



YELLOW JACKETS ARE VICTORIOUS IN TWIN BILL

Curtismen Open Net Season
With Double Win Over
Geneva And Monroe

PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR GOOD TEAM

Basketball, with all its thrills, all its heart-breaks and all its fun, took the center of the stage in Decatur Saturday night and shone football, elections and what have you, into the discards. Herb Curtis' Yellow Jackets ran rough-shod over the Geneva high school Cardinals defeating them 78-8 and the embryo Yellow Jackets took the hide off the Monroe high school team to the tune of 43-21.

It was the usual opening season game with lots of substitutions and a mingling of football and basketball. Now and then the Curtismen flashed through with some brilliant teamwork, which caused the Decatur fans to vociferously show their devotion to the home team.

Coach Curtis stated that he was pleased with the showing the two local teams made and local sport gossip is to the effect that Decatur will have a good team in the field in the next few weeks.

There are lots of rough spots to be filed off the players, but in general everyone was well pleased with the opening appearance. Carl Gerber, veteran center, ran wild during the game and scored a total of 13 field goals.

The two Engle boys, Dick and Johnnie hit the net almost at will during the game as did the two forwards used during the tilt, Roop and DeBolt.

Bob Cole and Gerber played the pivot position in good shape and both six-footers appeared to be in mid-season form.

Joe Krick, back-guard who has successfully held down the rear end of the Yellow Jacket machine for the last two seasons was going strong Saturday and managed to slip down to the other end of the floor often enough to score three field goals. LeBrun, a newcomer on the first team, played a good game during his turn in the game, and indications are that he will see lots of action during the season.

Reynolds and Schnepf alternated at the floor guard position. Both played a good game and it is causing Coach Curtis some concern as to which of the two will be started as a regular.

The opening game, as usual was rough, and at times would have been uninteresting, except for the fact that it was the first game of the season.

In the curtain raiser, after the score changed back and forth several times the Decatur team showed the effects of more practice and walked away from the Monroe team. Neither Geneva nor Monroe have gymnasiums in which to practice and indications are that both teams will be stronger later in the season.

Lineup and summary:
Decatur, 70 F.G. F.T. T
J. Engle, F. 5 0 10
Roop, F. 1 0 0
D. Engle, F. 4 0 10
DeBolt, F. 3 0 6
Cole, C. 1 1 3
Gerber, C. 13 0 26
Reynolds, G. 1 1 3
Schnepf, G. 0 0 0
Krick, G. 3 2 8
LeBrun, G. 1 0 2
Totals 32 6 70
Geneva, 8 F.G. F.T. T
Penrod, F. 1 2 4
McCabe, F. 0 0 0
Neal, F. 1 0 2
Hawbaker, C. 0 1 1
Fenny, G. 0 1 1
Lybarger, G. 0 0 0
Totals 2 4 8
Referee: Chambers, Fort Wayne;
Umpire, Eliat, Fort Wayne.

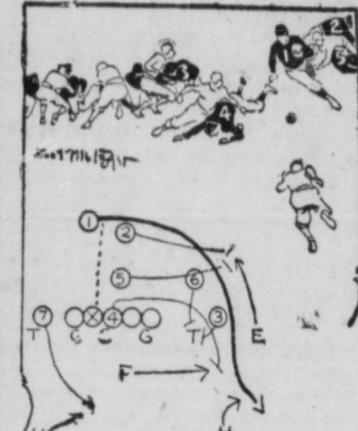
BIG TEN STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	x	xx
Iowa	3	0	0	1.000	34	21
Wisconsin	2	0	1	1.000	51	19
Ohio State	3	1	0	.750	49	21
Illinois	2	1	0	.667	10	10
Minnesota	3	2	0	.600	84	36
Northwestern	2	2	0	.500	17	31
Purdue	1	2	1	.333	65	41
Indiana	1	3	0	.250	25	47
Michigan	1	3	0	.250	10	32
Chicago	0	4	0	.000	7	111

x—Points scored in conference games. xx—Points scored by conference opponents.

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No. 4 gets the snap from center as in the other play and he turns and goes through all of the motions of handing it to No. 5 who runs around the back of him and fakes carrying the ball on an end run. That is just the way the end run works. But this time No. 4 holds onto the ball, turns around and smashes his way into the short side of tackle, who has already been smashed out to the side by end No. 2 back No. 3.

The center comes around on the outside to take the defensive wing back, and if the man backing up the line isn't fooled by the fake run around end by No. 5 back No. 6 crashes through and takes him out. The defensive end isn't a factor. He either is going in wide to take care that No. 5 doesn't circle him or he is taken out by No. 5 should he get wise to the play. It's a corking play and one that West Virginia will have to be on edge to stop when the Presidents and the Mountaineers clash on Thanksgiving Day. Let's next take a look at Southern football, as interest is high in the impending clash between Alabama and Georgia Tech at Atlanta this Saturday.

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JEFF. DIVIDES DOUBLE BILL

Jefferson township high school basketball team lost a hard fought game to Madison township, Wells county, high school netters on the Wells county floor Friday night, 35-32. The Adams county team fought a hard uphill battle and threatened on several occasions to take the lead away from their opponents.

The Jefferson second team defeated the Madison township beginners in the opening game, 29-24. Both games were interesting and hard fought.

The Adams county quintet scored 16 points in the second stanza of the headliner while their opponents were scoring 13, but the first half lead was too much to cut down for a victory.

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IOWA TEAM IS PICKED TO WIN

Chicago, Nov. 12.—(U.P.)—Elimination of Ohio State from the list of undefeated Big Ten football teams Saturday, cleared the way for the establishment of an undisputed western conference football champion with Burt Ingwersen's University of Iowa Hawkeyes favorites for the crown.

The tall corn boys now lead the conference with three victories in as many starts, while Wisconsin, the only other undefeated team, has two victories and a tie with Purdue.

Iowa and Wisconsin meet Saturday at Iowa City in the current "crucial" game and unless a deadlock results all except one of the Big Ten will have been eliminated. The Hawkeyes close their season the following Saturday in a game with Michigan, at Ann Arbor.

Wisconsin in order to win an undisputed title would be forced to defeat Iowa and Minnesota on successive Saturdays. A defeat which appears impossible.

Iowa's victory over Dr. John W. Wilcox's Ohio State Buckeyes stamped the Hawks as the most powerful eleven in the conference. The Hawks, except for the first four minutes of the second half, kept the Ohioans on the defensive. They outgained their victims almost three yards to one.

Mayes McClain, Iowa's Indian, was the main factor in the Hawkeye offensive.

Wisconsin kept pace with Iowa by handing Chicago a 25 to 0 lacing. The Badgers flashed a versatile attack and scored with little trouble, while the Maroons were able to pierce Wisconsin's defense only once.

Minnesota, pre-season championship favorites, came back to defeat Indiana, 21 to 12 as expected after successive one point defeats at the hands of Iowa and Northwestern.

The Hoosiers showed unexpected scoring ability and dominated play during the early part of the game. They employed a deceptive forward pass game and until Minnesota's greater size and strength began to tell had the advantage. The Gophers could do nothing through the air. Continued assaults made a Minnesota victory possible. Doc Spears' team, however, showed better form than at any time this season. The Gophers were stopped several times when close to goal and made all of their points on runs of more than 20 yards.

Northwestern's Wildcats continued to show strength and eked out a 7 to 6 win over Purdue. Hanley's team was looked upon as one of the Big Ten's "weak sisters" this year. They lost to Ohio solely because of their own fumbles, held Illinois to a single touchdown, defeated Minnesota and earned a victory over Purdue.

Michigan, which furnished the season's biggest upset by trimming Illinois a week ago, proved that this show of strength was not a flash in the pan and fought its way to a 6 to 6 tie with the Navy, at Baltimore.

Illinois encountered stiff opposition from the tenacious Butler Bulldogs, but produced a 14 to 0 victory. The losers fought gamely but threatened Illinois' goal only once.

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WHIPPETS WIN SEASON OPENER

The Kirkland Whippets proved to be too strong for the B.M. Y. M. basketball team and defeated the latter on the Berne floor Saturday night by a score of 24-32. Both teams played good early-season ball and both teams loom up as probable county champions in the independent class.

At the half the Kirkland aggregation led 21-9. Berne outscored the winners in the last frame, but the arly lead was too great to overcome.

Lineup and summary:

Whippets M. Y. M.
Hoffman F. Stucky
L. Bryan F. Kessler
Corson C. Thompson
Bryan G. Ellenberger
Ernst G. Winterregg
Substitutions: Whippets: L. Arnold, Smith, Heller, M. Y. M.; Baumgartner, Speicher, Habegger and Hirsch.
Field goals: Whippets: Hoffman, L. Bryan, 5; Corson, 2; Arnold, 1; W. Bryan, 4; Ernst, M. Y. M., Kessler, 3; Baumgartner, 2; Thompson, 2; Winterregg, 2; Ellenberger, 1.
Foul goals, Whippets, 4; M. Y. M., 6. Referee, Dale Brown.

SOUTH'S TEAMS SHOW STRENGTH

New York, Nov. 12.—(U.P.)—This begins to look rather like the South's year in football.

As the 1928 gridiron season draws toward a close, three great southern elevens stand out, unbeaten and untied, in a year which has been so marked with upsets and reversals of form that the experts are crowding the booby hatches even earlier than usual.

Florida, Tennessee and Georgia Tech have clean slates for a season which has been heart-breaking to football ambitions in all parts of the country.

Bill Alexander's Georgia Tech team, victorious over Notre Dame, may make gridiron history before it is through, while Florida and Tennessee see to meet in a climatic struggle on December 8, the closing day of the season.

The Golden Tornado whisked Vanderbilt right out of the column of unbeaten and untied teams on Saturday, blasting the Tennesseeans' title hopes in the southern conference to the tune of 19 to 7. Florida eliminated Georgia, 26 to 6, while Tennessee beat Sewanee, 37 to 0.

In the matter of intersectional

games, the south has not been uniformly successful, but its smaller teams have gone out of their class. Maryland, for example, went out of its class to play Yale last Saturday, incidentally winning over the Ells, 6 to 0.

While comparative scores in football lead the comparers only to a padded cell, the strength of Georgia Tech can be measured intersectionally by its 13 to 0 victory over the same Notre Dame eleven which mopped up the tattered turf of Yankee Stadium with the Army in Saturday's out-standing game.

Notre Dame outplayed the Cadets from start to finish to win, 12 to 6, something that shouldn't be overlooked in dwelling upon the drama and thrills of the final moments of play, when the Army was slaming frantically at the Irish goal line for the touchdown which would have tied the score but which wouldn't come.

As compared with the south, the east boasts but two elevens which have won all their games, Carnegie Tech, conqueror of Georgetown, 13 to 0, Saturday, and Boston College, which meets Fordham today.

Miss Dessolee Chester, supervisor of music in the public school, spent the week end in Van Wert as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Chester, and attended the impressive Armistice Day services held at the high school building, which was sponsored by the American Legion

Tris Speaker Joins Newark Baseball Team

New York, Nov. 12.—(U.P.)—Tris Speaker, one of the greatest out-fielders baseball has known, returned to the minor leagues yesterday after 21 years in the big show as player and manager.

Speaker signed a contract with James P. Sinnott, president of the Newark Bears, to manage the International league club for two years.

The figure in the deal was not announced but it was understood Tris will be among the most highly paid minor leaguers.

Speaker is the second outstanding major league baseball his known, returned to his club in the past two years. Walter Johnson, for 20 years one of the premier pitchers of the American League, resigned the position Speaker now holds to return to Washington as manager.

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