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CHAMPION YALE.

### **PRINCETON BEATEN IN THE FINAL, GAME.**

**The Tigers Fail to Score A Great  
Contest Before 20,000 People-The Game in Detail.**

Yale won the annual foot ball game with Princeton on Manhattan Field Thanksgiving Day afternoon by a score of 12 to 0. Yale made two touch-downs and two goals. The first touch-down was made by L. Bliss on a run from midfield, after two minutes of play.

The second was made after twenty minutes of play in the second half, by Stillman, on a blocked kick. It was a flute. The ball struck Stillman in the breast and bounded over the goal line, thirty yards away, where Yale's centre fell on it.

The umpiring of Mr. Coffin was by no means satisfactory to the Princeton men.

Both teams played off side, but Yale was never penalized. On the contrary, Princeton was set back repeatedly. On one occasion where Princeton punted

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and Yale caught, the ball was brought back to the kicking point and given to Yale.

Princeton's nearest break at Yale's goal was on a drop kick by Homans from the twenty-five yard line. The ball missed the goal by about two feet. The rough, playing was about even on both sides.

About 20,000 people saw the game from the grounds and about 2000 from the surrounding hills and **(aron viaduct)**. L. Bliss was injured in the second half, and Graves took his place.

### **DETAILS OF THE GAME.**

Yale's eleven was the first on the field. The coin was tossed. Captain King called the call correctly. He chose the northwest goal, thereby securing the advantage of a stiff breeze. On an opt-n play, the line being spread out and then wheeling into interference, Laurie Bliss made nine yards running to the left. He was brought down by Trenchard.

"Pop" Bliss made five through left tackle, being thrown by King. Then Laurie Bliss made the run of the day, started for right end, and, aided by the interference of Greenway, McCormack and "Pop" Bliss passed all the Princeton players and scored a touch-down.

The run was forty yards in length. Butterworth kicked the goal. Score, 6 to 0. Time, 2m.

Morse made twelve yards on the V. Poe failed to gain. A fumble in the centre and Homans kicked to Yale's ten-yard line.

Laurie Bliss muffed, but was given a free match for interference. Pop Bliss made fifteen through left tackle. Another fumble gave the ball to Princeton. Poe went through left tackle for three yards and Lea through right tackle for three. The Tigers were playing a hard and snappy game.

Horse gained three yards through centre and Homans tried to drop-kick a goal from the twenty-five-yard line. He failed. McCormick gained seven on the wedge from Yale's twenty-five-yard line and Pop Bliss went around the right end for three yards. Butterworth kicked to Princeton's forty-five-yard line. Morse caught and Hinkey threw him. Wright's tackle threw Lea with no gain.

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Morse made two yards through the centre. Poe tried the centre, but failed. The fight was still in Yale's territory. Homans tried to punt. Greenway got through like a flash and threw him, the ball being Yale's on the fourth down. Princeton losing ten yards through Homans' slowness. Butterworth went through right tackle for five yards, and Laurie Bliss tried the centre, but lost the ball.

#### **YALE'S HOLDING.**

Poe jumped for but missed a wild pass from King, and Green way fell on the hall cleverly. Pop Bliss' signal was given, but Trenchard broke through and downed him for a loss of five yards. Lea broke through and threw L. Bliss for a loss of five more. Yale was awarded five yards for holding. Butterworth made two yards through right tackle. The Tiger forwards were breaking through and tackling hard. Butterworth made three yards through right tackle and L. Bliss five yards. Butterworth kicked to Princeton's 25-yard line.

Morse dove through left tackle for a three yard gain. Then Poe, Lea and Morse failed to gain ground through Yale's line. Homnns punted to Princeton's fifty-yard line. Laurie Bliss went around the right end for a fifteen yard gain, and Butterworth went through right tackle for five yards, being followed by Pop Bliss for two yards more. L. Bliss went around right end for four yards. Butterworth gained two yards, but the ball was Princeton's on the fourth down.

Princeton lost live yards, .Yale playing stronger. Homans kicked and Laurie Bliss muffed the ball, but saved it by failing on it. He gained nine yards, Butterworth two yards and L. Bliss two yards.

#### **PRINCETON'S LAST CHANCE.**

The ball went back and forth, changing hands several times for holding, and here was where Princeton lost her chance to score, Poe failing when there was only one man between him and Yale's goal.

In the next scrimmage King was injured in his weak knee. He was laid out for five minutes. The Princeton men stood up and gelled when he resumed his place. Princeton could not advance the ball. Homans and Butterworth exchanged punts, and time was called for the half at 2.58. Score for the first half, Yale 6, Princeton 0.

#### **THE SECOND HALF.**

When play was resumed for the second half there were no changes in the teams. Yale had the west goal and Princeton the ball. The Tigers started with

the wedge and the ball was taken to Yale's thirty-five yard line. Poe could make no gain and Homans punted out of bounds.

Yale secured the ball on the thirty-yard line. Pop Bliss gained four yards and Butterworth made gains for thirteen yards. Another gain of five yards was made and Pop Bliss went around the right end for fifteen yards, taking the ball into Princeton's territory.

After a gain of five yards through the centre Pop Bliss ran beautifully around the right end for twenty-five yards. Hall tackled savagely and Bliss was hurt. Morse was injured, but continued play. Bliss pluckily resumed play. Butterworth gained five yards through the centre, but lost the ball. Homans gained fifteen yards around the end. Homans punted, and L. Bliss caught the ball and carried it around the end for fifteen yards before being tackled by Lea.

Butterworth made two runs of five yards each through the centre. Pop Bliss gained three yards and Butterworth lost four. Butterworth made a gain of five yards around the end, but lost the ball on a fumble.

#### **YALE SCORES AGAIN.**

Homans punted and Butterworth caught on Yale's 5-yard line. Butterworth carried the ball, by successive runs through centre, to Princeton's 40-yard line. Morse gained five yards and Homans two more. Homans punted, and Stillman blocked the kick.

The ball bounded inside the line. King fell on it, but it rolled away and Stillman got it for a touch-down. Butterworth kicked the goal.

Score, Yale 12, Princeton 0.

The ball was quickly taken to Yale's 35-yard line. Poe tried twice to gain and failed, as did Hall. Homans punted and Butterworth caught the ball on Yale's 10-yard line.

Butterworth punted and Poe caught the ball and ran twenty yards before being downed by Hinkey on Yale's 20-yard line. King made a long run across the field, and on being tackled by Butterworth was badly hurt. This play prevented Princeton from making a touch-down, Homans and Morse failed to gain and Butterworth punted. Morse gained two yards. A few minutes later time was called.

The two teams were:

<b>PRINCETON</b>				
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Age</b>
Randolph	Left End	169	5.1	24
Lea	Left Tackle	172	6.00 <sub>1/2</sub>	18
Wheeler	Left Guard	201	6.00 <sub>1/2</sub>	19
Balliet	Centre rush	173	5.10 <sub>1/2</sub>	25
Hall	Right Guard	205	6.02	21
Harold	Right Tackle	173	5.09 <sub>1/2</sub>	22
Trenchard	Right End	150	5.07	18
	Quarter			
King	Back	152	6.00 <sub>1/2</sub>	20
	Left Half			
Poe	Back	144	5.05	18
	Right Half			
Morse	Back	158	5.07	19
Homans	Full Back	161	5.09	22

<b>YALE</b>				
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Age</b>
Hinkey	Left End	156	6.02	19
Winter	Left Tackle	192	6.02	18
McCrea	Left Guard	186	6.03	18
Stillman	Centre	201	6.02	19
Hickok	Right Guard	192	6.02	19
Wallis	Right Tackle	170	5.10 <sub>1/2</sub>	20
Greenway	Right End	160	6.01	20
	Quarter			
McCormick	Back	152	5.06	20
	Left Half			
L. Bliss	Back	155	5.07 <sub>1/2</sub>	20
	Right Half			
C.D. Bliss	Back	157	5.07	22

The average weight of the two teams was exactly the same, each being 168<sub>1/2</sub> pounds. The average age of the Princeton team was 20 years and 7 months that of the Yale team 19 years and 7 months.

The average weight of the rush lines was Princeton, 176<sup>1/2</sup> pounds; Yale, 177 pounds.

Referee—W. A. Brooks, Harvard.

Umpire—S. V. Coffin, Wesleyan.

Place and date Manhattan Field, Nov. 24, 1892.

Touch-downs L. Bliss, 1; Stillman, 1.

Goals kicked from touch-downs Butterworth, 2.

Injured L. Bliss (Graves substituted).

Time of game 2.45.

In conclusion we may say that after the first surprise of Yale's scoring a touch-down within four minutes of the opening of the game, all was hard, stubborn work on both sides, between two elevens which appeared to be as equally matched as any two that ever contended for the palm.

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## STATISTICS OF OREGON-U. C. L. A. GAME

BY GEORGE COWNE.

	Ore.	U.C.L.A.
Total yardage gained from scrimmage .....	138	166
Number of yards lost from scrimmage .....	12	20
Forward passes attempted .....	1	15
Forward passes completed .....	0	5
Forward passes incompletd .....	0	9
Forward passes intercepted .....	1	1
Total yardage gained from forward passes .....	0	183
Total yardage gained from passes and scrimmage .....	138	349
First downs from scrimmage .....	7	4
First downs from forward passes .....	0	3
Total first downs .....	7	7
Total number scrimmage plays .....	51	61
Number of kickoffs .....	4	0
Average length of kickoff .....	41	0
Average length of kickoff returns .....	0	12
Number of punts .....	16	15
Yardage of punts .....	519	543
Average length of punts .....	32½	33¼
Yardage of punt returns .....	48	43
Average length of punt returns .....	3	2.8
Number of punts had blocked .....	0	1
Number of penalties against .....	5	8
Total yardage lost from penalties .....	25	50
Ball lost on downs .....	0	0
Fumbles .....	1	1
Fumbles recovered .....	2	0
Ball lost on fumbles .....	0	1

### YARDAGE GAINED BY BACKS.

OREGON.					U. C. L. A.				
	Times	Yds.	Yds.	Ave.		Times	Yds.	Yds.	Ave.
	Car.	Adv.	Lost	Gain		Car.	Adv.	Lost	Gain
Temple .....	18	72	4	4.0	Keeble .....	18	90	0	5.0
Bowerman ...	2	8	1	4.0	Decker .....	11	20	7	1.9
Gee .....	5	14	2	2.8	Clark .....	8	4	13	.5
Bobbitt .....	12	19	1	1.6	Frankovich ..	0	0	0	0.0
Pepelnjak ....	8	51	4	6.4	Reel .....	2	5	0	2.5
Brown .....	1	2	0	2.0	Livesay .....	3	8	0	2.7
					Fletcher .....	1	3	0	3.0
					Berry .....	3	8	0	2.7
Totals .....	46	166	12	3.4	Totals .....	46	138	20	3.0

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**Bo Carter presents...College Football Hall of Famers born or passed away in the month of March.**

## March

- 1 (1883) Tom Shevlin, Muskegon, Mich.  
1 (1884) Vince Stevenson, Livingston, Ky.  
1 (1961) Mike Rozier, Camden, N.J.  
1-(d – 1959) Albie Booth, New York City  
1-(d - 1969) Andy Kerr, Tucson, Ariz.  
1-(d – 1979) Hube Wagner, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
2 (1934) Howard “Hopalong” Cassady, Columbus Ohio  
2 (1935) Gene Stallings, Paris, Texas  
2 (1946) Wayne Meylan, Bay City, Mich.  
2-(d – 1970) Paul Christman, Lake Forest, Ill.  
2-(d – 1971) Dixie Howell, Hollywood, Calif.  
3 (1890) Art Howe, South Orange, N.J.  
3 (1917) Carl Hinkle, Hendersonville, Tenn.  
3 (1952) Randy Gradishar, Warren, Ohio  
3 (1962) Herschel Walker, Wrightsville, Ga.  
3-(d – 1966) Calvin Roberts, St. Louis Park, Minn.  
4 (1888) Knute Rockne, Voss, Norway  
4-(d – 1962) Pat O’Dea, San Francisco, Calif.  
4-(d – 1986) George Owen, Milton, Mass.  
4-(d - 1989) Harvey Jablonsky, San Antonio, Texas  
4-(d - 2009) George McAfee, Durham, N.C.  
5 (1875) Frank O’Neill, Syracuse, N.Y.  
5 (1918) Paul Christman, St. Louis, Mo.  
5 (1921) Dave Schreiner, Lancaster, Wis.  
5 (1922) Bob Odell, Corning, Iowa  
5-(d - 1974) Fred Crawford, Tallahassee, Fla.  
5-(d – 1990) Stan Barnes, Palm Springs, Calif.  
6 (1892) Clark Shaughnessy, St. Cloud, Minn.  
6 (1927) Jim Owens, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
6 (1942) Jerry Rhome, Dallas, Texas  
6 (1943) Ronnie Caveness, Houston, Texas  
6 (1950) Johnny Musso, Birmingham, Ala.  
7 (1943) Rick Redman, Portland, Ore.  
7 (1952) Lynn Swann, Alcoa, Tenn.  
7-(d – 1956) Paul Des Jardien, Monrovia, Calif.  
7-(d – 1977) Bernie Bierman, Laguna Hills, Calif.  
7-(d – 1983) Rip Engle, Bellefonte, Pa.  
8 (1873) Charley Brewer, Honolulu, Hawai’i  
8 (1893) Harry Young, Charleston, W.Va.  
8 (1917) Dan Hill, Asheville, N.C.  
8 (1931) Earle Bruce, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
8 (1938) Pete Dawkins, Royal Oak, Mich.  
8 (1965) Kenny Gamble, Holyoke, Mass.  
9 (1877) Art Hillebrand, Freeport, Ill.  
9 (1927) Jackie Jensen, San Francisco, Calif.  
9-(d – 1937) Walter Steffen, Chicago, Ill.  
9-(d – 1971) Barry Wood, Tamaica Plain, Mass.  
9-(d – 2005) Glenn Davis, La Quinta, Calif.  
**10 (1927) Bill Fischer, Chicago, Ill.**  
**10 (1949) Chip Kell, Atlanta, Ga.**  
**10 (1960) Bill Stromberg, Baltimore, Md.**  
**10-(d – 1919) John Dalton, Brooklyn, N.Y.**  
**10-(d – 1954) Frank Thomas, Tuscaloosa, Ala.**  
**10-(d – 1945) Ed “Robbie” Robinson, Boston, Mass.**  
11 (1893) Ellery Huntington, Nashville, Tenn.  
11 (1894) Bernie Bierman, Springfield, Minn.  
11-(d – 1979) Beattie Feathers, Winston-Salem, N.C.  
11-(d 1995) Herb McCracken, Ocean Ridge, Fla.  
12 (1880) Bobby Marshall, Milwaukee, Wis.  
12-(d – 1968) Bill Hollenbeck, Bryn Mawr, Pa.  
12-(d – 1983) Ki Aldrich, Coffeyville, Kan.  
12-(d – 1987) Woody Hayes, Upper Arlington, Ohio  
13 (1918) George McAfee, Ironton, Ohio  
13 (1938) Joe Bellino, Winchester, Mass.  
13 (1969) Chris Zorich, Chicago, Ill.  
13-(d – 1932) Percy Wendell, Boston, Mass,  
14 (1903) Ed Weir, Superior, Neb.  
14 (1936) Dr. Jim Swink, Sacul, Texas

14 (1943) Charlie Green, Dayton, Ohio  
 14 (d – 1925) Walter Camp, New York City  
 15 (1898) Clarence Swanson, Wakefield, Neb.  
 15 (1926) Norm Van Brocklin, Eagle Butte, S.D.  
 15 (1937) Randy Duncan, Osage, Iowa  
 15 (1956) Ozzie Newsome, Muscle Shoals, Ala.  
 15-(d – 1990) Tom Harmon, Los Angeles, Calif.  
 15-(d – 2006) Dick Wildung, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 16 (1872) Phillip King, Washington, D.C.  
 16 (1920) Buster Ramsey, Townsend, Tenn.  
 16-(d – 1943) Paul Bunker, POW Camp  
 in Japan  
 16-(d – 2006) Bill Hartman, Athens, Ga.  
 17 (1871) John Outland, Hesper, Kan.  
 17 (1876) Bill Morley, Cimarron, N.M.  
 17 (1905) Joe Donchess, Youngstown, Ohio  
 17 (1912) Joe Styhahar, Kaylor, Pa.  
 17 (1914) Sam Baugh, Temple, Texas  
 17 (1915) Bill Hartman, Thomaston, Ga.  
 17 (1916) Bob Suffridge, Fountain City, Tenn.  
 17 (1931) Ray Beck, Bowden, Ga.  
 17 (1967) Johnny Bailey, Houston, Texas  
 17-(d – 1965) Amos Alonzo Stagg, Stockton,  
 Calif.  
 17-(d – 1992) Frank Carideo, Ocean Springs,  
 Miss.  
 18 (1905) Benny Friedman, Cleveland, Ohio  
 18 (1906) Frank Wickhorst, Aurora, Ill.  
 18 (1910) Wear Schoonover, Pocahontas, Ark.  
 18 (1928) James Williams, Waco, Texas  
 18 (1932) Dave Maurer, Duquesne, Pa.  
 18 (1938) Joe Kapp, Santa Fe, N.M.  
 18 (1961) Curt Warner, Pineville, W.Va.  
 18-(d – 1984) John Smith, West Hartford,  
 Conn.  
 18-(d – 2000) Bob Blackman, Hilton Head, S.C.  
 18-(d – 1975) Biggie Munn, Lansing, Mich.  
 19 (1913) Nello Falaschi, Dos Palos, Calif.  
 19 (1914) Jay Berwanger, Dubuque, Iowa  
 19 (1931) George Morris, Vicksburg, Miss.  
 19-(d – 1977) Buck Shaw, Menlo Park, Calif.  
 20 (1906) Ben Stevenson, Smith Mills, Mo.  
 20 (1909) Marchmont “Marchy” Schwartz, New Orleans,  
 La.  
 20-(d – 1910) James Hogan, New Haven,  
 Conn.  
 21 (1884) Jim McCormick, Boston, Mass.  
 21 (1889) Jock Sutherland, Coupar Angus,  
 Scotland  
 21 (1951) John Hicks, Cleveland, Ohio  
 21 (1967) Clarkston Hines, Chapel Hill, N.C.  
 21-(d – 1971) Gomer Jones, New York City  
 21-(d – 1995) Frank Merritt, Clearwater, Fla.  
 22 (1879) Art Poe, Baltimore, Md.  
 22 (1931) Billy Vessels, Cleveland, Okla.  
 22 (1954) Ross Browner, Warren, Ohio  
 22 (1960) Jimbo Covert, Conway, Pa.  
 22 (1969) Russell Maryland, Chicago, Ill.  
 22-(d – 1993) Jack Riley, Kenilworth, Ill.  
 23 (1886) Nathan Dougherty, Hales Mill, Va.  
 23-(d – 1934) George Woodruff, Harrisburg, Pa.  
 23-(d – 1977) Joe Stydahar, Beckley, W. Va.  
 23-(d – 1980) Frank Sundstrom, Summit, N.J.  
 24-(d - 1930) Walter Eckersall, Chicago, Ill.  
 24-(d – 1947) Dr. John Outland, Laguna Beach, Calif.  
 25 (1909) Frank Howard, Barlow Bend, Ala.  
 25-(d – 1983) Edwin “Goat” Hale, Jackson, Miss.  
 26 (1870) Lee McClung, Knoxville, Tenn.  
 26 (1899) Buck Flowers, Sumter, S.C.  
 26 (1899) Harry Kipke, Lansing, Mich.  
 26 (1906) Rip Engle, Elk Lick, Pa.  
 26 (1960) Marcus Allen, San Diego, Calif.  
 27 (1898) Herb Stein, Warren, Ohio  
 27 (1921) Malcolm Kutner, Dallas, Texas  
 27 (1922) Alex Agase, Chicago, Ill.  
 27-(d – 2006) Ron Schipper, Holland, Mich.  
 28-(d – 1962) Bob Neyland, New Orleans, La.  
 28 (1899) Buck Shaw, Mitchellville, Iowa  
 28-(d – 1953) Jim Thorpe, Lomita, Calif.  
 28-(d – 1955) Art Howe, Plymouth, N.H.  
 29 (1902) Don Miller, Defiance, Ohio  
 29 (1906) Jim Bausch, Marion Junction, S.D.  
 29 (1955) Earl Campbell, Tyler, Texas

29-(d – 1986) Bill Murray, Durham, N.C.  
30 (1914) Bob Reynolds (Stanford), Morris, Okla.  
30 (1935) Willie Gallimore, St. Augustine, Fla.  
31 (1938) Bob Anderson (Army), Elizabeth, N.J.  
31 (1950) Ed Marinaro, New York City  
31-(d – 1931) Knute Rockne, Bazaar, Kan.  
31-(d – 1952) Bo McMillin, Bloomington, Ind.

31-(d – 2003) George Connor, Chicago, Ill.

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**1898 written by Elliott R. Goldsmith:**

**Eastern**

1st Group Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Yale & Cornell (NY)

2nd Group (New) University of Chicago, West Point, (Carlisle) Indians, Brown & Wesleyan

3rd Group Dartmouth, Amherst, Williams & Lehigh

**Western**

1st Group Univ. Chicago, Univ. Michigan, Wisconsin, Purdue & Oberlin

2nd Group Knox, Beloit & Notre Dame

**Trans-Mississippi**

Iowa

**Here is J. Parmly Paret's East list for 1899:**

**East**

1st Group Princeton, Harvard, Yale & Pennsylvania

2nd Group Carlisle Indians (way out in front), then Lafayette, Cornell, Columbia & Brown

3rd Group West Point, Annapolis (Navy), Wesleyan, Williams, Dartmouth & Penn State

4th Group Amherst & Lehigh

**Source:** The Outing Magazine

# Army May Have Complete Set Of New Backs

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(A.P.)—If Morton Kaer, of Southern California, and Bill Kelly, of Montana, follow Wally Marks, of Chicago, to the United States military academy, West Point will not have to worry about ball carriers on its football teams for several seasons to come. All of the trio have established reputations as backs.

Dispatches to the New York American from the Pacific coast said Kaer and Kelly had accepted appointments with a prospect that at least one other backfield star, Jimmy Underhill, of St. Mary's, might complete a complete new backfield.

Captain Harry Wilson and Keener Cagle will be among the veteran backs who have won their spurs in Army unit uniforms next autumn, and with incomplete returns showing evidences of an epidemic of new backfield veterans, Coach "Biff" Jones seems likely to find himself in the enviable position of being able to confront the enemy with a fresh backfield for every period.

No information has been given out at Annapolis of any naval recruits to match the Army reinforcements, although advices from the south have been that Bill Boyd, captain and star center of the University of South Carolina, was seeking an appointment to the naval academy.

Source: Tampa Morning Tribune Jan. 3, 1927

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*Outing, 1888*

Walter Camp

### **ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD**

For years before the adoption of the game of foot ball in America our autumn season had no sport distinctively its own.

Baseball dragged out a lingering existence as the hands grew numb in the frosty air. Boating shivered along into November in sweaters, but its life was frozen.

Until the advent of football many of our best athletes, finding nothing to train for, strayed away from the strict regimen and early hours to the seductive tobacco and beer and all-night cards. Nor did they always return, for many refused to tear themselves away when the spring came, while still others, after the first few days of effort in the warm May weather, were so overcome with the longing for the flesh-pots that they would fall out of the ranks, never again to reappear. The athletes of to-day have an autumn sport the equal of any in enjoyment and the superior in helping symmetrical development.

Nor is this the sole attraction. There is the generalship of a sport with room for all the planning of a real campaign. Its tactics are but half developed, and every year adds some new strategies.

The season of 1888 brought in a change of rules whereby there is a marked increase in the liberty allowed to comrades assisting a runner. Formerly the amount of aid they might render to one of their own men when he had the ball was so small that it was seldom attempted except in a crowd.

The practice was to have all this done under the cover of the rushing and surging line of forwards, and at the time of the snap-back only.

This led to many complications as the amount of interference grew gradually greater, owing to the leniency of umpires, until last season, when the play of all

the teams in the field was characterized by the most marked and deliberate holding in the rush-line, oftentimes a runner was given an absolutely clean path through the forwards by having these opponents dragged out of the way by the men in front of him.

Such was the state of affairs that the question of the day bade fair to become whether or not all the rushers could not be held so that the backs and halves would be the only ones left to tackle.

This line of development was manifestly a bad one. Every move in that direction increased the personal contact of players who did not have the ball in their possession.

It is and has been a noticeable fact in the history of the game in this country that whenever a rule has been passed which admitted of an increase in the liberty of laying hands upon a man who had not the ball, we have had a greater amount of "squabbling and slugging."

It seemed best, therefore to the Graduate Committee, who last year made the rules, to put forward changes which should effectually end this hand-slapping, pushing, and holding in the rush-line.

In doing this, however, they wished to put no check upon what seemed by no means an objectionable feature, namely, assisting a runner by going alongside him and acting as an obstacle in the path of those advancing to tackle him.

The rules were altered accordingly, and the alteration has marked a decided advance in the sport, It has made the game more open by increasing the chances of a successful run. Nothing so delights the spectators as a long run. So keen is the excitement that it cannot be pent up, but must out, and while the partisans of the side against whom the run is being made stand holding their breath in fear lest the runner reach the goal, his sympathizers are crying out encouragement to him from all sides, and when at last he is brought to earth by some determined tackler, the sympathizing shouts are in their turn fairly drowned by the yell of exultation which goes up from the throats of the other party.

While the kicking game is always a beautiful one to watch, it can never equal in excitement a game where long runs are made.

The tedious game is the one which was played when the rules admitted of what was known as the “block game”—that is, where the ball was never advanced more than a yard without a “down,” and all the playing was in the centre.

This style has fortunately been completely eliminated by the rules.

The change of rules this year has again demonstrated the fact that the game is steadily advancing, and that every year brings it nearer and nearer that point of perfection so earnestly sought after by all its steadfast disciples, for no sport has more hearty, whole-souled followers, nor is there any so richly deserving them.

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<b>all-southern eleven for 1900.</b>	<b>an all-western eleven for 1900.</b>
Simpkins (Sewanee), full-back.	Page (Minnesota), center.
Dabney (Virginia), and Seibles (Sewanee), half-backs	Riorden (Wis.) and E. Dietz (Northwestern.), guards.
Poole (Sewanee), center.	Curtis (Wis.) and Warner (Ia.), tackles.
Choice (Virginia), and Sams (Texas), guards.	Aunt (Minnesota) and Snow (Michigan), ends.
Bennett (North Carolina), and Loyd (Virginia), tackles	Dobie (Minnesota), quarter.
Hobson (Virginia), and Osborne (Carolina), ends	Henry (Chicago) and Larson (Wis.), halves.
Others whose work entitled them to mention are:	Knowlton (Minnesota), full.
Bolling (Sewanee) and Harvey (Auburn); Simons (Virginia)	<b>Source: <i>University Football, The Outing Magazine,</i></b>
and Johnson (Nashville), McCarea (Carolina), Edgertown (Vanderbilt)	<b>1901</b>
Newman (Tennessee), McBride (Georgia)	

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### **A New Idea for the Forward Past**

Bob Folwell, coaching Washington and Jefferson, worked out a forward pass of his own, that for a time stood the Harvard defensive players on their heads.

He sent his entire team down the field, the passer going far enough back to avoid being hurried, and his ineligible men formed what might be called a "passive interference" for the eligible's. These ineligible did not try to interfere with any chance the defensive backs had of interceptions the ball, but simply got in the way. They were within the strict letter of the rules, and so could not be penalized, but they were almost as troublesome as active interference.

Folwell had a big and husky team, and Fleming and Spiegel were particularly expert in receiving the pass. But it is probable that these two men received more protection than any two other receivers in the game.

Both idea and execution are simple, but the play is very hard to breakup. Harvard certainly found it so, as did the strong but lesser teams that met Washington and Jefferson later in the season.

**Source:** Football Lessons of the Year, Herbert Reed, 1915, Outing Magazine

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**From  
Richard  
Topp's**

**American College  
Football Scorebook**

**2 Teams with                    5 Ties in a Single Season**

		<b>D</b>	<b>PTS</b>	<b>OPTS</b>
<b>William Jewell</b>	Missouri	L	0	15
	Central (Mo.)	L	6	26
	<b>Ottawa</b>	T	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>Warrensburg Normal</b>	T	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Haskell</b>	T	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
	Tarkio	W	29	0
	<b>Missouri Mines</b>	T	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	Baker	L	0	6
	Missouri Wesleyan	W	6	0
	<b>Drury</b>	T	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Kenyon</b>	<b>Muskingum</b>	T	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>
	Wooster	W	3	0
	<b>Mount Union</b>	T	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Otterbein</b>	T	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>
	<b>Wittenberg</b>	T	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Hiram</b>	T	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	Case	L	0	28

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< **Obituaries** >

**Freddie Solomon**, Tampa, 59...**Norman Jackson**, 89; played for Iowa Pre-Flight during WW II... **Marvin Herman Tennefoss**, age 83, Stanford University, where he was a member of the team that played in the

Rose Bowl in 1952...**Malcolm McMurtry "Mack" Erwin, Jr** *University of South Carolina* where he played football and was selected as fullback for the SC All State Team; after time in the Navy during WW II, he entered *Davidson College*. Mack was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Davidson College in 1996; assistant football at Johns Hopkins University, Lenoir-Rhyne College, Furman University and the Citadel. Mack was a Southern Conference Football Official for over 25 years, officiating the 1985 Gator Bowl and the 1977 Peach Bowl...**Steven Karl Haddeland**, 58, *Concordia (Minn.) College*...**Tom Martinez**, former coach at *College at San Mateo (Calif.)* where he had 400 wins. He was 67 and more known as the personal coach of former Michigan QB Tom Brady... **Warren Hasse**, legendary *West Texas State* radio play-by-play voice. He was 88... **John Wallace Gentry**, 63, *Quachita*...**George Tampas**, *Tennessee*. He was 78...**Mike Zoffuto**, *West Texas State*...**Clarence R. Stultz**, 91, *East Texas State University*.(Little All American Tailback; East Texas State Hall of Fame and officiated games)... **Paul J. Bruxelles**, age 53, *Lehigh University* and was a member of the 1977 Division II National Championship team.... **Jack D. Fouts**, 86, who played football at *Ohio Wesleyan University*. He served as an assistant at the Bowling Green University (DL) and at Michigan (OL); prior to becoming head coach at his alma mater. From 1967-71 he led the school to a 33-12-1 mark. After leaving Ohio Wesleyan he served as an assistant at Cornell; before becoming its head coach in 1989. His overall record was 80-109-9....**Alex Webster**, who played at *North Carolina State*; he was 80... **John Panelli**, *Notre Dame* running back; he was at 85.

### <Announcements>

North Carolina has named the broadcast booth at Kenan Stadium the **Woody Durham Tar Heel Sports Network Radio Booth**... South Florida officially renamed its Athletic Training Center the **Lee Roy Selmon Athletics Center**

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### <Miscellaneous>

Texas unveiled a statue of former All-American running back Ricky Williams.

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*Outing, 1911*

## **THE UNEXPECTED IN FOOTBALL**

BY EDWARD LYELL FOX

*How Accident or the Man Who Dared to Take Long Chances Has  
Turned the Tide of Big Games*

But it's not only the veteran, the star, who brings about the Unexpected.

For instance: It is five minutes before the call of time in the Columbia-Amherst game of 1905.

The scoreboard shows us that Amherst leads 10 to 6.

On the sidelines Bill Morley, the Columbia coach, beckons to a slender, alert-looking youth, who comes running, is pulling off his sweater. He is Eddie Collins, now second base of the Philadelphia Athletics.

He listens to Morley and then goes scampering out on the field. Donovan, the regular varsity quarterback, retires.

The ball is on Columbia's twenty-yard line and the crowd wonders at the change of players.

Collins they know is "green." Collins, Morley knows, can run in a broken field. So Collins tries an end run.

He is thrown discouragingly.

He tries again. This time he makes twenty yards. In four plays he has landed the ball twenty yards from the Amherst goal.

Morley figures he has time for only one more play.

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So the bewildered cheering sections see Collins called to the sidelines.

An even less known man takes his place.

"Who is he?" many ask. "Schultz. He's never made good yet. Been four years on the squad," a few answer.

The ball, twenty yards from the goal, is far over to the side. "What! He can't be going to try a field goal?" Already Schultz has dropped back into position.

He stands a moment, measuring the distance before outstretching his arms.

Then the ball is passed. He catches, poises, and, describing a swift arc with his right foot, sends it thumping away.

The referee's whistle shrills, but the oval, twisting and turning like a golden discus, flies on, across the bar and between the posts! An Amherst forward crashes heavily into him, but Schultz only smiles, and listens.

It has taken four years, but the cheering sections are roaring his name.

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**Courtesy of NFF...***This Week in College Football History:* October 22, 1891: Herbert Hoover called a meeting of Stanford students to start a football team, for which he served as student manager in 1892. The first coach was Walter Camp, who later became known as the "Father of American Football." Hoover, of course, became president of the United States.

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### **College Football on the Radio**

Broadcasting emerged in Texas on the campuses of the University of Texas and Texas A&M in College Station.

In 1911 J. B. Dickinson, manager of the Texas Fiscal Agency at San Antonio, constructed wireless facilities at both schools to teach electrical engineering students about radio transmissions.

As part of his experiments in high-frequency radio, University of Texas physics professor S. Leroy Brown built radio equipment and began broadcasting weather and crop reports from a physics laboratory on the UT campus in 1915.

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During World War using the call letters KUT, the university's Division of Extension operated Brown's equipment to broadcast reports from the United States Marketing Bureau and Department of Agriculture.

By March 1922 the station had combined with a second campus station (call letters 5XY) and with a 500-watt power rating was one of the best-equipped and most powerful stations in the nation.

The usual broadcasts were from 8 to 10 P.M. on three nights a week; programming consisted of music, lectures, and agriculture and marketing reports.

In addition, football games were broadcast in season and a church service was aired on Sunday.

On November 24, 1921, possibly the first broadcast of a football game in the country aired from the Agricultural and Mechanical College (now Texas A&M University) via call letters 5XB, which is now WTAW.

The station operated as a ham relay station at 250 watts. Originally, the station was to air the final score of the Texas-Texas A&M Thanksgiving game, but Frank Matejka, W. A. Tolson, and others decided to send a play-by-play account of the game via Morse Code.

Student Harry Saunders and assistant coach D. X. Bible designed a set of abbreviations to fit every possible football situation and sent the list to every station that would broadcast the contest.

The game aired over the ham relay stations; the Morse Code was decoded and announced to fans over a public-address system.

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[Outing 1886, Our Monthly Record](#)

The Annual Meeting of the Intercollegiate Foot-Ball Association for 1886, was held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel in this city on October 16, on which occasion the college delegates were as follows: Captain R. M. Corwin, '87, and C. L. Hare, '87, represented Yale; Capt. W. A. Brooks, '87, and C.E.

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Hamlin, '84, Harvard; Capt. H. S. Savage, '87, and R. P. Bradford, '87, Princeton ; Capt. J. C. Wells, '88, and J. M. Stevens, '87, Wesleyan; and Capt. F. W. Graham, '87, and N. B. Young, '87, the University of Pennsylvania. Up to the date of this convention Yale may be said to have had a control.

Having voice at the annual meetings, and in fact has generally run the conventions the past two or three years; but this time the new element from the Pennsylvania University made itself known, and “pooling their issues” with Harvard and Princeton, out-voted Yale and Wesleyan on every important issue. The main point in view for discussion was the question of the schedule of games for the champion cup campaign of 1886, and in settling the issue of the Yale and Princeton games the Princeton delegates advocated the playing of their match with Yale at Princeton. Captain Corwin of Yale, said that such a motion was unconstitutional, as the constitution provides that “the game between the two leaders shall be played on the New York Polo grounds on Thanksgiving day.”

Princeton said that the decrees of any of the Faculties of the contesting colleges were paramount to the constitution; that her Faculty last year had forbid her forever from playing on other than the grounds of one of the contesting colleges; that this Faculty decree had set aside the constitution last year, and would have to set it aside this year and in all ensuing years; and that she had played in New Haven last year on Yale's promise to play in Princeton this year.

This Yale denied. Harvard and Pennsylvania viewed the matter in the same light as Princeton, while Wesleyan's idea of the subject corresponded with Yale's. The convention set the game for Princeton. Yale threatened to leave the association, but the threat was not heeded, and the date-making was gone on with, Yale having nothing to say. At last she came to terms, and a new schedule was arranged to suit the majority. On the question of the adoption of a ball it was decided to make the Lillywhite ball No. 5 the regulation ball of the association, the same to be purchased from Spalding Brothers, the American agents on Broadway. No changes were made in the rules, save that of inserting the words “in play” in the place of “until the ball has been put in motion” in rule.

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## **Missionary Work, Farming Considered By AA Stagg**

Chicago, Nov. 11.—(AP)—Amos Alonzo Stagg, the University of Chicago's football coach, may become Amos Alonzo Stagg the fanner or missionary, if no coaching position does not present itself when he is retired next June.

At a banquet Thursday night given by Maroon alumni for the team, which meets Michigan Saturday, Stagg, hinted at what he may do next year.

He already has been offered the position of chairman of the committee on International athletics, created for him when his retirement was announced, and has tentatively accepted it.

However, he says he had been offered the opportunity of doing missionary work in the west, and might accept.

"I came into the west to do my work at Chicago, and perhaps could go west again," he said. "I still have the missionary spirit within me."

**Source:** The Billings Gazette, 1932

**Editor Note:** Stagg did go west following the 1932 season; as he would continue coaching for another 14 seasons. His career record shows: Springfield, 1890-91 (10-11-1); Chicago, 1892-1932 (244-111-27) and College of Pacific, 1933-46 (60-77-7)...**CAREER RECORD:** 314-199-35.

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### **So. Cal Rated Best in Dickinson System**

Campaign Ill., Dec. 11 (AP)—Southern California's Trojans were rated the number one college football team of the country today by Frank Dickinson, University of Illinois professor and originator of the ranking system which bears his name.

He ranked Texas A. and M. second, Cornell third, Tulane fourth and Tennessee, the Trojan's Rose Bowl opponent, fifth.

Texas Aggies and Tulane clash in the Sugar Bowl, in New Orleans. Notre Dame was rated sixth, Michigan seventh, Duke eighth, Missouri ninth, U.C. L. A. tenth and Iowa eleventh.

Southern California will receive the Knute Rockne Memorial award in recognition of the Dickinson rating. Dickinson also ranked the Trojans at the top in 1928 and 1931. (**Source:** The Logansport Press, Dec. 1939.)

## ***Kinnick Is Most Likeable Gridder since Red Grange***

New York, Dec. 11 (AP) —Not since the playing days of Red Grange has a football player "caught on" throughout the entire sports world like Nile Clarke Kinnick, the likeable "iron man" back of Iowa's surprising Hawkeye.

Topping off a long list of awards he has won since the season ended, the All-American "60-minute man" today was selected in the Associated Press' ninth annual poll of the nation's sports experts as the No. 1 athlete-of all sports for 1939.

He won out over the stiff competition of such seasoned performers as Joe DiMaggio and Joe Louis to give football its first "outstanding athlete" for a year in the Associated Press poll. In the eight previous annual polls baseball won out three times with Pepper Martin, Carl Hubbell and Dizzy Dean; tennis took it twice, with Don Budge in both '37 and '38, golf, boxing and track each had one "Mr. Big." with Gene Sarazen in '32, Joe Louis in '38 and Jesse Owens in '36, respectively.

Now, along comes a youngster with a pleasing personality and the ability to play 60 minutes of high-class football in a tough league every Saturday during the fall to bring, the honor to the gridiron. Of the 61 experts, who voted, 21, including some from every section of the country, picked him at the top of the list; three named him second and ten had him third. Votes were counted on a basis of three points for a first-place nomination, two for second and one for third.

On that basis, Kinnick polled 79 points to nose out DiMaggio, the New York Yankees' outfield ace, by the narrow margin of eight, points in as close a race as the poll has ever seen. DiMaggio was picked first on 11 Ballots. Louis, who defended his world heavyweight championship with four knockouts triumphs during the year, drew five first-place selections and 35 points for third place.

Bucky Walters, picking workhorse of the National league champion Cincinnati Reds, was picked on five ballots for first place and came in fourth with 28 points. Yet, his hurling mate, Paul Derringer, who was just as important and hard-working in the Red's pennant parade, could do no better than 11<sup>th</sup> place, with six points.

The open golf "Boss," Byron Nelson, was fifth with 25 points.

Headed by Kinnick's appeal to popular fancy, football, as a whole led all other sports on the voting list. Ten gridmen were nominated on the list, while baseball, the 1938 leader, dropped to second with eight. Along with Kinnick was his coach, Dr. Eddie Anderson, who brought Iowa football out of the doldrums this year, for which the experts named him eighth "on the outstanding athlete" list with ten points.

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# **Inventions in Football**

*By J. W. Heisman*

Coach of Georgia School of Technology

## **THE FORWARD PASS**

It was in 1901, 1902 and 1903 that the cry for a more open style of play began to become prolonged and insistent.

All sorts of suggestions to open up the game appeared in print, some good, some bad. In 1903 after the season I wrote Mr. Walter Camp of the Rules Committee and suggested, that if the committee really wished to open up the game no easier or more certain way of doing it could be devised than by allowing forward passing. This opinion I also confided at the time to several of my friends and other football experts.

Nothing came of it that year and the "howl" grew louder. In December, 1904, I wrote Mr. Camp again and to the same effect. In December, 1905, I wrote him again and to the same effect—and then came the forward pass. It came with limitations and governing conditions, of course, whereas my suggestion was general only. I meant it merely as a hint, and the hint Mr. Camp was broad enough to grasp, and when he brought forth the "proposition" it was evident to me he had been giving my general suggestion much careful detailed consideration.

**Source:** Baseball Magazine, 1908

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## **Cornell Football...by G. H. Lohnes, in an 1890 issue of The Outing**

Football was played the first term of college, but possessed very few of the finer points which have distinguished the game of late years.

The number on aside varied according to previous agreement, ranging from twenty to whole classes.

The settling of the question of class athletic superiority by football games was begun in '70, and has continued ever since.

A change from the old kicking game to the Rugby has been made, however, within a few years.

*In the old game the goal posts were 250 yards apart,* and the ball was placed in the centre of the field and rushed and kicked between the posts. The game consisted of best three in five goals.