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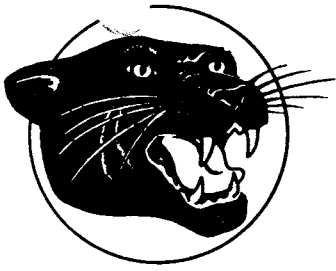
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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL.--Eastern Illinois University's football Panthers, coming off what has been termed the 'greatest game in EIU history', will go for its sixth in a row at Western Illinois University this Saturday (Oct. 18).

Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Hanson Field. It's WIU's Homecoming.

Eastern, which moved up to a tie for No. 9 in the NCAA I-AA ratings, defeated Northern Iowa, 31-30, on Rich Ehmke's last second 58 yard field goal. The Panthers are 5-1 overall and 2-1 in the Gateway Conference.

Western Illinois, which downed Northern Michigan 28-22, is 4-2 overall and 1-1 in league play.

Saturday will also match strength vs. strength as EIU is No. 1 in NCAA I-AA passing with 314 yards p/game while WIU is No. 2 in pass defense allowing just 106 yards p/game.

"We've got our work cut out for us again this Saturday," says Coach Al Molde. "There're five teams in the league with just one loss including us and Western so I'm sure we're all thinking the same thing . . . that we can't afford another Gateway loss."

****GAME NOTES****

THE GAME: Eastern Illinois University (5-1, 2-1) at Western Illinois University (4-2, 1-1), 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 18, Hanson Field Macomb.

RADIO: All the action can be heard over 50,000 watt Mattoon WLBH-FM, 97 on the dial, with Ken Wooddell and Doug Bock calling the action.

SERIES: WIU leads the series, 31-17-4, however the Panthers have won six of the last eight.

COACHES: EIU's Al Molde, in his fourth year, is 26-14 here, and 100-56-6 overall (63.6%) in his 16th season . . . he has had four tournament teams coaching at Sioux Falls College, Minn-Morris and Central Missouri. WIU's Bruce Craddock, also in his fourth year at Western, is 18-19-1 there. . . he previously coached at Northeast Missouri.

LAST YEAR: Western Illinois whipped Eastern, 34-20, as QB Paul Singer, who returns for WIU, threw for 238 yards to snap a five game EIU win streak . . . QB Sean Payton threw for only 204 yards but Calvin Pierce caught seven for 93 yards.

SUCCESS AT WIU: The Panthers have had good success at WIU's Hanson Field winning the last four games there by scores of 40-12 in 1978, 37-7 in 1980, 31-7 in 1982 and 14-0 in 1984 . . . the last EIU loss there was 14-10 in 1976.

MARABLE BACK AT IT: James Marable, sophomore running back, came off the bench against Northern Iowa to get 169 all-purpose yards to boost his season average to 141.7 . . . he ran for 120, had 26 in receiving and returned 23 yards in kickoff returns . . . that was his second behind a career high 187.

LINEUP CHANGES: Based on their play last week, James Marable will start in place of Duwayne Pitts at running back and Derick Wilhelms will start at tight end ahead of Shon McCray at tight end.

PAYTON'S PLACE: QB Sean Payton continues on pace to pass for 10,000 career yards . . . he has 9036, 306.2 p/game, and needs to average just under 200 yards p/game to reach the magic figure . . . at the current pace he will get it at Indiana State.

BANKS NEARS ANOTHER RECORD: WR Roy Banks nears another pass receiving record, this one for career receptions . . . he has 157 and needs eight to top Willie White's 164.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: For the fifth time in seven weeks, EIU has had the Gateway Conference offensive 'Player of the Week', this time Rich Ehmke, who kicked the last second 58 yard field goal to defeat Northern Iowa, 31-30 . . . EIU's defensive 'Player of the Week' was Jeff Mills who had 17 total tackles including a pass interception and tackle for loss.

WIU FACTS: The Leathernecks have won three of their last four to go 4-2 overall and 1-1 in the Gateway . . . biggest wins have been on the road, 27-10 at Southwest Missouri and 10-0 at Northern Illinois . . . toughest loss was 17-7 vs. Illinois State at home . . . top player is 'downtown' Albert Brown who is No. 2 in the nation in kickoff returns (33.8) and has 124 yards p/game in all-purpose running . . . a duel dual has emerged at quarterback between Paul Singer and Rick Fahnestock with Fahnestock getting the assignment Saturday . . . top rushers are Chris Chiaro (278 yards) and Mike Cox (240) . . . Brown has caught 25 for 261) . . . defensive linemen Todd Auer and Shannon Berry each have six QB sacks.

NCAA I-AA POLL:

1. Nevada-Reno	6-0	79
2. Georgia Southern	5-1	77
3. Morehead State	5-0	69
T4. William & Mary	5-0	65
Arkansas State	4-1-1	65
6. Appalachian State	5-1	63
T7. Holy Cross	5-0	51
Tennessee State	6-0	51
T9. EASTERN ILLINOIS	5-1	48
Nicholls State	6-0	48

NCAA TEAM/INDIV. RANKINGS: QB Sean Payton is No. 2 in I-AA total offense (330.2), No. 2 in passing yardage (1837) . . . James Marable is No. 17 in all-purpose (141.7) . . . team is No. 1 in passing (314.8), No. 5 in scoring (34.7), No. 12 in total offense (422.3).

GATEWAY STANDINGS:

	<u>GC</u>	<u>Overall</u>
EASTERN ILLINOIS	2-1	5-1
Illinois State	2-1	2-3
Northern Iowa	1-1	3-1-1
Western Illinois	1-1	4-2
Southern Illinois	1-1	4-3
Indiana State	1-2	2-4
Southwest Missouri	1-3	2-4

Gateway Saturday: Illinois State at Indiana State
 Northern Iowa at Southern Illinois
 Middle Tennessee at Southwest Missouri

COACH MOLDE SAYS: "Western is a very good team . . . Albert Brown is certainly a threat every time he gets his hands on the ball, particularly on kickoffs, but he's not the only burner . . . their wide receiver, Nate Blanks, has great speed, also, and is a deep threat who we must respect. . . with it being Homecoming there, with our national ranking and with the conference race heating up, we know Western will be fired up . . . this is another great matchup, just like the Southern Illinois and Northern Iowa ones.

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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

SE	80 Willie Cain (6-2, 195, Sr.) *	13 Mike Milosovic (5-10, 160, Jr.)
LT	78 Chris Geile (6-5, 310, Sr.) *	63 Dave Popp (6-6, 250, So.)
LG	72 Mark Petersen (6-3, 260, Jr.)*	66 Bob Benning (6-0, 235, Sr.) **
C	76 Sean O'Brien (6-1, 275, So.) *	75 Butch Brzeski (6-3, 250, Jr.)
RG	69 Jim Miteff (6-0, 230, Jr.) **	68 Chris Severson (6-3, 250, Sr.)
RT	62 Steve Bonnes (6-3, 270, Sr.)**	73 John Valenta (6-4, 250, So.)
TE	40 Derick Wilhelms (6-2, 210, Jr.)**	32 Shon McCray (6-2, 255, Jr.) *
FL	2 Roy Banks (5-11, 190, Sr.) **	13 Mike Milosovic (5-10, 160, Jr.)
SB	21 Calvin Pierce (6-1, 205, Sr.)**	40 Derick Wilhelms (6-2, 210, Jr.)**
FB	7 James Marable (5-9, 170, So.)	20 DuWayne Pitts (5-9, 175, Jr.) **
QB	18 Sean Payton (6-1, 195, Sr.) **	11 Pat Carroll (6-1, 185, Jr.)

DEFENSE

LE	67 John Jurkovic (6-2, 260, So.)*	96 Scott Pilkerton (6-0, 225, Sr.)*
NG	92 Aaron Thomas (6-0, 260, Jr.)*	57 Jeff Rolson (6-1, 260, So.)
RE	93 Carl Parker (5-10, 230, Jr.)**	79 Eddie Doxy (6-1, 265, Fr.)
WSB	97 Rick Ziemann (6-0, 205, Sr.)*	42 Ray Brown (6-1, 195, Fr.)
ILB	51 Jeff Mills (6-2, 210, So.) *	59 Bill Cochrane (6-0, 225, Jr.)*
ILB	53 Dan Polewski (6-1, 225, Sr.)	31 Jerome Covington (5-10, 215, So.)
SSB	45 Mike Briscoe (6-1, 210, Jr.)	48 Paul Wilson (5-11, 210, Jr.)
LCB	8 Rod Reynolds (5-11, 175, Fr.)	24 Kevin Hunter (5-9, 165, Jr.) *
RCB	9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.) *	37 Daryl Holcombe (5-11, 180, Fr.)
SS	42 Bob Bronaugh (5-10, 190, Sr.)**	28 Rick Burnett (6-0, 180, Fr.)
FS	22 Darius Shavers (5-6, 150, Sr.)*	12 Scott Johnson (6-4, 185, So.)*

SPECIALISTS

Punter -	1 Steve Tillotson (6-1, 210, Jr.)	3 Gordon Acton (6-5, 250, Jr.)
Placekicker -	6 Rich Ehmke (5-10, 170, Jr.)	
Kickoffs -	Ehmke, Acton	
Kickoff RReturn -	7 James Marable (5-9, 170, So.) *	9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.)
Punt Return -	9 Greg Rhea (5-7, 170, Sr.) *	
Holder -	11 Pat Carroll (6-1, 185, Jr.)	
Snapper -	75 Butch Brzeski (6-3, 250, Jr.)	

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GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	SITE	OVERALL RECORD	CONFERENCE RECORD
1	8/30	*Illinois State	20-23 L	6,965	A	0- 1- 0	0- 1- 0
2	9/ 6	Northeast Missouri	41-31 W	9,486	H	1- 1- 0	0- 1- 0
3	9/13	Northern Michigan	24-21 W	3,935	A	2- 1- 0	0- 1- 0
4	9/20	*Southern Illinois	52- 7 W	10,100	H	3- 1- 0	1- 1- 0
5	10/ 4	Liberty University	40-15 W	6,850	H	4- 1- 0	1- 1- 0
6	10/11	*Northern Iowa	31-30 W	11,052	H	5- 1- 0	2- 1- 0

* = Gateway Conference

Overall Record: 5 - 1 - 0 Conference: 2 - 1 - 0 Home: 4 - 0 - 0 Away: 1 - 1 - 0 Neutral: 0 - 0 - 0

Overall Attendance:	48388	Overall Average:	8065
Conference Attendance:	28117	Conference Average:	9372
Home Attendance:	37488	Home Average:	9372
Away Attendance:	10900	Away Average:	5450
Neutral Attendance:	0	Neutral Average:	0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1ST	AVG.	2ND	AVG.	HALF	AVG.	3RD	AVG.	4TH	AVG.	HALF	AVG.	S.D.	TOTAL	GAME	AVG.
EIU	49	8.2	33	5.5	13.7	76	12.7	50	8.3	21.0	0	208	34.7			
Opponent Totals	24	4.0	36	6.0	10.0	39	6.5	28	4.7	11.2	0	127	21.2			

NET PUNTING	PUNTS	YARDS	AVG.	OPP RETURNS	OPP RETURN YARDS	OPP RETURN AVG.	NET AVG.
EIU	38	1335	35.1	15	124	8.3	31.9
Opponent Totals	42	1540	36.7	19	70	3.7	35.0

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	GAIN	LOSS	NET	YDS/ATT.	YDS/GAME	TD	TD/GAME	LONG RUN	(AGAINST)
James Marable	6/ 3	90	390	26	364	4.1	60.7	7	1.2	46	(UNI)
DuWayne Pitts	5/ 3	48	240	1	239	5.0	47.8	1	.2	73	(NEMO)
Uasi Latu	4/ 0	15	69	2	67	4.5	16.8	0	.0	20	(SIU)
Derick Wilhelms	5/ 5	2	20	0	20	10.0	4.0	0	.0	15	(SIU)
Ben Stevenson	3/ 0	7	23	4	19	2.7	6.3	0	.0	8	(NEMO)
Calvin Pierce	6/ 6	7	8	2	6	.9	1.0	0	.0	3	(LIB)
Roy Banks	6/ 6	2	5	0	5	2.5	.8	0	.0	4	(NMU)
Rod Smoots	1/ 0	2	5	0	5	2.5	5.0	0	.0	3	(SIU)
Pat Carroll	3/ 0	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	-.3	0	.0	0	()
Shon McCray	3/ 0	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	-.7	0	.0	0	()
Sean Payton	6/ 6	42	57	93	-36	-.9	-6.0	6	1.0	15	(UNI)
Team	3/ 0	1	0	41	-41	-41.0	-13.7	0	.0	0	()
EIU	6/ 6	218	817	172	645	3.0	107.5	14	2.3	—	—
Opponent Totals	6/ 6	247	928	254	674	2.7	112.3	3	.5	—	—

PASSING	G/GS	ATT.	CMP.	PCT.	INT.	PCT.	YDS	YDS/ATT.	YDS/ CMP.	YDS/ GAME	TDS	TDS/ ATT.	TDS/ CMP.	TDS/ GAME	PASS		(AGAINST)
															EFF. RING	LONG PASS	
Sean Payton	6/ 6	241	117	.486	10	.040	1837	7.6	15.7	306.2	11	.050	.090	1.8	119.3	67	(ILL.)
Pat Carroll	3/ 0	9	4	.445	0	.000	52	5.8	13.0	17.3	0	.000	.000	.0	93.0	24	(SIU)
EIU	6/ 6	250	121	.484	10	.040	1889	7.6	15.6	314.8	11	.040	.090	1.8	118.4	—	—
Opponent Totals	6/ 6	214	107	.500	10	.050	1348	6.3	12.6	224.7	9	.040	.080	1.5	107.5	—	—

TOTAL OFFENSE	RUSHING YARDS					PASSING YARDS									
	ATT.	GAIN	LOSS	NET	TDs	ATT.	CMP.	YARDS	TDs	PLAYS	YDS	YDS/PLAY	YDS/GAME	TDs	TDs/GM
Sean Payton	42	57	93	-36	6	241	117	1837	11	283	1801	6.4	300.2	17	2.8
James Marable	90	390	26	364	7	0	0	0	0	90	364	4.1	60.7	7	1.2
DuWayne Pitts	48	240	1	239	1	0	0	0	0	48	239	5.0	47.8	1	.2
Uasi Latu	15	69	2	67	0	0	0	0	0	15	67	4.5	16.8	0	.0
Pat Carroll	1	0	1	-1	0	9	4	52	0	10	51	5.1	17.0	0	.0
Derick Wilhelms	2	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	20	10.0	4.0	0	.0
Ben Stevenson	7	23	4	19	0	0	0	0	0	7	19	2.7	6.3	0	.0
Calvin Pierce	7	8	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	7	6	.9	1.0	0	.0
Roy Banks	2	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	2.5	.8	0	.0
Rod Smoots	2	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	2.5	5.0	0	.0
Shon McCray	1	0	2	-2	0	0	0	0	0	1	-2	-2.0	-.7	0	.0
Team	1	0	41	-41	0	0	0	0	0	1	-41	-41.0	-13.7	0	.0
EIU	218	817	172	645	14	250	121	1889	11	468	2534	5.4	422.3	25	4.2
Opponent Totals	247	928	254	674	3	214	107	1348	9	461	2022	4.4	337.0	12	2.0

RECEIVING	G/GS	RECPTS.	YDS	YDS/RECPT.	YDS/GAME	TDs	TDs/GAME	RECPT/GAME	LONG RECPT	(AGAINST)
Calvin Pierce	6/ 6	34	587	17.3	97.8	3	.5	5.7	62	(SIU)
Roy Banks	6/ 6	26	559	21.5	93.2	6	1.0	4.3	67	(ILL.St.)
James Marable	6/ 3	23	243	10.6	40.5	2	.3	3.8	31	(NMU)
DuWayne Pitts	5/ 3	14	85	6.1	17.0	0	.0	2.8	11	(LIB)
Willie Cain	6/ 6	14	239	17.1	39.8	0	.0	2.3	48	(NEMO)
Derick Wilhelms	5/ 5	7	156	22.3	31.2	0	.0	1.4	46	(UNI)
Shon McCray	3/ 0	2	19	9.5	6.3	0	.0	.7	12	(NMU)
Ben Stevenson	3/ 0	1	1	1.0	.3	0	.0	.3	1	(SIU)
EIU	6/ 6	121	1889	15.6	314.8	11	1.8	20.2	—	—
Opponent Totals	6/ 6	98	1348	13.8	224.7	9	1.5	16.3	—	—

PUNT RETURNS	G	RETURNS	YDS	YDS/RETURN	YDS/GAME	RETURNS/GAME	TDS	LONG RET
Greg Rhea	6	18	70	3.9	11.7	3.0	0	26
Ray Brown	3	1	0	.0	.0	.3	0	0
EIU	6	19	70	3.7	11.7	3.2	0	—
Opponent Totals	6	15	124	8.3	20.7	2.5	0	—

KICKOFF RETURNS	G	RETURNS	YDS	YDS/RETURN	YDS/GAME	RETURNS/GAME	TDS	LONG RETURN
Greg Rhea	6	11	195	17.7	32.5	1.8	0	26
James Marable	6	8	243	30.4	40.5	1.3	1	80
Uasi Latu	4	2	0	.0	.0	.5	0	0
Scott Johnson	5	1	0	.0	.0	.2	0	0
Dan Polewski	6	1	14	14.0	2.3	.2	0	14
John Jurkovic	5	1	6	6.0	1.2	.2	0	6
EIU	6	24	458	19.1	76.3	4.0	1	—
Opponent Totals	6	25	426	17.0	71.0	4.2	1	—

ALL-PURPOSE RUNNING	G	RUSHING			RECEIVING		PUNT RETS		KICKOFF RETS		PLAYS	YDS	YDS/PLAY	YDS/GAME
		ATTS.	NET	YDS	NO.	YDS	NO.	YDS	NO.	YDS				
James Marable	6	90	364	23	243	0	0	8	243	121	850	7.0	141.7	
Calvin Pierce	6	7	6	34	587	0	0	0	0	41	593	14.5	98.8	
Roy Banks	6	2	5	26	559	0	0	0	0	28	564	20.1	94.0	
DWayne Pitts	5	48	239	14	85	0	0	0	0	62	324	5.2	64.8	
Greg Rhea	6	0	0	0	0	18	70	11	195	29	265	9.1	44.2	
Willie Cain	6	0	0	14	239	0	0	0	0	14	239	17.1	39.8	
Derrick Wilhelms	5	2	20	7	156	0	0	0	0	9	176	19.6	35.2	
Uasi Latu	4	15	67	0	0	0	0	2	0	17	67	3.9	16.8	
Ben Stevenson	3	7	19	1	1	0	0	0	0	8	20	2.5	6.7	
Shon McCray	3	1	-2	2	19	0	0	0	0	3	17	5.7	5.7	
Dan Polewski	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	1	14	14.0	2.3	
John Jurkovic	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	6	6.0	1.2	
Rod Snoots	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	2.5	5.0	
Scott Johnson	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	.0	.0	
Ray Brown	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	.0	.0	
Pat Carroll	3	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-1	-1.0	-.3	
Sean Payton	6	42	-36	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	-36	-.9	-6.0	
Team	3	1	-41	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-41	-41.0	-13.7	
EIU	6	218	645	121	1889	19	70	24	458	382	3062	8.0	510.3	
Opponent Totals	6	247	674	98	1348	15	124	25	426	385	2572	6.7	428.7	

INTERCEPTIONS	G	INICPIS	YDS	YDS/RETURN	INICPIS/GAME	TDS	LONG
Rcd Reynolds	5	3	34	11.3	.6	1	25
Greg Rhea	6	1	0	.0	.2	0	0
Scott Johnson	5	1	0	.0	.2	0	0
Darius Shavers	5	1	0	.0	.2	0	0
Bob Bronaugh	5	1	3	3.0	.2	0	0
Jeff Mills	6	1	5	5.0	.2	0	5
Dan Polewski	6	1	0	.0	.2	0	0
Bill Cochran	5	1	85	85.0	.2	1	85
EIU	6	10	127	12.7	1.7	2	—
Opponent Totals	6	10	168	16.8	1.7	1	—