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BUCKNELL HAS STRONG ELEVEN FOR ANNUAL BATTLE WITH PENN ON FRANKLIN FIELD TOMORROW

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

SEVERAL weeks ago—long before the baseball scandal... turned into the newspapers and ball players found large wads of money under their pillows—some football experts were discussing the important games to be played this fall.

"Don't overlook the Penn-Bucknell game on October 2," said one of the orators. "That game will be well worth seeing, because Bucknell will have a very strong team and it is very likely that Penn will stumble into a big surprise."

Tomorrow the game will be played on Franklin Field, and we shall see what we shall see. The Lewisburg aggregation left for Philadelphia today, all primed up for a hard battle. The boys have been practicing since September 13, are reported to be in good condition and will make the Red and Blue step some to win. But that's the dope before every football game. The other team always expresses the utmost confidence and all predictions are decidedly optimistic.

Nevertheless, Bucknell has a strong team this year. That is, it looks strong on paper. Most of the players have had one or more years' experience on the varsity and the new men have the physique to make good. Ten of last year's varsity are back, and this is a pretty good nucleus around which to build a team.

Max Reed, you never can tell—in football. While Bucknell has the appearance of top-notchers, the team has not yet played a game and few scrimmages have been held. Since September 13 Coach Pete Reynolds has been getting his men in good physical shape and running no risks of injuries. Whether or not this is a wise plan remains to be seen.

There has been plenty of material up at Lewisburg. More than fifty candidates are out on Tincum Field every afternoon and many husky lads are in the squad. The freshman class is the largest in history and the first-year men are eligible.

THE squad left Lewisburg today for Philadelphia and will make their headquarters at Hotel Rittenhouse, Twenty-second and Chestnut streets.

Fullback Bowser Is the Punter

ONE of the stars of the team is Bowser, the full-back. He was at the University of West Virginia a short time last year, but did not make the team. However, he looks like a good player and a valuable man on the defense. He also does the punting and his spirals average fifty yards in practice. He is six feet two inches tall and weighs 192 pounds.

Captain Joe Kostos and Harold McGraw, a Philadelphia boy, probably will be the halfbacks, and Tommy Mangin in the regular quarterback. Mangin is a good field general and runs well with the ball.

Coach Reynolds says he has one of the best centers in the country in Victor Bihl. Victor played end last year, but put on weight during the summer. He was shifted to the pivotal position, where he made good the first day. He is short and stocky, weighing 175 pounds. He is a star on the defense.

Max Reed, a freshman from Lewisburg High School, has been selected to play left guard, and Morret, of last year's eleven, will be on the other side. John Dooley and Frank Homan, a Philadelphia, are the tackles.

Last year when Penn defeated Bucknell by the score of 15 to 0 the playing of McDermott at end was the feature. This young man is back again and they say he is better than ever. He is a sure tackler, very good at breaking up interference and a brainy player. He should be one of the best ends in the East this year. Hahn, a sophomore, will be on the other flank.

I visited Bucknell a few days ago, but did not see the team in action. Only signal practice was held and the plays were run off smoothly. The team looks good, but it takes more than signal practice to get in shape for a big game.

PENN has been working hard for weeks, has played one game and should not worry about the outcome.

Players and Coaches Should Know Code ALTHOUGH there has been no radical changes in the football rules during the last five years, it is surprising to learn how many coaches and players slip up on some of the minor points of the game. Time and again a coach makes a blunder which acts against his team because of lack of knowledge of the playing code.

A football player, at the beginning of the season, should study the rule book. He should be thoroughly familiar with every section, because one never can tell when that knowledge will come in handy. Coaches should drill their men in the playing code two or three times a week. Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania are doing it. Princeton even goes so far as to invite a leading official to lecture to the squad once a week.

The rule dealing with substitutes and substitutions is one of the first in the book. It is perfectly clear and easily deciphered. Yet a coach of one of the leading eastern colleges pulled a boner last year which almost cost him the game.

This Coach Forgot Player Rule

A PRACTICE contest was played with a small college. A and in the first half the varsity ran up a score of 21 points. This looked so easy that the second team was sent in at the beginning of the third quarter. The scrubs didn't play so well and before the period was half over three touchdowns had been pushed over and the score was 21 to 20.

The coach, fearing defeat, rushed his varsity back into the game in the middle of the period.

He had forgotten that the rule says that a player who has been withdrawn from the game may return once, at the beginning of a subsequent period.

The referee suspended the whole team, inflicted a penalty of half the distance to the goal line, the scrubs could not return until the beginning of the next period and the third quarter was finished with third and fourth string men.

That's just one example of what can happen if the rules are forgotten or disregarded.

Referee Right in Ruling

WHILE on the subject of substitutions, it will be recalled that a mix-up occurred in the Harvard-Princeton game last fall when, it is said, the wrong substitution was made and a star player left the game. Referee Bill Langford refused to stand for a correction and the Princeton team was weakened the remainder of the contest. Incidentally, Langford was right in his ruling.

This year it has been decided that a substitution is not completed until the referee hands the new man into his position and the change is approved by the captain. Substitute shall report to no one except the referee, give his name, the name of the man he is to replace and the position. In this manner mix-ups will be avoided.

Two New Rules This Year

AT THE interpretation meeting in New York last week Walter Camp, who presided, warned the officials to be on the look-out for a false enthusiasm when a substitute reports. Sometimes a player rushes into the game, apparently all excited, shouts "Let's go" or something like that, and in this manner trips off his quarterback what to do on the next play. There must be no talking by substitutes until one play has been completed.

This season an illegal forward pass is the same as an uncompleted one. If a pass is made from a spot less than five yards behind the line of scrimmage the referee blows the whistle IMMEDIATELY, stopping the play. This means if an opponent catches the ball and runs for a touchdown it shall not count. The ball is brought back and the play treated exactly as if it had been an uncompleted pass.

Stanley Football Team Disbands

THE Philadelphia Professionals, has decided to disband for the season, and all games which had been scheduled have been called off. The team consisted of one of the strongest independent aggregations in the country, as Bert Bell, Heinie Miller, Fritz Pollard, Lew Little, Lou Wray, Johnny Weldon, Johnny Scott, Bob Lowe, Gus Zeigler and many other former college stars were in the line-up. Another start will be made next year.

Bert Bell was captain and Leo Conway manager.

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Scraps About Scappers

The indoor season at the Cambria Club will be reopened tonight with two eight-round bouts. The team consists of Philadelphia Brown vs. Arthur McDonald, Johnny Moran vs. Freddy Turner, Bob Stewart vs. Frankie Brown, George Brown vs. Bobby Wallace and other numbers.

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Gene Belmont will "come-back" into local competition at the National temporary high school arena this Monday. Belmont is a great favorite at Philadelphia club, and was a member of the Philadelphia club when he was a member of the Philadelphia club. He was a member of the Philadelphia club when he was a member of the Philadelphia club.

Four new faces will appear on Monday's night program at the Olympia. "Doc" Stewart, Arthur McDonald, and other numbers will be in the line-up.

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LOCAL GRID CLUBS READY FOR BATTLES

Big Season Among Independent Elevens Will Be Ushered In Tomorrow

The local football season among the independent and semipro elevens will be ushered in tomorrow on many gridirons, and there are at least twenty many clubs in the field as last year. New combinations have sprung up in all sections. One of the teams that gives promise of making a record is Drexel Hill, which inaugurates the season on the grounds of Strawberry & Clothier, at Sixty-second and Walnut streets.

Manager Paul R. Deere has arranged a good schedule which will include a number of games in the city and also a number on the home field at Drexel Hill. The elevens will travel on Sunday, and some of the leading clubs in other cities have been scheduled. There are a few open dates for home and away games in October. Clubs wishing contracts should communicate with Paul R. Deere, 34 Katherne road, Brookline, Pa., or phone Llanerch 460 M.

Frankford is all set for the opening clash tomorrow afternoon on the new field on Browne's farm. Oxford Pike, New York High School, Coach Heinie Miller expects to get on the grid in an evening regular game. The opposing club is the East Falls M. A. club which has a game scheduled for the following week. Manager Owen Young expects the Falls eleven to give a good account of itself.

Conestoga plays its second contest tomorrow afternoon on the new ship dock at the visiting attraction. The ship builders have been working hard for the contest and expect to make a good showing. Although they have all seen season openings they expect to make a good showing. The season will be a number of well-known college stars.

Vincent plays the first game on their new grounds at Lehigh. Vincent High School will be the attraction. Vincent High School will be the attraction. Vincent High School will be the attraction.

Manager Dave Briscoe called the midweek practice of the Bridgeport eleven scheduled for last evening off and has arranged to have the game on the grid at 7:30 p. m. Briscoe is busy arranging the schedule and he expects to have a number of well-known college stars.

Robert will usher in the season on Sunday by traveling to Rosemere Park, Lancaster, and playing All-Lancaster. Captain Johnny Moran will take his strongest team to oppose the college stars, including in the Lancaster eleven the boys of Franklin and Marshall fame: Mark of Gettysburg, Anderson and Brown of Mercersburg.

Leo Little, All-American tackle, and Johnny Little, who are coaching elevens, are slated to have the prospects of having one of the best seasons in the history of the Philadelphia area.

Fan Returns Bet Won on Reds in '19 World Series

Beloit, Wis., Oct. 1.—Because of confessions of White Sox players that they "threw" the 1919 world series, W. W. Chesbrough refunded John Kennan \$10, which he had won from him. Chesbrough had bet on the Reds.

Colwyn opens the season in Delaware county tomorrow at Fourth street and the Magnolia Club of Frankford, which defeated Riverton 7 to 6 last week. Marshall, a former Penn. star, will play fullback and Quigley, a former Red and Blue star, will play center for the Colwyn eleven. Joe McManis will call the signals for the Delaware county team.

GREER WILL COACH WEST WALNUT TEAM

The West Walnut Club, of West Philadelphia, will be represented on the gridiron this fall by a team to be managed by Frank McLaughlin. This will be McLaughlin's third year as manager of the "Walnuts," and he is assured of the majority of last season's eleven, which included Groot, former All-Scholastic halfback while representing West Philadelphia High School; Grooms, former Catholic High quarterback; the Gilmore brothers, former scholastic center and tackle, and a number of new men, which will make the team even more formidable than in past years.

Bill Greer, former Catholic University star and Catholic High coach, will tutor the West Walnut team.

The schedule is being arranged and McLaughlin is quite anxious to hear from all teams desiring this splendid attraction. Practice is held at Sherwood Playgrounds, and Walnut street, at the former Yale star. He concludes his season by coaching the eleven and is being assisted by Art Geraghty and Walt Hoffer, who last year played center and captained the team.

The manager can be reached at 29 North Fifty-fourth street every evening until 8 p. m. Phone Belmont 4024 W.

Hard Games for Bridgeburg Bridgeburg will play both Saturday and Sunday this week. Tomorrow afternoon at Richmond and Orange streets the dog-eared team in the series with Edgemoor will be started. Knowledge of Manager Ed Casey will use either Volk, Glick or Pfaff, on the line. The American League will be the attraction. Every player is an American League regular.

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POLO Saturday, October 2—3 P. M. Philadelphia Country Club WOODSIDE PARK General Admission, 55c

ATHLETES WANTED FOR BIG PARADE

Mayor Moore Supporting Olympic Celebration to Be Held Here October 14

Five thousand athletes from Philadelphia and vicinity are expected to take part in the parade which will be held the same evening as the banquet to be given October 14 at the Bellevue-Stratford for those who took part in the Olympic games.

There will be a committee meeting this evening at the Elks' Home, Juniper and A. streets, where Charles H. Franklow will receive applications from representatives of all athletic and fraternal organizations of this section. Football teams, oarsmen, horsemen, track men and all others prominent in sports are invited.

The banquet at which Mayor Moore will be toastmaster, is attracting the most prominent persons about town. Included in the list of special guests will be Bill Tilden, world's champion tennis player. All of Olympic team members from this section will be present, including Miss Irene Guest and Miss Eleanor Uhl, girl swimmers.

There will be several tables reserved for the women who desire to attend the banquet. All those desiring to reserve special tables for clubs are requested to notify Louis N. Goldsmith, 201 Real Estate Trust Building.

These athletic organizations wishing to decorate their tables with flags and club colors may do so by arrangement with Goldsmith.

Leonard-Britton Bout Tonight Cleveland, Oct. 1.—The ten-round boxing contest between Benny Leonard, champion lightweight, and Jack Britton, champion welterweight, will be held at American League Park last night, was postponed because of a heavy rain and cold weather.

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By GRANTLAND RICE

DID you ever notice that a run of fine luck is often followed by the roughest fortune you have ever known? Or that a spell of fine weather only too often leads to a period of storms, simoons and tornadoes? Did you ever notice, in brief, how life's little compensations even up the game?

A Noted Example FROM the 15th of April to the 15th of September baseball had known the greatest season of its record. The two leagues both had wonderful races to lure out the crowd, and one league had the home run king of all time to help pack 'em in between St. Louis and Boston.

Attendance records at almost every park had been doubled or at least greatly increased. It then, with only ten days to go and not a cloud in the sky—the worst scandal that ever broke above any American sport suddenly burst its way into print.

This scandal has come as a terrific blow at the game—delivered just at the moment when baseball as an attraction was at the top point of the highest peak of popularity.

A New Angle THROUGH this scandal a new angle was introduced into the scheme of things. In the American League Cleveland and Chicago started the final week practically tied for first place. The thought in each baseball mind last Monday was this: "Suppose Chicago wins?"

For this Chicago team happens to be the storm center of the scandal referred to. It was openly charged all through the last week series that the White Sox had sold out to a crooked betting ring—not all the White Sox but at least five or six—most of them still with the club.

The series certainly had a phoney look, and a sufficient amount of evidence has since been spilled to show that the phoney look was justified. And yet here were many of these same players—branded through public gossip as crooks—battling for another game.

A Queer Turn IT HAS been generally understood by most baseball men that the Chicago club—when on the up and up and out to win—stands as the strongest team in baseball today