Football Rule Eliminating Free Try After Touchdown Should Benefit Spectators

HOLIDAY WHEN PHILS PLAY LEESBURG NINE

Every One in Town Will Be Out to See Home Talent Against Quakers Tomorrow Afternoon

EPPERSON TO HURL

By EDWIN J. POLLOCK

Leesburg, Fla., March 13.

LEESBURG is all het up over the prospects of seeing their own boys battle big leaguers. The fracas will take place tomorrow, when the Phillies will engage the home talent.

Mayor Mackenzie has issued a proclamation declaring it a legal holiday, and any one caught working will be sentenced to two days' hard labor erecting the screen in front of the grandstand at Cooke Park. This can easily be arranged, for the Mayor, the Judge and the chairman of the Baseball Committee are one and the same person, so what chance does an ordinary citizen stand against the wheels of justice? He stands a chance of being run over.

Tomorrow every Cracker and Crumb will hustle out to the ball park. Folks down this way are not inclined to hustle unless they're on their way to a ball game, and speaking of speed, the Mayor told one on his fellow citizens that's worth repeating. The municipal Executive is a great storyteller and is always willing to spring a joke on himself, if there's no one else to pick on.

"If you see something in the distance," said the Mayor, "and you don't know whether it's a Cracker—that's what they call us all—or a post, and you observe it closely and it moves, it's a post."

All Will Be There

That's the way it may be with the Crackers, but when it comes to baseball, they can travel faster than a ball player when the dining room is thrown open. They'll all be there tomorrow, for they're onxious to see how their two star pitchers, Gordon Epperson and Phil Herlong, measure up against the Phils.

Epperson and Herlong were the two hurlers who carried Leesburg to county baseball fame last summer. The former is a left-hander and is now under contract with Manager Wilhelm, but the Kize is willing to turn him back for a day.

Herlong, with his brother, owns a big orange grove down here, and since the failure of the orange crop in California, is interested in baseball only as a means of recreation. He works out with the Phils every afternoon he can spare away from his business, and he makes an impressive figure out there on the ball lot.

The native son stands close to six feet four, and is built along the lines of a stout matchstick. With all of his height and shape, Herlong is a graceful pitcher. He uses a direct overhand delivery, and after he stretches one foot toward the plate, takes his step and whirls his lengthy arms in a semi-circle, his middle finger is right under the batter's nose. There's little wonder that he was able to compile an average strike-out record of something like eight to a game last year. Kize Wilhelm is thinking of penalizing him for his height by making him pitch from second base.

Herlong looks like a good pitcher. He handled himself like a veteran, and the fact that he is playing around with big leaguers bothers him as much as snowstorms annoy Leesburg. He has a snorting fast ball, and a good curve as well as control. A year or so in the minors and he would be ready for the big show, but his present contract with New York commission men is quite satisfactory, and Philip is not inclined to be weaned away from his oranges.

Epp Has Stage Fright

Epperson also shows signs of good pitching ability occasionally, but is bothered with stage fright. He can't seem to forget that the National League is several grades in advance of the Florida State organization. This nervousness will undoubtedly wear off with more seasoning. A little pepper would help.

In justice to the local southpaw it must be said that he has been under the doctor's care for the last three weeks with stomach trouble and is not in the best of physical condition. He is about fifteen pounds under weight.

But Leesburg will be with Epp when he takes the hill tomorrow. The natives here always back their ball club with the coin of the realm when there's an even chance. Against the Phils they'll back their club in spirit.

Some thrilling ball games are staged here in the summertime and the citizens point wtih pride to their victories. The last game of the 1921 season was played against Eustis, the rival town.

Eustis had a good club, but they feared it didn't compare with the local semi-pro aggregation. The business men went out and hired the Tampa team, of the Florida State League, and put the family jewels down on the ringers to win. Leesburgians covered everything in sight, but marveled at the gobs of Eustis coin that was being placed. An investigation was made and the truth revealed. But Leesburg was game.

The battle was staged and Eustis led at the last of the ninth by a margin of four runs. Leesburg staged a rally and won the game without a man being put out. When the Eustis athletes returned home they found the natives incensed, the pitcher was accused of throwing the game and run out of town.

But the Eustis pitcher didn't sell out. Leesburg won fair and square, even if it was the Orlando Club, champion of the Florida State League, which played under local colors.

Kid Wedge Arrested for Intoxication

Watertown, Mass., March 13.—The arrest for intoxication of Frederick R. Wedge, student at the Harvard graduate school of education was a matter of formal record in the District Court here today. The police blotter containing the latest entry in the spectacular career of "Kid" Wedge, Wisconsin lumberjack, prise fighter, University of Arizona graduate, school principal and student of educational psychology was brought into court, but the subject of the entry was not. In accordance with the practice in this town, the prisoner was released without arraignment, as a first offender.

Wedge, forty-two years old, attracted national attention recently when he was admitted to the Harvard graduate school. He was in a lunchroom here early this morning, the center of a disturbance, when a policeman was called.

At Harvard University today it was said an inquiry would be made into the facts.

A'S CLIP EAGLE'S WINGS ON DIAMOND

Mackmen Score 14-0 Victory in Exhibition With Semi-Pro Club

WELCH GETS TWO DOUBLES

Yesterday's Baseball Scores

Athletics, 14; Eagles, 0.
Fort Worth (Texas League), 5; Cincinnati Nationals, 3.
Chicago Americans, 4; New York Nationals, 3.
Cleveland Americans, 3; St. Louis Nationals, 2.
St. Louis Americans, 3; Mobile (Southern League), 2.
New Orleans (Southern League), 6; New York Americans, 3.

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

Eagle Pass, Tex., March 13.—This is a bright day in the Athletics camp. Connie Mack is beaming more than anyone else in town. There is a reason. His club won a ball game—a real ball game, too, and the Athletics played like regular big leaguers.

They have a semi-pro team in this town called the Eagles and Mack's combined Owls and Hawks certainly clipped the wings of the local birds yesterday. It was a shut-out victory for the Athletics, 14 to 0.

Before the contest was over, Connie loaned Slim Harris and Cy Perkins to the Eagles for battery work, but it was entirely too late.

It was the biggest rout of Mack's exhibition season. The 1922 brand of Athletics mauled the opposing pitchers for fourteen safe hits and won as they pleased.

Even Harris could not escape being marked. Three bases on balls, Bing Miller's double and an error gave the Macks two runs in the seventh, off Slim.

Frank Welch poled two doubles and a single and both Tilly Walker and Bing Miller hit safely twice out of two times at bat. Galloway, Callaway and Brazill also had two singles.

Johnston and Brazill saw duty first and Tilly Walker and Bing Miller split the left-fielding assignment.

Hasty, Eckert and Moore pitched shut-out ball for the Athletics. Four licks were made off Hasty and one each off Eckert and Moore. After the second inning the Eagles never had a chance to score.

Baseball Filmed in Camps and Elsewhere

Members of the Detroit American squad were preparing to receive Baseball Commissioner Landis at their training camp in Augusta, Ga., today. Landis plans to make Augusta his first stopping place on his proposed tour of the baseball training camps.

Delayed nearly five hours on their trip from West Baden, Ind., to Hot Springs, Ark., by a locomotive breakdown, members of the Pittsburgh National League baseball team arrived at their destination last night tired out but anticipating the first of the stiff workouts that awaited them today.

The arrival of Judge Shanks, Gharrity and Earl Smith at the Tampa, Fla., training camp of the Washington Club, yesterday, with Roger Peckinpaugh due to get in today, completed the squad with the exception of two or three stragglers, including Picinich, catcher, who is the last remaining holdout. These are expected in a day or two.

Manager George Gibson has determined to keep his charges on the two-workout-a-day schedule and a short contest between the regulars and Yanigans was planned for this afternoon, weather conditions permitting, at Hot Springs.

The Yankees are talking enthusiastically today of the fine showing yesterday of George Murray, who pitched for five innings in the game with the New Orleans Pelicans and allowed them only two hits and was never in any danger of being scored upon. Murray is from the Rochester Club of the International League.

The Giants are boasting of a pitching find in spite of the fact that they lost to the White Sox yesterday, 4-3. He is Claude Jonnard, last year's strikeout king of the Southern League with Little Rock. He hurled three brilliant innings and didn't allow a hit or a run, and struck out two men.

Trounced twice by Pacific Coast teams—Portland and Vernon—the Chicago Nationals are on the way back to Catalina Island, Calif., today to do some more training before the opening of the major league season.

The Chicago Americans, tickled with their successful engagement with the New York Nationals yesterday, resumed practice today at Seguin, Tex. The Sox and Giants will play again Wednesday at Seguin and will meet in San Antonio, Tex., next Saturday and Sunday for two more contests.

Plan International Hockey Tourney

Winnipeg, Man., March 13.—Plans for an international amateur hockey tournament were discussed at a meeting of the Manitoba Senior Amateur Hockey League, held here over the week-end. Steps will be taken to arrange a series with St. Paul, Cleveland, Eveleth and Duluth clubs, the games to be played partly in the United States and partly in Winnipeg at the beginning of the next playing season.

Cornell Loses Star

New York, March 13.—Dave Kimball, Cornell's star hurdler, will be lost to Coach Moakley for at least two months. After stepping over the timbers in the 70-yard race on Saturday night Dave undertook to score points for Cornell in the running broad jump, and in landing in the dirt and sawdust hit wrenched his ankle. He had to be carried out of the armory by his fellow athletes.

Dinner for Penn Runners

New York, March 13.—The University of Pennsylvania relay team, which will sail for London on March 21 to meet the Oxford-Cambridge team, will be guests of honor at a dinner to-night given by Cornelius Lawrence Lefferts, president of the Knickerbocker Club, at the club, on Fifth avenue.

TRUCKS DEFEATS GENGLER

Philadelphia Bowler Tops Gothamite by Margin of 316 Pins

New York, March 13. — Charles Trucks, of Philadelphia, established a precedent by defeating John ("Count") Gengler by 140 pins in the final half of their twenty-game bowling series on Thum's Alleys last night. As Trucks gained a 176-pin advantage on Casino Alleys, Philadelphia, Saturday afternoon, he won the match by 316 pins.

At Philadelphia, on Saturday, Trucks rolled eighty-nine consecutive boxes without a miss or split, winning eight of the ten games, and totaling 2229 to 2053. Here he got much better results on the new alleys than his famed opponent and won seven games, scoring 2012 and 1872. The grand totals were Trucks, 4241; average, 212 5-20; Gengler, 3925; average, 196 5-20.

Tom Cullen Dartmouth Captain

Hanover, N. H., March 13.—Thomas Henry Cullen, Jr., right forward on the Dartmouth five, and the highest scorer in the Intercollegiate Basketball League, has been elected captain of the Dartmouth basketball team.

Pitcher Seibold With Hagerstown

[illegible] Seibold, a South [illegible] Dartmouth Night Club [illegible] Hagerstown, Md., of the [illegible] League, which will report to [illegible] on May 1.

MOOSE M'CORMICK IS NAMED MANAGER

Former Outfielder of New York Giants to Lead Donovan-Armstrong Team

OTHER PLAYERS SIGNED

HARRY (MOOSE) McCORMICK has been named playing manager of the Donovan-Armstrong baseball team for the coming season. He has come to terms with the management, and will immediately get busy making plans for the opening of the season on April 22, although the steam is pretty well advanced in the signing of players, as President Donovan has a number of well-known players signed at this time.

McCormick will also play right field, and his hitting is expected to be one of the features of the work of the West Philadelphians. The Donovan-Armstrong aggregation has leased grounds at Forty-eighth and Walnut streets, and already workmen are busy getting things in shape.

The fence is being erected and gardeners have also been busy on the field ironing out the kinks for the past week. In another week erection of stands will be in order. The spectators' stand will be erected on the west and south sides of the lot, and will have a seating capacity of 3500. The University of Pennsylvania will use the grounds as soon as workmen begin building the Franklin Field stadium, and the Red and Blue baseballers will play five games on the D.-A. grounds on May 10, 17, 20, 30 and June 10.

Moose Well Known

The new manager of the Donovan team is well known in this city, and in his college days was a member of the football and baseball teams at Bucknell College. For ten years he was a member of the New York Giants, and led the National League in batting one season, hitting the old apple for an average of .357.

McCormick in his younger days was a well-known athlete at Girard College, where he demonstrated his athletic prowess before entering Bucknell. It was while playing at the latter institution that he became a close friend of Christy Mathewson, also a Bucknell graduate, and it was "Big Six" that secured for him a trial with the Giants.

He was one of the few major league players who never labored in the minors before entering the select class. He was also a member of the Spalding football team, of this city, which won the amateur championship away back in 1909, with such stars as Dr. Mike Bennett, Tom Hare and Bonachee. McCormick was also a noted basketball player and was widely sought by various teams.

Other Players in Line

But he is not the only player signed by the West Philadelphians so far. Here is the roster as it now stands, with several more ready to sign the papers in a day or so:

John Berriman, catcher, last year with Hamilton, of the Michigan-Ontario League.

T. J. (Lefty) Gullman, pitcher, formerly with the Athletics and last year with Hamilton and the best southpaw in the Michigan-Ontario League.

William Hockenbury, pitcher, well known in Philadelphia fans, having pitched with remarkable success for both Nativity and Fletcher. Was in the South for several months last year.

Ewalt Henry, first baseman, last year received several offers from major league teams who desired to secure his services.

Samuel McConnell, second baseman, played with the Athletics in 1915. Mac is another favorite in this locality and was a member of the Aberfoyle 1921 club.

Bill Fossett, shortstop, last season with Fletcher and widely known as an athlete. One of the best front-liners in the Philadelphia soccer ranks and a member of many championship teams.

Eddie Myers, third baseman, two years ago was captain of the Stetson hatmakers. Myers has also played minor league ball and is known to all semi-pro fans.

Rob B. Young, center field, a youngster who has the earmarks of a comer. He was credited with being one of the best fielders in New Jersey last year.

WILL STAGE A. A. U. BOXING BOUTS HERE THIS MONTH

Championships in Seven Classes to Be Decided at the Olympia

Championships of the Middle Atlantic States in seven different boxing classes will be decided in Philadelphia. This announcement was made officially by Harry McGrath, chairman of the Boxing Committee in charge of arrangements for the tournament, sanctioned by the A. A. U.

The bouts are to be held at the Olympia Club on March 29 and 31. Preliminary matches will be decided on Wednesday night, March 29, and the finals will be held the following Friday night.

Entry blanks have been issued and any amateur boxer in Philadelphia and vicinity desiring to compete for the Middle Atlantic championships may write for application to A. A. U. headquarters, 157 North Fifteenth street; Samuel J. Dallas, Wanamaker's store, Philadelphia, Pa., or Harry McGrath, Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

Titles will be decided in flyweight, 112 pounds; bantamweight, 118 pounds; featherweight, 126 pounds; lightweight, 135 pounds; welterweight, 147 pounds; middleweight, 160 pounds, and heavyweight, unlimited.

MORE DAVIS CHALLENGES

Japan and Belgium Enter Competition for Tennis Trophy

New York, March 13.—Challenges for the Davis Cup from Japan and Belgium have reached the offices of the United States Lawn Tennis Association.

The challenge lists for the Davis Cup will be closed Wednesday. Besides the challenges, the association has recorded others from Australasia, British Isles, Canada, Czecho-Slovakia, Denmark, France, India, Italy and Spain.

Y's Krax

NO, PHYLLIS, a star woman diver is not necessarily a diva.

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Speaking of a house party, a real estate man should be considered.

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Our Daily Guessing Contest—What game do baseball rules regulate?

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The guy that smoothes the baselines in the middle of a doubleheader certainly has a drag.

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WHEN BUCKET-SHOPPERS DECIDE STOCK'S A GOOD BUY, THEY MEAN GOODBY.

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There's a rumor next style in flapper socks will be merely pin striped.

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To beat Jake Schaefer many name Hoppe. Willie?

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Many figure a low golf score is a matter of course.

Argentine Polo Men Sail

Buenos Aires, March 13.—A team of Argentine polo players has sailed from Buenos Aires for London to play a series of matches.

To Lead D-A Nine

HARRY McCORMICK

Formerly of the New York Giants, who has been named manager of the Donovan - Armstrong baseball team

THREE SCHOLASTIC FIVES COP TITLES

Crosby an dSt. John's Crowned at Penn—Trenton Wins New Jersey Laurels

LOCAL TEAMS ELIMINATED

Results of School Sports on Saturday

BASKETBALL
PENN TOURNEY
Prep Final
St. John's M. A., Manlius, N. Y., 22; St. Joseph's Prep., Philadelphia, 21.
HIGH SCHOOL FINALS
Crosby H. S., Waterbury, Conn., 38; West Philadelphia H. S., 29.
SOUTH JERSEY TOURNEY
Semi-Final
Trenton High, 25; Camden High, 23.
Atlantic City High, 41; Princeton High, 19.
Final
Trenton High, 22; Atlantic City High, 21.
GRAMMAR FINAL
Moorestown, 13; Camden Junior School, 12.
OTHER SCORES
Hill School, 29; Lawrenceville School, 26.
Allentown H. S., 25; Norristown H. S., 22.
York Collegiate Inst., 32; Wenonah M. A., 22.
Lebanon H. S., 52; Sunbury, H. S., 15.
Reading H. S., 23; Williamsport H. S., 20.
Bellefonte Acad., 38; Wyoming Sem., 33.
Wilson H. S. Girls, 30; Quakertown H. S. Girls, 9.
Sunbury H. S. Girls, 21; Milton H. S. Girls, 9.
Hershey H. S., 53; Mt. Joy H. S., 22.
Franklin H. S., 31; Liberty H. S., 24.
Wildwood H. S., 28; Haddon Heights, 24.
Hatboro H. S., 27; Abington H. S., 23.
SWIMMING
Toms School defeated Northeast H. S., 35 to 16.
Lawrenceville won the N. J. State championship with 40 points.
DUAL TRACK MEET
Haverford Col. Fresh defeated Lower Merion H. S., 52¼ to 26½.

By PAUL PREP

THREE basketball champions in scholastic circles were crowned on Saturday. With the closing of the annual University of Pennsylvania tournament, Crosby High, of Waterbury, Conn., wound up as the interscholastic title-holder and St. John's Military School, of Manlius, N. J., captured the prep crown. At the same time over in Camden, Trenton High grabbed the laurels of South New Jersey.

Crosby High copped its title by defeating the West Philadelphia High, 59 to 28. St. John's got its honors by shading St. Joseph Prep, of this city, 22 to 21. For the second straight year Trenton was crowned champion by trimming Atlantic City High, 22 to 21. This tournament was decided in the Camden Y. M. C. A., Broadway and Federal streets.

For the second time in the Penn Tournament two local fives advanced through the preliminary and semi-final rounds only to go down to defeat at the hands of invading quintets in the final round.

Last year West Catholic High School was defeated by Reading High School in the final game in the high school division, while St. Joseph Prep, who lost out at the finish on Saturday, fell a victim before George School.

Crosby High, the new high school champion, has a record of twenty-two straight games for the season. Last year the five finished as runnerups to the Cedar Rapid High team in the national interscholastic tournament at Chicago, being eliminated by the Western boys.

West Philadelphia High played its best game of the year on Saturday against Crosby, but this was not enough. The Westerners were coached for the last week by the McNichol family, of Penn fame, and in the first half, though outscored by 6 goals to 2, held the champions pretty safe.

In the latter twenty minutes Crosby opened its speed throttle and there was never a doubt as to the winner thereafter.

St. Joseph certainly lost a tough game, which deprived it of the gonfalon. The local team was the equal of St. John's, a matter of two foul goals in the closing minutes costing them the title.

This contest was one of the best scholastic games of the basketball season. It was nip and tuck throughout the first half, the score being deadlocked on four different occasions.

The Trenton-Atlantic City climax was almost the same as the St. Joseph's-St. John game, it also ended in a 22-to-21 score. At half time the shoreboys led, 11 to 7.

St. John's Military Academy, of Manlius, N. Y., winner of the prep school championship of the recent scholastic basketball tournament held under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania, will send three star athletes to the Red and Blue institution next fall.

Clark and Arthur Thompson, star forwards, and Hoedl, guard, are the players who will come to Penn. Andy Thompson, "Art's" brother, who was elected to lead the St. John's quintet for the next season, will enter a year later.

All of the players are star athletes. Both of the Thompsons are football players, while Andy holds the Metropolitan golf championship. Hoedl also plays football.

James, star forward on Crosby High, winner of the high school title of the tourney, will enter Penn. It is expected that three other members of the Blue and White quintet from Waterbury also will come to the Red and White colors for school [illegible] Oct. [illegible] Penn and will join the team.

BIG CROWD TO SEE GIBBONS-GREB GO

Possibility of Winner Tonight Being Picked as Foe for Dempsey

FIFTEEN ROUNDS AT GARDEN

How Gibbons and Greb Will Shape Up Tonight

GIBBONS		GREB
171 pounds	Weight	162 pounds
71½ inches	Height	68½ inches
76 inches	Reach	70 inches
44 inches	Chest Normal	40½ inches
48 inches	Chest Expanded	43 inches
17½ inches	Neck	16 inches
14½ inches	Biceps	13½ inches
12 inches	Forearm	11½ inches
9 inches	Ankle	9 inches
7¾ inches	Wrist	7 inches
15½ inches	Thigh	21 inches
15½ inches	Calf	13½ inches

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

WITH possibilities of a prospective foe for the Manassa Mauler, J. Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, being developed tonight, together with the fact that the affair is for the benefit of the "Milk Fund" of New York City, the biggest crowd to jam the Madison Square Garden is expected there to see Tom Gibbons and Harry Greb settle their punching supremacy. The champion himself, according to word from New York today, will be a ringside spectator.

Neither Greb nor Gibbons is as heavy as the conqueror of the French idol, Georges Carpentier, still this pair have been going along on the fistic highway knocking heavyweight material asunder so that they loom today as the best of the big boys on Dempsey's trail. They are of different schools of fisticuffs—Gibbons being a terrific puncher, while Greb is a speedy scrapper.

This will be their fourth meeting. Once Greb and Gibbons clashed in St. Paul and on the other two occasions they flung fists in the general direction of each other in Pittsburgh, Harry's home town. Tonight's encounter is to be fifteen rounds to a decision and there is no reason why one or the other should not be able to score a decisive victory.

Gibbons is being made the favorite.

Al Wagner, of this city, will appear in one of the other bouts, meeting Louis Kid Kaplan, of Meriden, Conn. George Marks will meet Abe Attell Goldstein and Joe Welling boxes Clonie Tait. There is a lot of interest in the last-named match, too, Welling being a 7-to-5 favorite to win.

Easy for Freedman

Sailor Freedman had a cinch of it at the National Saturday night. Frankie Callahan, veteran lightweight, of Brooklyn, and appearing in his first match in three years, was unable to stand off the Chicago mariner, and he was being administered such a terrific drubbing that Referee Lou Grimson humanely stopped hostilities in the seventh round.

For two rounds Callahan was able to make the bout look like a fairly even match, but after that it was no contest—that is, it was one-sided. Still, although the Sailor slambanged Frankie around pretty much and hard, Freedman was unable to score a knockdown.

Joe Jackson staged a swell scrap with Joe Welch, the former winning because of his terrific attack with both hands at close quarters. It was a sensational set-to. Another corking contest was that between Kid Wolf and Charley Ray, the former being a victor. Harry Burke easily whipped Jack Francis and Johnny Gardner defeated Johnny Griffen.

Tendler Boxes Tonight

After scoring a technical knockout in the third round against Johnny Sheppard, of England, at Brooklyn on Saturday night, Lew Tendler, local star lightweight, is back in town and he will go after another K. O. tonight at the Olympia Club. Tendler will pair off with Alex Hart, of Cleveland.

A game and gritty battler, Hart may upset the dope—then, again, he may not. Fans still remember his recent brilliant battle against the hefty-hitting George Chaney. In that match Alex, while socked around pretty much, really wasn't outclassed by any means, and he won a lot of friends by his good bout.

A bantam match will be decided in the other eight-rounder when Patsy Wallace, short, and Battling Mack, long, will get together. Other numbers: Ping Bodie vs. Ray O'Malley, Young Sherlock vs. Buddy Fitzgerald and Jimmy Hutchinson vs. Bobby Wilson.

All-Stars to Play Naval Hospital

The Philadelphia All-Stars will play the U. S. Naval Hospital five, one of the leaders of the League Island Navy Yard Basketball League, at Mechanics' Temple, Thirteenth and Spring Garden streets, this evening. F. Zymoski, athletic director at League Island, will referee.

STILL A KICKING GAME—HOLLENBACK

Spectators Will Benefit by New Football Rules, Opines Penn Coach

END OF SHIFT PLAY SEEN

"THE game still remains a kicking game, despite the change made by the Rules Committee disallowing the free try for goal after touchdown," was Bill Hollenback's comment this morning on the changes made Saturday afternoon by the moguls of college football.

Hollenback, who assisted as coach of the University of Pennsylvania football team last fall and who has had a long and varied experience in the great college game, thinks that the changes in the rule, particularly that one changing the goal after touchdown, are for the good of the spectators.

"The spectators will benefit by this new system of scoring the extra point," said Hollenback. "They will get a little more for their money with the extra play that results in the new rule. Still I do not see how the new rule eliminates the kicking part.

"A coach will, in all probability, instruct his players to use the kick, either drop or placement. The chances for scoring by this method are much greater than in trying to rush the ball or in throwing a forward pass. A good field goal booter can make the one point nine times out of ten if he has a line that can keep back the defensive team.

"No team evenly matched with another can rush the ball five yards in one down, particularly when the point in question might decide the game. It's hard enough to rush a ball five yards with four downs, let alone try it in one.

Forward Pass Impractical

"As far as the forward pass is concerned, the quarter and halfbacks of the defending team can orient themselves in such a way that they can prevent a possible tally by that method more times than they would fail. In order for the forward pass play to be tried the ball would have to be placed in play near the sidelines and away from the goal posts, to prevent any interference there."

Hollenback believes that the defending team will hold or be off sides frequently, no matter what play is resorted to to score the extra point. The Penn coach also is of the opinion that the offensive team will not charge, but will stop the rushes of the defensive eleven by simply holding its ground and waiting for the defenders to rush through.

The new rule will eliminate the loafers and the grandstand players, according to Hollenback. "The boys who like to bask in the sunshine with their backs stretched on the gridiron will have something to do now and will not have a rest until the kickoff. No more rushing to the water bucket. Play will be going on almost every minute with everybody in the game. That is one great feature of the change. If it makes for the betterment of the game the colleges might as well try it out, and if it doesn't prove much of a success the committee can change it next year."

John W. Heisman, coach of the University of Pennsylvania team, is visiting in the West, and his views on the changes advocated by himself at a meeting held here several weeks ago, could not be obtained. Heisman is visiting the Alumni Associations of the University in Western cities and is not expected to return to this city until tomorrow. At the meeting in this city the committee had read into its rule the bringing of the ball out to the fifteen-yard line, but the committee in New York changed that section to read to the five-yard line.

The shift play is virtually eliminated in the new rule which makes it obligatory for the players in a so-called shift to make a momentary stop in their move-ments so that the officials can tell whether the play is legal.

"Mistake," Says Fisher

R. T. Fisher, Harvard football coach, said today that he believed the Football Rules Committee made a mistake in passing the new rule that if a player is taken out of a game because of injuries he cannot return to play in the same half.

Fisher said that there would be a tendency to let an injured player stay in the game until physicians and coaches were convinced that it was necessary to take him out, instead of withdrawing him for observation.

Fisher regards as an experiment the rule abolishing the free trial for a goal after touchdown and the substitution therefor of a play from scrimmage. Every team, he thought, would elect to drop-kick, and this would bring about the development of drop-kickers instead of placement kickers.

Week-End Soccer Results

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Philadelphia F. C., 6; Harrison, 3.
Paterson A. C., 1; J. & P. Coats, 1.
Fall River, 3; New York Field Club, 0.
CRICKET CLUB LEAGUE
Moorestown, 8; Philadelphia C. C., 2.
AMATEUR CUP GAMES
Viscose, 1; Disston Saw, 0.
Hardwick & Magee, 1; Autocar, 0.
OTHER GAMES
Wildwood, 3; Fairthorpe, 0.
Alden, 6; Rainbow, 1.
SUNDAY SCORES
Phila. F. C., 2; Harrison F. C., 2.
Phila. Athletics, 1; Kearsley, 1.
New York F. C., 5; Bay Ridge, 2.
Todd, 3; Green Point, 1.
Wolfenden-Shore, 2; Marshall E. Smith, 0.
Ascension, 2; All-Stars, 1.

OLYMPIA BOXING
Mon. Eve. March 13 Broad & Bainbridge Mon. Eve. March 13
JIMMY HUTCHINSON vs. BOBBY WILSON
YOUNG SHERLOCK vs. BUDDY FITZGERALD
PING BODIE vs. RAY O'MALLEY
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