

## TALKING IT OVER WITH JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—How many plays in a football game? Plenty. In some games there are more plays than in others. A statistician—of course you know what a statistician is? He is a figure fibber who has neglected to improve his leisure moments.

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SOME OF THE BOYS WROTE THAT THE ELEMENT OF TIME CONTRIBUTED TO THE ARMY DEFEAT. SINCE THE GAME ENDED WITH THE CADETS GRUNTING AND SNORTING ON THE NOTRE DAME 3-YARD LINE.

THIS might have been so if the ball had still been in possession of the Cadets, but it wasn't; they had lost the ball on downs and before Notre Dame could assemble for a fresh attack the game ended.

Obviously if the game had gone on for another minute or several Notre Dame would have had ample time to rush, pass or kick out of danger. The stop watch therefore, had nothing to do with the Cadets' defeat.

A DETERMINED, VALIANT LINE REPULSED THE ARMY'S LAST ASSAULT AT THE VERY MOMENT TIME EXPIRED, AND THAT WAS ALL THERE WAS TO IT.

**Detroit May Play Far West Outfit**

By United Press

DETROIT, Nov. 14.—Coach Charles Dorais of the University of Detroit team, today said negotiations were pending for a football game between his unbeaten Titans and the Olympic Club of San Francisco on Dec. 8.

## Wisconsin Makes Ready for Fracas With Powerful Iowa Grid Squad

**Badgers Work Hard and Long for Battle Saturday on Hawkeye's Home Field.**

By Times Special

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 14.—Glenn Thistlethwaite's Badgers are making ready for their "crucial" game Saturday with the title-bound Iowa eleven. The battle at Iowa City will be the greatest attraction on this week's Big Ten card.

The Hawks rule a decided favorite on the basis of records of both teams in conference competition. Already Bert Ingerson's great aggression has met and defeated Minnesota, Ohio State and Chicago. Wisconsin, undefeated but tied by Purdue, remains the big obstacle in the path of the Hawks.

Thistlethwaite is drilling his team and long on perfecting old plays and mastering a few new formations. The line will be coached to halt the plunges of the bulky Indiana.

## Early Basketball

East Tenth Street M. E. "Deaks" will play its first game next Thursday night at the M. E. gym. The game will not be open to the public. All games to be played at the gym will be present. The Deacons will play the Strauss Say, Ramblers, St. Pips and the St. Joseph girls. The first game will start at 8 p.m. The game will be played at 10 p.m. or call 0116.

The Indianapolis Times team defeated the Aetna Insurance team, 12 to 10, Tuesday night. The two teams will play again at Liberty Hall, Indianapolis, Sunday, 36 to 28. Wildcats desire games with the Indiana and Michigan Independents to take notice. Address all communications to Paul Gibbs, Greenfield, Ind.

# Pat Page's Hoosiers Prepare for Encounter With Northwestern

**Indiana Expects Hard Game With Tough Wildcat Squad.**

**TEAM IN HEAVY DRILL**

Scrimmage Occupies Major Portion of Time.

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## May Change Lineup

EVANSTON, Ill., Nov. 14.—A new Northwestern lineup may face Indiana at Bloomington next Saturday. Coach Hanley is not satisfied with the team as it stands and hopes to make it attack more diversified.

**MAROONS OPTIMISTIC**

New Spirit on Chicago Campus as Big Game Nears.

CHICAGO, Nov. 14.—A new spirit pervaded the University of Chicago Tuesday as the team started practice for the Illinois game this weekend. Troubled by Wisconsin last week, the Maroons have hopes of upsetting the dope this week.

**Local Bowling Gossip**

BY LEFTY LEE

The Silver Flash team of the Ladies Social League won the series of 160 games of 90, 807 and 850 and won three of the Haffield Paint girls. G. M. Miller, Nash and Kostelander also won from the First Oil Burner and Northern Coal as the Block One team won two from the First Oil Burner. The best individual total with 581 on games of 175, 213 and 193. McDaniel, 510; Touney, 568; Welsman, 550; Kries, 514; Doty, 527; Lee, 567; Rice, 511; Lee roled 232 for 100 high single game honors.

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