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MINNESOTA AND NOTRE DAME DOPED TO WIN OUT.

GOPHERS ARE CONFERENCE CHAMPS

Both Minnesota and Wisconsin Grinding Away in Daily Practice Preparing for Big Contest Saturday.

BY WALTER H. ECKERSALL.

Chicago, Nov. 10.—If Minnesota and Notre Dame are successful in winning the remaining football games on their schedules, some efforts should be made to bring these elevens together in a post-season game to determine the championship of the west.

The Gophers, if they win from Wisconsin next Saturday, will be the champions of the conference colleges. If the Catholics win their remaining contests they will be the titleholders of the western nonconference institutions. If such a situation results, neither team will have clear claim to the championship of the west, and the only way such a dispute can be settled will be to have the elevens meet in a post-season game.

Although both institutions will have to make concessions, it will be no harder for one than for the other. Notre Dame in playing Minnesota will have to live up to the conference eligibility rules, which state that no conference team can play a non-conference eleven until the latter organization refrains from playing its freshmen and four year men. The training table and quarters and other things which are not permissible at conference colleges will not make a partial of difference.

Conference Teams Must Consent.

On the other hand, if Minnesota agrees to play Notre Dame, it will have to get the consent of the other members of the conference. There may be some objections raised, but it is more than likely such a contest could be pulled off if the interested universities showed the proper inclinations.

Heretofore the team that won the championship of the western conference colleges immediately was proclaimed champions of the west. Little or no consideration was given the non-conference team which went through the season without a defeat and which won games from teams who were in the conference or from those equally as strong. This situation has happened several times in the history of western football. Although the athletic requirements of the smaller colleges are not so strict as the conference institutions, the non-conference teams who go through a season without a defeat are entitled to consideration at the end of the season.

Notre Dame has played good football so far this season and has but one hard game yet to play, that being with Marquette, the team Michigan beat at Milwaukee a few weeks ago. The Catholics have defeated every non-conference team of rank in the west this season, including Michigan. The Hoosiers also traveled east and trimmed Pittsburgh, which is considered to be one of the strongest secondary teams in the east.

Big Turkey Day Battles.

Marquette and Notre Dame will battle at Milwaukee on Thanksgiving day and the game with Minnesota could be played on the second Saturday following. Of course, Notre Dame must win its contest with the Milwaukee aggregation and Minnesota must win from the Badgers on Saturday to make such a contest possible. It is generally believed the Gophers will triumph over the Badgers and Notre Dame should beat Marquette if the players do not become too overconfident.

A game between these two teams should bring out a great exhibition of football. The old and new styles of play are used by both with great success and the battle should be prolific of spectacular work because of the number of star players on each eleven. The coaches of both teams have submerged the individual work into team play, but they have not overlooked the strong points in some of the players.

Both have good kickers and brilliant open field runners, who produce the sort of work the spectators like to see. Line plunges and drives off the tackles are mixed nicely with forward passes and onside kicks, and the game undoubtedly would be one of the most interesting played in the west in a long time.

Neither institution has made any overtures in case both finish the season with clean slates, but some effort should be made to match these two great elevens. No doubt the students and alumni of both institutions would be glad to have such a contest come off and it would be one of the biggest games, from an attendance standpoint, ever played in the west.

West Versus East.

Just what success the western teams, Chicago and Michigan, will have with Cornell and Pennsylvania is worrying the followers of the football teams representing both universities. The four teams seem to be far below the form showed last season and for this reason the games should be close and exciting.

Michigan has not beaten Pennsylvania since the Wolverines severed relations with the conference in the winter of 1906. In 1907 Michigan was beaten 6 to 0, and this is the best game it has played against the Quakers. In other years the Wolverines were beaten decisively and it is because of this bad showing that Michigan rooters are inclined to look on the dark side.

At Pennsylvania there is talk of dropping Michigan from the schedule, and it seems a certainty if the Quakers win by a wide margin, football relations between the two universities will be severed to allow Penn to take on an opponent which will prove a more worthy foe. Coach Yost wants to beat the Quakers this season so that the first official word of severing athletic relations will come from Michigan.

Last season Chicago and Cornell played a tie game, 6 to 6, and both are intent on settling the question which has been argued so much since that memorable contest. The players who took part in last year's game will work hard to settle the question and the game should be hard fought from start to finish.

Yale Coaches Pick Eleven.

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 10.—Yale coaches have picked the eleven to meet the Tigers on Saturday. Fred Daly returned yesterday and was placed at full back. This completes the team. Ted Lilley was given an afternoon off because he strained his back Saturday. Paul was placed at right tackle. Ted McCoy was in the best form.

In a fifteen minute scrimmage Coy reeled off two touchdowns. "Dummy" Logan left the infirmary and appeared on crutches. Frank Hinkey arrived in time to see the practice. Eighteen coaches, the biggest number this season, changed the policy. Instead of ordering a long driving practice for today the team will be given only a fifteen minute scrimmage.

Twenty-two special cars were announced for the Yale-Princeton game, six being parlor cars.

Harvard's Defense is Strong.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 10.—A long defensive scrimmage in which the second team held the ball throughout the secret practice sessions, regardless of downs, was the program for the Harvard varsity yesterday.

The struggle began on the varsity's twenty-five-yard line and for nearly half an hour the first team successfully defended its goal line against the aggressive and spirited attack. The second, finding its plunges futile, resorted to open play, and managed to get within five yards of the varsity's line, but there was held for downs.

After a short signal practice the teams lined up for scrimmage. The presence of McKay and Corbett in the varsity strengthened that eleven considerably. McKay is apparently in good condition and will undoubtedly figure in the Dartmouth game. In case he goes out Hooper will take his place.

A steady improvement in the quarter back is necessary if Harvard is going to acquit itself well against Dartmouth. O'Flaherty's improvement is encouraging for, though Widdlesworth has shown up well in practice scrim-

mage, he is not so powerful as O'Flaherty.

Freshmen Run Over Badgers.

Madison, Wis., Nov. 10.—Displaying a complete reversal of form, the Wisconsin university team today allowed the freshmen to run all over them and score three touchdowns in a forty minute scrimmage. The freshmen would have made two more scores had not Coach Lerum penalized them twice when they had the ball on the varsity's two-yard line.

The varsity could do nothing with the youngsters, who plowed through for gains of ten, twenty, and thirty yards, tearing over MacMiller, who was in Boyle's place at tackle, and Jakisch, who took MacMiller's guard, for most of the gains.

It was pitiful to watch the varsity on offense. Culver was the only man who made any headway with the ball, and these gains were short and infrequent. Team work was lamentably weak, the man carrying the ball being forced to do practically all his own interfering. Anderson was thrown back invariably for losses, and Moll failed to negotiate a single forward pass until it was too dark for the freshmen to follow the ball. Capt. Wilce did not get into the scrimmage, Coach Barry refusing to run a chance of having him injured.

Camp Watches Gophers Work.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 10.—Walter Camp, the famous football critic, arrived in Minneapolis yesterday and will be the guest of Coach Williams until after the Wisconsin game. Mr. Camp witnessed the secret practice yesterday and seemed pleased with the work of the Gophers. Pettijohn has been called from end to quarter because of his knowledge of the game and accuracy in making long passes. Vidol is taking Pettijohn's place at left end. The coaches are using every effort to get the team on edge for the Badgers' game Saturday and anticipate the hardest kind of battle.

Iowa Drills Hard for Ames.

Iowa City, Ia., Nov. 10.—Ames and Iowa meet Saturday for the final state battle to be waged by the Hawkeyes. In anticipation of that contest, Coach Griffith is trying to hold his men on edge, and is eschewing scrimmages for association ball almost exclusively. His team is nearly intact, after several hard games and disastrous defeats. Bell's hand was broken in the Drake game, and Hooley, a valuable substitute, who won his spurs in the Missouri game, has taken his place. Fee, quarter back, has been sent to end, as Hanlon is not in the best of condition, and Kresensky is to be saved for the Kansas game. Alexander, the negro tackle, starred in the Drake game, and he is now assured of a position at left tackle.

JUNIOR'S HOP POSTER TAKEN FROM UNI HALL

ARTISTIC DESIGN THE OBJECT OF PETTY THIEVERY.

CASE LOCKED, GLASS IS BROKEN

Miscreants Damage Bulletin Case Tuesday Night in Order to Make Off With Attractive Advertisement.

Despite the fact of its position behind a locked glass bulletin case in the main hall of University Hall, the junior hop poster was removed Tuesday night by unknown persons and its whereabouts are now a mystery.

The poster was in its proper place Tuesday afternoon, and its absence was not noted until Chairman James Lawrence of the juniors failed to see it yesterday noon. The glass was broken at the top of the case, indicating the means by which the poster had been taken.

The junior advertisement was the creation of Phillip Frederick. It was an artistic piece of work, being a water-color of fine design and careful execution, with the date of the hop, November 12, and the officials inscribed below.

Was Private Property.

The poster was not the property of

the class of 1911. It was the personal possession of Mr. Frederick, and as such was wholly private property. The taking of the cardboard is therefore not so much a joke on the class as an act of personal thievery perpetrated upon the owner of the poster.

In times past posters have had a habit of disappearing from their places upon the walls of the various university buildings. With the gradually increasing quality of the work, the disposition to appropriate them grew apace and finally all of the better ones were placed in the locked cases in University Hall. Apparently locks did not deter the men who want posters in the future, as the broken glass testifies.

Thinks It Poor Trick.

When the matter was called to his attention yesterday, Registrar Harrison said: "The taking of posters in that way is not right. The posters are entirely personal property and as such the property right inherent in them should be respected. Several years ago posters were taken, and upon advertisement of the fact that they belonged to individuals one of them was returned through the mail. I hope that the same thing will result in the present case."

There is no clue as to the man who took the poster. The doors of the building were open until 10 p. m., and it would have been comparatively easy for someone to break the glass and make off with the picture.

Owing to the small chance of success, it is not likely that the university authorities will make any strenuous efforts to discover the taker of the cardboard. Chairman Lawrence of the hop committee is not disposed to let the matter go by default, however, and intends to do what he can to locate the missing poster.

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETS TODAY

Regular Session of Governing Body Will Be Held at 9 O'clock.

The board of regents will meet at 9 o'clock this morning in regular session to transact such business as may be brought before it. From all reports the session will be comparatively unimportant. The chief matters so far in view are the confirmation of certain acts already authorized by the regents individually. These include the granting of a leave of absence to Professor Wallace, who is now in Europe, and the promotion and transfer of certain faculty members.

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