

# Strubing Upholds Harvard-Yale-Princeton Pact Which Discontinues Intersectional Games

## CENSURE OF 'BIG THREE' AGREEMENT IS ALL WET; OLD GRADS' COME-BACK

Jack Strubing, Former Grid Great at Princeton, Presents the Calling Off of Intersectional Games From Other Side of Fence—Yale and Harvard Men's Views

By STONEY McLINN

THE Tiger snarls, the Bulldog growls and the sons of John Harvard emit sounds signifying disapproval. All this occasioned by the fact that the public is grieving over the discontinuance of the intersectional football battles in which members of the Big Three represent the East.

In comment on this subject it was given as an opinion that the East vs. West and South contests should be continued, because in this way the dear old public had an opportunity to compare the major elevens from other sections of the United States with those of our own segment. It was added that the d. o. p. was, in a large measure, "paying the freight" of college football as played in the great million-dollar stadiums. This started something, sure enough.

The world hates a squireman: a person who cannot be convinced that he is wrong. However, after weighing the objections to our views, presented to us by Harvard and Yale, we should materially alter what was originally written about the cessation of intersectional games. But we are glad to present the arguments of the other side.

Jack Strubing, a former grid great at Princeton, is quite competent to "look at the thing from the other side of the fence," as he puts it. He declares that our statements regarding the East vs. West and South games were "not quite fair." A Yale grad, who, by request, shall be anonymous, thinks we may have been "misinformed as to the financial returns from a clash between intersectional rivals. A friendly young ep, surname Baker, who completed old man Homer at Cambridge, says it is not a question of what the public or the graduates would like to see, but the necessity for lessening the commercialism and heroism which are likely to ruin college athletics unless curbed.

FIRST of all, suppose we leap over the fence, upon which there is no barbed wire, and regard the subject from Strubing's viewpoint. He writes in part:

### Fan Means Nothing to College

MOST colleges do not play football for the benefit or entertainment of the public. The team plays primarily for the university. The stadiums at Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Penn were not erected to accommodate the greatest number of paying spectators possible. They were built to accommodate the greatest number of friends of the university possible. They pay—yes, \$3. But all tickets reach them through members of the university. The football fan means nothing to a big college—the team plays for the college, not the town to which it is located.

"Five-sixths of every crowd in Palmer Stadium is made up of Princeton men and women and their friends. The other sixth are the outsiders. I venture to say that three-quarters of this is an Harvard and Yale. Intersectional games are expensive, and it is to avoid the necessity of getting extra income from the public to help meet this expense that Harvard, Yale and Princeton have banned the costly matches. The college can take care of the early games and the two games that count. The two other rivals are the only teams that count to the Big Three. Paper championships and clean records are nice to have, of course, but they mean nothing when the season is summed up. It's the two last games that count."

There is no occasion to comment on Mr. Strubing's statement, which gives his side of it and which is cheerfully published because we want the public to know how it looks on the other side of the fence. That the intersectional games may be "too costly financially and strategically" is one thing; that the football fans of the East would like to have them played is quite another thing. And there is no man-made law which prohibits "wanting."

THE Yale man's argument was that since early season prices prevailed at games with local and other intersectional rivals, and a great number of those who attended used season tickets good for all the preliminary battles, there was very little money which could be put into the treasury as profit.

### Triumphs Over West and South Wanted

THERE is again a reason for abandoning the games which may be excellent, but has no direct bearing on the situation as we presented it—namely, the public of the East has a pride in its college elevens which causes us to desire triumphs over West and South, though we may not know a man in any way connected with the colleges.

The Harvard man, Mr. Baker, regards the big games as laying too much stress upon athletics at colleges, where, true enough, the principal objective should be education. He said:

"Nowadays a young man may be a honor man in his class, exceptionally bright and studious, but he walks across the campus unnoticed. On the other hand, an athlete's appearance upon the campus is the signal for all eyes to follow him—he is the real hero. There is no objection to a man receiving praise and admiration because of his prowess on the gridiron or in any line of sport endeavor. But the athlete should not stand out more prominently than the student who is making his mark in the intellectual field."

This is the best argument we have heard against college athletics on a huge scale. However, when the universities build stadiums that accommodate from 50,000 to 75,000 spectators they erect a pedestal upon which heroes are mounted. The sport-loving people of our great country will continue to worship at the shrine of the athlete so long as athletics last, which unquestionably will be until the end of the world.

ONCE we were standing with a great professor and college teacher inside the Phillies' park when our city had its only modern National League champions—in 1915. The then President, Woodrow Wilson, famed as a writer and educator, happened along, and the minister-professor exhibited only mild interest, though it was his first look at a live United States executive.

### Athlete Is Real Hero

"WHERE is Ty Cobb? That's the man I want to see," he said, and when the baseball star arrived the young man was as excited as any twelve-year-old boy could have been who got his first glimpse of Ty.

You can't get away from it, folks—the man on whom who excels in sports always will be large in the public eye. Princeton, Yale and Harvard may cause intersectional games and thus preserve the great importance to them, of the Big Three battles—while, after all, the real reason for their decision. But so long as large crowds attend football games and countless thousands read about them in the newspapers, it will not be possible to prevent the making of athletes heroes. And, so to relate, excellence in studies does not place a man in the hero class—at least not while he is college.

While watching the Red and Blue players scrapping on Franklin Field yesterday afternoon, getting ready for the conflict with the Navy day after tomorrow, a Penn man, in no way connected with gridiron heroism, remarked: "Agreed that we have the power, the material and the team that is well equipped. How can we make them fight—fight as they did in the last quarter against Northampton and as they must throughout the game on Saturday if they hope to beat Annapolis?"

WELL, we remember a football captain who had what was by no means a unique method of getting points in his men. As they stepped on the line or in the backfield and the crowd of the team walked along and, when he thought a player needed a dose of pep, he delivered a healthy kick upon the seat or the back of a player's pants. A kick—one that hurts—makes a man fighting mad. If he has in him the right stuff he'll try to make the enemy suffer with him by playing that fighting football essential to victory.

### About Sportsmen One Meets

ERNE COZENS, graduate manager of athletics at Pennsylvania, was putting aside tickets which had been reserved for seats from colleges which the Red and Blue is to meet when we visited him in his office.

"Whether scouting is overdone or not is something I do not care to discuss," said the affable c. m., who formerly was a gridiron star at Penn. "But scouting is by no means to be confused with spying. In those days colleges write in for tickets and often give the name of the scout who is going to look over our team."

SCOUTING is legitimate, of course, and therefore may be practiced in the open. But a team which has the punch, the plays and the players will win, even though the scout should carry back with him to the coming opponents the signals as well as the system and supposed strength and weakness of individuals.

## LYNCH WILL BOX AS FEATHERWEIGHT

Bantam Champion Has Put Weight on Skinny Frame. May Meet Dundee

## HUTCHINSON AFTER JOE

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

UNABLE to keep weight off his skinny frame any longer, the first of the year may see the elongated bantam champion of the world, Joe Lynch, New York Irish bantam, forsake the 118-pound division and step into the feck of featherweights.

While the Gotham Horn probably will be unable to give Lynch a bantamweight challenge with present trading, Lynch is finding the work entirely too hard and feels that he cannot do himself justice when he gets into the ring. As a featherweight, Joe believes he will be able to box a lot better than he has been during the last year.

There has been much gossip about the expected introduction of Lynch into the featherweight division for several months. The advance posters are noting the fact about a contest between Lynch and Johnny Dundee, who can go down to 120 pounds, as one of the featherweight of the new season.

A Lynch-Dundee contest, even though not a titular tilt, probably would prove the strongest argument for feather fans in New York. Both have large followings.

## Hutchinson Is Star in New York

Other featherweights who are being mentioned as probable opponents for Lynch in featherweight competition are Hughie Hutchinson, formerly of Philadelphia, and Jimmy Lynch, New York City, and Earl Bards, the aviator fighter.

That terrific right cross Hutchinson used to flash in his matches in this city has been hitting Hughes gradually in the past few months. Hutchinson tried to get on again with Lynch, but the former grew out of the bantamweight class and had to forget about meeting Joe.

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Scotty Monteith, who discovered the most sensational boxers in the world, is training Hutchinson and for more than a year the Scotch manager has been trying to bring his Scotch scrapper into the ring with the Scotch Wop.

## Ivory Is King

Our In-Harrisburg, Pa., they have a boxer, just a little too heavy for the lightweight and too light for the welterweights—an "in-between" as it were, and an opponent is not bound to in the ring even though he is called Ivory.

Ivory Eshelman is an eighteen-year-old youth who weighs about 140 pounds. He is a terrific puncher, more than 75 per cent of his battles have been won by the knockout route. Out of a total of twenty-one fights, seven of Ivory's opponents were beaten over the toll of ten.

Eshelman's prize victory which stamps him as a corner was a round bout with Billy Archer. Here a white Harvard paper and to say the least, the Pennsylvania Dutchman's win against the hard-hitting York batter, Billy Archer, was a terrific puncher, more than 75 per cent of his battles have been won by the knockout route.

## JIMMY HANLON IS ILL

Babe Herman Will Meet Eddie Wagner at the Arena

Jimmy Hanlon, the former rights-wielder, was taken suddenly ill in the cage on Tuesday while coming East for a match at the Eleventh Street Arena here Saturday night. As soon as Joe Kelly received word of Hanlon's illness, he went to New York and signed Babe Herman, the California bantam, to substitute for Hanlon.

Herman will answer the bell in the wild-up scheduled for eight rounds against Eddie Kid Wagner. The latter has been stepping along at a rapid pace and now will fight from the top-heavy position. A victory for Wagner against the babe will mean much to Eddie.

Robby Higgins, a straitlaced fighter with Billy Archer, who scuffled last Monday night, Burman scored four-round knockout. Saturday night Higgins was on duty against the New York "Prophet," Robby Mitchell, who was defeated by Willie Albion, Burman's former foe, at Atlantic City last night.

## Scraps About Scrappers

Eddie Cozens is expected to meet some of the best fighters in the city in a series of three fights.

The match between Jack Herman and the world champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena, will be a featured attraction.

Three victories, including two knockouts, have been scored by Sam DeLoach, who will meet the champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Don Gartin, former amateur featherweight champion of America, will fight the first of a series of three fights, which will begin on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Cliff Kanes will be on the athletic field at a month's end in an effort to get back into the ring. Kanes will fight with the champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Willie Allen has been matched for a fight with the champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Salvo Alberger, former Navy bantamweight champion of the world, will fight the first of a series of three fights, which will begin on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Law Tordoff will meet the champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

Jack Lester, 118, is a local tilt who has been working well out of town and is expected to meet the champion, who will fight on Saturday night at the Eleventh Street Arena.

## THEN JIMMY YELLED, "HIP, HIP, HOORAY"



## SULLIVAN AND M'GRAW, THREAT AGAINST NAVY

Penn Backfield Stars Are Liable to Cause Middies Much Worry Saturday

## THURMAN WILL PLAY

By JOSEPH T. LABRUM

IF GEORGE SULLIVAN and the McGraw flash against the Navy Saturday afternoon the kind of play they did against the scrubs on Franklin Field yesterday afternoon, Bob Folwell is in for a mighty uncomfortable afternoon.

The two backfield luminaries, who have had much to do with the success of the Red and Blue so far this season, rapped around the field like two-year-olds, ripping the scrubs through the line and around the ends with the best of both hands. Sullivan counted a pair of touchdowns, both on exceptional runs, while McGraw shot off for his only try.

Sullivan scored his first after a brilliant exhibition of running with dodging and strategic armoring of the major league variety. He started from the 30-yard line, dodged his way to the scrubs, Sullivan counted a pair of touchdowns, both on exceptional runs, while McGraw shot off for his only try.

The second touchdown came through a hole in the scrubs' line, Sullivan rapped around for 25 yards, McGraw after repeated gains through the center of the scrubs line went over for a touchdown on an off-to-the-play. The scrubs fought hard from the start, fresh players contributing to the success of the variety.

Johnson and Pruneret at Ends JOHN JOHNSON, the former Trinity captain, and Pruneret were the variety ends yesterday, with Graf, Lenham, Pennington, and Dorn in the line. Adams was sent into the scrum to relieve Dorn.

According to Graduate Manager Ernest Cozens, the largest crowd in the history of football at the University will be on hand to watch the Navy game. The Muddy delegation will be composed of the entire school, with numerous naval officials, and about Washington among them.

With the guests of the University who will be present for the purpose of assisting in the dedication services scheduled for between the halves, the number of officials and dignitaries will probably eclipse any similar gathering at a Red and Blue football game.

Most of the seats in the north and south stands were sold out by Monday, with the south section, and few seats left to be sold. There are plenty of seats in the east and west stands which have been selling fast since last week. A satisfactory crowd, numbering 22,000, which will be the largest in the history of an athletic event in this city, is expected to watch the battle between Folwell and Hanlon.

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## How Does It Strike You?

Morice's Decision Barnstorming Dangerous Plays

BILL MORICE is a brave man. It takes courage to announce through the press an error which affected the result of a big college football game. The big blond official, who was a gridiron hero in his day at Pennsylvania, awarded a touchdown to New York University which enabled Tom Thorpe's eleven to defeat Columbia, 7-0.

After the game, Morice discovered his mistake, sought advice from Walter Camp and C. K. Hall, could locate neither and finally three days after the game reversed his decision, made the touchdown a safety and gave Columbia the victory, 6-2.

Morice's move was of his own volition, which makes it all the more commendable. Columbia did NOT protest. The first decision was wrong. A Columbia kick was blocked, the ball rolled behind the goal line and into the crowd of spectators. A New York University player fell on the oval, but regardless of this, it was a safety instead of a touchdown as the referee first decided. The rules are clear on this point.

Morice did not fear the criticism he knew would follow, and his sense of justice would not permit him to remain silent after he discovered his mistake. Yet the point arises if an official is permitted to reverse his decision and if he has the power, should he exercise it at such a late date?

Thorpe's comeback is that the award of the touchdown changed his plan of attack. This is true. The reversal is scarcely fair to N. Y. U. and yet in justice to Columbia it should be made.

To the Observer, the only fair procedure would be to declare the game "no contest" and attempt to have it replayed.

MORICE is one of the best officials in the game, but like all of us he makes mistakes occasionally. He is a bigger man for having admitted his error under the conditions.

Huston Would Bar Barnstorming COLONEL HUSTON is doing his shopping in thoughts early for the December meeting of the baseball magnates, and among them is a suggestion concerning post-season barnstorming. He would have the players barred from touring the country for exhibitions.

Huston is a convert to this idea. Last season he was in favor of allowing such trips, but the fact that major leaguers have been trimmed by small-town teams has caused him to change his mind.

The Yankee boss will argue at the meeting that barnstorming lowers the prestige of major league baseball and in order to eliminate it will probably suggest that the contracts be made for the entire year instead of the playing season.

Barnstorming affords players an opportunity to make some side money when they are under no obligations to their summer bosses. It must be remembered the players do not train after the season ends and there is no practice work. The result is an absence of teamwork and tourists are likely to meet defeat any time.

Yet it is no disgrace for big leaguers to lose to small-town nines. There would be no question of victory if a series of games were played. Decision in one game does not always go to the better team.

THERE is no harm in barnstorming if the trips are properly conducted. However, the leagues should see to it that the tourists are under the right kind of management.

The Quarterback Who Calls Dangerous Plays THE Boston University quarterback had the temerity to essay three consecutive forward passes behind his own goal line in the game against Holy Cross last Saturday.

Some spectators admire the nerve of the leader who calls for such dangerous plays, but it isn't nerve, it's insanity.

If the pass is intercepted the enemy has the ball within striking distance. Instead of attempting to get out of the difficulty, it's inviting more trouble. Occasionally a team will get away with such a play. One notable example was the famous Hess to Higgins pass which was mainly responsible for State beating Pitts-burgh three years ago.

With the game only a few minutes' old, State had the ball on its 1-yard line. Hess was at least 10 yards behind his line and he tossed a pass to Higgins, who was 30 yards within the playing field. Bezek's star end sprinted 90 yards for a touchdown.

The play so completely upset the Panthers that they cracked and State won, 20-0.

This was one instance where the quarterback "got away with it," but the odds are overwhelming against the successful completion of the pass and the subsequent run. There is too much danger involved to call it a heady play.

AFTER taking on the Navy and Lafayette on successive Saturdays, the Bucknell players will be able to rest this week-end. All they have to do on Saturday is to play Pitts-burgh.

## BOB FOLWELL TRIES A NEW BACKFIELD

Navy Gridiron Tutor Gives Heavy Candidates Trial in Grilling Workout

## HAS SELECTED HIS LINE-UP

By JOSEPH T. LABRUM

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Oct. 26.—Coach Folwell used several combinations in the Naval Academy backfield yesterday so as to give the various backs practice in working together. In this he has followed the long rule at the academy of training the different backs in the work of one position only and making place.

This is found to promote the smoothness of operations of the backfield. Several big fellows were used at different times in the backfield, including Hamilton, Filpen, O'Regan and Flaherty, all weighing around 175 pounds, or more.

However, there is little doubt that the backfield will start against Pennsylvania just as it did against Georgia Tech Saturday, with Conroy (captain), McKeon, Coffin and Barber in the backfield. All are in condition to play a hard game if necessary. The scrimmage yesterday was not under good conditions, and the variety was kept on the defense a great part of the time, the second team using many forward passes against it.

POS MILLER showed his old-time form in practice yesterday particularly. He did not let the shipper make him look after tackle when the scrubs broke through the first line of defense. Miller also carried a ball into the end of his old-time career, acting apparently under instructions to take no chances.

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