

Thanksgiving Game Disagreement Laid Before the Public

George Washington University Gives Out
Correspondence in Controversy With
Georgetown, Which Remains
as Unsettled as Ever.

Georgetown has refused to meet George Washington University in a football game on Thanksgiving Day, November 28, for 50 per cent of the gate receipts.

Georgetown offers to play George Washington on Saturday, November 23, on that basis, but asserts the team she meets on Thanksgiving must agree to accept less than 50 per cent.

George Washington insists that Georgetown entered into a verbal agreement to play her on Thanksgiving, and subsequently recognized it by publishing it in the Georgetown Journal, allowing it to appear in the newspapers, and getting out an official vest-pocket schedule, in all of which the Thanksgiving date is allotted to her local rival without qualification.

In support of her position George Washington University publishes herewith in The Times all the correspondence to date. She also offers to leave the matter to the sporting editors of the city as referees in the dispute.

Georgetown gave her definite decision yesterday. George Washington declines to accept the Georgetown proposition or method of reasoning, merely stating that it will consider carefully before saying whether it will accept the November 23 date or decline to play on any day except Thanksgiving.

The substance of all this is: Nobody knows whether there will be a football game between Georgetown and George Washington Universities on Thanksgiving, or on November 23, or not at all.

Following is the letter of E. C. Wilson, graduate football manager at George Washington, submitting the controversy to the sporting editors of the Washington daily newspapers:

Leaves It to the Sporting Writers.

Saturday, November 9, 1907.

Sporting Editor of The Times,

Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir: I respectfully submit

to you for publication in tomorrow's

issue exact copies of letter which have

recently passed between the managers

of the football teams of Georgetown

University and George Washington Uni-

versity concerning the date of the game

between these two institutions and the

division of proceeds. As there seems to

be no likelihood of agreement, and the

people of Washington appear really to

desire a game to take place between

these two institutions, we beg leave to

submit the matter to the judgment of

the sporting editors of the Washington

daily newspapers, and to express our

willingness to abide by their decision

in the matter. If we are wrong, we are

prepared to recede from our position

as indicated by these letters; and if we

are right we want the football public

of the city to know just why there will

be no game this year between Geo-

orgetown and George Washington. Res-

pectfully yours, EDWARD C. WILSON,

Graduate Manager, G. W. U. Football

Team.

Letter That Precipitated Trouble.

Here is the letter of Manager Ed.

Fitzgerald, of the Georgetown football

team, to Mr. Wilson dated October 25,

in which Mr. Fitzgerald asks Geo-

Washington to accept 40 per cent of the

net receipts. George Washington lays

great stress upon the expression "our

game on Thanksgiving, the 28th prox-

imo," as indicating that Georgetown

team considered the game defini-

tely agreed upon.

October 23, 1907.

E. M. Ball, Esq., Manager George

Washington U. F. B. Team, Wash-

ington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In my recent conversation

with you, it was agreed, as you will

remember, that I would hear from you

this (Wednesday) morning relative to

the final agreement concerning the

terms of our game on Thanksgiving

Day, the 28th proximo. This morning's

mail, however, failed to bring me

word from you, and as the matter must

be settled at once, I beg to repeat here

the following agreement of the game

settlement, viz: "that the net receipts

of the game between us on November

28, proximo, be divided equally between

Washington team shall receive 40 per

cent, and Georgetown University team

the remaining 60 per cent thereof."

If you have decided that this agree-

ment is not feasible, then we will con-

sider the question of another earlier

date for a game. While I am hold-

ing in advance two offers of Thank-

sgiving Day, one of which I shall close,

and under no consideration cancel later,

if these terms are not agreed by you

before 5 p. m. Thursday, the 24th in-

stant. This is final.

Awaiting your reply, I am, very truly

yours,

ED. FITZGERALD, JR.

G. W. U. Position Explained.

Upon receipt of the Georgetown letter

asking to take a less share of the

gate money for a Thanksgiving date,

Manager Ball hunted up the contract

made between the two universities when

they agreed to play three consecutive

years for the McLean cup, beginning in

1905. He examined the contract care-

fully and wrote Manager Fitzgerald he

considered Georgetown bound by legal

bonds to play the game on Thanksgiv-

ing, the money to be equally divided.

That letter was as follows:

Mr. Edmund Fitzgerald, Jr.,

Manager of Georgetown football team,

Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:

With respect to the date and the

division of the proceeds of the football

game between Georgetown University

and the George Washington University,

I wish respectfully to call your atten-

tion to the following written agreements

already entered into by duly authorized

representatives of both of these insti-

tutions, which have a direct bearing upon

these matters:

When in the fall of 1905 Mr. E. P.

McLean offered to give a silver cup to

be competed for by the football teams

of these two universities, he used these

words, which I quote in a certified

copy of the letter itself: "the said cup to

be the property of the university whose

team shall be the victor in the three con-

secutive seasons, the winner of a ma-

jority of games played. One game to

be played a season. This clearly pro-

vides for three games, and not for two,

no matter what may have been the out-

come of the first two games.

In the same letter it was provided that

all details and conditions of the contest

be arranged by a joint committee rep-

resenting both universities. That joint

committee was duly appointed and Mr.

McLean's generous offer accepted, to-

gether, of course, with the conditions

attaching thereto.

This joint committee drew up a set

BALLOU WINS; LAYERS LOSE AT AQUEDUCT OF PINNICO

Three-Year-Old Closes
His Season by Captur-
ing the Edgemere
Handicap.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Ballot, the

three-year-old, son of Voter-Carlo,

owned by James R. Keene, wound up

the season today in a glory when he

captured the Edgemere Handicap on the

Aqueduct racetrack in a sensational

manner from Brookdale Nymph, the

Meddler filly, belonging to Harry Payne

Whitney. A head separated the couple

at the post. The amount of this purse

added to the great winnings of Mr.

Keene reaches the sum of \$37,855, a

feat never before accomplished on the

American turf.

The finish cost the layers over \$15,000.

To take this enormous sum away from

the bookmakers it required an outlay

of \$20,000, as the prevailing price was

2 to 5.

In the minds of many, Brookdale

Nymph would have won the event if

Eddie Dugan had not taken her to the

rail after the two for home, when he

had a lead of two lengths. In this spot

the going appeared to be a trifle soggy

and somewhat of a handicap. Notter

took Ballot out some a distance from

the rail where the track was good and

coming down the stretch cut down her

lead and was on equal terms with her

reached the last sixteenth pole.

Ballot Game.

It required the free use of the whip to

get Ballot up with Brookdale Nymph,

but when it came down to the final

drive he outgamed the filly to the wire.

Harry Payne Whitney met with better

luck in the Oakdale Handicap for two-

BG BOWD SEES CLOSE OF PINNICO

Running for Amateur
Cup Brought Out Lead-
ing Gentlemen Riders.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 9.—Fair weather

brought out a big crowd today for the

final at Pinnico, and with a splendid

card of seven races the finish was highly

satisfactory to all concerned.

Several features were on the program,

but of these perhaps the most attractive

was the sixth running of the Amateur

Cup for gentlemen riders. This brought

out a good field of seven starters who

the leading gentlemen riders of this

section in the saddle. Nearly every

star had some support. Several who

perhaps the most fancied, although True

Boy and Peter Knight had a strong

backing. The race was won by Kili-

han, ridden by Mr. Tucker. The win-

ner ran a nice race, and just lasted long

enough to beat out Peter Knight, who

closed with a determined rush. Tommy

Wright had the mount on Lord Badge,

and he rode his prettiest to win.

Mr. Wright has two left on the cup

now, and a winning today would have

made it his property. Lord Badge looked

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Technical Beats Woodberry Forest On Orange Field

GEORGETOWN DEAD
GAME, BUT LOSES

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Georgetown's left end by means of his

strut-out interference, Simon hauling

him down on the 35-yard line. Caro-

lina's inside kick went over the line

and Georgetown pointed out, the ball be-

ing returned to Georgetown's 35-yard

line. There was a 35-yard forward pass

to Davis, but he dropped it and Thomp-

son recovered the ball for Georgetown

and he took the ball again and Davis

once more broke loose around left end

this time for ten yards. A forward pass

settled ten more.

The First Score.

Then began the cruel numbering of

the Georgetown line. Crowell, Dunlap,

and Williams took turns in charging

until Dunlap went over for a touch-

down and Mann kicked goal. Score:

North Carolina, 6; Georgetown, 0.

Carolina kicked and the ball was

downed on Georgetown's 35-yard line,

Cullen making a splendid dodging run,

Georgetown's punt was blocked and the

ball went to Carolina in the Geo-

orgetown 25-yard line. Crosswell failed

a field goal and Georgetown kicked out

from her 25-yard line. Then began a

series of kicks and forward passes on

Georgetown's 35-yard line. Gradually

worked the ball into North Carolina ter-

ritory, largely because when Carolina

made a kick, the ball was downed

on the 35-yard line. Crosswell kicked

twice and the ball was downed on

Carolina's 35-yard line. Crosswell

kicked twice and the ball was downed

Harvard Beaten By Indians' Use Of Modern Game

Carlisle Constantly Held to Open Play—Har-
vard Defense Wholly Inadequate to Meet
Redskins' Varied Attacks.

BOSTON, Nov. 9.—Stung by the In-

dians' goal line, and Apollence was

pushed back to a touchdown. Parker

kicked goal. Score: Carlisle, 6; Har-

vard, 0.

Houser Misses Goal.

Houser kicked behind Harvard's goal

line, and the ball was brought back to

the 25-yard line, where Burr punted to

Hendricks on Carlisle's 50-yard line.