



## Nitro Runners

Readying this week for a clash of unbeaten Saturday night against arch-rival Poca are these Nitro running backs. They are, from left: Benjie Smith, Kevin Young and Jimmy Walker. Nitro is 2-0 as is invading Poca. — Daily Mail Photo by Earl Benton.

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# EB-Valley: 'Family Reunion'

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When East Bank takes the field against Valley in Montgomery Friday night, it won't be just a football game.

Instead, for East Bank head coach Joe Craffey and Valley defensive safety Chris Reid it will be a family gathering, too.

"We're playing at Valley, but for me this is sort of a home game," said Craffey. "I only live four miles from Valley and I have some relatives involved in the game, too. Their safety, Chris Reid, is my cousin and I have another cousin who is president of Valley's boosters club. So, you might say I'm familiar with Valley."

But, Craffey is also familiar with the type of players at Valley. "They're always scrappy," he said. "They get a lot of people around the ball on defense and they usually have good, quick running backs."

Stonewall vs. St. Albans — Bill Jarrett just can't win. Already this season the veteran SJ coach has had to contend with a lack of size, injuries and a tough schedule.

But to make matters worse, now even doctors are working against him!

"We didn't get to use Eddie Dyess (junior fullback-nose guard who was second team All-State last year) last week in our loss to Logan because a doctor got mixed up," explained Jarrett. "He thought he was looking at x-rays of Eddie's sprained ankle, but instead he was looking at x-rays of Adolph Johnson's broken ankle. So, he told the principal that Eddie definitely couldn't play and that his foot had to be put back in a cast. It was just a mixup. Eddie was well enough to play, but there was no way we could play him."

Jarrett hopes to have the 6-1, 185-pounder in there this week, however.

"From what I saw of St. Albans last week, we're going to need Eddie," said Jarrett. "I thought St. Albans played real well. They drove the ball and should have won the game. I was very impressed with their defense."

Stonewall didn't escape Logan injury-free, either. Kevin Fletcher, linebacker and guard, is on crutches with strained ligaments and Jeff Lester, quarterback and defensive end, has a bad back.

DuPont at Sissonville — Forest Mann is discovering there's no rest for the weary or the defeated. After losing to George Washington and Nitro, which both own 2-0 records, now the Indians have to take on DuPont. And, as you might guess, the Panthers record is 2-0.

"DuPont is a very good team," said Mann. "They have size, speed, experience... everything it takes. You name it and they have it. I'd say they've lived up to their expectations."

Meanwhile, Mann is still trying to iron out Sissonville's errors. "We're still making far too many mistakes," he said. "We have to work on fundamentals and eliminate some of our mistakes. We improved a great deal from our first game to our second game, but

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Freshmen who played in the WVU opener included defensive end Delbert Fowler, offensive tackles Pete Wilson, Frank Kinzell and Gordie Gordon, guards Mark Arbogast and Chuck Gambill, center John Conachan, linebackers Bob Tomko and A. C. Mullens, defensive back Fulton Walker and running backs Robert Alexander, James Tackett and quarterback Dutch Hoffman. Some were in the game only on kick teams.

TRAINER RED Hartman, home again after spending the summer with the Pittsburgh Pirates' farm club at Columbus, can't stay away from sports. He was at George Washington's football practice Wednesday... Red rates the Charleston Charlies as the best International League team at the season's end. It looks like they're proving it.

we still have a long way to go."

Kenny Boggs, offensive and defensive regular, is still sidelined with severe headaches.

Poca at Nitro — The Dots may be a Double-A team, but that doesn't mean Pat Vance is taking them lightly. In fact, Nitro's head coach believes his Wildcats might be facing their toughest opponent yet.

"Poca has the best club I've seen down there in 10 years," said Vance. "They have good, quick people who are experienced, too. Their fullback and linebacker Ricky Gibson is really tough and they have a good quarterback in Rick Sayre. In fact, they have a little of everything. This is going to be a big game for us. Of course, we have a good rivalry with Poca so we're figuring on a big crowd, too."

Catholic at Winfield — There's nothing Steve Annie's Irish would rather do than bust the Generals to privates, but that's going to be tough to accomplish.

"Winfield is loaded," said Annie. "They have big quick linemen, good running backs and a good quarterback. They'll be tough to handle."

Leading Winfield's attack is tailback Greg Schirtzinger. In last week's 38-14 win over Buffalo Putnam, the 6-1, 185-pounder rushed for 133 yards and five touchdowns. But, he isn't the Generals' only threat, as 210-pound fullback Art Dolin is also a formidable runner.

## FRIDAY'S GAMES

Charleston (0-2) at Herbert Hoover (2-0)	76 Score
East Bank (2-0) at Valley (1-1)	20-7
George Washington (2-0) at South Charleston (0-2)	dnp
Stonewall Jackson (0-2) vs. St. Albans (0-1), at Laidley Field	28-40
Catholic (1-1) at Winfield (2-0), 7:30 p.m., at Laidley Field	12-27
	20-7

## SATURDAY'S GAME

DuPont (2-0) at Sissonville (0-2), 2 p.m.	46-6
Poca (2-0) at Nitro (2-0)	8-16

All games begin at 8 p. m. unless otherwise noted.

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