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GOPHERS TO FACE HARD FOE

Contest with Ames Will Be Test of William's Strength.

GLOOM MOVES FROM LINCOLN

Coach Stiehm and Students Now See Opportunity for Another Championship Since Return of Veterans to Camp.

BY CLYDE E. ELLIOTT.

Eyes of every follower of Missouri Valley football will be pivoted on the struggle between the University of Minnesota and Ames college at Iowa, at Minneapolis next Saturday. The game is of unusual interest to sport lovers in this section of the country for the reason that Ames college, a member of the secondary conference, has an excellent chance to triumph over one of the "Big Nine" schools. The achievement of this result is so rare that when the opportunity for it seems close at hand much interest is naturally excited among those followers of the game who are delighted by a Missouri Valley conference school victory in battle with one of the recognized big schools of the country.

This year Ames should give Minnesota a close fight, with the chances for a victory equal, because the Aggies have several veterans of last fall who have been in practice for three weeks, while Coach Williams at the Gopher college of learning is supplied with only two or three letter men and has had them in training for less than two weeks. The advantage in veteran material and in length of training will count much in favor of a remarkable Ames showing on Northrup field next week, and it is certain now that if the Gophers win they will have to exercise the utmost care in every minute of the contest, taking advantage of every opportunity. If the Aggies go on to the battlefield with confidence and do not get "stage fright," as so many teams do when they meet the Minnesota aggregation, they will come very near to defeating the Williams pride.

Minnesota Much Lighter. The Minnesota team is lighter than in any recent year, a fact that will weigh well in favor of the Aggies, whose line is as heavy as last year when it was able to check the onslaughts of such heavy teams as the Cornhuskers and the University of Iowa. If Minnesota wins from Ames it will be through the use of shift plays which break through the Aggie line. Clyde Williams is a shrewd and skillful coach, who must realize the grand opportunity of beating Minnesota that he has this fall. His backfield is fast and is now being developed into an organization that will keep the Gophers busy in preventing it from running up enough points to win the game. It is going to be a good game on Northrup field, if there is no doubt, and Missouri Valley fans will get much encouragement from it.

Two weeks following the Ames-Minnesota contest, on October 13, the University of Nebraska eleven will meet the Gophers at Minneapolis, when another Missouri Valley conference team will have a chance to test its worth with the famous team of the north. The Cornhuskers are even better fitted to contest with the Gophers than are the Aggies, and if Ames does not win, the Cornhuskers should. Of course the Aggies will have this advantage in their meeting: They will find the Gophers less well trained because of the early season. The Ames game will give the Minnesota coach a line on his players and will show up their weak points. Immediately he will set to work, with two weeks at hand, and get his men in shape for the fast Cornhusker eleven. These two weeks will enable him to do a great deal with his players, and when he sets them on the field for their battle with the Cornhuskers they will be a lot better than the team that met the Aggies two weeks before. The Cornhuskers must be a much better eleven than the Ames team in order to meet the Gophers and defeat them two weeks later in the season. Minnesota is always considered to be striking a winning stride by the time it meets Nebraska, and this year is likely to prove no exception.

Gloom Moving Away. The gloom which was lowering around the Cornhusker camp has been chased away through the return of all but one of the eligible veterans. Purdy, the last of the hold-overs, came in to complete the Cornhusker backfield. This youngster is one of the best fullbacks Nebraska ever possessed. His work in the Ames and Michigan games last autumn entitled him to rank as the premier fullback of the valley and as one of the best in the west. Coach Fielding Yost said that Purdy was one of the greatest fullbacks that he had seen during the year. Hornberger, center, will not come back, and though this veteran's experience in the line would be a valuable asset to the team, Coach Stiehm feels well satisfied with the present situation.

Purdy's return assures the Cornhuskers of a cracking good backfield, and one that should be worked up into an effective scoring organization. Potter is the man who ran the team at quarter last season when Nebraska scored on Michigan. He is stationed at quarter again this fall. His generalship will undoubtedly be in prominence in all the games.

ANTELOPES TAKE LONG GAME

Win from Wichita in Eleventh by Score of Two to One.

ONLY ONE BATTLE IS STAGED

Owing to Wet Condition of Grounds the Second Game Which Was Scheduled is Postponed Until Today.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 28.—Lincoln won the game from Wichita today, 2 to 1, by more timely hitting. Two games were to have been played, but the condition of the grounds made only one possible which went eleven innings. Score:

Table with columns: LINCOLN, AB, R, H, O, A, E. Rows: Berghammer, Lloyd, Cole, Barbour, McLarry, Mullen, Smyth, Stratton, Dessau, Totals.

FABER PITCHES TWO VICTORIES

Des Moines Twirler Always Able to Fuzzle Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Sept. 28.—Des Moines won two games from Sioux City today. Faber pitched in both contests. Score, first game:

Table with columns: SIoux CITY, AB, R, H, O, A, E. Rows: Clark, Smith, Myers, Breen, Marshall, Andrews, Chapman, Young, Lynch, Totals.

MARQUARD'S RECORD STANDS UNDISPUTED

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—Rube Marquard certainly has proved himself the marvel of modern base ball players. His record is absolutely astounding and will probably stand undisputed for many years to come. A few envious persons are endeavoring to bring forward other "highwater marks" in an endeavor to discredit the performance of the "21-00 beauty," but they cannot dim the luster of the "Rube." The records of Charley Radbourne made with the Providence club in 1884 are correct as recorded, but a thorough examination by base ball experts of the files of the papers for 1884, 1885, 1886, 1904 and 1909 show that several records that have been preserved in the unofficial "dope" books for years were never made. James McCormick, pitching for the Chicago club in 1894, has been credited by some near-authorities with winning twenty-four straight games. His best run was sixteen games without a defeat, from May 5 to July 1. Tim Keefe has occasionally been credited with winning nineteen straight games in 1883. His greatest performance that year was winning six straight games from July 4 through July 15. In August he won five straight and the same number again in September. A record that has occasionally been disputed is accredited to John Luby, a youngster who in 1886 came out of the "Texas bushes" and jumped right in as a phenomenal twirler for the Chicago club, then under the management of Captain Anson. Luby's figures have been given as twenty straight victories, but he really won only eighteen, beginning on August 1 and running through October 3. Jack Chesbro of the Highlanders and Ed Reulbach of the Cubs won their records of fourteen straight games each in 1904 and 1905, respectively.

Base Ball Gamblers Fined. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 28.—Seven men were paroled for a year and two others fined \$100 and given parole in criminal court today, as a result of selling base ball pools. Governor John K. Tener of Pennsylvania and Barney Dreyfuss, of the Pittsburgh National League team were back of the prosecutions.

Old Doc Crandall Ready

Called in with three on bases, none out and the three balls on the batter. Does that worry him? Not a bit. Besides as a heavy hitter, Crandall is known as a slow ball pitcher. He rarely throws anything else. Pitching slow balls is one way by which he shows his nerve, for once a batter times them it's "goodnight" for the pitcher. They'll slam everything he serves. But they don't slam Old Doc's. He feels them. Besides his slow balls, he has some that are slower.

WILDEY WIN IN DOUBLES

BOSTON, Sept. 28.—Miss Adelaide Browning of New York and Miss Edna Widely of Plainfield, N. J., by playing a safe conservative game, defeated Miss Mary Browning of Pasadena, Cal., the national champion, and Mrs. Robert Williams of Providence, R. I., in the finals in the doubles tournament at the Longwood Cricket club today. The scores were, 2-4, 6-2, 6-4.

MISSOURI TRIMS CENTRAL

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line. Bases on balls: Off Warhop, 2; Off Brown, 1. Struck out: By Warhop, 3; by Brown, 3. Time: 2:05. Umpires: Dineen and Hart.

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Sometimes a bluff to throw a base is a balk and sometimes it is not; sometimes a bluff to pitch is a balk, and sometimes it is not. Sometimes to throw to a base is a balk, and sometimes a ball pitched squarely over the plate without any pause in the motion is both a balk and a ball for the batsman. A balk is not a balk unless there is a base runner, but some balks are called balks if the bases are empty. Here are the nine ways of making a balk:

- 1. The pitcher starts to deliver the ball to the batsman or to throw to first base when there is a runner on first base and does not complete the pitch or throw unhesitatingly.
2. If the pitcher throws the ball to any base occupied by a runner and does not step directly toward that base making the throw.
3. If the pitcher delivers the ball to the batsman while either foot is back of his slab.
4. If he pitches the ball without facing the batsman.
5. If he pitches the ball without keeping one foot on the slab.
6. If the pitcher holds the ball so long that in the umpire's opinion he is doing it to delay the game.
7. If the pitcher gets into position to pitch without having the ball in his possession.
8. If the pitcher makes any of the motions here provided for by the rules and does not go through with the delivery to the plate.
9. If the catcher steps outside the lines of his position preparatory to receiving a pitched ball.

Base Runners Advance.

When a balk is decided for any of these causes every base runner advances one base without liability to be put out, because the declaring of the balk automatically puts the ball out of play. If there are runners on third and first base, for instance, and a balk is made toward first, both runners advance one base. It is easy to remember that every base runner is entitled to one base on every balk, but the batsman does not go to first.

The Umpire is supposed to declare a balk without being appealed to, but he seldom has that chance, for 1,000,000 claims of balks are made by the coaches for every ball declared.

The pitcher cannot make a balk until he is on the slab. A bluff throw to second or third base never is a balk, but if the pitcher stands in his position and makes a throw to any occupied base without stepping toward the base it is a balk.

The fourth, sixth and eighth ways of making balks practically are dead letters.

The pitcher is not required to face the batsman all the time he is going through his motions. No one recalls when a pitcher was penalized for delaying the game by holding the ball while on the slab, and every good pitcher makes some of the motions habitual to his delivery every time he makes a throw to a base.

The third way of making a balk is for the pitcher to start with one foot behind the plate and take two steps in his delivery. In the detection of this kind of balk Clark Griffith is a world's champion, but he seldom gets them called.

The first, second, seventh, eighth and ninth ways of balking do not affect the batsman. When the bases are all empty and the pitcher makes a balk of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth kinds the umpire calls a ball. For instance, if the pitcher takes two steps or fails to keep one foot on the slab it is a balk, no matter if it is otherwise a perfect strike.

Means Goes to Lincoln.

Lincoln is not depending entirely on the Chicago White Sox for talent. It has purchased Pitcher Means from Kansas City.

Philadelphia Draws Blank in First Game of Afternoon.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 28.—Brooklyn and Philadelphia divided their farewell double-header of the season today. Rucker started in the first game, not only scoring a 4 to 0 shutout, but driving in three runs with a triple after Otto Miller had been walked intentionally. Philadelphia won the second game, 5 to 4. Score, first game:

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