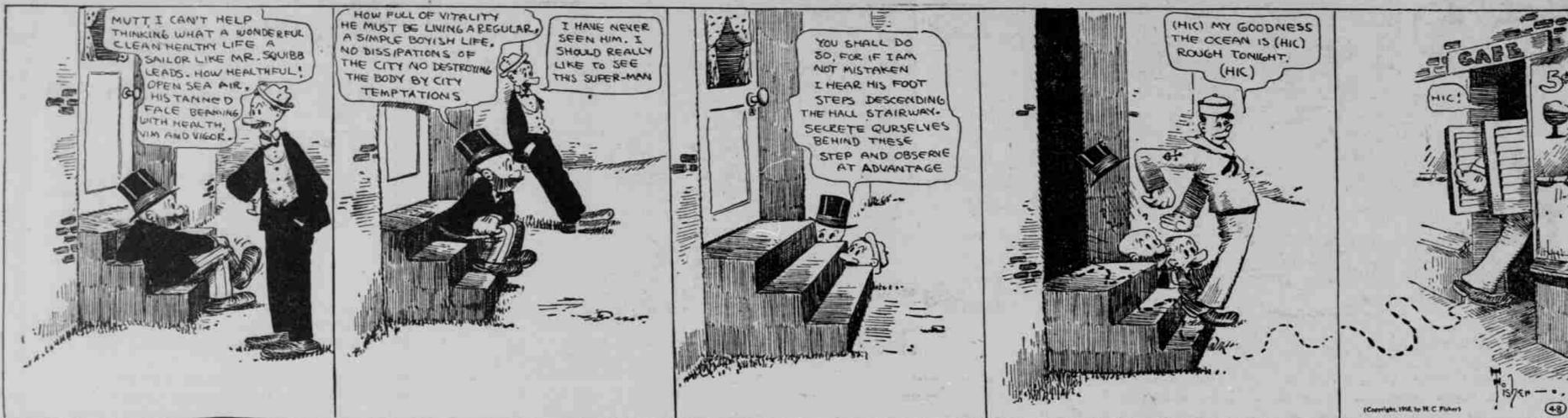


MUTT & JEFF—Maybe Some Sailors Do, But Mr. Squibb, U. S. N., Doesn't

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OTTAWA NO GINCH

Kennedy Says Baptists Fight Hard on Home Grounds.

Normal Pivotal Point Around Which All Dope Revolves.

Everybody at Washburn except Doctor Kennedy is expecting an easy victory when the Ichabods go against the Ottawa Baptists next Friday. "I am not so sure about this cinch stuff," Kennedy says. "I have played Ottawa before at Ottawa and I want to tell you those Baptists always put up a hard fight on their own grounds. I hope to win and believe our boys ought to do so, but I am taking nothing for granted."

With practically no unpleasant physical reminders of the hard game against Baker, all of Captain Stewart's men were out for practice Monday night and the evening's work ended with a lively scrimmage.

Game on Friday. Unless something unforeseen breaks into the arrangements, practically the same lineup will be used against Ottawa as was used in the Baker contest. There has been some misunderstanding about the date of the Ottawa game, it appearing on the Washburn schedule for Saturday and on the Ottawa card for Friday. But it was announced definitely today that the game will be played on Friday, the date specified in the contract.

While he was pleased with the triumph over Coach Schildeman's men, Doctor Kennedy is not entirely satisfied with the way his team is rounding into shape, and he is anxious to get the formations to running off more smoothly, to see an improvement in the defense against aerial attacks.

Worst Weakness.

This latter was one of the most glaring weaknesses of the Ichabod squad last Saturday and time after time the Bakerites were able to complete passes for long gains. They even got away with air tactics so well that they became bold enough to attempt a double delayed forward pass, something that is rarely seen in the Kansas conference. Of the whole Ichabod line, the end positions held down by Callahan and Trull have probably made more progress since the Cooper game than any other part of the machine. However, it was very apparent last Saturday that Captain Stewart has been able to overcome the handicap the responsibility of leadership put him under in the earlier games and he was again the "Terrific Tiny Sam," setting thru the line and smearing 'em right and left when Baker had the ball and plowing thru for good gains when the Ichabods were on the offense.

Normal Looms Strong.

Every lick of practice this week in the Washburn camp will have a double purpose behind it, and in addition to making preparations for the Ottawa game the coach and men have already begun to prime themselves for the meeting with the Emporia Normal team Friday week at Emporia. In many ways the game against Hargis' teachers is the most important one on the whole Ichabod schedule. Victory means that Washburn will be able to make a claim for the state title, while defeat will not only put Kennedy's proteges out of the running in this line but also will indicate pretty conclusively that they will be

PREVIOUS SCORES OF K. U.-AGGIE GRIDIRON CLASHES

Interest in Missouri valley football centers this week on the K. U.-Aggie game which will be played at Lawrence next Saturday. Below will be found the Wildcat-Jayhawk scores for the last fourteen years:

1902—K. U. 16; Aggies 0.
1903—K. U. 34; Aggies 0.
1904—K. U. 41; Aggies 0.
1905—K. U. 28; Aggies 0.
1906—K. U. 4; Aggies 6.
1907—K. U. 29; Aggies 10.
1908—K. U. 12; Aggies 0.
1909—K. U. 5; Aggies 3.
1910—No game.
1911—K. U. 6; Aggies 0.
1912—K. U. 19; Aggies 6.
1913—K. U. 26; Aggies 0.
1914—K. U. 27; Aggies 0.
1915—K. U. 19; Aggies 7.

up against a very hard proposition when they battle the Aggies and the Jayhawkers. The Normal team, by the way, seems to be the pivotal point around which all Sunflower gridiron dope is revolving this season. Having tied the Quakers, the Emporians assumed one of the two most important places in the conference soon early in the season, and since their meeting with the Aggies last Saturday all dope on the Wildcat-K. U. clash is based on the comparative scores of these teams and of the Normals.

Comparisons Close.

Early in the season K. U. defeated the Normals 13 to 0 in the curtain raiser for both elevens. Thirteen to three was the best the Aggies could do against the Normals last week, and the only thing that keeps the Teachers from proving the exact combination to the dope values is the fact that many believe the Cleveland men played a conservative game last week. Taking everything into consideration, one of three conclusions must be reached in the Manhattan-Lawrence situation: Either the Normals have improved greatly since their game with K. U.; the Aggies did not play up to their best Saturday or the Aggies were above their usual form when they held the Nebraskans to a skimpy two touchdowns.

Judging from the hard fight they put up against Washburn last week, it seems conservative to predict that the Baker players will give Friends university a real engagement Friday at Baldwin. The Methodists are well organized, they have plenty of snap and fight, and stinging under the slightest of defeat they surely will try to redeem themselves with home town fans and supporters looking on.

COACH A SOLDIER, TOO

Line Mentor at Northwestern Has to Return to the Border.

Evanston, Ill., Oct. 24.—Elmer McDevitt, line coach at Northwestern university, is on his way today to rejoin the Minnesota National Guard at the border.

HOPPE TO MEET SUTTON IN BALK LINE CUE MATCH

The first clash of the professional balk line billiard players this season will take place in St. Louis on October 30 and 31, and November 1, with the principals, William F. Hoppe, holder of the world's championship in every balk line style of play, and George Sutton, the veteran contender from Chicago, meeting. Friends of Sutton who have seen him practice recently in Chicago hope, even believe, he may be able to wrest the title from the almost invincible Hoppe. His practice has shown a number of high runs combined with greater steadiness than the one-time champion has displayed for some time. On the basis of past performances, however, as well as the fact that youth and stamina are on the side of Hoppe, there is with the general billiard public only a fleeting idea that the Chicago player will be able to make more than a creditable record.

SMALL SCHOOLS ARE PLAYING FOOTBALL THAT RIVAL BIG ONES



The smaller colleges throughout the country are beginning to realize that they can develop football teams that make the big schools shake a leg. The largest squads do not always produce the best teams and a good coach at a small school builds up a better team than an ordinary coach at a big one.

Noodles and Nuggets Dug from the Dope Pot By Clug.

A Topekan who is an ex-K. U. man reports upon returning from a visit to the Athens of Kansas that the Jayhawkers are expecting better times ahead. And very soon, too.

"Green material has caused the poor showing to date," the K. U. man says. "but the team is about to find itself and when it does, look out! It may not be able to tear the Aggie machine into shreds Saturday, but by the time of the Missouri game, look out!"

BALL PLAYER HONORED

International League Star Wins Fame Throwing Bombs at the Somme.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 24.—"Bill" O'Hara, once star leftfielder of the Toronto International league team and a former scout for the New York National league club, has been recommended for the military cross in recognition of his bravery and skill in hurling bombs for the British army on the Somme battle front, according to advices received here.

JOSH DEVORE IN "BONEHEAD" ROLE FOR STALLINGS

Many humorous stories are told about George Stallings and his "boneheads." The best one was when George was managing the Yankees when they played on the old hilltop grounds. Ray Demmitt was then with the team, and a Yank was on third, with two out. Ray turned to the big chief for advice, and asked: "Shall I try to bring him in with a long fly, Mr. Stallings?" "You better fly into the clubhouse," said the irate George, "or I'll massacre you." Then there is the more recent story about an incident during the Braves' pennant drive in 1914. "Now, if Gowdy gets on, 'Bonehead' will bat for the pitcher," said George. Gowdy got on, and every Boston reserve ran out and grabbed a stick. However, Stallings had particular reference that day to the aid of the eleven, but Gray being out

INSIDE GRIDIRON TIPS BY CHARLES E. BRICKLEY.

Drop Kicking. I have never been able to understand why more attention is not paid to the development of drop kickers among the colleges. As I said before, drop kicking is not as important as punting, but it is a great assistance to a team to have a man who can kick the ball over any time he wishes to. At Harvard, great attention is paid to this phase of the game, and every year there are five or six good men who are proficient in this phase of the game. Most of the other colleges, however, seem content to have only one or two men who are good drop kickers.

Place kicking from actual scrimmages does not seem to be much in vogue in recent years. The reason for this is that drop kicks are made quicker, the ball having only to pass between two persons, while in place kicking three men have a share in handling it. Of course, many trick plays can be pulled off from place kicking formations. Dartmouth used to have some good forward passes from this formation; one especially, in 1912, when "Moose" Earlehorn apparently went back for a place kick and then kicked a long forward pass would be thrown. With the continued specialization in the punting game, much more time will be spent in practicing catching punts. In my opinion, not enough time is now spent at this by most of the big colleges. A man should be able to catch a football as well as an outfielder should be able to catch baseball, and if we are to have a continental line of kickers like Mahan, Le Fore, etc., then we must have men in the backfield who can catch the ball. (Copyright, Wheeler Syndicate.)

O'Dowd Knocks Out Barricu.

Denver, Col., Oct. 24.—Mike O'Dowd of St. Paul knocked out Frank Barrieu of Canada in the sixth round of a scheduled fifteen-round bout here tonight. They are welterweights.

ADDITIONAL SPORT WILL BE FOUND ON OTHER PAGES

REACH NO MURDER DECISION.

Coroner's Jury in Lonsburg Killing Has Adjourned Indefinitely.

Paola, Kan., Oct. 24.—Adjournment for an indefinite period has been taken by the coroner's jury investigating the killing of William H. Patterson in his farm home, near Lonsburg, on the night of October 18. Evidence so far was said to be too vague upon which to base an arrest. Witnesses were questioned by the coroner's jury Monday, one man remaining on the stand for five hours.

IT IS ALL TALK

Not a Chance to Abolish World Series Next Year.

Club Owners Are Too Fond of the Precious Duckats.

BY FRANK G. MENKE.

New York, Oct. 24.—Don't get 'em wrong, gentle reader; the baseball folks aren't going to abolish our lit-tle world series. Oh, yes, much conversation has been exuded concerning the possibility of its being done, and one of our best little baseball leaders has come right out and denounced the present "gouge-the-public" arrangement. But that's all that's going to be done about it, or we miss our guess by sixteen million eters. Did you ever know of any baseball folks doing anything meaning a financial sacrifice for them? Right! They never have. And "you can't teach old dogs new tricks." 'Tis no, those magnates have fallen into the habit of extracting every possible kopeck from the jeans of fad-om—and such habits are of the unshakable variety.

It is one of the safest bets in this wide world of ours that the blue ribbon event of baseball won't be abolished, nor will it be permitted to lapse for two or three years. Any such attempt would bring about a howl from the magnates that would silence an artillery duel along the Somme and Verdun from Ypres. Ban Johnson has been discouraging along the "discontinue" lines, but Ban occasionally takes to making threats that never are fulfilled. And this is one of them.

Magnates Would Fight.

The demand for the elimination of the world series hasn't come from fad-om. And it's fad-om that pays the freight. All that the fans want is a reduction in prices for seats for those games. That may be accomplished. But the killing off of the series—nix! Ban is a powerful person in baseball, but if he attempted to put the world series on the blink he would find himself alone—and beaten. The owners of the competing teams in the last five world series events have split something close to \$900,000. It's a cinch that no club owners would sanction any move designed to null his individual chance to win a pennant and get a bit of that easy money in the years to come.

Furthermore, the operating expenses of the national commission have been met with the money it has received annually from world series clashes. This year its share was \$18,559. If no world series were staged who would have to contribute to the support of the commission? Right! The owners of the competing teams in the last five world series events have split something close to \$900,000. It's a cinch that no club owners would sanction any move designed to null his individual chance to win a pennant and get a bit of that easy money in the years to come.

Interest Increased.

Baseball has made giant strides in a financial way in the last thirteen years. Hundreds of thousands jam their way into the parks now when the count was thousands in the other days. A crowd of 10,000 was regarded as "immense" in the bygone era. Now no one gets in any way excited over crowds of 25,000, 30,000, 35,000 and even 40,000. Just a mere pennant fight, without any post-season battle wouldn't bring out such crowds. A world series stimulates interest all season long. The folks come now to see the teams that are in the fight; to get a look at the prospective champions and get "a line" for themselves on just what each team in the rival leagues could do against each other in the world series battles. The fact that the big series follows the regular season keeps interest in the races at fever heat until the

issue in both circuits is decided. It's a sort of lure that draws the multitude to the ball parks and makes it possible for the magnates to earn dividends on their investment.



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