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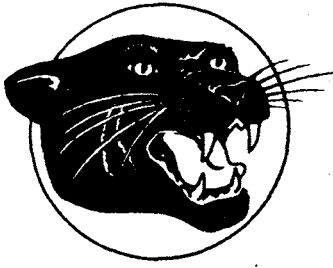
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Panther Sports News

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PANTHERS vs. MARAUDERS

THE GAME: Eastern Illinois University (3-2) vs. Central State (OH) University (1-3-1)

KICKOFF: 1:00 CDT (2:00 EDT), McPherson Stadium, Wilberforce, OH.

OCCASION: CSU's 4th annual Shriners Classic

THE SERIES: EIU leads this brief series, 3-2, winning the last encounter, 41-16, in the opening game of the 1978 championship season. The complete series record is as follows:

1963	CSU, 28-24	1976	EIU, 24-8
1964	EIU, 27-26	1977	CSU, 25-24
		1978	EIU, 41-16

THE COACHES: Eastern's Darrell Mudra, in his third year at EIU, has a 22-8 record and is 132-58-2 overall. He has the second most wins among NCAA II active coaches spread over an 18 year collegiate career.

Central State's Joseph Redmond, a 1967 graduate of Fisk University, is 6-8-1 midway through his second season.

CSU QUICK FACTS: Central State is 1-3-1. The lone victory was 27-0 over Lincoln (MO) University. The tie was 14-14 against Elizabeth City in the opener. Three straight losses have come against Clarion State, Saginaw Valley and Alabama State. Fullback Larry Kelly leads the team with 679 yards rushing, a 135.8 per game average. He also has caught two TD passes on just three receptions. Split end Tyrone Coverson has caught 20 passes for 237 yards while slotback Vincent Heflin has 15 receptions for 260 yards. OB Reginald Evans, who missed last week's game with cracked ribs, is questionable this weekend. His understudy, Mike Greenlee, QBed the 39-27 loss to Alabama State this past Saturday. Their stats are very similar. Greenlee has completed 20 of 38 for 291 yards, Evans is 20 of 52 for 271 yards. Overall the Marauders are rushing for nearly 200 yards a game and throwing for 113.

DICKERSON ON CSU: Defensive coordinator Chuck Dickerson says, "This is a pretty talented team . . . regardless of their record. I think they have several pro prospects . . . as many as the Division I teams we've played. That Kelly is a super back . . . the best fullback we've faced . . . I understand he's only been under 100 yards once and that was at Saginaw Valley . . . and Coverson, their wide receiver, is a real burner . . . regardless of which quarterback they use, Evans or Greenlee, we need to be wary . . . both are roll-out passers and there isn't a bit of difference in their level of talent."

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MUDRA ON EIU: "I'm pleased with the progress we've made the past two weeks . . . our intent was to improve the running game and we've done that . . . we've rushed for over 400 yards the last two times, and that's more than we've passed . . . I think the changes we've made with (Kevin) Staple, (Rod) Slaughter and (Steve) Parker have stabilized our offense . . . it appears we've found the right people, now it's a matter of refining our game.

"We've been very fortunate with injuries . . . with the exception of (Scott) Gilleland, our front line people are ready . . . since Central State has some real physical specimens it will be important that we're nearly at full go . . . also, we need to pick up a road victory and build some momentum with the conference schedule coming up."

PANTHER PRINTS: The Panthers are definitely a second half ball club outscoring the opposition, 56-27 . . . Scott McGhee's 9.6 scoring average ranks him among the nation's leaders in that category . . . Don Manzke's 42.1 punting mark should also move him among the top five in this week's NCAA II stats . . . EIU is still clipped some by penalties, averaging six per game and over 50 yards per contest . . . Kevin Staple's second straight 100 yard plus rushing afternoon boosts his per carry average to 5.9 . . . there should be no change in EIU's starting lineup from the Illinois State contest . . . EIU's five man interior offensive line will average 6-4, 247 . . . defensively the front four are 6-2, 240 . . . Randy Melvin, All-American defensive tackle, is on his way to leading the team in tackles again . . . first last year with 118, Melvin has been in on 48 in the first five games in '80 . . . even though the emphasis is off the QB sack, the Panthers are getting their share with 11 . . . defensive ends Pete Catan and Mike Cox each have three . . . ironically, Catan may end up with more blocked passes . . . he has knocked down four before they could pass the line of scrimmage.

RADIO COVERAGE: The entire description of Saturday's game can be heard over the WEIC/EIU Sports Network with WEIC (Charleston) Sports Director Ray Smith calling the play-by-play and expert commentary by Rex Darling. Other stations on the sports network are WTAY Robinson, WKXX Pana and WHPO Hoopston.

PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS

OFFENSE

Eastern Illinois

84 Otis Grant (6-2, 175, Sr.)
77 Carl Dobrich (6-6, 260, Sr.)
79 Steve Parker (6-4, 255, Sr.)
76 George Tuzil (6-4, 230, So.)
62 Blair Brown (6-1, 245, Sr.)
70 Clinton Davenport (6-4, 245, Sr.)
81 Rob Mehalic (6-2, 215, Jr.)
14 Chuck Wright (6-1, 205, Sr.)

28 Kevin Staple (5-8, 170, Fr.)
45 Rod Slaughter (6-1, 210, Sr.)
25 Scott McGhee (5-10, 170, Sr.)

Central State

SE 80 Tyrone Culverson (5-9, 165, Sr.)
LT 75 Robert Peacock (6-3, 240, So.)
LG 59 James Clay (6-0, 215, So.)
C 52 Kevin Smith (6-2, 220, Fr.)
RG 64 Michael Tate (6-0, 245, Sr.)
RT 70 Derrick McCendichie (6-4, 255, Jr.)
TE 89 Richard Dunn (6-3, 210, Jr.)
QB 12 Reginald Evans (6-2, 180, Sr.)
or 10 Michael Greenlee (6-0, 170, So.)
TB 24 Marvin Hampton (5-9, 175, Sr.)
FB 34 Larry Kelly (5-11, 210, Jr.)
FL 8 Vincent Heflin (6-1, 175, Jr.)

DEFENSE

61 Mike Cox (6-3, 200, Sr.)
73 Randy Melvin (5-11, 250, Sr.)
66 Charlie Krutsinger (6-4, 260, Sr.)
83 Pete Catan (6-3, 250, Sr.)
46 Ira Jefferson (5-9, 225, Jr.)
53 Bill Mines (6-1, 215, So.)
57 Tom Murray (6-2, 220, Jr.)
44 Rich Brown (5-11, 175, Sr.)
20 Wilbert James (6-1, 175, Jr.)
12 Don Pittman (5-11, 190, Sr.)
10 Kevin Gray (6-1, 180, Jr.)

LE 93 Trent Cole (6-3, 190, Sr.)
LT 90 Roger Ridgeway (6-4, 260, So.)
RT 78 Gregory McDaniels (6-4, 235, Jr.)
RE 96 Floyd Cook (6-2, 215, So.)
OLB 55 Darryl Bagley (6-3, 225, So.)
MG 54 Rodney Jones (5-11, 190, Jr.)
OLB 94 Bobby Jackson (6-2, 215, Jr.)
CB 40 Brian Greene (5-10, 190, Jr.)
CB 25 Martin Thompson (5-11, 178, Jr.)
SS 43 Danny Preston (6-0, 195, Sr.)
FS 27 Johnny Radford (5-10, 165, Sr.)

SPECIALISTS

26 Don Manzke, 11 Jeff Christensen
24 Ray DeLong
18 Terry Rolheiser
18 Terry Rolheiser
28 Kevin Staple
25 Scott McGhee

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PAT
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KO RET
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10 Michael Greenlee
1 William Pearson
1 William Pearson
1 William Pearson
24 Marvin Hampton
40 Brian Greene

