

The Banner Football Season

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ward pass and other new plays, resulting in the splendid showing made at Yale. From here on, State's eleven became wonderfully adept at the new style gridiron tactics.

When some of the players reported on September 1st to "Pop" Golden and "Mother" Dunn, prospects looked anything but encouraging, for although much good line material remained from our '05 Varsity, an entire new back-field was required. But we all know how our Freshmen, McCleary, Hirshman, Vorhis, Maxwell, and Coulson have come forward, while the veteran Varsity line was, in our opinion, the best in the country. But success has been largely due to the untiring effort of our coaches, Fennell, Golden, McIlveen, Elder and Yeckley, thoughtful every moment of the welfare of the team, and working hand-in-hand for three solid months, as though every effort were a constant pleasure. The work of this quintet of strong, clean sportsmen needs no further comment. Results speak for themselves, and who can say that these leaders have not achieved incomparable results for State?

Ten members of our Varsity squad graduate next June, and great difficulty will be encountered in finding their equals.

Captain Dunn has with unflinching devotion to Christian work here at State College uplifted many of his fellow students. Born in Youngstown, Ohio, 27 years ago, Dunn worked in steel mills from his early youth, barely getting the rudiments of a primary education. Four years ago this young giant took the entrance exams to State College, after two years of night-study. Since entering college, the history of "Mother" Dunn has been an inspiration to all those who love the White and Blue.

Next comes Gotwa's, a right tackle who fought his way for two seasons before he obtained Varsity recognition, then developing so rapidly as to become one of the best tackles on the gridiron. Earnest in everything he does, gritty, quiet, undaunted by any obstacle, "Gottie" is a man all through, whose hard, aggressive playing puts life into all his team mates.

Left tackle, "Bill" Wray, an unassuming gentleman with a quiet, quizzical smile, has for four years fought unostentaciously on our Varsity. Cool, nervy and steady, his loss will be sadly felt on State's rush-line. It was his strong arms which lifted McCleary over W. U. P's. line on Thanksgiving Day.

Kunkle, left guard, is a perfect side partner for "Bill" Wray. As President of the Y.M.C.A., Kunkle has wrought an influence among State College students that will broaden and expand as the years roll by.

State's quarter-back, "Hi" Henry, is a man exceptionally gifted with unselfishness, broad-mindedness, and an overflowing generosity and kindness. Tackling, handling difficult punts and rushing them back, are all done with the same cheery smile, taking the hardest of bumps without a word. "Hi's" superb grit is out in a word when it is told that he played throughout that W. U. P. struggle with a muscle in his back torn loose.

"Phil" Partridge, half-back, is another ever ready to jump into the thickest of the fray. "Phil's" playing against Annapolis and Dickinson helped our team to victory; and for three years past Partridge has played good Varsity football.

Bruce McWilliams, big, husky, and always willing, has "taken his bumps" for three seasons before winning the honored "S" during the present year.

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