

SPORTS

D. C. H. S. CAGERS START PRACTICE

Twenty-one Candidates Respond to First Call; Gass Is Chosen Captain

Twenty-one candidates were out for the opening basketball practice at Catholic high last night. It was a likely-looking and ambitious bunch of athletes that greeted Coach Conter. "Tubby" Gass, back guard of last year's team, who was chosen as one of the five players in the National Catholic tournament at Loyola University, Chicago, last spring for the all-tournament team, was elected captain of the wearers of the green last night.

Gass and Meyers are the only two regulars left from last season's quintet. But Coach Conter has Wemhoff and Art Vogelwede, last year's subs and several promising players from last year's second team from which to pick a team.

Practice will be held twice each week from the first two weeks and then a workout will be held each evening until the opening game of the season, which will be played away from home on Friday, November 27. The first home game will be played with Gibault high of Vincennes on December 10.

Ten games at home and nine away from home have been booked by Father Peters, manager of athletics in the Catholic high. He is still corresponding with St. Mel's high of Chicago, winners of the national Catholic championship last year, for a game here. It was St. Mel's high that put Decatur out of the running in the tournament, after a thrilling overtime contest in the semi-finals.

Three games have been added to the schedule since it was published some time ago. Two games, one here and one there, have been booked with St. Wendelin high of Postoria, Ohio, and a return game here with Reitz Memorial high of Evansville.

Although the season tickets are not printed yet, seats for the home games may be reserved now and the tickets will be issued later. Father Peters stated today that the season tickets would not be printed until the schedule was definitely completed. However, those who wish to reserve seats are requested to see Father Peters at once and pick out their seat. Season tickets will sell for \$5 each. At least ten good games will be played on the home floor.

Fort Wayne Central Beats Portland, 17-7

Portland, Oct. 22—After holding their much heavier opponents to a 7-to-3 count at the end of the first half, the Portland high school football team weakened and the Fort Wayne Central gridders carried away a 17 to 7 victory at Mast field here Wednesday, in a game that was witnessed by

a large crowd, many being from Fort Wayne.

The visitors scored just as the whistle blew at the end of the half period, when Billingsley, right half-back, made a 30-yard drop kick. Pillaman, for Portland, made the locals' only touchdown in the first quarter and Holmes kicked goal. James Baker, left half-back made two touchdowns for Central, one in the third quarter and another in the fourth quarter, both on 50-yard runs, and Setigler kicked goal.

YELLOW JACKETS LOSE TO MARION

D. H. S. Eleven Outplayed By Fast Team Of Visitors; Final Score 45-0

The Decatur high school football aggregation suffered defeat at the hands of the Marion high school team yesterday afternoon on the local gridiron, the final score being 45-0. The Decatur team was outplayed after the first few minutes of the game.

For about five minutes at the start of the game, the two teams battled evenly and then the light Marion backfield with the strong support of a heavy line started a drive that all efforts of the Yellow Jackets were unable to stop. The first half ended with Marion in the lead, 17-0.

Decatur failed to make a first down and costly fumbles kept the ball in the local territory most of the game. A large crowd was present at the contest.

Auburn Basketball Schedule Announced

Auburn, Oct. 22—The 1925-26 basketball schedule for the Auburn high school was completed today. Eleven games will be played at home and nine away according to the dating approved. The schedule this season is the hardest the local team ever faced, as harder opposition will be encountered. Such teams as South Side and Central high schools of Fort Wayne, Elkhart and Bluffton are new ones on the schedule.

The opening game will be with Waterloo on the night of November 6, here. Other games scheduled are: November 13, Butler here; November 21, Watrelon there; November 25, Albion here; December 4, Decatur here; December 5, South Side at Fort Wayne; December 11, Angola here; December 18, Garrett there; January 8, Decatur there; January 15, Kendallville here; January 16, Fremont here; January 22, Bluffton here; January 23, Albion there; January 29 and 30, county tournament; February 5, Central Fort Wayne here; February 6, Elkhart there; February 12, Angola there; February 13, Columbia City here; February 19, Garrett there; February 26, Kendallville there; February 27, Bluffton there; March 5 and 6, tournament.

South Side High Has 22 Basketball Games

The South Side high school of Fort Wayne has announced its basketball schedule for the coming season. The schedule opens December 5 with Auburn. Twenty-two games have been booked. The schedule is as follows:

December 5, Auburn here.
December 11, Bloomington there.
December 12, Montpelier, here.
December 18, North Manchester, there.
December 19, Alumni, here.
January 8, Richmond, there.
January 9, Hartford City, here.
January 15, Wabash, there.
January 16, Shelbyville, here.
January 19, Central, here.
January 22, Garrett, here.
January 23, Peru, here.
January 29, Huntington, here.
January 30, Kendallville, here.
February 6, Rushville, there.
February 12, Rushville, there.
February 12, Central, here.
February 13, Wabash, here.
February 19, Manual Training (Indianapolis), there.
February 20, Muncie, here.
February 26, Huntington, there.
February 27, Peru, there.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Emerson (Gary), 12; Manual (Indianapolis), 0.
Brazil, 13; Sullivan, 0.
Thorntown, 14; West Lafayette, 0.
Fort Wayne Central, 17; Portland, 7.

Rockne's Second Team Trick Being Imitated

(By Paul White, United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, Oct. 22—Knute Rockne's trick of tossing his second team into each gridiron battle at the beginning and then rushing his regulars to the scene as soon as the second period gets under way, is finding plenty of imitators as the football season progresses.

Numerous coaches in the east and middle west have attempted, in some measure at least, this estimable plan. The larger universities, of course, are the only ones with which it has worked at all successfully since the smaller schools have not in most cases the reserve power necessary for its perpetration.

But according to Coach Charles Crowley of Columbia University, the plan will not be adopted permanently by very many athletic mentors. In the early season against teams which are merely testing machines, coaches like to give their regulars a chance to limber up and send them in

against the opponents while the latter are still fresh and able to give their best fighting. In the later games coaches will find Rockne's stunt too frisky. The value of the first score is as high in football as in any other sport and few elevens will let their opponents tally first unless they can avoid it.

Crowley also is opposed to the classification "first" and "second" teams. He believes it in the interest of football to work every member of his squad as often as possible and not to build up two machines of 11 parts each.

"Troubles of coaches would be diminished 50 per cent," he says, "if they wouldn't try to make 11 men a unit. One part is continually breaking down and that means the training of a substitute. The best plan is to train the whole squad in the art of football and let each player have a shot at his position during every game."

To test this theory, Crowley used almost 35 men in the first three games which Columbia played this season. And during the 158 minutes of play, Columbia scored 170 points. The opponents, of course, were mediocre, but Crowley at least had the satisfaction of knowing that he had more than two men with enough experience to jump into each position on the team.

KIRKLAND LOSES OPENING CONTEST

Green And Gold Clad Cagers Drop Hard-Fought Game To Rockcreek

The Kirkland high school basketball team lost its initial game of the season last night at the old gymnasium in this city, when they fell before the Rockcreek high school Dodgers, from Wells county, in a spirited contest, by a score of 25-21. Both teams displayed almost mid-season form and the game was exceptionally fast for so early in the season.

After trailing 17-7 at the end of the first half, the Kirkland team staged a

comeback in the second period and almost overtook their opponents. The green and gold clad cagers outscored Rockcreek 14 to 8 in the second half. The Kirkland team is almost entirely a different outfit to the quintet that represented the school last year, most of last year's players having been graduated. The youngsters showed much promise last night and they will be hard to beat before the season is far gone. Rockcreek has a veteran

team this year and the quintet is expected to go big in Wells county this season.

Coach Kennedy, of Decatur high school, referred the game last night and handled the contest nicely. The Rockcreek seconds won from the Kirkland hopefuls in a preliminary game.

"Cheer Up" lots of fun and good music Nov. 17-18. 248tr

Lot To Be Sold At Sheriff's Sale, Nov. 11

A lot in this city, known as No. 906 in the A. T. Lyncher vision, belonging to George C. Orah May Mumma, will be sold at sheriff's sale at the court house on Saturday, November 14, 1925. The lot will be sold to satisfy judgment in the case of the Trustees of the Decatur Cemetery Association against the owners of the lot.



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