

# News of the Sporting World at Home and Abroad

## BENNISON'S WEEKLY FOOTBALL LETTER

Gives Some Interesting Statistics of the Pennsylvania Eleven.

### ALSO OF THE MICHIGAN TEAM.

Comes Between Two Teams This Afternoon Center of Attraction For Gridiron World.

#### Special Correspondence.

#### STATISTICS OF PENN. TEAM.

Name	Position	Wt.	Ht.	Age	Pl.
Miles	End or quarter	162	5'8	21	1
Draper	Tackle	192	6	23	3
Gallagher	Guard	160	5'10	20	2
Dwyer	Center	186	5'9	23	3
Zigler	Quarter	195	5'11	20	4
Gaston	Tackle	180	6	22	3
Searle	End	170	5'10	21	3
Kenneth	Quarter	125	5'9	21	1
Riggs	Quarter	165	5'9	20	1
Greene	Half-back	180	6'3	23	4
Folwell	Half-back	182	5'9	23	3
Hollenback	Full-back	180	6	23	2
Braddock	End	170	5'10	22	4
Crooks	Center	170	6'1	22	1
Roske	Guard	160	5'7	22	3
Machlin	Tackle	170	5'10	21	4
Panitz	End	170	5'10	22	4
Townsend	Half-back	180	6'1	22	3
Deitrich	Guard	181	5'8	22	1

#### STATISTICS OF MICHIGAN TEAM.

Name	Position	Wt.	Ht.	Age	Pl.
Hannay	Left end	160	5'8	20	1
Featherston	Left end	170	5'7	20	1
Embs	Left tackle	180	5'11	21	1
Casey	Left guard	180	5'11	21	1
Schultz	Center	175	6	21	1
Reinhart	Right guard	185	6'1	23	4
Hannay	Right end	185	6	23	3
Ward	Quarter	165	5'6	19	1
Magoffin	Half-back	170	5'9	22	1
Douglas	Right half	170	5'7	22	1
Allardice	Right half	170	5'9	22	1
Soel	Full-back	180	5'10	24	1

#### STATISTICS OF MICHIGAN TEAM.

Name	Position	Wt.	Ht.	Age	Pl.
Average weight of team		185	5'8	22	1
Average weight of line		182	5'8	20	1
Average weight of backs		178	5'9	22	1
Average height of team		5'10	5'9	22	1
Average age of team		23	22	22	1

#### BIG GAME TODAY.

The Michigan-Pennsylvania game is the big one this afternoon for the football world today. For the moment politicians are cheering the teams on to victory while many more are eagerly watching the bulletins as the account of the game is being flashed over the wires. The contest is one of the most important of the year for it will determine the relative merits of the eastern and western football. The above statistics show how the teams compare physically; their knowledge of football is now being tested. Neither team will be able to attribute their defeat to bad luck or lack of preparation, for every possible provision has been taken by Trainer Mike Murphy and Keene Fitzgerald to have the men in the pink of condition, and every devise known has been resorted to by the coaches of both colleges in order that their teams might possess every available advantage.

#### THE SCOUT SYSTEM.

All the eastern teams have what is known as the "scout" system. At every game played there are present special representatives of every other college, who are there to see the style of attack and defense used and in fact to gain any information which might aid their teams in future contests. Pennsylvania has sent a coach to watch every Michigan game this season, even though they have had to travel from 50 to 1,000 miles to do it. Dr. Toney, head coach, witnessed in person the Vanderbilt-Michigan game at New Haven, and also accompanied the home and aided him in his observation of Michigan tactics were Asst. Coach Mainwaring and Sevins, and on Penn's 1906 team. But it appears that Vassar was a little too much for these scouts, for it is claimed by authoritative persons that he framed up a secret agreement with McGaughy, Vanderbilt's coach, who, along with Maddock and Vassar, whereby Michigan would not be compelled to show her hand. Whether this was the case or not the Penn. men say as little that they might as well have remained at home.

#### YEST IS CONFIDENT.

Michigan has resorted to the same practice. At nearly every game played on Franklin field an Ann Arbor man has been present. Last Saturday Yest was there that smile that never wears, was an interested spectator of the Penn.-Penn State game and was seated on the side lines or jotted down a few notes in a notebook while sitting in the grandstand. Even the wonderful showing made by Penn did not alter that smile on the face of the great western coach.

IN MADDOCK'S DAY.

I was introduced to him just before the game and as my seat was in the same section as his I had an opportunity to hear him talk during the game. He said in part, "I am a good football fan, under Maddock, didn't you? He has written me several times about you. We used to have great teams at Michigan in Maddock's days. There was a tackle for you. The best I ever saw. I've seen games in which Joe, from a tackle back formation, carried the ball nearly half the distance gained. I hear that he is doing wonders out in your country. Made a team out of almost nothing this year, didn't he?"

#### SHOT TO PIECES.

Having listened with pleasure to these praises of Dr. Miles' coach, I asked Mr. Yest why Michigan did not have a good team now as she had a few years ago. He replied, "Oh, we had all the talent in the world, but we had no money." I am sure that Jeff could offer Jeffries \$100,000 to return to the ring. Jeff could get a cut in the moving pictures which would be a small fortune in itself, and then he went on to say "on the road" for a year or so, and if that wouldn't net him \$100,000 or more, what would?

The very fact that the big fellow is in secret training leads us to believe that, like the famous Meister, he was only waiting for something to turn up. Jeff is working at gymnasium work every day in Los Angeles, just for his complexion. Clarke.

Things have come to such a pass that Jeff must get out and patter someone on the date. We have this malignant pessier, Burns, pirating around like a poster-boy telling people what's what and lots of other things, and on the other hand, we have that lark scarecrow, Johnson, with every white man in the world scared to death.

Jeff is the only man in the world who can clear the situation. He can make money now in a field than he ever did in his life. The one he wanted to be was the one in San Francisco with Jim Corbett. Jim Corbett had that bout and the receipts were over \$60,000. Corbett was a good one and Jeff ruled a big favorite.

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