

# Crucial Games Will Be Fought on College Gridirons Tomorrow Despite Early Season Date

## BEST EARLY SEASON GAME EVER STAGED ON CARD TOMORROW

### Pitt and Lafayette Must Be in Midseason Form for Clash at Easton—Both Teams Use Warner System of Play

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

ALTHOUGH the football season is only one week old, the well-known and often-mentioned "crucial games" are looming in the offing. There are several important contests on the Eastern schedule tomorrow, the principal one being the battle between Lafayette and Pittsburgh at Easton.

Never before has such an important game been played so early in the season. Both teams rank high in this section and a victory for either side would not cause much surprise. They are evenly matched, both have gone through a strenuous preliminary drill and the men are in midseason form. They have to be in good physical condition, for the game promises to be hard fought from start to finish.

This early-season contest differs from all others because the element of surprise will not enter into it. Lafayette knows Pittsburgh has a strong team, and Pittsburgh is aware that Lafayette has one of the best eleven in history. The field generally is poor, and that really cost them the games. This year, Hots Brunner, who has had wide experience, is handling the team and is getting better results. They say only one varsity man is missing from the line-up, and if this is true the Maroon and White is likely to be dangerous.

Both teams will use the same system of play, Suberland having learned his football under Pop Warner when he was a guard at Pitt. In addition, Skip Gouglar, who played in the Pitt backfield two years ago, is at Lafayette, coaching the backfield men. It will be a case of master against pupil.

Pittsburgh hasn't said much this year, but the team is reported to be very good. Only a couple of last year's team are missing and Warner has shifted his men around to strengthen the vulnerable spots. Stein, last year's center, is playing left end and Bower is in the pivot position. The rest of the line is good, but Pitt will depend mostly on the backfield.

**CAPTAIN DAVIES.** Anderson, Hewitt and Holleran are exceptionally good, combining speed and running and solid line execution. Davies, in particular, will be closely watched, as he is one of the fastest men on the gridiron today.

### Thrills for New England

WHILE the game between Yale and Vermont has not been conspicuous in the public prints, there is likely to be a big surprise sprung in New Haven when the teams meet tomorrow. Vermont looks and sounds like an early practice game, but after looking into the matter, the looks and sounds are deceiving.

Tom Keady, who coached Lehigh for years and who turned out wonderful football teams, is the new boss at Vermont. This means the team will be well drilled and will have some very good plays. There are some good players on the team, several having had previous experience on college eleven.

Carl Beck, the West Virginia star of last year, is said to be with Vermont. He is a wonderful all-around player who can kick the ends, buck the line, throw and receive forward passes, punt and drop kick. He will form a healthy nucleus around which to build the eleven. He will play in a game which Vermont is looked for to win this year. He will play in a game which Vermont is looked for to win this year.

Harvard will meet Holy Cross, the team that held the Crimson to a 3-to-0 score last year. State College plays Gettysburg, which means nothing, and Penn takes on Franklin and Marshall, which means the same. Dartmouth might have some trouble with Middlebury, but there is little cause for worry.

**OUTSIDE** the Pitt-Lafayette and possibly the Yale-Vermont games, the big college battles should breeze through the games tomorrow with clean slates.

### Athletics Assist in Pennant Fight

OR A's lent a helping hand to the struggling Yanks of New York yesterday afternoon and lifted them one game closer to the American League pennant. Our A's are club at that helping hand stuff. They assisted Cleveland the last time that club was here, and it was the same with all of the other clubs except the White Sox. Yesterday, however, they did something worth while, all of which was appreciated.

A big crowd gathered at the game; in fact, it looked very much like old-home week. The fans had a good excuse to travel to Shibe Park, for one ball club was on the verge of winning a pennant. This is such a strange and unusual sight that cash customers fought their way through the gates in order to have a look. All of the old-timers were on the job, just like the official greeters.

There was a lot of baseball and the Yanks did most of the playing. They stepped on Slim Harris' twister when it did the most harm, socked a lot of long hits and shovled over five runs. This, by the way, was the same score used by Chicago in erasing Cleveland. In other words, they made four runs too many.

New York played as hard as if they were pitted against a club up in the race and looked as if they were out to win. Nothing was overlooked, even an opportunity to argue with the ump. The Yanks were fighting and playing real World's Series baseball. Everybody was serious except, possibly, the A's.

Delays were frequent, but the crowd didn't kick. In the second inning Tilly Walker held up the game for a time trying to make up his mind whether or not to climb into a box and sock a nifty fan in the nose, but desisted after Umpire Wilson held him back.

In the third, Miller Huggins had some sort of an argument with George Moriarty about a strike, but finished second. Shawkey picked up a bump of mud in his eye when he was running to first base in the fourth and time was taken out while an excavating operation was performed.

But the prize came in the ninth. The bleachers always drape themselves over the wall in the last inning, with their legs dangling over the barrier. Moriarty ordered those legs to be lifted out of the playing field, but nothing was done until Wilson walked from third base and did the work. He had to stumble over four sleeping cops who were out there to spend the afternoon and possibly see the game. (Great things, those ball yard cops. Without an alarm clock they are lost.)

**HOWEVER** be that as it may, the Yanks scored a grand and glorious victory, and now have to win only one more game to make the pennant unanimous. The Giants had the dug presented to them when Pittsburgh lost a pair in St. Louis, so it looks like a Gotham gathering next week.

### Connie Puts One Over on Huggins

CONNIE wanted to win yesterday's game and almost put one over on the Yanks. Before the battle began everybody thought he was going to use Heinich, the southpaw. He warmed up, and Huggins sent in Harper to pitch to the batters. While this was going on Slim Harris was folded up on the bench, the picture of an athlete on an off day.

Slim stepped on the mound in the first inning and the New York pants were very sore. They felt that something had been put over on them and that Connie was real mean. However, they made the most of it and managed to score five runs more than the home folks.

Harris pitched a swell ball game, but slipped up occasionally. Whenever this occurred somebody would butt the bull. McNally and Miller connected with three-baggers and Ralph Powanighugh lifted a home run in the left field bleachers. These three blows were enough to ruin any ball club, so the A's couldn't help losing.

One of the pleasing features of the game was the work of Chick Galway at third. Chick is a good ball player and seems to be able to do better work on the hot corner. He made several sensational stops during the afternoon, some of which were slightly appreciated.

Babe Ruth was absent, but is expected to put in an appearance today. Busting Boston wants to be in at the ball game and be among those present when the pennant is won. Perhaps he will make a couple of home runs to celebrate the occasion.

**THERE** will be a big mob present to see the final home game of the season on Shibe Park. Babe will be the magnet, for it is nothing out of the ordinary to see the home club finish last. This has been done for the last six years, and now it is seven.

**ST. JAMES IN FIELD**  
West Philadelphia Cage Team Ready to Start Basketball Season  
The St. James of Kingessing basketball team, of West Philadelphia, is preparing for another big season at their hall at Sixty-eighth and Woodland avenue. The St. James first and reserves last year won a total of forty-nine out of fifty-four games played, defeating the leaders of five different leagues in the city and a few of the best independent clubs.

Manager Lucy has all his veterans back and has signed six additional players. He has sounded a call for players to the effect that he is looking for 135 to 150 players to play on Friday nights and the team will travel other evenings. Teams wishing to play with St. James should get in touch with J. A. Lucy, 6740 Woodland avenue.

**Shanahan in Grid Field**  
The Shanahan Catholic Club has organized a high fast football team for the next week. The team will be coached by Bernard J. Cullen, 3624 Lancaster avenue.

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## TIGERS WARNED ABOUT GARNET

### Roper Expects Swarthmore Eleven to Give Princeton Real Battle Tomorrow

### OVERCONFIDENCE IS FEARED

By JACK STRIBING

Princeton is not underestimating the strength of the Swarthmore eleven, which enters the Tigers at the Palmer Stadium tomorrow.

Bill Roper, in particular, is warning about overconfidence. He points out that that Roy Mercer with a veteran team is bound to push the Tigers to the limit.

"This game Saturday," said Roper in a talk to his pupils, "is going to be a tough one. Make no mistake about that. The man that Kees and I are better than any tackle or quarterback in football today, but two players don't make a football team. We have to work, and work harder than ever before.

"I don't know what Mercer has up his sleeve, but with the material he has on hand, he really is something. He has us all worried. We are far from what we should be, and the result is very much in doubt."

### Big Job for Roper

Roper has a big job ahead of him this year to duplicate his clean slate of 1920 and his record.

The squad this week has been worked rather hard considering the fact that Roper is an advocate of a little work and a lot of rest. He wants to recognize the mettle of the Little Quakers and expect to treat them accordingly.

And this Swarthmore crew is one to be feared. It is really remarkable that a college of but two-and-a-half hundred men can produce such a team. Last year they were the only team that pushed Princeton over the line. The other touchdowns were made via the aerial route. This year they have twelve of the "S" back. Except for last year's guards and tackles, the captain and tackle, the team is practically intact.

To fill the vacant positions there is plenty of steam and good available and it is going to be used to good advantage.

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### Jackson and Butterworth Ends

On the ends the last year's Jackson and Butterworth, the last year's wings, who will again carry the "big boys" punts and look after their other duties. They were good and steady and should be better this year. Ogden and Willis are two veteran tackles from 1919. The guards are somewhat of a problem. Condi Mercer has 210 pounds, and Earnshaw, who is almost as big. The other candidates, Shoenker, Rash and Krueger, are somewhat lighter. Dick Cornell, with two years' experience behind him, will give Princeton's green centers an exciting afternoon.

### The Big Squad

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### TO PLAY SUNDAY SERIES

Shanahan to Meet I. C. B. U. at Devon Polo Grounds

Jim Bonner, manager of the Shanahan Catholic Club baseball team, has arranged to play a series of three games with the I. C. B. U. team of Ardmore, beginning Sunday at the Devon polo grounds at Stratford.

The hold can be reached on the Philadelphia and Western cars at Sugarloaf turn-out and getting off at Sugarloaf road.

Both clubs will have star line-ups for the games. A number of minor league stars will be seen in action, and the batteries for both clubs will in all probability be players from the majors.

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## HOW TO START THE DAY WRONG



## BILL ROOPER PRAISES PENN GRIDIRON SQUAD

### Princeton Coach on Annual Franklin Field Visit Enjoys Afternoon in the Other Fellow's Camp—Likes Wray and Whitehill—Red and Blue in Heavy Drill

FOOTBALL coaches, like all other coaches, have one failing—they are willing enough to discuss any other team, but when it comes to their own they are virtually uncommunicative.

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## DAY OF GOOD LITTLE MAN IN SPORT FADED

### Dempsey, Ruth, Hornsby, Guilford and Tilden Among Champions Who Possess Great Physical Power, Talent and Genius Only Durable Combination

By GRANTLAND RICE

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Or just a bit below the boost.  
But Cecil in each little skit,  
Or see what pulch top and Arab,  
In place of falling off a bit  
Goes climbing for a taller peak.

It may be at the last frontier  
When Miss A. Stirling waits her  
charge.  
She'll not find glory quite so near,  
Or find the barrier too large,  
But if you pluck the Eagle's haughty crest,  
With Alexander she must stop  
Because there is no other test.

IN SCOTLAND, France and Canada Miss Stirling failed to prevail against the skill and slashing power of her English rival, but now at the last house frontier, with her five-year title in the balance, there will be a spectacular drama at Hollywood. N. J., next week if in an invasion. It is quite another to have the last home fort taken by storm. Quite another.

**GOOD BIG PEOPLE**  
JACK DEMPSEY, "Babe" Ruth, J. Rogers Hornsby, Jesse Guilford, Bill Tilden, Cecil Leitch, Mollie Mallory, Phil Gosselin, to be in New York when is the good little man or the good little woman?

The day of the good big star seems to be raging in all its fury. It is essential to the power of what about Detroit, with the highest team batting average in baseball history, as modern statistics go? The punch, after all, is merely important accessory, not a ruffing factor.

You will observe that most of the champions mentioned are almost as strong upon defense as they are on attack. The game has come to such a place that only a combination of talent and genius can get very far.

**THE MAIN BULWARK**  
IN EVERY World's Series, next to the pitching, infield play has been one of the most important factors. The infield strength of the Giants is

**Delco Eleven Is Ready**  
The Delco eleven of Delaware, who opened the grid season tomorrow at Shibe Park, will be a number of the Delaware eleven, of Wilmington. Manager Thomas J. Griffin, 21 North Sixth street, Darby, is managing the team, and he wishes to hear from local clubs teams so that he can complete his roster. Contact a Delco plays Magnoia, of Frankford.

**Meet for Title Tomorrow**  
The first game for the championship of the Red Men's League will be tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock on the grounds of the Germantown Boys' Club, between the Germantown and the Philadelphia teams. The winner of the championship in "B" division, and Maska No. 295, winner of Division "A."

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