

GOSSIP FROM THE GRIDIRON

Foot Ball Conditions East and West at Opening of the Season.

BIG TEAMS SHAPING UP FOR BATTLE

Some Comment on the Eleven with a View to Their Relative Strength on Paper and on the Field.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—Foot ball is the magic word which once more stirs the college athletic world. It rouses the veteran from the lethargy of his summer vacation and causes the "prep" school star to take a lighter grip on the self-control that he may face the coming fray with the coolness of the variety man.

There are rumors of all kinds about what the season will be like. Some consider that the blue and white has almost no encouraging prospects. There is talk of new men from the west, but as yet none has put in an appearance at the foot ball house.

Old Men at Columbia. Of the old men whom Columbia will have are the following from last year's eleven: Thorpe, tackle; Echeverria, guard; Helmrich, halfback, and Muir, end. The substitutes who can be drawn on are Post, Von Balza, Deane and Carter.

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Great things are expected of the graduate coaching staff, composed of Morley, Wright, Smith, Duesel and Brown. These men are all alumni of Columbia and are classed among the best players that ever represented the blue and white on the gridiron.

Penn, Yale and Princeton. Pennsylvania will have nearly all of last year's eleven to represent it on the field this season and it looks as if it would have a team about the equal of that of 1904. In addition, there is expected a large squad of promising "prep" school material for Mike Murphy to round into form.

Yale enters the gridiron work with prospects hardly as favorable as those of last year, yet without any cause to feel gloom. Some of the giants who have carried many a team to victory, such as Hogan and Bloomer, will be missed during the preliminary practice now going on. Still there is a large squad of veteran material which ought to make a good eleven with practically no coaching whatever. The back line is strong, with many veterans, and the line is the hardest place to fill in with new material.

Princeton has a fair allotment of veterans, and is due to figure in the big games as a prominent factor. There will have to be hard work on the part of the coaches, but it is thought with proper attention the squad will be ready to make a strong eleven, with a large percentage of last year's team still in college. The men are good foot ball material and with proper coaching they ought to give any of the other big eleven a hard rub for the honors. It is understood that conditions about the team are excellent.

Harvard will be an important factor in the season of 1905. The crimson once again has the services of Bill Reid and the undergraduates have confidence that if any one man can bring Harvard's foot ball standing up to par he is the one to do it. The Cambridge men have the makings of a strong eleven, with a large percentage of last year's team still in college. The men are good foot ball material and with proper coaching they ought to give any of the other big eleven a hard rub for the honors. It is understood that conditions about the team are excellent.

Glenn Warner of Cornell has a lot of men to draw from for his eleven. Many are of last year's team, but some of the best have only entered college this year for the first time. The veterans are light men, but the "prep" school players have the weight, and Warner ought to be able to place on the gridiron a formidable eleven for the championship game. The men will be brought to the top notch of form slowly, a feature which it is estimated will be greatly for the benefit of the team. The fact that the Princeton game is two weeks later than usual makes this possible. Thompson, who was going to Yale, is the greatest addition to the squad.

Outlook for the Army. In the development of new plays West Point will be looked upon to take the lead. It was its team which last season developed the ground kick with such success, and which in spite of the limitations upon athletes of the Military Academy was able to beat Yale 11 to 4 and hold Harvard to a score of 4 to 0 and Princeton to a score of 11 to 5. It is likely that West Point will not lose, than ever this fall, and it would not be surprising if Syracuse should put an eleven in the field which will be heard from. Since Syracuse jumped into athletic prominence by reason of its crew victory season before last it has been building itself up in other departments also. Its foot ball team made a good beginning last fall by playing Yale 9 to 11 and West Point 9 to 11, and will wear watching hereafter. Dartmouth, Amherst, Holy Cross, Brown, Lafayette and Swarthmore were all strong last year, and are likely to send out teams which will make those of the big universities fight hard to maintain their prestige.

What new developments the season

likely to bring here in the east it is impossible to predict, but it is safe to say that those which were tried last year will be attempted again this year and most generally. After a fumble, where there is no chance to pick the ball up and run with it, it was formerly the custom for the player who could first reach the spot to fall on the ball and hold it at that point for his side. West Point tried the plan of kicking it toward the opponent's goal instead. This makes it possible that the other side will get the ball, but the chances favor the kicker in following it up and getting it over the goal line, just as West Point did against Princeton and Annapolis and Columbia did against Cornell. Even when the ball is captured by the other side it is likely to net about as much distance as a punt. Another play, tried last year by Columbia and Carleton, was a kick without snapping the ball from the center, thereby keeping your players on the side and giving them an equal chance with the opponents of getting it. It was not successful in the instances mentioned, but there is little doubt but that it will be tried again this year, and freely.

Western Conditions. The western college conference rule barring freshmen from participation in foot ball is likely to be adopted by a large majority of the institutions point to good teams, the only exception to the rule being Columbia. The local colleges are apparently in a bad way so far as material goes, and it does not look as though they could possibly capture large championship honors. There are only four of last year's veterans as a nucleus for the coaches to begin work with and new material is not very bountiful.

At Madison the new regime is on for Wisconsin. The Badgers are buoyant with hope under the leadership of Phil King, Eddie Holt and Elvin Kraenzlein, the former Wisconsin and Pennsylvania track star. Wisconsin had a great team in 1902, the last year of King's coaching. It was defeated three times, but not disgraced on the team of last year, and it does not seem likely that strong new men can be developed to take their places without great difficulty.

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NEW MATERIAL FOR AMES TEAM

Practice Games Indicate Changes in Lineup Are Probable.

AMES, Ia., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The Cyclones have been doing their first scrimmages work this week, and the week with large and enthusiastic crowds of students to witness the practice. The first and second teams measured strength, and the fact soon developed that Ames has some new material in the scrum. The lineups of the scrums made it necessary for the coaches to make changes in the lineup to advance the ball. Stouffer, who is captain of the team, showed up in fairly good form and his game through the opposing line were steady and sure. It is now probable that positions in the lineup held by old men last year will be shifted. The Cyclones will be shifted to half and McWhorter in the line instead of half. Mills promises well for center and Drennan without question will fill the place of guard. Nelson is a candidate for guard. Henniger, Mable, McWhorter and Scott for tackle, and Carr and Finckler for end. Coach Rutledge and Biller and Smith have been working at half and Hubbard and Board have been alternating at quarter back. Coach Rutledge is giving all candidates a thorough tryout and there seems a fair prospect for a speedy team this fall. Trainer Watson is putting forth his best efforts to get the best physical condition for the team, which occurs next week, when they clash with the Drake second team and Coe college.

Corona Defeat Neola. NEOLA, Ia., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The Corona of Omaha defeated the home team here today in a hard fought game. Bogatski was the star of the game, scoring three touchdowns over in great style, three hits being all the home boys could get off his delivery. He also collected a double pass. A crowd of about 100 spectators was present and also a feature. Score by Innings: Corona..... 9 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 1 Neola..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 1

Lawrence—University of Kansas, 21; Chicago—University of Chicago, 21; Lawrence—University of Appleton, 21; Bloomington, Ind.—Indiana university, 5; Alumnal, 6; Lafayette, Ind.—Purdue university, 23; Wendell Phillips High school, 9; At Lexington, Ky.—Kentucky University, 6; Military Institute, 6.

Wahoo Rooters Go to Fremont. WAHOO, Neb., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Large number of Wahoo rooters will go to Fremont Sunday on a special Union Pacific train with the intention of cheering the Wahoo team to a series of three games for a purse of \$250. Wahoo won the first game here last Wednesday and the game at Fremont will be a good one.

Fast Half by Major Delmar. CLEVELAND, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Major Delmar today trotted the fastest half mile of the season at the Glenville track during the matinee of the afternoon. The time was 0:58. The horse was sent to go against the mile record of 1:04 but the track being heavy record smashing was attempted until the last half, which was made in the time stated.

Elmer Flick Out of Game. CLEVELAND, Sept. 23.—Elmer Flick, right fielder of the Cleveland American League team, was injured today while playing out of the game for the season owing to injuries received at Philadelphia yesterday.

FINNS MAY FIGHT RUSSIA. Sentiment in Favor of Armed Defiance of Czar's Authority is Growing Rapidly. ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 23.—Although investigations show that apparently there is no ground for the conjectures that the Finnish people are contemplating a general armed uprising, despite the reports of a covered importation of arms, or indeed that the vast majority of the Finns look with favor on the separatist attitudes in regard to the right of meeting are leading to a stubborn conflict and further embittering the relations between the government and the people. Following the dispersal of the big congress of constitutionalists at Helsinki, September 13, the Russian authorities announced that pending imperial approval of the senate's new project for the right of meeting of all office holders of 1905 remain strictly in force and that effective measures would be taken to disperse all unauthorized meetings.

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IOWA COAL MINERS TO ASK FOR A RAISE

Operators Say They Cannot Grant It Unless Indianapolis Conference Concedes Similar One to Eastern Miners.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DEER MOINES, Sept. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The body taken from the river here some days ago and supposed to be that of George R. Griswold, a prominent insurance man, was positively identified tonight by Griswold's former dentist, Dr. Knott, as that of Griswold. On the insistence of the relatives the cadaver was opened tonight and further investigation made to make sure of the identification. The First National bank of Sioux City today gave out a statement that it holds two checks, one for \$50 and one for \$40, drawn on the account of Lutton by Griswold, and that the Lutton bank will have to stand the loss, as its protest of the checks was not made in sufficient time to protect the local bank.

Miners Ask a Raise. Operators of coal mines in this state are expecting that the miners will ask for an advance of 5 cents in their wages at the next conference between operators and miners in this city. This would offset the reduction of two years ago. If such a raise is given, the operators say, it will be because the conference with Indianapolis gives such a raise, and that if the Indianapolis conference does not give a raise the Iowa coal operators cannot give one and compete with eastern coal. President Charles Morris of the Operators' association today issued a statement for the benefit of the operators in this city October 10, at which time officers will be elected. The meeting will be held at the Savery club room. It is possible that it may be decided then to call a meeting of the members of the association to be in session in Indianapolis during the conference with the miners to advise with the delegates from the Operators' association.

Drake Adopts Conference Rule. Drake University faculty today announced that it had adopted the rules of the conference colleges of the state in full. This ends the question as to freshmen playing on the regular foot ball team as the rules bar them. Drake is the first college out of the conference to adopt the conference rules in full. It is claimed that the conference rules were adopted because the present freshman rule, which was adopted to prevent class rushes, is working badly.

Says Good Corn Weather. Director John R. Sage of the crop service of the state said today that every day of the present kind of weather meant so many millions of dollars in the crop of the state. "The record year in this state was in 1900," said Mr. Sage today, "but if this weather keeps up this year will beat it. The crop is not yet matured and will not stand from winter damage. Corn has never been in finer condition at this time of the year since 1900."

Gideons Are Here. The Iowa Gideons, the traveling men's branch of the Young Men's Christian association, met in this city today and this evening the principal feature of the meeting was the burning of the papers representing the infidelity of the society. Recommendations were made for delegate representation from the state to the national body instead of the present general representation. President H. E. Crowther in his address recommended important improvements. All of the eleven camps of the state are represented here.

Council Bluffs Man Marries. Harry J. Deards, who recently moved from this city to council Bluffs, Ia., to act as the agent at the branch house there for Fuller & Johnson, farm implement manufacturers, is to be married in this city next Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock to Mrs. Helen K. Mills of 1613 West Tenth street. They will go at once to their home in Council Bluffs.

Regents Ask Appropriations. The regents of the State university will meet in Iowa City next Tuesday and at that time will decide on the amounts to be asked of the legislature in appropriations for the various purposes of the university. This will be the most important business on hand. The trustees of the State Agricultural college will meet at Ames the Friday following.

Governor Returns Next Week. Governor Cummins is expected to leave Pennsylvania Sunday and will thus reach home on Tuesday. The death of Mrs. Cummins' mother the governor took his father to Pennsylvania, their old home.

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ACCIDENTS IN AUTO RACES

One Car Leaves Track and Another Turns Turtle on Mineola Course. MINNEOLA, La., Sept. 23.—The start in the elimination trial race to select a team of five automobiles of American build to compete for the Vanderbilt cup on October 14 was made at 5:30 o'clock this morning. Every hotel in the vicinity of the course was crowded last night and thousands of spectators saw the racers start on their journey. The members of the Vanderbilt cup commission met this afternoon and after a short conference it was announced that the five winners in today's race had been selected by the commission as the American team to compete in the international contest on October 14. Starting from here, the course was through Jericho, East Norwich, Brookville, Greenvale, Albertson, Lakeville and Hyde Park to the grandstand at this place. The distance was four rounds of 2.3 miles, the total distance covered being 11.2 miles. A. L. Pope's sixty horsepower machine finished the race in two hours and fifty seconds. R. H. White's machine went off the course at Bull's Head at 7:19 o'clock. E. D. Shurman's forty horsepower car turned turtle at the junction of the Glen-cove road and the old Seating Pond road east of Albertson. The accident occurred while the machine was making the third lap. Robert Jardine, who was steering, approached the short turn at this spot unadvised today. This is the third trial of the defendants. It is thought that the case will go to the jury late Monday.

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WILLIAMSON'S THIRD TRIAL

Evidence is All in and Case Will Probably Go to the Jury Monday. PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 23.—The taking of testimony in the case of the government against Congressman Williamson, Dr. Genser and ex-United States Land Commissioner Marion R. Biggs, accused of irregularities in connection with government land transactions in this state, was completed today. This is the third trial of the defendants. It is thought that the case will go to the jury late Monday.

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