

# GREAT DINNER

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## Nehlen, Schaus To Speak At OVAC's December Dinner

West Virginia University's head football coach, Don Nehlen, and Mountaineer athletic director, Fred Schaus, will be guest speakers at the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference winter dinner meeting at Linsly Institute on Thursday, Dec. 3.

Sam A. Mumley Sr., executive secretary of the OVAC, said Saturday that Ed Pastilong, WVU assistant athletic director who is originally from Moundsville, would also be on hand for the occasion and that, if possible, record-breaking Mountaineer quarterback Oliver Luck will also be in the contingent coming from Morgantown for the occasion.

"We are going to have a great program," Mumley said. "In addition to spotlighting our distinguished guests from WVU, we will also be awarding pennants and trophies for golf, cross-country, volleyball, basketball and football."

The conference will not have to devote time to a business session upon that occasion because the official business meeting will take place at Linsly tomorrow night (Monday, Nov. 16) at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the Dec. 3 banquet will be placed on sale this week at Bernhardt Clothiers in Wheeling and at Zide's Sporting Goods in the Ohio Valley Mall. The banquet will be open to the public, with women being welcome.

For Schaus, being back in the Ohio Valley will be like old times because he spent a lot of hours with

king 146-37 record, with six Southern Conference titles, and his team was runnerup in the NCAA tournament in 1959 as it lost to California, by one point in the final. Schaus coached both Jerry West and Rod Hundley.

The Ohio native left West Virginia to become head coach of the Los Angeles Lakers, who had both West and Hundley, and in seven years his teams won four Western Division titles. He became the Lakers' general manager in 1967 but returned to collegiate coaching in 1972 at Purdue University.

From 1978 until his return to WVU as athletic director this past September, Schaus was associate athletic director at Purdue.

Nehlen, now in his second season as head football coach at West Virginia, is also an Ohio native. He hails from Canton and was a head coach at both Canton South and Canton McKinley. He also was an assistant coach in collegiate ranks at the University of Cincinnati and at Bowling Green State University, the latter being his alma mater. An All-Mid-American Conference quarterback during his playing days at Bowling Green, he became the head coach there in 1968 and was on the job nine years, with his teams compiling a 55-35-4 record. Then he went to Michigan where he was an assistant coach under Bo Schembechler for three years.

Nehlen last year succeeded Frank Cignetti as head coach at West Virginia.



Don Nehlen



## 300 Expected To Attend OVAC Dinner Thursday

A crowd of over 300 is expected to greet West Virginia University's Peach Bowl-bound football coach, Don Nehlen, and Mountaineer athletic director Fred Schaus when they appear at the 38th annual Ohio Valley Athletic Conference winter dinner meeting on Thursday night at Linsly Institute.

Nehlen will discuss the WVU football season and the upcoming Peach Bowl game while Schaus will envision the future of the Mountaineer athletic program.

Another highlight will be the presentation of awards to conference champions in fall sports. Football champions to be honored are Brooke, four-A titlist for the fifth straight year; Magnolia, Class AAA; Cadiz, repeater in double-A; and Beallsville, Class A.

West Virginia-side girls' basketball awards will go to the state's top-ranked power, John Marshall (Class AAA), and to Tyler, Class AA and Class A.

Cross-country champions to be rewarded are John Marshall, four-A and over-all kingpin; Magnolia, Class AAA; and Shadyside, Class AA and Class A.

Ohio-side golf champions to receive recognition are Wintersville, Class AAAA and overall titlist; Steubenville Catholic Central, triple-A; and Springfield, Class AA-A.

Ohio-side girls' volleyball champs will also be recognized. They are Steubenville Catholic Central, Class AAA; Wellsville, Class AA; and Shenandoah, Class A.

The OVAC will also distribute proceeds of the annual Ohio-West Virginia Charity All-Star Football game to the Wheeling Society for Crippled Children, the Ohio Valley Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Osiris Shrine, Eastern Ohio Lung Association, Ricky Rhoades Fund, and the Dr. Joe Bartell Memorial Fund.

Tickets remain on sale through Tuesday at Zide's Sports Shope in the Ohio Valley Mall and at Bernhardt Clothiers in downtown Wheeling. Women are welcome at the dinner, Sam A. Mumley Sr., executive secretary of the conference, emphasizes. Mumley urges schools to phone in their reservations by Tuesday as there will be no extension due to the ticket demand.



West Virginia University football coach Don Nehlen took time out from recruiting work and Peach Bowl preparations to speak at the Ohio Valley Athletic Conference dinner meeting Thursday night at Linsly Institute. He's shown with some of the other members of the OVAC.

right are Vince Paoletti, John Marshall High principal and OVAC president; Ed Pastilong, WVU assistant athletic director who is a product of Moundsville; Coach Nehlen; and Sam Mumley, executive secretary of the OVAC.