

WEEK TWO
YOUNGSTOWN STATE AT WEST VIRGINIA

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. -- Will Grier threw three of his four touchdown passes to Gary Jennings to lead No. 14 West Virginia to a 52-17 victory over Youngstown State on Saturday night.

The Mountaineers (2-0) piled up 625 total yards in winning their 15th straight home opener.

Jennings led West Virginia with 97 catches for 1,096 yards a year ago, but had just one TD catch the entire season.

He got plenty of attention from Grier on Saturday, boosting his total to four scores in two games.

Jennings had a 33-yard TD catch in the third quarter after scores of 11 and 24 yards in the second.

Grier also had a 40-yard scoring toss to Dominique Maiden in the fourth quarter. Grier completed 21 of 26 passes for 332 yards.

FCS Youngstown State (0-2) was limited to 293 total yards. Notre Dame transfer Montgomery VanGorder was 11 of 24 for 157 yards.

THE TAKEAWAY

West Virginia: The Mountaineers' most pressing task was shoring up a defense that has lost three linebackers to injuries since spring practice, including starter Charlie Benton last week. JoVanni Stewart, who had one start last season at safety, was moved into Benton's place against the Penguins and had two quarterback hurries and a tackle for loss. Starting linebacker David Long had a team-high 10 tackles. West Virginia also rotated plenty of players on the defensive line.

Youngstown State: The Penguins have lost six straight to Power Five schools since beating Pittsburgh in 2012. Youngstown State's inexperienced secondary had a tough task in covering West Virginia's deep roster of receivers.

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YSU	0	7	10	0	17
WVU	7	14	21	10	52

Scoring Summary -----

	YSU	WVU
FIRST QUARTER		
WVU TD 3:50		
Alec Sinkfield 9 Yd Run (Evan Staley Kick)		
10 plays, 99 yards, 3:51	0	7
SECOND QUARTER		
WVU TD 12:52		
Gary Jennings Jr. 11 Yd pass from Will Grier (Evan Staley Kick)		
10 plays, 68 yards, 4:18	0	14
YSU TD 9:01		
Miles Joiner 4 Yd pass from Montgomery VanGorder (Zak Kennedy Kick)		
10 plays, 75 yards, 3:51	7	14
WVU TD 1:00		
Gary Jennings Jr. 24 Yd pass from Will Grier (Evan Staley Kick)		
7 plays, 65 yards, 2:32	7	21
THIRD QUARTER		
WVU TD 12:19		
Gary Jennings Jr. 33 Yd pass from Will Grier (Evan Staley Kick)		
4 plays, 51 yards, 1:11	7	28
YSU TD 9:29		
Tevin McCaster 13 Yd Run (Zak Kennedy Kick)		
6 plays, 75 yards, 2:50	14	28
WVU TD 4:02		
Leddie Brown 1 Yd Run (Evan Staley Kick)		
14 plays, 82 yards, 5:27	14	35
WVU TD 3:20		
Kennedy McKoy 8 Yd Run (Evan Staley Kick)		
2 plays, 34 yards, 0:30	14	42
YSU FG 0:01		
Zak Kennedy 45 Yd Field Goal		
7 plays, 56 yards, 3:14	17	42
FOURTH QUARTER		
WVU TD 14:37		
Dominique Maiden 40 Yd pass from Will Grier (Evan Staley Kick)		
2 plays, 50 yards, 0:23	17	49
WVU FG 8:37		
Evan Staley 31 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 64 yards, 3:26	17	52

Team Stats	YSU	WVU
First Downs	19	32
Total Yards	295	600
Total Plays	59	71
Avg Gain Per Play	5.0	8.5
Net Yards Rushing	137	273
Rushes	35	43
Yards Per Rush	3.9	6.3
Net Yards Passing	158	327
Comp-Att	11-24	21-28
Yards Per Pass	6.6	11.7
Times Sacked	1	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	-4	-6
Interceptions	1	1
Punts	6	1
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	8	12
Penalty Yards	65	114
Fumbles	3	2
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	30:45	29:15

Individual Stats

RUSHING

YSU	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Tevin McCaster	14	72	5.1	1	20
Christian Turner	10	48	4.8	0	20
Montgomery VanGorder	12	16	1.3	0	11
WVU	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Leddie Brown	15	115	7.7	1	18
Martell Pettaway	12	77	6.4	0	20
Kennedy McKoy	11	76	6.9	1	26
Alec Sinkfield	5	24	4.8	1	9
Brady Watson	1	0	0.0	0	0
Will Grier	2	-3	-1.5	0	1

PASSING

YSU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Montgomery VanGorder	11	24	157	6.5	1	1	106.6
WVU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Will Grier	21	26	332	12.8	4	1	233.3
Jack Allison	1	3	4	1.3	0	0	44.5

RECEIVING

YSU	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Zach Farrar	6	135	22.5	0	43
Jake Cummings	2	15	7.5	0	9
Tevin McCaster	1	8	8.0	0	8
Miles Joiner	1	4	4.0	1	4
Christian Turner	1	-5	-5.0	0	0
WVU	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Marcus Simms	8	119	14.9	0	31
Gary Jennings Jr.	6	97	16.2	3	33
Dominique Maiden	1	40	40.0	1	40
David Sills V	2	33	16.5	0	19
T.J. Simmons	2	23	11.5	0	12
Kennedy McKoy	1	11	11.0	0	11
Tevin Bush	1	9	9.0	0	9
Jovani Haskins	1	4	4.0	0	4