

ROOTERS SAW A SCRIMMAGE

But No Thrills in the Form of Scoring Were Exhibited.

The first football scrimmage of the 1912 season brought out a comparatively open style of play. Several good ground gainers were seen on both teams, while the tackling was a little ragged, as usual so early in the season. Neither team was able to score, however.

Prof. C. L. Brewer, who is coaching the football squad, said that neither team could be called the Varsity, as no selection had yet been made from the men who are trying for places. However, one team had most of the old men including Captain LeMire. On this team Lake played quarter, Thatcher, the big discus thrower, fullback, and Knoble and LeMire, halfbacks. Goodson later relieved LeMire, who hurt his leg.

In the line both teams were changed often during the scrimmage. On LeMire's team, Gallagher, the biggest man on the squad, played at center; Barton and Clay, guards; Hastings

and Groves, tackles; Lucas and "Chuck" Wilson, ends.

McWilliams, last year's freshman quarterback, called signals for the other team. Judy and Wiggins were the halfbacks and Shepard played full until replaced by Dunkle. Pixlee and Duval were the ends on this team.

The twenty-minute scrimmage started when McWilliams caught the kick-off and returned it ten yards. His team worked the ball into the opposing territory after several punts by both sides, in which Shepard out-booted Lake. Lake had hard luck with his wicks, getting most of them too low. His line did not hold well and he was hurried too much. Dunkle, who replaced Shepard, did some good kicking.

The first forward pass of the season, from McWilliams to Judy, came as a surprise to the other team as well as to the spectators, and gained about ten yards. The next one hit the ground and the third was intercepted by Lake. McWilliams tried the forward pass several other times, but never successfully.

Judy, halfback, proved a hard man

to stop when carrying the ball. He picks his holes well and uses his head. McWilliams of the same team made one run of twenty yards in a broken field.

LeMire's team was forced back to its own five-yard line at one time, but held firm twice and then got the ball on an unsuccessful forward pass. Later Lake took the ball on a fumble and carried it thirty yards before he was stopped.

Professor Brewer said that scrimmage would be held daily the first part of this week. No varsity squad will be chosen until the last of the week, and it is possible that no one will be dropped from the squad until after the game with Central College Saturday.

MUD BATHS OR TIGERS FRIDAY

Players Chase Punts and Run Signals in Steady Drizzle.

Mud baths were in order Friday afternoon on Rollins Field for fifty members of the football squad. The rain turned to a steady drizzle and replenished the little pools of water all over the surface of the field which were often emptied when players fell with a splash.

T. E. Jones, trainer of the squad, was in charge during Professor C. L. Brewer's absence in St. Louis on business relative to the Missouri-Kansas game. He started the men out with a short practice at running down under punts. Mr. Jones, T. E. D. Hackney, assistant coach, and Paul Shepard of last year's freshman squad, booted the ball. Shepard has been tried out at fullback for the last three practices and it seems probable that he will develop into one of this year's kickers.

After the punting, the squad was divided into four elevens, and sent through signals practice for nearly an hour. The work ended with the customary cross-country hike.

About twenty-five men were out on the freshman squad and practised running signals and falling on the ball under O. F. Field's direction.

NEW ATHLETIC FIELD NOW

In a Year Nearly \$20,000 Has Been Spent on Improvements There.

Your last chance to sit in the north bleachers will be at the football games played here this year. At the close of the football season, these bleachers are to be torn down. The space utilized by them will be used as a parking and to enlarge the baseball

diamonds. The old middle gate, too, will go. There will only be two entrances, the gate at the west end of the field and the one at the east end.

Men have been at work all summer improving and enlarging the athletic grounds. The total cost for improving the grounds since the summer of 1911 is \$19,927.18. The cost for the building of the concrete bleachers was \$15,956.41, the repairing of the old bleachers, \$64.01, and concrete fence, \$2,407.04. The grading, filling, drainage work and building of the retaining wall, was all done last summer. This work cost the University \$1,499.22. Most of the work last summer was the grading and filling in of ditches and enlarging the football and baseball field. The old ditch east of the athletic field, running north and south, has been filled in. The fence on the east side of the field has been moved east about 100 feet. This gives more room for football and baseball, and will prevent the football men and track teams from becoming congested. A concrete drain running from the northwest corner of the gymnasium on Rollins street southwest across the athletic field to the golf links road, has just been finished. Lateral drains built of tile and gravel are other improvements made on the field. The old board sidewalk leading to the gymnasium has been torn up and a temporary one is to be replaced.

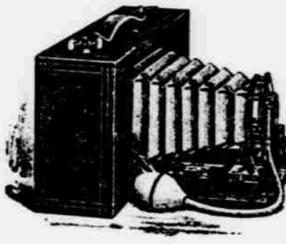
"With these north bleachers out of the way we can have more room for the baseball diamonds and will keep the baseball and track men from interfering with one another in practice," said Prof. C. L. Brewer yesterday. "It will give plenty of room for them both to be on the field at the same time. The new concrete bleachers will seat 6000, which is as many as many as we will usually have. However, if we should ever need more seats, temporary bleachers can be put up on the parking where the north bleachers now are. The fence on the north side of the field will also be torn down and a concrete one be built."

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