West Catholic Opposes Villanova in First Play-Off of Catholic League Tie Tomorrow

TOUCHDOWN GOAL IS STILL BIG FACTOR IN DECIDING GRID GAMES

Catholic League Triple Tie Caused by Failure to Convert Kick Into Extra Point—Angles Are Eliminated, But Nervous Tension Remains

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL
Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

KICKING a goal after a touchdown still is quite a difficult proposition, despite the rule which allows the kicker to place the ball at any spot in front of the goal posts. Instead of having a "set-up," as was claimed by opponents of the rule, the kicker is up against it the same as before. He hasn't the difficult angles to contend with, but the mental hazard remains.

In the Harvard game Centre missed an easy goal after McMillin scored what proved to be the winning touchdown. Penn State missed one in the Navy game and La Salle lost to La Grange recently through the failure to kick a goal. That one point after a touchdown is mighty important and many games were lost this season. Here in Philadelphia poor goal kicking caused a triple tie in the Catholic High School League and made it necessary for the teams to play again to decide the championship.

In the first game St. Joseph's Prep defeated West Catholic High by the score of 7 to 6. Had the Blue and White kicker registered the goal, West Catholic would be champions today.

Then came the West Catholic-Villanova Prep contest last Thanksgiving morning. Villanova was beaten 7 to 6, and the failure to kick the goal cost the Main Liners the championship. Thus on two different occasions, and in the same league, a championship was booted away by two different teams.

The goal after touchdown is a very important part of the game. No matter how much the kicker practices, he cannot forget. In a close game, that upon him depends the success or failure of his team. He stands out there, trying to watch the ball, the goal posts and the opponents who are lined up behind the goal line, waiting for the signal to rush out and spoil the kick, and a nervous person is likely to flop.

Each of the teams competing for the Catholic School League championship has two victories and one defeat to its credit. This caused the play-off, but only two games will be played. Tomorrow, at Strawbridge & Clothier Field, Sixty-second and Walnut streets, West Catholic plays Villanova in the first game. One week later the winner will play St. Joe.

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THERE is a lot of interest in the triple tie and no doubt the games will be well contested.

Football Here This Month

FOOTBALL will be played in Philadelphia this month. In addition to the championship games, the Philadelphia Quakers have scheduled games for the first three Saturdays. This week they play the Canton Bulldogs, considered one of the strongest independent teams in the country. Fido Kempton, the Yale quarterback of last year, plays with the Westerners, and with him are Charley Way, one of the greatest of open-field runners; Bob Higgins, Penn State's wonderful end, and Fat Henry, the best tackle that ever attended Washington and Jefferson.

A game with Canton was arranged two weeks ago, but at the last minute it was called off because of a protest from Buffalo. According to the rules of the independent league to which Canton belongs, a team could not play a hard opponent one day before a regularly scheduled contest. This caused Leo Conway to bring on the Rochester eleven and postpone the Canton game until December 3.

With so many former All-American players on each side, the spectators will see some great football. It will not be sensational, but clever, scientific play. The players know so much about the game that they can figure out the plays used by the opponents and form the proper defense. It is difficult to gain ground in these games.

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A WEEK from next Saturday Frankford will be played again. The first game resulted in a scoreless tie.

State University of Iowa Steps Into Picture

DEAR SIR—As a matter of record, I should like very much to see your paper gives the State University of Iowa her due in the everyday run of your sports articles. If there is anything else that Mr. Average College Alumnus appreciates more than fair play in sports articles, I should like to know of it.

Much has been written about the great team at Notre Dame, but I failed to see the fact that Iowa whipped her this year scarcely mentioned. Alibis, you understand, are the dry rot of college sports. The less one hears of them the better, especially in the great newspapers of today.

Iowa hasn't lost a game, either in or out of the Conference. Aubrey Devine is one of the best backfield men in America today. Look him up.

N. E. S.

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CONSIDER Iowa boosted. It had a great team and a great coach in Howard Jones. Without a doubt Devine was the best quarterback in the country, but we will go further than that. Slater stands out as the best tackle.

More Football Classifications

FOR some reason or other we neglected to state that in our classification of college football teams we selected those in the Eastern section. This is in reply to the critics who demand recognition for Southern, Western and Far Western elevens. We imagined we explained that we saw Centre College and Notre Dame in action, and while they were very good teams, we could not drag them in because it would not be fair to the other elevens in their sections of the country.

One reader, who fails to sign his name, says the classification is all wet, and gives the following ranking of the teams:

Lafayette, Penn State, Harvard, Cornell, Washington and Jefferson, Navy, Yale, Cornell, Syracuse on the Army.

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ALL of which is another opinion.

Ruth Out, Foch Unassisted

JIM MORTON, the actor, is doing extra duty at Keith's this week. He introduces Babe Ruth and his act, just to let the audience know that the mighty mauler is among them. Morton tells a story, which he says is true, about Ruth's meeting with Marshal Foch in Cleveland last week.

The manager of the theatre thought it would be a good idea to have M. Foch go to the theatre and meet the Babe, and it was arranged. When Ruth was told of the impending visit he said to Wellington Cross:

"Who is that guy, anyway? I never heard of him. What does he do?"

"Why, he is the guest of the American Nation," replied Cross. "He is entertained everywhere, has met all of the important people here and is anxious to meet you."

"That's all right," said Ruth, "but I don't know what to do, what to talk about or anything. What's the idea?"

"Just shake hands with him," explained Cross, "and then talk on some subject he is familiar with. For example, why don't you discuss the war with him?"

Marshal Foch was introduced, and after shaking hands Ruth asked:

"Was you in the war?"

The marshal was somewhat astonished and nodded his head. But the interview was not over. Ruth asked another question:

"What side was you on?"

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KILBANE TO REFEREE

Also Will Handle Own Boxers at National Saturday

Johnny Kilbane, the featherweight champion, is finding himself a very busy man in boxing circles these days. He will be very much in the spotlight at the National A. A. on Saturday night, when he will handle two of his pupils in different bouts as well as appear in the role of referee.

Kilbane will officiate in the main bout, which is to be between Bobby Barrett, of Clifton Heights, and Jimmy Hanlon, the tough guy from Denver. Barrett is the knockout, punching red-head.

Hanlon gave Willie Jackson a great battle in New York on Tuesday night.

The Kilbane students to box are Owen O'Malley, a flyweight, and Johnny McLaughlin, a lightweight. O'Malley's opponent will be Jimmy Lavender and Eddie Dempsey, a hard hitter, will tackle McLaughlin.

There are other bouts on this crack program, as follows: Kid Wagner, of this city, vs. Sammy Berne, a New York southpaw, and Bobby Abrams, a youth from El Paso, Tex., vs. Mickey Wolgast, of South Philadelphia.

Allen Heads Twentieth Century

The Twentieth Century Club, of the American League, is now under the supervision of Bill Allen, former president of the American League. The Bureau includes Charles Moore and Delaney of Logan Triangle, Al Scholastic 1925 Mulhern, of St. Joseph, Campbell, of Monotype, Council of Pawson's Independents, and McMinn, of Brewerytown. Kenneth Slim'ndinger, of Holy Cross, will be with the team during the holidays. For games with Twentieth Century address William Allen, 3042 Baltz street, or Secretary O. Dillon, 3625 Baltz street.

Boots and Saddle

Master Jack has been running as if in poor condition. He is a good colt at times, but is unreliable. The Nash stable has him entered again today in cheaper company than usual in the fourth New Orleans race. Thimbo and Tim Son probably are in better condition.

Horses well placed in other New Orleans races are: First race, Tangel, Bedero Blue, Plunelia; second, Mallory, General, Aunt Fedia; third, Majesty, Rob, Bobbed Hair; fifth, Fort Churchill, Anticipate, Murray; sixth, Blarney Stone, General Haig; seventh, Cockrouch, W. H. Buckner, Deckmate.

At Havana: First race, Leghorn, Colonel Cille, Tomahoi; second, Ina Wood, Lady Hester, Red; third, Lad's Love, Gaynor, Cotton Blossom; fourth, Tacola, Grattan, Springvale; fifth, Alisan, Stir Up, the Englishman; sixth, Lackawanna, War Plume, Christie Holters.

Joseph E. Widener, of Philadelphia, has been in Lexington, Ky., where he is interested in the growing breeding establishment of Mr. Widener has a number of fine brood mares he brought from England and also several yearlings. He raced Hinsdown horses on New York tracks this year, his stable winning $64,010. Heedful, the steeplechaser, proved his best money winner, taking $17,500 in stakes, while Runantch led his stable with $13,010.

Frank J. G. Milan, [illegible] is in Los Angeles yesterday to spend a month in a new old home of Sheriff Al Hamilton in Montclair Jockey Miss Joy, which was badly bitten during the running of the Broaders' Futurity here this fall, is rounding to, and he expects her to be back to her superb form as a three-year-old.

P. G. A. EYE HERE ON OUTLYING CLUBS

Local Golf Pros Invite Trenton and Wilmington Tutors to Attend Organization Meeting

TRENTON SEEKS N. J. TILT

By SANDY McNIBLICK

A MOVEMENT that is likely to have considerable significance anent the enlargement of the local district golf association has been started by the newly formed P. G. A.

The initials stand for Professional Golfers' Association. The pro's have called for an organization meeting which will be held tomorrow night in Jake Gray's at Spaldings. One organization meeting has already been held but that wasn't enough.

Furthermore, the pro's have shown themselves to be modern golf Columbuses. They have discovered there are big and influential clubs within an hour's rattle of Philadelphia and they have invited the links' tutors of these clubs to be on hand tomorrow night at 8:15, the starting time.

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TRENTON and Wilmington are among the clubs not in the Golf Association of Philadelphia, which the pros have invited to be represented.

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WILFRED REED, Wilmington, has had a raft of experience with professional golf organizations and is a fine executive. The diminutive Delaware expert is expected to be with us tomorrow, as well as Chris Shea.

Mister Shea is the life of any party. He is liberal with ideas and is the demon golfer of Jersey. He knocked the Trenton record for a row of loops last season, and the locals feel his presence is imperative.

Wilmington is already in the Women's Philadelphia Association and the men's association will take on considerable power if it can include Wilmington and Trenton in its membership.

To revert to the pros' meeting tomorrow night, those trying to start this club earnestly hope that every pro in the Philadelphia district will attend.

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THERE are several who "think it's a good thing," but don't like certain features of it. Therefore, they have been cold to date.

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EVERY ONE will be given a chance to air his ideas tomorrow night. Those starting the club say that "now is the time to talk." They want a solid line-up and a chance to discuss everything in open meeting. They do not want a half-hearted "clique" organization.

They want a fighting, progressive body, that will mean something. To this end one and all concerned are urged to congregate at Spaldings, near Twelfth and Chestnut streets, at 8:15 Friday night.

Speaking of Trenton, this progressive Jersey club is not going to let any snow gather on its galoshes during the winter. In other words, it has started its campaign for the coming season despite the bleakness and golf depressiveness of the weather.

R. C. Maxwell, Trenton's president, has sent an earnest plea to the New Jersey Golf Association, asking that the next amateur championship of New Jersey be staged at Trenton.

Five reasons are set forth. They follow:

First, Trenton has championship courses and accommodations.

Second, [illegible] to form clubs, where visitors may be accommodated.

Third, Club will provide every facility for visitors.

Fourth, Central and South Jersey should be considered in venue selection.

Fifth, That the majority of championships have been staged in the metropolitan district, whereas it's not a metropolitan, but a Jersey event.

Mr. Maxwell points out the success of Trenton's spring tourney as a criterion on what Trenton is capable of doing, tournamentically speaking.

Couple of Mysteries

THE fair and golfing sex of New York is all agitated over the mystery surrounding the disappearance of its links champion, Mrs. W. A. Gavin, and the rumor that Miss Alexa Stirling will play from New York in the future.

Mrs. Gavin has gone abroad but apparently left no note behind telling what her plans are for the coming season.

It is not known whether she intends to stay over there for the British championships, defaulting her "met" title, whether she intends to stay over there permanently, or what.

As for Miss Stirling, she is alleged to have taken a job in New York, but they are running around in circles over there trying to locate the little ex-American champion.

If the mystery all dissolves and everything develops as expected, New York will have a team non plus ultra for the Grissom cup, with Miss Stirling, Mrs. Gavin and Miss Hollins.

Miss Stirling will have to observe the one-year residence rule before she'll be eligible to meet "met" events.

Smith to Lead Wesleyan Eleven

Middletown, Conn., Dec. 1.—[illegible] captain of the Wesleyan eleven [illegible] Smith, who was an outstanding [illegible] substitute on the varsity [illegible]

Calls Off Tremaine Bout

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Ted Moore, lightweight champion, has called off his match with Carl Tremaine, scheduled for Memphis [illegible] 5. The bout was called off [illegible] because of his championship match with Johnny Buff at Milwaukee on December 17.

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BARRETT COMES OF FIGHTING STOCK

Redhead's Grandfather Was Sparring Partner for Tom Sayers in England

IS TRAINED BY FATHER

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

ENGLISH fighting blood, together with that of Irish, flows in the veins of Bobby Barrett, freshly inserted as a knockerout in the fistic spotlare here. Back in the old days, when they used to fight with bare knuckles on the turf, a Barrett loomed conspicuously as a puncher in England.

He was Bobby Barrett, grandfather of the present-day boxer of the same name. The original Bobby Barrett was known as a good trial horse and made his reputation as a sparring partner for Tom Sayers, one of the greatest English heavyweight boxers, despite his weight, that ever lived.

Grandfather Barrett trained Sayers, 142 pounds and English heavyweight champion at that time, for a world's titular tilt with John C. Heinan, American title-holder, 196 pounds, in England. In the forty-first round Sayers broke his arm and Heinan returned a winner.

Father Is Trainer

Later young Bobby's father established a rep as a trainer of boxers and he conditioned Pedlar Palmer and Dick Burge, two other sensational British fistmen who won international fame in their days. Four years ago Papa Barrett took his son, Bobby, in tow and together with his wife, who was a Crawley, from the Southern part of Ireland, began teaching the youngster the art of punching.

For two years Barrett's daddy had him box in amateur competition, for which the youth, who now is nineteen years old, married and has a five-month-old son, has a diamond ring and a watch to show. Then at the age of seventeen, Young Bobby, the red-head, started his professional career.

Barrett went along winning matches and losing others, but it was not until last summer that Bobby [illegible] into the limelight as a knockerout. He toured in a number of open-air bouts in Chester where Jimmy Dougherty, the Baron of Leiperville, staged some benefit shows. Barrett knocked out most of his opponents, and now he shapes up as one of the hardest hitting lightweights ever to appear before the public in Philadelphia.

Like Bob Fitz

Old-timers say that Barrett brings back reminiscences of the late Bob Fitzsimmons, who also was of English blood, although he was supposed to be an Australian. Like Ruby Rob, Bobby doesn't possess much cleverness, but moves around in a sort of slovenly way, however, ever watching for the opportunity to drive home that wallop.

Take, for instance, his two bouts this season against Eddie Dempsey and Johnny Mealy. Dempsey knocked Barrett down with a left hook a few seconds after their bout started, but before the first round was over Bobby succeeded in getting over that terrific right and the rugged Italian was counted out.

Against Mealy, Barrett looked like a novice for about two minutes. In that time he only pawed with his left, and didn't attempt to score with a punch, but the mighty right was ever ready. A few seconds later—whang!—over went the knockout punch, and Mealy went down.

Barrett may develop into a great knockerout—he may not. It entirely depends on how Bobby is carried along, and if he isn't rushed too fast, the Clifton Heights lad may punch his way into a position for a crack at the championship.

Backfield Men Lead Elevens of "Big Three"

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 1.—The Harvard Club of Boston will give a special banquet to the Harvard football team on Friday, December 16, at its club quarters, on Commonwealth avenue. The list of guests to whom invitations have been sent includes President Lowell and the president of the board of overseers.

A captain for the 1922 team will be chosen today at a special meeting. George Owen, of Newton, halfback, and Charley Buell, of Hartford, quarterback, are the two contenders.

With Gilroy and Jordan chosen respectively at Princeton and Yale, the election of either of the Harvard men will give the "big three" captains who are backfield players and products of New England.

W. AND J. ELEVEN OFF

Coach Neale and Small Squad of Rooters Leave for Detroit

Washington, Pa., Dec. 1.—The Washington and Jefferson football eleven, accompanied by a small squad of rooters, left here today for Detroit, where the University of Detroit football eleven will be met in an intersectional game Saturday.

Coach Greasy Neale took two full teams with him for the Michigan trip. The team held its final practice yesterday. It was the first since Thanksgiving and all the men are in fine shape for Saturday's game.

Patsy Flanagan Outpoints O'Dowd

St. Louis, Dec. 1.—Eddie O'Dowd, Columbus, O., bantam, was outpointed by Patsy Flanagan, of St. Louis, in a twelve-round bout here.

5 STRAIGHT TITLES FOR GTN. FRIENDS

Coach Smith's Eleven Clinches Haverford College Cup for 1921 Season

LAST MATCH TOMORROW

Invincible playing of the Germantown Friends' School soccer team again looms conspicuously as the schedule of the Private School League comes to an end. The final game for the new Haverford College trophy is to be played in Wilmington tomorrow afternoon between Germantown Friends and the Friends' team there.

However, the winning of this contest will not have anything to do with deciding the 1921 champion, as Germantown Friends clinched the honors yesterday afternoon with its 3-goals-to-0 victory against Friends' Select at Wissahickon avenue and Coulter street.

This season's championship is the fifth consecutive title won by Germantown Friends. Last year the school annexed permanent possession of the Haverford College cup. Yesterday's win gave Germantown Friends its thirty-ninth consecutive victory—which is a brilliant record for any soccer team to shoot at.

A total of twenty-five goals have been kicked by Germantown Friends' players this year, while their opponents are credited with only three. These points were made on Tuesday by Haverford School, with Zimmerling holding down the goal-keep job for the championship eleven. Richmond, the regular goaltender, who is sick now and out of the game, has not been scored on all year.

Curtice Barnes, who has been playing at right halfback, is one of the most dependable players on the Germantown Friends' team. His great defensive work has been a feature of almost every game in which the championship team has played. Barnes is only fifteen years of age and gives promise of developing into one of the smartest soccer players in Philadelphia.

Of the seven games played to date Penn Charter has been shut out twice, Friends' Select twice, Haverford and Wilmington Friends.

The season's record to date is:

Germant'n Friends.	3	Penn Charter	0
Germant'n Friends.	4	Friends' Select	0
Germant'n Friends.	5	Wilmington Friends	0
Germant'n Friends.	2	Haverford School	0
Germant'n Friends.	4	Penn Charter	0
Germant'n Friends.	4	Haverford	3
Germant'n Friends.	3	Friends' Select	0
Total	25	Total	3

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Atherton	12	Balls	3
McBride	6		
Rauch	2	Total	3
Nicholas	2		

HOPPE BELONGED TO THE DURABLE CLASS

Billiardist Moved in Set With Cobb and Kramer, Who Were Able to Defend Their Thrones Nearly Two Decades

By GRANTLAND RICE

A December Sporting Threnody

There are ghosts tapping at the window pane
Through wind and rain.
Ghosts that are whispering of summer days,
And double plays,
Of drives that sail against summer sky,
As swallows fly,
Or mashie shots that seek the waiting pin
Where putts drop in.

There are ghosts sighing at the water eaves
Through rustling leaves.
Of Ruth at bat, where, praying to the fates,
Some pitcher waits.
Of smooth green fairways and of summer tees,
Of 4s and 3s;
Of lurking bumpers and of cuppy lies,
And alibis.

Champions and Ex-Champions

WHEN Willie Hoppe came crashing down last week the parade of ex-champions drew a notable addition, the most notable of the year.

To see Hoppe lose was much like seeing some rival hit more home runs than "Babe" Ruth.

Hoppe now steps back with "Chick" Evans, Ted Ray, Alexa Stirling and a few others who had their crowns jostled off in the long, hard scrimmage.

The Durable Class

HOPPE belonged to the durable class of champions, with Ty Cobb and Frank Kramer, who were able to defend their thrones for nearly two decades.

Jay Gould, in court tennis, belongs with the same select cluster of stars who have been strong enough to rule year after year.

Only a few such champions ever come along. They are the true supermen of the game, far beyond those who soar up for a season or two and then fade out through the mists.

Such men as Hoppe, Cobb, Kramer and Gould have been stars who had everything, including skill, nerve, poise, brain and all the rest of it, plus durability and a capacity for hard training.

Dempsey will quite likely join this division before he is through. At twenty-six he has been a crown-wearer for over two years, and it may be five or six years more before he begins to inhale the resin dust at close range with his features on the floor.

Indian Durability

THE elastic red man seems to be the most durable of all football sons.

Thorpe, Guyon and Calac are still at it after serving ten or twelve years.

Jim Thorpe has played a greater number of football games than any other man that ever lived.

The average football star is lucky to get in thirty games after entering college. Thorpe has played over a hundred contests without weakening. Some time ago Dayton was leading his Cleveland team by three points with seventeen seconds left.

The ball was in Cleveland's possession on her fifty-seven-yard line.

It was a field goal or nothing at this point. Fifty-seven yards is quite a trip, but Thorpe's drop-kick, after crossing the bar, sailed gently on its way over the fence some fifteen or twenty yards further on. "This drop-kick," says an old Yale star who saw it, "carried every inch for seventy-five yards. It would have been a field goal from the sixty-seven-yard line as well as from the fifty-seven."

NOW Hoppe and Kramer have been beaten. Cobb, headed off last year, worked his way back this last season. Thorpe is about through and only Jay Gould, of the guard, remains. Hoppe, like Cobb, will hardly remain flat on the back of his neck. Even young Schaefer, brilliant as he is, can hardly hope to keep the amazing Willie down for any long spell. Hoppe was about due to catch something, but this does not mean that his day is over. Not with all the stuff he still carries in his stocky system.

ANY ONE who thinks that Cobb is through might make a more intimate study of the Coast League averages, where Ty is mingling with such class as Rogers Hornsby and George Sisler. It will take a wonderful debater to persuade Hornsby, Sisler and a lot of pitchers out that way that T. Raymond has come to the end of his long, long lane. At the last report he was something over .400 and still going.

YALE can stand the addition of at least one more hard game to her next football schedule. One fairly robust contest is not enough to get a machine keyed up for two November tests, and a football star is as likely to be injured in an easy game as in a hard one, something to which Lourie, Garrity, O'Hearn, Davies, French and a few others will testify. You can't learn much good football beating some opponent 40 to 0. Harvard had had the grueling and the experience—and so was ready for the big showdown. Yale wasn't. And won't be, with another light schedule.

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Auto Races at Mount Holly

Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 1.—The fall classic automobile races will be staged here on Saturday. The races will be under the rules and official sanction of the National Motor-Racing Association. Jimmy Kane will be director of contests; Jack Roden, of Philadelphia, will be starter; David D. Cox, president Wilmington Auto Club; Eddie Altuna, Frank Carr, Vince Rowland and F. E. Marle will be track judges. There will be six events, ranging from the time trials to the ten-mile open free-for-all. Among the list of drivers are Bill Strickler, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania dirt track champion; Eliseo Correa, Brazilian champion; Eddie Johnson, of Brooklyn; Walter Lozotte, of France; Ray Morando, of Italy; Leo Montanez, of France; Lee Heiser, of Baltimore, Jimmy Gleason and Harry Lang, of Philadelphia. Fourteen cars will face the starter in the ten-mile free-for-all event.

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