

Glenville Accepts Bid To NAIA Semi-finals On Nov. 24

The Glenville State College Pioneers will host the Carthage (Wis.) Redmen at the Ripley High School football field Saturday, Nov. 24 at 1:30 p.m. EST. The contest is a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics semi-final to determine the NAIA division II champion.

Glenville State finished their regular football season with an unblemished mark of 9-0. The perfect record was the first in the school's history. The Pioneers met Fairmont for the WVIAC championship and although they came out on the short end of the score, 21-7, they still remained high enough in the NAIA ratings to receive one of four play off bids. Carthage finished their season with a record of 9 wins and 1 loss.

Glenville State's performance this year is characterized by a rock hard defense and an explosive offense.

The Pioneer defense finished sixth in the nation's total yardage yielded and twentieth against the run. Glenville also led the WVIAC in total offense, total defense and rushing defense. This year the Pioneer defenders have picked off twenty opposition passes with safety man Jerome Fruit of Oak Hill being the leader in that category with 5 thefts. The alert defense has also recovered twelve fumbles, blocked one punt and blocked one field goal. In a

game this year against Concord State College the G-men held the opposition to -19 yards rushing. The Pioneer defense consists of 220 lb. junior Bernie Buttrey and 180 lb. sophomore William Marshall at defensive ends. The tackles are 230 lb. senior Mark Reger and 225 lb. senior Marcus Rice. At the outside linebacker position are 170 lb. senior Scotty Hamilton and 175 lb. junior Bob Hardman, middle linebackers are 185 lb. senior Brian Taylor and 196 lb. junior Paul Frederick. Playing at defensive half-back are 175 lb. junior Ed Williams and 170 lb. junior Roger Bonnette. At the safety position is 180 lb. sophomore Jerome Fruit. Taylor and Hamilton were all-conference in WVIAC last year. Rice, Reger, Taylor, Hamilton, Fruit, Hardman and Bonnette have all started at least two years with Buttrey, Marshall, Williams and Frederick each being a starter for their first year. The defense allowed an average of 7.7 points per game to be scored against them.

On offense, the Pioneers feature a versatile attack. The Glenville runners have picked up 1814 yards this year while through the air the Pioneers have gained 1114 yards. Highlighting the rushing attack have been Jim Carter, a 174 lb. senior and

John Pratt, 200 lb. senior. Carter has gained 782 yards in 202-attempts for a 3.4 average per carry. Fullback Pratt has gained 489 yds. in 108 attempts for a 4.5 average per carry.

Junior flanker Les Facemyer has gained 131 yards while freshman tailback Don Brady has picked up 249 yards and reserve fullback Mike Robison has picked up 82 yards. When it comes to putting the ball in the air Glenville has one of the top passers in the WVIAC in junior Chris Anderson from Hannibal Ohio. Anderson has passed for 971 yards by hitting 75 passes in 134 attempts.

He also threw 14 touchdown passes to set a new school record. Anderson has been intercepted thirteen times. Backing up Anderson will be Joe Mitchem, a 175 lb. junior. Mitchem has added to the passing game by throwing three touchdown passes.

In the receiving area, the Pioneers are led by junior split end, 160 lb. Steve Buffington of Ravenswood. Buffington has caught 27 passes for 436 yards and six touchdowns. 200 lb. senior tight end Ken Morrison has made 21 receptions for 204 yds. and 4 touchdowns and Facemyer hauled in 12 passes for 17.5 yards and three scores.

Glenville's interior line averages 228 lbs. across. At the tackle position

the Pioneers have 240 lb. senior Larry Chapman and 240 lb. freshman Dave Neuner. Playing guard are 230 lb. senior Tom Harvey and 220 lb. junior Bob Maynard. Starting at center is 210 lb. senior Irvin Braniff. Braniff, Chapman and Harvey have all lettered for two years or more.

In the important kicking department the G-men are led by Ripley native, senior Jay Chambers. Chambers has averaged 35 yards per punt. He also handles the place kicking chores and this year he broke Ripley's Ray Swisher's extra point record by kicking 38 of 39 extra points. Larry Wolfe is kickoff man for the Pioneers.

The offense averaged almost 30 points per game with thirteen men getting into the scoring act. Carter has tallied 62 points and needs two touchdowns to set a school record. Chambers has scored 56 points and Pratt and Buffington each have 36 points.

Specialty teams have been very instrumental in Glenville's successful season. Rick Lemley, 165 lb. sophomore, led the nation for much of the year with 21 yard average per punt return. Lemley has returned two punts for touchdowns. One was for 78 yards and the other was 53 yards. On kickoff returns, Carter

has run back 12 kicks for 363 yards. Against Hillsdale, Mich., Carter ran back kicks for a school record, 166 yards. His 99 yard return in the fourth quarter sparked the G-men to a 15-14 victory. Freshman Brady ran one kickoff back 85 yards for a touchdown.

In comparison against their opponents, the Pioneers have an advantage of 1814 yds. to 760 yds. in rushing, and 1114 yds. to 999 yds. in passing. Glenville has picked up 138 first downs in comparison to the opposition's 97 first downs. The Pioneers have been penalized 71 times for 736 yds. to their opponent's 63 penalties for 558 yards.

The Glenville men are coached by Bill Hanlin, a 1953 graduate of Glenville. Assisting him are Earl Adolfson, Jim Riffle, Bob Summers, and Jerry Milliken. This is Hanlin's eighth year at Glenville and he has done a superb job of piloting the Pioneers to their first unbeaten regular season and a southern division crown of the WVIAC.

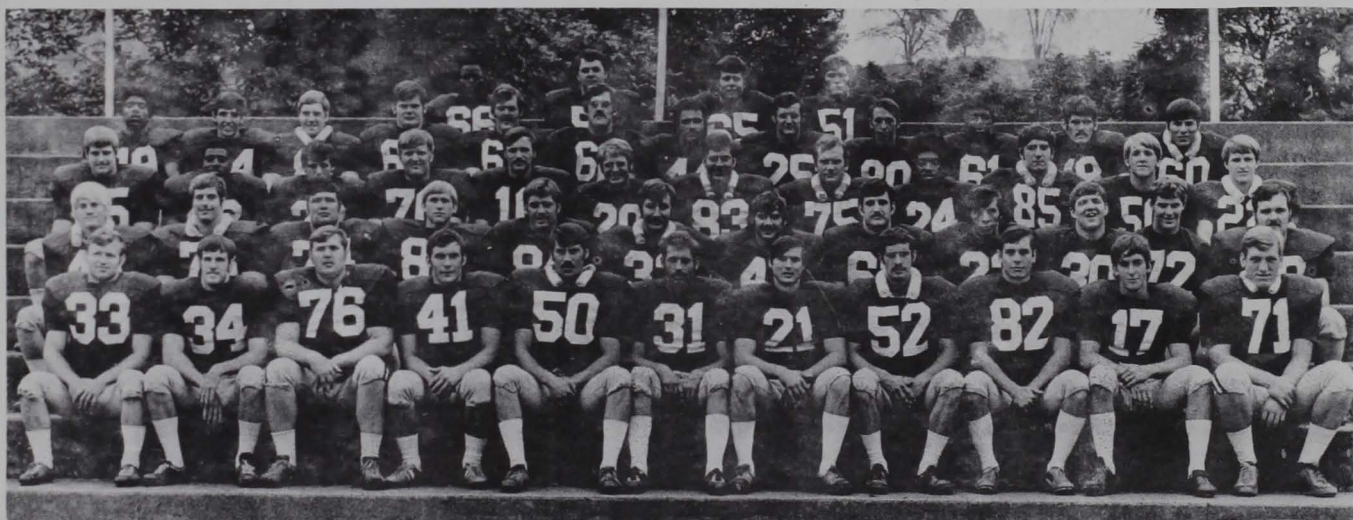
Carthage is a college of 1300 in Wisconsin. The Redmen are 9-1 this year with their only loss coming at the hands of Lakeland (Ill.) College by the score of 13-7. Carthage's offense relies on a strong running game.

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The 1973 Pioneer football team freshmen excluded: 1st row, 1-r, Brian Taylor, Ed Williams, Marcus Rice, John Pratt, Irvin Braniff, Jay Chambers, Gerald Matheny, Dave Fouty, Randy Hunt, Larry Wolfe, Jim Selbe. 2nd row, 1-r, Roger Bonnett, Steve Deem, Mark Reger, Steve Buffington, Kenny Morrison, Mike Robison, Paul Nettles, Paul Frederick, Dennis Hunt, Ted Williams, Bob Maynard, Tom Harvey. 3rd row, 1-r, Stu Deem, Jim Carter, Rick Lemley, Dan Clevenger, Joe Mitchem, Scotty Hamilton, Bernie Buttrey, Wes Garrison, Jerome Fruit, Willie Marshall, Dave Corbett, Guy Dooley. 4th row, 1-r, Art Keith, Keith Sayre, Bob Hardman, George Welch, Pat Joyce, Gary Barnett, Randy DeBastiani, Les Facemyer, Mark Toney, Art Ausberry, Chris Anderson, Terry Rollins. 5th row, Mike Brown, Ken Parker, Donnie Evans, Joe Mills.

Hanlin Honored As Coach of the Year

The Glenville State College students and staff learned yesterday that head football coach Bill Hanlin was named WVIAC football coach of the year by the conference coaches.

Coach Hanlin has been at Glenville eight years. His teams have won 42 games and he has the best won-lost percentage of all head football coaches at Glenville.

Coach Hanlin returned to Glenville, after 13 years of highly successful coaching at Tyler County; Ashland, Ohio; and St. Mary's High School.

His 1963 St. Marys team attained the almost unheard of feat of scoring 308 points in ten games and holding the opponents scoreless. He attended Sistersville High School and is a graduate of Glenville State College and the University of Maryland.

This year the Glenville State College Pioneer football team have had a most successful season. They won 9 games in the regular season and their only loss came at the hands of Fairmont State in the Shrine Bowl in Parkersburg.

Glenville will play Carthage, Wisc., in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics semi-final playoffs on Nov. 24 at Ripley. That Glenville has been invited to the NAIA playoffs is further proof of the caliber of Coach Hanlin's teams.

Coach Hanlin said Sunday, after receiving the bid to play, "We don't know too much about them. They have an excellent record (9-1) and they have been judged good enough to get into the playoffs."

"This game is fitting tribute to a

group of football players who have worked hard all year. We had a let-down in the Shrine game and the playoff game will give our players a chance to again show their record was well earned," he concluded.

Tickets are on sale now at the entrance of the Physical Education building, for the NAIA play-off game in Ripley. They are \$3 for students, faculty and staff, \$4 for adults and \$5 for reserve seats.



Coach Bill Hanlin
WVIAC Coach of the Year

Fan and Team Morale Still High - Saturday's Defeat Is Forgotten

Eleven people sat in President Wilburn's office at 2 p.m. on a rainy, dreary, Sunday afternoon. The weather perhaps reflected their mood as they sat remembering the loss of the night before and waiting expectantly for a call. The call from the NAIA hierarchy, deeming whether or not Glenville would receive a bid to play in the national semifinals, came at 2:46-you know the rest.

Since that afternoon countless numbers of people have combined to prepare for this Saturday's game against Carthage. Press releases have been sent, tickets, programs and newspapers have been made, distributed and sold, accommodations have been arranged, and a million and one other preparations have been made. Everyone is, to say the least, psyched!

Ah, the sadist might say this is all in vain after last Saturday's defeat, and certainly the game was miserable, but a closer look might produce some positive conclusions. In case you missed it, (and if you did, you were one of a very few), Parkersburg was literally taken over by Glenville State College fans. The Pioneers engulfed the city and a very gracious Parkersburg was hospitable and warm. If the alumni and friends of Glenville were enthusiastic, the students were indescribable. The whole week before the game was chaotic and the estimated Glenville attendance at the game was 6000. In the words of one very well-known athletic director: "No-one has more loyal or dedicated fans!" The facts speak for themselves and these facts are important to Glenville, in retrospect. They prove that we wanted the title and that we tried. Everyone who was there knows that we outnumbered Fairmont fans 3 to 1. Despite this we did lose. But, every Pioneer fan knows that each member of the football team wanted that game with all his heart. The emotional aspect was as intense as it could possibly have been. Fairmont had nothing to lose with a 5-3-1 record; we were after the best record in our history. The mistakes were sad and ridiculous, they proved this one single contention: Our guys lost that game because they wanted it too much. How can they be blamed for that? Last Saturday is in the past and is nothing to dwell upon now. So let's move on to our very bright future!

Now, everyone is prepared to follow the Pioneers to the semi-finals. Expectations and emotions are high. Fans are ready with all the support any team would need. That support is there because we have a dedicated, hard-working team and sincere, appreciative coaches-the very best. Anyone, anywhere would be proud to support our kind of guys and they themselves are all the inspiration fans could possibly need.

This Saturday will prove itself. Confident of our chances for winning, the fans will be there, yelling their hearts out, for their number 1 Pioneers!

Good Luck
Sherri Catalano
Editor-in-Chief

Prepare For 'Big 3' Sport With Thermal Underwear And Coffee

What is it about football that makes a person want to go out in blue-cold weather wearing long underwear and a suit? What is it about a sport that makes you want to venture your hand out from under a blanket to wave a blue and white shaker, or to risk yelling despite the fact that the icicles in your mouth seriously threaten your vocal cords? I don't pretend to know, but the ballgame this Saturday raised these serious questions in my mind.

Consider American's other major sports, basketball and baseball. One of these is an indoor sport, the other is played in the summertime, both of which are warm! Granted: each of these three sports, plus ice hockey, involve a lot of cheering on the part of the spectators (unlike golf), and a lot of action on the part of the players (unlike bridge). Granted: each of these four sports involve teamwork (unlike marbles), brains (unlike roulette), and physical perfection (unlike poker), and speed (unlike chess). But of these four sports, baseball, basketball, ice hockey, and football, two are played where it's cold. What does ice hockey lack that it isn't among the "Big Three" in American hearts? Or better still, what is that "something extra" about football that ranks it right up there with the warm-weather sports under America's aorta?

Well, I don't know for sure, but I've got a theory. I think, in the Pioneer's case anyway, it's the fact that we've got an excellent team composed of great guys and managed by talented coaches. We also have lively fans, a very good band, and spirited cheerleaders. All these make it worth it.

So we lose one! It just gets everybody a little more psyched, a little more adrenalin in the system, a little more prepared for the ballgame. Besides, if we were champs at everything, we'd soon get cocky (like some others)- that's called bad sportsmanship. I hate to sound trite by saying "It's not whether you win or lose but how you play the game," because winning is important, winning is what you try to do. But the whole idea of sports, according to the Greeks to whom we owe much in sports history, is the perfection and catharsis of man and his soul. A perfect man is not one that is immature and rubs his victories in or starts fights over his defeats. He is one who accepts victories with grace and defeats with courage.

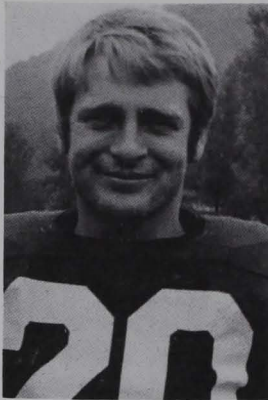
Well anyway, I don't know what makes me want to wear thermal underwear three jackets and a pant suit over to Ripley this Saturday at 1:30, but I'll be there, piled "to the max" with blankets, blue and white shakers, and a coffee thermos. And I hope you nice, warm, turkey-stuffed people who don't come to the game are bored to death Saturday afternoon!

Ruth Swatzyna

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Scotty Hamilton

S. Hamilton Named To WVIAC Honor

It isn't often that in a conference the size of the WVIAC that a 5'9" 170 lb. weak side linebacker is named its outstanding defensive player. However, such is the case of Glenville's Scotty Hamilton who learned of this honor at the rally held to support our team yesterday.

Scotty is a senior physical education major from Marietta, Ohio. He has lettered all four of the years he played ball for the Pioneers. Many times Scotty is outweighed by his opponents by 50 to 80 pounds but with guts and spirit he has been able to impress his opponents with his exceptional play.

The honor of being named the Outstanding Defensive Player in the WVIAC is not the first such accolade Scotty has received. In 1970 and 1972 he was named to the first team WVIAC defensive team. Also in 1970 Hamilton ran back a punt against Fairmont to spark the Pioneers to a heart throbbing 22-21 victory.

This year Scotty has blocked one punt; recovered a blocked punt; blocked a field goal and recovered a fumble for a touchdown. He has also intercepted three passes and returned them for a total of 57 yards. In the game against Fairmont, Scotty made two brilliant plays to cause fumbles which the Pioneers recovered.

Scotty said that he felt it was great to receive the award and it was great to play on such an outstanding defensive team.

Head Coach Hanlin commented that, "Scotty is a very deserving young man and a fine football player."

Pioneers Defeated By Fairmont 21-7

The Glenville Pioneers suffered their first defeat of the season when a fired-up Fairmont football team defeated the Pioneers last Saturday night 21-7. The loss of the game can be endured because the Pioneers found out Sunday that they will be invited to participate in the NAIA playoffs.

Fairmont scored on a 45 yd. pass interception on the third play of the game. Then in the second quarter, the Falcons scored on a one yard run. Finally, Fairmont scored on a 53 yard pass play. Glenville had many unfortunate breaks in the game. Everytime the Pioneers got a drive going, either a fumble or a pass interception or a penalty halted the G-men. The defense of Glenville forced Fairmont into several miscues but the Pioneers couldn't capitalize on Falcon mistakes.

Scotty Hamilton, Bernie Buttry and Mark Reger all played extremely well as did the rest of the defense.

The Pioneers scored on an 8 yard pass from Chris Anderson to Steve Buffington in the fourth quarter but it was too late. One fact remains. We all know that Fairmont didn't knock us out of a playoff berth.

Muckraking

by Dave Bunton

The joy of victory and the agony of defeat. The Glenville Pioneers must know both of their feelings after this week-end. First the Pioneers dropped a heartbreaking decision to Fairmont for the WVIAC championship, but then Sunday we received and accepted a bid from the NAIA to participate in the post season playoffs. Maybe my boss was right when she says "every cloud has a silver lining" an antiquated but true statement to be sure. Glenville should be proud of the way they conducted themselves both on and off the field. The Falcons played well but they'll never win a popularity contest. From my station on the field I could see Fairmont was also winning a game of cheap shots both verbally and physically. But what the heck, so we lost one, we're in the playoffs and they're not and we beat them once anyway. Now to the business at hand. Glenville plays Carthage (Wis.), a team that also finished 9-1. No one knows too much about the Redmen except they like a control offense with lots of running plays. It sure is freaky when you don't know anything about who you are going to play.

And . . .

I saw a play Saturday night I couldn't believe. Fairmont was attempting a field goal but the center snap forced the kicker to run with the ball toward the sidelines. Scotty Hamilton had the man by the jersey but instead of tackling him, Hamilton knocked the ball out of his arms and Glenville recovered. That play had to be one of the smartest I have ever seen but then Hamilton has been making plays like this ever since he came to Glenville.

After watching a team like Glenville go 4-0 against opponents in each division of the WVIAC one can't help but think the conference playoff game stinks. If the conference

wants to have a post season game why don't they have a game between the all-stars of both divisions. No team should have to play the same team twice in one year to win a championship. Glenville had everything to lose and nothing to gain. Conference Commissioner George Springer and the coaches of the conference teams who voted in the playoffs should reconsider their hasty action.

I couldn't believe the crowd we had Saturday night. Students and alumni jammed Glenville's side of the stadium field. The crowd was the best I've ever seen but let's hope we can have an even better one this Saturday in Ripley. Oh, and one other thing that wasn't too cool, if you were one of those who left early in the second half-thanks for pulling for the team when they need it most.

All this commotion about the football team and not one word about Glenville's basketball team. The hoopsters of Jesse Lilly opened up against A-B last night. Let's hope we can support them as much as we do football.

And . . .

The playoff bid has enabled Glenville's 13 seniors to play another game together and hopefully another after that. These thirteen young men have done an outstanding job in leading the Pioneers through a banner season. All I can say is thanks fellas, you deserve it.

Yeah Governor Arch Moore is going to be at the ballgame. He's even going as far as to fly in a helicopter to the game. Dr. Dollgener deserves a big note of thanks in having the game played at Ripley. It was through his hard work and planning that the Pioneers could become the home team.

Well happy Turkey Day and see ya in Ripley. Right Rook???????



"FIRST THEY TAKE OUR COUNTRY;
NOW THEY'RE TAKING
OUR CHAMPIONSHIP CHANCE!"