

CAPITAL CAN SHARE OC TITLE

Tigers Go for 9-0 Season

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Wittenberg University's methodical football machine hopes to put the finishing touches on its second consecutive perfect regular season at 1:30 p.m. Saturday when independent Ashland College invades Springfield.

Coach Dave Maurer's Tigers have already assured themselves of a tie for their seventh Ohio Conference football title in the last 10 years and are riding the crest of a 19-game winning streak. It's the longest current win skein among the nation's college division teams.

Included in Ashland's 3-5 record is a 20-12 conquest of Capital University two weeks ago which ended the Crusaders' chance for their first unbeaten season in history.

CAP HOWEVER, can share the 1970 mythical OC title with Wittenberg if it can get by offensively-dangerous Otterbein in a similar 1:30 p.m. Saturday meeting in Bernlohr Stadium on the Cap campus.

Cap has never won an OC football title. A win against

arch rival in the season finale would also enable the current Crusaders to tie the 1964 squad for the best gridiron records in the school's history.

Mid-American Conference champion Toledo puts its 20-game winning streak on the line in the UT Glass Bowl at 8 p.m. against the University of Dayton Flyers who dealt the Rockets their last loss in the 1968 finale.

Toledo is 9-0 this fall and won last year's meeting between the pair by a 20-0 margin in Dayton. The Flyers stand 5-3-1.

OHIO WESLEYAN and Denison get together for the 65th time in a series that Ohio Wesleyan leads 38-21-5. It's a 1:30 p.m. game in Selby Stadium on the OWU campus.

Wooster is at Oberlin, and Heidelberg at Marietta in the only other OC games on Saturday's final full weekend of collegiate football action in the Buckeye state. Muskingum is at Wilkes (Pa.) College and Kenyon hosts Adrian (Mich.) at 2 p.m. in Gambier in non-conference season wrapups.

Miami University's Red-

STANDINGS

Mid-American				All-Conference	
		League		W	L
		W	L		
Toledo	.....	5	0	4	0
Ohio	.....	3	2	4	4
Miami	.....	2	2	2	3
WMU	.....	2	3	6	6
Kent	.....	1	3	2	2
E. G.	.....	1	4	2	5

Ohio Conference				All-Conference	
		League		W	L
		W	L		
Wittenberg	.....	5	0	3	0
Capital	.....	5	0	1	1
Wooster	.....	5	0	1	1
Muskingum	.....	4	1	2	1
Mount Union	.....	4	1	1	1
Baldwin-Wallace	.....	2	3	3	3
Kenyon	.....	2	4	4	4
Denison	.....	2	4	4	4
Heidelberg	.....	2	4	4	4
Marietta	.....	2	4	4	4
Otterbein	.....	2	4	4	4
Hiram	.....	1	5	5	5
Ohio Wesleyan	.....	1	4	4	4
Oberlin	.....	0	4	2	5

skins hope to tie Ohio University for second place in the final Mid-Am standings by getting past Kent State at Oxford. Ohio University is at Penn State (5-3) for an inter-sectional skirmish. Both the Miami and Ohio U. games have 1:30 p.m. starting times.

West Texas State is at Bowling Green, Northern Illinois at Western Michigan, and independent Cincinnati (6-2) hosts Louisville.

GARY SHERMAN, Wittenberg's 6-1, 195-pound full-back, needs only 16 net yards

against Ashland to set a new school season rushing record. He has carried 160 times for 811 yards to date this fall. Gene Urbanski (1954) has the mark.

Saturday's meeting is the sixth between the Tigers and Eagles. Wittenberg has a 3-2 edge and captured a 33-16 decision a year ago, the first time the pair had faced each other since 1947.

A Wittenberg win will give the Tigers their seventh perfect season in history and second in a row. Since 1960, the Tiger record reads 87-9-1 and includes 9-0 and 8-0 finishes in 1962 and 1964, last fall's 10-0 campaign and an 8-0-1 record in 1963.

THE TIGERS are also among several teams under consideration for the second annual Stag Bowl game that determines the NCAA College Division II western championship. The tentative date is Nov. 28, with one of the participating schools the expected host.

Wittenberg won it a year ago, defeating William Jewell (Mo.) College, 27-21, in Springfield.

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