

SPORT

NEWS and COMMENT

The figures show how completely the Jayhawkers were outplayed in the Thanksgiving battle. The Missouri backs made twenty first downs to five for Kansas. Of these only five were scored in the first half and Kansas got only one of the five. In rushing the ball, the Tigers again showed their class, taking the ball 247 yards by this method while the best the Jayhawkers could do was 87 yards.

Bill Collins, the plunging Tiger half-back, advanced the ball 116 yards, making almost half of his team's yardage. Neither team was able to do much with the aerial game. The Jayhawkers, famed for their open work against Oklahoma and Nebraska, were able to complete but one pass out of ten attempts and this play netted them only ten yards. Both of Missouri's attempts, made early in contest before either team had settled down, were failures. The poor work of the Kansas ends and backs in receiving the ball was partly responsible for the lack of success of the Jayhawker passes. Kansas suffered more from penalties and one of their penalties broke up their play at a time when they were seriously threatening the Missouri goal. They lost 50 yards from penalties while Missouri was set back 29 yards for illegal work.

Missouri's Teamwork Won.

But the figures do not begin to tell the story of the game—how Missouri's consistent teamwork slowly battered down the much-vaunted Kansas defense and how the flashy, individual attack of the Jayhawkers failed to gain consistently against the shifty, fighting Tiger defense. Nobody shone in the Tiger play but every man did his part and every man knew just what to do at the critical moments of the contest. Missouri, fought as an organized unit while Kansas played in flashy, sporadic spurts, depending upon their weight and individual brilliancy to pull them through to victory. Only one change was made in Missouri's line-up during the contest and that came in the first five minutes of play; on the other hand, fresh men were going in constantly for Kansas, showing clearly that Olcott was depending on the ability of the players, not their power as a team, to win. The hand of Schulte showed at every turn in the Tiger play, while Olcott's team lacked that finishing-off that was so evident in the Missouri offense and defense.

Line Outcharges Jayhawkers.

Missouri's active, experienced, well-trained line outcharged, outfought and outplayed their heavier opponents from start to finish. Probably four-fifths of Missouri's yardage was made through the Kansas line which from tackle to tackle includes three and sometimes four 200-pound men. With Hamilton and his 171 pounds doing the heavy work and with McAnaw and Giltner to turn the men to one side or the other, holes were opened in the right side of the Kansas line big enough to drive a wagon through. Here was where Collins was driving through toward the Kansas goal, five and ten yards at a shot, and here was where Olcott was sending in fresh men in an effort to stem the Tiger attack. Frost and Vernson, two of the Kansas giants, were both removed from the game to make way for other big men but none of them could stand the drives of the lighter Missouri backs and linemen. Lansing in the center of the line was another man who was opening pretty holes in the Jayhawker defense but here Miner, the lightest man on the Kansas team with the single exception of Foster, was putting up more determined opposition. On the other side of the line Missouri had little trouble in making gains, though McMillan's lack of weight and the presence of Burton, a former All-Valley tackle, cut down the gains. Groves, however, outplayed Burton at every point, and, with Preston and Wilder, had little trouble in forcing back the Kansas line.

Kansas Rallies Are Stopped.

On the offense the weight of the Kansas backs and line men told, but the aggressiveness of the Tiger forwards prevented any consistent gains. A few times it seemed as if the Jayhawkers were started but a Missouri man would break through the line and nail a Kansas back for a loss and the rally would fade. Olcott's men also had little luck at running the Missouri ends. Fast, a shifty, dodging, speedy runner, gave the Tiger defense some trouble but the other backs might as well have stayed at home for all the success they had at running the ends.

Fast was a hard man to tackle and with any kind of interference and protection from the line would have made big yardage. He usually had to throw off three or four Tiger tacklers before he could even get to the line of the scrimmage, but very rarely did he get past the first line of defense. Once he broke away for an 18-yard run around the end, but his gains were not regular enough to bother the Tigers.

Lindsey never had a chance to advance the ball. Whenever he did car-

ry the pigskin he was smothered by the Tiger forwards before he could even get to the line of scrimmage. Neilson's line plunges netted some ground for the Kansas but the Jayhawker offense was not built on line plays. The spread formation which the Kansas team used on fully two-thirds of their plays worried the Tigers a little, but when they found that they could break the Kansas passes and that Fast could be stopped, the Tigers waded in and smothered the plays before they could even get a fair start.

Backfield Works Together.

The Tiger backfield gave a beautiful exhibition of straight, smooth-working football. Stankowski ran the team like a veteran and put up a wonderful game himself. He handled punts well-nigh faultlessly and ran the ends with surprising success. Another of his favorite tricks was "busting" up forward passes and aided by the Tiger backs he gave the Kansas receivers little chance to get hold of the oval. Rider was good for a gain whenever called upon and occasionally broke through the Kansas line for good yardage. He put up his usual stiff defense and was in every play. McMillan was not used much on the offense but played a star defensive game and never gave the Kansas men a chance to get away around his end. To Bill Collins however, must go much of the glory for Missouri's Turkey Day victory. His line plunging yesterday would have done credit to Maulbetsch and, even without the wonderful Hamilton to open up mile-wide holes in the Kansas defense, young Collins would have made good gains. He hit the line low and hard. The delayed pass plays which Missouri used almost exclusively when Collins carried the ball gave him plenty of time to pick his holes and allowed him a clear space to get up full speed before reaching the line of scrimmage.

Rooters Dazed at Tigers' Showing.

The Kansas rooters were fully as dazed as the team at the wonderful power shown by the Missouri offense. Somehow they hadn't thought much about a defeat at the hands of a mere Missouri eleven after their win over Nebraska and they didn't exactly know how to take the defeat. It took nearly the whole game, though, to convince them that the Tigers had a real team and that their own men had been greatly over-rated. Even after the first touchdown, they never had an idea but what the Jayhawkers would come back and all of them were counting on that missed Missouri goal to give them the victory. The rooters all pointed to that third quarter in the Nebraska game and assured themselves that this was all right—the team was merely playing with the Tigers and they would show enough to win when the time came. When the Tiger attack did get fully under way in the fourth quarter they began to wake up, though it didn't show in their yelling, which gradually grew less as the game proceeded. For the last ten minutes of the contest there was scarcely a sound from the Kansas side—they seemed to be stopping for the first time to think it all over. And when the final whistle blew, they fled slowly out of McCook Field, a sadder and a wiser crowd.

A Freak Play at the End.

The last plays of the game were bewildering to most of the spectators. After the second Missouri touchdown, Hamilton kicked off to Lindsey, who ran to his own twenty-five-yard line, where he surprised the crowd and the players as well by suddenly stopping and punting. It caught Stankowski unprepared for the first time in the game but he thought that he would play safe and let the ball roll. He had forgotten that the kick was made with most of the Kansas team onside and that therefore they were eligible to recover the ball. Neilson scooped up the ball on Missouri's twenty-five yard-line and threatened to get away for a touchdown but the Bengals downed him on the fifteen-yard line. Less than a minute remained to play and the Kansas team decided to try to score but their forward pass went over the goal line with no one to receive it and the game was over and the Missouri goal line uncrossed.

The weather for the game was perfect from the viewpoint of the spectators and the Missouri team, for a wet field would have given Kansas the full advantage of their weight and would have interfered with the Missouri attack. There was hardly a cloud in the sky and it was just cool enough to keep the teams and the crowd on edge. The field was in fine shape. The crowd of 15,000 was

handled nicely both at the gates and in the seating. Fully 2,000 viewed the game from the surrounding hills and house-tops.

The teams appeared on the field early and spent the preliminary period in punting and signal practice. The Missouri spectators were worried at the size of the Kansas team but a quiet confidence in the Schulte machine was manifest. Little betting was going on, as the Kansas men insisted on even money and the Missouri supporters wanted odds. Most of the bets were placed at 10 to 7 or 8 with Kansas on the long end.

Play Is Ragged in First Quarter.

Both teams were nervous in the first quarter and the play was ragged. The ability of the Missouri players in recovering fumbles saved them and gave them a chance to score early in the period. Preston's recovery of Woodward's fumble and McMillan's fourteen-yard run put the ball within five yards of the Kansas goal but the Missouri attack was not yet under way and Collins tried a place kick, which went wild. Lindsey's punting kept the Kansas goal from danger during the rest of the period.

Another fumble on a punt gave Missouri the ball on the fifteen-yard line as the quarter ended and a few plays in the next period put Stankowski across for the first touchdown. Collins missed the goal after a punt-out. The rest of the half was a punting duel with the advantage to Lindsey but the inability of the Kansas ends to cover his punts lost this advantage. A fumble by Rider gave Kansas a chance toward the last of the half but a penalty saved Missouri.

Another Score in the Fourth.

The Missouri offense took form early in the second half, but a penalty kept them from going over in their first onset. Their second attempt put them close enough to try a place kick early in the fourth quarter but it failed and Kansas showed the first consistent attack of the game, carrying the ball to the Tiger 40-yard line on successive plays. The rally was short-lived and when the Missouri machine again got started it was only a question of minutes as to when they would put the ball over the line. Collins finally carried it over after driving down the center of the gridiron. Kansas made one last attempt after the kickoff but they had neither the power nor the time to put the ball across.

Freshmen Deserve Much Credit for Their Work.

To Coach Johnny Miller and his freshmen football squad is due a word of praise. The freshmen, like the scrubs, have no incentive to play football except the hope that they may some day make the team.

Miller and his men have labored hard all season. They have done their best and they have given the Varsity some hard practice—what they needed. They did not win the class championship this year. The game was called off. But whether class champions or not, they have shown a great team—one of the best freshman squads in years and there are many men among them who will undoubtedly prove Varsity material next year.

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U. H. S. HAS NATIONAL PARTY

Nakomis, Hiawatha, John Alden and Priscilla Entertain the Guests.

The University High School party Tuesday night, one of the series of parties given every two weeks, was national in its character. The different periods of history were illustrated by scenes, poems and sketches. The Indian period was illustrated by a scene from Hiawatha in which the Indian lullaby of Nakomis was sung by Miss Ruth Torresson. A scene from Longfellow's "Miles Standish" illustrated the Colonial period. The part of Priscilla was taken by Miss Elizabeth Phillips and that of John Alden by Robert Simpson. The Revolutionary period was illustrated by "Grandmother's Story of Bunker Hill." Miss Mildred Wayland took the part of the grandmother and Elizabeth Phillips and Ruth Moore played the children's parts. A Colonial minuet was also given. The Civil War period was represented by a dramatization of a part of Thomas Nelson Page's "Two Little Confederates." Anna May Bradford was Lucy Ann, the faithful Southern negro who saved the Rebels from the Yankees. Miss Dorothy Self read the eulogy to Lincoln by Walt Whitman called "Captain, My Captain," and E. F. Dienst read President Wilson's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

SAYS U. S. ARMY IS UNPOPULAR

Officer Thinks Average Person Doesn't Know Soldier From Mail Carrier.

Recruiting Officer, Corporal Walter Simon, from the Moberly sub-station of the Recruiting Service was in Columbia recently. He is here to receive the applications of young men who wish to enlist, and to give any information regarding the army they may desire, but he is making no canvass for recruits.

"The army is unpopular to Americans," said Corporal Simon, "but mainly for the reason that they know so little about it. Most people seem to have the impression that it is the last resort of 'roughnecks' and idlers when they see one. Nine persons out of ten who see a man in a uniform don't know whether he is a soldier, a member of the Salvation army, a policeman or a mail-carrier."

Corporal Simon went to Mexico, Mo., today and from there he will return to Moberly.

GOOD BOOK WEEK TO BE HELD

Volumes on Display Here December 4-9 Will Be Chiefly for Boys.

Good Book Week will be observed in Columbia the week of December 4 to 9. The books to be on display are chiefly for boys and have been selected and recommended by the librarian of the Boy Scouts. Publishers over the United States have contributed to the exhibit. The books will be displayed at the Missouri Store.

"Parents who are desirous of having their boys read the best of this class of literature should see this selection," said H. O. Severance, University librarian, today. The books cover a wide range of subjects from fiction to scientific stories of interest to boys.

The Tuesday Club is also giving the

club yesterday. The members week its support, the matter having been brought before the meeting of were urged to see the display.

J. HARRISON BROWN A VISITOR

Journalism Graduate Hasn't Missed a Kansas Game Since Leaving.

J. Harrison Brown, a graduate of the School of Journalism, came all the way from Colorado Springs, Colo., to attend the Missouri-Kansas game at Lawrence. He reached Columbia Wednesday night after a short visit in Mexico with his parents.

Mr. Brown, since leaving Columbia, has not missed a Kansas game. Last year he came from Des Moines to see the game here. The year before, he came from Arkansas to Lawrence to witness the annual contest. He was on the road at the time for the Merchants' Trade Journal of Des Moines, Ia. At present he is advertising manager of the El Paso County Democrat of Colorado Springs and advertising manager of a department store.

Boone County Couple Married.

Clarence Leslie Warren and Miss Frances Martin were married at the home of the Rev. A. W. Pasley, 501 Lyons street, by the Reverend Pasley, at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Miss Lucile Warren, a sister of Mr. Warren, and W. A. Turner were attendants. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin who live in the southern part of Boone County. Mr. Warren is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Warren. He is engaged in farming and stock raising. They will make their home seven miles south of Columbia.

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