

# THE GRIST MILL OF SPORTS

By FATE SASSER

## ENGLISH GAME OF RUGBY

Well, kids, it's here—the topic that has gradually worked its way onto the sports page of all the papers in the nation. The pennant races, which in former years have taken much space, must share with the development of the old game of Rugby, football, to you, which was introduced from England about 1870. Now the game has turned out to be the talk of August and the competition of September. Each fall school and college aggregations in every part of the land play this national game before thousands of spectators in stadiums that rival the huge Roman Colosseum . . . . .

It has gotten to such a point that the "flying wedge" formations of Rugby have become a year-around subject. With the season opening in mid-September and practice getting underway—some instances as early as the middle of August—several weeks before then. Football has become a four-months' sport, rather than an eight or ten weeks' as was the case some years ago . . . . .

Going into the third week of conflict for high school aggregation, the question has been asked by many a person, "Who will be the team to watch in the Western Class A conference?" As long as a guy is the champion, it's a good thing to watch him. And that, we believe, holds true in every sport. The champ knows how it feels to win. That being the case, it might be advisable to keep the Purple Whirlwinds of Greensboro in the back end of your cranium . . . The Gate City eleven up to date is undefeated and untied in their first two encounters . . . Oh, yes, they have not had a point scored against them. . . . Some record so far, but they will stick their neck out tomorrow night when they mix it with the strong gridiron eleven of Rocky Mount. . . . .

## REIDSVILLE HAP PERRY

The little man that you see talking to the Reidsville tonite out at the stadium will be the little big man of the invaders. His name is Hap Perry, who last year coached his gridmen to the championship of the Western Class B crown and onto Chapel Hill, where they won the State B bacon. . . . Glancing at their record so far this fall, we see that the Reidsville Lions are still yet to be defeated. . . . With two victories and a total of 66 points being marked up against Danville and Leaksville . . . . .

So students the aggregation of Coach Hap will make their first air maneuvers in this city tonight with the many fans looking at one of the best mentors in the high school circuit. When we leave the tilt tonight after an hour of high-minded airmail attack, we will be saying to ourselves, "Where did they get such an eagle-eye passer as Sacrinity? . . . Well, boys and girls, they must grow them in Reidsville, since you can see they have one of the best pigskin elevens in this section. . . . I have been talking a little strong for the invades, but there is a reason for such a fact.

## SCHEDULE VERY TOUGH

Taking on their second competition of the autumn, the local gridiron eleven will be without the material with which they started off at the first of the fall's daily labor. And as they open with the first of four home games, the Bison slate will grow rough and tough with such high-flying and serious-minded troupe of gridmen as the Bulls of Durham, and Burlington, and the Lexington undefeated aggregation. . . .

Coach June Scott's warriors will be out for revenge over two of the invaders after receiving a spanking by the Durham and Davidson county gridders last autumn. . . . As you can see, the husky lads in blue will have no easy road to travel this fall, with nine foes remaining on the list—counting tonight's council of war under the lamps. . . . Although head mentor June Scott does not appear to be in a particularly pessimistic mood about the approaching season, a glance over the list of reserves and left-overs will explain his feelings. . . . The Western loop race this year, as we see it on the basis of last year's varsity and scrubs and the returning prospects, should be the best balanced since a decade. . . . There I stick my neck out again, but you wait and see for yourself how the parade will turn out at the end. . . . Sectional foes such as Durham, Burlington, Reidsville, Lexington, and Charlotte don't have anything to do with the conference . . . .

## PICK-UPS FROM HERE AND THERE

Traveling to the East Coast, we find the high schools in that section asking hte question, "Who is going to be the champion of the state in football, basketball, swimming, track, golf, wrestling, tennis, and, last of all, baseball? . . . A good many of these championships have been won by the Durham lads. . . . Here are the ones they hold: football, basketball, track, golf, and wrestling. Swimming was won by the Caps of Raleigh after the Goldsboro fish had held the crown for three years without a defeat. Baseball was taken over by the Gate City lads, and they are picked by many to retain the crown again this fall after they undermine the Durham county nine. . . . Tennis the last of the minor sports was won by the Charlotte Silver netters. . . . With the time drawing near for the play-off of the gridiron honor—some time in November—the mentors of the Class A schools are saying that their gridmen should have a chance to win the honor this fall. . . . Way down in the tobacco belt in the Eastern corner of the state will be a crop of farmers n Edgecombe county who say that they will stop the Brewbaker boys of Durham. . . . They should be the ones to stop the Bulls for the Rocky Mount lads are well on the trail of the Durhamites as they engage a neighbor city Friday night. . . . On the soil of a Guilford county town, the Blackbirds will mix it with the Greensboro aggregation, with both outfits yet to receive a set-back in this season's parade. . . . I pick Rocky Mount to defeat the Jamieson crew by two or more touchdowns. . . . Tonight the locals will battle the Perryman to a seven-all deadlock. . . . Mark my word. . . . R. J. Reynolds and High Point again will fight it out for top honor in the Western loop . . . . As the pigskin falls into it's position on the soil of Albion Millis stadium this evening the Bisons will undergo their major drive for high rating n the North Carolina Athletic Association . . . James Russell, who entered school the past spring, has dropped out to return to Jamestown to carry on where he left off in soccer and basketball. . . . His weight and size will leave a big hole in the Bison forward wall. . . . Russell understudy to Purcel Kimsey at right tackle. . . . Also lost to the Pointers for the remaining of the season is speedy Bill Lackey who had to drop out on the account of a pulled muscle in his right leg. . . . See you out on the game tonight along with the new member if the sports staff, Thelma Weekly. . . By the way, her column is below this one. . . . see you again soon. . . . I hope . . .

# VIBRATIONS FROM THE FEMS

By THELMA WEEKLEY

Well, folks, here it is September and school again. Seems as if those two come along just like wet feet and "Ha-ch-oo-s." But the dainty damsels are all ready to take their health and physical education to keep in trim for these wasp-waisted fall styles. Too bad you can't keep that lovely, hard-come-by tan. But, of course, there are always sun lamps.

The sophomores, lucky stiff, are taking gym five times per week this year, but we knew there would be a catch to it, the boys and girls will not take gym together this year as they hape done in the past. While the boys are building up muscle, preparatory to showing off, the girls will take health, and

vice-versa.

High Point high school is a member of the North Carolina High School Girls Physical Education Association. Our course in this will follow the organization plans. The local officers of the association are: Garnett Hinshaw, president; Mary Ann Coe, vice president; and Helen Craven, secretary-treasurer.

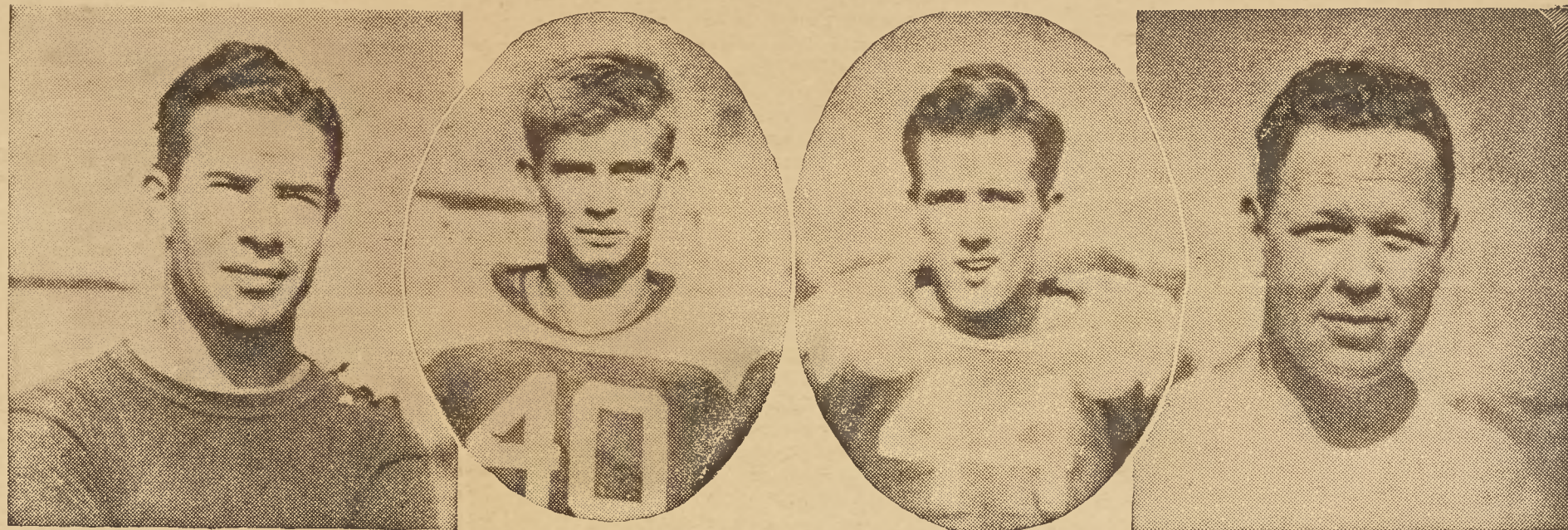
The after school teams in soccer and other sports will begin the next two weeks. Sophomores, juniors and seniors will have home room and class teams this year as usual. The class teams will be chosen from all players. Come on, you juniors and seniors, let's get (Continued on back page)

## BISON UNDERDOGS

# Bi-Weekly Bison Sports

## STOP REIDSVILLE

# POINTERS OPEN HOME SLATE TONIGHT



Above the 1940 coaches and co-captains of the High Point high school gridiron aggregation, who tonight open a four-game home card at Albion Millis Stadium. Read-

ing from left to right are: Mentor June Scott, Co-captains Herbert Spears, Abie Short, and Kenneth Stevens, line coach.

## Golden Lions Journey Here This Evening for Annual Tilt Against Scottmen

Coach Hap Perry Aggregation Takes to the Field With a Clean Record of Two Victories

(Special to The POINTER)

REIDSVILLE, Sept. 26.—Coach Hap Perry's gridiron eleven, outstanding in the past decade, will leave this morning for High Point where they face the Black Bison in their first home engagement of their 1940 pigskin schedule, with the Pointers out for the hide of the Luckies who set them down last fall on a smooth aerial attack that carried them to the state championship in Class B ball.

Tonight's conflict will be the first time that the Lions have played on the soil of Albion Millis Stadium, with the locals out for blood on the new field and holding an upper hand in the battles that were played in Willis Park. In the past, Coach Perry has received the better end in the annual fray, with his crew being stopped only twice by the Bison.

In previous conflicts, the Golden Lions have presented a stalwart defense and fast-moving offense. Down near the chalk mark, their line has been almost impregnable as they have held their opponents to a big zero this fall; and in the past they were scored upon only by the Purple Whirlwinds of Greensboro. With such a record, the local aggregation of Rockingham county enters the tilt tonight as the team favored to be undefeated in the high school circuit this season.

Most of the power is built around the air attack that has been the big factor in the Perry-men's last two encounters and was the top development in its maneuvers last season, which saw them going down only once under the razzle-dazzle assortment of plays that was handed out by Greensboro. The attack through the air route is not the only big threat in the Lions' power, for they have smooth running plays to keep their opponents on their heels.

Making the trip along with Coach Perry are 33 members of the varsity and reserves who have seen action in every engagement so far this season. Of this number, 15 were lettermen last year, and the first team is composed of 10 monogram winners from last fall. This flock of boys hit the beam around 160 pounds on the average, while the Bison aggregation is reported larger. This is a group of boys who can get about and makes things rough and tough for its opposition.

Outstanding gridders who will appear on the grounds of Millis Stadium are the Sacrinity brothers, with the elder holding an edge over his brother. These two lads play the same position, and by many they are picked as the best pair of triple-threaters in the state. Both are great mail-carriers

## VARSITY RESERVES OPEN SEASON WITH OLD TOWN OF MINERAL SPRING, OCT. 3

Following right along in the footsteps of the varsity, the little Bison reserves are making last minute preparation for their opening tilt with Old Town or Mineral Springs as the host city on the date of October 3.

With most of their last fall's material moving up to the varsity, the two mentors are looking over the flock for new talent for this coming pigskin schedule which is the roughest and toughest slate that could be mapped out. Although the parade will be no easy road, the boys appeared in high spirits for their first encounter, which will be followed by Griffith, there. The following week the local lads will play host to the invaders of Lewisville on October 24.

The schedule that has been made out reads as follows: Old Town at Mineral Springs, October 3; Griffith, there, October 10; Clemmons, there, October 17; Lewisville, here, October 24; Burlington, there, October 30; Sedge Garden, here, November 9; Walkertown, there, November 14, and Burlington, here, November 21.

and can heave the pigskin to any point on the field. Another member in the backfield who has caused many a coach to worry is Byrd, who can be found at any spot on the field, shifting from one berth to another. His ability as a kicker rates among the outstanding in the South. Morris carries the number thirteen on his back, by no means is that unlucky, for the speedy back has crossed the invaders' pay dirt for more points than any other member on the roster.

In the forward wall, Coach Hap has seven veterans on hand to take over the duties on the number one squad, with good material on hand to put in if there is a need. Most of the linemen can play 60-minute ball, with Pettigrew, flash defensive performer, able to last overtime if the need should come.

## \*Out With Injury



Bill Lackey, flash youth from Archdale, will be lost to the Black Bison for the greater part of the 1940 football season on account of a bad leg injury.

## Varsity Wins First Encounter of Year

Co-captain fullback Abie Short intercepted a pass on the Bison fifteen yard line and ran 85 yards for a touchdown, the only score of the game as the Bison won their initial game of the season over Mills Home of Thomasville, 7-0.

The Little Baptists were not considered to have much this year. However, the Bison found them to be most formidable, and they again proved their merit last week when they played Reynolds High a close game only to be defeated 6-0.

The Bison were outplayed in every phase of the game. The Little Baptists made 9 first downs to the locals' 5. They outrushed the Bison 105 yards to 54, and outpassed them 11 to 84.

It was a closer game than High Point expected, but the Bison merited beneficial experience through their hard fight.

## MAJORETTES

Five majorettes have been added as a new feature of the high school band this year. Selected for these positions from a large number of contestants were: Tommye Stanton, Dorothy Highfill, Dorothy Pegram, Belty Jean Culver, and Sara Stone. These girls will show what they can do in the way of high-stepping Thursday night, when they will preform with the band at Albion Millis Stadium.

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## \*Tilt Against Reidsville Is First of Season for Locals In Albion Millis Stadium

First String Players From Injury Jinx Will Keep Two Starting at 8 o'Clock

By FATE SASSER

(The POINTER Sports Editor)

The Black Bison' prize high school gridiron extravaganza of the season will be unveiled this evening on the soil fo Albion Millis Stadium at 8 o'clock, where the Pointers hope to outscore a high-flying and serious-minded troupe of Reidsville's high school gridmen, who, the past autumn, were winners of the Class B championship.

## WESTERN CONFERENCE LOOP LOOKING FOR GREAT YEAR WITH COMPETITION TOUGH

With the 1940 gridiron season for high school aggregations in the Western Carolina Class A Conference unrolling in sectional and intersectional battles, the survey of the teams composing the loop reveals an abundance of material showing up for early autumn practice. Numerous lettermen in uniform, along with many youngsters who made a ood showing last season, promise a series of thrills for the fans who follow the parade in the West.

Over in the Twin-City, it appears that skipper "Red" Smith, who received his football training at Presbyterian, way down in the corner of South Carolina, has one of the best aggregations to report for gridiron labor in the past decade. They opened their pigskin schedule last Friday night against Mills Home of Thomasville, with his lads coming out on the better end of the score, 6-0. Big sparkplug in the Reynolds High attack is Phil Brewer, who, in the past years, has caused trouble for every opponent.

The next stop on our jaunt through the conference is Greensboro where Coach Bob Jamieson is laboring with his prize crew that won the Western Conference crown the past season and which is picked by many to retain this honor again this autumn. The reason for this is that Coach Jamieson has such crack backs as Joe Winner and Jack Dempsey, who in the past two weeks have overrun Burlington and Raleigh by one-sided scores.

Leaving the Guilford county section, we journey to the West where (Continued on back page)

Hanging onto a record of one win for their first appearance, the local aggregation is out to undermine the highly-touted aerial attack of Coach Hap Perry's aggregation—the same eleven which has handed out two shellackings in its first two conflicts of the pigskin season.

Tonight's battle under the lamps will be the first appearance that a Reidsville crew has played in the Albion Millis Stadium, with the aggregation of Coach June Scott laboring for the first time this season on home ground. High Point opened the season a fortnight ago in Thomasville, triumphing over Coach Charlie Kearns' Little Baptists.

In previous conflicts, the Lions have presented a stalwart defense and fast-moving offense. Down near the doublechalked stripe their line has been almost impregnable as their record of having only five touchdowns scored against them in the past year shows.

On offense, Sacrinity, 160-pound triple-threat, gets most of the headlines, for the Lions crop of backs with the little blonde lad being picked by many as the best passer in the state this fall, as his name again appears on the list for All-State honors. Although not shifty, he is a fine pigskin carrier and his kicking is his specialty. On numerous occasions, his booming kick has sent the opposition moaning back toward its end of the field. Other Rockingham county (Continued on back page)

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