

**STIRRIN'**  
**the DOPE**  
By VEDDER GARD

**R**IGHT here and now we would like to shift the attack and take a few "digs" at the Big Ten officials, including coaches, athletic directors and Major Griffith, thus relieving Grange of some of the "panning" he has been receiving from quite a few of these gentlemen.

Instead of worrying about Red and his efforts to make some money these representatives of the various schools and the athletic boss himself should get together at the meeting this week in Chicago and make a football SCHEDULE.

By schedule we mean a list of contests evenly distributed. On such a card Minnesota would have more than three games. If all these big stadia are built just for sports' sake and all these gentlemen are such good sports the Gophers should have at least five games next year—even if they did have a great array of sophomore talent this season, which will be better than ever in 1926.

Every year there is an argument about who's who in the Western Conference grid tangle. The faculty committees and coaches should think of this while arranging the games, not after the season is over.

It is impossible for every team to play every other team in the short season but a more equitable parcelling out of the contests could be made if those in authority had the inclination.

Major Griffith, who talks and talks throughout the land, should bring some of his powers of oratory and logic to bear on the schedule makers in Chicago.

If he could prevail upon some of the schools to forget their bickering over drawing cards and their fear of certain opponents he would perform a real service. There are other schools in the Big Ten besides Michigan, Illinois, Chicago and Ohio State.

This "sport for sport's sake" is a nice sounding phrase and comes in handy while giving "Red" the razz. Let's see the Big Ten schools practice what they preach.

#### KILLING THE GOOSE

One sure way for the professional football teams to court disfavor among the grid fans was exhibited by the Frankford Yellow Jackets at Pottsville, Pa., on Sunday. The team was defeated 49 to 0 by Pottsville.

The reason? Well, the Frankford eleven played Thanksgiving Day and Saturday and again on Sunday. It can not be done.

The Chicago Bears, Red Grange's team, starts a trip at St. Louis Wednesday and plans to play seven games in eleven days. That seems to be forcing things a bit.

Such practice is likely to kill the goose that lays the golden eggs.

#### THE FORWARD PASS IN THE WEST

was the subject of Coach Rockne's address Monday at a noon day luncheon club in Chicago. Knute might have put in a word or two about the East, casually mentioning Dartmouth, but then Chicago probably knows all it wants to know about Oberlander and company.

**A**t the Big Ten meeting this week in Chicago there will be some coaches and athletic directors on hand from the Pacific Coast to schedule games with Western Conference clubs. Inter-sectional struggles are quite the style.

The Big Ten athletic bosses should beware. If the teams on the coast can't beat them the well known climate will. The long trip plus the heat has wrecked many a club. At least the weather man can be held partially responsible.

Ask Iowa football team. It knows. The Hawkeyes after playing Wisconsin in a blizzard and at Minnesota in the cold on two previous Saturdays, met the University of Southern California at Los Angeles on Nov. 21, with the thermometer registering 91 degrees at noon.

It took about three hours to play the game with the Iowans taking time out regardless of penalties. Coach Ingwersen constantly shifted his line-up in an effort to give his players relief and the game was not finished until dusk was settling over the field and spectators could not tell what was happening.

That California weather one bears so much about is all right for those seeking summer time in the winter. It doesn't fit in very well with football.

**I**N ALL probability Butler will play its basketball games this season at the State fair ground. Although nothing definite has been arranged as yet the signs point that way. The local school probably could make more money at Tomlinson hall, but Athletic Director Page seems determined, if it is at all possible, to get away from the ramshackle old building.

Much expense will be entailed in transferring the games to the Exposition Bldg. There is the cost of providing bleachers and a playing floor. Then there is heating, light and rent.

Page said today, "The money end of it, of course, must be considered, but that is not worrying me. What I want is an suitable place to play, for spectators and players." That a boy, Pat.

Nick Kutsch, the Iowa football player, may be seen on the Hawkeye basketball team this winter. As a freshman the "Cowboy" showed promising form at floor guard. He is also a track man in the dashes.

# BIG TEN POWERLESS TO CHECK PRO GRID, SAYS GRIFFITH

## OPPOSE FLORIDA PLAYING

**A. A. Owners Frown on Winter Baseball—Three Indians Doing It.**

By Eddie Ash

American Association magnates hold their annual meeting in Chicago, Wednesday and Thursday, and there may be something doing to curb winter baseball activities of the A. A. pastimes. A winter league of six clubs has opened on the east coast of Florida with Frank Gardner, Indianapolis, president, and there are many association athletes in the various line-ups.

A few A. A. owners are of the opinion the players are paid well enough in the summer to supply them with sufficient funds to tide them over the off-season. The Florida circuit operates until the first week in March, and in the case of veterans the winter playing has a tendency to slow up the pastimes during the summer campaign.

#### Three Indians in South

Walter Rehg, Riggs Stephenson and Eddie Sickling of the Indians are performing in the South, and it is known Owner Smith of the local club is opposed to winter baseball.

The American Association plays a schedule of 168 games and the campaign demands strenuous activity:

in fact, too strenuous for a player

who also participates in the diamond in the off-season. Rehg, Stephenson and Sickling are with the Miami team, managed by Ollie Chill, A. A. umpire.

Major league players are barred from playing winter ball and American Association owners would like to see the same rule adopted by their circuit.

A. A. magnates also will consider a four-trip schedule for 1926. Heretofore each club has made only three swings, but three swings cause clubs to be away from home too long and also at home too much

#### Young Smith at Sea

Owner Smith and Manager Bush will attend the meeting in Chicago. William C. Smith Jr., vice president of the club, is on the high seas en route to California, where all the minor leagues will meet in January. Young Smith sailed from New York recently and is taking the sea trip as a vacation.

The 1926 spring training camp of the Indians has not been selected, but several sites are in view.

Manager Bush may talk business with other club pilots during the Chicago gathering along the lines of player deals. With the exception of the battery department, the Indians are in good shape for the next pennant struggle.

The A. A. player limit may come up again for discussion at the Windy City gathering. Some owners want the limit increased to twenty veterans and two rookies, while others prefer to have the present rule stand, which allows eighteen veterans and two rookies.

## Hodapp's Mark at Bat .238

Official batting averages of the 1925 season in the American League show leaders lined up in the same manner as the unofficial figures, which were published in October. Hellmann won top honors among the regulars with a mark of .332. Speaker was second with .339. Simmons was third with .336 and Cobb fourth with .378.

Old Babe Ruth, the "sick man," dropped to .290. Bob Meusel was American League home run leader with 33. Al Simmons hit for the most total bases, 392. Bob Meusel being second with 338.

Johnny Mostil, White Sox, was the best base thief with 43.

Johnny Hodapp, who graduated from Indianapolis, did not display a great amount of slugging ability his first season as a major leaguer. His average was only .238 for 37 games. Fred Eichrodt, Indianapolis resident, went to Cleveland via another route, got in fifteen major games and hit .230. Leo Dixon, catcher, formerly with Indianapolis, hit .224.

Old Walter Johnson, in addition to his great pitching, slugged the ball for a mark of .433.

#### Basketball Notes

The Commonwealth Community Club basketball team defeated the Red Hawks 44-30. The winners won games with St. Anthony, 10-0, and Indiana. Indiana Rams and Strong State teams. The C. C. Club team won at their gym on Dec. 10, and Monday, Dec. 11. Every Friday follow the night games. Call Webster 500-10, or write H. W. Brown, 1217 Laurel St.

**G**REENFIELD, Ind., Dec. 1—Games are wanted with Indianapolis teams to be played in Indianapolis. Age limit, 19. Write Max Carson, Greenfield, Ind.

The Commonwealth Boys' Club Midget basketball team won two games last week, defeating the Woodside Seconds, 34 to 22, and the Indianapolis Midgets, 28 to 21. Midgets have won eight consecutive victories. Midgets desire games with Junior Indianapolis, Indianapolis, and Coach A. Godsmith, 1922 Union St. Manager of the Rams. Midgets seconds is requested to play.

The First Friend's Juniors ran their string of consecutive victories to nine Monday night by defeating the South Side team. The First Friends, 10-0, and the Juniors, 12-0. The Juniors will play the Indianapolis team on Wednesday night. For games, write Ray Austerlitz, 1829 Dexter Ave.

The Tuxedo Maroons will have a strong basket ball team in the field this season. The Maroons will play the 1925-26 team at 7:30. For games, State or city teams call James Jackson at Main 2020 or write D. C. Deacon, 1001 Webster. For games, call Belmont 4321 and ask for Evans, or address Frank A. White, 1829 Dexter Ave.

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The Universals defeated the Lucky Five Monday night, 24 to 10. Hunt and Williams led the attack of the winners. Adams and Hunt were on defense. The Universals best for the lower. The Universals will play the Western Triangles tonight.

## Swift Piece of Football Photography



### CUE HONORS

**Belgian Wins First Block for World's Title.**

By United Press

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Edouard Horne, the sensational Belgian cue artist, won from Young Jake Schaefer, present holder of the world's 18.2 billiard championship in the first block of the 1,500 point title match Monday night. The score was 500 to 301.

Two more matches of 500 points each are to be played, tonight and Wednesday.

### COADY LEADS HARVARD

**Crimson Football Team Elects Captain for 1926.**

By United Press

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 1.—Clement D. Coady of Newton, Mass., will lead the 1926 Harvard eleven. Coady has played at tackle and full back and is one of the best punters on the Harvard squad.

**PRIZE ROLLER EVENTS**

**State Races at Riverside Attract Prominent Speed Boys.**

Roller skaters of Indianapolis and over the State are busy these days preparing for the championship events at the Riverside rink Dec. 10, 12, 15, 17, 19. The program calls for competition in the half-mile, mile and two-mile distances.

Prelim events will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays of the two weeks and title races on Saturday nights. Winners will receive silver cups.

Brazil speed boys probably will offer local skaters stout opposition. Roy Golden, Harlan Jackson and Earl Shafer have entered from Brazil. Among prominent local boys entered are Justice, Carmin, Schaffer and Davis.

### COMMUNAL VS. Y. P. C. S.

**Strong Local Net Teams to Clash Wednesday Night.**

By Eddie Ash

They're going to continue playing until the spring floods.

**Southern California golf clubs are employing bathing beauties as caddies and they dress knickerless—and less. Florida papers please copy.**

This is the season of the year when nearly all old-timers feel a "suppressed desire" to look once more at a Tom and Jerry.

"Wish you were here" come-on postcards sent up from the South cause the average stay-at-home to wish the sender falls prey to a falling coconut.

The Florida Cocoanut Baseball League, known otherwise as the Winter League, has changed its name to the Sunshine League. It is explained that the "nut" part of the original name would stand out too prominently now that such players as "Coo-Coo" Rehg and "Half Pint" Gearin are performing in the loop.

**MOODY VICTOR**

By United Press

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 1.—Frank Moody, of Wales, welterweight, outpointed Lou Chester in the ten-round feature bout at the New Broadway arena here Monday night.

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The All-Comers Tournament will start at the Claypool Billiard Parlor some time next month. (Gabe Henning, State "ocket Billiard champion, will meet all comers. He takes \$10.00 from each player to enter. \$10.00 to any player who defeats Mr. Henning. Transportation paid to and from the Claypool Billiard Parlor, but entrance is free.)

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