

SPORTS

Colleges Unable To Stem Advance Of "Pro" Football

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(U. P. Staff Correspondent)

Chicago, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Professional football has become so strong that the colleges and universities are powerless to check its advance, according to Major John L. Griffith, commissioner of Big Ten athletics. He predicted that the Western conference athletic directors in their annual meeting here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, "will adopt no definite rules against pro football because there is nothing that we can do to stop it."

"We are opposed to professional football, of course," Griffith told the United Press in an interview, "but we realize that our hands are tied. About all we can do is to discourage it among the college players. If we could adopt some rules or regulations that would curb it, we'd probably do it, but I cannot see how that would be possible."

Another interesting topic that is almost certain to be discussed by the coaches and athletic directors is the matter of postponing when weather conditions are detrimental to good games. Due to an unusually rainy autumn, several of the Big Ten football games this year were played on fields that resembled barn yards after a three-day downpour and the ball was so wet and slippery that the open style of play was virtually impossible.

Several of the coaches expressed a desire to investigate the possibility of postponing games under such conditions. An obstacle that they will encounter, however, will be the fact that thousands of rooters frequently accompany a team on its important trips and a postponement would make it almost impossible for them to see the game if another trip were made necessary.

Playing rules are not expected to receive much attention at this year's meeting as there has been general satisfaction with the rules as revised last year.

Coaches and athletic directors from non-conference colleges have been invited to attend and some of them are expected to sign up Big Ten schools for intercollegiate games next season.

A feature of this year's meeting will be the attendance of many high school coaches. An effort is to be made to discourage the recruiting of high school athletes to certain colleges before their prep school careers are ended.

Schaefer Loses First Block

Chicago, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Edouard Horemans, the sensational cue artist, won from young Jake Schaefer, present holder of the world's 18.2 ball line championship, in the first block of the 1500 point match, last night. (The score was 500 to 301. Two more matches of 500 points each are to be played.)

FIELD GOALS

BY MARK M. UPP

Tonight's attraction—Leaders vs. Muncie at Catholic high gym. This ought to be a basketball game in every sense of the word.

We erred in the announcement yesterday that Kirkland would play Berne at Berne Friday night. The two teams meet at the old gym in this city. Berne's undefeated quintet will meet a real test when they bump up against the Kangaroos, too.

Jefferson is due to get into action Friday night when Pleasant Mills goes to Berne to play them. The Jefferson cagers are handicapped by not having a gym, the same as Monroe, Monmouth, Kirkland and Pleasant Mills, but they have been preparing for their opening game. The result of their first game will be watched with interest.

Last year Garrett defeated the Yellow Jackets at Garrett 46-21. This year Garrett won, 27-17. Not bad. It takes a mighty good team to beat Garrett on their home floor.

Monroe will have a tough job in handling the Lancaster Bob Cats Friday night, here. Twist those cats' tails, Monroe.

Monmouth will have a hot time at Monroeville Friday night, too, in all probability. Monroeville triumphed over Ossian at Monroeville recently, but the Ossian team was far from satisfied with the treatment dished out by the hosts.

The standing of Adams county teams this week is as follows:

	W	L	Pct.
Berne	5	0	1000
Catholic High	1	0	1000
Hartford	4	1	.800
Kirkland	3	4	.428
Monroe	2	4	.333
Pleasant Mills	1	2	.333
Geneva	0	1	.000
Decatur	0	3	.000
Monmouth	0	3	.000
Jefferson	0	0	.000

Catholic High should keep its slate clean Friday night at Lima. Coach Conter's men went good in their initial game last Friday night.

After reading the Frankfort papers following the Frankfort-Logansport game last Friday night, we have come to the conclusion that the fans in Logansport are poor-sports.

Some teams lose all the time, some teams win all the time, but most teams lose part of the time.

Contributions to this column will be welcomed.

James Elbertson looked after business interests at Fort Wayne this morning.

Electric Basketball Timer Demonstrated Here

Representatives of the Woodward-Beemer company, of Huntington, makers of the Fairplay Electric Basketball timer, were in Decatur Monday, demonstrating an electric timer and endeavoring to interest local fans toward the installation of one in the local gymnasiums. The machine has a large dial divided into two twenty-minute sections, one ten-minute section for the intermission between halves, and one five minute section for an overtime period. A large minute hand, which is operated by a clock inside the machine, indicates at all times during the game, the exact amount of time played and the amount remaining to be played. At the end of the first half, end of the rest period and end of the second half and overtime period a bell rings automatically. The clock can be stopped when time is taken out during the game, by means of a switch operated at the time-keeper's table. A little red light indicates when the clock is running.

The timer adds greatly to the interest of the game. Whenever one team forges ahead and the playing is fast and furious, by glancing at the timer, the fans can quickly learn how much time remains. The same company is now engaged in making an electric score board, and it will be ready for use soon. The timers are not sold, but are leased during the season.

Hewitt New Army Captain

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—"Tiny" Hewitt, formerly a University of Pittsburgh star, has been selected captain of next year's army team. Hewitt is a 205 pound fullback.

"Red" Grange To Referee

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Harold "Red" Grange, the pride of Illinois, will referee the Kokomo American Legion semi-pro championship game here Dec. 14, it has been announced. As the receipts of the game go to charity, Grange has asked that the fee he might receive for refereeing also go in.

Notre Dame Awards Letters

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 1.—Twenty-six Notre Dame players have been awarded monograms for the 1925 football season.

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Wells County Selects New Agricultural Agent

Bluffton, Dec. 1.—At a meeting of the Wells county board of education here Monday, Mervin S. Smith, vocational instructor in Bluffton high school, was selected to succeed R. M. Room as agricultural agent of the county. Mr. Room resigned several months ago. The selection of Mr. Smith was made on the first ballot and was unanimous.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Purdue university and has been vocational instructor in the local high school for the last three years, coming here from the northern part of the state where he taught vocational work following his graduation.

Promiscuous Search For Liquor Again Assailed

Indianapolis, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Judge Collins in the Marion county criminal court today dealt another hard blow at promiscuous search by officers hunting for evidence of liquor law violations.

The judge ruled that before an officer could obtain a search warrant he must show in detail that there is a

law violation. A mere statement that the law is being violated is not sufficient, Judge Collins said.

The issuance of search warrant is a judicial and not clerical duty, Collins held, and the person asking the warrant must state facts from which the officer issuing the warrant can determine cause. The opinion was issued to cover details of the search and seizure law.

Governor Goes On Hunting Expedition

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—Rabbits and quail had a new foe today in the person of Governor Ed Jackson.

The governor went on a hunting expedition near Boonville with Adjutant General Kerschner and Charles Hartmetz of Evansville. The officials inspected the National Guard here last night.

Jackson also inspected the southern hospital for insane near here Monday.

Seek Cause Of Intestinal Trouble At Garrett, Ind.

Garrett, Ind., Dec. 1.—(United Press.)

Inspectors for the state board of health are here today seeking to ascertain the reason for the large number of cases of intestinal trouble reported.

In the last three weeks, 600 cases were reported with one death. The malady is supposed due to a leak in the water supply main.



Decatur Chapter Royal Arch Masons will meet Tuesday evening, December 1. Stated meeting—Election of officers. L. C. Helm, High Priest.

THE CORT

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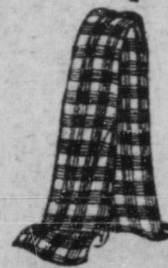
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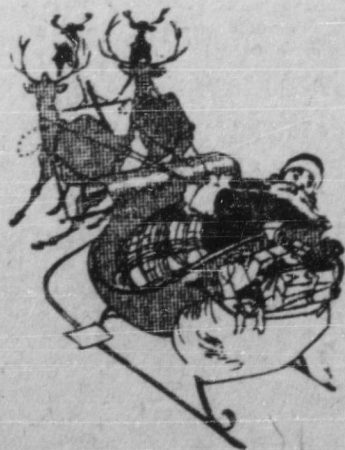
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