VPI Ends Season Against VMI Today

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It will be infantry against air attack when Virginia Tech closes out its football season in traditional fashion against upset-minded VMI today.

And elsewhere around the football front the Bristol area favorites will be pounding leather.

With a Gator Bowl bid dangling tantalizingly before their eyes, Tennessee's Vols tee off against Mississippi's belligerent Bulldogs at Jackson.

ETSU, hoping to move higher in the OVC standings in this final conference game, goes against cellar-dwelling Austin Peay at Clarksville.

Virginia Cavaliers have a date with up-and-down West Virginia at Morgantown.

And Carson-Newman goes across the mountains to play Western Carolina.

Emory & Henry concluded its schedule a week ago, being knocked out of the NCAA, Division 3 playoff contention by losing 7-3 to Georgetown, Ky.

VIRGINIA TECH matches the ground power of "Phantom Phil" Rogers and "Jungle Jim" Barber against VMI's vaunted air squadron of Tom Schultze and Ronnie Moore.

These two Keydets have set new school records, and will be back next season.

Schultze, a junior, has hit 102 of 244 passes for 1,193 yards. Moore, a sophomore, has hauled in 39 of these tosses for 598 yards.

Freshman Kim Glidewell, an appropriate name for a runner, and junior Bruce Torbett shoulder the rushing game.

Tech holds a 40-22 edge in the long series. Five games have ended in standoffs. The Gobbler are a 21.3 point favorite.