



FOOTBALL

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WEST VIRGINIA vs. TEXAS // POSTGAME NOTES Milan Puskar Stadium // November 14, 2015

Ka'Raun White earned his first career start against Texas. The Mountaineers now have a total of 38 players with at least one game of starting experience. Tops on the list is linebacker Nick Kwiatkoski (33).

White is the 11th Mountaineer to earn his first career start this season.

WVU forced Texas into five turnovers today (two interceptions, three fumbles). The Longhorns entered the game with seven turnovers on the season (three interceptions, four fumbles).

Jared Barber's first quarter, 42-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown was the WVU defense's first score of the season. It was the Mountaineers' second special teams/defensive touchdown of the year.

WVU has scored 57 special teams/defensive touchdowns since 2000.

Skylar Howard's 53-yard touchdown pass to Jovon Durante late in the second quarter was WVU's second-longest touchdown pass of the season. Howard now shows four TD passes of 50+ yards this year.

Howard accounted for three touchdowns today (two passing, one rushing). His two-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter was his fourth rushing touchdown of the season.

Today marked the fifth time this season Howard has thrown two or more touchdown passes.

Wendell Smallwood finished with a career-high 165 yards rushing, giving him 1,119 rushing yards on the season, his first career 1,000-yard rushing season.

Smallwood is coach Dana Holgorsen's second 1,000-yard rusher at WVU. Charles Sims ran for 1,095 yards in 2013. Holgorsen has coached four different 1,000-yard rushers throughout his career.

Smallwood has now gained at least 100 yards rushing in six of the last seven games and eight times in his career. He now has two different streaks of three straight 100+ yard rushing games this season. His first streak of three straight games (Maryland – Oklahoma – Oklahoma State) marked the first time a Mountaineer has rushed for 100 or more yards in three consecutive games since Noel Devine did so in the first three games of the 2010 season.

Elijah Wellman's second quarter, one-yard touchdown was his first career rushing score. He is the fifth different Mountaineer to score a rushing TD this season.

Durante's second quarter, 53-yard touchdown reception was his second 50+-yard score of the season; he caught a career-long TD of 57 yards against Georgia Southern.

Daikiel Shorts' third quarter, eight-yard touchdown catch was his career-best third TD reception of the season and first since the Baylor game on Oct. 17.

Nick Kwiatkoski's second-quarter forced fumble was his first of the season and the third of his career. He also grabbed an interception in the fourth quarter, his second of the season and the fifth of his career.

Nana Kyeremeh's third quarter forced fumble was the first of his career.

Today marked the second time this season the Mountaineers forced an opponent into at least two fumbles (2 vs. Georgia Southern). WVU has now forced (seven) fumbles this season.

Daryl Worley's fourth-quarter interception was his fourth of the season and the eighth of his career. The WVU defense had tallied 16 interceptions this season, the most since having 17 in 2009.

Josh Lambert's 19-yard field goal at the onset of the fourth quarter gave him sole possession of No. 2 on the WVU all-time career field goals made list with 59. Paul Woodside (1981-84) is WVU's all-time leader with 74.

With the win, WVU's first over Texas in Morgantown, the Mountaineers now own a 3-2 all-time series advantage.

WVU has now scored 30 or more points 41 times under Holgorsen.

WVU improves to 73-10 since 2002 when winning the turnover battle.

Since 2000, WVU is 98-13 when scoring 30 points or more. Dating back to 1980, WVU is 180-17-1 when scoring 30 or more points in a game.



TEXAS FOOTBALL

Game 10 | Saturday, Nov. 14 | Milan Puskar Stadium

West Virginia Mountaineers (5-4, 2-4 Big 12) _____ 38

Texas Longhorns (4-6, 3-4 Big 12) _____ 20

SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS

56,736 — Attendance.

43 — temperature at kickoff with partly cloudy skies, winds out of the WNW at 5 mph

10-2 — UT's record under Charlie Strong when the Longhorns score first. The only other game Texas has lost under Coach Strong after scoring first was against Oklahoma last season, 31-26. Texas kicked a FG to go up 3-0 in that contest, and OU returned the ensuing kickoff 91 yards for a touchdown.

6:21 — length of UT's opening drive of the second half. It was capped off by a 5-yard TD pass to **WR Daje Johnson**. It was the **4th scoring drive** of the season to surpass 6:00 for the Longhorns this season. (6:56 FG, vs. OU; 6:26 FG vs. OSU; 6:19 FG, vs. K-State)

39.2 — average length of **RB D'Onta Foreman's** 5 TDs this season. He had a 65-yarder today.

POSTGAME NOTES

TEAM NOTES

- Texas Team Captains: **Peter Jinkens, Sedrick Flowers and Alex De La Torre**. Texas won the toss and deferred to the second half. West Virginia elected to receive the opening kickoff.
- Series: Texas is now **2-3 against West Virginia** all-time and **1-1 on the road** against the Mountaineers.
- The Longhorns had **5 turnovers** today.
- Texas out-gained West Virginia **439-379** on offense today.

OFFENSE

D'Onta Foreman, RB

- Scored on a **65-yard touchdown** for another big play. Foreman has had **3 runs of 60+ yards** this season.
- Foreman has 3 of the 6 longest plays from scrimmage this season for the Longhorns: 93 rush, 81 rush, 65 rush
- Foreman now has **5 touchdowns** on the year. His touchdown runs have been an **average of 39.2 yards**.
- Registered his 4th 100-yard game of the season with a career-high 18 carries for 147 yards. All 4 of his 100-yard games have come in Big 12 Conference games: TCU (112), OU (117), Kansas (157)

Jerrold Heard, QB

- Connected with **TE Caleb Bluiett, WR John Burt and WR Daje Johnson** for passes of 30+ yards today.
- Completed 11-of-18 passes for 162 yards, 1 TD and 2 INTs.

Daje Johnson, WR

- Had 4 receptions for 76 yards and a TD, including a long of 36 yards. It is the most yards receiving he has had since 145 against Cal.

Johnathan Gray, RB

- Tallied 56 yards on 14 carries. Brings his career total to 2,607 yards. He ranks No. 12 in Texas history and is just 57 yards shy of cracking the Top 10.

DEFENSE

Malik Jefferson, LB

- Led team with 11 tackles (6 solo) for his first 10+ tackle performance.
- Brings season-total to 59. He is 18 shy of cracking the Top 10 for tackles in a season by a freshman in UT history.

Peter Jinkens, LB

- Had 8 tackles (5 solo) and 1 sack. He now has 9.5 sacks on the year to lead the team.

Davante Davis, DB

- Pulled in his first interception of his career. He is the 4th freshmen to register an interception this season.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Nick Rose, K

- Perfect 2-for-2 on FGs with makes of 31 and 34 yards.

TEXAS ALL-TIME RECORDS

Overall (123 years) _____	885-352-33 (.710)
Home _____	510-131-13 (.790)
Away _____	272-147-10 (.646)
Neutral _____	103-74-10 (.578)

CHARLIE STRONG RECORD

Overall (6 years) _____	47-29 (.618)
Texas (2 years) _____	10-13 (.435)
On road at Texas _____	3-4 (.429)