

BIG GRID GAME BESTIARS TRI-CITIES

TOMORROW'S CLASH BETWEEN INDEPENDENTS AND STALEYS TO BE SPITE STRUGGLE OF CHAMPS

Independents on losing end, will fight to wipe out previous defeat; Staleys intact, while injuries beset Islanders; Record crowd is expected.

PROBABLE LINEUPS.

(Independents)	(Staleys)	No.
Smith	Left End	Chamberlain 28
Wynne	Left Tackle	Ingerson 16
Wynne	Left Guard	Petty 17
Quander	Center	Trafton 18
Pharrell	Right Guard	Jones 19
Denfield	Right Tackle	Blacklock 21
Marshall	Right End	Halas 2
Nichols	Quarterback	Pearce 4
Novak	Left Halfback	Sternman 2
Chick	Right Halfback	Conzelman 15
Wyman	Fullback	Lanum 1

Reserves: Independents—Lyle, 6; Buland, 2; Healey, 1; Kuehl, 3; Cronin, 12; Mansfield, 10; Webster, 15; Rockmore, 10. Staleys—Dressen, 5; Geplford, 6; Feighinger, 11; McWhirter, 14; Young, 16; Shans, 18; May, 19; Mintum, 20; Atkins, 22; Shoemaker.

BULLETIN. Although today's weather forecast is "rain tonight and tomorrow; not much change in temperature," the Independents management announced this morning that the big game would be played, rain or shine.

BY BRUCE COPELAND. Greatly bestirred are these three cities over the prospects of tomorrow's much discussed return clash between Rock Island's Independents and the sterling Staleys of Decatur. In what promises to be a great football game which will determine who's who in mid-west professional football.

Notwithstanding their last two victories over the Chicago Cardinals and Maroons, the Independents are fostering only a futile hope that they will be able to stop the Staleys and retain the championship contention in Rock Island. This is because they know, if they fail, the Starchmen will be accorded the prized notoriety and will figure in later games for the championship of the world.

AN UNOBSTRUCTED VIEW FOR ALL

Eleventh hour announcement from the Independent management today was to the effect that every football fan who attends the game will be afforded a clear view of the field of play, and that the game will either be won or lost strictly on its merits. The Islanders realize the importance of defeating the Staleys. Brains and brawn will be matched to accomplish their complete vindication for the defeat of three weeks ago.

The extra seating and standing facilities will consist of additional chairs and sloping wooden shading platforms stationed at various open spaces along the sidelines. These platforms will have a sloping surface in order that the ones behind may look over the heads of those in front, and thus see the whole field of play without inconvenience.

GREAT INFUX OF FANS IS LIKELY

The whole community is so wrought up over this game that the out-of-town attendance is expected to break all records for professional football in the middle west; perhaps, the country, outside the larger cities. The fame of the Independents in the last two years has spread to every nook and cranny of this part of the state and that section of Iowa and around Davenport. Tomorrow's game is expected as the "big game" of the season and the majority of outside fans will accept it as their excuse for the annual trip to Douglas park.

Bestirred by championship hopes, the Staley delegation, which numbered only 200 at the previous game in Rock Island, is being estimated to be more than 1,000. Their special train from Decatur will arrive tomorrow before noon. Most of the contingent have blocks of bleacher tickets ordered in advance, so they can shout encouragement to their champions as a unit.

ISLANDERS BESET WITH INJURIES

The Independents will be scrutinized for every detail in regards to form, although the belief prevails that the team will be lucky to hold the Starchmen even. These "doubtful Thomases" point to the fact that neither the Chicago Cards nor Tigers can measure up to the all-around class of the Staleys.

Duty Lyle, who has been playing the best game of his career this year, will be the only regular out of the game. At least this was ascertained this morning when it was learned that Lyle's injured ankle would not permit him to play with his usual effectiveness, or anywhere near it. Lyle has all he can do to limp around.

The report came from Minneapolis Thursday that Arnold Wyman, the Independents' star passer and line-bucker, might not be able to start tomorrow. He, too, is nursing a bad leg. If Wyman fails to start, the Independents will have a severe backfield problem to settle on the eve of the great battle. Jerry Mansfield might be able to take the field, but it is doubtful that, in his condition, he would be sent in to run against such formidable players as the Staleys.

One tentative solution is Webster, the Iowa star, whose all-around work in almost any position, makes him especially desired in the line-up. Oke Smith might be drawn back from end and replaced by Webster. If Wyman can play, either Smith or Marshall might be replaced by Webster. The Iowa is also in readiness to sub for Sid Nichols.

Here's Staley "Big Three"



CHAMBERLAIN (End). CONZELMAN (Halfback). HALAS (End).

DO DROPS AND ISLANDER ELKS TIE ON ALLEYS

Both Star Bowling Teams Out and Ahead of Others After Victories Scored Thursday Night.

League Standings.

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Do Drop Inn	11	4	.733
R. I. Elks	11	4	.733
Mueller Lbr. Co.	8	4	.666
Black Hawks	7	8	.466
Peerless	5	10	.333
Grid-Iron Griffs	4	8	.333
Regulars	4	5	.444
R. I. Buicks	3	12	.200

Matches.

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
C. Wick	151	161	180	516
Cavanaugh	153	160	159	472
Pinkelstein	174	172	173	519
Graham	174	181	196	551
Danielson	202	229	190	621

DO DROP INN (Win 3).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Lindberg	231	194	161	586
Churchill	179	215	214	608
Carlson	203	173	225	601
Erickson	172	212	164	548
Freeden	190	189	203	582

R. I. ELKS (Win 3).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Kuehner	172	161	171	504
Bleuer	186	212	177	575
Paulsen	211	158	192	561
Johnson	170	201	165	536
Salzman	159	148	169	476

PEERLESS (Win 0).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Schober	197	161	164	522
Hartman	185	167	202	554
Hergman	151	158	179	488
Kaesser	199	231	196	626

BLACK HAWKS (Win 2).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Asmus	216	190	169	575
Krabenhoff	150	186	160	496
Wessel	165	143	214	522
Pollock	171	201	157	529
Vinall	202	166	225	593

REGULARS (Win 1).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Hull	197	203	169	569
Dunblazier	180	154	188	522
Friend	169	224	154	547
West	190	176	141	507
Miller	137	170	144	451

R. I. BUICKS (Win 0).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Quale	129	135	158	422
Noid	136	133	176	445
Normoye	156	155	157	468
Long	132	142	157	431
Kohl	137	184	153	474

MUELLER LBR. CO. (Win 3).

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Stark	147	182	174	503
Naeckel	209	154	213	576
Mueller	164	129	212	505
Hansen	143	144	158	445
P. Peterson	191	171	165	527

SAILOR FREEDMAN KNOCK OUTS RIVAL

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Louisville, Ky.	197	203	169	569
Freeman	180	154	188	522
Friend	169	224	154	547
West	190	176	141	507
Miller	137	170	144	451

AUGUSTANA HAS CHANCE TO END IN 2ND PLACE

Milliken Has Clinched Title, It Appears, But Augie Has Clear Hold On Runner-Up Honors.

Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 6.—With the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic conference football championship practically clinched by James Milliken university of Decatur, the teams which were considered championship contenders at the beginning of the season have set about to win the remaining games of their schedule so as to finish as high in the conference percentage column possible.

The games scheduled for this week will have no bearing on the championship race, as there is but one of these contests which is evenly matched, that being the Bradley-Wesleyan games scheduled for Peoria today. The remainder of the teams for this week's schedule are very unevenly matched, most of which will be decided by large scores.

Milliken Clinches. Milliken demonstrated to the followers of the conference that the Blue and White machine is without a doubt the strongest in the state by administering a 34 to 0 beating to the strong Eureka college eleven at Decatur last Saturday. The result was even greater than what the Milliken backers had hoped for. The Decatur institution will take things easy this week, meeting the weak Shurtleff college eleven at Decatur Saturday in a game which the Presbyterians should win by a top-heavy score.

Illinois college, which has lost but one game to date, will journey to Monmouth today, where Coach I Armon's eleven is expected to hand Monmouth a convincing beating. Woodford sprung a surprise last week by defeating Wesleyan at Jacksonville by the score of 13 to 7, the result of two fumbled punts which were recovered by Illinois men on the Wesleyan five-yard line. Coach Harmon is out in second place in the conference standings and have no thought of losing any more games this season.

Eureka Should Win. Eureka meets the weak Heading aggregation at Eureka today in a contest which should be won by the Woodford county eleven by at least 50 points. This game will have no final result on the conference race in as much as both teams have already been eliminated from the running.

Probably the most exciting game scheduled for this week end is the Wesleyan-Bradley game which is being played at Peoria today. The two schools are time honored rivals and the annual contest between these institutions are always fiercely contested regardless of the strength of the opposing elevens. Wesleyan has a heavier team than Bradley and a backfield which should show to advantage against the Peoria aggregation. The fact that Bradley had a difficult task of defeating the weak Normal team, 10 to 0 last Saturday, tends to show that the Peoria aggregation is not playing up to its usual standard.

Knox vs. Ripon. Knox college meets Ripon at Galesburg in another non-conference game. The "Siwash" eleven has demonstrated its class by not having suffered a defeat to date, the latest triumph being a 7 to 0 victory over the strong Lake Forest team at Lake Forest last Saturday. It is to be regretted that Knox has not scheduled games with more of the conference schools in order that they could be rated in the conference standing. A movement is on foot to bring the Knox and Milliken elevens together on Thanksgiving day in a game which will settle beyond all doubt the supremacy of the Illinois inter-college conference, as possible.

As the race now stands, Milliken is leading the conference with Augustana second; Illinois college, third and Eureka, fourth.

KNOX TO REMAIN IN CONFERENCE, IS COLLEGE REPORT

Galesburg, Ill., Nov. 6.—Contrary to rumors which have been afloat in the state recently to the effect that Knox intends to withdraw from the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic association.

College authorities have announced that Knox has no intention of leaving the organization. The Knox policy will be to play the three or four strongest teams within the conference and several strong teams from neighboring states, thus keeping the I. I. A. C. intact.

"BIG JIM" VAUGHN IS SUED BY WIFE FOR SEPARATION

Kenoeha, Wis., Nov. 6.—(United Press).—James L. Vaughn, Chicago Cub pitcher, was to appear in court here today to testify in the separate maintenance suit filed against him by Edna C. Vaughn. The complaint charges Vaughn with cruel and inhuman treatment.

VAGLER VS. BURNS BOUT IS STOPPED

Toronto, Nov. 6.—Officials of the local boxing commission stopped the contest between Benny Vagler of New York and another boxer, claiming to be "Frisco Frankie" Burns of San Francisco, after Vagler was warned for not trying his best.

"BIG TEN" TURNS SPOTLIGHT ON ILLINI, WISCONSIN, OHIO STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MARKS TODAY

Illini Favored Over Chicago, Wisconsin to Beat Minnesota and Ohio to Edge Michigan.

Chicago, Nov. 6.—The western football conference drew attention to the outcome of three games, which will determine the final contestants for the 1920 championship—the Michigan versus Ohio game at Columbus (Ohio), the Chicago-Illinois game at Chicago, and the Minnesota-Wisconsin game at Minneapolis.

Illinois, 1919 conference champions, and Ohio State, last year's runner-up, offered undefeated teams for today's play, while Wisconsin, Michigan and Chicago, each though defeated in one conference game, may go into a tie for first place unless the two unbeaten elevens can keep their slates clean for the rest of the season.

The Wolverines are confident they have an even chance with Ohio State, and realize it is their only chance to remain in the running for the conference title.

Illini Have Easy Task. Illinois, on the other hand, faces a much easier prospect in the crippled Chicago team. The loss of a quarterback, Bobby Cole, for the rest of the season, and Crisler, sterling backfield man, also out; with Hanisch in doubtful condition, leaves Coach Stagg's squad seriously handicapped. All three were injured in the hard fought defeat by Ohio State last Saturday. Coach Zuppke feels that his team has been materially improved since its victory over Minnesota last week.

Wisconsin also was a strong favorite over Minnesota in their clash at Minneapolis today, although the Gophers have shown increasing improvement with each game this season.

Badgers' Good Chances. Wisconsin, only one game down, is naturally being pointed for the important struggle with Illinois next Saturday in which their chances of a tie for the championship slip depend.

The game between Northwestern and Iowa presents almost evenly matched teams, unless the Devine brothers have some surprises in store for the purple.

Purdue faces the powerful Notre Dame eleven at Notre Dame, while Indiana, the other western conference member, has no game scheduled for today. Center college crosses the Mason and Dixon line to battle with DePauw at Indianapolis.

GLOOMY PROSPECT FOR MAROONS

Chicago, Nov. 6.—Illinois, western conference football champion of last year, unbeaten so far this year, faces Chicago, "the ancient rival," today at State field for a battle to determine which eleven will remain in the 1920 race.

Every seat had been sold early in the week and football followers besieged all the gates to the field long before noon and scoured over the university district in an endeavor to appropriate the precious pastboards granting entrance. Ideal weather presented a dry, hard field.

Almost Same Team. Coach Zuppke of the champions presented a backfield almost intact from last year's play. Outside of Captain Depler, center, and Carney, end, the Orange and Blue was composed of last year's substitutes and sophomores.

The Maroons, weakened materially by the loss of Cole and Crisler, offered a shattered defense. In the absence of Cole, Hanisch and Palmer were scheduled to do the punting.

On the other hand, the Maroons' line was heavier and more experienced than their opponents.

Zup Removes Numerals. Another hope of the local fans was that Coach Stagg had developed an attack which would not be at a loss before the light, fast down-state men. Zuppke announced today that his men would not wear numerals. He conferred with his squad last night and ran through light signal practices. Stagg's men will wear numerals.

HARVARD AND TIGERS LEAD EAST

New York, Nov. 6.—The 1920 football season on eastern collegiate grids entered on the last lap today with a number of contests of prime importance.

The Harvard-Princeton clash at Cambridge, the first of the "Big Three" classics, was the headline. Both teams have been undefeated this season and both have demonstrated high scoring potentialities. Yale had the undefeated Brown eleven as its opponent at New Haven.

The Blue planned to reserve its full power, however, for Harvard. Dartmouth was a slight favorite over Cornell at the Polo grounds in this city. The Ithacans have not been defeated in their schedule, although it has been lighter than the Green.

University of Nebraska's husky eleven, which rolled over Rutgers in impressive style here on election day, faced real tests against the powerful Penn State team, which the odds favored the eastern state athletes.

A Battle Royal. A battle royal was promised between Syracuse and Washington and Jefferson, both teams apparently being fairly evenly matched. Among the minors the Amherst-Wesleyan battle attracted considerable attention.

Other important games in the east were:

Boston college at Boston university.
Culgate at Lafayette.
Colgate at Rochester.
Washington and Lee at West Virginia.
Swarthmore at Columbia.
Navy at Georgetown.
University of Pittsburgh at University of Pennsylvania.

OHIO STATE HAS TWO STARS LESS TO PLAY YOSTS

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 6.—With two veterans—Fullback Willaman and Tackle Spiers—out of the game because of injuries, Ohio State meets Michigan here today in a game which will be watched with utmost interest in western conference football circles.

Ohio must win over Michigan to face Illinois two weeks hence with a clean slate in what is expected to be the battle for the conference championship. Michigan, although beaten by Illinois earlier in the season, has apparently developed considerable strength and the hardest kind of a battle is anticipated.

UNBEATEN TEAMS MEETING IN K. C.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 6.—Unbeaten this season, the University of Kansas and University of Oklahoma football elevens went into action at Norman, Okla., today in what, observers declared, probably would be the game to decide the Missouri Valley conference championship.

Meantime, the Kansas State Agricultural college and University of Missouri teams were engaged at Columbia. That contest also was fraught with possibilities for Missouri, which, until defeated last week by Oklahoma, was regarded as having the championship in its hands.

DETROIT BATTLES AGAINST TUFTS

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 6.—The University of Detroit met Tufts here today determined to avenge their defeat at the hands of the easterners last season. Although greatly outwished the Tufts squad was conceded a fair chance of victory through its fast, deceptive attack.

PROUD AS EVER. Governor Cox in his first statement since election, said that in spirit he was "as proud as when he first started," and that he "would not retrace a step nor yield a single jot in principle."

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