

FOR THE GAME'S SAKE

BY LAWRENCE PERRY



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New York, Nov. 5.—By virtue of having won all her games Pennsylvania is entitled to top ranking in the East. Dartmouth, Yale, Syracuse, Army, Lehigh and Rutgers seem to follow in order. But there is no telling what November will bring. Cornell's stock, for one is looking up.

In the Middle—West Illinois leads the Conference by a clear margin. Ohio and Chicago are together in second place. Then Michigan, which has made however, a great come-back since the Illinois debacle.

On the Pacific Coast Washington's unexpected eleven. California is given preference over the Palo Alto team.

Rocky Mountain Conference (rated by Les Goates of Salt Lake City Deseret News): 1. Colorado U.; 2. Colorado Aggies; 3. Utah Aggies; 5. Montana State; 6. Denver; 7. Brigham Young U.; 8. Colorado College; 9. Colorado Mines; 10. Wyoming U.

Southwestern Conference. (rated by Sam Pace of Fort Worth Star Telegram) 1. Southern Methodist; 2. Baylor; 3. Rice; 4. Texas Christian; 5. Texas U.; 6. Texas A. and M.; 7. Arkansas U.; 8. Oklahoma A. and M.

Southern Conference (rated by Zipp Newman of Birmingham, Ala. News) 1. Alabama; 2. Georgia; 3. Mississippi A and M.; 4. Georgia Tech; 5. Vanderbilt; 6. Florida; 7. Tulane; 8. Auburn; 9. Louisiana State; 10. Kentucky.

South Atlantic (Rated by W. T. Christian of Richmond News Leader) First group: 1. Navy; 2. Washington and Lee; 3. Virginia Poly; 4. William and Mary; 5. Virginia; 6. Georgetown; 7. Wake Forest; 8. V. M. I.; 9. Maryland; 10. Catholic U.; 11. North Carolina; 12. Carolina State. Second group: 1. Roanoke; 2. Trinity; 3. Davidson; 4. Hampden Sydney; 5. Johns Hopkins; 6. Richmond; 7. St. Johns; 8. Lynchburg; 9. George Washington; 10. Randolph Macon.

Missouri Valley Conference (rated by Frederick Ware, Omaha World-Herald) 1. Drake; 2. Nebraska; 3. Missouri; 4. Ames; 5. Oklahoma; 6. Grinnell; 7. Kansas State; 8. Kansas; 9. Washington.

Can Illinois be stopped this season? Some jinx eleven might do it. Ohio State pretty adequately fills the Jonah role so far as Illinois is concerned. When in the past the men of Urbana have made a brilliant record Ohio State has spread a wet blanket over their prestige.

And conversely Illinois has been the jagged reef upon which the Buckeye ship has been speared a wet blanket over their prestige.

Illinois will surely meet a powerful defensive team when it comes to pierce or to tank the gray and scarlet line. Not since 1920 has State been so impervious to assault and her goal line has not been crossed. One field goal is the only blot upon the Columbus escutcheon and the team has met Purdue, Iowa and Chicago in conference battles, and Ohio Wesleyan, a non conference member.

Extremely good punting is being done this year as scouts who are prying into gridiron affairs in various parts of the country. From personal observation, the writer is inclined to believe that there are more good punters than in many past seasons. But it must be said that in rank the gray and scarlet line. Not since 1920 has State been so impervious to assault and her goal line has not been crossed. One field goal is the only blot upon the Columbus escutcheon and the team has met Purdue, Iowa and Chicago in conference battles, and Ohio Wesleyan, a non conference member.

At Ohio State, for instance, Jenkins, a tackle and a mighty fine one, is being pulled back to kick. And how he can drive that ball! Wisconsin takes her big 200 pound tackle, Schwartze, back for kicking. Syracuse usually pulls Bailey out of the line to bot the ball. And so it goes.

Britton of Illinois is a beautiful punter. Darling of Boston College is regarded as about the class of the East, although Wood of West Point and Light of Penn State run him pretty close. Layden of Notre Dame is qualified to punt against the best.

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The five middle men are not restricted on the line after the ball is snapped on a forward pass or any other play from scrimmage.

League Owner

Gloomy Over Poor Prospects for Second Division Clubs to Show Improvement Over 1924.

By JOHN B. FOSTER

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New York, Nov. 5.—National League owners are gloomy over the small prospects the second division of their league shows of improving its skill over that of 1924. Some of them already have forecast that St. Louis, Boston and Philadelphia will be in the second division and are fearful that those teams will do even worse than they did in 1924, because the fans will give them up before the fight is well begun unless sharp improvement can be shown at the start.

Boston had the poorest season

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Notre Dame Star Injured



Stubbler, quarterback of the famous Notre Dame eleven, is now on the sidelines during an injury and will be out of the next two games. Coach Rockne calls Stubbler one of the greatest quarterbacks in the game. It will be no part of a surprise if the young gent succeeds in making the All-America this fall.

of any team in the National League in 1924. The new owners have been even less successful than the old. The rumor has started again that the Boston Club can be purchased by anyone who has the necessary cash. The trouble is that Boston now represents little more than a franchise. The young players are not very promising and the old players are not strong enough to figure as factors in a championship race.

Boston has been without a leading team for ten years and as it is one of the best cities in the circuit when it is handled right, there is a never ceasing howl from the other owners about the way things are run in the hub.

To take up the Boston franchise would require not only funds in plenty but a man would almost have to purchase a big league ball team elsewhere and transport it to Boston in order to get out of the last place rat.

Chicago, Pittsburgh and Brooklyn are making a fight to get

something with which to defeat New York in 1925. Cincinnati is pined in the struggle, but before the Reds take the field they will have an almost American Association team. Whether that is strong enough to defeat New York is a question. Cincinnati put off too long the matter of getting a first baseman. They should have had one working in some

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Washington Letter

BY HARRY B. HUNT

WASHINGTON—The scenery of the historic Potomac above Washington is to be the background for a forthcoming movie thriller.

The movie upstream from the capital port which the river winds in a broad and placid stream, the Maryland and Virginia hills crowd upon it, forming it into a narrow, rocky channel through which the water is rushing in foaming, boiling torrents. This is the happy ground for such a thriller as "The Boat" to show these rapids in a sense as a point of prowess with the public and as an accomplishment in the setting of which many persons perish each year.

Estelle Taylor, whose recently announced and later renounced engagement to Jack Dempsey was the main column of "politics" is to become in "Playthings of the Sea" a ducking and the thrill of her life when swept into the swirl of these rapids, under the eye of a camera which caught the tip of the Washington monument and the capital dome in part of its background.

Whether the setting of "Playthings of the Sea" in scenes surrounding Washington signifies anything as to the nature of the play is not disclosed. A political play might well be staged under that title. For politicians desire much—and they often prove mere play things.

NO preacher ever yet became president, but we have an ex-president who has become preacher.

It is none other than William Howard Taft, officially chief justice of the Supreme Court, unofficially its preacher of the All Souls Unitarian Church.

In religion rather than political convictions, Taft told his audience at the dedication of a new edifice for his church, has the world's hope of future peace.

Senator Arthur Capper has just figured out that the government has been run by lawyers ever since the first Congress met in 1789.

A majority in both House and Senate in every Congress, has been held by "members of the bar" of the present House, 52 out of 115 are lawyers, while 56 of the 96 senators list the law as their profession.

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Good. They also will have Barnes, a youngster with no class AA fame but one who can play first with a lot of pep and looks as if he would make a fine showing either in 1925 or 1926.

Chicago has enough first basemen to start a team of first basemen and may turn up one or two good enough to put on the market, although Cincinnati still is hoping to get Terry of New York.

If four clubs are to be in the thick of the fight in the National League in 1925, the situation will

so better than it was in 1924; but even then the second division probably will be much the same line up as it was last year and there is a feeling that the season will carry on all the way with an unbalanced sort of race.

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