

# SPORTS

## YELLOW JACKETS TO PLAY CENTRAL

### Fort Wayne Quintet To Invade City For Game Tomorrow Night

The Decatur high school Yellow jackets will meet the strong Fort Wayne Central quintet at the local gymnasium Friday night. Coach Kennedy has been drilling his players hard this week in an effort to perfect a strong combination to battle the invaders. Although the locals have dropped their first four contests, they have been showing improvements and in practice last night they looked good.

The coach has had the greatest difficulty in finding a first class center. Krick, a freshman, is showing promise at the pivot position now and likely will start the game there Friday night. Strickler plays center part of the time, but he seems to work better at his old position of forward and he is needed there. Reynolds has been working as floor guard this week and is making a strong bid for the regular job. Zwick took a turn at that post last night and showed a lot of stuff.

Central opened the season last week-end by defeating Warsaw and Huntington. The Tigers' ten-point win over Huntington last Saturday night was not very impressive, since Huntington was swamped by Logansport on the preceding night and Logansport was in turn walloped by Frankfort, 41-21 a week ago. However, the Central squad is fast and with the confidence inspired by two victories, will be hard to stop tomorrow night.

The Yellow Jacket Reserves will play the Central hopefuls in a return game, prior to the start of the big game. The Central sounds defeated the local reserves at Fort Wayne last Friday night, 24-18, after a hard fight, and the locals are out for revenge. Coach Welborn, of South Side high school, Fort Wayne, will referee the big game.

### Preble Panthers Have Fast Teams Booked

The Preble Panthers, who defeated the Zion Reformed church team here Tuesday night in a curtain-raiser to the Decatur Leaders-Huntington game, have games booked with several fast teams in Indiana and Ohio. The team is composed of former high school players, including "Buck" Corson, a star with Kirkland township high school two years ago. Teams wishing games with the Preble quintet are asked to get in touch with the manager at Preble. Games are wanted with Berne, Linn Grove, Ossian, Monroe and Rockcreek. The lineup and summary of the game here Tuesday night was:

Decatur ... Preble  
Beall ..... F. .... Hoffman  
Miller ..... F. .... Corson  
Fleiderjohann ... C. .... Ehrman  
Yager ..... G. .... Smith  
Foley ..... G. .... North  
Substitutions: Shady for North; North for Smith; Smith for Ehrman.  
Field goals: Beall, 1; Yager, 1; Hoffman, 5; Corson, 5; Ehrman, 2; Smith, 2.  
Foul goals: Corson, 3.  
Referee: Wemhoff.

### Berne Athletics To Open Season Saturday Night

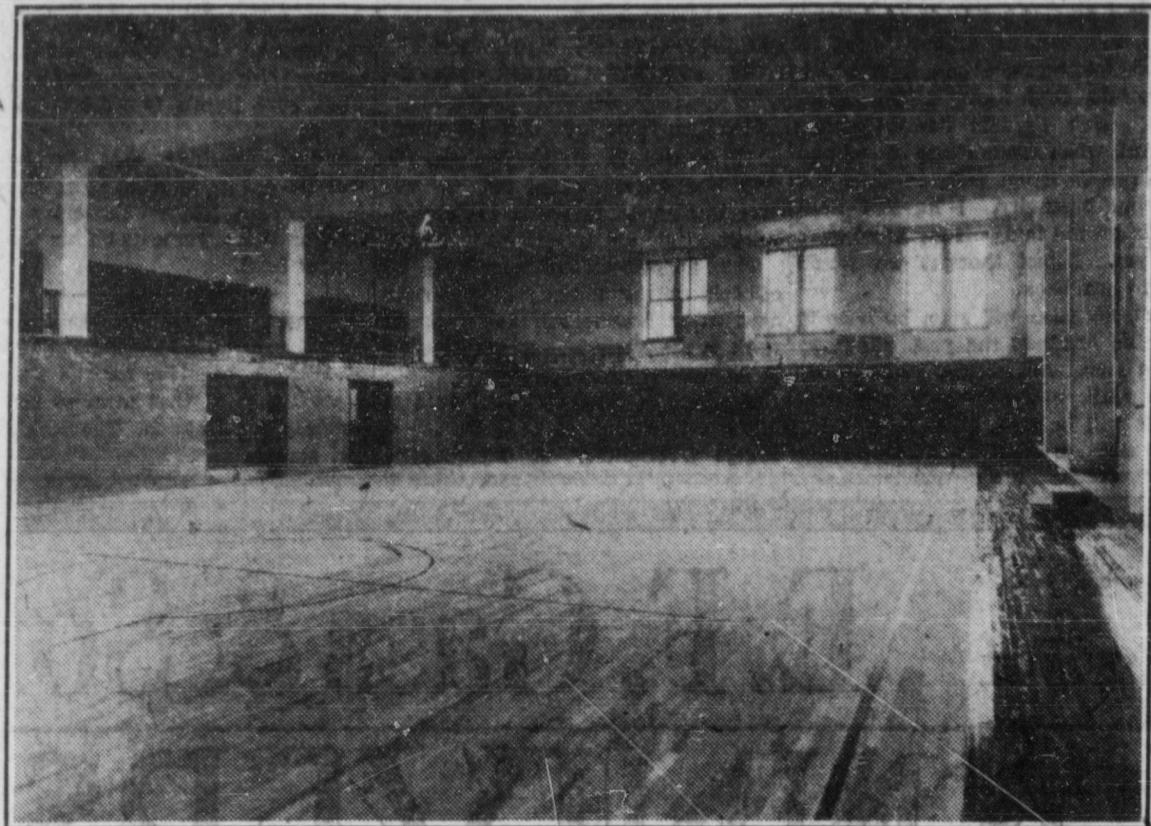
Berne, Dec. 10.—The newly organized Berne Athletic Club basketball team will play its first game Saturday night when it meets the Rockford, Ohio, Reds at the community gymnasium. The game will start at 8:15 o'clock. A preliminary game will be played by the Nussbaum Novelty company's team. The lineup of the Athletics will be selected from the following players: Kessler, Pyle, and Clausen, forwards; Whitehurst, Lowe, and Reynolds, center; and Clark, Whiteman and Ellenger, guards.

### Jack Reynolds Retains Wrestling Championship

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 10.—(United Press)—Jack Reynolds, of Bloomington, today retained his world's welter-weight wrestling title after defeating Jim Karsavas, of Boston, in straight falls here last night.

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 10.—(United Press)—A football captain for the 1926 season will be elected at the annual gridiron banquet of Purdue university tonight.

## Catholic High Gym To Be Dedicated Tonight



The gymnasium in the new Catholic school building will be officially dedicated tonight when the Catholic high school basketball team meets the Gibault Catholic high school team from Vincennes. The gym has a large playing floor, modern dressing rooms and shower baths, and will seat approximately 500 fans.

## FIELD GOALS

By MARK M. UPP

Let's dedicate the new gym with a victory tonight, what do you say, Catholic high?

Coach Welborn, football mentor of South Side high school, Fort Wayne, will make two appearances in Decatur as a basketball referee this week. Tonight, he will work the Catholic high-Gibault game and tomorrow night he will blow the whistle in the Yellow Jacket-Fort Wayne Central game. He is rated as a first class official.

COURTESY, ALONE, MAY NOT WIN MANY BALL GAMES, BUT IT SURE WINS FRIENDS.

The Berne Athletics open their season Saturday night in a game at Berne with the Rockford, Ohio, Reds. In speaking of the Berne team, the Adams County Witness says: "Indications are for a rakish team." Noah Webster says rakish means, "dissolute; debauched," and dissolute means "given to vice or dissipation." Opposing teams take notice.

The game between Pleasant Mills and Berne, which was scheduled to be played in the old gym here, has been changed to the Berne floor, Friday night. The Kirkland-Monmouth game will be played on the old gym floor here, however.

Somebody's gonna pay for all this stirring around in the Yellow Jacket's nest pretty soon. A Yellow Jacket fights back, you know.

The Huntington Press was silent on the game between the Huntington Athletics and the Leaders here Tuesday night, How Kum Kash?

Today's Rule: "A player shall not charge in and make bodily contact with an opponent who is one of two opposing players having one or both hands on the ball. Penalty—free try for goal. The offender shall be charged with a personal foul."

## D.C.H.S. READY FOR DEDICATION GAME

### Capacity Crowd Expected To Attend Catholic High-Gibault Game Tonight

A capacity crowd is expected tonight when the Catholic high school basketball team dedicates its new gymnasium in a game with the fast Gibault high school team from Vincennes.

The physical impossibility of handling immense crowds around an indoor arena; the lack of panoramic effects that accompany vast throngs; the absence of a chill, crisp wind that puts fire into the players and enthusiasm into the spectators are about the only factors that keep basketball from a place of equality with football in the hearts of amateur sport fans.

These factors, of course, are enough, and it is doubtful if the indoor game will ever approach football in its appeal to the lovers of physical combat. But basketball is making rapid strides among the colleges, principally in the middle western institutions, and it is no longer an uncertainty that this game comes second only to football.

From the spectators' standpoint, perhaps, there is not quite the thrill in a basketball game that there is in a gridiron contest, but from the player's viewpoint, the indoor game is even more strenuous than football.

Take Jimmy Paterson, for instance. Paterson was captain of the Northwestern University football team two years ago and one of the best fullbacks that the Evanston school has had in recent years. He was also a guard on the basketball team for three years and held a record of holding his mate to one basket for an entire season.

"Football, of course, will continue as the leading sport," Paterson said, "but for sheer physical endurance there is nothing like basketball."

"Training requirements for football were hard enough but they were nothing like basketball. Those of us who played football until Thanksgiving Day and then went out to join the basketball squad invariably found that we were far behind those who had

been practicing basketball during the autumn months. We didn't have the wind. We were solid and tough but we couldn't keep going at top speed like the other fellows. It took nearly a month of practice to catch up and I, for one, was afraid I wasn't going to make the first team in my senior year because my football training hadn't prepared me for basketball."

Paterson's experience has had many parallels. Basketball, as it is played these days, demands strength almost equal to that of the football line plunger, the speed of a sprinter; the endurance of a long distance runner; the ability to twist and pivot of an open field runner on the gridiron—and the natural qualifications peculiar to basketball: dribbling, passing, and a keen eye for the basket.

### Indiana And Notre Dame To Meet On Gridiron, Nov. 6

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 10.—Indiana and Notre Dame today signed a contract for a football game, November 6, 1926, at South Bend. Z. G. Cleven-

Stewart-Warner—Model 305



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