

9-23-1986

09/23/1986 - Football Team Has Bye Week

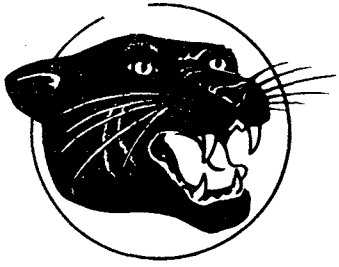
University Marketing and Communications

Follow this and additional works at: http://thekeep.eiu.edu/press_releases_1986

Recommended Citation

University Marketing and Communications, "09/23/1986 - Football Team Has Bye Week" (1986). 1986. 1292.
http://thekeep.eiu.edu/press_releases_1986/1292

This is brought to you for free and open access by the Press Releases at The Keep. It has been accepted for inclusion in 1986 by an authorized administrator of The Keep. For more information, please contact tabruns@eiu.edu.



Panther Sports News

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, Charleston, IL 61920

DAVID KIDWELL, Sports Information Director

OFFICE: (217) 581-2920

HOME: (217) 345-4166

LS-AS-FB St.

-FB Opponents

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (Sept. 23)

CHARLESTON, IL.--Eastern Illinois University's football Panthers have the week off after a 52-7 Gateway Conference victory over Southern Illinois University this past Saturday.

The victory moved EIU to a 3-1 record and a No. 15 ranking in the first NCAA I-AA poll. The Panthers are 1-1 in the Gateway.

Eastern will host Liberty University on Saturday, October 4. Kickoff will be at 6:30 p.m. It is the final night game of the year at home for the Panthers who have averaged nearly 10,000 people playing under the lights for the first time at O'Brien Stadium.

Both QB **SEAN PAYTON (NAPERVILLE-CENTRAL)** and WR **CALVIN PIERCE (OAK LAWN-RICHARDS)** are moving up in NCAA I-AA stats after last week's performance when Payton threw for 400 yards and Pierce caught 10 passes for a school record 199 yards.

Currently Payton is No. 2 in I-AA in passing yards with 1212, 303 p/game. Pierce is also No. 2 in receiving yards with 465, 116.3 p/game.

EIU's passing attack is No. 6 with 316 yards p/game and 10th in scoring offense with 34.3 yards p/game.

RB **JAMES MARABLE (CHICAGO-SCHURZ)** continues to be the Panthers top all-purpose runner with 141 yards p/game.

Defensive stat leaders are LB **JEFF MILLS (WINNETKA-NEW TRIER)** with 36 tackles, LB **RICK ZIEMANN (SAN DIEGO, CA-MESA/MESA CC)** with three QB sacks, CB **ROD REYNOLDS (DETROIT, MI-KING)** with three pass interceptions, LB **BILL COCHRANE (LAKE ZURICH)** with three fumble recoveries and DT **JOHN JURKOVIC (CALUMET CITY-THORNTON FRACTIONAL NORTH)** with four tackles for loss.