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Down 14-7 with one 12-minute quarter to go and facing a even longer but ride back home, the UNCP football team clawed back to score 21 unanswered fourth quarter points for a comeback victory over Glenville State in Glenville, WV, on Oct. 2.

Braves senior quarterback Cory Smith tallied two of his three touchdown passes in the fourth quarter as he led the offense down the field for the three scores in the final stanza.

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UNCP linbacker Fred Williams walked into the post-game press conference wearing a shirt with the words ‘Braves: Just do it’ as he intercepted a Carson-Newman pass attempt and the Braves’ defensive line coach Jim Miller (right) reacts after the UNCP defensive line forced a fumble against Carson-Newman. Head coach Pete Shinnick (left) also celebrates.

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