

# YALE EXPECTS TO USE A MUCH-IMPROVED SHARPE SYSTEM ON THE UNBEATEN CRIMSON

## PUNTER IS POWER TO TEAM ON OFFENSE AS WELL AS DEFENSE

Any Football Combination With Good Kicker and Fast, Hard-Tackling Ends Possesses Punch on Attack. Says Big Bill Hollenback

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WHEN a football team is up against it, with fourth down and about 15 yards to gain, the quarterback always gives the signal for a punt when the ball is not too close to the opponent's goal line. Everybody knows the punt is the greatest defensive play in the game, but it is surprising to note how few teams know how to make use of it. Of course, the play always is called as a last resort, but a wise field general will not wait that long. He will kick on the first down when inside of his 20-yard line, wait until the second down between the 20 and 35 yard lines and after that he will use it when everything else fails.

"The punt is a great defensive play," said Bill Hollenback, assistant coach at the University of Pennsylvania, the other day. "That I believe it also is a wonderful offensive weapon. Give me a good kicker and a pair of fast, tackling ends, and I will take a chance against any team. Just boot the ball into the other fellow's territory, and after the ends down the center in his tracks a couple of times he is likely to lose confidence in himself and fumble a kick. Then if we get the ball, think of all the ground we have gained."

"College quarterbacks don't seem to be able to figure the real value of a punt. They think it is a disgrace—a sign of weakness—to kick on the first down. That is a mistake. All you have to do is to watch a Harvard team in one of the big games and see how those guys make use of the kick. They know they have a chance to get the ball on a fumble, and even if they don't the ball is in the opponent's territory, and it is up to them to get it out."

"Glenn Warner is a very clever, fox coach, and he has taught his players to make use of the kicking game. He beat West Virginia early in the season by punting on the first down and keeping the ball in the Southerners' territory. Every time Pitt was holding the 50 yard line Hastings would boot the ball. As a result West Virginia had eight fumbles in the game and one-half were on kicks."

"Penn also had a chance to beat Penn State but the ball was kicked more often. Good work was done in the first quarter, but after that there wasn't a chance. You never can do too much punting if you have a fairly good kicker."

### Who Was the Greatest Punter?

MANY arguments have come up as to who was the greatest kicker of all time, but the question never will be settled. There have been too many and, anyway, most of the old-timers are too strong for their favorites. However, one of the greatest punters I ever knew was Sweeney, who played on Michigan in 1902. He was good for 60 yards all of the time, and once in a game against Chicago got off one which sailed 75.

Pat O'Dea, of Wisconsin; Henschberger, of Chicago, and Gordon Brown, of Yale, were top-notchers in the older days and could get great distance. Wilmer Crowell, of Swarthmore, also could boot the oval.

However, Hollenback comes to bat with a candidate for premier punting honors. He nominates Walder, who played with Cornell in 1908.

"The greatest kick I ever saw," Bill narrates, "was pulled in the Penn-Cornell game in 1908, and, believe me, it was SOME kick. We had carried the ball to the 10-yard line, where we were held for downs. On the first play after Cornell got the ball Walder dropped back behind his own goal line and I stood in the middle of the field, playing, as I thought, for a long punt."

"Walder was about ten yards back of the goal line when his foot hit that ball. It was a perfect spiral and I got set to catch it when it came down. The only trouble was that it refused to drop and it sailed over my head, dropping twenty yards behind me. I ran after the ball, picked it up on my 5-yard line and O'Rourke, the big tackle, grabbed me before I had gained an inch."

"That ball traveled more than 100 yards and saved Cornell. There might have been other kicks like that, but I never heard of them."

### Here's Chance for Comparative-Score Experts

IN A SHORT time the critics will make a heroic attempt to pick a championship eleven for 1919, and the job will not be an easy one. The result of Saturday's games puts everything on the blink, for Colgate and Dartmouth, the leading undefeated teams, bit the dust for the first time this year. Harvard has yet to lose a game, but cannot be considered, even if she triumphs over the Blue. The Crimson has had things pretty easy this fall and cannot be allowed to walk away with the title.

Syracuse now is putting in claims for the crown, despite the 13 to 0 defeat slipped over by Washington and Jefferson. Pitt is likely to step forward because it defeated the team that beat Syracuse. It's a swell mixup and the best guesser will win. Five teams have been defeated once and can be considered. Dartmouth lost to Brown, 7-6; Colgate lost to Syracuse, 13-7; Syracuse lost to Washington and Jefferson, 13-0; Pittsburgh lost to Syracuse, 24-3, and Washington and Jefferson lost to Pittsburgh, 7-0. Gents who believe in comparative scores have a chance to figure to their hearts' content.

Penn State would have had a good chance to claim something if the team had played any kind of football against Dartmouth. Hugo Bezdek's eleven was defeated 19 to 13 early in the season, when the players had not yet reached the top form and teamwork was conspicuous by its absence. State has a very good team this year and can give any of the big boys a hard battle. Had she defeated Dartmouth the team would have been considered seriously. At that there still is a chance. State plays Pittsburgh on Thanksgiving Day, and if Bezdek's men win the dopesters will have to begin all over again.

If comparative scores were carried out Charley Moran's team at Center College would have to be considered. Here is the dope: Brown beat Dartmouth, Dartmouth beat Colgate, Colgate beat Princeton, Princeton beat Yale, West Virginia beat Princeton and Center College beat West Virginia. That small college in Danville, Ky., is in the limelight this year and may become popular some day. Still it doesn't take much to get into the big push these days. Just wallop a winning team and there is a chance to go into vaudeville.

The remaining games to be played, with the exception of the Pitt-State contest, will have no bearing on the championship as anything else. However, they will be exciting and, anyway, who wants to be a champion?

### Big Boost for Princeton Tigers

LAWRENCE PERRY, the New York football critic, says Yale was lucky to have met Princeton on a soggy field last Saturday. On a fast gridiron Perry believes the Blue would have been badly beaten. This is what he says: "Princeton's equipment consisted of a very creditable line back attack, some good offensive plays, some flashes of good wide interference and as fine a threat game as any team has employed this year. Included in this threat was a forward passing scheme not easily solved, which compares in scientific arrangement and effectiveness with any forward passing I have ever seen. Had the field not been surprisingly soggy, thereby preventing catchers from arriving at their stations as they were timed to arrive—or, having arrived, being unable to turn on quick pivot—Yale, I firmly believe, would have been badly beaten."

"She herself might have made one touchdown under better footing, but that touchdown would have been more or less heavily overbalanced. I say this because Yale, coached to watch out for passes over the center, was completely fooled by Princeton's lateral deception, whereby after catchers, apparently only constituted as receivers, had reached their stations another eligible man, who had masked himself, darted wide and clear. Two long passes over center—Yale was watching for short ones—which would have shaken a man loose were frustrated because the catcher was unable to slip away from the slipper going to get to his position on time. It was obvious that timing played a very important part in the Princeton overhead scheme—and timing is of the bone and sinew of the play."

"The defensive play of both elevens was excellent, quite up to Hoyle. The offensive line play of the rival teams was also good, barring effective interference on wide plays, in which Yale was not good, and Princeton good occasionally."

### Coddale Will Meet Holmesburg

THE Coddale football team, champions of the coal belt, will be with us next Saturday afternoon, when it lines up against Holmesburg at Holmesburg. This promises to be one of the best independent games staged here this season and will give the fans a line on the game as it is played upstate. Coddale has a very good team. "Blue" Bonner is one of the best plunging backs I ever have seen, and Gilden is a good field general and drop kicker. A Penn tilt on Saturday here is a chance to see the game as she is played about here.

## WONDER WHAT A QUEEN OF HEARTS THINKS ABOUT

WELL HERE I AM FOR THE FIRST TIME TONIGHT IN THIS GUYS HAND. GOSH I'M TIRED.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT!!! THIS POOR FISH PASSED. GOOD-NIGHT! SOMETHING TELLS ME IF IT'S OPENED HE'LL KEEP HIS SPADES AND ME AND MY GIRL FRIEND WILL PART-ME FOR THE BONEYARD.

THE DEALER OPENS EH? I HATE THAT ROUGH NECK. I'VE GOT A BACKACHE FROM THE WAY HE SHUFFLES. NOBODY RAISED BUT I SUPPOSE I'M ON MY WAY JUST THE SAME.

NO WONDER THIS GINK'S A LOSER!! TWO ONE CARD DRAWS AHEAD OF HIM AND HE TAKES THREE!

CAN YOU BEAT IT? HE'D HAVE FILLED HIS FLUSH 'SPOSE HE'S SORE AS A CRAB AT ME. I SHOULD WORRY.

PIPE! WHAT GOOD WILL THAT DO? SOMEBODY'S SURE TO HAVE FILLED—COME ON WITH THAT NEXT CARD! WISH HE WOULDN'T PICK'EM UP ONE BY ONE.

WELL WILL YOU LOOK WHO'S HERE! OH LADY LADY! IF THIS HAND DOESN'T PUT HIM ON VELVET GOOD NIGHT! (HIS HAND FEELS A TRIFLE TREMULOUS MY DEAR).

OUCH!! NEARLY BROKE MY NOSE THE WAY HE SLAMMED ME DOWN. 'TWASN'T MY FAULT THE DEALER HAD FOUR KINGS!! WELL I TOLD YOU HOW I HATED HIM ANYWAY.

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8	10 1 1	8	10 1 1
9	10 1 1	9	10 1 1
10	10 1 1	10	10 1 1

**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

Tonight—Reading at Germantown.  
Friday—North Philadelphia at Reading.  
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## FEW THRILLS LIKELY IN NEXT BIG GAME

Yale-Harvard Game Probably Will Resolve Itself Into Duel Between Casey and Braden

## CRIMSON IS FAVORITE

By SPICK HALL.  
UNTIL Jimmy Schoerer made the winning touchdown Saturday, the Princeton-Yale game was singularly lacking in spectacular performances. There was nothing to beget, the great through to its feet. There was little to inspire the befuddled onlookers with the thrill of battle that so often marks the titanic struggles in games staged by the so-called Big Three. If this was true when Princeton had a versatile attack it will be even more the case next Saturday when Harvard meets Yale in the stadium at Cambridge.

There may be exciting moments in the coming struggle, but the chances are that Casey, the "Taran" of eastern football, alone will furnish the thrilling plays if there are any that will grip the New England gridiron customers. Otherwise the game probably will resolve itself into just what Yale apparently wants—a lit smacking of the old school of football in which the major part will be line-plunging and the minor portion will be ineffectual efforts to pull off modern plays.

It is true that Harvard has a better rounded offense than Yale, but a fact that the Crimson hasn't the variety of forward passing plays nor can she execute them nearly as well as Princeton. Yale's scattered most of the "Taran" passes, consequently it seems reasonable to believe that she will be able to stop all of Harvard's aerial efforts next Saturday.

If Yale puts up the defense against Harvard that she did against Princeton, the battle will virtually resolve itself into a duel between Casey and Braden. In this event, Harvard should have all the better of the argument, because the dashing Casey a broken field runner of parts. At any moment he is likely to tear himself away from his would-be tacklers and fight his way through the Blue for a touchdown, or at least a run that will put his team within striking distance of the goal. On the other hand, Braden may do as he did against Princeton, make consistent gains through the line until he has carried his team far into enemy territory, but he should not be feared further. Ted Coy, on a few occasions, plunged

## VINCOME WANTS TO PLAY HOLMESBURG

Claims Only Way to Settle Championship Is for Two Clubs to Meet

## INSISTS ON NEUTRAL FIELD

The independent football championship of Philadelphia will remain in dispute unless Holmesburg and Vincome, the two leading aspirants, reach an agreement soon. Both teams have advanced claims for the independent crown. Conshohocken, probably the foremost team in the East, has defeated both Holmesburg and Vincome, but as Conshohocken represents an upstate community and does not play within the limits of Philadelphia, local fans seem justified in omitting them from all claims on the Philadelphia title.

However, Vincome, on Conshohocken's own gridiron, held the Tigers to a lower score than Holmesburg did in the classic clash played in the stockade at Norristown, a neutral field. Both Holmesburg and Vincome have defeated all the elevens of this city that they played this season. Frankford, on paper the next nearest contender for the championship, has also defeated or tied all the Philadelphia teams except Holmesburg, who defeated Frankford, 7-0, and Vincome, who also defeated Frankford, 14-7.

Vincome and Holmesburg several Saturdays ago were scheduled to clash on the Holmesburg gridiron, but when the arrangements covering the game were explained to the West Philadelphians, all voted against playing the game.

Everything considered, Harvard has a big theoretical edge on Yale, but theories and dope have proved very untrue to their sponsors all year, so the Crimson-Blue battle also may develop into one of the frequent upsets.

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## ONLY ONE YALE WIN OVER HARVARD TEAM IN LAST TEN YEARS

With Combination of Houghton, Brickley, Hardwick, Mahan, Felton and Bradlee Among the Missing, Eli's Chance to Wreck the Crimson Is Much Improved

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Who'll Volunteer  
Still do some critics spend their days  
Sneering that Francis Bacon wrote  
The bulk of Mr. Shakespeare's plays,  
That Bill was not the acting poet;  
And working in, around about,  
With some points fresh and others old,  
Go on to prove beyond a doubt  
The Bard of Avon was not guilty.

Oh, would that some far day from here,  
When I am dust to dust returned,  
When my selections, far and near,  
Are passed and hoisted, knocked and spured,  
Oh would that it might some day be,  
When Time has called my little bug,  
That some friend will arise for me  
And prove I did not write the stuff.

IT SO happens that Rodgers, of West Virginia, is one of the best students in the university. This should help allay the fiction idea that all great line-backers are big Swedes, who can speak only broken English.

DAN MCGUITAN, the old Michigan star, not only rates Josh Cozy, of Vanderbilt, as the best tackle he has seen this year, but one of the best of all time. Cozy's displacement is 220 pounds, which is combined with speed and aggressiveness. What more can any tackle use?

THE facts in the case appear to be that Yale has overthrown Harvard but once in the last ten years. This overthrow came at their last meeting in 1910. The combination of Houghton and such elite talent as Brickley, Hardwick, Mahan, Felton, Bradlee, etc., was a triple too much for the harassed Blue from 1912 to 1916.

BUT Yale has come forward since that depressing slump, while Harvard has nothing like the machine that wore the Crimson from 1912 through 1915.

E. C. PATTERSON, the western football expert, who again will select the All-Conference Eleven for Collier's, calls attention to a remarkable record—"that every man on the various Conference squads, with one exception, a had seventeen years old, was in the service." And it might be added they were not shipbuilders.

ONE of the queer features of the waning football season has been the lack of good kickers. It is difficult to recall a campaign where big elevens were so badly shy in this important department of the game. Is the collegiate hoof stamping in the rush of knowledge to the bean?

WHEEN an eleven so powerful as the Calgate machine has to move through a season without a first-class spiralist, the alarming decrease in intercollegiate hoops can be appreciated.

WALTER HAGEN, the open golf champion, is now deer hunting in the mountains. Mr. Hagen soon will return an official report as to whether, in the act of opening fire, the hunter should keep his eye on the deer or on the guide. This always has been a mooted question among hunters, with the result that the casualty list involving deer and guides has been about fifty-fifty.

HAGEN, in addition to being a champion golfer and a first-class shot, was at one time a semi-pro ballplayer. And there are a number of tuckles who could use the power of his ball.

WITH Notre Dame suppressing the Army team and Georgetown conquering the Navy, why pan England for her inability to settle the Irish question?

THERE is a rumor abroad that Ohio will go after an exclusive world series next fall, with Pat Moran taking the arena with Tris Speaker. The old star was considerably stirred last fall with only one championship entry. What might happen if both Cincinnati and Cleveland were involved brings on a shudder. Both men have first-class chances to achieve this astonishing denouement, especially so if Speaker can only stumble upon one active leftlander between now and April.

THREE years ago Eddie Casey ran fifty-five yards for a touchdown against Yale, to be called back when a mate was offside. On Saturday Mr. Casey will exhort his mates to restrain their eagerness until he has deposited the ball back of the goal posts. One such blow is quite enough for an ordinary lifetime.

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