

STIRRIN' the DOPE

By VEDDER GARD

HERE is a solution to the Big Ten football tangle. A system of ranking teams devised by Frank G. Dickinson of the faculty of the University of Illinois is winning favor in many quarters. It is generally believed that the percentage system in vogue is not an equitable method of determining championships.

Teams do not play each other and some play harder schedules than others. Among the coaches, who have endorsed the Dickinson idea are Rockne of Notre Dame, Jack Wilson of Ohio, Bob Zuppke of Illinois, Gil Doble of Cornell, Burt Ingwersen of Iowa and others.

"I think this is by far the fairest system that has ever been invented to determine conference championships," wrote Coach Wilson of Ohio.

The percentage standing of the Big Ten is as follows:

	W	L	T	Pct
Michigan	3	1	0	.750
Iowa	3	1	0	.667
Northwestern	3	1	0	.667
Chicago	3	1	1	.667
Wisconsin	3	1	1	.667
Ohio State	3	1	1	.667
Purdue	3	1	1	.667
Indiana	3	1	1	.667
Minnesota	3	1	1	.667

Here is the standing at present in the Western Conference as figured by the Dickinson rating: (It is taken from the Big Ten Weekly)

Northwestern	21.67
Michigan	21.67
Wisconsin	21.67
Chicago	18.75
Iowa	18.33
Illinois	16.67
Ohio State	16.67
Purdue	10.00
Indiana	10.00
Minnesota	10.00

Explanation—Although three teams are tied for first place, Northwestern gets first ranking by its win over Michigan, which gets second ranking by its win over Wisconsin. Minnesota still has no ranking, having neither won nor lost a Conference game. Wisconsin's tie with Minnesota cannot be used in the rating until the coaches are ranked as either a first or second division team. The value of each defeat or victory changes from week to week according to the ranking of opponents met.

A concise explanation of the system is as follows:

To rate the teams under the Dickinson system, first divide all teams into two groups, first division and second division. Only teams that have won more games than they have lost get first division rating.

Next award points for each game as follows:

If a first division team defeats a first division team, give winner 30 points and loser 15.

If two first division teams tie, give each 22.5.

If a first division team loses to a second division team, give winner 30 and loser 10.

If a first division team defeats a second division team, give winner 20 points and loser 10.

If a first division team ties a second division team, give first division team 15 and second division team 20.

If a second division team defeats a second division team, give winner 20 and loser 10.

After awarding points for all these games, add totals and divide each total by the number of games that team has played.

An optimist can find a ray of sunshine even in the gray over-hanging clouds and pouring rain. The weather man seems to be deluging the world. On Wednesday, Armistice day, press dispatches state that Northern France was even wetter than it was when the firing stopped in 1918.

Those who used to sleep, eat, and fight in the mud of the trenches smile at the frowning heavens, while the grid fans "cuss" as the football players wallow in the mire each Saturday.

What's a bit of mud in a football battle to those who battled for their lives in the quagmire of the Argonne? Let's everybody cheer up a bit and laugh at the weather man as he does his worst. He may become discouraged.

ACROSS THE BOARD TODAY

There is nothing so enjoyable as figuring up the winnings of the recent charts. Each mark put down by the pencil is a caress on the white surface of the paper. Yes, Across the Board had some live ones on Wednesday. A "sweet" parlay was put over at Lexington when Rothel and Beautiful Addie won. Penstick at Pimlico and Happy Top at Lexington were other winners. Penstick was in a losing parlay, however. Brier Hill was third. Three horses were out of the money. The winnings on Wednesday totaled \$119,70.

The bank roll went up to its highest point today—\$671.75.

At Lexington today we will play four horses: PANDER PETE in the first, SHENANIGAN in the second, INDIANAPOLIS in the sixth and RESONANCE in the seventh. Five dollars across on each is the investment.

At Pimlico we will play three: VIE in the second, RUBBLING OVER in the feature (if the track is fast) or CANTER (if the track is slow), GRAY GABLES in the sixth—\$5 win, place and show.

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INTERSECTIONAL BATTLE HAS MIDWEST FANS WILDLY EXCITED

VETERANS FEATURE IN RACE

Milton First, Hartz Second, Wonderlich Third in Charlotte Speed Event.

By Times Special
CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 12.—Tommy Milton, in a Duesenberg, won the Armistice day automobile race here, averaging 124.3 miles an hour over the 250-mile course. His time was 2 hours, 41 minutes and 57 seconds. It is a course record.

Harry Hartz was second and Jerry Wonderlich third.

Approximately 50,000 persons jammed the pine bowl for the race. Although two accidents occurred, no one was seriously injured. Leon Dury bumped into the fence on the twenty-seventh lap, but his damaged right front wheel was quickly repaired and he continued the race. Norman Batten crashed into the fence on the seventy-fourth lap, demolishing his car. He was only slightly hurt.

Peter De Paolo, in a Duesenberg, was forced out of the race with a broken truss rod. The remainder of the field of seventeen starters finished without mishap.

Milton was awarded first prize of \$10,000; Harry Hartz, got \$5,000 and Jerry Wonderlich received \$2,750.

EZELL FIRST IN RUN

Lauter Club Led Wins Race on West Side.

The annual Armistice day cross-country run staged under the auspices of the Lauter Club was won by James Ezell, Lauter Club, who was timed at 10 minutes 25 seconds. The distance, estimated, was said to be about 400 yards short of two miles.

Many spectators viewed the event along the west side course. Eleven boys participated.

Leonard Tarpin, Whiteland A. C., was second, and finished only one second back of Ezell. George Widman, Lauter Club, was third, and second back of Ezell. James Vandeventer was fourth, three seconds back of Leonard Tarpin. Lauter Club, was fifth in eleven minutes five seconds.

GIANTS WIN

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The New York Giants, professional football team, kept up their winning streak, Wednesday, defeating the Rochester Jeffersons, 13 to 0.

ALONG THE SIDELINES

AT INDIANA
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 12.—Flood lights and the "ghost" ball are allowing the Hoosiers to play a better game than they have in some time. The Hoosiers are being kept on the defensive by the "ghost" ball, which is being used in the game. The Hoosiers are being kept on the defensive by the "ghost" ball, which is being used in the game.

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AT NOTRE DAME
SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 12.—Light work-out in order to allow the team to rest after the travel period are being held at the Notre Dame camp this week. Following up the defeats in former games has been the principal work in preparation for Carnegie Tech.

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Spectacular Aerial Attack of Dartmouth Team Stirs Maroons, Who Work Hard on Defense.

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CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—The emotional condition of the football fans in the Middle West verges on a stampede over the prospect of witnessing the performance next Saturday of the Houdini of football coaches, Jesse Hawley, of Dartmouth, who will attempt to lift a national championship title out of the tall hat of A. A. Staggs of Chicago.

The fame of Hawley as a magician on the gridirons of the East has reached the ears of Staggs, who gets down on his knees before every contest and prays and says that victory will touch her soft lips on the headgear of his beloved Maroons.

Out on the midway, where the Maroons are getting ready for the performance of Hawley, it is predicted the magician of Dartmouth will fail even to get a touchdown out of Mr. Staggs' hat. The Maroons have been devoting their time this week to a profound study of the aerial football by which Hawley achieves his effects. However, Dartmouth rises favorite among the majority of dolesters.

This intersectional contest overshadowed all other games in the Western Conference, despite the fact the Big Ten standing may be unraveled this week. Northwestern, the team which threw Bennie Friedman and his brethren Wolverines into bankruptcy last week, is all agog over the possibility of winning the conference crown. The Purple eleven will appear against Purdue.

Minnesota, the only conference team that has not been defeated, will play Iowa, Nick Kutsch, the Flying Dutchman, was out of the game last Saturday, but he is in shape to meet the Gophers.

Michigan plays Ohio State at Columbus and has a fine chance to win.

ARMY CARD

Notre Dame at West Point on Nov. 13, 1926.

By Times Special
WEST POINT, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Columbia has been dropped from the Army's 1926 football schedule and Notre Dame has been shifted to a mid-November date. The game will be played at West Point instead of New York.

Syracuse which has not met the Cadets since 1919, replaces Columbia. Army authorities expressed gratification at the renewal of gridiron relations with the Orange.

The full schedule follows:

Oct. 2—Detroit U. at West Point.
Oct. 9—Syracuse at West Point.
Oct. 16—Syracuse at West Point.
Oct. 23—Boston Univ. at West Point.
Oct. 30—Yale at New Haven.
Nov. 6—Franklin and Marshall at West Point.
Nov. 13—Notre Dame at West Point.
Nov. 20—Yale at West Point.
Nov. 27—Notre Dame at West Point.

Notre Dame has been third on the cadet schedule for several years, but the game is now regarded with an importance second only to that attached to the annual contest with the Navy, so the Irish have been given the mid-November place.

END BIG GRID SEASON

By Times Special
DANVILLE, Ind., Nov. 12.—Danville Normal football team ended a victorious season on the grid by defeating Indiana Central College, 41 to 0. The local goal line has not been crossed this year. The Normalites have scored 209 points to opponents' none.

By Times Special
WARSAW, Ind., Nov. 12.—The Company L Independent eleven of this city was defeated Wednesday by the Lafayette Independents, 19 to 6.

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DAYTON STRONG OUTFIT

Victory Over Haskell Indians Increases Prestige of Butler Opponents.

Butler coaches threaten to shake up the team before the Dayton University game Saturday if some of the regulars don't snap out of it in a hurry. A let-down after the Minnesota game is being combated by Coach Page.

It is being impressed upon the players that Dayton has the greatest aggregation in the history of the Ohio school. Last week's victory over the Haskell Indians has increased the prestige of the Buckeyes. Dayton has lost only one game, that to Loyola of Chicago in the early season.

Saturday before last the University of Cincinnati was snowed out, 23 to 0. It appears as though Butler has a task ahead.

It begins to look as though another muddy grid will greet the warriors.

That's about all Butler has had this year. Weather conditions in almost every home game this season have been miserable and Butler officials are praying for a bright sun just now.

The Butler freshmen under Coach Hinkle will play the yearlings of Kentucky "U." at Lexington Saturday. Two complete elevens will make the trip, leaving Friday at noon.

A BIG TIME

State Normal in Gala Homecoming Festivities.

By Times Special
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 12.—The annual basketball game between the girls' varsity and the alumnae quintet at the Normal gymnasium, Friday afternoon, will officially open State Normal's homecoming program which is staged at the hall next month. A. A. U. officials supervised the bouts. Results follow:

Dave Borock (Fairbanks-Morse) won in round one at 115 pounds by technical knockout. South Side Turners. Technical.

Rock Robinson (S. S. T.) defeated Bill Kelly (S. S. T.) at 115 pounds in three rounds. Judges' decision.

Casey Jones (F. M.) defeated Mike Coffey (S. S. T.) at 115 pounds in three rounds. Judges' decision.

Frederick (F. M.) won over Cecil Hurt (S. S. T.) at 147 pounds by technical knockout. Hurt strained his ankle and could not come up for third round. Bill Hurt (S. S. T.) won from Fred Artrog (F. M.) at 143 pounds in second round. Knockout.

Widling (S. S. T.) defeated Cyril McFall (S. S. T.) at 115 pounds in three rounds. Judges' decision.

Jack Marshall (S. S. T.) defeated Elmer Howard (S. S. T.) at 175 pounds in three rounds. Referee's decision after judges' decision.

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