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After sending out a request to the subscribers to The College Football Historian; seeking their interest in receiving "Lighting-up the Scoreboard" one wrote back with the comment interesting you should have "Lighting-up the Scoreboard as the title and included this with his email.

## The First Lighting-up the Scoreboard

The first mention of an electric scoreboard was in the February 7, 1915 Sun (of New York), "Howard T. Bryan of Ohio State invented an electric scoreboard, which has proved quite successful. The device was used first at the Ohio State-Indiana game (November 7, 1914) in Indianapolis." [Research by Steve Greene]

The 2011 College Football Season is winding down and following games that ended on Nov. 6the $143^{\text {rd }}$ anniversary of the very first college football; only 1 team remains as only current team over $500+$ Points for the season.

Northwest Missouri State entered its game as the No. 3 team in the weekly AFCA NCAA II poll; but a 31-28 loss didn't keep the team from moving-up the latter of 500+ Teams (counting this season, there have been 423 accomplishments since 1885).

With the start of the post-season just a few short weeks away; only NMS is the only team over $500+$ for the 2011 season-however, 6 teams from every level but CSD, are less than 50 points and a combined average of $28.7 /$ contest from joining Northwest Missouri on this list.

> > WITHIN REACH...

| Division | From Scoring | 500+ |  | G LEFT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2011 |  |  |
|  | Team | W-L | Points |  |
| BSD | Houston | 9-0 | 474 | 3 |
|  | Oklahoma St. | 9-0 | 451 | 3 |


| CSD | 0 teams within 50 | points |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |


| NCAA |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| D3 | Monmouth (IL) | $9-1$ | 482 | 2 |


| NAIA | Azusa Pacific (Calif.) | $8-2$ | 484 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Saint Xavier (III.) | $9-1$ | 482 | 1 |
|  | St. Francis (III.) | $8-2$ | 455 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

> Later in this issue, a Top 10 listing of schools that have allowed 500+ in a season; as three schools have already reached this mark-while three more should join the composite by season's end.

The 3 schools, all from the NAIA, wrap-up their 2011 campaign this weekend and currently a combined just 91 points from being included in this weekly list.

| From Allowing |  |  |  | $500+$ |  |
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| Division | Team | PA | W-L | G LEFT |  |
| NAIA | Haskell (Kan.) | 454 | $4-6$ | 1 |  |
|  | Culver-Stockton (Mo.) | 465 | $1-9$ | 1 |  |
|  | Bethel (Kan.) | 490 | $1-9$ | 1 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

Should the defensive units of the 3 schools just mentioned continue their ways of allowing points, they will become the $6^{\text {th }}$ teams to have surrendered 500+ Points in 2011.

| Have Allowed |  |  | $500+$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Division | Team | PA | W-L | G LEFT |
| NCAA II | Lincoln (MO) | 526 | $1-9$ | 1 |
|  | Tiffin | 526 | $0-10$ | 1 |


| NAIA | Concordia (MI) | 504 | $0-10$ | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Tiffin and Lincoln Mo are currently tied with Oberlin (NCAA III) total in 1999.

> Climbing the 500+ Point Ladder: scored

| 1968 | 533 | New Mexico Highlands | NAIA | $9-0$ |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1987 | 533 | Pittsburg State | NAIA | $11-1$ |
| 2001 | 533 | Montana | NCAA 1AA | $15-1$ |


|  | 2002 | 533 | Wittenberg | NCAA III |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 2003 | 533 | Texas | NCAA 1A | $10-2$ |
| 2005 | 533 | St. Francis (Ind.) | NAIA | $10-3$ |
| 2006 | 533 | Grand Valley State | NCAA II | $15-0$ |
| 2010 | 533 | Carroll MT | NAIA | $14-0$ |
| $\mathbf{2 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 3}$ | Northwest Missouri | State |

> Current teams that have allowed $500+$ Points


|  |  |  | NCAA |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 504 | Oberlin | III | 1998 | $0-10-0$ |  |
|  | 504 | Western Carolina | CSD | 2007 | $1-10-0$ |  |
| 74th | $\mathbf{5 0 4}$ | Concordia MI | NAIA |  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 - 1 0 - 0}$ |
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## > Top 10 Least Points Scored in the Regular Season

As mentioned above, the 2011 post-season playoffs are a few weeks away.

A total of 265 times a team would have been denied a spot on the highest scoring teams register if it had not participated in a post-season game.
> Here's the Top 10 least Regular Season Points Scored

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | COLLEGE | LEVEL | G | RS<500+ | $500+$ |
| 1999 | Ohio Northern | NCAA III | 11 | 328 | 513 |
| 1999 | Rowan | NCAA III | 10 | 338 | 501 |
| 2006 | Mount Union | NCAA III | 11 | 344 | 659 |
| 2008 | Central Washington | NCAA II | 10 | 352 | 504 |
| 2010 | Carroll MT | NAIA | 1 | 360 | 533 |
|  |  | NCAA |  |  |  |
| 2000 | Kansas State | 1A | 11 | 362 | 549 |


| 2008 | Wheaton | NCAA III | 10 | 363 | 505 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2000 | Mount Union | NCAA III | 11 | 365 | 662 |
|  |  | NCAA |  |  |  |
| 2003 | Boise State | 1A | 12 | 365 | 602 |
| 1999 | Rocky Mountain | NAIA | 10 | 370 | 503 |

* Lighting-up the Scoreboard subscriber, Patrick Premo submitted a request-for the single-season leaders in years when no team scored 500+ Points.
> Annual listing of schools that were the highest scoring teams-but did not reach 500+ Points. [65 Seasons]........revised! (Teams have been added and removed.)

| COLLEGE | YEAR | Record | PF |  | COLLEGE | YEAR | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | PF


| COLLEGE | YEAR | Record | PF |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nevada | 1948 | $9-2$ | 480 |
| Emory \& Henry | 1950 | $10-2$ | 416 |
| Arkansas State | 1951 | $10-2$ | 456 |
| Texas Tech | 1953 | $11-1$ | 463 |
| College of Emporia | 1954 | $9-1$ | 403 |
| Oklahoma | 1955 | $11-0$ | 385 |
| Oklahoma | 1956 | $10-0$ | 466 |
| Arizona State | 1957 | $10-0$ | 397 |
| Syracuse | 1959 | $11-0$ | 413 |
| Jackson State | 1962 | $10-1$ | 411 |
| College of Emporia | 1963 | $10-1$ | 424 |
| San Diego State | 1964 | $8-2$ | 423 |
| Ottawa | 1965 | $9-0$ | 389 |
| New Mexico |  |  |  |
| Highlands | 1966 | $8-2$ | 450 |
| Waynesburg | 1967 | $8-1$ | 483 |
| San Diego State | 1969 | $11-0$ | 492 |
| Nebraska | 1970 | $11-0-1$ | 426 |
| Boise State | 1974 | $10-2$ | 497 |
| Texas A \& I | 1975 | $12-0$ | 437 |
| Lehigh | 1977 | $12-2$ | 466 |
| Oklahoma | 1978 | $11-1$ | 471 |
|  |  |  |  |

- Can you name the first $500+$ team to score points in a post-season game?
- Answer next time!

As mentioned in the first season for a school to surpass was 1885-Princeton, 645 points; but the actual first season for annual updates came in 1991. Since that time, college football has been played in three different centuries: 1885-1899; 1900-99 and 2000-current.
$>$ Here's the leader's for the $1^{\text {st }}$ century of highest scoring teams:

|  | $1885-1899$ |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 76 |  |  |  |
| 5 | Harvard | Major College |  |
| 69 |  |  |  |
| 4 | Yale | Major College |  |
| 68 |  |  |  |
| 7 | Yale | Major College |  |
| 66 |  | Major College |  |


| 66 |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | Harvard | Major College |
| 63 |  |  |
| 3 | Harvard | Major College |
| 64 |  |  |
| 5 | Princeton | Major College |
| 63 | Princeton | Major College |
| 3 |  |  |
| 58 |  | Major College |
| 8 | Harvard |  |
| 55 |  | Major College |
| 3 | Harvard |  |

> The $1^{\text {st }} 7$ teams ranked under the current format in 1991 seasons shows:

1991 | 744 | Georgetown KY | NAIA II | 1991 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 555 | Pittsburg State KS | NCAA II | 1991 |
|  |  |  | NCAA 1- |  |
|  | 546 | Nevada-Reno | AA | 1991 |
|  | 516 | Weber State UT | NCAA 1- |  |
|  |  |  | AA | 1991 |
|  | 513 | Marshall WV | NCAA 1- |  |
|  | 507 | Fresno State | AA | 1991 |
| 502 | St. John's MN | NCAA 1-A | 1991 |  |
|  |  |  | NCAA III | 1991 |

