

# SPORTS

## WEAK RESERVES ON BOTH TEAMS

### Young Pirates In Less Danger Of Injury In World's Series Games

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(U. P. Staff Correspondent)  
New York, Oct. 1.—(United Press.)—Reserve strength is a vital factor to be considered in doping the chances of the Washington Senators and the Pittsburgh Pirates in the world's series.

They are two good ball clubs, representative champions out of a pair of hot races in which their opposition extended them to the very last. They have good pitchers, good catchers, good infielders and good outfielders.

Yet either team could be wrecked by one injury as the reserve strength on the bench is not of the usual championships caliber. One spike turned in the ground, one blow from a batted or pitched ball, one slip on the grass and the whole tide of battle might be turned in the series.

The Senators had a narrow escape in the world's series last fall. The team was fortunate in going through the season without serious injuries and the lack of reserve power was not apparent until Peckinpaugh pulled up with a charley-horse and had to sit on the bench.

Bluege had to be moved over from third base to shortstop and Miller, who was not even a minor league infielder had to be used at third. Poor Miller, trying with all the gameness of a real fighter, found himself up in every pinch and he was almost useless. The Senators, of course, finally beat the Giants but it was luck more than class that dropped the Giants in the last game.

Bucky Harris learned his lesson from that experience and he got busy this year and collected some veteran reserves. He got Mike McNally from the Boston Red Sox but Mike didn't hold up and was passed to the minors. He secured the veteran Deacon Scott from the New York Yankees but Scotty is not good for many games and he has slowed up to a walk. He picked up Joe Harris from the Red Sox also and found him very handy when Joe Judge was hit on the head with a pitched ball in Detroit and was forced to the bench for weeks. Harris is not the best of fielders but he is one of the most dangerous batters in baseball.

Harris also picked up Bob Voach from the Red Sox to use him as a pinch hitter and for occasional duty in the outfield. He also has Nemo Leibold for spare duty in the outfield and a youngster, Jeames.

As catching reserves the Senators have the veteran Hank Severoid and young Tate. Muddy Ruel, who has been doing most of the work behind the bat is badly worn from the strain. He is a little fellow and has to work chiefly on nerve. He is a great little catcher but his work fell off badly late in the season, the loss of strength showing chiefly in his poor throwing to the bases.

The Pirates received a heavy blow when "Lucky Johnny" Rawlings, per-

haps the best utility player in baseball broke his ankle late in the season. His work at second base during the final drive of the Pirates was a piece of art and without him the Pirates certainly would have had more difficulty if they did not actually lose the pennant.

As utility infielders the Pirates have the veteran Stuffy McInnis, who can still bat even if he is as slow as a truck, and Enns and Thompson. The team would be in a serious plight if anything happened to Traynor or Wright.

In the outfield the Pirates have as reserves, Carson, Bigbee, a good relief man and Haas, a youngster. Bigbee has slipped a lot in the last two years but he is still good for a game or two.

The Pirate catching staff has a good reserve in Spencer and two alternating regulars, Johnny Gooch and "Old" Smith.

Compared to the brilliant reserve staff the Giants had in the world's series last year the utility men of the two champion teams this year is decidedly ordinary. It is not fair, however, to compare any team's secondary strength to that of the Giants because John McGraw has recruited more high class reserves than any other two teams in baseball.

The Pirates, however, will be much less liable to need reserves than the Senators. The Pirates are comparatively a young club and the players can stand the wear and tear better than the veteran Senators. If anything should happen to Peck during the series, the Senators probably would blow their chances.

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## The Fourth Down

BY WILLIE PUNT

Fort Wayne sport writers seem to have the idea that the Decatur eleven is "heavy and fast." The Yellow Jackets are not so slow, but the Fort Wayne fans are going to be disappointed when the "beef trust" fails to show up.

### FIGHT AT FORT WAYNE.

Marion's eleven is away to a good start this season. The Old Gold and Purple team downed Anderson 31 to 7 in the first game of the season and then trimmed Kirklin last Saturday, 20-0. Marion plays the Yellow Jackets on Ah's Field, October 24.

### A YELLOW JACKET FIGHTS.

Fort Wayne Central journeyed down to Ah's Field last fall and took a 13-6 drubbing at the hands of the Yellow Jackets. That defeat is fresh in the minds of the Central Tigers and they will be out for revenge Saturday. Be prepared, Yellow Jackets.

### TAKE THE FORT IN FORT WAYNE.

Who will give a rap about the world's series Saturday, with Illinois and Red Grange playing Nebraska. Purdue playing Wabash. Lombard meeting Notre Dame, and a score of high class high school football games on the card.

### PUT FORT WAYNE ON THE WANE.

## WATCHING THE SCOREBOARD

(United Press)  
Yesterday's hero—Huber, Philly third baseman, scored one run and knocked in another with a double, beating the Robins, 6 to 4.

The Red Sox defeated a makeshift Washington team, 5 to 4. Peck was in charge of the team and in the last inning Rice was the only regular in the game.

Tipton.—Seven pumpkins weighing 500 pounds on a single vine is the list of Burl Lilly.

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## ALONG THE SIDELINES

Madison.—The Wisconsin regulars threw up a stiff defense against Iowa State plays and Crofoot, quarterback, ran down a punt for a touchdown. Barnum and Harmon at halves and Radke at fullback completed the backfield used.

Champaign, Ill.—Illinois' green line is getting into shape as a result of intensive scrimmage. Zupke seems to feel his backfield is progressing as well as can be expected at this time of the year.

Columbus, O.—Wendler, quarter; Marek and Clark, halves, and Karow, fullback, formed the Ohio State backfield that defeated the third stringers, 20 to 0. Marek broke loose to run 30 yards for a touchdown in the practice game.

Evanston, Ill.—All the veteran halves at Northwestern are nursing injuries, except White, so practice was not stiff, but lasted until after sundown. Lewis, a new man, is hitting the line with crushing power.

Minneapolis, Minn.—George Matchen, fullback, won't play in the opening game against North Dakota Saturday. He has a leg injury. Coach Spears sent the team through a hard scrimmage, the last of this week.

Lafayette, Ind.—Wabash' good

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start last week has increased Purdue's determination to wrest a victory in the local opener Saturday. Hipskind, in the backfield, and Threlfall, who went from center to tackle, played strong games in the scrimmage.

Chicago.—Passing, kicking and open field running constituted Chicago's preparation for Kentucky. Chuck Duvall, one of the leading halves, was slightly hurt, but it is not believed he will be out of the game.

Bloomington, Ind.—Open scrim-

mage for the benefit of 3,000 spectators was followed by a secret drill at Indiana. The varsity looked good and not only kept the freshmen almost gainless, but broke through in offense for long gains.

Ann Arbor, Mich.—Michigan's line is yet a shifting puzzle and several changes were made. Wade and Hawkins took the tackle posts and Edwards and Lovette went to guard. The varsity loosed an aerial barrage and worked it smoothly.

South Bend, Ind.—Lombard and

Beloit, the next two teams on Notre Dame's schedule, will get "mine run" playing. Rockne is concentrating on preparation for the Army game, still far-off, but regarded as the first real test.

Iowa City, Ia.—Iowa's varsity was unable to do much good with a passing attack, owing to the drenched field. The freshmen tried Arkansas plays against the regulars. The line is being whipped into a semblance of form, but is not overly comforting.

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