THOMAS MAY START LINE AGAINST CORNELL

Return to Form of Whitehill and the Other Backs Will Aid in Bolstering Up the Line—Heisman Optimistic Over Game With Ithacans

"I may start Carl Thomas in the line at guard on Thursday afternoon providing he is in shape," said Coach Johnny Heisman of the Pennsylvania eleven yesterday afternoon. Practice was over, the rain was beating a merry tatoo on the training house roof as two of the famous scribes football team knocked at Heisman's door.

"Come in," he said, and in we strolled finding him busily engaged at his writing desk working out new plays for the red and blue to be used against Cornell on Turkey Day.

"Just thought we would drop in and get you to say something. This rain sort of kills any story about the practice," said one of the scribes.

"Sit down boys and make yourself comfortable," said Heisman.

After a few questions to warm him toward the subject, the coach in one of his real affable moods had the following to say, in addition to the fact that he would start Thomas in the line:

"Yes, I am well satisfied with the showing of the team against Columbia. You know they did good work considering the fact that we had only one scrimmage drill with the varsity last week and that lasted only twelve minutes.

Psychology of Game

"You know there is a certain psychology about football that isn't always understood by the general public and the schedule makers of colleges. That psychology is in the mental attitude of the players. When a schedule is hard and long like ours, only a real veteran team can keep that strong mentality necessary to go through a difficult season. The schedule makers erred this year without thinking that we were going to have a green eleven. The result was that the team had to be in good condition every week. There was no let down for the Varsity players. The rest that should come after one or even two hard games was lacking. The result was that the men had to learn more football every week instead of being rested occasionally. The V. M. I. game was the turning point. What logically should have been an off day in that we should have played an easier team proved entirely different for we met one of the best teams of the year.

V. M. I. Turning Point

After the V. M. I. game it was necessary to build a new offense and defense almost every week. I must say that for a green team the men absorbed a great amount of football. For the Cornell game we have had no scrimmage at all for the varsity, the second team having had twelve minutes' drill. So you see we have little knowledge from the actual working ways of the Cornell offense.

The men are tired. They have had to assimilate more football than most any team in the country but they have stood up well under it all. They played better ball against Columbia than they did against Dartmouth. I am sort of doubtful that they will play the same sort of game against Cornell as they did against Pittsburgh but I can hope that they will.

Cornell has the edge on us. They have had an easier schedule, have had more rest and their teamwork was not broken up by injuries as our team was.

Praises Whitehill

Using Thomas in the line is the result of having the backs in shape. Whitehill played great football against Columbia and I expect to start him against the Ithacans. Wray, at quarterback, Miller and Whitehill at the halves and Straus at fullback will give me a great forward passing backfield. Every man can throw and receive forward passes like the best in the country.

With this backfield we will be in better shape than in the last three weeks. Our line, with the possible exception of the ends, will be stronger with Thomas in there at guard; and if Ertressvaag is able to play we will be in real shape, provided, of course, that the mental side of the players is as strong as their physical side."

At this point Tom McNamara, the scrub wonder coach, entered the room to tell the coach that dinner was ready, and the scribes left the Heisman sanctum after one of the best interviews with the coach this season.

The rain broke up a promising scrimmage drill yesterday, but in spite of the fact that Franklin Field represented a swamp rather than a football field it did not deter the coach from running the second team through a signal drill and afterward a short pseudo scrimmage against the scrubs.

Dr. Arthur Light announced yesterday that Walter Greenawalt would be unable to play on Thursday because of an injured knee. The injury may keep him out of basketball for several weeks. Last year the former York high school lad was the center man on the freshman team and a likely looking varsity player. Wagner, the big tackle, will be able to play Thursday in spite of the cut over his eye, according to the team physician. The remainder of the squad is in good shape. Straus' ankle bothers him but little, Thomas' shoulder is much improved and Ertressvaag's elbow is mending rapidly.

Pen Points

The athletic council held a meeting yesterday afternoon in the veterinary building, and while rumors flew thick and fast not a single one could be tracked down. Officially it was stated that there was nothing for publication. The name of one of the most prominent Penn officials was said to have been discussed.

Joe Sheehan, the genial ticket man, stated yesterday that all the friends he made during the early part of the season will be lost to him after the Cornell game. Never before, according to Sheehan, has the demand for tickets been so great as for this year's game.

Long lines of students and alumni crowded the A. A. office yesterday for the precious pasteboards. The public sale, which starts this morning, will not last long, for only a few seats in the west and east stands will be available.

Dr. Buck Wharton is of the opinion that Bill Ward, the big tackle who during the last few games has been the star of the line, is the best comedian ever to wear the Red and Blue in twenty-seven years. The former First Division bloose entertained the boys in New York in great style, according to Wharton.

Fred Mitchell, the former Northeast High School boy who is captain of the Red and Blue cross-country team, broke his ankle at New Haven on Saturday morning in the intercollegiate race. He turned sharply on a piece of stone and had to be carried off the course.

The Straus family will hold a reunion in this city Thanksgiving Day, according to Joe, the backfield star. Papa and Mamma Straus will dine with Fritz and Joe, the Penn players. It will be the first time that Pater and Mater Straus have seen their sons in action.

This afternoon the entire varsity squad will leave for Whitemarsh, where they will practice today and tomorrow for the Cornell game. The squad will return to Franklin Field Thursday morning. Cornell, contrary to the past, will not leave Ithaca until tonight and will arrive here tomorrow morning.

STATZELL FAVORS WILLIAMS COLLEGE

Penn Charter Captain to Graduate With Brill and Riday

Captain Harlan Statzell, of Penn Charter School, will enter Williams College when he graduates from Penn Charter School. He is one of three of the 1920 Interacademic League championship team to bid adieu to the Quakers next spring. As Penn Charter will have eight veterans, prospects for next season are even brighter than was the case this season.

Riday and Brill are the other stars who graduate. Riday will probably enter Wesleyan. Brill is the only backfield player lost to the Quakers. The next event on the program for the interacademic champs is the banquet, which will be held just as soon as Dr. Richard H. Gummere, headmaster, sets a date for this annual celebration. The letters will be awarded the Friday before the Christmas vacation. At that time the gold footballs will be awarded and calendars with the team's picture will be ready for each player.

Lansdowne Loses Seven Players

Lansdowne High will play Swarthmore High in the final game of the season on Thanksgiving morning. Coach Meyers will lose seven regulars—Stringfellow, Brown, Brumfield, Crawford, Rhoades, Matlack and Bob Goodman. Behan, a substitute, who played in most of the games, will also graduate.

Next Monday the Lansdowne athletes will respond to the call for basketball candidates. Manager Goodman has arranged his first game with Radnor High on December 21 on the Lansdowne floor. As the entire basketball team graduated last year, Lansdowne's prospects are anything but bright. Meyers, who is coach of the football team, will also have charge of basketball.

Ice Hockey in Schools

If satisfactory arrangements can be made with the officials of the Ice Palace, there will be a High School Hockey League this season. At the recent meeting of the supervisory committee of athletics a committee was appointed to meet with George F. Pawling, president of the Ice Palace company, last Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Henry Brachhold, of Northeast High, chairman of the committee, and the other members of the committee were at the Ice Palace from 9 o'clock until nearly 10 o'clock last Saturday, but did not meet Mr. Pawling. According to Mr. Brachhold, the schools are favorable to ice hockey, but the next move is up to the Ice Palace officials.

"We were at the Palace at the appointed time," explained Mr. Brachhold. "Mr. Pawling attended the meeting of the supervisory committee and encouraged ice hockey among the schoolboys and we were disappointed that he was not on hand Saturday morning. We could not wait any longer. We have not heard from him so nothing more has been done in the matter."

Narberth High Wins in Mud

The Narberth High warriors think mud is such a nice, soft, pleasant thing, especially when they can slide to a 27 to 0 football victory. It was raining hard, but that did not stop the Narberth and Haverford High teams from playing their game at Narberth. The Dickies, Cooke, Martin, Riley, in fact, the entire team, did good work. It was soon impossible to distinguish one from the other as they splattered and fell over each other in the mud.

West Philadelphia High enjoyed a soccer game with George School which nearly proved a big upset for the Newtown boys. West Phillies took the lead in the first half, 1 to 0. George School rallied in the second half, scoring two goals and a victory, 2 to 1.

Mohr Easily eBats Clement

Troy, N. Y., Nov. 23.—Walter Mohr, of Brooklyn, decisively defeated Hugo Clement, of Albany, in every round of a fifteen-round bout here last night.

GERMANTOWN CAGE FIVE SEEKS VETERAN CENTRE

Manager Bennis Expects to Have Former Star Pivot Man in Tonight's Contest Against the Camden Champions

GERMANTOWN plays the Camden Eastern League basketball champions tonight at Chew street and Chelten avenue. Several weeks ago Manager Dave Bennis announced he had signed a veteran of the cage in Winnie Kinkaide. He re-entered the game after an absence of three years and is playing as good basketball as any player in the league.

Bennis is now on a trip out of the city and expects to have another veteran in line for this evening's game. The player in question was without doubt the best defensive center in his time and was tap-off man for the Central League champions several seasons.

While not a wonderful scorer in the Eastern League he always did the share of the goal getting in the Central. He was relegated to the Eastern scrap pile three or four years ago. Last season he played in the city league in his home town and did so well that the manager of the local Eastern League five was considering getting him this year. If he reports tonight, which is likely, Charlie Powers will be moved up to forward.

Industrial Leaders Clash

Two of the teams in the Manufacturers' League that have designs on the title meet this evening at Yonah Hall. Fleisher Yarn and J. & J. Dobson, both winners of their opening clash, oppose each other. Dobson has a veteran five and one that is classed among the leading teams in the state.

On paper the advantage is decidedly in favor of Robbie Calhoun's proteges, but Ed Lusk, of the Yarners, expects to spring a surprise on the Falls five. It would not be the first one Lusk has sprung on Dobson, for he handed them a setback at baseball.

In the other game Barrett, of Grays Ferry, meets E. G. Budd. Both opponents were beaten in their opening contest and Budd expects to break into the winning column tonight. They have a good line-up and one that will be heard from before the pennant is decided.

Reno Wins Over Schuster

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 23.—Young Reno, of Chambersburg, beat Dave Schuster, of North Trenton, in the wind-up at the Arena A. C. The bout was an interesting affair and drew a large crowd despite a severe storm. Young Robideau, of Philadelphia, took a lacing from Jimmy Powers, of Newark. Robideau failed to give the North Jersey boy any kind of a battle. Kid Sullivan, a dusky featherweight, and Kid Burns fought a fast six-round bout. Tommy White, of this city, stopped Battling Joe. Jim Corbett won over Joe Wells.

TITULAR GRID GAME HERE ON SATURDAY

Frankford Eleven to Play Union for Philadelphia Championship at Phils' Park

While the Army and Navy are battling for the service championship on the Polo Grounds next Saturday afternoon, Philadelphia football fans will have an opportunity to see a game here for the independent championship of Philadelphia.

The Union Club, of Phoenixville, which defeated Holmesburg last Saturday, has been challenged by the Franford A. A. and the game will be played at the Phillies' Park, Broad and Huntingdon streets.

Frankford has a very good team and has not been defeated this season. A tie game was played with Holmesburg and it is said Frankford had all the better of it. Anyway, a challenge was issued and it was accepted last night.

Thus far, Frankford has defeated East Falls, Germantown, Hobart, Ewing, Wheeling, Thomas A. C. and Conshohocken. It has scored 301 points against 13, which is a very good record.

On the team are Simondet, of Lebanon Valley; Dale, Ridpath, of Swarthmore; Supplee, of Central High and Penn; Oberfelt, who is said to be the best independent tackle playing in this section; Shirer, Ray Miller, of Penn; Remmy, the speedy quarterback; Nemzek, of North Dakota Aggies; Strange, of Ohio State; Vic Ballou, of Princeton; Evans, of Ursinus; Mellow, of New York University, and Kauffman, one of Eddie Mahan's marines.

This is a good line-up and as the men have been playing together all season, team work has been perfected. Union will have the same line-up as last Saturday, with one addition. Swede Youngstrom, the all-American guard from Dartmouth last year, will play.

Leo Conway has taken charge of the game and tickets will be on sale tomorrow.

Amateur Sports

THE Presbyterian Church of Olney has been showing a good article of basketball among the second-class fives around the city. The team is in great shape, playing home on Saturday evening. Russel Wilson is handling the business matters of the team. He is now busily engaged in booking his schedule. Several dates still are open and he would like to hear from second and third class traveling teams willing to play for a reasonable guarantee. For games communicate with Russel Wilson, 484 Sommerville avenue, Olney, Pa.

The Enterprise C. Y. M. A., would like to hear from first-class traveling teams. Harry Conway, 5648 Morton street, Germantown.

The C. T. A. won an easy victory over Downington at the former's hall in Chester by the score of 42 to 22. In a previous game at Downington the C. T. A. went down to defeat by the margin of one point. Reagan played a great game for the winners. In a preliminary contest the Mount Carmel Reserves won handily from the C. T. A. second five by the score of 29 to 16.

Columbia A. C., a first-class traveling quintet, would like to book games with teams having home floors. Charles Smith 455 West Norris street, or phone Spruce 2000 between 6:30 and 8 o'clock.

Carpentier Deposits Forfeit

Paris, Nov. 23.—Francois Descamps, manager of Georges Carpentier, heavyweight boxing champion of Europe, has deposited on behalf of the latter 750,000 francs in French loan scrip as a guarantee for the contract Carpentier signed with Jack Dempsey while in New York for a bout to decide the championship of the world. The fund was deposited in the Morgan-Harjes Bank, and the receipt reads in part, "Received on account Georges Carpentier-Jacques Dempsey contract."

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