

The Chronology of William Glenn Killinger: A Complete Life
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1867

Feb. 23 Florence B. Wilson, Glenn's mother, was born.

1869

June 6 William Henry "Billy" Killinger, Glenn's father, was born in Linglestown.

1890

Dec. 25 Billy Killinger and Florence B. Wilson were married. Their marriage license was acquired by Dauphin County in December 1889.

1891

Billy and Florence lose a child in birth.

1893

Aug. Earl Wilson, Glenn's brother, was born.

1894

Oct. Elizabeth Killinger, Glenn's sister was born.

1898

Sept. 13 William Glenn Killinger was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

ca. Dec. Billy Killinger purchased the hardware store of S. H. Kantz at 27 South Thirteenth Street (address is later changed to 37 South Thirteenth Street). It became the Killinger Hardware Store.

1901

April 15 Wilda Holtzworth, Glenn's future wife, was born in Gettysburg.

1905

Killinger attended Webster Grammar School in Harrisburg.

1909

Sept. Killinger enrolled Forney Grammar School in Harrisburg.

1912

- Sept. Killinger enrolled as a freshman in Harrisburg Technical School, located on Walnut Street in Harrisburg.
- Sept. Killinger was cut from the freshman football team at Tech. He ended up playing for a community team called the "Hill All-Stars."

1913

- Sept. Killinger played for Tech's Third football team called "Tech Juniors." He played quarterback and halfback. He also played football for Forney Grammar School.

1914

- Jan-Feb. Killinger, a sophomore, was cut from Tech's varsity basketball team. He ended up playing for St. Andrew's of the YMCA and for the sophomore class of Harrisburg Tech's intramural "Inter-class League."
- Aug. Killinger competed in the Junior (ages 13 to 16) Tennis Tournament at Reservoir Park. He played singles and doubles.
- Oct. Killinger, a junior, was placed on Tech's Third football team again. He quarterbacked the team to victories over Camp Hill twice and the All-Grammar School All-Star team of Allison Hill. His team lost to Harrisburg Academy.
- Oct. 12 Killinger advanced to Harrisburg Tech's Scrub Team. He substituted at quarterback in Tech Scrub's victory over Steelton, 52-0. He started every game thereafter for the Tech Scrubs. He went 1-2-1 as a starter.

1915

- Jan.-Mar. Killinger was a forward on Tech's Scrub basketball team. He also played for the junior class in the Inter-class League.
- March Killinger played for the Allison Hill Crescents, a basketball team in the Dauphin County Class-C League.
- Apr. 13 Killinger's junior class defeated the seniors to win the Inter-Class League championship at Harrisburg Technical School.
- May Killinger was named to Second Honors (grades between 80 and 90 percent) of Tech's Academic Honor Role.

- May 8 Killinger played for a newly formed Harrisburg Tech baseball team to scrimmage Lebanon Valley College at the Harrisburg Academy Field.
- June-July Killinger played for the Galahads of the Allison Hill Twilight (Baseball) League.
- Sept. Killinger finally made the varsity football team at Harrisburg Technical High School. Either because of grades or injury (details are unknown), he was ineligible to play in the first six games of the season.
- Nov. 6 Killinger started his first and only varsity game against Steel High. He played quarterback, but his team could not score. Killinger's team lost 13 to 0.
- Nov. 25 Harrisburg Tech lost the city championship game to rival Harrisburg Central High School 34 to 0 in front of 8,500 fans. Killinger did not start, but substituted into the game at right halfback. Killinger's team finished the season with 4 wins and 6 losses.
- Dec. 23 Killinger was one of 19 Harrisburg Tech athletes who received a varsity letter for football. Killinger also received a cardigan, as all of Tech's senior athletes did. The Ts and cardigans were handed out by a member of the Tech staff dressed as Santa Claus.

1916

- Jan.-Feb. Killinger became a co-captain on Tech's basketball team.
- Jan. 10 In a basketball game against Lancaster City High School, Glenn made 11 baskets to set a Central Pennsylvania League record for most field goals in a game. His record stood until March 1918.
- March Killinger tried out for Tech's tennis team, but quit mid-season to join a baseball team organized by the students. The students from Tech and neighboring schools created their own interscholastic baseball league.
- April 21 Killinger received his first and only varsity basketball letter—"T"—for his contributions to the Harrisburg Tech basketball team.
- April-May Killinger played second base for Harrisburg Tech in a best of five series against the Harrisburg academy.
- May-Aug. Killinger played twilight baseball for the Rosewood Athletic Club of the Allison Hill League. He also began working for his dad at the family hardware store, earning \$3 a week.

- June 16 Killinger graduated from Harrisburg Tech, class size of 50.
- Aug. 24 The Rosewood Athletic Club, Killinger's twilight league team, beat the Galahads for the Allison Hill League pennant, 1 to 0.
- October Glenn Killinger enrolled in the Harrisburg extension of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Accounts and Finance.
- Dec. 8 Killinger played in the annual Alumni vs. Technical High School basketball game. Killinger scored a game high 22 points in his team's 60-10 victory.

1917

- Jan-Apr. Killinger played for the Rosewood Athletic Club's basketball team in Harrisburg. His older brother was the team's player-manager.
- March 20 Killinger's Rosewood Athletic Club basketball team clinched the City Amateur League championship.
- April 6 The United States entered World War I after declaring war on Germany. Killinger wished to enlist, but his mother was adamant that he not serve.
- Apr. 21 Rosewood A.C. lost the in the "Independent Championship" game played against the Pennsylvania Motive Power Athletic Association, 45 to 22. Killinger score just 4 points.
- May-Aug. Killinger continued to play for the Rosewood Athletic Club's baseball team of the Allison Hill League in Harrisburg.
- Aug. 27 In a one-run defeat of the West End Athletic Club, of the local twilight league, Killinger started a fight when he was thrown out at first base. Killinger tried to spike the first baseman, then threw "one hard punch."
- Sept. 10 After one year away from school, and three days before his 19th birthday, Killinger enrolled at the Pennsylvania State College as a metallurgical engineering major.
- Sept. Killinger became a member of the Mining Engineering Society.
- Dec. Killinger played freshman basketball. He also played for Penn State's Inter-Class Basketball League.

1918

- Jan. During his winter break, Killinger played for the Rosewood Athletic Club basketball team in Harrisburg.
- April Killinger made Penn State's baseball team, but never played in a game. The season was shortened to only one game after the War Department ordered colleges across the nation to end the semester in April.
- May-Aug. Killinger played on the Rosewood Athletic Club baseball team in the Allison Hill League of Harrisburg.
- July 5 Funeral services were held for Glenn Killinger's grandmother, Elizabeth C. Wilson.
- July 18 Killinger hit a game winning homerun to help Rosewood beat the Allison Hill League frontrunner, Reading, and move within one-game of first place.
- Aug. 6 Killinger's Rosewood baseball team defeated Reading in the best of three series for the Allison Hill League pennant. Killinger hit a triple to center field bringing in two runs in the sixth inning. Rosewood won the game 2 to 0. Killinger played 26 of 28 games and finished with a .388 batting average.
- Sept. 12 On draft registration day, one day before his twentieth birthday, and two months before the end of World War I, W. Glenn Killinger registered for the Selective Service.
- Sept. 13 While most of the starters from the 1917 team were serving in Europe, Killinger tried out and made the varsity team at Penn State.
- Oct. 7 Killinger was inducted as a private into the Student Army Training Corps at Penn State.
- Oct. 19 The State Health Commissioner called off Penn State's opening game against Bucknell because of the Spanish Flu outbreak. The Bucknell team was on campus when the game was cancelled. Killinger was supposed to start at halfback.
- Oct. 28 A picture and small article about Killinger's role on Penn State's 1918 football team appeared in the *Harrisburg Telegraph*. No games had been played yet, but he was called "the best backfield performer that Bezdek has."

- Nov. 2 In Killinger's first varsity football game, Penn State tied Wissahickon Barracks, 6 to 6.
- Nov. 9 Penn State's football team lost to Rutgers, 26 to 3. Killinger did not play in the game due to an injury that he may have sustained in the Wissahickon game.
- Nov. 16 Penn State dressed 24 players in their game against Lehigh. Coming off an injury, Killinger was moved to quarterback. Killinger successfully dropkicked an extra point, which was the difference in Penn State's 7 to 6 victory over Lehigh.
- Nov. 28 Penn State's football team lost to undefeated and top-ranked Pittsburgh 28 to 6 on Thanksgiving Day.
- Dec. 21 The Student Army Training Corps was dissolved at Penn State.

1919

- Jan.-Mar. 5 Killinger started at guard on the varsity basketball team, which finished with 11 wins and 2 losses. He finished the season third on his team in scoring. It was his first basketball letter.
- Jan. 11 Killinger was given a varsity letter "S" for his contribution to the Penn State football season.
- March 27 Killinger received his varsity letter for starting on the varsity basketball team at Penn State.
- April-May Killinger played second and third base on the varsity baseball team at Penn State, which finished with 9 wins and 3 losses. It was his first varsity letter in baseball.
- May Killinger was elected student council representative of his junior class. His term was set to begin the following school year, 1919-1920. Killinger also finished the year as a member of "The Friars."
- May Killinger finished the school year a member of the Mining Engineering Society and Alpha Chi Sigma fraternity, but he failed two classes (chemistry and military drill).
- May-July Killinger returned to Harrisburg where he worked for his dad at the hardware store. He played part time for two twilight baseball league teams, Rosewood in the Allison Hill League and Commonwealth of the West End League. He played part time for the Klein Chocolate Company of Elizabethtown, PA, a semiprofessional team.

- Sept. 2 Football season at Penn State began. Twelve lettermen from the 1918 team and over thirty military veterans tried out for the team. The football team went 7-1 in 1919, including five consecutive wins to finish the season. Penn State was given the mythical East title by sportswriters.
- Oct. 4 Penn State defeated Gettysburg College in the season opener, 33 to 0. Killinger was substituted into the game in the second half.
- Oct. 11 Penn State defeated Bucknell College, 9 to 0. Killinger started at right halfback, but was taken out of the game in the second half. It was the only game of the 1919 season that Killinger started.
- Oct. 18 Penn State lost to Dartmouth, 19 to 13. Killinger substituted into the game, but did not start.
- Oct. 25 Penn State defeated Ursinus College, 48 to 7. Killinger did not play.
- Nov. 1 Penn State surprised the University of Pennsylvania with a 10 to 0 upset victory. Killinger substituted into the game.
- Nov. 8 Penn State defeated Lehigh College, 20 to 7. Killinger was used as a substitute.
- Nov. 15 Penn State defeated Cornell University, 20 to 0. Killinger did not play.
- Nov. 27 Penn State defeated Pop Warner's University of Pittsburgh team, 20 to 0. It was the first time in six years that Penn State defeated Pitt. Killinger did not play.

1920

- Jan.-Feb. Killinger played guard on the Penn State basketball team, which finished 12-1. He received his second varsity letter in basketball.
- March 23 Killinger was elected captain of the Penn State basketball team for the next year, 1920-21, his senior year.
- March-May Killinger became a star on the Penn State baseball team. He played every infield position, but was known most as a third baseman. He hit for an average of .301. Penn State earned a record of 18 wins, 3 losses, while outscoring their opponents 167 runs to 67 runs.

- May Killinger finished his term as junior class student council representative, a member of the Mining Engineering Society, Alpha Chi Sigma, the honors society "Parmi Nous," and "The Friars."
- June-Sept. Killinger returned to Harrisburg where he worked for his dad and played twilight baseball for the Rosewood Athletic Club and for Red Lion with his Penn State teammate Henry "Hinkey" Haines. His Rosewood team won the Allison Hill League pennant.
- Sept. 2 Killinger's Rosewood team in Harrisburg defeated West End in the City Amateur baseball title in five games of the best out of seven game series.
- Sept. 3 Killinger arrived late to preseason football camp because of his commitment to his Rosewood baseball team. He missed some of pre-season practices and was reduced to the role of a backup.
- Sept. 25 Penn State defeated Muhlenberg 27 to 7. Killinger played, but did not start.
- Oct. 2 The Penn state defeated Gettysburg 13 to 0. Killinger did not play in the game.
- Oct. 9 In front of 12,000 spectators, Penn State won a nail-biting victory over Dartmouth on Penn State's first ever homecoming. This was Killinger's first start of the season. He became the hero for Penn State when he intercepted a pass with four minutes left in regulation and took it 52 yards to the 2-yard line. Penn State's Joe Lightner scored the decisive touchdown on the next play. The final score was 14 to 7.
- Oct. 16 From his quarterback position, Killinger led Penn State in a 41 to 0 victory over North Carolina State.
- Oct. 23 Killinger suffered a shoulder injury early in Penn State's 109 to 7 victory over Lebanon Valley College that kept him out of the final three quarters. He scored one touchdown before sustaining the injury.
- Oct. 30 Killinger's shoulder injury attracted media attention during the week leading up to Penn State's game against the University of Pennsylvania. Killinger ended up starting and scored the game's first touchdown in route to a 28 to 7 victory.
- Nov. 6 In a cross country contest, Penn State shut out the much bigger Nebraska Cornhuskers 20 to 0. Killinger did not start because of his shoulder injury, but was inserted into the game in the second quarter when it was a 0 to 0 tie. The game was 7 to 0 midway into the final

quarter when Killinger completed several forward passes and All-American teammate Charlie Way scored on two long runs.

Nov. 13 Penn State followed up the victory over Nebraska with sloppy play against instate rival Lehigh. Penn State tied Lehigh 7 to 7.

Nov. 25 On Thanksgiving Day, Penn State battled Pittsburgh to a 0 to 0 tie in the sloppiest of conditions. Penn state ended its season with a 7-0-2 record. Penn State received a number-4 ranking in the East, but lost an opportunity to play Notre Dame for the national championship when they tied their final two games.

Dec. 7 The University of Pittsburgh released an "All-Star Eleven" made up of players from teams they faced in 1920. Pittsburgh chose Killinger as the best halfback they faced that season.

1921

Jan.-March Killinger was the captain of the Penn State basketball team. He led the team in scoring and received his third varsity basketball letter. His team finished 14-2 and was considered Penn State's best team in its history.

March-May Killinger batted .367 and was a star third baseman on the Penn State baseball team. He helped his team win 20 straight games, 31 consecutive dating back to the 1920 season. Penn State finished that season 22-3. He earned his third varsity letter in baseball.

May Killinger finished his senior year as a member of the Mining Engineering Society, Alpha Chi Sigma, "Parmi Nous," and "The Friars." He was also inducted into the student-athlete honors society "Lion's Paw."

June-July Killinger returned to Harrisburg to play for the Rosewood Athletic Club's baseball team and worked at his dad's hardware store.

Sept. Killinger returned to Penn State for an extra semester, "Senior Semester," to play his final year of football.

Sept. 4 Killinger injured his shoulder during an inter-squad scrimmage. The injury kept him out of much of pre-season camp.

Sept. 24 Penn State defeated Lebanon Valley College 53 to 0. Killinger entered the game as a backup quarterback but scored a touchdown in the game.

- Oct. 1 Killinger started at quarterback and led Penn State to victory over Gettysburg 24 to 0.
- Oct. 8 Killinger led his team to victory over North Carolina State, 35 to 0. It was Penn State's third consecutive shut out of the season, and fourth dating back to the previous year.
- Oct. 15 On homecoming, Penn State defeated Lehigh 28 to 7. Killinger scored one touchdown in the game.
- Oct. 22 Penn State trailed 14 to 0 to Harvard before staging one of college football's better comebacks of 1921. Harvard was ranked higher than Penn State entering the game. Killinger, acting as captain for the game, led Penn State to three unanswered scores before Harvard tied it 21 to 21. The game ended in a tie when the final whistle blew as Killinger's offense was at Harvard's 15-yard line.
- Oct. 26 Killinger became the permanent captain of the football team replacing George Snell after Snell was stricken to a hospital bed due to a throat illness.
- Oct. 29 After trailing Georgia Tech early 7 to 0 in a game played at New York City's Polo Grounds, Killinger opened the scoring for Penn State when he returned a kickoff 80 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter to tie the game. Killinger scored two touchdowns in Penn State's 28 to 7 victory.
- Nov. 5 Penn State found itself down early for the third consecutive week but scored four unanswered to beat Carnegie Tech 28 to 7.
- Nov. 12 Killinger scored a touchdown in Penn State's upset victory over the U.S. Naval Academy 13 to 7.
- Nov. 23 Rumors spread in Pittsburgh that the University's athletic department was going to accuse Killinger of having been paid to play professional baseball, which would have made him ineligible for the Thanksgiving Day rivalry game.
- Nov. 24 Penn State battled Pittsburgh to a scoreless tie in a game beset by rainy conditions. Forbes Field was too muddy for big plays. It was the second consecutive year the two Pennsylvania rivals tied, 0 to 0.
- Dec. 3 Immediately following the game with Pittsburgh, Hugo Bezdek took his football team to Seattle to play at the University of Washington. Killinger completed 12 passes for one touchdown and kicked three dropkicks for extra points in Penn State's 21 to 7 victory over

Washington. The 1921 season came to an end with Penn State scoring a total of 251 points against their opponents' 56. Penn State earned an 8-0-2 record, and after two seasons with Killinger starting at quarterback, the Nittany Lions did not lose a game.

- Dec. 17 Killinger played in his first professional football game with the Philadelphia Quakers. The game was played against the Canton Bulldogs at Philadelphia Ball Park. Killinger's Quaker's won convincingly, 34 to 0.
- Dec. 18 One day after his first professional football debut as a halfback for the Philadelphia Quakers, Killinger signed a one game contract with the Canton Bulldogs and played against the Washington Pros at American League Park in the District of Columbia.
- Dec. 18 Killinger was praised in the *Pittsburgh Press* for taking "the hardest course in college—metallurgy."
- Dec. 20 Killinger was selected to the Walter Camp All-American First Team as a halfback.
- Dec. 24 Killinger played in a benefit basketball game held at the Chestnut Street Auditorium. He was part of a team of college athletes who played against a local all star basketball team. Although made up of collegiate stars, the locals beat Killinger's team 26 to 24.
- Dec. 25 Killinger signed a one-year contract with the New York Yankees. He chose the Yankees over the Chicago White Sox and the Detroit, despite Ty Cobb's efforts to get Killinger to sign with the Tigers.
- Dec. 26 Killinger played quarterback in an all-star football showcase in Harrisburg, the Harrisburg All-Collegiate against the Williamsport All-Collegiate team. The football game was played on Island Park. The Harrisburg team won 66 to 0.
- Dec. 26 Killinger's all star basketball team that lost to the Harrisburg Independent five on December 24, got revenge by beating the locals 35 to 18.
- Dec. 28 The Dickinson College Athletic Advisory Board announced Killinger as the next head football coach of their institution. His contract was set to begin in September 1922 depending on his success with the Yankees.
- Dec. Killinger played for the Rosewood Athletic Club's basketball team when home in Harrisburg.

1922

- Jan. 1 Killinger's three-game series as a member of the Harrisburg Collegaites defeated the Harrisburg Independents 37 to 36.
- Jan.-Feb. Killinger coached the freshman basketball team at Penn State. His team attained an 8-0 record, outscoring their opponents 301 to 127.
- Jan. 31 Killinger graduated from Penn State College. After the ceremony, he was honored at the banquet of the Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity for the honor he brought to Penn State. He was given a silver loving cup.
- Feb. 8 A Chinese newspaper *North China Daily Press* announced that Killinger, touted as a New York Yankee, will be the head football coach at Dickinson College. Several Chinese citizens were enrolling in Dickinson in the fall.
- Feb. 24 Killinger attended the annual Dickinson Club of Harrisburg banquet held at the Plaza Hotel in Harrisburg, his hometown. A tribute was paid to Killinger.
- Feb. 28 Killinger arrived in New Orleans for spring training with the New York Yankees.
- March Killinger and his Penn State teammate Henry "Hinkey" Haines were made captains by Yankees management and responsible for selecting two teams for an inter-squad scrimmage. Killinger was given first pick and selected Babe Ruth.
- Mar. 12 Killinger batted 1 for 4 in the Yankees first spring training game. He started the game at second base.
- Mar. 25 Yankees management announced that Killinger was going to be sent to the minor league to play for the Jersey City Skeeters coached by Ben Egan in the International League. After 127 games played for Jersey City, Killinger batted .267 with 117 hits and 6 homeruns. His fielding percentage was .941. He was told that he was going to be recalled by the Yankees next season.
- July 15 Glenn Killinger signed a contract to play for the professional football league's Baltimore Professionals.
- Sept. 6 Killinger's first and only season as head football coach at Dickinson College began. He forced his team to report to camp, held at Doubling

- Gap in the Blue Ridge Mountains, for eight-days of training before the official opening of the college season on September 14.
- Oct. 7 Dickinson won their first game of the season over Albright, 28 to 7.
- Oct. 8 Killinger played for the professional football league's Baltimore Professionals. He scored four touchdowns and dropkicked two goals in his team's 39 to 0 victory.
- Oct. 14 Killinger's Dickinson football squad gained attention from the Philadelphia press after its surprise upset victory over longtime rival Swarthmore College 27 to 7. The Philadelphia *Daily News* called the victory the weekend's "Greatest Football Upset." The game was played on Harrisburg's City Island. Dickinson improved to 2-0 on the season.
- Oct. 21 Dickinson College defeated Franklin and Marshall College 13 to 7. Killinger's unit improved to 3-0.
- Oct. 22 Playing halfback and safety for the Baltimore Professionals, Killinger intercepted a Washington Pros pass and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown in his team's 7 to 6 loss.
- Oct. 28 Killinger's Dickinson team defeated Ursinus College 48 to 0.
- Oct. 29 One day after coaching Dickinson College in a game against Ursinus, Killinger again played for the Baltimore Professionals in a game against Hobart of West Philadelphia.
- Nov. 4 Dickinson and Coach Killinger lost their first game of the season to Gettysburg, 23 to 6, in a game played at Harrisburg's City Island.
- Nov. 8 Before practice at Dickinson, Killinger announced that he was not returning to the college to coach football next season.
- Nov. 11 Killinger's Dickinson football team defeated St. John's 16 to 2.
- Nov. 18 Dickinson defeated Pennsylvania Military College 19 to 7. Killinger's team improved to 6-1.
- Nov. 25 Despite gaining 24 first downs to their opponents' three, Killinger's Dickinson unit suffered a surprising defeat to the University of Delaware, 21 to 0. The Red and White record fell to 6 wins and 2 losses.

- Nov. 28 The Yankees announced that they were going to bring Killinger back up to their club and give him another tryout in the big league next spring.
- Nov. 30 Killinger's season at Dickinson College ended with a 19 to 7 loss to Bucknell University. Dickinson completed the season with a 6-3 record.
- Dec. 3 Killinger played in an exhibition football game in Harrisburg. He joined the Harrisburg All-Stars against the York American Legion team. Killinger's team won 30 to 0. He played quarterback and safety, scoring one touchdown on offense and a 30-yard interception return for a touchdown on defense.
- Dec. 10 Killinger signed a contract to play for the Richmond Athletics football team in an all star game at Mayo Island Park in Richmond, Virginia slated for January 1, 1923 against Bo McMillin's All-Stars.
- Dec. 20 Killinger returned to his high school alma mater, Harrisburg Tech, to speak to the students.
- ca. Dec. 23 The Atlanta Crackers of the Southern Association announced that Killinger will play for them in 1923 instead of a Yankees farm team. He opted out of his Yankees contract. Killinger chose Atlanta because he was looking into coaching football at several southern universities, including Alabama and Georgia Tech.
- ca. Dec. 28 Killinger signed a contract with Penn State to be the head coach of the freshman basketball team. He volunteered on Hugo Bezdek's football staff for the team's final game of the 1922 season.

1923

- Jan 11 Killinger became an assistant coach of Penn State's baseball team. The head coach was Hugo Bezdek. Killinger coached the pitchers and catchers.
- Feb. 14 Bridgeport (CT) High School's athletic department offered a job to Glenn Killinger to coach football and baseball while directing the athletics in the school district. Killinger declined the offer.
- March 10 Killinger played in Penn State's annual alumni verse varsity basketball team at the Armory on campus.

- March 23 Killinger traveled with Penn State's baseball team to spring training to Atlanta, Georgia, where he trained until April 12, when he joined the Atlanta Crackers.
- March 31 Killinger began training with the Atlanta Crackers of the Southern League in Jacksonville, FL. He appeared in 105 games as the Crackers' second baseman. He batted .268 with 95 hits and 5 homeruns.
- June 19 Killinger was badly injured in a game against Chattanooga Lookouts when he was spiked in his left arm by a Chattanooga player sliding into third base. Killinger severed an artery in his arm. He was rushed to the hospital and stitched up.
- July With the advice of Hugo Bezdek, Killinger stated that, upon the season's conclusion, he would not play for Atlanta any longer. Bezdek advised Killinger that if he could not make the major leagues after two seasons, he should give it up and look for a more steady profession. Killinger cited that he was going to devote his time coaching collegiate sports.
- Aug. 25 Killinger married Wilda Holtzworth at 10 o'clock in the morning at St. James Lutheran Church in Gettysburg. After the nuptials, the couple hosted a small party at the Blue Parrot Tea Room of which Wilda's father was the manager.
- Sept. Killinger became an assistant football coach at Penn State under his former coach Hugo Bezdek. Killinger was responsible for coaching the backfield, scouting, and specialist positions of kicking and passing. Killinger was also given a job teaching physical education at Penn State.
- Sept. 7 Killinger played in a benefit baseball game for his hometown friend "Snaps" Emanuel, who was ailing from a serious injury. The game was played in Harrisburg.
- Sept. 15 Killinger and his new wife, Wilda, moved into a house at 504 Pugh Street in State College.
- Nov. 24 A column written by Killinger calling the Cross-Buck the best play in football began appearing in newspapers throughout the United States.
- Dec. 6 Killinger spoke at the Sunbury High School football banquet.
- Dec. 27 Killinger played guard for the Harrisburg All-Stars in a Casino Hall League basketball game against Hershey Olivets. Killinger scored 15 points.

1924

- January When home for winter break, Killinger played for the Benny Kline All Stars in a Central Pennsylvania league.
- January Killinger resumed his job as head freshman basketball coach at Penn State. His team went 10-2.
- Jan. 30 The *Franklin News-Herald* reported that Killinger was considered for the head football and athletic director jobs at Wesleyan College in Middletown, Connecticut.
- Jan. 31 The *Harrisburg Telegraph* reported that Killinger turned down the football position and athletic director job at Wesleyan. The paper also reported that Killinger turned down an offer from Oregon University.
- Feb. Killinger turned down the head football coaching position at Trinity College in Washington.
- April Killinger became the head baseball coach at Penn State when Hugo Bezdek announced that he was resigning in order to devote his full time to spring football. Killinger's first team attained a 7-12 record.
- June Killinger had his tonsils removed in a Danville Hospital.
- July 2 Killinger signed a player-coach contract with the Harrisburg Senators of the New York-Pennsylvania Minor League. The Senators ended up finishing in third place.
- July-Aug. Killinger set a New York-Pennsylvania League record with the longest run scoring streak, scoring 13 runs in 10 consecutive games.
- Sept. 12 Killinger left his duties with the Harrisburg Senators before the end of the season to coach football at Penn State. At the time, he ranked third in the New York-Pennsylvania League in batting average. He batted .347, with 80 hits, 46 runs, and 3 homeruns.
- Oct. 4 The *Milwaukee Journal* reported that Killinger signed a contract to play for the Kansas City Blues of the National Football League in a game against the Milwaukee Badgers. Killinger did not show for the game. Instead, an imposter dressed in Killinger's uniform. Many believe that the imposter was Steve "Paddy" Sullivan, who had played for Milwaukee two years earlier. Killinger was responsible to the football team at Penn State, which played North Carolina State that day. Penn State won 51 to 6.

1925

- Jan.-Feb. Killinger continued as the head freshman basketball coach. His 1924-25 team earned a record of 7-3.
- Jan. 31 Claiming responsibilities as athletic director and baseball coach at Penn State, Killinger turned down a contract offer to manager the Harrisburg Senators minor league baseball team.
- Feb. 20 The Harrisburg Senators offered Killinger a contract to play second base. He will eventually refuse it.
- April Killinger began his second season as head baseball coach at Penn State. His team finished 6-10.
- June 10 Killinger signed a contract to play second base for the Williamsport Grays. He batted .315 that season.
- ca. July It was "Killinger Day" at Attleboro, Massachusetts. It was supposed to be "Joe Dugan Day", for Joe Dugan of the New York Yankees, but Dugan asked Killinger to go in his place. A baseball game featured all stars from the major and minor leagues. The game was planned as a spectacle for 500 under the direction of the Salvation Army. Killinger played poorly and refused to accept the \$200 stipend.
- August Killinger resumed his assistant football coaching duties at Penn State, but returned occasionally to play for Williamsport as they were in a best of five game series against York to win the New York-Pennsylvania pennant. (Williamsport eventually lost the series.)
- Nov. 21 During Penn State's off week before its rivalry game against Pittsburgh, an alumni game was scheduled against the Penn State varsity. Killinger played for the alumni, a team made up of many of his former teammates.
- Dec. 14 The *Shamokin News-Dispatch* reported that Killinger accepted the contract to manage the Shamokin Indians of the New York-Pennsylvania League. The job paid \$900 a month.

1926

- Jan.-Feb. Killinger began his final season as the head freshman basketball coach at Penn State. His 1926 team went 9-0.

- April Killinger began his third season as the head baseball coach at Penn State. His team finished 9-7. His overall record after three seasons was 22 wins and 29 losses.
- May Killinger was told by the Penn State Athletic Committee that his contract as athletic director at State College was not going to be renewed.
- May Glenn and Wilda move to Shamokin after he signed a contract with the Shamokin Indians. Killinger's contract was to serve as player-manager. He played second base that summer before breaking his arm. He appeared in 76 games, batted .290 (73 hits in 252 at bats) and attained a fielding percentage of .952.
- July 24 Killinger suffered a compound fracture of his right arm when he attacked an umpire, Hanson Horsey, by punching him several times then falling to the ground during an argument in the eighth inning of the second game of a double header played between Shamokin and Elmira. Killinger was accordingly suspended from both of his duties as player and manager of Shamokin for the duration of the season.
- Sept. 26 Killinger shined in the New York Giants' 19 to 0 victory over Hartford Blues. He scored one touchdown in the game.
- Oct. 6 It was reported by the *Mount Carmel Daily News* that Killinger was placed on the New York Giants' injured list.
- Oct. 20 Killinger was released by the NFL's New York Giants after the fracture in his right arm prevented him from playing.
- Nov. 2 Killinger was picked up by the Philadelphia Quakers of the American Football League that year.
- Nov. 6 Killinger played brilliantly in his debut with the American Football League's Philadelphia Quakers. He intercepted a pass, completed several forward passes, and caught a 55-yard touchdown pass. His former Penn State teammate, Charlie Way, scored two touchdowns for Philadelphia.
- Nov. 9 Killinger submitted his resume to be the manager of the Williamsport Grays. He did not get the job.
- Nov. 14 Killinger broke his right arm for a third time in Philadelphia's 3 to 0 loss to the Chicago Bulls. The injury ended his season and career in professional football.

Nov. 26 Without Killinger in the lineup, the Philadelphia Quakers won the American Football League championship after defeating the New York Yankees, 13 to 6. The Yanks were without their best player, Red Grange. The Quakers compiled an 8-2-0 record.

1927

Jan.-Feb. Killinger competed in the Harrisburg Y.M.C.A. handball league.

Feb. 12 Killinger, 28-years-old, was announced as the new head football coach at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York at halftime of RPI's basketball game against Rochester.

March 21 Killinger played in an all-star basketball showcase against Jim Thorpe and the Oorang (Ohio) Indians. The game was played at Chestnut Street Auditorium in Harrisburg. Thorpe's team won.

April 19 Killinger played for the Harrisburg Senators. The Senators won the New York-Pennsylvania League pennant.

April 20 Killinger played his first game of the season with the Harrisburg Senators when he entered shortstop in the fifth inning. In his first at bat, he doubled to center field.

Aug. 26 Killinger's time with the Harrisburg Senators garnered attention from several major league teams. The *Oshkosh Daily Northwestern* reported the St. Louis Browns showed the most interest in signing Killinger. He led the Nypen League in fielding, with .962 in 133 games played. He recorded 333 put outs, 438 assists, 30 errors, and 31 double plays.

Sept. 9 Killinger and his wife finally arrived to their new home in Troy, New York to coach the football team at Rensselaer after a summer of playing baseball for the Harrisburg Senators. He was forced to remain with the Senators until the pennant was secured. His season ended with a 1-7 record in December.

Dec. 11 Glenn and Wilda Killinger gave birth to their only child, William Glenn Killinger Jr., also known as "Billy."

Dec. 20 Killinger began his first season as a professional basketball coach of the Harrisburg Velveteers. Serving as player and coach, Killinger's Velveteers competed in the American League. The season ran through March 1928. They lost its opening game to Pattison 25 to 20. Killinger did not play in the game due to sickness, but he did coach.

1928

- Jan. 2 Recently elected president of the Harrisburg Senators, Charlie Hoak, and the Harrisburg Baseball Club announced that Killinger would become the manager of the ball club for the 1928 season. He previously played for the Senators in 1924.
- ca Jan. The Killingers moved into a house at 212 North Seventeenth Street, Camp Hill, PA, just outside of Harrisburg.
- March 20 Killinger spoke at William Penn High School's basketball banquet. He congratulated the team for beating John Harris High School, in one of the earliest city rivalry games played between the two new city high schools.
- April Killinger's contract with the Harrisburg Senators was renewed. He served as player-manager. The Senators repeated as New York-Pennsylvania League champions. He batted .289 with 140 hits and 6 homeruns. He finished tied for second in the Nypen with 30 stolen bases.
- May Killinger's father, William H. Killinger, was hospitalized for a lung condition caused after contracting influenza.
- June 26 As manager of the Harrisburg Senators, Glenn Killinger arranged a game against Babe Ruth's New York Yankees on Island Park. The game was tied 6 to 6 in nine innings. Babe Ruth had 3 hits in 5 at bats, including a homerun, and 2 stolen bases. Ruth's homerun was the second longest hit at Island Park, second to Oscar Charleston of the Negro League's Harrisburg Giants. Lou Gehrig batted 2-4. Glenn Killinger batted 2 for 4, with 2 stolen bases and a run.
- Sept. 9 The Harrisburg Senators won their second consecutive New York-Pennsylvania League pennant, this time with Glenn Killinger as their manager.
- Sept. Killinger began his second year as head football coach at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. RPI finished 4-3-1 in 1928.
- Oct. 19 At the age of 59, Killinger's father, William Henry, aka "Billy", died at 9:00 a.m. of a lung lobectomy at Geissinger Home, Danville, Pennsylvania. The funeral was held at the Killinger's S. Thirteenth Street home and was officiated by Rev. J. Howard Ake, pastor of Stevens memorial Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. J. E. A. Bucke. His body was preserved in a vault in Carlisle until the mausoleum at

the East Harrisburg Cemetery was completed. Glenn purchased the family hardware store from his mother.

- Oct. 22 Killinger's father was buried at the Harrisburg Cemetery-East.
- Oct. 27 John Heisman named Killinger in his "Heisman's Hundred In the Hall of Football Fame." In his review, Heisman said, "'Killy' was a self-made athlete—that's the point worth dwelling on more than the number of long runs he made—and he made a lot of them."
- Dec. 13 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the annual Steelton High School football banquet held at Chef's Place.

1929

- Jan-Feb. While living in Harrisburg, Killinger officiated high school basketball games.
- Jan. 17 The names of three former Penn State teammates—Killinger, Joe Lightner, and Joe Bentz—were said to be candidates for the head football job at Dickinson College.
- April Killinger accepted a contract with the Williamsport Grays. He served as player-manager and played second base. By the end of the season, he batted .318 with 148 hits and 4 homeruns. The Grays finished second for the Nypen pennant.
- Sept. Killinger returned to Troy to begin his third season as head coach of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. RPI finished the season 3-5.

1930

- March Killinger, age 31, won the singles and doubles Harrisburg Central Y.M.C.A. handball championship.
- April Killinger began another season with the Williamsport Grays. As second baseman, Killinger helped Williamsport set the New York-Pennsylvania League record for double plays, with 182. Killinger took part in 134 double plays. He also batted .344 with 181 hits in 527 trips to the plate, 9 homeruns, 33 doubles, 111 runs, 64 RBIs, 20 stolen bases, and a slugging percentage of .526. It was his most successful season in the Nypen league.
- May 25 With two outs, bases loaded, down 4 to 1 and the count at 2 balls 2 strikes, Killinger hit a grand slam to give Williamsport a 5 to 4 victory over York.

Sept. 8 Killinger's fourth season at Rensselaer began. The schedule was advertised as the most difficult for RPI in many years. In spite of the grueling schedule, it was Killinger's best season at RPI, finishing with a 4-2-2 record.

1931

Jan. 8 Rumors swirled that Glenn Killinger was considering taking up the coaching duties of Williamsport High School.

Feb. 3 The *Reading Eagle* floated rumors that Killinger was returning to Dickinson College to coach football. Also in consideration for the Dickinson job was Jim Thorpe. Killinger chose to remain at RPI.

May Killinger began the season with the Williamsport Grays. He batted .272 with 135 hits and 6 homeruns.

Sept. Killinger's final season at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute began. His 1931 team was described as "light but exceptionally fast." The team finished 2-7.

1932

ca. Feb. Killinger sold the family hardware store.

March School officials forced Killinger to resign his post as the head football coach at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. RPI officials wanted to assign the position to a full-time member of the Physical Education Department. The Great Depression forced RPI, and other colleges and universities, to cut their budgets.

April Killinger signed a player-manager contract with the Allentown Buffaloes of the Eastern League, which had a higher classification in minor league baseball than the New York-Pennsylvania League.

July 17 The Eastern League disbanded. It left Killinger without a job for just a few hours. That same day, the Williamsport Grays offered Killinger a player-manager contract, which he accepted. Killinger replaced Harry Hinchman.

July 19 Killinger began his position with the Williamsport Grays in a game against the Harrisburg Senators.

Sept. Killinger's final minor league season ended as a player-manager of Williamsport. He batted .196 and just 35 hits with just 55 games

played for the Grays. Upon his retirement from the minor league, Killinger's lifetime batting average was .292.

Sept. Killinger enrolled in the Teachers College of Columbia University to attain a Master's degree.

1933

March 6 The *Reading Eagle* reported that Killinger was being considered for the football coaching position at Albright College. He withdrew his application.

April Killinger was notified by Columbia's College Placement Office that there was a physical education opening at Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Killinger applied and was offered the job of Director of Athletics; head coach of the football, basketball, and baseball teams; and Director of Health and Physical Education. Killinger's job as Director of Health and Phys. Ed. was to write the curriculum. Up to that point, Moravian did not have that department. He also created the intramural sports program at Moravian.

June 6 Killinger graduated from Columbia University with a Master of Arts degree in Physical Education.

Sept. Killinger began his first and only season as the head football coach at Moravian. His team finished the season 8-1 and was selected by the (West Chester) *Daily Local News* as one of the best small college teams in the country.

Nov. 22 The Ushers Association of the Moravian Church in Lancaster County hosted the Lititz High School football (present-day Warwick High School) team banquet. Killinger was the banquet's keynote speaker.

1934

ca. March Killinger was approach by Howard A. Wescott, the head football coach at West Chester State Teachers College in Chester County, Pennsylvania to see if he would be interested in taking over the football team.

April 10 An announcement stating that Killinger accepted the head football position at West Chester appeared in the (West Chester) *Daily Local News*. Killinger's one year contract also included the jobs as an instructor in the Health and Physical Education Department and head baseball coach.

- Sept. 28 Killinger coached his first football game at West Chester against Muhlenberg College. The score remained scoreless until the final quarter when Killinger's quarterback completed a pass at the opponent's 3-yard line. The Rams' running back scored on the ensuing play. Moments later, West Chester blocked a punt, which rolled out of the back of the end zone for a safety. West Chester won 9 to 0.
- Sept. 29 West Chester president Dr. Norman W. Cameron declared a one-day holiday on campus because of the football team's victory.
- Oct. 19 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the Pottstown High School football pep rally held at 8 o'clock at the school's auditorium in preparation of Pottstown's game against rival Phoenixville.
- Nov. 6 Killinger's team defeated Millersville State Teachers College, 71 to 0. It was the largest score ever made by a West Chester team.
- Nov. 13 Killinger's West Chester unit lost to Dick Harlow's Western Maryland College team, 36 to 12. Harlow was one of Killinger's football coach at Penn State. Western Maryland was considered one of the best small college team's in the country.
- Nov. 27 West Chester traveled to Kalamazoo, Michigan to play Western Michigan Teachers' College. Killinger's team lost 13 to 7. They finished his inaugural season with 4 wins and 4 losses.

1935

- March 6 Killinger brought William C. Killifer to West Chester to work as a part time assistant baseball coach. Killifer was the former manager of the Chicago Cubs and St. Louis Browns. He remained with West Chester until he had to leave to fulfill his big league scouting duties.
- March Killinger inaugurated West Chester's first spring football practice. The practices were run simultaneously on the same field with West Chester's baseball team, which Killinger was also the head coach.
- April 9 Killinger brought Lew Fonseca, former Major League baseball player, to West Chester to show his film about the "ins and outs" of baseball plays.
- Apr.-May Killinger moved the start time of West Chester's home baseball games to 4:15 p.m. to allow fans to arrive to the games after work. West Chester did not have a baseball field of their own, so they used the facilities at the local high school or the college's football field.

- Sept. 9 Killinger had his West Chester football team scrimmaged the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League. The scrimmage was played before 2,000 fans.
- Sept. 28 West Chester's opening game was a victory over the heavily favored Rutgers University, 19 to 7.
- Sept. 30 Two days after West Chester's victory over Rutgers, Killinger's congratulatory letter appeared in the *Quad Angles* campus newspaper. He wrote, "My congratulations are extended to each man who played in that game and to the rest of the members of the squad, who by being loyal in the practice sessions and practice games, demonstrated that they have the interest of the team and of their Alma Mater at heart."
- Nov. 26 Killinger's team finished the season with a 7-3 record.
- Dec. 7 One of Killinger's players, Vincent Phillips, a sophomore end, was selected to the honorable mention All-East Football Team, making him West Chester's first football player named to the team.

1936

- Feb. After being approached by officials from the Williamsport Grays one last time to manage the ball team, Killinger told New York-Pennsylvania League officials that he was done playing and managing professional baseball.
- March Construction began on West Chester's new baseball field. Under Killinger's demands, the field was modeled after Philadelphia's Shibe Park. Workers employed by the Works Progress Administration built the ballpark.
- March-May In his second season as baseball coach at West Chester, Killinger's team went undefeated. The highlight of the season was a 9 to 3 victory over Killinger's alma mater, Penn State. On May 23, West Chester played its final home game of the season on their new baseball diamond.
- July 15 Killinger was named Dean of Men at West Chester. He moved his family into Wayne Hall to supervise the behavior of the students. An apartment was created inside the dorm for his family. He had to find and approve adequate off-campus housing for male resident. He had to supervise the use of automobiles on campus.

- Sept. Killinger created the Men's Dormitory Committee to help him administer to the students.
- Sept.-Nov. Killinger's third season as head football coach at West Chester began. His team finished 4-4-1.
- Dec. 6 The West Chester *Daily Local News* reported that Killinger's halfback, John Taronis, was named to the 1936 Associate Press' Little All-America Football Team. It was the first time a West Chester player received that honor.
- Dec.-Feb '37 Killinger began his first season as the head basketball coach at West Chester. The season concluded with 8 wins and 7 losses.

1937

- March-May Killinger's third season as baseball coach at West Chester began. On their schedule were the Baltimore Orioles of the International League, Duke University, and an amateur club called Pennsylvania Athletic Club of Philadelphia. The team finished 5-6.
- Sept. 18 After floodlights were installed at the football field, West Chester played its first ever game under the lights, before 8,000 spectators, against the Pennsylvania Military College. It was the largest crowd up to that time ever assembled for a sporting event in Chester County. West Chester won 19 to 0.
- Nov. Killinger's fourth season as football coach at West Chester ended with a 6-3-1 record.
- Dec. 27 One of Killinger's linemen, Paul Bruno, was named to the Associated Press' Little All American Football Team. Bruno was Killinger's third player in consecutive years named to an all star team.
- Dec.-Feb. '38 This was Killinger's second season as the head basketball coach at West Chester. The season ended with a 9-8 record.

1938

- March-May Killinger's fourth season coaching West Chester's baseball team was played. The team finished 8-6.
- ca. April. William L. Hughes's *The Book of Major Sports* was published by A. S. Barnes and Company of New York. Hughes asked Killinger to write the chapters about football.

- June-Aug. Killinger presided over a football-coaching course held at Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pennsylvania.
- Sept.-Dec. Killinger's fifth football season at West Chester began. The team finished 4-2-3.
- Dec.-Feb '39 Killinger began his third season as the head basketball coach at West Chester. The season opened with a game against Wake Forest College. The Rams finished 9-11.

1939

- March-May Killinger's fifth baseball season at West Chester began with 80 candidates trying out for the team. Killinger reduced the team to 20 players. The team finished 5-8-1.
- Sept. Killinger's section about football in William Hughes's book was separated and published by The Ronald Press Company. Killinger's book was titled *Football*.
- Sept.-Dec. Killinger's sixth football team at West Chester finished 3-3-3. Four of Killinger's players were picked to the All-Pennsylvania State Football Team.

1940

- Jan. 25 Killinger was a keynote speaker at the Prospect Park High School (Chester County) football banquet.
- February Killinger resigned his job as head basketball at West Chester.
- March-May Killinger's sixth season as head baseball coach was played. His team finished 7-8.
- Sept. 21 Killinger faced accusations of racism when James Galmore of Coatesville accused him of saying he could not make the West Chester team and that he should consider going to nearby Lincoln University, a historically all-black college. Killinger defended himself, claiming that his comments were about scholarship possibilities.
- Sept.-Dec. '40 Killinger's seventh football team at West Chester finished 5-2-1.
- Dec. 7 Killinger attended the Harrisburg Sports Writers Association banquet at the Penn-Harris Hotel, where Tommy Harmon, All-American from Michigan, and Frank Reagan, of the Univ. of Pennsylvania, were the featured speakers.

1941

- March-May Killinger's seventh season as head baseball coach was played. His team finished 5-8-1.
- Sept.-Dec. Killinger's eighth football season began at West Chester. The team completed the season 5-1-2.
- Dec. 6 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the Scotland Industrial School's football banquet.
- Dec. 8 The *Philadelphia Inquirer* reported that Killinger was named Coach of the Year.
- Dec. 11 Killinger assumed the role of Chief Air Raid Warden and fire protection officer for West Chester State Teachers College after the United States entered World War II.
- Dec. 19 Four of Killinger's football players were named honorable mention on the Associated Press All-Pennsylvania College Football Team; Robert "Bing" Miller, Paul Phillips, John Kizawick, and Nickie Giunta.

1942

- March 19 Killinger obtained a leave of absence from West Chester State Teachers College after he accepted a commission as a Lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserves.
- March 23 At 10:00 a.m., Killinger reported for active duty at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland where he underwent a 30-day indoctrination V-5 Instructors Course. He was taught how to administer and organize various athletic programs for the different branches of the U. S. Navy. He resided at Bancroft Hall while at Annapolis. Killinger was replaced as baseball and Dean of Men by his assistant coach Ralph R. Ricker.
- April 18 Killinger was ordered to the Naval Aviation Selection Board in Philadelphia.
- April 29 Killinger arrived on Penn State's campus to recruit cadets for the U. S. Navy's V-5 pilot program. Killinger was accompanied by Lieut. Charles M. Speidel, the wrestling coach at Penn State, and Charles C. Beam, the former Athletic Director at Gettysburg College.

- May 28 Killinger was assigned to the United States Naval Pre-Flight School at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. His duties included Athletic Construction Officer and head baseball coach. The Killinger family moved into a house at 411 McCauley Street in Chapel Hill.
- June 26 West Chester athletic department announced Henry J. "Heinie" Miller, former football coach at Temple University, will take over for Killinger as the head football coach for the duration of Killinger's leave of absence.
- Sept. 18 The Cloudbusters' baseball team, coached by Lt. W. Glenn Killinger, finished its first season with a record of 14-5. The team was praised for its "potent hitting and effective pitching". The team included Morris A. Deutsch (outfield), former New York University athlete from Long Island; Harry Harrison (Second baseman), former Penn State star from Philadelphia; M. G. Hanly (pitcher) of Garden City, NY; E. H. Clark (pitcher), of Lewiston, NY; and Robert "Ace" Williams (pitcher), of Montclair, NJ.
- Dec. 19 Killinger was ordered to duty with the Fleet Air Atlantic at Quonset Point Naval Air Station in Rhode Island, assigned to be a deck officer on the *U.S.S. Essex*. He was listed as Staff Physical Training Officer, responsible for supervising the physical training of all carrier aircraft pilots in the Atlantic Fleet. He traveled from Newfoundland to Norfolk inspecting ships and naval aircraft.

1943

- May Killinger was reattached to the Pre-Flight School in Chapel Hill to serve as an assistant football coach.
- Sept.-Nov. As an assistant coach to Lt. Frank Kimbrough, former head coach at Baylor, Glenn Killinger helped the Cloudbuster football team win two games while losing four and tying one. The two victories were over Camp Davis on October 16 and North Carolina State on November 25.

1944

- Feb. 26 After a two-year hiatus as a head football coach, Killinger was named head coach of the North Carolina Naval Pre-Flight Cloudbuster football team for the 1944 season.
- March 25 Killinger, again, was given the position of head baseball coach of the Pre-Flight Cloudbusters.

- May Killinger was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Commander in the U. S. Navy.
- June 7 Killinger's Pre-Flight Cloudbuster baseball team defeated Duke 1 to 0 in the 15th inning to win the Ration League pennant. The Cloudbusters finished the Ration League with a 10-2 record.
- June 12 Killinger and his Cloudbuster baseball team attended a special banquet on their behalf by the North Carolina Pre-Flight School Athletic Association at Lenoir Hall.
- Sept. Prior to the start of the 1944 football season, Killinger learned the T formation offense from one of his players, ex-professional Ray Bray, who learned the system as a Chicago Bear. Killinger's offensive line and defensive line coach was Paul "Bear" Bryant.
- Sept. 24 Killinger's Cloudbusters won its season opener 27 to 14 against Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station played at Kenan Memorial Stadium in Chapel Hill.
- Sept. 30 Killinger's Cloudbusters upset the Naval Academy, one of the highest ranked teams in the country, 21 to 14, using the T formation. The game was played at Farragut field in Annapolis, Maryland.
- Oct. 7 Killinger's Cloudbusters upset Duke University 13 to 6. It was the second upset victory for Killinger's football team, earning them a national ranking at number-2 in the Coaches Poll.
- Oct. 14 The Cloudbusters tied Virginia 13 to 13 in a game played at Scott Stadium in Charlottesville, Virginia.
- Oct. 21 In another upset victory, Killinger commanded his team in a victory the Georgia Pre-Flight Skycrackers 3 to 0. The game was played in Chapel Hill. After the tie against Virginia and slim-margin victory against Georgia Pre-Flight, the Cloudbusters dropped to number-9 in the national poll.
- Oct. 28 Killinger's Cloudbusters won 14 to 13 over Jacksonville Naval Air Station. The N.C. Pre-Flighters were ranked number-8.
- Nov. 5 The Cloudbusters lost 49 to 20 to Bainbridge Naval Training Station, which had not lost a game in two years and were considered the best naval training football program in the country. Killinger's eleven scored the highest number of points against Bainbridge than any other opponent. Bainbridge's team was made up entirely of

professional and all-star collegiate players. The Cloubusters dropped to 16 in the polls.

- Nov. 11 The Cloubusters rebounded with a 33 to 18 victory over Georgia Pre-Flight. The Cloubusters found themselves ranked 18 in the Coaches Poll.
- Nov. 18 In the final football game of the season, Killinger's Cloubusters lost to Camp Peary of Virginia 19 to 7. The loss dropped the Cloubusters out of the Coaches Poll top-20, while several of their 1944 opponents were still in the top-20 (Navy-4, Bainbridge-5, Duke-11). The 1944 Cloubusters finished the season 6-2-1.
- Dec. 8 Two of Killinger's players, Otto Graham and Ray Bray, were selected to the Associated Press' All Mid-Atlantic Service Team.
- Dec. 10 Killinger's quarterback, Otto Graham, was selected Associated Press' All American. Graham was the N.C. Pre-Flight School's first All American.

1945

- Feb. 9 Killinger was transferred to the Naval Air Station in Deland, Florida. He was assigned as the Military Training Officer and Athletic Director.
- Sept. Killinger applied for the head football position at the University of Maryland but was beaten out for the job by Paul "Bear" Bryant.
- Sept. 26 Football camp began at West Chester under the supervision of Ralph Ricker, Killinger's top assistant, after a lapse of two years.
- Sept. 28 Killinger was discharged from active duty at the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He returned to West Chester to coach his ninth football season.
- Oct. Killinger agreed to serve as faculty director of the Veteran's Emergency Housing Units, the Veterans Club, the Varsity Club, The Friar's Society, and the Men's Dormitory Council.
- Oct.-Nov. Killinger's eighth football season at West Chester began with a four-game schedule. Victories were tallied against Haverford, Drexel, and Swarthmore. The Rams finished 3-0-1. The tie was against Delaware.
- ca. Dec. Killinger applied for the head baseball coaching position at Yale University, but did not get the job.

- Dec. 5 The Cincinnati Reds hired Killinger to become one of their baseball scouts in the eastern states during the summer months.
- Dec. 9 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the Cape May High School football banquet in Ocean City, New Jersey.
- Dec-Feb. '46 Killinger's basketball team at West Chester finished the season 9-6. It was the only season after World War II that Killinger coached basketball at West Chester.

1946

- Feb. Killinger finished his final season as head coach of West Chester's basketball team. His 1945-46 team finished 3-3. After six seasons, Killinger's overall record as basketball coach was 65-41.
- Mar.-May Killinger's West Chester baseball team finished 10-1. Their only loss came to Temple on May 4, in an 8 to 10 decision.
- June Killinger's son, Billy Jr., graduated from the Hill School in Pottstown, Pennsylvania.
- July 29 Killinger was offered the head coaching position of Dickinson College's football team, including a three-year contract for \$4000. He refused the position.
- Sept.-Nov. Killinger's tenth football season at West Chester finished 9-1.

1947

- Apr.-May Killinger's baseball team at West Chester opened the season with a no-hit, no-run game against LaSalle College on April 15 (Nick Di Franks was the pitcher). The team finished 10-6.
- Sept.-Nov. Killinger's 1947 football team finished 9-0 regular season.
- Nov. 27 West Chester played its first post season game – the Burley Bowl – against Carson-Newman on Thanksgiving Day in Jefferson City, Tennessee. The Rams won 20 to 6, improving to 10-0.
- Nov. 28 One of Killinger's players, Benjamin Coren, was named to the Associated Press' All-State Teachers College Football Team.
- Dec. 10 Benjamin Coren was named to the Associated Press' Little All-American Football Team.

Dec. 13 Killinger spoke at the Wyoming Valley Conference dinner. He gave five "ingredients" for a winning football team: "1) boys who like to play the game; 2) hustle; 3) courage; 4) intelligence; 5) luck."

1948

Jan. 1 Still part of the 1947 football season, West Chester played in its second bowl game of that season, the Cigar Bowl, against Missouri Valley College in Tampa, Florida. West Chester lost 26 to 7, finishing the season with a 10-1 record.

Feb. 9 Killinger was the keynote speaker for the Hanover Township football team's banquet at Hotel Redington in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

March 16 In recognition of his 10-win, undefeated season, West Chester State Teachers College honored Killinger at a testimonial dinner. Killinger was presented with a gold watch in front of 250 people, including his coach at Penn State Hugo Bezdek, and college teammates Henry "Hinkey" Haines and Charles Way.

April 15 Killinger was the keynote speaker at Penn State's Physical Education banquet at the University Club.

Apr.-May Killinger's 1948 baseball team finished the season 15-1. Their only loss came to the Pennsylvania Athletic Club on May 8. The Rams scored 142 runs verse their opponents' 63.

Sept.-Nov. The twelfth football season at West Chester finished the regular season 6-1.

Nov. 25 West Chester returned to the Burley Bowl on Thanksgiving Day and defeated Appalachian State Teachers College 7 to 2.

1949

Apr.-May Killinger fielded an impressive baseball unit in 1949. With convincing wins over Albright (12 to 1), Millersville (14 to 1, 19 to 2), Kutztown (14 to 2), LaSalle (14 to 0), and the Pennsylvania Military College (16 to 0), the Rams finished with a 13-3 record.

Sept.-Nov. Killinger's thirteenth season as head football coach at West Chester ended with a record of 8-1. Their only loss came on the final game of the season to Delaware.

1950

- Apr.-May After winning seven of its first eight games to open the 1950 season, Killinger's baseball unit finished with a 9-4 record.
- June 2 Killinger's son, Billy Jr., a member of the Lafayette College baseball team, was placed on the NCAA District-2 All Star Team.
- June 10 Billy Killinger Jr. of Lafayette College was selected Division-I All-American third baseman by the American Baseball Coaches Association.
- Sept.-Nov. Killinger's fourteenth season as head football coach at West Chester ended with a 7-2 record. Pennsylvania sports writers picked the team as the mythical Pennsylvania State Teachers College champion.

1951

- Apr.-May Killinger's 1951 baseball team finished with a 7-6-1 record.
- April Killinger's son, Billy Jr., was signed by the Allentown Cardinals of the Interstate League, an affiliate of the St. Louis Cardinals.
- June 3 At the 119th commencement of Gettysburg College, Killinger received an honorary Doctor of Science Degree in Physical Education by the College's Board of Directors. It was the largest attended commencement ceremony at the college up to that date.
- Sept.-Nov. The fifteenth season of West Chester football ended with a 7-2 regular season record.
- Sept. 20 The Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference (PSAC) was created at a meeting in Harrisburg.
- Nov. 24 West Chester played Albright College in the first Pretzel Bowl in Reading, Pennsylvania. The Rams won 32 to 9.

1952

- Apr.-May Despite the cancellation of four games, the 1952 baseball team finished with a 6-3-1 record.
- Sept.-Nov. Killinger's sixteenth football season at West Chester ended with an undefeated and untied record, 7-0. The Rams won the Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference championship.

Nov. One of Killinger's baseball players, Harry Anderson, signed a Major League Baseball contract with the Philadelphia Phillies.

1953

Apr.-May The 1953 baseball team finished with a 13-2 record.

Sept. 18 Killinger scheduled West Chester's opening game against U. S. Army Fort Belvoir Engineers coached by Al Davis (future coach of the Oakland Raiders). The Rams lost 21 to 7. It was West Chester's only loss of the season, finishing 7-1 in 1953. The loss to Ft. Belvoir was the West Chester's first home loss in 29 games.

Nov. As the football season finished, West Chester was named Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference champions for the second consecutive year.

Nov. 25 Killinger's son, Billy, 25-years-old, was married to Karol Marie, age 21, in Omaha, Nebraska.

1954

Jan. 7 Speaking at a dinner honoring Jim Tatum of Maryland as the 1953 "Coach of the Year," the outgoing Univ. of Pennsylvania coach and incoming president of the American Football Coaches Association, George Munger, praised Glenn Killinger for being an outstanding coach of a small college that needs more recognition.

Apr.-May The 1954 baseball team finished with a 12-3 record.

Sept. 28 Killinger's grandson, Mark William Killinger, was born.

Sept.-Nov. Killinger's eighteenth football season at West Chester ended with his program's poorest record, 4-4. His team, however, still managed to tie Bloomsburg and East Stroudsburg State Teachers Colleges for the Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference title.

Dec. 9 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the West Pittston High School football banquet. He said, "Play hard, play fair and above all, want to play."

1955

Apr.-May Killinger's 1955 baseball team finished its season 15-3, including wins over LaSalle College, Temple, St. Joseph's, and Delaware.

Sept.-Nov. Killinger's nineteenth season as head football coach concluded with a 6-3 record.

1956

March-May Killinger's 1956 baseball team finished with a 12-3-1 record.

Sept.-Nov. Killinger's twentieth season as head football coach at West Chester concluded with a 7-1 record and sole possession of the Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference championship. It was Killinger's fourth championship team in the six years after the conference was formed.

1957

ca. March While on sabbatical from West Chester State Teachers College, Killinger worked with the Philadelphia Phillies at their spring training camp in Clearwater, Florida.

March 30 Killinger's granddaughter, Jessica Killinger, was born in West Chester.

May 26 Killinger's mother, Florence, died at Norristown State Hospital. She was 90 years old.

Sept.-Nov. Killinger's twenty-first football team at West Chester was arguably his best. The team finished undefeated, 9-0, and ranked tenth in the Lambert Cup rankings. His team was the highest scoring team in the nation with 327 points scored, while having only 40 points scored against.

1958

March-May Killinger's West Chester baseball team earned a 15-1 record. The only loss was a 10th inning 3 to 2 heartbreaker to Shippensburg the third game of the season. The Milwaukee Braves signed one of his baseball players, Ed Lawrence, soon after the season.

May 6 Killinger was the keynote speaker at the Springfield High School Athletics Banquet, hosted by the "Benchwarmers' Association. There were 375 Springfield High School athletes in attendance.

May The West Chester Yearbook, *The Serpentine*, was dedicated to Killinger. The dedication read: "In every age capable leaders are needed to guide and to inspire youth. West Chester is fortunate to have as a member of its professional staff Dr. W. Glenn Killinger . . . he

represents that great combination of strength in mind and in body which opens doors to education and to success.”

Sept.-Nov. Killinger’s twenty-second football team at West Chester was his favorite. The team finished 9-1. West Chester finished second for the Lambert Cup, beaten out by the University of Buffalo.

1959

March-May Killinger’s baseball team at West Chester finished the season 11-5, with a signature victory over St. Joseph’s. The five losses came to powerhouses Temple, Villanova twice, and the University of Pennsylvania. West Chester won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Championship.

Sept. 19 Killinger’s West Chester football unit upset Villanova 13 to 7 in the season opener. Many locals considered the victory Killinger’s biggest of his career at West Chester.

Dec. The football season came to an end with a 70 to 19 victory over Cheyney. West Chester finished the season 7-1, and Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference champions.

Dec. Both of Killinger’s captains, Ken Campbell and Bill Shockley, were named to the All Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference All-Star Team.

Dec. 9 Killinger becomes a proponent of using a 12th man on the defensive side of the football.

Dec. 10 After twenty-three seasons, Killinger resigned his post as head football coach at West Chester State Teachers College, made effective January 6, 1960. His overall record at West Chester was 147 wins, 41 losses, and 12 ties. Five of his teams won or tied the Pennsylvania State Teachers College Athletic Conference championship, plus the 1950 Sportswriters’ mythical championship.

Dec. 24 The *Pantagraph* (Bloomington, IL) reported that Glenn Killinger was negotiating the possibility of managing the Philadelphia Phillies’ Johnson City, Tennessee team of the Appalachian League.

1960

Jan. 2 Killinger coached the Little All-American team against the major college All-American team in the Optimist Bowl in Tucson, Arizona. Killinger’s opposition, the major school All-Americans, was Auburn’s

Ralph “Shug” Jordan. One of Killinger’s West Chester players—Bill Shockley—played fullback and linebacker in the game. The Big School beat the Small School 53 to 0.

Jan. 2 After the game, Killinger was presented with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of his thirty-seven years as a football coach, dating back to 1922 when he was the head coach at Dickinson. His overall record after thirty-seven years was 181 wins, 71 losses, and 16 ties.

March The Philadelphia Phillies asked Killinger to manage one of their summer instructional teams.

April 23 West Chester College honored Killinger with a testimonial dinner. He was presented with a silver punch bowl engraved with his name and the date of the dinner.

May Killinger’s baseball team finished the 1960 season 7-7-1.

1961

March-May Killinger’s baseball team finished the 1961 season 9-6.

1962

March-May Killinger’s West Chester baseball team finished the season 14-2, including wins over Villanova and Temple. The Rams won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship. It was Killinger’s second baseball title.

1963

ca. April Killinger was presented with a plaque from the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Oct. 28 Killinger was inducted into the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame for football.

1964

March-May Killinger’s baseball team at West Chester defeated U. S. Naval Academy, Temple, Villanova, and Drexel on the way to completing the season 15-5. West Chester won the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championship. It was Killinger’s third baseball title.

1966

March-May Killinger's baseball team finished the season 7-8. It was Killinger's first losing season of the post World War II era, just his fifth overall.

1967

March-May Killinger's baseball team at West Chester finished 14-7.

1968

Oct. 25 W. Glenn Killinger Men's Residence Hall was dedicated in Killinger's honor.

March-May Killinger's baseball team finished the 1968 season with a record of 28-17-2.

1969

March-May Killinger's baseball team finished 13-8.

1970

March-May Killinger's final baseball season ended with an 18-6 record. The season included victories over Temple, Villanova, LaSalle, and Delaware.

May 17 Killinger, in recognition of his retirement, was honored at a banquet held in his honor in the Lawrence Center at West Chester University.

June Killinger retired all of his duties at West Chester. His career baseball record was 328-153-9.

Dec. Killinger was inducted into the Coaches' Hall of Fame by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

1971

Feb. 21 Killinger was inducted into the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame as a player.

Dec. Killinger was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame as a player.

1979

April West Chester's football program announced the Killinger Foundation Football Hall of Fame "designed to honor the efforts and achievements of distinguished alumni who have made exceptional contributions to the football program at WCU while reinforcing a sense of history and tradition."

April Along with the Killinger Hall of Fame at West Chester, six men founded the W. Glenn Killinger Football Scholarship Foundation "with a mission to contribute to the future success of the West Chester University football program." The Killinger Foundation board hosts the Annual Homecoming Social before the homecoming football game and the WCU Football Hall of Fame.

1984

Killinger and his wife, Wilda, moved into Churchman Village, retirement apartments in Newark, Delaware.

1987

With the encouragement of his wife Wilda, Glenn Killinger began writing his memoir titled *A Penn State Walk On*. He did not complete the manuscript before his death.

1988

July 25 W. Glenn Killinger died at Christiana Hospital in Newark, Delaware at the age of 89.

2001

March 31 Killinger's wife, Wilda E. Holtzworth, died at the age of 99, just a few weeks shy of her one-hundredth birthday. Glenn and Wilda's ashes are buried together in Evergreen Cemetery in Gettysburg, PA.

2008

ca. Oct. Killinger was posthumously inducted into the Chester County Sports Hall of Fame as a coach of football and baseball at West Chester University.

2015

Oct. 1 Killinger's only child, William Glenn Killinger Jr., died at Riddle Hospital in Media, PA.

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