publicist Bob Cochran kept figures on the tackles made in the Middle Tennessee game and they showed Passafiume and Phifer with a total of 30 plus eight assists.

Passafiume made first contact on the ball-carrier 13 times and was in on five more tackles.

Phifer racked up the runner 11 times and had three assists.

Other top tackling figures were nine solos by Tank Wilson and seven by Arnie Oaken.

Wilson probably will miss the Morehead game Saturday. He owns an assortment of bruises which are slow to heal.

Clayton Says
All Eagles Lack
Is TD Punch

Coach Jack Clayton, who manages to find a legitimate fear for every team Western faces, had one today as he looked ahead to Saturday afternoon's 2 p.m. OVC battle at Morehead.

He pointed to the fact that the Eagles had everything but a touchdown punch last week against Tennessee Tech's defending league champions.

Morehead made 13 first downs, gained 206 yards running and passing and advanced to the Tech 12, 14 and 18-yard lines in serious gestures.

Tech made just three more first downs than Morehead, yet won the game 32-2 by taking utmost advantage of every break.

Clayton pronounced his team in top shape, save for Guard Tank Wilson, who may be lost for some time with a set of bad bruises.

Wilson's absence means a promotion for J. E. Deboe, a freshman from Princeton. He has been moved up to second string.

Clayton named a squad of 33 to make the trip. The Tops depart at 8 a.m. tomorrow and will stay at the Montgomery Hotel in Mt. Sterling tomorrow night.

The traveling squad:

Ends — Walt Apperson, Don Sparks, Joe Cunningham, Mike Moriarity and Joe Hughes.

Tackles—Jerry Passafiume, Jim Phifer, Sonny Berthold, Twyman Patterson and Dudley Hazel.

Guards—Arnie Oaken, Dave Patton, J. W. Deboe, Gene Robertson, Leon Dunagan and Carroll Spear.

Centers — Tom Patterson, Bill Straw and Wayne Leath.

Quarterbacks — Jerry Nassano, Carroll Van Hooser and Ed Johnson.

Halfbacks — Jim Gunnell, Jim Chambless, Jack Johnson, Ken Barrett, Billy Kinalow, Jim Aura, Jerry Brantley and Don Neimeyer.

Fullbacks — Millard Shirley, Wayne Duncan and Dick Brown.
Hilltopper Defense Has Made Nine Stands Inside Its 25-Yard-Line

Life with Western's defense is getting to be a series of escapades so near its own end zone that the Hilltoppers have diagonal chalk stripes on the backs of their jerseys.

In four games, now, that defense has thwarted the enemy on Western's one-yard-line, its 6, its 7, its 10, its 12, its 14, its 15, and its 25, not to mention a series of stops a few feet farther up hill.

The early-season cliff-hanger reached its peak Saturday at Morehead, when despite a 289 to 138-yard margin in total offense, unbeaten Western spent most of the last half just a few feet from disaster because of fumbles and penalties.

Coach Jack Clayton today singled out three of those defenders for "exceptional performance."

Tackle Jerry Passafiume, Center Tom Patterson and reserve Tackle Sonny Berthold repeatedly went beyond the call of duty to play giant roles in the Hilltoppers' 19-13 victory, the head man said.

"Passafiume simply did everything superbly," Clayton said. "He played 55 minutes and you won't see 55 better minutes of football very often.

"Patterson, a senior, is beginning to exhibit very valuable qualities of leadership.

TWO BIG REASONS Western still is unbeaten are Tackle Jerry Passafiume (left) and Center Tom Patterson. Coach Jack Clayton called the play both "exceptional" in Saturday's 19-13 squeeze past Morehead.

"We have figured all the time that Berthold (215-pound soph) could get the job done for us. He proved that under severe pressure Saturday."

The Hilltoppers paid pretty dearly for this fourth straight victory. Tackle and Co-Captain Jim Phifer missed nearly all of the last half because of a foot injury which could sideline him for a while.
Win Not Wrapped Up Until Final Seconds

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

All-winning Western swapped experiences with a familiar Saturday afternoon companion, Stark Disaster, for 59 minutes at the Stadium yesterday before wrapping up another cliff-hanging victory.

The Hilltoppers vanquished Northeastern Louisiana by what sounds like a comfortable 19-7 for their fifth straight victory before a chilled crowd of 2,500 and 15 visiting high school bands.

But for 59 minutes again—until Millard Shirley and Jim Gunnell collaborated on a swift march for the clinching touchdown—it was anybody's 12-7 ball game.

Western led by those five narrow points only because of the weirdest play of the year—one on which Quarterback Jerry Nassano faked everybody—obviously including even himself—but regained his composure in time to dash 12 yards for a touchdown.

And Western led by those five narrow points only because again that Hilltopper defense was marvelous in the clutch. Pass interceptions by Gunnell on his three-yard line and by Nassano on 11 blunted two Louisiana threats. And Annie Oaken, Walt Apperson and Shirley rose up to wreck another on the 29.

This last stop came in just 3:10 to play. And weary now of playing tag with its own end zone, Western stormed 77 yards in five plays to wrap it up.

Shirley launched this game-climbing drive with a 33-yard gallop. And Gunnell ended it with a 26-yard bolt through the middle on which he shook off four tacklers.

Coach Jack Clayton was a weary man when it was over. Just two weeks ago he saw Western score on the very last play of the game to snatch a 7-6 victory from Middle Tennessee. Last week it was another tag match with the clock with the Hilltoppers saving a 19-13 decision over Morehead.

Nassano's 12-yard scamper for Western's second touchdown was the most dumbfounding play of the season.

From the Louisiana 12, Nassano faded as though to pass. He then executed a unique variation of the draw play. Instead of feeding the ball to his fullback for a blast up the middle of a defense pulled wide by the threat of the pass, Jerry kept the ball and blew up the middle himself.

He flared to the sidelines and tumbled headlong into the end zone.

... That made it 12-0, Western. Shirley and Gunnell again gave Western a damaging one-two overload punch.

Shirley, the junior fullback from Spirofield, carried 11 times for 108 yards. Gunnell ran the ball 13 times for 83 yards.

Western's passing attack was more potent. In the next 10 seconds and 40 yards he was hit, by actual count, six times. He wasn't tripped up until he got all the way to Louisiana's 14.

Two plays later Nassano turned in that exhibition of the keep-draw to score.

Even though they were operating with four regulars sidelined, the Hilltoppers opened impressively,
Unbeaten Tops Seek 5th Win

To Be Observed At 2 P. M. Tilt

All-winning Western goes after its fifth victory against Northeast Louisiana in a Band - Day - and Band - Aid, too - game at the Stadium tomorrow afternoon at 2.

More than 10 high school bands are scheduled to participate in pre-game and halftime programs.

But the most frenzied activity will occur in the Hilltoppers' dressing room as Coach Jack Clayton tries to wire together a flock of railing operatives.

Three customary starters - Tackle Jim Puffer, Guard Vern Wilson and Halfback Jim Chambliss - are definitely out. And two more, Tackle Jerry Passafiume and Halfback Jim Aura, are unlikely to play much.

If Aura can't go at left half because of a case of boils, Clayton will have to call on one of three rookies who have carried the ball only three times among them all season - Don Nelmeier, Jerry Brantley or Ken Barrett.

Fortunately, Louisiana, despite a line which from tackle to tackle averages 216 pounds, does not appear to be an overwhelming club. Western stopped the Indians 43 - 27 and 38 - 3 in the last two meetings and is upward of a two-touchdown favorite even in its crippled condition to write its fifth consecutive victory.

The Hilltoppers will show off one of the nation's top small-college passers in Jerry Nassano, 58 per cent accurate in his pitching; a fullback who is tied for the state scoring lead in Millard Shirley and a swift little guy with a 61-yard rushing average in Jim Gunnell.

For all this good-looking offense, though, Western has been getting by mainly on its defense, which in the four games has intercepted 10 passes, stolen eight fumbles and blocked a kick.

How well the defense will function without its co-captain stars, Passafiume and Puffer, is yet to be determined.

Everybody agrees, though, that this would be a good time for the offense, which has scored only 26 points in the last two games, to come to the rescue.

With consecutive games against Tennessee Tech, Louisville and Eastern coming up in the next three weeks, the Hilltoppers are going to need some points.

It will be Western's first home严格按照 game of the season. The weatherman forecast sunny but warm weather.

Probable starting lineup:

Western N.E. Louisiana

Sparks 175 LE 197 Andrews
Patterson 179 LT 218 Yocum
Oaken 210 LG 180 Melancon
Patterson 189 OG 216 Moore
Patton 188 RG 233 Winkle
Berthold 215 NT 232 McKoon
Apperson 179 RB 165 Collins
Nassano 150 QB 165 Chambliss
Aurs 130 LH 163 Bradley
Gunnell 165 Ht 175 Lewis
Shirley 180 FB 190 Nugent

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Unbeaten Western Meets Tenn. Tech

Special to The Courier-Journal

Bowling Green, Ky., Oct. 22.—The Western Kentucky Hilltoppers, hopeful of an undefeated season, will try to protect their unbroken string of five football triumphs tomorrow night when they clash with Tennessee Tech at Cookeville, Tenn.

It will be an Ohio Valley Conference game, and the outcome may have much to do with deciding the conference title this season. Eastern Kentucky State, another O.V.C. member, also has an unbeaten record of five victories.

Tennessee Tech, traditionally tough in football, has had an in-and-out season but could provide the Hilltoppers with their sternest test of the season.

Take 5 Straight

In succession this season, Western has downed Wittenberg 33-13, East Tennessee 24-6, Middle Tennessee 7-6, Morehead 19-13 and Northeastern Louisiana 19-7.

Western has some powerful weapons in its lineup.
Injured Hilltopper Tackles Return

Unbeaten Hilltoppers Face Three Toughies In A Row

Western could take stock of itself at mid-season today and find that:
1. All-wining through five games, the Hilltoppers have done somewhat better than almost anybody expected, considering that the out no less than four All-OVC stars by graduation.
2. The last half of the season will be rougher than the first half, during which the Hilltoppers pulled out one victory in the last second and scored two more in the final minutes.

This latter observation was lent weight by weekend developments.

-Tennessee Tech. Western's Saturday night foe at Cookeville, came bouncing back from a poor start to tie Memphis State, 25-all.

-Memphis tied Tulane earlier, you recall.

-Tech amassed an astonishing 446 yards running and passing. And the conference's top scorer, Fullback Paul Anderson, ran his point total to 38 with touchdown charges of 10 and 6 yards. Jack Van Hooser passed for the other two counters.

—All winning Eastern walloped Youngstown 28-7, dealing the Ohioans only their second loss in their last 12 games and their first this season. The Maroons play here in Western's Homecomer Nov. 6.

-Track star Don Daly scored once to remain in a tie with Western's Millard Shirley for the state scoring lead. Both own 30 points.

—University of Louisville broke a 12-game losing streak by racking up Evansville 26-6. The Cardinals play here Oct. 30.

-Louisville scored on spectacular plays measuring 84, 45, 44 and 39 yards with Halfback Bill Layne getting two of them.

-So the next three Saturdays in a row promise lively action. Then come Evansville and Murray in season-ending road games which are never easy.

-If the Hilltoppers could go unbeaten through these five, they would have a solid claim to being Western's best ever.

-Jack Clayton's major concern today, though, was not over the strength of upcoming foes, but the soundness of limb of his own operatives.

-Four regulars missed Saturday's 19-7 win over Northeast Louisiana. One of them, Guard Vern Wilson, is likely out for the season.

-Clayton desperately hopes, though, that the other three—Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer and Halfback Jim Chambliss—can play against Tech.

Both To Play Saturday At Cookeville

All-wining Western's hopes for victory over three-beaten but fast-coming Tennessee Tech at Cookeville Saturday night took an upsurge today.

Coach Jack Clayton said that star Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer definitely will be able to play against the Eagles.

-Both scrimmaged yesterday and suffered no ill effects from foot injuries. Passafiume likely will play most of the game now.

-The Little All-America candidate, out last week with a badly-bruised heel, has cut the back out of a football shoe and taped a rubber pad to the heel. It slows him a trifle, but even a slowed Passafiume is a pretty good tackled.

-Clayton also, for one of the rare times since he has been here, was satisfied with yesterday's practice session.

-The main reason appeared to be return to early-season form of Jerry Nassano's passing arm.

-Jerry's timing was almost perfect yesterday, the head man said. "He was throwing the ball where it should be at the instant it should be."

-Nassano completed 18 of 25 passes in Western's first two games but he has the ball hit on just 13 of 34 in the last three.

-Perhaps significantly, Western won those first two games with ease and has been pressed until the final minute in the last three.

-The Hilltoppers will be playing before probably their largest crowd of the season at Cookeville.

-It's Tech's Homecomer and upward of 6,000 spectators are expected.

-The game is set for 8 p.m.

Tech Is Hurdle As Tops Seek Sixth In Row

Western's footballers are creeping up on an all-time Hilltop record.

-The Toppers have won their first five games and only two other teams in the college's history have done so well.

-The 1928 combination won its first seven, all by shutouts, before dropping a 7-6 decision to Union University.

—The 1937 team won five in a row before bowing to Western Michigan 13-7.

-The current team's record is even better than in 1952 when Coach Jack Clayton brought the college its only bowl trip. The 1952 team won its first four, but then bowed to Tennessee Tech 21-13.

-So who bars the way to a sixth straight triumph this weekend? Why, Tennessee Tech again. And Tech has been making a habit lately of taking the Toppers. The Eagles have won the last three in a row—14-7, 21-13 and 35-21.

-They have won them, for all the considering scoring, on hard-hitting defensive football.

-They turned two fumbles into the touchdowns that beat Western in the Homecomer here last year.

-They turned two intercepted passes into the touchdowns that wrecked the Hilltoppers at Cookeville in 1952.

-In 1951 it was a pair of fumbles again that decided it.

-Western has had the kind of hard-hitting defense this year which could reverse the hill and the cup.

-But Clayton said today that he has "little hopes" that Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, his most celebrated defenders, will be able to operate at Cookeville Saturday night.

-"There is too much of the season left for us to take a chance on Jim or Jerry unless they are fully recovered from their injuries," Clayton said.

-He also feels that regular Halfback Jim Chambliss will miss the game.

-Regular Guard Vern Wilson, supposedly sidelined for the season after being injured in the Middle Tennessee game, worked out lightly yesterday, but he is unlikely to play until November if at all.
Western Will Be After 6th Straight Triumph

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

Western goes after its sixth consecutive victory, a milestone reached only by one other team in the college's history, in a critical Ohio Valley Conference skirmish with Tennessee Tech at Cookeville tomorrow night.

The disparity in the season's records—Tech is thrice beaten and once tied in five games—the Tennesseans are ranked an eyelash favorite by syndicated rating systems.

This is due in large part to the stout stand Tech has made in the last three weeks following two early-season upset losses.

The Eagles returned seven starters from the unit which slew Western 35-21 en route to the OVC championship last year, but the reserve ranks were literally decimated by graduation.

As a result, Tech lost 20-7 to Florence (Ala) State and 19-12 to sophomore-dominated Murray in its first two games before the reserves seasoned sufficiently to help. They've been tough since then.

Tech wallowed Morehead 22-0 just a week before Western had to rally to squeeze the same team 19-13.

They held the finest team Eastern ever has produced to a 14-7 victory.

Then last week they felled a Memphis State, which early in the season had tied Tulane, 28-28. Tech led 25-12 in this game with just four minutes to play and wound up with a tremendous 446 yards running and passing.

Western, which has lost three years running to Tech, twice in Hilltopper Homecomings, has already banked a profit for the season.

Halfback Jim Gunnell, who is clipping along at 6.6 yards.

On top, too, are a pair of sophomores—Fullback Wayne Duncan, averaging 5.4 yards, and Halfback Jim Aurs, hitting 4.4.

Tech's big gun is 189-pound Fullback Paul Anderson, who has rambled for six touchdowns. He has scored three of them from way out, one on a 67-yard bolt.

Two other Fullback faces on the backfield are Fullback Joe Mac Reeves and Quarterback Jack Van Hooser.

This Van Hooser likely would be a unanimous selection on Western's all-time villain team. He hurled the touchdown pass that whipped the Toppers 14-7 here in 1951 and connected on two scoring shots in Tech's 35-21 decision here last year.

Up front this scramble will feature a duel between two of the best tackles—small college or major—in the South: Western's Passafiume and Tech's 215-pound Passafiume. Both were ranked in a pre-season Saturday Evening Post article among the top dozen tackles in the South.

While its offense has sputtered much of the season, for all the effectiveness of its ground game, and its defense has been repeatedly called off for heroic stands, Western has showed unsurpassed determination.

Lost of four all-conference stars and three more regulars by graduation last spring, Western hardly figured to improve on 1953's 6-7 record.

But now, if they can get past Tech, these Hilltoppers likely will carry an all-winning record into the Homecoming with unbeaten Eastern on Nov. 6 and will stand a fine chance of returning to the OVC throne they shared with Tech in 1955.

With injured Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer ready now to play much of the way, Western may be better equipped than last year to break this string of reverses.

The Hilltoppers emphasized the passing game the last three seasons and saw this weapon backfire each time against Tech. The Eagles used passes of their own to win two of the games and capitalized on interceptions to grab the other.

For three weeks running the Hilltoppers have either won or saved victories in the final minute.

"This team has showed an unusual amount of courage," Coach Jack Clayton has said. "You can go a long way on courage in this game."

While it has played a schedule inferior to Tech's, Western has a better offensive record—101 points to Tech's 83—and a superior defense—yielding 45 points to Tech's 69.

It's Tech's Homecoming and a crowd surpassing 6,000 is expected to jam Overholt Field for the 8 p.m. battle.

Two top Western operations definitely will miss the game—Quarterback Vern Wilson and Halfback Jim Chambless. Reserve End Mike Mor-

Western

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larity is somewhat doubtful because of rib injuries.

All the rest will play, although the length of performance of both Passafiume and Phifer is doubtful.

Probable starting lineups:

Western Pat 195 RT 195 Passafiume 205 LT 230 Daniels
Jon 185 LG 185 Raines
Patterson 195 C 195 Kidd
Oakman 215 RG 190 Kirk
Phifer 195 RT 215 Passons
Apperson 170 RH 190 Taylor
Nassano 180 QB 180 Van Hooser
Aurs 185 LH 170 Parks
Gunnell 165 RH 180 Anderson
Shirley 180 FB 185 Reeves
Hilltoppers Take

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Sixth Win

Aurs Scores 3
Touchdowns To Lead Mates

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor
COOKEVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 22—Western worked the terrible wrath of the unconquered tonight, smashing Tennessee Tech's defending Ohio Valley Conference champions 32-12 for its sixth straight victory.

Getting a tremendous performance from tiny Halfback Jim Aurs, who bolted into the end zone three times, the Hilltoppers wrecked Tech's three-year string of triumphs with as deadly an attack and as game-wrecking a defense as you ever saw.

Western spotted Tech a 6-0 lead and then stormed back before the unbelieving gaze of 8,000 Home-comers to score five touchdowns in the game's next 21 minutes.

With Quarterback Jerry Nassano using the pass and the threat of the pass with devastation you seldom see short of the professional game, with that defense intercepting two passes and grabbing three Tech fumbles, the Hilltoppers booked a performance which even the 1892 Refrigerator Bowl champions never surpassed.

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Tech 99

Total offense

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Passes completed

9 4

Passes intercepted by

2 0

Fumbles lost

1 3

No. punts

6 3

Punt Av.

45 38

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Western smashed for another paralyzing score. Passafiume wrapped around a fumble on the Tech two to set this one up.

Again the Hilltoppers survived an offside penalty to score on a three-yard haymaker by Aurs. The kid went wide to his right, with Apperson getting the key block.

Tech was hard pressed to hold off Western's second stringers on its 23 before uncoiling its second touchdown drive late in the game. This one went 68 yards in four stormy plays. End Marshall Taylor scored from 10 yards out on a reverse.

And it ended, third string quarterback Eddie Johnson was moving Western goalward.

Guards Arnie Oaken and Dave Patton, that Passafiume and Fithers, that Sparks and Apperson, Tom Patterson, all played superb defense.

The left side of the Hilltopper line—Patton, Passafiume and Sparks—cleared big swaths all night.

University of Louisville is next for these Hilltoppers who with a triumph next Saturday can match the college's all-time winning streak.

But mainly, those who saw them tonight are thinking, bring on the Eastern Maroons.

Score by periods:

Western 6 13 13 0
Tech 0 0 0 9


Hilltoppers Played 28 Minutes Of Faultless Football In 32-12 Rout Of Tennessee Tech

By BERT BORBONE
Daily News Sports Editor
An entrancing question today for all-winning Western's football backers is: Did a Hilltopper combination ever played 28 minutes of such faultless football? As this club did in its 32-12 rout of Tennessee Tech's defending OVC champions Saturday night.

Cold figures on play during this span - the last 16 minutes of the first half and the first 11 minutes of the third period border on the incredible.

But here there are:
The Hilltoppers scored all of their 34 points - better than a point a minute - in this spurt. Tech was held scoreless.

- Western ran 33 plays during this span, gaining 161 yards. Tech got off 27 plays and its net on these 27 was a MINUS THREE YARDS.

- Ten of those Tech plays resulted in losses totaling 85 yards. The other 18 gained a total of just 26.

- In this tremendous burst of football, Tech lost three fumbles, did not complete a pass and had two interceptions - by Quarterback Jerry Nashano and lineman Bill Strong.

- And this was a good Tech football team, one which had tied Memphis State, 25-12, just a week ago. Memphis earlier had tied Tulane.

Coach Jack Clayton's once-beaten 1953 unit, rated the college's best ever, played almost a perfect game in the staggering 32-12 rout of Eastern in the Homecoming that year and it played some 35 minutes of superb football in the 34-13 Refrigerator Bowl victory over Arkansas State.

Aside from these two games, it never matched the performance of this combination before those 8,600 Homecomers at Cookeville Satur-

day night.

And this observer seriously questions that in either of those games, it played 28 minutes of comparable football.

Western got off 24 running plays in this span, gaining 161 yards. Nashano ran four times for 67 yards and two, Fullback Millard Shirley, object of Tech's concentration, was the decoy but still scored once.

Nashano passed nine times and completed seven of them for 66 yards. None was intercepted. He hit End Don Sparks three times for 35 yards. He hit End Walt Apperson three times for 23. He connected to Halfback Jack Johnson once for seven.

Now consider that defense.

Tech lost the ball and 20 yards once on tackle Jim Phifer's handoff play.

Tech lost 16 yards another time on a collaborating tackle by Sparks and tackle Jerry Passafiume.

The Eagles lost the ball and 12 yards on another Passafiume-leader cooperation.

They lost 12 once on a trap by Guard Dave Patton.

They lost nine on a pursuit tackle by Sparks. Apologies certainly are forthcoming to Western's ends, who were regarded as the week defensive links when the season opened.

Tech lost six yards once on charge by Guard Arnie Oaken.

Somebody congratulated Oaken on his brilliant play when it was all over and remarked, "Well, you guys didn't need any last-second heroes to pull this one out." Apparently, Tech's touchdown played a big role in humbling Tech's defense, too, after that they couldn't afford to slack at him on the pass attempts.

The Eagles either won or saved victory in the final minute.

Tech tried six passes, four fell incomplete. Nashano and Strong in.

This reporter had the pleasure of riding home from Tech with Clayton and Franklin-Edsminson Big Coach Jim Owby.

Owby said he thought the game actually was decided on Tech's second series, when they were still behind 6-0.

"They moved the ball to the 41 and scored a touchdown," Owby said. "If we had scored, our morale would have been up, and it would have been better than you'd think."
Offense or Defense—Passafiume Is There

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Jerry Passafiume, a 210-pound senior tackle from Louisville, is rated as one of the best linemen to ever play for Western Kentucky.

A 1951 graduate of St. Xavier High School, Passafiume came to Western Kentucky in the fall of 1951. By the fifth game of the season he had broken into the lineup as a starting tackle.

Injuries hampered him during his first season but beginning with the opening game of the 1953 season, the burly tackle has started every important game the Hilltoppers have played. He played both offense and defense when the two-platoon system was in operation which has made him much more valuable with the advent of the single platoon. He stays in action almost the full sixty minutes.

Likes Defense Best

When Hilltopper Head Coach Jack Clayton wanted to replace his star tackle on offense (he is a brilliant offensive lineman), Passafiume said, "Let me stay in coach, defense is more fun," and stay in he has.

Passafiume has sustained injuries which would have sidetracked any ordinary football player. But when game time rolls around he is always in there making things brutally rough on opposing linemen.

On offense Passafiume leads most of the plays through the line. On defense he is in on better than 80 per cent of the tackles. He is very deceptive in appearance with his lumbering, flat-footed gait. But his moves like a cat once a play is started. He has an uncanny ability to diagnose where a play is going almost every time and he usually gets there to be in on the stop. As a blocker there is none better. Opposing ball carriers say that when Passafiume tackles, you really know you have been hit.

Named Co-Captain

In this his senior year, Passafiume's teammates honored him by electing him co-captain of the Hilltopper squad along with his cohort, Jim Phifer, another top flight senior tackle. With these two, Western Kentucky boasts two of the finest tackles in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Passafiume will graduate in August, 1955. He expects to go on active duty as a second lieutenant in infantry shortly after graduation. He is an outstanding member of the Ground Force R.O.T.C. at Western Kentucky. This past summer at R.O.T.C. summer camp held at Fort Meade, Md., he was one of the top cadets.

A better than average student, Passafiume is majoring in Geography with minors in Physical Education and Industrial Arts. He plans to coach football when he finishes his tour of duty in the Army.

WESTERN MAINSTAY—

Jerry Passafiume, former St. X. gridder, is co-captain of the Western Hilltoppers who play the University of Louisville Saturday afternoon at Bowling Green. He plays tackle.

Jerry Passafiume
Topper Tackle From St. X.

In the Western line, Jerry Passafiume is a tower of strength. The senior tackle from Louisville's St. Xavier is co-captain of the team and a candidate for Little All-America honors.
Western today against the University of Louisville Cardinals is going for the Hilltoppers' seventh straight win of the season. The unbeaten Hilltoppers stayed right on the heels of the powerful Eastern Maroons in the chase for the Ohio Valley Conference championship with a resounding 32-12 triumph over defending champion Tennessee Tech last week at Cookeville, Tenn.

Unbeaten Eastern leads the OVC with wins over Murray, Morehead, Tennessee Tech and Middle Tennessee. In addition, the Maroons have whipped outsiders John Carroll and Youngstown. This week the Maroons play Toledo, another outsider.

Kentucky's game of the year is set for next week in the Western Stadium when these two OVC powerhouses collide at 2 p.m. in the Hilltoppers' annual Homecoming game. Never in the historic series between these two ancient rivals which started back in 1914 have both come up with such impressive records and tested teams of championship caliber.

Little Jim Aurs was the big gun against Tech last week as he scored three of Western's five touchdowns. Jerry Nassano picked up one marker on a beautiful 37-yard run. Millard Shirley, Western's leading scorer with 36 points, also scored once in the rout.

Western's line, led by Co-captains Jerry Passafiume and Jim Phifer, ripped the heavier Tech forward wall. The Eagles lost three fumbles when Hilltopper linemen knocked Tech runners loose from the ball to set up touchdowns.

Tech's passing game was stopped as the Eagles could connect on only four of 15 attempts. Two aerials were intercepted to halt scoring thrusts and as many more passes labeled touchdown were batted away from Tech receivers by the alert Hilltopper defenders.

Aurs blossomed out as the kicker the Hilltoppers have needed as he booted one good for 54 yards to the Tech four and another for 63 yards to Tech's 17.

The tremendous victory which broke Tech's three-year win streak over the Hilltoppers came off a team performance unsurpassed in Western's football history. Nassano used the pass and the threat of the pass with devastating seldom seen outside the professional game as the Hilltoppers sprang as deadly an attack and as game-wrecking defense ever witnessed in a football game anyplace.

Today's game with the Cardinals resumed a rivalry begun back in 1922. Since that time the two teams have played 16 times with Western winning 10 of the meetings and Louisville six. The last time the two met was in Western's opening game of the 1949 season when the Cards carted off a 47-7 win, the biggest margin of victory ever registered by Louisville.

Louisville got away to a slow start this season, losing to Murray, Wayne University, Florida State and Dayton before moving into the win column against Evansville two weeks ago and Centre last Saturday.

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Western's co-captains this season rank as two of the best tackles in the Ohio Valley Conference. These two outstanding players are starting their third year as varsity regulars.

Jim Phifer, shown on the left, weighs 200 pounds and is six feet, one inch tall. He hails from Chattanooga, Tenn. Jerry Passafiume, right, weighs 210 pounds and is five feet, ten inches tall. He comes from Louisville, Ky.

These two boys are so powerful and team up so well that Coach Jack Clayton has worked out a special set of plays built around their striking power. Both can go the full sixty minutes.

Passafiume and Phifer are both highly deceptive in their ability to move. They give the impression of being slow and clumsy until a play starts. When the action begins these two powerful tackles explode and all ideas that they can't move are quickly dispersed. They are considered by their teammates and the opposition as two of the roughest and toughest players on the Western Kentucky squad.

Both boys on defense have that 'sixth sense' of being able to diagnose a play almost before the opposition snaps the ball. One, and most of the time both, is in on every tackle which makes it extremely rough on opposing ball carriers.

On offense either man can plow a hole through the opponents for Hilltopper ball carriers. These two men are quiet and non-committal off the gridiron but both love to play winning football. Their experience and leadership abilities make them ideal to lead this year's young team which will have to depend a lot on a large group of spirited but inexperienced sophomores.

Passafiume and Phifer will again anchor the Hilltopper line this season as they have over the past two seasons. When these two boys are in there, the Hilltopper coaches can be certain that the opponents won't go far through the center of Western's line.
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Little Halfback Scores 3 TD’s In 7th Victory

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

Coach Jack Clayton said at a late hour last night that he will try his best to persuade Western’s tiny Halfback Jim Aurs to continue his whirlwind inspection tour of enemy end zones another week at least.

Yesterday, for the second straight game, Aurs—all 152 eassy pounds of him—broke for three touchdowns as the Hilltoppers broke University of Louisville’s last-quarter rally and wrote by 25-7 their record-trying seventh straight victory.

What with Eastern coming to town next Saturday and it being Homecoming and all, Clayton said he feels sure he can convince Aurs that there are things in that Ma-

The ball-stealing tactics of its brillianline had set up two first-half Western touchdowns—one scored on a 12-yard prance by Aurs and the other on a 13-yard pass from Quarterback Jerry Nassano to End Mike Moriarity.

Western and Eastern, which was tied 13-all last night by Toledo, are among 18 teams under consideration for an appearance in the Evanville Refrigerator Bowl, a committee member revealed Saturday. The two meet here next Saturday afternoon in Western’s Home-

Then until early in the fourth quarter, that redoubtable defense and Aurs’ punting—he kicked dead once on Louisville’s two and another time on its seven—kept the situation well in hand.

But Western’s field mastery was broken in the early minutes of that final quarter when U. L. stormed 65 yards, almost entirely on Johnny Unitas’ passing, to narrow the gap to 12-7.

As it has in three other games this year, Western looked disaster in the face and, abhorring what it saw, got the heck out of there.

In five swift plays Hilltoppers retaliated, scoring on a mighty pass from Nassano to Aurs which will go into the books as a 25-yarder but actually traveled 55 in the air. Aurs leaped six feet in the air, or so it seemed, to catch it.

Then, quickly, the defense set up another scoring opportunity. And Aurs, still not satisfied with the looks of that Louisville end zone, stopped to inspect it again after an 11-yard scoring run.

Again it must be observed that this lad was not even a regular and had not scored a point eight short days ago. This morning he owns 36 points and is tied for the team scoring lead with Fullback Millard Shirley.

That Western defense—a brick wall that throws bricks, a unit which not only sharply limits the enemy’s scoring but strikes for scores itself—wrapped around three fumbles yesterday and also swarmed all over a would-be punter.

Three of the Hilltoppers’ four touchdowns stemmed from these operations in which Tackle Jerry Passafiume, Guard Dave Patton and Ends Don Sparks and Joe Cunningham took the most active part.

First, Patton sacked up the Cardinals’ fine fullback, John Sowa, and Passafiume stole the ball on the Louisville 29.

In four plays Western was in the end zone. The counter came when Western faked Shirley into the middle and veered Aurs to the right from 13 yards out.

Next Sowa lost six yards on a fourth-down punt attempt on Sparks’ tackle and Western took over on its 42.

Aurs ran for 12, 5, 4, 3 and 2 yards before Nassano threw to Moriarity, who reached to steal the pitch from an Intercepter and stumble into the end zone.

Pinkney, the top scorer for that drive, scored on a 1-yard dive.

Unltas passed for 38 of the 65 yards the Louisville scoring drive covered.

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Scoring:

Louisville 0 0 0 7-7
Western 6 6 0 13-25

Louisville scoring: Touchdowns—Lyles, PAT—Sartini.
Western scoring: Touchdowns—Aurs 4, Moriarity, PAT—Passa-

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running plays, Nassano shot that long one to Aurs in the end zone. Just two plays later, Western had the ball again.

This time Tackle Jim Philber knocked down Unitas for a 21-yard loss and when the ball rolled free, Patton camped on it, on the U. L. 32.

This one took only three plays, Aurs scoring on his specialty—the wide veer to the right and the breath-taking scramble down the sidelines.

While the win wasn’t by anything like Louisville’s 47-7 verdict here in 1949 in these rivals’ last meeting, it was most satisfying to the frozen 2,000 customers who were on hand.

They saw some jarring line play and a pair of 74-yard rushing producers in Aurs, who carried 18 times, and Sowa, who ran 11 times.

Nassano had a fine day in the air, too, jammed thumb and all. He completed on seven of 18 passes for 121 yards. The touchdown losses were his third and fourth of the year.

A one-time understudy to Unitas at U. L., Nassano completely outshone his contemporary. Unitas completed six of 10, but for only 69 yards.

The loss was the Cardinals’ fifth in seven games.

Scoring summary:

Louisville 0 0 0 7-7
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The Hilltoppers’ fans on both ends of the field had not been heard from since their 13-13 tie with Ohio State.

In a fourth and one situation on the Western four, Louisville sent Halfback Leonard Lyle wide to the right for the score. When Gene Saritini converted, it was a 12-7 game and that winning streak—measuring 5-1 in straight games over two seasons—was in considerable danger.

Just for two minutes, though, Aurs relayed the kickoff to Western’s 24 and Nassano was off. He hurled for 13 yards to Moriarity.

He passed for 21 to Cunningham.

Then, after Wayne Duncan and Aurs had collaborated on a pair of
Western’s Iron Fist Bushes Louisville 25 to 7

By JOHNNY CARRICO
Bowling Green, Ky., Oct. 30.

Western extended the hand of reconciliation to Louisville and Cardinal fans as well, saying the battle for the Cardinal-Mid-Western trophy was over.

Western was the better team on the field and deserved the win of 18 points.

The Cards were moving, with the Cards moving, when powerful John Sowa, the best U. L. player on the field, fumbled on the Louisville 23 and Passafiume recovered. Shirley bolted to a first down on the 17 in two rushes; Jim Gunnell added three more. Aurs, with a hand-off, roared around right end from the 14 to the 3. Jerry Brantley's conversion was wide.

Louisville replied with a 42-yard thrust with Jim Houser and Leonard Lyles the chief workers. But it died on the Western 15 when Houser bobbed and Joe Cunningham retrieved.

Midway in the second Louisville gained the Topper 33 but lost momentum. A low snap on fourth down forced Sowa to run instead of punting and the big fullback was nailed on the Western 42. The Toppers took over and took off.

Drops Key Pass
Alternating punches at the mid-section by Nassano and Shirley with sweeps by Aurs, Western moved to the Cardinal 18 in 15 plays. On third down Mike Moriarty retained a juggling catch on a throw by Nassano for the Redmen's second tally.

Jim Gunnell missed the placement this time and Western led 9-7 at the intermission.

The third quarter was a stand-off, the most exciting moment coming when Sowa dropped a potential touchdown pass from Units in the end zone. However, the Cards launched a drive in the third that culminated in a fourth quarter six-pointer.

Units touched off the explosion with a 16-yard pitch to John Becker on the Western 46. Another toss, this one for 15 yards, to Becker added a first down on the Topper 26. Sowa was tagged in the flat on the 19 and George Cain spotted right guard for a first down on the 14.

Units raced to the five on a keep but it took three more cracks to dent the tough Western defense. Gene Sartini booted the point and Louisville gained 16 yards to go in the game.

Paton Recovers
Louisville’s hopes soon went flying on Nassano’s arm. Two plays later Paton answered with a 23 yarder to Becker on the Western 46. An attempt was wide, however, two Western players and another Card made a combined effort to stop him.

Passafiume was tackled, not on the gain, but on the gain, and the Cards recovered.

The loss was the fifth for Louisville this season, and it continued the trend of losing to Western at least once a year.

Statisticians Johnnie Carrico and Henry P. Young...
TOUCHDOWN COMING UP — This 13-yard pass, from Jerry Nassano (No. 22) to End Mike Moriarity (57), produced Western's second touchdown in its 25-7 conquest of University of Louisville yesterday. A real oddity is that all 22 players are shown in this shot and every one of them is on his feet. The seventh straight victory tied the Hilltopper's all-time one-season win streak.
Tennessee Tech Coach, Beaten By Both, Sees Western And Eastern In Low-Scoring Contest

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sport Editor

The man in the best position to expert the climactic duel between all-winning Western and unbeaten Eastern here Saturday is of course Mr. Willburn Tucker of Cookeville, Mr. Tucker is the analytically-minded young coach of Tennessee Tech's defending Ohio Valley Conference champions, who will be succeeded as king of the league by the winner of Saturday's 2 p.m. Stadium Homecoming.

His team played both of those deadly rivals in a space of 18 days during October. His Eagles lost to Eastern 14-7 and bowed to Western 22-12.

Today, by telephone, he agreed to try to expert this match, which has as much build-up as any game as Western football team has ever played.

"As, for Western's line, we thought that (Jerry) Passafiume, (Tom) Foster and (Wall) Apperson played superb games against us. "

"As far as Western's defense is concerned, I'm not sure that our defense was as good as the Eastem defense. "

"I'd say Passafiume and our own tackle, Passon, are as good as any around this season. "

"The entire line was outstanding, though, I thought. Any line that can steal three fumbles from us inside our 10-yard-line must be a very good and spirited one. "

"Western impressed us offensively with the quarterback, (Jerry) Nasso. He runs well and we respect his arm. That little left halfback, (Jim) Agra, hurt us a lot, too. We weren't prepared for him. "

"Western's ground game, though, did not match Eastern. "

"Eastern has a great running back in (Don) Daily. This fellow weighs 190 pounds. Yet he has run the 100-yard dash in OVC competition in less than 10 seconds. You don't see a boy with these qualifications very often in small-college football. "

"Eastern's quarterback, Jim Hanlon, did not have a particularly good night against us. But two other times our scouts have watched him he played very fine ball. "

"Eastern's most impressive lineman is a guard, (Jerry) Jones, who weighs around 210 and is in his fourth year as a regular. "

"I don't want to give the impression that there is anything at all weak about the rest of this line. It merely did not impress us as greatly as Western's. "

"About the scoring, I'd guess there won't be much. I'd guess not over three touchdowns altogether. "

"We have a game Saturday night and we should scout Middle Tennessee, whom we play later on, Saturday afternoon. But if there is any way possible to arrange it, I'm coming up to see this game. "

"Off what the two of them showed against us, it should be as fine a game as you'll see in this part of the country in a long time. "

That's the way Mr. Tucker sees it and a more scholarly approach to impending battle is difficult to conceive.

"Eastern's II - game winning streak was marred last week by that tie with Toledo. I know this is your Homecoming, but I still feel Eastern will have an advantage psychologically. And a team's frame of mind is all important in a game with the implications this one bears. "

"As for Western's line, we thought that (Jerry) Passafiume, (Tom) Foster and (Wall) Apperson played superb games against us. "

"That Passafiume, in particular, his charge through our offensive line kept us off balance all night. By the middle of the second quarter he had reduced our passing attack to a minor threat. "

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"Eastern has a great running back in (Don) Daily. This fellow weighs 190 pounds. Yet he has run the 100-yard dash in OVC competition in less than 10 seconds. You don't see a boy with these qualifications very often in small-college football. "

"Eastern's quarterback, Jim Hanlon, did not have a particularly good night against us. But two other times our scouts have watched him he played very fine ball. "

"Eastern's most impressive lineman is a guard, (Jerry) Jones, who weighs around 210 and is in his fourth year as a regular. "

"I don't want to give the impression that there is anything at all weak about the rest of this line. It merely did not impress us as greatly as Western's. "

"About the scoring, I'd guess there won't be much. I'd guess not over three touchdowns altogether. "

"We have a game Saturday night and we should scout Middle Tennessee, whom we play later on, Saturday afternoon. But if there is any way possible to arrange it, I'm coming up to see this game. "

"Off what the two of them showed against us, it should be as fine
Eastern, Western
Among 48 Unbeaten,
Untied Grid Teams

NEW YORK, Oct. 25—Forty-six college football teams, 10 of them ranked in the major class, still boast unbeaten, untied records.

The select group lost 19
members last weekend.Heading the major group with six victories each are UCLA, Cincinnati and Montana State. In the five-game division are Miami of Florida, Boston College, Ohio State, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Virginia Tech. The 10th member, West Virginia, has won 14.

Others winning six games are Eastern Kentucky, which has scored 121 points against its opponents' 53, and Western Kentucky, with a point total of 133 against 87 for its opponents.

Eastern, Western
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Eastern, Western
On Perfect
Record Roll

Both Eastern,
Eastern on List

New York, Oct. 25 (UPI)—Fifty-one colleges, led by rugged U.C.L.A., remained on football's undefeated and untied list today in the aftermath of a wild week and which claimed 23 teams from the perfect record category.

U.C.L.A., with six victories in as many games, paced all the perfect record teams with a total of 265 points scored. Other major colleges on the list included Oklahoma, Ohio State, Arkansas, West Virginia, Bucknell, Miami (Fla.), and Miami (Ohio).

Minnesota, Colorado, Wisconsin, Mississippi, Colgate and Yale were among those falling by the wayside.

Michigan beat Minnesota, 34-0; Nebraska beat Colorado, 20-6; Ohio State defeated Wisconsin, 31-14; Arkansas beat Mississippi, 6-0; and Colgate and Yale ruined their spotless records by playing to a 13-13 tie.

The undefeated and untied teams:

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FORMING A "W" FOR WESTERN; and Win, too, they hope, are the 11 Hilltopper starters who will bear the brunt of the challenge against Eastern here tomorrow. For seven of them, this will be the Stadium finale, their last appearance before a home crowd. The seven seniors are Walk Apperson, Jim Gunnell, Aurs, Oaken, Jerry Nassano, Tom Patterson, Jim Phifer and Don Shirley.

Unbeaten Eastern, Western
Gird for Clash

Special to The Courier-Journal
Bowling Green, Ky., Nov. 7
Kentucky's battle of the unbeaten sends Western against Eastern Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Western Stadium in the Hilltoppers' annual homecoming game to renew a rivalry begun back in 1914.

Never before in the ancient rivalry between these two teams have both been able to send into this traditional meeting teams boasting such outstanding records. Eastern has not been beaten in the last 12 games. The only blemish on Eastern's record is a 13-13 tie with powerful Toledo registered last Saturday. The Maroons lead the Ohio Valley Conference with four wins and no losses against loop foes.

Western has not been whelmed since the Maroons handed the Hilltoppers a 13-7 defeat last November 7 at Richmond. Since that loss the Hilltoppers have run over nine opponents in a row. Seven wins have been scored this season without a loss to equal a Western football record of seven straight wins which has stood since 1926.

Western ranks second in the chase for the O.V.C. championship behind the Maroons with three wins and no losses. A win Saturday for Eastern will clinch undisputed possession of the 1954 O.V.C. crown. A Western triumph will give the Hilltoppers at least a tie for the title. Western has traditional rival and O.V.C. foe Murray to play on November 20 at Murray in the final game of the season for both elevens.

When the Maroons invade Bowling Green, Coach Glenn Premn, of Eastern will be seeking his first victory over the Hilltoppers at Bowling Green since he joined Eastern's coaching staff in 1947.

In 1947, the Maroons whitewashed the Toppers 27-0 at Richmond. Since that time, the two teams have met six times, three times in Richmond and three times in Bowling Green. Western won its host games by scores of 14-13 in 1948 and 1950, and in 1952, the Hilltoppers humiliated the Maroons by a 46-6 count at Western Stadium. In 1949, 1951 and 1953, the Maroons took their Ohio Valley Conference championships by scores of 20-7, 31-7, and 13-7, respectively.

Should Premn be successful in gaining that initial win at Bowling Green, he will have been successful in capturing the Ohio Valley Conference championship in his first year at the helm of the Maroons.

Little Jim Aurs, Western's sophomore halfback from Evansville, Ind., last week jumped into a three-way tie with teammate Millard Shirley and Louisville's Leonard Lyons for the state's scoring lead. Aurs' three touchdowns against Louisville gives him a total of 36 points for the season. All of his points have been scored in the last two games.

Seven Western seniors will be playing their last game Saturday in the Western Stadium. The are tackles and co-captains Jerry Nassano and Jim Phifer, end Walt Apperson, Don Sparks, center Tom Patterson, guard Aurs Oaken and halfback Jim Gunnell.

The Richmond gridders have been able to get in no rough work at all and have had to set up with calisthenics and skull sessions that were held in the gymnasium. Bob Muller, bruising fullback, who received an ankle separation in Eastern's win over Tennessee Tech a month ago, worked out in sweat clothes, but is not expected to be ready for any action at all in this week game.

The Maroons should be in good physical condition, providing they have had hard bruises sustained in last week's game with tough Toledo heals properly.
Over 6,000 Expected For Homecoming Affair

By BERT BORrone
Daily News Sports Editor

Western goes after its record-smashing eighth straight victory against Eastern here tomorrow in a match of unbeaten small-college football titans.

The Ohio Valley Conference championship, very possibly a bowl bid and the hopes of both for an undefeated season ride with the 2 p.m. Homecomer.

The weatherman said it will be contested under blue skies. And if this forecast is correct, Hilltopper officials predict the largest crowd—around 6,500—ever to see an athletic event at Western. Ticket requests have come from as far as 250 miles away.

Eastern has been installed a one-touchdown favorite by most syndicated rating systems, principally because of superb offensive balance which has averaged producing three touchdowns a game.

The unbeaten but once-tied Maroons tomorrow, though, will be running into what at times has looked like one of the mightiest small-college lines assembled anywhere this year.

Sparked by the flamboyant charge of Tackle Jerry Passafiume and the less spectacular efficiency of Jim Phifer, this up-front unit has been tremendous in the clutch all year.

In its supreme October test, against Tennessee Tech, it operated in such murderous fashion that during one 38-minute burst Tech had a net minus-three yards running and passing.

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The story of this 40-year-old series is the story of the upset, the sensational comeback, the incredible finish.

In both 1948 and 1950, Western, the underdog, snatched 14-13 victories.

In 1951, the Hilltoppers were down 20-0 at the half, but staged a comeback with only one Stadium parallel to write a 27-20 victory.

City's Largest Football Crowd Sees Eastern Snap Topper Win String 21-0

Homecoming Spoiled For Over 6,000

By BERT BORRONE
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A record Homecoming crowd of 6,200 watched Western spend its strength in constant defense of its goal yesterday and lose, by 21-0 to archrival Eastern. Its hopes for an all-winning season and the Ohio Valley Conference championship, stretching their string of games without loss to 13, wrecking Western's all-winning streak at seven, clinching the OVC title, the Maroons in a display of football virtually without fault established field command with a fumble recovery on the game's fifth play and never relinquished it.

They exploded a 33-yard touchdown pass in the battle's seventh minute, Quarterback Jim Hanlon pitching to End Tom Schulle.

They employed an intercepted pass as the springboard to a second-quarter score, counting on another Hanlon pass, an 8-yarder to Halfback Paul Greene this time.

Then as the huge crowd set itself in anticipation of the second-half fireworks which have been the trademark of this Hilltopper crew, Hanlon struck a third time, scooting 23 yards on a punt return for the wrap-up touchdown, one which well could earn Eastern a bowl bid.
NO FARTHER... Eastern’s Bob Muller is stopped, after a 10-yard gain, by Western’s Tom Patterson (left) and Don Sparks. Muller played his first game in a month, after suffering an ankle dislocation. Eastern triumphed 21-0 in the battle of the unbeaten.

Eastern Hangs First Setback
On Western for O.V.C. Crown

BY HARRY BOLSER
Bowling Green, Ky., Nov. 6. — The new Ohio Valley Conference gridiron champs—Eastern’s Maroons!

The Maroons annexed their first grid title since the league was formed in 1948 here this sunny afternoon with a 21-0 shutout over Western and spoiled the Hilltoppers’ 25th annual homecoming celebration before a crowd of 2,000 persons.

The triumph, Eastern’s final conference battle, gave the Maroons five O.V.C. victories and they finished as the only undefeated, untied team in the loop. They now sport an over-all record of seven wins, no setbacks and one tie. They will close out the season next Saturday against the University of Louisville at Richmond.

Today’s Eastern-Western clash was the 27th renewal of a gridiron rivalry that dates back to 1914. It was Eastern’s ninth victory in the series, but the second in a row for the Maroons.

Eastern appears to be Western’s chief string-cutting jinx. Last year the Maroons stopped the Hilltoppers’ threat with a 21-0 decision at Louisville. Eastern’s Bob Muller played his first game in a month, after suffering an ankle dislocation. Eastern triumphed 21-0 in the battle of the unbeaten.

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Hilltoppers Drop Second Straight To Aces By 21-13

Three Errors Prove To Be Fatal For Western

Evansville, Ind., Nov. 13 — Evansville College charged from behind twice today to upset Western Kentucky 21-13 and deal a knockout blow to the Hilltoppers’ Refrigerator Bowl hopes.

A two-touchdown favorite, Western lost 6-0 and 13-7 leads in the first half and then saw a fumble just two yards from a touchdown wreck its comeback chances.

It was the second straight loss for the Hilltoppers, who had a seven-game winning streak broken by Eastern Kentucky 21-0 last week.

Three errors at critical junctures of the game cost Western victory.

Ahead 13-7 late in the second period, the Hilltoppers lost possession of the ball on their five-yard line on a wild fourth-down pass from center. Evansville promptly struck for the lead touchdown.

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Then early in the third quarter Western went to the Evansville two-yard line in a touchdown bid, only to missfire on a fumble. And two minutes later the Hilltoppers again fumbled the ball to Evansville on the Aces’ 44.

Evansville went on from there to score the clinching touchdown. Quarterback Jerry Nassano sparked Western’s first-half drive with his passing and running. He gained 36 yards on a 46-yard dash in one touchdown march. And his passing accounted for 147 yards for the afternoon. He completed eight of 17.

The Hilltoppers marched 37 yards in the second time they got the ball to grab a 6-0 lead.

Nassano passed for 53 of these yards and ran for 36 more. He hurled a pass to Jim Gunsew for 14 yards, to Wayne Duncan for 17 and finally to Don Sparks for 20 and the touchdown.

The extra-point try was no good and Evansville promptly retaliated.

Running the kickoff back to midfield, the Aces led 7-0 in just five plays.

Quarterback J. O. Jackson passed to Bill Parrish for 14 yards and then hit Dick Martin for a 23-yard gain to the Western 33. An official penalty moved the ball to the one and Parrish knelt over on the next play. Dick Scott added the first of his three conversions.

In just eight plays, Western was again ahead.

Again Nassano’s passing accounted for the big gain. He passed 35 yards to Jim Chambliss for 19. After Joe Cunningham had run for 25 yards on an end around, Nassano tried to Millard Shirley for a 41-yard gain.

The touchdown came on a fourth-down burst by Chambliss. Bill Shrawns kick was good and Western rode a 13-7 lead.

The Hilltoppers set up a fourth-down punt from their 55. But the pass from center sailed far over Chambliss’ head and came to rest on the five-yard line.

Evansville received the full four downs to get to the end zone. Pullback Don Lutterback finally scored on a dive from the one. Again Scott converted and Evansville led 14-7.

Early in the third quarter, Western’s Tom Patterson stole a Jackson pass on the Evansville 30 and ran it back all the way to the 14.

On the very first play, Shirley broke loose to the three. But Gunsew fumbled and the Aces took over on their two-yard line.

They grounded out one first down. Then, stopped on the 15, they punted. Nassano fumbled the kick being tackled almost as he caught the ball. And again Evansville recovered.

The Aces went on for the clinching touchdown then. Lutterback scored from two yards out on fourth down.

A pass-interference ruling helped Western past midfield once in the fourth quarter.

And a second time they moved into Evansville territory just before the game’s end when Nassano connected on a 46-yard pass to Gunsew.

But both times Evansville stopped the drives.

Western gained only 82 yards rushing to Evansville’s 166. But Nassano’s passing gave the Hilltoppers a 229 to 213 yard edge in total offense.

The victory gave Evansville its first winning season since 1949. It was their fifth win against four losses.

It was somewhat unexpected. Evansville had lost to Louisville by three touchdowns and Louisville had lost to Western by the same margin.

The Hilltoppers conclude their season at Murray next Saturday.

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Western scoring: Touchdowns — Sparks, Chambliss. PAT—Shrawns.
Evansville scoring: Touchdowns Parrish, Lutterback. PAT—Scott 3.
Passes Costly In 3rd Straight Topper Loss

MURRAY, Ky., Nov. 20 — Quarterback Ronnie Phillips, a second-stringer most of the season, gave inspiration to freshman-dominated Murray with his precision passing and guided the Racers to a 19-0 victory over archival Western today.

The defeat was Western’s third in a row — its second by shutout — and put a cold, gray finish to a season which prospered on a seven-game winning streak until November.

Scrambling into a tie with Western for second place in the Ohio Valley Conference, Murray turned Phillips’ arm into a terrifyingly damaging weapon which accounted outright for a second-quarter touchdown and set up both third-period scores.

The sophomore quarterback heaved 19 passes and completed 11 of them for a whopping 189 yards. During Murray’s three touchdown marches, Phillips completed nine of 10 tosses.

Western lost its chance to assume command of the game early when a 55-yard march founded on a fumble on Murray’s 10-yard-line.

Pass interceptions wrecked three more threats, the last one coming after the Hilltoppers had stormed to the Murray one-yard-line late in the match in a desperate effort to avert the shutout. Western’s first in this series since 1940.

Even with three regulars out of the lineup, Western found little difficulty in moving the ball. The Hilltoppers rolled up 17 first downs. But their total yardage, passing and running, was only 179, compared with Murray’s 389 yards.

And that yardage total indicates that the attack lacked the breakaway Murray’s showed.

A scaring first-quarter, during which Phillips twice almost connected with long touchdown passes, ended with Western recovering a fumble on its 35.

The Hilltoppers marched from there on the running of Ken Barrett and Wayne Dunsmore to Murray’s 26. Stopped there and forced to punt Western was back in business before the kick was grounded. Elliott fumbled it and Guard Vernon Wilson recovered.

The Hilltoppers smashed to the 10 in two plays. But there, Barrett fumbled and Guard Al Gloriano recovered for Murray.

The Racers went the 90 yards in 10 plays. Phillips hurled it once to Don Reine for 20 yards and employed Elliott on sweeps for steady short yardage.

On first down from Western’s 37, he hurled a long one that ricocheted off a Hilltopper’s fingers into Elliott’s hand and the backfield had no opposition on his short dash for the goal. A bad pass from center wrecked the extra-point try, so Murray led 10-0.

Western put together two first down after the kickoff and went 25 yards to Murray’s 36 when the first of the three passes interceptions occurred. Racer End Don Sparks — 10 relation to Western’s end by the same name — stole this one.

Western kicked out again Western came charging back, helped by this time by two Jerry Nasano passes, one for 15 yards to End Joe Cunningham and one for eight to Fullback Millard Shirley.

Again the pass interceptions, this one on Murray’s 26 by Calvin Walls, killed it.

Western took the ball right back on a fumble recovery on Murray’s 28. But the half ended before this opening could be exploited.

The Hilltoppers moved 47 yards with the second-half kickoff on Jim Chambless’ running and one Nasano to Shirley past before Murray braced.

Then the Racers exploded a 13-point salvo inside four minutes and the victory, Murray’s seventh in this series against 10 losses and four ties, was sealed and delivered.

The first scoring march was a swift 67-yard one, featuring two passes to Henle and one to Elliott and a 15-yard gallop by record-holding Halfback Carl Walker, who dashed 97 yards against Austin Peay last week for the longest touchdown run from scrimmage in Murray’s history. This 15-yard prance was Walker’s lone damaging one of this afternoon.

It set up the third on the nine. Two running plays lost three yards as tackle Jerry Passafiume tightened the screws in Western’s defense.

It had to be a pass now and Western deployed accordingly. But Phillips, after a quick look that disclosed nobody open, ran instead and made it safely to the end zone.

The kick was wide and the game Murray led now 12-0.

On the second play following the kickoff, Western fumbled and Murray won possession on the 44. A 15-yard penalty promptly set them back to their 41.

But there was no stopping this Phillips on this march, either. He threw for five yards to Elliott, for 14 and 10 yards to Walker, for 17 to Henle.

The ball was on Western’s 13, the bow. Elliott ran for nine and Walker for one before Barton slipped across for the final touchdown. Walker’s kick was good this time.

The most tragic blow was yet to fall for Western.

Sophomore penalty that ate up 24 yards helped Western avoid the shutout. But Western was penalized five yards for illegal motion, Van Hooser tried a pass into the flat then and Phillips dealt his final crushing blow of the game. He intercepted it and raced all the way to Western’s 26-yard line before Wall Apperson caught him from behind.

Most of Phillips’ long run was wiped out by a clipping penalty that cut the drive to 21-0. But he guided Murray on down to the five-yard line before being removed from the game.

Sub Quarterback Mel Hay could not get the Birds over the goal. Western could not move either, though, and had to hold again, on its 36 this time, before the game was over.

The Toppers had marched, principally on a 23-yard scamper by Van Hooser, to Murray’s 46-yard line when it finally ended.

The victory was Murray’s fifth against four defeats. Thirty freshmen carried the brunt of the Racers this year and they loom large now in 1955’s championship picture.

Western finished with a 7-3 record and Coach Jack Clayton loses seven seniors — Tackles Jerry Passafiume and Jim Flitner, Ends Walt Apperson and Don Sparks, Guard Arnie Aiken, Center Tom Patterson and Halfback Jim Gunnell.

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Shirley, Millard
Speer, Carroll
Van Hoosier, Carroll
Wilson, Vernon
Mgrs. Lowel Stewart Sterling Clark

CHEER LEADERS

Martha Sue Fuqua
Jane Lovall

Durante Bailey
John Richardson

Robert Hensley

1954

Western Foot Ball Banquet

December 12, 1954 6:00 P.M.
MENU

Roast Turkey with dressing
Cranberry Sauce
Green Peas
Celery Sticks
Cherry and Apple Pie
Hot Rolls

Whipped Potatoes
Head Lettuce with Thousand Island Dressing

Milk or Coffee

PROGRAM

Toastmaster
Invocation
Retiring co-captain
Retiring co-captain
Most Valuable Player Award
Coaches Trophy
Coaches

Bert Borrone
L.T. Smith
Jerry Passafiume
Jim Phifer
Ken Givens
Joe Garnett
Griffin Elrod Clayton
Passafiume, Sparks Are Honored At Grid Banquet

JERRY PASSAFIUME
Most Valuable Player

The foregone conclusion was fact today — Tackle Jerry Passafiume was Western's "Most Valuable Player" last football season. The Louisville senior was awarded the WLBJ trophy at last night's annual grid banquet at the Student Union Building.

Also honored was End Don Sparks. The Ashland senior was presented the Coaches Trophy, an award based on outstanding contributions to the team and to football in all phases of life.

The MVP award is based on vote of a secret panel of five football observers.

Passafiume — a four-year regular and called by Jack Clayton the finest football player he has ever coached — was a unanimous choice for the award, presented by Ken Given.

But three of the five panelists requested that special commendation be noted for Center Tom Patterson, one of Western's two All-OVC first team representatives. The other was End Walt Apperson.

The banquet featured brief addresses by Coach Jack Clayton, Assistant Coaches Frank Griffin and Turner Elrod, Kelly Thompson, assistant to the president, Basketball Coach Ed Diddle and Co-Captains Jim Phifer and Passafiume.

Some 85 persons attended the stag affair, toastmastered by Daily News Sports Editor Bert Borrone.
Important athletics, and men from the Class of 1952 care for each other and helping individuals as the gentle brings into providing an environment that encourages students of all kinds to come together. The Class of 1952 is a class act and a reminder of all that is important and good in college life. Their thirst for life, their ambitions and a reminder of their memories on the Hill are truly indicative of the Western spirit.

Our role as coaches is crucial in developing student-athletes. That evening was one of the most memorable and inspiring I have seen in college athletics. The atmosphere was electric, and the students were invested in the game, which made it an incredible honor to be a part of. The momentum from these games inspired a sense of camaraderie and teamwork among the players, something that is very refreshing to see in the world of college sports.

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THE CLEVELAND BROWNS

405 LEADER BUILDING

CLEVELAND 14, OHIO
The Cleveland Browns Football Club is canvassing some outstanding college seniors regarding the possibility of their playing professional football. You have been recommended to us by an interested person and we would appreciate your prompt answer of attached questionnaire. Our draft is set for early January. Please complete this questionnaire even though you are neither interested nor a senior at this time.

Best wishes for a successful completion of your education. Thank you.

Sincerely,

THE CLEVELAND BROWNS

"Fritz" Heisler, Assistant Coach
THE BALTIMORE COLTS

2023 North Charles Street

BALTIMORE 18, MARYLAND
The Baltimore Colts Football Team is checking top college players about the possibility of their playing professional football. Recommendations have been received by us concerning your interest and we would appreciate your prompt answer to the attached questionnaire. The league draft is in January so time is important. Please return this questionnaire irrespective of your interest or present class in college. If you are an underclassman this will be filed for future reference and in no way will affect your eligibility. Much success in your completion of college. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

THE BALTIMORE COLTS

D. S. KELLETT, General Manager.
1953 PLAYER QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Kindly fill in this questionnaire and return it as soon as possible so that our office records will be up-to-date.
2. Answering this questionnaire will in no way affect your college eligibility.
3. We would appreciate your immediate response regardless of whether or not you are now a senior, or even if you have sent in a previous Questionnaire.

LOS ANGELES RAMS FOOTBALL CLUB
7813 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles 36, California

Date

NAME (Please print)

LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Position you play Height ft. in. Weight Race

Age date of birth Single Married Children

High School you graduated from

Name of University you are now attending

Month and year you first entered University now attending

If a Transfer, name College or Junior College you First attended

Month and year you first registered at a Junior College or other University (Regardless of how long you attended)

When will you actually graduate (Month and Year)?

In which Fall season will your College football eligibility end?

Have you college eligibility remaining? How many years?

What is your present Draft Classification?

Have you had any previous Military Service? What Branch? How long?

Are you in any type of Military program such as, an active or inactive Reserve Unit, National Guard, R.O.T.C. or the like? If so, name program:

What is your present deferment based upon?

When will your College Military Program be completed?

From similar cases to yours and your present knowledge, when do you expect to be called to active duty?

Your College address

Your College Telephone Number

Parent's name Telephone Number

Parent's address

Your home address if different than parents Telephone Number

Name of your Head Coach Offensive system he uses

Would you be interested in playing football with the Los Angeles Rams?

(OVER—CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE)
DETROIT LIONS' 
PLAYER QUESTIONNAIRE 

POSITION YOU PLAY: 

Date: 

Last Name: Pasquale 
First Name: Antonio 
Middle Name: Gene 

Height: 4' 6" In. 
Weight: 210 Lbs. 

Age: 28 
Date of Birth: 
Single / Married: Yes / Children: 6 

High school you graduated from: 
Year: 
Name of college or junior college you first attended: 
Month and year you first entered college or junior college: 
Name of college you are now attending: 
Month and year you first entered college now attending: 
Your college address: TEL. NO. 
Your home address: TEL. NO. 

Have you college eligibility remaining: 
How many years: 

On 4-year basis, when does your class graduate: 

When will you graduate: 
Name of your head coach: 
Parents' name: 
Parents' address: TEL. NO. 

Service record, if any: Branch: 

Date entered: Date discharged: 
Overseas service in months: Domestic Service: 
Were you turned for service duty: If so, why: 

Present draft status: 

Do you consider yourself: Fast: Very: Average: 

Punt: Net average: Kickoff: 

Do you play offense: Defense: Both: 

WOULD YOU CONSIDER PLAYING FOOTBALL WITH THE DETROIT LIONS:
Are you a passer_____ Number thrown_____ Completed_____ Intercepted_____

Have you suffered any serious injuries If so please list______________

What is your college major?__________________________________________

Position you play offense____ Are you considered first string____

Position you play defense____ Are you considered first string____

Basic type of pass defense played: Zone______ Man for man_____

Number of pass interceptions made_____ 100 yd. dash time_________

Nationality________________________ Race__________________________

Please name the five best players you have played against during 1954

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THANK YOU

DETROIT LIONS
Jerry Passofiume  
Care of Registrar  
Western Kentucky State College  
Bowling Green, Kentucky
January, 1955

Dear Sir:

You have been very highly recommended to us by a number of coaches in your area and also by our talent scouts as a possible Pro-prospect.

In order to make our choices in the Pro-draft, we will need a little more information on you than what we already have in our files, such as your correct weight and height, your desirability to play pro-ball and your eligibility. We have enclosed a questionnaire that we would like to have you fill out and return it to our office immediately. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

We are in the process of rebuilding the Green Bay Packers and are very interested in players of your calibre. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation and with best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Lisle Blackbourn

HEAD COACH

Enclosure
Dear Sir:

We are interested in obtaining all available information concerning your football background, to aid us in making our 1955 National Football League draft choice.

Enclosed you will find a questionnaire that we would like to have you fill out and return to us as soon as possible.

If you entered school in 1951 or before 1951, you are eligible to be drafted this year. If you entered school after 1951 you will not be eligible for the player draft until your class graduates.

It is our policy to co-operate with both the player and schools, and if you have any eligibility in college football left, we will in no way entice you to play with us, as we realize the more training a boy gets in college, the better player he will be when he plays with us.

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Very Sincerely,

Lisle Blackbourn
HEAD COACH

Enc.
December 1, 1954

Jerry Pasafieume
Athletic Dept.
Western Ky. State College
Bowling Green, Ky.

Dear Jerry:

You have been recommended as a prospective player in the National Football League, and the Chicago Cardinals are very much interested in you.

Even though you may be entering the military service or planning some other type of activity for the near future, it would be appreciated if you would fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return it to us at your earliest convenience.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely,

CHICAGO CARDINALS FOOTBALL CLUB

Ray Geraci
Promotion Director
WORLD CHAMPIONS 1948-1949

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PHILADELPHIA 2, PA.

Mr. Jerry Passafiume
c/o Football Team
Western Kentucky State College
Bowling Green, Kentucky
November 10, 1954

Mr. Jerry Passafiume

c/o Football Team

Western Kentucky State College

Bowling Green, Kentucky

Dear Jerry:

Enclosed please find a Player questionnaire which I would appreciate your filling out and returning to me immediately. As you probably know, the National Football League Player Draft will be held in the near future. It is imperative that we have this information as soon as possible.

A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Thanking you for a prompt reply, and with best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Vincent A. McNally

General Manager

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November 19, 2008

'52 Football Teammates:

This "Letter-to-the-Editor" was in the Bowling Green Daily News on November 13th. Coach Neidell is our women's soccer coach. More importantly, he and Kara Hogue are engaged with the wedding set for May at the Colonnade.

I know we all appreciate Coach Neidell’s comments and his thoughtfulness. He accurately expressed the spirit of love and concern we have for each other.

God Speed,

Botts

Coach Jason Neidell
Women's Soccer
Diddle Arena #2006
Western KY University
Bowling Green, KY 42101
(270) 745-6563
jason.neidell@wku.edu
WKU Class of 1952 is a very classy bunch

During Western Kentucky University’s Homecoming weekend, I had the great privilege to spend an evening with the Class of 1952 football team.

Led by quarterback Jimmy Feix, this group of WKU alumni still gets together every year at Homecoming, sometimes more frequently.

It was an incredible honor to share the room with these gentlemen. The bonds that they and their families share is unlike any other I have seen in college athletics.

Their thirst for life, their admiration and care for each other and their zest for their memories on the Hill are truly indicative of the Western spirit.

That evening was one of the most memorable and inspiring events in my eight years coaching on the Hill. In this day and age of big-money athletics and troubled and ego-driven athletes, it is indeed refreshing to be reminded of the positive values, the unbreakable relationships and the character development that all college student-athletes have the opportunity to experience and embrace well beyond the playing field.

Our role as coaches is crucial in providing an environment that helps our student-athletes grow into the same kind of spirited and caring individuals as the gentlemen from the Class of 1952.

The Class of 1952 is a class act and a reminder of all that is important and good in college athletics.

Jason Neidell
Bowling Green
Hey "Rooie" -

New about "IT'S KINE"? This was the front page of the Bowling Green Daily News, Mon. 1/23.
The University has a Really Nice Exhibit in the Library & Museum celebrating Western's Centennial.
Yours & Debra Walter's BIG Picture is Prominently Displayed. (Note Picture in the Background).
We'll Plan on Taking A Tour of the Exhibit When We Get Together at Homecoming this Year.
Homecoming will be 10/28 & Andrew Mulhern has a Block of Roses Reserved For Us At
The Court Yard by NAHC (Where We Usually Stay).

- The other "News" - Max Stevens is Getting Married Next Month to That Lovely Woman (Him
@ Homecoming - They Lynn Brayley, Call Western & "Back-Rail" & Pass The News On. (They Don't Have
E-mail, Either). Thanks!

Talk to You Later -

"Botts"

Frankie Says "Hi" & Our Love To Myle.
Western Kentucky University exhibit celebrating 100 years on The Hill debuts Sunday at Kentucky Library and Museum

WKU President Gary Ransdell jokes with mascot Big Red at Sunday's event.
Photos by Trevor Frey/Daily News

Western Kentucky University folk studies student Christine Maxwell (left) of Bowling Green talks to WKU graduate Dan Duncan on Sunday afternoon as they walk through the "Western 100" exhibit at the Kentucky Library and Museum. The exhibit, which is part of the university's year-long centennial celebration, "A Century of Spirit," features four sections, each highlighting a part of students' academic careers on The Hill.
Six Schools Represented on All-Area Team

By GRANTLAND RICE

THE NA SHVILLE TENNESSEAN

Western Kentucky placed two players each on the All-Area team picked by the coaches for the Nashville Tennessean. Austin Peay led the other spot while Tennessee claimed to put two players on. Western has two on the ground eleven. The forward full averaged 208 pounds per man and could riddle the opposition by air or ground. Harlen Hill, pass snapper from Florence, and Western Kentucky's Bill Ploumis handle the ends on the All-Area squad. Howard Alsup, 230-pounder from Middle Tennessee, and Austin Peay's Ed Kulakowski, 210, hold down the tackle spots. Ben Channness, 200, Murray State, and Virgil Raines, Tennessee Tech's, are the guards. Artie Oaken of Western, 230, is the center rounding out the top eight line.

The second team can almost match the first. Marshal Taylor, 210 of TPI, and Blom Poole, Florence, are the ends. Coach's Jim Ritz, 200, and Jerry Passmore, Western Kentucky, hold down the tackle spots. While Jack McCoy, TPI, and Western's Marvin Hill, are the guards.

Frank Ramsey of Austin Peay gets the call as the second team center.

Darrett Ratten, MTSC, Saratoga's Gordon Sorrell, Joe Mac Florence, TPI, and Monte Romine, Florence, team together in the second backfield.

Joe Elmore, Tennessee Tech's, is aggressive for Murray last season as he repeatedly brought back punts for long returns. He took to the one platoon system immediately and was the standout for the Thoroughbreds in offense this season. Van Hooser was injured part of the season, but his smooth work as TPI's centerback won him enough votes to take the first eleven.

The first team is composed of four juniors and seven seniors. Van Hooser, Raines, Channness, and Oaken are juniors. There are four Tennesseans on the team, three from Pennsylvania, two from Atlanta, and one from Illinois and Florida.

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Harlen Hill, Florence           End   195 6-2 21  Sr.  Killen, Ala.
Bill Ploumis, Western Ky.      End   210 6-4 24  Sr.  Pittsburgh, Pa.
Ed Kulakowski, Austin Peay,    Tackle 215 6-2 21  Sr.  Edwardsville, Pa.
Howard Alsup, MTSC             Tackle 230 6-4 24  Sr.  Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Ben Channness, Murray          Guard  200 6-0 20  Sr.  Cairo, Ill.
Virgil Raines, TPI             Guard  180 5-10 22  Jr.  Clinton, Tenn.
Arnie Oaken, Western Ky.       Guard  200 6-0 20  Jr.  Miami, Fla.
Bobby Young, MTSC              Back   180 5-11 23  Sr.  Nashville, Tenn.
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WESTERN KY.
# Western Hilltoppers

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Western Stars

WILLIE WATSON
Western Co-Captain
Fullback
Princeton, Ky.

WILLARD PRICE
Western Co-Captain
Tackle
Louisville, Ky.

JIMMY FEIX
Western's Candidate for
Little All-American
Senior
Quarterback
Henderson, Ky.
WESTERN'S HEAD COACH JACK CLAYTON
ASST. COACH TURNER ELROD   ASST. COACH FRANK GRIFFIN

PAUL L. GARRETT
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I'm interested in knowing more about volunteering for the W-Club. Please contact me.

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Admission to Home Athletic Events — Presenting your current membership card entitles you to one free ticket to every regular season game on the home varsity schedule for all sports, except Men's Basketball where you are entitled to one half-price ticket.

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**W-Club History**

The W-Club was founded in 1928 as a rallying point for former athletes. In 1939, Coach Ted Hornback, Head of the Department of Physical Education & Athletics as well as an assistant basketball coach, organized a dinner meeting for alumni letterwinners following the Homecoming football game. Those dinners became annual events following the afternoon Homecoming games, giving former student-athletes and letterwinners an opportunity to revisit the Hill.

The annual meeting of the membership was moved to the E.A. Diddle Arena after the opening of that facility in 1963. At that time the dinner meeting was changed to a brunch.

The governance and business of the Club is operated by a Board of Directors. Today, the W-Club is active in various projects which support current student-athletes and former Topper athletes as well as the University's mission.

**W-Club Programs**

- Athletic Letter Jacket/Letter Blanket awards for all current letterwinners
- Team Photo Gallery upgrade in the Stansbury Concourse at E.A. Diddle Arena
- WKU Athletic Hall of Fame
- Annual W-Club Homecoming Brunch
- Other activities to enhance the WKU experience for current athletes and recognize the accomplishments of former athletes