

2007 GAME RECAPS

WEST VIRGINIA 62 Western Michigan 24 - WV went 59/8pl for a TD. WM went 65/7pl for a TD, 7-6 (xpng). WV got a 50 yd TD pass to Slaton then a 38 yd TD run by White, 21-6. WM fmbld at its own 37 & 6 plays later WV made it 28-6. WM went 74/15pl & got a TD (+2pt) with :18 left in the 1H, 28-14. WM had a 12-8 FD edge & WV had a 242-189 yd edge. WV's Slaton got a 58 yd TD run & after an int, White ran for a 22 yd TD, 42-14. WM brought in backup QB Peregrin. Each team got a TD then WV drove 66/12pl for another TD, 56-21. WM got a 34 yd FG & WV drove 61/7pl for a TD.

West Virginia 48 MARSHALL 23 - MU was fired up for its biggest HG in school history & held WV to 3 FD's and 118 ttl yds in the 1H with Slaton having just 2 yds rushing. At the end of 1H, MU went on a 61/14pl drive for a 26 yd FG, 13-6. WV scored TD's on its 1st 3 poss of the 3Q but MU kept it a game with a 34 yd FG & a 72/2pl TD drive trailing 27-23. WV went 80/10pl & 80/9pl for TD's, the latter with just 3:55 left & then got a 55/3pl drive for a TD with 1:40 left.

West Virginia 31 MARYLAND 14 - Thurs night ESPN & MD's crowd was fired up. MD fmbld the first snap of the game and WV got a 22 yd TD run. MD went 75/11pl drive for a TD, 7-7. WV went 78/7pl for a TD & MD was int'd at the 20, 14-7. In the 3Q, WV went 63/9pl for a TD, 21-7. Two poss later WV got a 76 yd run by FR Devine setting up a TD, 28-7. WV went 49/8pl for a 32 yd FG, 31-7. MD went 91/10pl for a TD, 31-14 & rec'd the onside kick but was SOD at own 47.

WEST VIRGINIA 48 East Carolina 7 - WV had a big game vs USF on deck but dominated as they had a 320-20 yd edge at the half and 18-3 FD edge leading 27-0. They made it 48-0 with 5:51 left then EC went on a 68/11pl drive for a garbage TD with :58 left avoiding the shutout.

USF 21 West Virginia 13 - Friday night ESPN game and the largest HG in USF's history. USF's D controlled. After forcing a punt, USF missed a 47 yd FG. USF fmbld at the WV30 but WV fmbld it back 2 plays later at the 46. USF got to the 31 but was int'd at the goal line. WV was int'd & ret'd 26 yds for a TD by Moffitt, 7-0. WV went 32/6pl but fmbld at the USF29. Grothe hit a 55 yd TD pass, 14-0. WV went 62/15pl for a 36 yd FG. QB White was inj'd & missed the 2H. USF opened the 3Q with a 74/13pl drive for a TD, 21-3. WV got a 35 yd FG, 21-6. WV got to the USF7 but Brown was int'd in the EZ. WV went 85/12pl converting on 4th down & the TD made it 21-13. USF punted with 2:41 left. A WV pass on 4&6 was ruled incomplete (:39).

West Virginia 55 SYRACUSE 14 - WV got an int on the game's 3rd play setting up a 37/5pl drive for a TD. SU went 45/10pl for a TD, 7-7. WV went 77/13pl for a TD & SU got a 64 yd KR to the 25 but faked a FG and was tkl'd after a 3 yd gain. WV got a tipped pass int'd by DL Dykes and ret'd 19 yds for a TD, 21-7. WV went 51/5pl for a TD, 28-7. WV got a 49 yd FG, 31-7 in the 1H with a 264-74 yd edge. WV went 46/6pl for a TD & 83/13pl for a FG, 41-7. SU got a 61 yd TD pass, 41-14. WV went 84/8pl with QB Brown in (White inj) 48-14 & behind Bednarik 23/6pl for a TD, 55-14.

WEST VIRGINIA 38 Mississippi St 13 - On WV's 1st play, White ripped off a 64 yd TD run, 7-0. It was all WV in the 1Q with 88/12pl, 16/3pl & 48/5pl TD drives, 28-0. WV got a 42 yd FG on the first play of the 2Q, 31-0. Foll'ing an 11 yd punt, MSU went 29/5pl for a TD, 31-7. WV had a 221-89 yd 1H edge. MSU opened the 3Q with a 58/13pl drive for a TD. WV's drove 48/7pl for a TD, 38-13. MSU was int'd at the WV42 and was SOD at the WV40 with 2:31 left. WV ran out the clock.

West Virginia 31 RUTGERS 3 - Heavy 1H rain. RU QB Teel was playing with a inj'd throwing hand but his rec's dropped 7 passes. WV took its 2nd drive 63/6pl with Slaton breaking a 38 yd TD run, 7-0. WV got to the RU38 but a bad snap forced a loss of 23 yds but their punt hit an RU player & WV went 31/5pl for a TD, 14-0. RU went 45/11pl for a 39 yd FG, 14-3 & WV went 60/11pl for a 42 yd FG, 17-3 in the 1H. RU opened the 3Q with a missed 46 yd FG. WV went 75/9pl for a TD. RU went 62/12pl but was int'd (11:16) & then went 67/7pl for a TD, 31-3. RU was int'd in the EZ & ret'd 32 yds then fmbld at its own 39. WV ran out the clock.

WEST VIRGINIA 38 Louisville 31 - Thur ESPN. WV went 56/6pl for a TD, 7-0. UL fmbld at its own 25 & WV got a TD 4 plays later, 14-0. UL went 75/8pl for a TD, 14-7. WV went 69/12pl and got a TD run on 4&gl at the 1, 21-7. UL went 59/4pl for a TD, 21-14 and UL had a 203-184 yd edge in the 1H. WV opened the 3Q with a 28 yd FG. UL was sk'd & fmbld and WV ret'd it 44 yds for a TD, 31-14. UL went 46/8pl for a TD, 31-21. WV started at the 50 but on 4&2, FB Schmitt punted 9 yds & UL went 67/4pl for a TD, 31-28. UL went 42/6pl for a 37 yd FG, 31-31. WV went 66/4pl and got a 50 yd TD run by White on 2&8 (1:36). UL fell on the KO at its own 1 and got 3 FD's to midfield but its Hail Mary pass was intercepted.

West Virginia 28 CINCINNATI 23 - WV opened with a 70/9pl drive for a TD. UC got a 70 yd TD pass, 7-7. WV went 80/11pl for a TD, 14-7. UC went on a 6pl drive for a 42 yd FG, 14-10. WV went 74/8pl for a TD, 21-10. In the 1H, UC had a 247-231 yd edge. UC went 73/8pl but fmbld at the WV13. WV went 67/11pl for a TD, 28-10. UC went 71/12pl. A fmbld was rec'd by WV but it was overturned & a TD made it 28-17. WV was at its 8 on 3&2 & got a FD but fmbld at the 24 (4:30). Seven plays later, UC got the backdoor cover with a TD (2:26). WV rec'd the onside kick and got to the UC23 and took a knee.

WEST VIRGINIA 66 Connecticut 21 - WV was put in the driver's seat for a possible National Title game with LSU upset the day before. In the 1H, CT had a 261-200 yd edge incl an opening 81/7pl drive for a TD. The key play of the game happened with CT down 17-7 and at the WV22. UC was sk'd and fmbld and WV went 60/4pl for a TD. The 2H was all WV as it scored TD's on 5 of its first 6 poss. The only one they did not they were int'd at the 5 but got a fumble return for a TD 2 plays later and led 66-14 (7:47). Backups played the entire 4Q. CT got a garbage TD to finish the scoring.

Pittsburgh 13 WEST VIRGINIA 9 - Pitt was int'd and ret'd 46 yds to its 27 but WV missed a 20 yd FG & then a 32 yd FG. Pitt was int'd at the WV26 and WV went 74/14pl for a 6 yd TD run 7-0. Brown QB'd most of the 2H as White was inj'd. Pitt went 42/6pl and got a 48 yd FG on the final play of the 1H, 7-3. WV had a 140-75 yd edge. Pitt faked a punt on 4&1 for a FD & would go 48/11pl for a TD and the lead, 10-7. Pitt had a TD run by McCoy wiped out by a ? holding call & missed a 35 yd FG. WV fmbld at its own 17 but Pitt, after a 1&gl, settled for an 18 yd FG, 13-7 (6:17). WV's Devine ret'd the KO 47 yds to the Pitt33 and White came back in the game but on 4&3 was SOD. Pitt got a FD but it was called back for holding on WR again. WV started at the 46. They got 2 FD's to the 21 but their 4&16 pass was inc with :03 left & Pitt's P ran out of the EZ for a safety on the last play.