

Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Jan. 47 Michigan, the only team that has broken the University of Minnesota's run of Big Ten hockey championships, will face the Gophers at the Hippodrome for a two game series, Friday and Saturday.

Since 1922, when Minnesota and Wisconsin first began Western Conference hockey competition, the Gophers have won or tied for the title seven times. Michigan came into the ice sport in 1923 and won the title in 1925 and 1930. Minnesota and Michigan tied for the top honors in 1927.

Minnesota began its present season last week by scoring 13 goals in two games to defeat the University of North Dakota. The first game resulted in a 4-0 victory while the second was even more decisive, 9-0.

Four sophomore forwards stood out in the opening series to give the Gophers promise of speed and stick handling ability for the next three seasons. Russ Gray, probably the fastest skater on the squad opened the scoring and gave further proof of his ability throughout the series.

Clyde Russ and Bill Munns, sophomore forward mates of Gray, also gave proof to the ability they displayed as freshman while Bill Zieske, alternate center with Munns, also came through his first college competition in nice style. All four are Minneapolis boys.

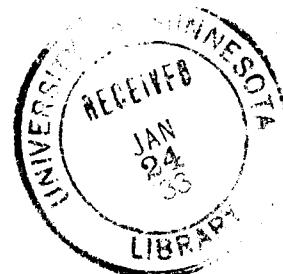
Coach Frank Pond will have two fast forward lines to start against Michigan this week. One is composed of Gray, Munns and Russ while the other is made up of Zieske at center with two lettermen Fred Gould and Bucky Johnson at the wings.

Captain Harold Carlsen, letterman for two seasons, and Phil LaFette, junior veteran, appear as the regular defense men this year, with Spencer Wagnild, a sophomore, as a good alternate.

George Clausen, who won his letter as goal tender last season will be in the nets again for the Gophers, with Bill Crockett as a capable sophomore substitute.

Michigan has won several early season games and was tied by St. Mary's of Winona in one contest. Under the coaching of Eddie Lowrey they are expected to put a strong team on the ice at the Hippodrome this weekend.

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Minneapolis, Minn: <sup>Jan 24</sup> - Three University of Minnesota athletic teams will see action this weekend, two of them for the first time in 1933. Niels Thorpe's swimmers will meet Minneapolis Y. M. C. A. at the Y pool Friday night to open the season while Gopher gymnasts will encounter the St. Paul Turnverein Society at the Armory in conjunction with the Minnesota-Iowa State wrestling meet Saturday afternoon.

The swimming team with Captain Walter Lang, Max Moulton and Wilbur Andre as its chief stars, while meeting only one conference team, Iowa, before the conference meet in March, has every weekend occupied until the Big Ten meet. The St. Paul Y. M. C. A., Carleton and Macalester furnish most of the opposition outside of the Iowa meet.

Gopher gymnasts will meet Iowa, Feb. 4, at the Armory to open the conference season. Their conference schedule includes meets with Illinois and Chicago as well as the Big Ten meet and possibly the Eastern Intercollegiates at West Point in April.

Minnesota wrestlers dropped their first meet to Illinois. The Iowa State meet will be their second meet of the season. In Attell Felix, 118 pounds, Ernest Palmer, 165 pounds and Eric Ahlstrand, 175 pounds, Minnesota has three of its best competitors in several years. Palmer and Ahlstrand were undefeated in the Conference last year and thus far this season. Felix, a sophomore, won his opening bout,

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Minneapolis: A sophomore line, so light that it resembles a high school trio, is largely responsible for the Minnesota hockey team's four straight victories over North Dakota and Michigan. This trio, composed of Russ Gray, Bill Munns and Clyde Russ, along with another sophomore, Bill Zieske, center on the alternate Gopher forward line have scored 15 of the 18 goals scored by Minnesota in their first four games against North Dakota and Michigan. Minnesota plays Michigan a return series at Ann Arbor, Feb. 24-25 and Wisconsin a two game series at Madison, Feb. 10-11. Remaining non-conference games include Macalester, Feb. 1 and North Dakota at Grand Forks, Feb. 17-18.

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Minneapolis, Jan.-- Minnesota's athletic future would seem assured if a glance at the Gopher Field House on a winter's afternoon means anything.

Frank McCormick, director of athletics and baseball coach, is working daily with 50 freshman ball players. He expects to devote two hours a day to them until the varsity reports in the middle of February.

Sharing the same end of the Field House freshmen football players numbering 85, report in two groups four days a week to Bernie Bierman and his two assistants, Dr. George Hauser and Lowell Lawson. The squad is divided into those athletes who have had experience and beginners. The experienced men report Tuesdays and Thursdays. They number 50 while the others, numbering 35, report Wednesdays and Fridays.

Sixty basketball players work out daily under George Otterness, freshman basketball coach while Clarence Munn, who is handling the yearling track squad for the first time this season has nearly 60 athletes reporting to him for instruction.

Minneapolis, Feb. 7- Four University of Minnesota athletic teams will engage in five intercollegiate contests this weekend. The Gopher basketball team will leave for Bloomington, Ind., Thursday night, to seek its first conference win over the Indiana team. The narrow margin of Ohio State's victory over the Gophers last week will send them against the Hoosiers determined to break into the winning side of the column. Minnesota likely will start the same lineup that opened the Ohio game with Brad Robinson and Wells Wright at forwards, Bill Farrell at center and Virgil Licht and Jim O'Connor at the guards.

The undefeated Gopher hockey team will face Wisconsin twice at the Hippodrome, their home rink, Friday and Saturday. Minnesota won their first contest from Wisconsin at Eau Claire last week. Thus far they have defeated North Dakota and Michigan twice, Macalester and Wisconsin, scoring 27 goals in six games.

Coach Niels Thorpe's swimmers will engage Carleton at the Armory pool Saturday while the Gymnastic team that defeated the St. Paul Turnverein last week will take part in the La Crosse Teachers College meet at La Crosse, Wis.

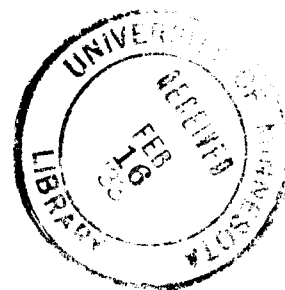
Minneapolis, Feb. 7- The ambition that drove him to shotputting records and mighty feats on the gridiron refuses to rest in Clarence Munn, University of Minnesota freshman track coach and former All-American football player.

That competitive spirit has reshaped itself in the creative urge to develop an athlete who can better Munn's own 50 foot mark in the shotput. With this idea in mind he is working daily at the Gopher Field House with the largest squad of weightmen, both in size and numbers, that ever has turned out for the shotput at Minnesota.

A composite of the first 10 Freshmen in the group which the former Western Conference champion is training, would produce an athlete six feet, one inch tall, weighing 194 pounds. That this "average" athlete can toss the 16 pound weight only about 35 feet discourages Munn not at all, for the group ranges from husky novices who had never held a shot in their hands until this winter to a state high school champion.

Leading the group is Bill Freimuth of Duluth, former state high school champion and present record holder in the discus. Freimuth stands six feet, five inches tall and weighs 220 pounds. His best mark this winter is around 44 feet. Nearest to him in distance are Harrison Daniels and James Williams, both of Minneapolis. Both are over six feet tall, Daniels weighing 180 pounds and Williams tipping the scales at 200. They have put the shot over 39 feet. Sylvester Schnickles of Hector and Orville Fair of Reading are a pair of 195 pound boys who also have shown possibilities. Other prospects who come within the first 10 huskies are Durwood Taylor, weight 180 pounds, Richard Tuthill, 195, Ingvar Johnson, 180, Bob Ellis, 185, and Nick Weyrens, 210.

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Minneapolis, Feb. 16. Whether a hurdler can gain a tenth of a second in 70 yards by thrusting both arms forward rather than one as he leaps the barriers is the experiment Charley Scheifley, captain of the University of Minnesota track team is now making. Scheifley and his coach, Sherman Finger, decided recently that the hurdler was losing time because he didn't get his "front leg" down quickly enough for his next stride in clearing the jumps. How to speed up this phase of his performance so that he might hit his stride sooner between hurdles was the problem they faced.

Finger suggested that the Gopher leader thrust both arms forward in order to shift his weight onto the leg that cleared the hurdler first. This shifting would cause the leg to "whip" down so that the athlete would lose less time in catching his stride for the next harrier. Here it was that the little book from which Scheifley got his first knowledge of hurdling came into use again. This small papercovered manual served as the Gopher athlete's first "coach" in his early high school days at Browns Valley, Minn., when a bamboo fishpole set up in his backyard served as his hurdle. It helped him to win the high hurdles in a state high school meet in his senior year, but it gradually was forgotten when he entered Minnesota.

When Finger made his suggestion, Scheifley remembered pictures of Earl Thompson, the great Dartmouth hurdler, which he had seen in his book. He immediately dug up his book and began studying the form of Thompson, who used to throw both arms forward in clearing the barriers, and it is a variation of the former world champion's style which he will use this season.

Scheifley will try his new form against Heye Lambertus of Nebraska Saturday when Minnesota meets the Cornhuskers in conjunction with the Gopher, Illinois basketball game. Lambertus, one of the outstanding hurdlers in the Missouri Valley, will race the Gopher leader over the 70 yard high

hurdles, the distance that he set a Minnesota record in for his first varsity competition two years ago.

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Minneapolis, Feb.-- The undefeated Minnesota hockey team, with a record of 38 goals scored in eight games to three for all opponents this season will meet the University of North Dakota in a return series at Grand Forks, N. D., this weekend. The Gophers defeated the North Dakotans in the opening series of the season early in January. Following the second series with the Flickertails, Minnesota will make its final bid for the Big Ten hockey title by meeting Michigan at Ann Arbor, Feb. 24-25. Coach Frank Pond's team won from the Wolverines on their home ice and also defeated Wisconsin, its other conference opponent, in three games.

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Minneapolis, Feb.--Iowa will be the first conference opponent of the University of Minnesota swimming team this season and the Gophers will journey to Iowa City to meet the Hawkeyes, Saturday. Max Moulton, All American back stroke swimmer, Wilber Andre, who swims the breast stroke, Eddie Farrell and Capt. Walt Lang in the 220 and 440 are expected to be Minnesota's chief threats against Iowa. The Gophers defeated Carleton, their only collegiate opponent of the year thus far, this week. Iowa will swim a return engagement at Minnesota, March 4.

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Minneapolis, Feb. 24 Long hours spent propelling himself through the water by the use of his powerful legs alone for the past several months may bring Max Moulton, All-American backstroke swimmer at the University of Minnesota to the goal he has set his heart on this season--the Western Conference 150 yard backstroke record of 1:42.3.

Moulton, a rangy, six-foot youth, carrying a world of power in his long legs, never has fully utilized their possibilities until this season, according to his coach, Niels Thorpe. Patient practise in kicking his legs straight from the hips without bending the knees and later coordinating this drive with his sweeping arm action brought results in his first conference meet this year. Last week against Iowa he swam the 150 yard distance in 1:43.2, within a second of his coveted goal.

As a sophomore last year Moulton swam second in both the conference and national intercollegiate swimming meets and was named on the All-American squad. Drysdale of Michigan, who holds the conference record, won both of these meets. This year the outstanding backstroke swimmers whom Moulton will compete against at the conference appear to be Schmieler of Michigan, Fela of Ohio State and Heyne of Illinois.

Moulton also competed as a member of the medley relay team that set the Western Conference record of 3:09 for 300 yards against Iowa. This trio of Moulton, Wilbur Andre and Chuck Ketola, also will constitute a threat at both the conference and national meets this year. Andre, who swims the breast stroke finished fourth in the nationals last season and second in the conference.

With Capt. Walt Lang in the 440, Ketola, Ed Farrell, in the 100 and 225 and Len Rush in the breast stroke the Gophers will present a strong threat to teams aspiring for championship honors.



Minneapolis, Feb.--Making their final bid for the Big Ten championship against its chief rival, Minnesota will play Michigan at Ann Arbor Friday and Saturday. These two teams met at St. Paul early in the season and the Gophers triumphed only after the most gruelling kind of play. Minnesota although undefeated this season, will go to Michigan keyed up for the keenest competition of the season. With the squad in excellent shape for the final series of the season the Gophers expect an even chance for victory against the speedy Michigan sextet.

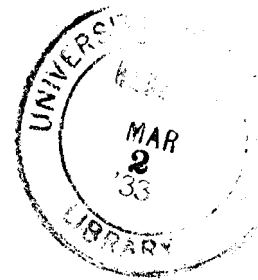
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Minneapolis, Feb.--Sixty candidates for the University of Minnesota baseball team are working out daily in the Gopher field house under the direction of Coach Frank G. McCormick. The Gophers have 14 games scheduled thus far and two additional contests likely will be scheduled with Waseda University of Japan to complete a full card. Lack of seasoned infield material and the development of at least one alternate catcher appear to be the chief problems facing Minnesota in its "spring training."

The schedule is as follows:

April 22 ----- Carleton here  
April 25 ----- Gustavus Adolphus here  
April 28-29 --- Iowa here  
May 5-6 ----- Wisconsin there  
May 9 ----- Carleton there  
May 12-13 ----- Chicago there  
May 19-20 ----- Northwestern here  
May 23 ----- Gustavus Adolphus there  
May 26-27 ----- Luther College, Decorah, Ia., here

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Minneapolis, Mar. 3-Scoring 60 goals to 10 for all opponents and winning 11 consecutive games of the 12 on its schedule, the University of Minnesota hockey team closed the 1933 season last week the possessor of its eighth Western Conference championship. Previously Minnesota teams have won the Big Ten ice title in 1923, 1924, 1926, shared it with Michigan in 1927, and held it singly again in 1928, 1929 and 1932.

Coach Frank Pond, who has directed championship teams in two of his three years at Minnesota, will have practically the same aggregation returning next year. Only two members of the 1933 squad are seniors, Capt. Harold Carlsen and Fred Gould. Carlsen starred as a defense man for three years, two of which were played on title winning teams. Gould played in 1930, 1931 and 1933. He was a contributing factor to the strong Gopher offense this year playing at wing.

The 1933 sophomore forward line that played a major part in the Minnesota attack will return for two more seasons. This trio composed of Russ Gray, Bill Munns and Clyde Russ, functioned as a smooth working unit throughout the 12 game schedule, being especially notable for accurate passing. Bill Zieske and Russell "Bucky" Johnson, who formed the alternate forward line with Gould, also will return. Zieske will be a junior and Johnson a senior next year.

Phil LaBatte, who has teamed effectively with Capt. Carlsen at defense for two years will return for his senior season in 1934. Bob Neuman, sophomore defense man also will be back. George Clausen and John Scanlon, veteran goalies are other returning athletes and with an outstanding freshman team coming up, the Gophers are virtually assured of a strong position in next year's race.

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Minneapolis, March 2.—The University of Minnesota football team will begin spring practise, April 3, candidates for the 1933 Gopher squad were informed by a notice posted today on the locker room bulletin board. The notice was signed by Bernie Bierman.

"Minnesota football success in 1933 depends largely on the foundation laid this spring---this means your personal success as well. You are expected to be in fair condition when you report and reasonable training rules must be observed" it said. "If you are not eligible scholastically or do not intend to work hard---do not report. Only those men who are coming out with the intention of learning and developing their football skill and using this skill for the good of the team are wanted.

"We can have a team this fall if three things are accomplished: First, get eligible; second, lay the foundation this spring; third, really want a good team hard enough.

"More enjoyment can be had out of success than any other thing. Let's get our 1933 football enjoyment in that way and let's begin now."

Bierman expects to have 100 men reporting through six weeks of spring practise. The squad will be divided into two groups, the veterans and outstanding freshmen forming one squad while the other group will be composed of less experienced candidates.

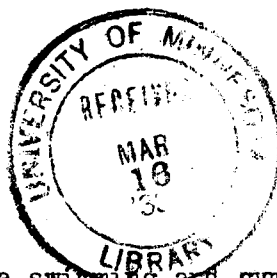
George Hauser and Lowell Dawson will aid Bierman with the first squad. George Tuttle, Sig Harris, Pat Boland and Marshall Wells will have charge of the second group. If the weather does not permit outdoor practise to begin the squad will work out in the Field House temporarily, Bierman said. The Gopher coaches have been meeting the freshmen several times a week throughout the winter.

Minneapolis, March--Eight University of Minnesota trackmen will compete in the Western Conference indoor track and field meet at Chicago, Friday and Saturday. Coach Sherm Finner has selected Charley Scheifley, John Currell, Harold Thomson, Bill Jolley, Fred LaRoque, Al Savage, Francis Lund and Bradley Laird as Gopher representatives.

Capt. Scheifley and LaRoque will compete in the hurdles. The latter also will run anchor on the Gophers track mile relay team. Currell will run the mile and possibly the two mile while Thomson will compete in the 60 yard dash. Jolley, a six foot high jumper, will compete in his specialty. The same mile relay team that defeated Wisconsin last week will enter the conference race. Francis "Pug" Lund, Gopher football star, will lead off for Minnesota, with Savage, Laird and LaRoque following in order.

The conference meet will end Gopher track activities until the Drake Relays, April 28-29.

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Minneapolis, March 16 The University of Minnesota swimming and gymnastic teams face their final weekend of Big Ten competition with the possibility of adding two more conference titles to those already won by the Gopher hockey and rifle teams.

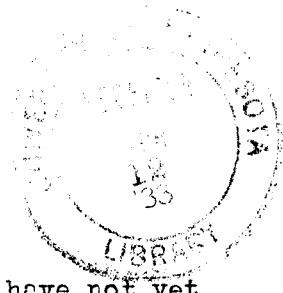
The hockey squad recently concluded a 12 game schedule, winning 11 straight games to take the title. The rifle team won the Big Ten title and the championship of the Seventh Corps area last week. It will compete in the national collegiate championships at the University of Illinois, March 25. The men composing the team are Capt. Daniel Stern, Charles Gottfried, Chester Peterson, Oswald Helseth, Harries Hibbard, John Maddy, Ted Seth, James Dodge, Paul Hauser and Bob Farrell.

Nine athletes will make up the Minnesota squad that will seek the conference title at Chicago, Friday and Saturday. Outstanding in this group are the record breaking 300 yard medley relay team of Max Moulton, Wilbur Andre and Charles Ketola. This trio covered the distance in 3:09 against Iowa several weeks ago to break the Big Ten record. Moulton in the 150 yard back stroke and Andre in the breast stroke also are among the favorites in their respective fields.

Capt. Wallace Lang in the 440 yard swim, Ketola in the 100 yard sprint, Bill Blaisdell, diver, and Ed Farrell in the 220 yard event are other Gophers who are expected to be in the scoring. Coach Niels Thorpe has entered a 400 yard relay team composed of Ketola, Clint Rosene, Ordway Swennes and Farrell.

The gymnastic team, which has scored six out of seven possible victories, also will try for the conference title at Chicago Saturday. The squad will be composed of Capt. Leonard Marti, Robert Hill, Joe Olson, Kenneth Pottle, Gilbert Wenzel, George Matison and possibly Jon Rollins, who was injured early in the season. Hill, Wenzel, and Matison will compete in the tumbling, an event in which Minnesota has won the championship for three consecutive years.

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Minneapolis, April<sup>12</sup>--Despite the chilly breezes that have not yet ceased to sweep across Northrop Field, the University of Minnesota baseball team began training outdoors this week for its opening game with Carleton, April 22.

This year's Gopher nine is being built around five veterans including one pitcher, a first baseman and a complete outfield. The chief points which Coach Frank McCormick is seeking to build up before the Western Conference season are the infield, the catching staff and reserve pitching strength.

Marvin Shelso, veteran lefthanded pitcher, appears to be mainstay of the Minnesota pitching staff this year with Tommy Galvin, Elroy Hendrickson and Stanley McKenzie as the most promising of the seven mound candidates reporting daily.

Kenneth Gay, who played first base last year, is the only infield veteran back this season. His fielding and hitting ability insures that this post will be well taken care of this spring. At second Bernard Walzynski, a sophomore appears to be the leading candidate with two other newcomers, Henry Westby and Spencer Wagnild, a pair of agile sophomores, as contenders for the shortstop position.

Phil LaBatte, who saw some service last season at third, is the leading contender for this post. Here too, sophomores are making a determined bid for a position with Bus Gentry and Jack Schoch as principal rivals.

Capt. Ed Burke, Bernard Henning and Fay Krause, all letterman, have been playing the outfield during the early season and it is not likely that there will be any change. Henry Streich and Roy Olson are sophomores who likely will see service in the outfield also.

Following the Carleton game the Gophers meet Gustavus Adolphus, April 25 and then open the conference season against Iowa at Northrop field April 28-29. Minnesota meets Northwestern, Wisconsin and Chicago on its Big Ten schedule.

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Minneapolis, April--Progressing somewhat slowly but showing a gradual improvement under the careful teaching of Bernie Bierman, the University of Minnesota football squad of 100 men is in its second week of spring practise.

The annual spring game has been set for May 13, but Bierman, not entirely satisfied with the development of the squad, has intimated that practise may be extended beyond that date.

Short scrimmages and long signal drills have been the order of the day during the early practise periods with the periods of play lengthened on Saturdays. Rapidly changing combinations both in the backfield and the line are giving the coaching staff an opportunity to study the capabilities of every promising candidate and the personnel of the first team lineup has been changing frequently thus far.

Among the sophomore candidates who have been showing possibilities during the spring drill are Vernal LeVoir, Minneapolis, quarterback; George Svendson, Minneapolis, tackle; Dale Rennebalm, Austin, center; Bill and Jay Bevan, St. Paul, guards; Lawrence Bugni, Montreal, Wis.; fullback; Sheldon Beise, Mound, fullback; Sylvester Schnickles, Hector, end; Julius Alfonso, halfback, Cumberland, Wis.

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Minneapolis, April 12 For the sake of winning approximately two dozen highly prized monograms next fall, some 60 odd candidates, comprising more than 10,500 pounds of muscular youth, are charging daily across the turf of Northrop Field in the midst of spring football practise at the University of Minnesota.

Crowding 7,856 pounds on the scale at the beginning of the second week of practise, the "A" squad, numbering 43 candidates, gave evidence of their physical condition by dropping a total of only eight pounds in six days of hard work. For the 43 players on the first squad, the weight chart showed a collective gain of 25 pounds for 12 athletes and a loss of 33 pounds for 10 men. The remaining players showed neither gain nor loss.

If some physicist will now compute the number of pounds of explosive energy that have been liberated in the blocking, tackling and plunging done during the first 12 practise sessions, the picture will be complete.

Despite the efficiently planned program that has been carried out to the letter thus far and the evident physical condition of the squad, Bernie Bierman is far from satisfied with the progress made. While various individuals have shown improvement the group as a whole has not shown the speed and drive that the Gopher coach insists upon from his teams.

No kicker or passer has been discovered as yet to relieve Francis Lund of some of the triple burden that he carried last fall. With a number of first string players either competing in other sports or devoting full time to their studies, or able to report only part time, Bierman is devoting much time to his sophomore candidates. The veterans unable to report regularly include Lund, Milton Bruhn, guard; Bob Tenner, end; George Champlin and Mal Eiken, halfbacks; Phil Bengtson, tackle.

Among the sophomores of promise who have been reporting regularly



are Julius Alfonse, Cumberland, Wis.; Sheldon Beise, Mound; Glen Seidel, Vernal LeVair, Minneapolis; George Rennix, Aberdeen, S. D.; Dick Farmer, Stillwater; Lawrence Bugni, Montreal, Wis.; Charles Rice, Maple Plain; Al Jorgenson, Waseca, backfield candidates.

Linemen include Bill and Jay Bevan, Cyril Kliner, St. Paul; Mark Klowski, Winona; Dale Rennebohm, Austin; George Svendson, George Kaiser, Robert Turner, Minneapolis; Andrew Schommer, Eden Valley.

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Minneapolis, April--The University of Minnesota baseball team, with 10 days of outdoor practise behind it, will open its season against Carleton at Northrop Field Saturday.

A number of new faces are expected to be in the Gopher lineup against the Northfield nine, including almost a complete infield. Russell Johnson at second base, Henry Westby at shortstop and Bernie Walzynski at third base, are expected to complete the inner defense combination with the veteran Kenneth Gay at first.

Frank McCormick, Gopher coach, has not yet decided who will start in the pitcher's box against Carleton, but in case he starts a right hander the choice most likely will be Tommy Galvin, a sophomore from St. Paul. Galvin looks to be the best sophomore prospect the Gophers have had in several seasons and Minnesota fans are anxious to see him in action. In case the selection is for a lefthanded pitcher, Roy Shelso will take the mound. Shelso, a veteran, was the mainstay of the Gopher staff last season and is a steady, dependable pitcher.

An all veteran outfield probably will line up against the Carleton batters with Ed Burke, Bernie Hennig and Fay Krause comprising it.

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Minneapolis, May 4—A model of the 1933 Minnesota entry in the Western Conference football race, geared and tuned to its highest pitch by six weeks of spring training, will be placed on exhibition for the critical approval of Gopher followers at Memorial Stadium, May 13.

Following five days of rest during the past week after a solid month of outdoor training the Minnesota squad of 85 athletes will resume work Monday for the annual spring game. The new combination will be thoroughly tested in its first official trial of the year. It will face a team composed of former Minnesota players for the first half of the game and dividing against itself for the remainder of the contest.

Designer Bernie Bierman has been working to eliminate all waste motion from his 1933 model, and while he is not completely satisfied with the progress made, the squad appears definitely faster than a year ago. His plans for next fall call for an eleven-man unit that contains only a single gear--high. With this purpose in mind a premium has been laid on speed and blocking ability all spring.

To meet these requirements and to face the team that the alumni are forming, Bierman has a number of newcomers who will be competing for varsity places next fall. Among the outstanding sophomores are Vernal LeVoir, Minneapolis, quarterback; Julius Alfonse, Cumberland, Wis., George Rennix, Aberdeen, S. D., and George Roscoe, Minneapolis, halfbacks; Sheldon Beise, Mound, and Glen Seidel, Minneapolis, fullbacks. Linemen are George Svendsen, Minneapolis, tackle; Jay and Bill Bevan of St. Paul and Dale Rennebohm, Austin, centers; Sylvester Schnickles, Hector and Mark Klonowski, Winona, ends.

Returning veterans who have been working out with the squad this spring include Francis Lund, Bill Proffitt, George Champlin and Mal Eiken, from the backfield, Frank Larson and Bob Tenner, ends. Linemen include Capt. Roy Oen, and Harold Haiden centers, and Phil Bengtson, tackle.

The alumni, under the direction of Clarence Munn and Bert Oja, will have a team composed of such players as Jack Manders, Walt Hass, Paul Kirk, Fred Hovde, Clint Riebeth and Pete Somers in the backfield. Brad Robinson, Earl Nelson, Pat Boland, Elmer Apmann, George Gibson, Munn and Oja will form the line.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BASEBALL ROSTER

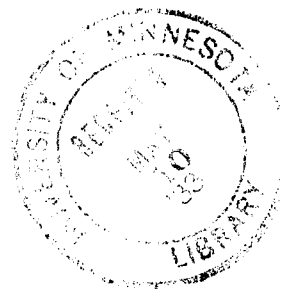
Name	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Pos.	Bats	Throws	Home
Milton Bruhn	Soph.	5'11"	184	C	RH	RH	St. Bonifacius
Edmund Burke, Capt.*	Sr.	5'11"	160	OF	RH	RH	Minneapolis
William Finley	Jr.	5'9"	155	C	RH	RH	St. Paul
Thomas Gallivan	Soph.	5'10"	160	P	RH	RH	St. Paul
Kenneth Gay *	Sr.	5'11"	190	1B	RH	RH	Moose Lake
Eugene Gentry	Soph.	5'10"	160	3B	RH	RH	Lexington, Ore.
Elroy Hendrickson	Soph.	5'11"	170	P	RH	RH	Christine, N. D.
Joseph Hendrickson	Jr.	5'10"	160	OF	RH	RH	Cokato
Bernard Hennig *	Sr.	6'	185	OF	LH	LH	Minneapolis
Russell Johnson	Jr.	5'10"	160	2B	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Stanley MacKenzie	Soph.	5'9"	150	P	RH	RH	Virginia
Lyle Ness	Soph.	5'11"	165	P	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Marvin Shelso	Sr.	5'11"	168	P	LH	LH	Minneapolis
Henry Streich	Soph.	5'7"	155	OF	RH	RH	St. Paul
Val Styrbicki	Soph.	5'7"	145	P	RH	LH	Minneapolis
Roger Sutherland	Soph.	5'8"	150	OF	RH	LH	Grandy
Spencer Wagnild	Soph.	5'10"	175	IF	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Henry Westby	Soph.	5'11"	165	SS	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Bernard Wolcynski	Soph.	5'10"	160	2B	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Fay Krause *	Jr.	5'10"	155	OF	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Phil LaBatte	Jr.	5'11"	175	IF	RH	RH	Minneapolis

\* Lettermen

SCHEDULE

April 22 - Minnesota 4, Carleton 0  
 April 25 - Minnesota 7, Gustavus Adolphus, 2  
 April 28 - Minnesota 20, Iowa 3  
 April 29 - Minnesota 2, Iowa 2, (game called in fifth-rain)  
 May 2 - Minnesota 5, Carleton 7  
 May 5-6 - Wisconsin at Madison  
 May 9 - St. Olaf at Minneapolis  
 May 12-13 - Chicago at Chicago  
 May 19-20 - Northwestern at Minneapolis  
 May 23 - Gustavus Adolphus at St. Peter  
 May 26-27 - Luther College, Decorah, Ia., at Minneapolis

## Sports Letter



Minneapolis, May 10. If background means anything in athletics, Tommy Gallivan, sophomore pitcher on the University of Minnesota baseball team is headed for the major leagues--which, by the way, is one of his ambitions.

Tommy, who won two of his first three games for Minnesota this spring, began pitching at the age of six. His battery-mate was his father, Thomas Gallivan, Sr., of St. Paul a former well known semiprofessional player in southern Minnesota. With his older brother, Phil, now pitching for Buffalo in the International League, Tommy first learned from his father how to hold the ball for that delight of boyhood pitchers--the "roundhouse" curve.

Both boys were keenly interested in baseball and spent most of their waking hours during the summer months on the sandlot diamonds. Both also followed closely their heroes on the St. Paul American Association team and saw as many games as they could. It was a great day in the Gallivan family when Phil became bat boy for St. Paul and Tom graduated to the foul chasing fraternity at Lexington park.

It was then that the boys began to receive some expert attention. Charley Hall and Howard Merritt, St. Paul pitchers, took delight in showing youngsters the tricks of pitching and in following seasons such players as "Bubbles" Hargrave and Donie Bush, now managing Cincinnati, aided them.

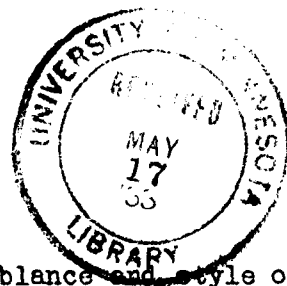
Phil, being five years older, pitched for his grade school team and then for St. Thomas Academy. Later he played with Tulsa, Okla., and last year was with the Chicago White Sox and Brooklyn before signing up with Buffalo.

Tommy followed his brother's footsteps through boyhood, pitching for the same teams. Then in 1928 he pitched for the St. Paul Junior

American Legion team that reached the finals for the United States junior baseball title at Denver. The team lost to Oakland, Cal., for the championship. Later Tom played with St. Thomas Academy and last year entered the University of Minnesota. He has beaten Carleton and Iowa in two starts and lost to Wisconsin this spring.

Incidentally, one of his early instructors has not forgotten Tom, for "Bubbles" Hargrave, former catcher for St. Paul, Cincinnati and the New York Yankees, is one of the interested spectators at Northrop Field at games and practises. Hargrave, in business in the Twin Cities, still finds time to look over his young protege frequently.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, May 17 Twins whose physical resemblance and style of play are so similar that even their coach can scarcely tell them apart are two of the four reasons why the University of Minnesota tennis team has hopes of winning the Western Conference championship at the University of Illinois, May 18-19-20.

Phil Brain, Minnesota coach, often has to scratch his head in perplexity when he watches Paul and John Scherer, his crack doubles team, play tennis together, but then, he's only been watching them for three or four years. Even their parents sometimes got confused and they've known the boys intimately for a score of years.

Along with their identical ages-- they were 21 a week ago--the Scherer twins are of the same height and weight--six feet tall, 150 pounds--and play a similar type of game. Their use of the same driving strokes to gain points does not make it any easier to tell them apart on the courts.

The Scherer twins attribute whatever success they've had to the fact that they've never been in want for a partner. While other boys were forced to wait until they could find someone to practise with, the Scherers were always ready and eager to play with or against each other and in this way they got in many hours of practise.

They began playing at the age of 11, with an older brother, Floyd, who instructed them in fundamentals. Incidentally, Floyd won his letter at Minnesota three years ago. Through park tournaments and high school they competed steadily. In high school they won the doubles title at Minneapolis Central, and Paul beat John in the singles. A year ago John beat Paul in the singles at the Arrowhead tournament in Duluth, so they're even again.

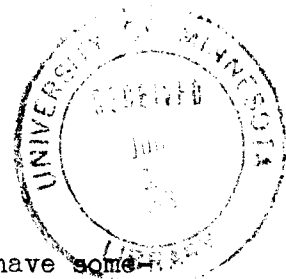
Last year Paul teamed with Capt. Charles Britzius to win the conference doubles title and this year John will team with his brother while Britzius and Mart Stesin, another Gopher letterman, will form the other combination. Britzius reached the semifinals in the Big Ten singles a year ago while Stesin went to the third round.

With these four men playing this spring Minnesota has not lost a dual meet and has won 110 sets to nine lost in all matches. The Gophers have defeated Carleton twice, Iowa, St. Thomas, St. Cloud Teachers College, St. Olaf and the Minneapolis Tennis club in competition.

Incidentally, and not to change the subject, Minnesota's 1933 success in a different branch of athletics,--football-- may also be at least partially decided by another set of twins --the Bevan brothers, Jay and Bill. Both are sophomores and both hope to be regular guards on Bernie Bierman's team next fall.

This also makes the "twin" complete, for the Scherer brothers are from Minneapolis and the Bevans' live in St. Paul--Minnesota's Twin Cities.

## Sports Letter



Minneapolis, May 31. Future University of Minnesota athletes will have something of a mark to aim at in at least eight sports if they refer to the record made by Gopher teams during 1932-33.

Two undisputed Western Conference championships, a share in a third, and one national title head the list of honors hung up by Minnesota teams during the past year. In eight of 12 sports Minnesota finished in fourth place or better.

One of these conference championships--in baseball--is the first that a Minnesota team has won since 1908. Under the direction of Frank McCormick the Gophers won six of seven conference games and ended the season with 12 victories and two losses.

The other undisputed major title that Minnesota won was in hockey. This season marked the eighth time that Minnesota has won or shared this championship in the conference. Coached by Frank Pond, the Gophers won their second consecutive hockey title, winning six out of seven conference games. Minnesota scored 60 goals to 10 in a dozen games, winning 11 of them.

Charles Britzius, Minnesota tennis captain, won the Western Conference singles championship and the Gophers were tied with Chicago for the team title. In dual meet competition this squad, coached by Phil Brain, won 110 and lost nine sets during the past season.

The rifle shooting <sup>team</sup> won the Western Conference title and then won the national intercollegiate championship. In this sport during the past 11 years Minnesota has won three titles and never has finished lower than third in the conference.

Golf and gymnastics brought the Gophers in runner up positions in both sports. Capt. Earl Larson, Edgar Bolstad, Cy Anderson and Bill Zieske brought the Gophers into second place for the second consecutive season. Minnesota gymnasts, under Ralph Piper, finished second in the Big Ten. Minnesota swimmers ended the season in fourth place.

Crosscountry runners finished third, while Gopher trackmen won the shuttle relay at the Kansas and Drake relays. This quartet set a record of 1:02.2 at Kansas. Charley Scheifley won the 120 yard high hurdles at both these meets.



Sports Letter



Minneapolis, August—The return of Bernie Bierman early next week from an arduous round of coaching schools and summer camps will mark the first active step in the 1933 football campaign at Minnesota.

Bierman wound up his summer's work during the past week by aiding with preparations for the East-West game at Chicago, and with the reality of the season thus brought home to him at this early date, football affairs at Minnesota are expected to hum upon his return.

Summary notice to 62 candidates to report at Northrop field the morning of Sept. 15, ready for intensive practise, awaits only Bierman's signature before being mailed out. The letters will call the athletes together at 9:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 15, for two weeks of training, with the usual routine of two sessions a day being in order.

These athletes have been on the coach's mailing list throughout the summer and they have heard from him several times. Letters reminding them of the strenuous season ahead and of the necessity of being in condition have preceded the final notice to report which now awaits them.

A glance at Minnesota's situation this fall will suffice to show that Bierman has not been writing for his own amusement or the entertainment of his candidates.

Just 12 practise days from the morning of the first workout the Gophers will face South Dakota State, the team that gave them a stubborn fight in last year's opening game before finally losing 12-0.

This game will mark the beginning of one of Minnesota's best home schedules. The home stand will include games with Indiana, Purdue, Pittsburgh and Iowa on successive Saturdays at Memorial Stadium. A trip to Evanston

Nov. 4, to play Northwestern, followed by an open date and the Michigan game at Ann Arbor, Nov. 18, lead to the final home game---that with Wisconsin, November 25.

Interest in the home schedule is shown by the fact that more than 3,000 season tickets have been sold to date. Last year's total for the entire season was 4,626, but ticket sales officials believe that this mark will be passed by Sept. 18, the final date on which these books may be purchased.

#### Minnesota Football Schedule and 1932 Scores

##### 1933 Schedule

Sept. 30	South Dakota State	at Minnesota
Oct. 7	Indiana	at Minnesota
Oct. 14	Purdue	at Minnesota
Oct. 21	Pittsburgh	at Minnesota
Oct. 28	Iowa	at Minnesota
Nov. 4	Northwestern	at Evanston
Nov. 11	Open	
Nov. 18	Michigan	at Ann Arbor
Nov. 25	Wisconsin	at Minnesota

##### 1932 Scores

Minnesota	12	South Dakota State	0
Minnesota	0	Purdue	7
Minnesota	7	Nebraska	6
Minnesota	21	Iowa	6
Minnesota	7	Northwestern	0
Minnesota	26	Mississippi	0
Minnesota	13	Wisconsin	20
Minnesota	0	Michigan	3

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, August 30. Deeply tanned and looking as fit as he expects his athletes to be when they report to him two weeks from Friday, Bernie Bierman, University of Minnesota football coach, began laying the foundation for his 1933 campaign this week.

"With sophomores in a possible five or six positions on our team this fall, we wont be off to any flying start in 1933. But we do hope to be dangerous the last half of the season. We should be a November team.

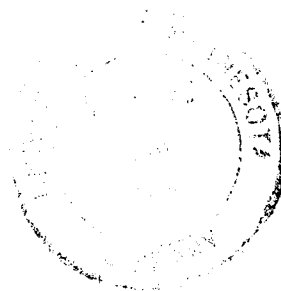
"While no particularly outstanding players appeared in spring practise we found that we had a better balanced squad than we expected and if everyone comes through that we are counting on we should have fair reserve material in all positions.

"Right now I'd say that our chief problems will be the development of a quarterback, some kickers and passers, and a pair of tackles to replace Marshall Wells and "Dutch" Gay. Taken man for man on our first team we must replace two tackles, at least one guard, an end, a quarterback and a fullback.

"As to our schedule---there isn't a soft spot in it. We play South Dakota State just 13 practise days from Sept. 15. From then on until Nov. 11 when we have an open date we will be meeting on successive Saturdays some of the greatest teams in the country. Indiana comes first. They were a rugged, fighting team last year and Minnesota fans seem to be under estimating them this season. We will need to be at our top form to beat them and then comes Purdue and Pittsburgh, two of the greatest teams in the country in succession. Then Iowa---considerably stronger than last year. Northwestern should be at or near the top of the Big Ten this year also. These are the teams Minnesota meets before getting ready for Michigan and Wisconsin. There's no need of saying that these two games will be our hardest.

"Despite these problems, however, we have real possibilities. If the boys report eligible and in condition and show the same eagerness to play that those who reported regularly last spring did, I know that we will have a team that no one need be ashamed of."

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, August 31 Now that the practise season is only two weeks away the question of who will play on the University of Minnesota football team this fall is beginning to occupy the minds of thousands of Gopher fans.

Perhaps they are only slightly more puzzled than Bernie Bierman, Minnesota coach, when it comes to selecting a player for each position at this time because he knows that between now and Oct. 7, when the Gophers play Indiana in their first conference game, any number of things may have happened to completely change any "paper lineup" set down now.

As the Minnesota coaching staff considers the situation at this time, however, it has a starting point a nucleus of 15 lettermen, about a dozen more athletes who were squad members last season, several others who were reserves and some 30 or more sophomores who have yet to prove themselves.

Of the lettermen in the group <sup>24</sup>~~five~~ are backfield men. They are Francis Lund, Rice Lake, Wis.; Carl Tengler, Minneapolis; Bill Proffitt, Buffalo, N. Y.; George Champlin, Cresco, Ia.; Lloyd Hribar, Nashwauk; and Erwin Burg, Milwaukee, Wisc.

Lettermen among the line candidates are Capt. Roy Oen, Center, Thief River Falls; Harold Haiden, center, La Crosse, Wis.; Frank Larson, Duluth; Bob Tenner and John Ronning, Minneapolis, ends; Phil Bengston, tackle, St. Paul; Milton Bruhn, St. Bonifacius; Ellsworth Harpole and Stanley Lundgren, Minneapolis, guards.

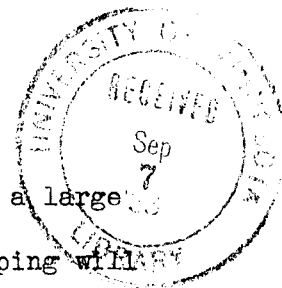
Among the athletes of experience who will be available are Mal Eiken, Caledonia; Walt Hargesheimer, Rochester, and Lloyd Steffenhagen, Hastings. These athletes are backfield men.

Ends of experience other than lettermen include Maurice Johnson, Anoka; Al Papas, International Falls and Walter Ohde of Mound. Other linemen include Leslie Knudsen, Albert Lea; Louis Gerischer, St. Paul; Spencer Wagnild, Minneapolis; Woodrow Nold, Milwaukee; and Dick Potvin, Cass Lake.

Outstanding among sophomore backfield candidates are Vernal "Babe" LeVoir, Minneapolis; George Rennix, Aberdeen, S. D.; Glen Seidel, Minneapolis; Julius Alfonse, Cumberland, Wis.; Sheldon Beise, Mound; Lawrence Bugni, Montreal, Wis.; Dick Farmer, Stillwater; George Roscoe, Minneapolis; Beryl Bethke, Big Stone City, S. D.; Bob Holmstrom, Laurion, Mich.

Prospective sophomore linemen include Dale Rennebohm, center, Austin; Jay and Bill Bevan, Cyril Kliner and Frank Dallera, St. Paul, and Caifson Johnson, Constance, guards. Among the tackle candidates are George Svendsen, Minneapolis; Wesley Brown, St. Paul; Dick Smith, Rockford, Ill., and Harold Winkler, Minneapolis. Ray Zosel, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Mark Klonowski, Winona; and Sylvester Schnickles, Hector, are sophomore end prospects.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, Sept. 5--A meeting of the board of strategy that holds a large measure of the University of Minnesota's football destiny in its keeping will be called by Bernie Bierman within the next ten days.

Practically the same group that guided the Gophers through the 1932 campaign under Bierman will take part in the pre-season meeting. They will be in addition to the Minnesota head coach, Lowell "Red" Dawson, backfield; Dr. George Hauser, line; Bert Baston, ends; Sig Harrie, George Tuttle and Clarence Munn assistant coaches.

Bierman, with his genius for organization, never has left anything to chance in planning a campaign, and with what is probably the most important schedule Minnesota ever has had confronting him, no detail will be overlooked.

As for the routine of practise the same system that kept from 85 to 200 athletes occupied for two solid hours daily last year will be in effect again. During the first two weeks of practise, the sessions will be twice a day. With only varsity candidates on hand the entire staff will concentrate on them. When the fall quarter of the University opens Bierman, Dawson, Hauser and Baston will take charge of the varsity with Tuttle, Harris and Munn drilling the freshmen.

It will not be the details of this routine, however, that will occupy the Minnesota staff when it convenes. They know their jobs and are familiar with Bierman's ideas. The main problem will be how to take a squad composed largely of green sophomores, fit the best of them into a skeleton structure of veterans and repel three of the strongest invaders a Minnesota team has ever faced--Indiana, Purdue and Pittsburgh--in its first three games.

Two of the first three opponents--Purdue and Pittsburgh--ranked among the first five teams in the United States a year ago. Later Minnesota faces another of these ranking teams in Michigan and as a climax of the home season, its old rival--Wisconsin. The Badgers also ranked well up in nation's teams in 1932.

By November, however, Minnesota will have had its baptism of fire. The question which the Gopher coaching staff is interested in right now is how to bring a green team up to the point where it can creditably face the type of opposition that Purdue and Pittsburgh will throw against it. It will be a question of developing a quarterback who will make a minimum of mistakes, a set of tackles who can stand up under a sustained attack and enough kicking and passing to keep the opponent guessing.

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NOTE TO SPORTS EDITORS:

This biographical material has been prepared as an aid to you in following Minnesota's football team this fall. Brief sketches of the 43 men who are considered possibilities for the 1933 team follow. Sixteen, including My Ubl, are lettermen, 9 were on the 1932 squad and the rest are sophomores.

Backs (Lettermen - 7)

Francis Lund, left half, is a junior this fall. He is expected to do much of the kicking and passing for Minnesota again this year. He is smart, and a powerful runner for his 175 pounds. Lund is 5'10" tall and is 20. Home, Rice Lake, Wisc. Nickname "Pug."

William L. Proffitt, junior, comes from Buffalo, N.Y. Bill earned his first letter at 17 and will finish this season before he is 19. Weighing 200 pounds, 6' tall, he will be a power at right half. He is outstanding both on the field and in the classroom. Perhaps his scholastic ability comes from his mother who was a Phi Beta Kappa at Minnesota.

Carl Tengler is the leading veteran fullback candidate. Standing 5'11", weighing 190, he was Jack Manders' understudy last fall. He is a hard hitter and tremendously strong. Likes to tackle. He also is Gopher heavyweight boxing champion and keeps in condition the year around with this sport. He is from Minneapolis.

Erwin Burg, another junior, comes from Milwaukee, Wis. He probably will be used in the blocking back position and may do some signal calling. Injuries kept him back last year. A fine defensive player. He is 5'10", weighs 170 and is 20.

George Champkin, the midget pinch hitter, is a senior this fall. This scampering little fellow is extremely elusive and dangerous in an open field. Weighs about 145 in condition and is 5'6½" tall. He is 22 and comes from Cresco, Iowa.

Lloyd Hribar is another senior. He has played fullback but injuries have kept him back. Probably will be used as a blocking back. Nashwauk is his home. Hribar is 5'11" tall and weighs 185. He is 23.

Myron Ubl, fighting his way back from a long illness, is determined to come back this fall. He now weighs 175 as against 180 at his best. A kicker, passer and a ball carrier he would be valuable if he were in his top form. It is not certain yet whether or not he will play. He is 5'11" tall and lives in Minneapolis. Ubl is 22.

Reserve Backs Available - 3

Malcolm Eiken, junior, is 5'11" tall, weighs 160 lbs and is 21. He kicks and passes. Caledonia is his home town.

Walter Hargesheimer is a senior. He has been used at quarterback. He is 5'9" tall and weighs 155. Rochester is his home.

Phil Sperry, Western Springs, Ill., began his career as a tackle. Last year he was made over into a quarterback. He is 6'1" and weighs 178. A senior.

### Sophomore Backs (8)

Vernal "Babe" LeVoir is one of the outstanding quarterback prospects on the squad. He is a great blocker and one of the surest and hardest tacklers on the squad. He is expected to start the season at quarter. LeVoir is 19, weighs 180 and is 5'10" tall. He was an all-city fullback at Minneapolis Marshall.

Glen Seidel is another quarterback prospect. Starting as a fullback he was shifted to blocking back and also showed signs of becoming a quarterback under "Red" Dawson's tutelage. Seidel came to Minnesota from Minneapolis Roosevelt. He is also an outstanding student. He weighs 185, is 5'11" and is just 19.

Sheldon Beise is Carl Tengler's chief rival for fullback. Weighing 190 pounds and standing 5'11", he has plenty of speed and drive. a fiery, aggressive player. He is a good blocker and tackles as if he meant it. Comes from Mound and is 20.

George Rennix is a candidate for Bill Proffitt's right half position. He is a hard runner, elusive, and handles punts well. He weighs 165 and is 5'10". He is 19 and comes from Aberdeen, S. D.

Julius Alfonse has the knack of holding his feet against almost any kind of a tackle. He is a wiry, tough fellow with a stiff arm that's hard to break through. He did some kicking and passing during spring practise, but must improve a great deal. He is 5'10" weighs 175 and is 19. Cumberland, Wis. is his home.

George Roscoe, former Minneapolis Central player and one of Babe LeVoir's chief high school rivals, is a boy who will bear watching. He is a candidate for the left halfback post where Francis Lund is expected to play. His passing kicking and running made a decided hit during the spring game. Roscoe is 5'11" tall, weighs 170 and is 19.

Dick Farmer, a rangy lad from Stillwater, may be a year away from Big Ten form because of his rapid growth. A little over 18, standing 6'1" tall and weighing 180 pounds, he apparently hasn't his full strength or stamina yet. He kicks, passes and runs.

Lawrence Bugni, fullback candidate weighs 185. He is 5'11" and a good plunger. Bugni is 20 and comes from Montreal, Wis.

Ends (Lettermen - 3)

Frank Larson can be depended upon to make life miserable for opposing tacklers and interferers. He loves to play and tackles and blocks with a viciousness that can be heard in the stands. As a freshman two years ago he was rated as a potential fullback, center, tackle or end and finally settled on the latter position. He is one of the outstanding players on the squad. Developing into a good pass receiver. "Butch" is 6'2" tall, weighs 190 and is 21. And a junior.

Robert Tenner, another junior, did not report for freshman football until spring practise. He proceeded to make good from the start. He is a cool player who rises to the occasion and never worries about a game. Snatched a



pass to beat Northwestern last year and played a fine game against Wisconsin. He entered Minnesota at 17 and now is in the medical school at 19. Tenner is 5' 11", weighs 185. Played high school football at Minneapolis West.

John Ronning comes from Minneapolis. He developed into a dependable end last year and should improve this season. Has the knack of being in the right place at the right time and a hard, untiring worker. He is 5' 11", weighs 183 and is 22. Another junior.

#### Reserve Ends (3)

Walt Ohde is a little fellow for an end but a hard man to play against. He is 5' 10" tall and weighs 165. He comes from Mound.

Al Papas is 5' 11" tall, weighs 175 and is a junior. He comes from International Falls, the home of Bronko Nagurski, Pete Somers, Howard Kroll and Sulo Koski, Gopher players of former years. He is an artist of ability and earns part of his way through school by sketching portraits.

Maurice Johnson is 6' 1" tall and weighs 185. He comes from Anoka and is 19 and a junior.

#### Sophomore Ends (4)

Sylvester Schnickles of Hector is a rangy, powerful fellow with a perpetual grin, a pair of oversized hands and a knack for playing end. He can start fast and hit hard and can snag passes. Sylvester is 6' tall, weighs 185 pounds and is 19.

Mark Klonowski started at center but coaches thought he belonged at end and it looks as if they were right. Several years of playing baseball with the Junior American Legion team at Winona has made him surehanded and he can catch passes with anyone on the squad. Klonowski is 5' 11" weighs 188 and is 19.

Ray Zosel is 5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall and weighs 173. He comes from Milwaukee, Wis.

Henry Baldrige weighs 165 and is 5' 11" and comes from Northfield. He earned his numerals as a basketball player also and has a good pair of hands.

#### Tackles (Lettermen 1)

Phil Bengtson earned his letter last year but did not have much to spare as Marshall Wells and Kenneth Gay were on the job most of the time. He is 6' 2" tall and weighs 200 pounds and is 19. St. Paul is his home. A junior.

#### Reserve Tackles (2)

Leslie Knudsen is 6' 3" tall, weighs 212 and is 19. He comes from Albert Lea and is a junior.

Ray Willahan is a senior this fall. He is 6' 2" and weighs 200 pounds. Sisseton, S. D. is his home.

### Sophomore Tackles

George Svendsen is the outstanding tackle candidate among the newcomers. Six feet, two inches tall he weighs 200 and is a rangy powerful chap who likes rough going. He is 20 years old and played high school football at Minneapolis Marshall.

Bill Freimuth of Duluth is the biggest man on the squad. He stands 6'6" tall and weighs 215 pounds. Despite his 19 years and his size he handles himself surprisingly well. He plays basketball and put the shot around 47 feet last spring.

Richard Smith of Rockford, Ill., is a six foot, 200 pound youth who improved rapidly last spring. He may break into the lineup at any time this year as a regular.

Wesley Brown comes from St. Paul and will receive careful consideration this fall. A member of Blaine McKusick's wrestling squad he is a powerful 190 pound chap. He is 6' tall.

Harold Winkler weighs 185 pounds. He is 5'11" tall and comes from Mpls.

#### Guards (Lettermon - 3)

Milton Bruhn was unheard of a year ago at this time. He came through the first two weeks of practise to break into the regular lineup and stayed there. He is a rangy, wiry youth weighing 180 pounds and standing 5'11" tall. He is counted on to hold down one of the regular berths this year. Bruhn is 20 and comes from St. Bonifacius.

Ellsworth Harpole, negro youth, may hold down the other guard position. He is 5'8" tall and weighs 175 pounds and a senior. He got away to a slow start last year but looked good toward the end of the season. He comes from Minneapolis and runs a shoe repairing shop to earn his way through school.

Stanley Lundgren saw considerable service last year. He is big -- weighing 210-- and a solid charger. He is 24 years old and comes from Minneapolis. His height is 5'11" and this is his last year.

#### Sophomores (4)

Jay Bevan, a peppery youth from St. Paul, is an outstanding guard candidate. He is 5'10" tall and weighs 180 pounds. He loves to play and puts everything into the game. He keeps up a constant stream of chatter on the field to pep up his mates.

Bill Bevan, a year older than Jay, is slightly taller and about five pounds heavier than his brother. He is another pepperbox on the field. Bill started his career as a blocking back but was shifted to guard last spring.

Frank Dallora is another St. Paul youth who is expected to give a good account of himself this fall. He is a rangy youth whose blocking stood out during spring practise. He is 5'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall and weighs 185 pounds.

Cyril Kliner is the fourth sophomore guard from St. Paul on the squad. He weighs 178 pounds and is 5'9" tall. Nickname "Bud."

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 4—Who is to be selected as Minnesota's first-string quarterback, an all-important position under the Bierman system of play, is a question that thousands of football fans in this territory are asking themselves as the Gophers begin preparations for a conference race that promises to be the closest in years.

Months of patient instruction last fall and spring by Bierman and his back-field assistant, Lowell Dawson, have given all candidates a thorough groundwork, and it remains only for the fall practice test to "put the finger" on the one who is to be selected.

Two sophomores and several men with prior squad experience are among those from whom the selection must be made, and among the second year men principal consideration probably will be given to Vernal "Babe" LeVoir and Glen Seidel, of Minneapolis.

Each of these has shown an aptitude for the position and both have been given intensive instruction. Bierman likes blocking ability in his quarterbacks and these men apparently have it.

LeVoir, weighing 180 pounds, makes a specialty of hard blocking and strong defensive play. Seidel, weighing a few pounds more, also has shown enough ability to insure a thorough trial.

Erwin Burg heads the list of veteran candidates. A letterman last year, he was kept back by injuries. He has had some experience under fire and can meet the physical requirements. Francis Lund, with kicking and passing already on his list of assignments, also has been mentioned for the signal calling task but it is not expected that this halfback will be further burdened with responsibility if it can be avoided. Then there are Walt Hargesheimer of Rochester and Phil Sperry of Western Springs, Ill., both of whom will be in the running for the quarterback post.

LeVoir, a recognized star during his football days at Marshall high school, Minneapolis, appears at this time in the season to have the call over his competitors, and in spring practice he was at the blocking post much of the time. Seidel, however, is sure to offer strong competition, and Burg, if he can round into shape, will provide splendid reserve material. As the season opens Minnesota apparently has cause to hope that strong players will be available for this crucial post.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 12. Development of enough kickers and passers to keep the opposition guessing is one of the main problems that faces the University of Minnesota football coaching staff as it considers the tasks ahead this fall.

Last year both of these duties fell to Francis Lund, then a sophomore halfback. No other player on the squad was proficient in either assignment to relieve him of the responsibilities but this year Minnesota has six other candidates, all sophomores, who may be able to contribute to this department of the game.

Outstanding among the sophomore punters and passers is George Roscoe of Minneapolis, a 170 pound halfback. Roscoe showed marked ability along these lines last fall and spring and he is certain to receive plenty of attention from the coaches once practise starts.

As punters go, Mark Klonowski, end candidate from Winona, has shown enough ability<sup>to</sup>/claim his share of the coaches time also. Klonowski, a powerful youth weighing 185 pounds, is a long range punter but the fact that he is an end may keep him from regular assignment to this important post.

Dick Farmer is another candidate who has talent along kicking lines and he has enough passing ability to warrant attention as a potential triple threat back. The Stillwater youth is listed as a fullback.

George Rennix, Aberdeen, S. D., is a sophomore halfback candidate who is also a kicker of enough ability to compel attention. Rennix, weighing 165 pounds appears to be Bill Proffitt's chief rival for the position of right halfback.

In addition to Lund, Roscoe and Farmer the Gophers have two other players who may contribute to the versatility of the backfield. "Babe" LeVair, sophomore quarterback candidate, was one of the most accurate passers on the squad last spring and Sheldon Beise, fullback from Mound, also is a sophomore who has shown a knack for throwing passes.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 14. One of the keenest struggles for position that is likely to develop on the Minnesota football squad this fall will begin Friday with the official opening of practise when Carl Tengler, Sheldon Beise, Lawrence Bugni and Dick Farmer, fullback candidates, report to Bernie Bierman.

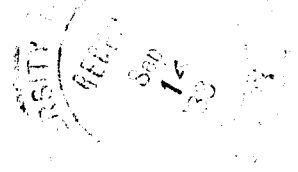
The line plunging post at Minnesota may not assume the importance under Bierman that it did in the days when such All-American players as Herb Joesting and Bronko Nagurski were thundering across Big Ten gridirons but it is still one that must be filled by a hard driving, hard blocking back.

Speed for tricky reverses and quick charges into the line that may develop into long runs, and the ability to block, are among the things that Bierman will be looking for rather than sheer power when his quartet of fullbacks take the field.

On the eve of the season's opening it appears that the principal rivalry will be between the veteran Tengler, and Beise, a sophomore. Tengler, a junior, weighs 190 pounds and has had a year's experience, alternating with Jack Manders in several games in 1932. He can drive hard on the offense and is an outstanding defensive back.

Beise, lacking in experience, has speed and the ability to throw passes in his favor. He also is a hard runner and there is little to choose between him and other contenders in weight. Beise comes from Mound.

Bugni weighs about 185 pounds. He performed capably in spring practise and is expected to give the two leading contenders a fight for a first team place. He is a Montreal, Wis. boy. Farmer, weighing 180 pounds, comes from Stillwater where he was a star high school player. He has kicking ability along with speed to boost his chances.



In the remaining backfield positions Francis Lund and George Roscoe, both triple threat backs, will be leading contenders for one halfback berth with Myron Ubl, if he is in condition, up near the leaders. At the other post, Bill Proffitt, 200 pound back from Buffalo, N. Y., with a year's experience as a regular to his credit, is considered an outstanding probability.

George Rennix, 165 pound sophomore from Aberdeen, S. D., and Julius Alfonse, a sturdy runner from Montreal, Wis., are other candidates who will press Proffitt for his berth.

Little George Champlin, 145 pound veteran from Cresco, Ia. and Mal Eiken, junior reserve back from Caledonia, also will be available for the backfield.

At the quarterback position which carries heavy blocking responsibilities "Babe" LeVoir, Glen Seidel, Erwin Burg and Lloyd Hribar will be available. LeVoir and Seidel are sophomores, Burg is a junior, Hribar, who began his career as a fullback, is a senior.

MEMO TO SPORTS EDITORS:

The last page of the biographical sketches sent out last week was left off through a mistake. Please add this as page five of the sketches.

Centers (2 lettermen)

Roy Oen, captain, weight 170 pounds. Oen is the lightest varsity center in the conference. He is a veritable ballhawk on defense against forward passes and a hard sure tackler. Oen is 23, stands 5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and comes from Thief River Falls.

Harold Haiden, weight, 187 pounds. Haiden stands 6' tall and is a rugged hard tackling youth. He is a junior from LaCrosse, Wis.

Sophomores (1)

Dale Rennebohm stands 5'10" tall, weighs 185 pounds and is regarded at this time as the logical man for Oen's post next year. He is a steady passer, and appears to have the makings of an outstanding defensive center. He plays much the same type of game that Oen does---alert, heads up against passes and a deadly tackler. Rennebohm comes from Austin.

Minnesota Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Bernie W. Bierman
Backfield	Lowell "Red" Dawson
Line	Dr. George Hauser
Ends	Bert Baston

1933 Schedule

Sept. 30	South Dakots State	At Minnesota
Oct. 7	Indiana	at Minnesota
Oct. 14	Purdue	at Minnesota
Oct. 21	Pittsburgh	at Minnesota
Oct. 28	Iowa	at Minnesota
Nov. 4	Northwestern	at Evanston
Nov. 11	Open	
Nov. 18	Michigan	at Ann Arbor
Nov. 25	Wisconsin	at Minnesota

1932 Scores

Minnesota 12	South Dakota State 0	Minnesota 7	Northwestern 0
Minnesota 0	Purdue 7	Minnesota 26	Mississippi 0
Minnesota 7	Nebraska 6	Minnesota 13	Wisconsin 20
Minnesota 21	Iowa 6	Minnesota 0	Michigan 3

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 14—Nine ends of ability, three of whom already have proved themselves by winning letters, will be among the 70 or more candidates for the Minnesota football team when it assembles for the opening of practice Friday.

Heading this group will be three lettermen, Frank Larson of Duluth and Robert Tenner and John Roning of Minneapolis. Three others were on the squad last year. They are Maurice Johnson, Anoka; Al Papas, International Falls and Walter Ohde of Mound.

Sophomore ends who came through spring practice include Sylvester Schnickle Hector; Mark Klonowski, Winona and Ray Zosel of Milwaukee, Wis.

"Butch" Larson, a tall rawboned junior is expected to be one of the outstanding players on the Gopher squad this season if he continues to develop as he did last season when he was called a find.

Six feet, two inches tall, Larson is the fastest starter among the Gopher ends, and he can get every ounce of his 190 pounds into his blocking and tackling. He has the speed to cover punts and he was rapidly getting the knack of going in the air for passes when the 1932 season ended.

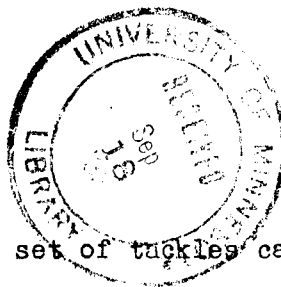
Bob Tenner is another veteran who will help guarantee Minnesota's strength at the ends this fall. Tenner earned the reputation, as a sophomore, last year of being the type of player who is at his best when the stakes are highest. He went in as substitute to catch the pass that scored the winning touchdown against Northwestern and gave a good account of himself in every game. He is six feet tall and weighs 185 pounds.

Roning is a dependable, hardworking player who probably will be Tenner's chief competitor among the veterans for a first team berth. He weighs 180 pounds and is five feet, 11 inches tall.

Johnson, Papas and Ohde all saw service last season and should further insure Minnesota's strength at the ends.

Schnickles and Klonowski appear to be the pick of the sophomore candidates. The former is a rangy six foot youth weighing 185 pounds, while Klonowski has punting ability along with most of the requirements for his position. Both are expected to make the veterans hustle for first team places. Zosel, who received his share of attention from Gopher coaches last spring, also is one of Bert Baston's charges who is expected to give a good account of himself. Baston, All-American in 1916, is Minnesota's end coach under Bernie Bierman.





Minneapolis, Sept. 18-An intensive search for a set of tackles capable of withstanding the combined attack of seven major opponents this fall began at Minnesota this week with the opening of football practice. Even the most seasoned tackles would find their assignments difficult against such teams as Indiana, Purdue, Pittsburgh, Iowa, Northwestern, Michigan and Wisconsin, and the Gophers must depend almost wholly on sophomores.

Bernie Bierman and his line coach, Dr. George Hauser, must find a pair of tackles capable of replacing Marshall Wells and Kenneth Gay, regulars in 1932, and at least two more players who can occupy these positions without weakening the first string line.

Phil Bengtson of St. Paul, a 200 pound junior, is the only letterwinner among the 1933 tackle candidates. Leslie Knudsen of Albert Lea, and Ray Willahan, Sisseton, S. D., are the other two candidates for last year's team to return. Bierman also will give Woodrow Nold, a husky reserve center from Milwaukee, Wis., a thorough trial at tackle.

George Svendsen, a rangy 200 pound sophomore from Minneapolis, is one of the candidates who is expected to be given careful consideration for one of the tackle berths. Indications are that Bengtson and Svendsen will be given the first chance to prove themselves in the regular lineup.

In addition to Svendsen the sophomore class has several other tackle candidates in the field who merit consideration. There are Dick Smith, Rockford, Ill., Bill Freimuth of Duluth; Wesley Brown of St. Paul and Andrew Schommer of Eden Valley. All of these youngsters are eager for an opportunity to show what they can do and are awaiting a chance to scrimmage.

If there is any wealth of line material at Minnesota this fall it is at the guards where a wide open scramble for positions is taking place between three veterans and four sophomores.

Milt Bruhn, who came up from the reserves as a sophomore in 1932 to play regularly in every game is the leading guard candidate. The St. Bonifacius youth weighs 185 pounds and is waging a strong fight for his position.

Ellsworth Harpole, 175 pound negro youth and Stanley Lundgren, a 200 pound athlete are other candidates in the struggle who have won letters.

The quartet of sophomore candidates all are from St. Paul. The Bevan brothers, Jay and Bill; Frank Dallera and Cyril Kliner are a group of evenly matched, ambitious youngsters, all of whom may break into the lineup this year.

Captain Roy Oen, the lightest center in the Big Ten, will be back in his position with no candidate apparently able to displace him. Oen, whose home is at Thief River Falls, has been one of the strongest defensive players on Gopher teams for the past two years. Harold Haiden, La Crosse, Wis., who won a letter at center last year, and Dale Rennebohm, a sophomore from Austin, are two more candidates who should be able to relieve Oen capably.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 21. The village blacksmith, that legendary figure whose muscles were reputed to be as "strong as iron bands" has a modern counterpart in Milton Bruhn, a husky young guard candidate on the 1933 Minnesota football team.

Bruhn has worked in his father's blacksmith shop at St. Bonifacius, Minn. after school and during summer vacations ever since he can remember. He started by running errands and sweeping out the shop but as he grew older he learned to shoe horses and beat plowshares.

In street clothes Bruhn does not look any bigger than any ordinary chap but the compactness of his muscular frame carries 185 pounds of sinew that can be turned to good account in a hard game. Bruhn believes that his training at the forge was particularly valuable for defensive play where a guard can use his hands, and in tackling.

This additional strength might have been gained at a sacrifice of speed if Bruhn had not played a continual round of football, basketball and baseball during his high school days at Mound.

It was at Mound high school that he played guard and tackle for two years on the same team with Sheldon Beise, present Gopher sophomore fullback candidate. At that time Bruhn weighed 163 pounds.

Unheard of during his freshman year at Minnesota, Bruhn was not counted on as a guard at the beginning of the 1932 season. There were too many returning veterans. As soon as scrimmage began, however, Bruhn moved steadily forward until he found himself in the first team lineup for the opening game. He gave a good account of himself in his first test and played in every other game for the rest of the season.

During the summer he did a lot of sprinting to increase his speed because Bernie Bierman demands speed in his guards. They must be able to wheel out of the line and keep up with the backfield men in the interference. Often they must be the first men down the field into the opposing secondary defense. They must be able to block in the line or in the open and to charge at top speed all the time.

These exacting qualifications call for fast, aggressive and tireless players, and in Bruhn the Gopher coach apparently has found a candidate capable of meeting them.

Minneapolis, Sept. 23 Football coaches usually find center a difficult position to fill but at Minnesota this fall Roy Oen, 170 pound Gopher captain, is expected to remove this problem from Bernie Bierman's list of worries.



It is something of a paradox in college football for the lightest line candidate on the squad to be one of those most assured of his place, but that's Oen's situation. He weighs at least eight or ten pounds less than any other of the men considered for a varsity line position.

What he lacks in weight Oen more than makes up in spirit and football smartness. Last year he demonstrated that lack of weight is no great handicap to a player with determination. He played through practically every game on Minnesota's schedule and gave an excellent account of himself.

On the offense Oen is an accurate passer and a good blocker. Minnesota usually plays a six man line on the defense so Oen plays behind it as a member of the defensive backfield. His cool defensive play, especially against forward passes has been valuable to the Gophers in many a dangerous situation.

Coming to Minnesota from Thief River Falls, Oen reported for freshman football weighing 152 pounds. He had played center and halfback in high school, but he thought that his best chance on a college team would be at end. Gopher coaches shook their heads--150 pound ends do not play Big Ten football.

Finally he was shifted to center on a fourth or fifth reserve squad team. He stood out in his new position and moved up accordingly but again the coaches shook their heads--150 pound centers also are too small for conference football. Oen was determined to play football at Minnesota, however, and quietly began trying to build himself up physically. But the best he could do in a year's time was 160 pounds and he was injured the first day of practise and played no more during the 1930 season.

Weighing 165 pounds in 1931 he returned to win his letter. He was regular center in 1932 and at the end of the season blushinglly received the unanimous nomination for the 1933 captaincy.

Incidentally, Oen is the second light weight center to play at Minnesota within the past decade, as George MacKinnon, member of the Gophers from 1925 to 1927, also was the lightest man in the conference in his position during that period.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, Sept. 25 Two facts are apparent as the Minnesota football team faces its second week of practise; first, that the lineup for the opening game is fairly certain, and second, that if any member of it is not playing at top speed he will be replaced instantly.

One other fact, more or less known, was brought home to the squad with renewed force during the first week of practise. The idea of speed for a football team is still uppermost in Bernie Bierman's mind and only those players who can hold to the pace that has been set during the first days of practise will have a chance.

Practise began with a smaller and more carefully selected group than usual at Minnesota and the fight for places is the keenest it has been for years but most of the so-called "leading candidates" have been able to hold their places thus far although in several cases the margin is scarcely visible.

A merry battle is being waged among the ends with Frank Larson, Bob Tenner and John Roning apparently holding the edge. Larson started at one end on the first eleven but when a slight illness sent him to the sidelines Tenner stepped in and thus far there seems to be little to choose between them. Roning has been at the opposite end most of the time with Sylvester Schnickler, a sophomore, and Al Papas and Maurice Johnson close behind.

George Svendsen, Bill Freimuth, Phil Bengtson and Wes Brown appear to be the candidates from whom the starting tackles will be selected. Svendsen and Freimuth have been alternating at right tackle with Brown and Bengtson on the opposite side of the line. Milt Bruhn and Bill Bevan have been holding their own at the guards but Ellsworth Harpole, Jay Bevan, Frank Dallera and Cy Kliner are pressing them.

In the backfield Babe LeVair and Glen Seidel will alternate at quarterback. Both are blockers; LeVair can pass and Seidel can punt, and both youngsters have shown that they are eager to learn Bierman's offensive tactics.

Francis Lund and Bill Profitt are expected to be the halfback starters. Ready to alternate with Lund will be George Roscoe, George Champlin and Mal Eiken while George Rennix and Julius Alfonse will share the right halfback berth.

Lund and Roscoe will carry the punting assignment between them. Both have been getting away some nice boots in practise although neither is a long range punter. Sheldon Beise has been playing fullback thus far and he and Carl Fongler probably will share this assignment in the early season games.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, Sept. 27 Minnesota, facing South Dakota State in the first game of the season Saturday, will catch a glimpse of the style of play that it must solve two weeks hence against Purdue, a crucial game.

Both South Dakota State and Purdue employ systems of play modelled after that taught by Knute Rockne at Notre Dame. Cy Kasper, Jackrabbit coach, and Noble Kizer of Purdue, played guards under Rockne and learned their basic football from him.

Consequently the style of play used by their teams is similar. Speed and blocking feature the offensive play of these teams, while on defense both employ a seven man line although their backfield formations differ somewhat.

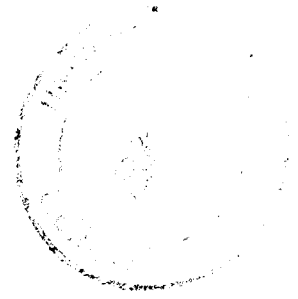
With sophomores almost certain to be playing in several positions at Minnesota, this "pre-view" of the system that they must be familiar with in two weeks will be extremely valuable.

A year ago the Jackrabbits gave Minnesota a busy afternoon before losing 12-0. This year eight of the players who started in that game will be back at Memorial Stadium. In addition to these veterans, the South Dakotans will have two sophomore backs whom the Gophers may find hard to stop. These two, 155 pound Jack Belfany, and Paul Miller, were large factors last week in State's defeat of Northern Normal of Aberdeen, S.D. Besides these two backs Sol Kramer, veteran Jackrabbit quarterback, will have Bill Andres, Cleo Terry and Fred Baxa at his call. All of these players saw service against Minnesota last year. This team averages 185 pounds in the line and 175 in the backfield.

As far as a starting lineup at Minnesota is concerned, Bernie Bierman has said that he will be unable to select one until a few minutes before game time. During the past week a constantly changing first team has appeared in scrimmage.

Principal points in recent practise sessions appear to be the continued use of an all-sophomore backfield and the shifting of Julius Alfonse, husky sophomore right halfback, to fullback. With Francis Lund on the sidelines nursing a bruised hip the backfield which Bierman has used most of the time during the past week consisted of Glen Seidel or Babe LeVoir at quarterback; Sheldon Beise at fullback and George Roscoe and Dick Farmer at the halves.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, Sept. 23 "I feel as if I knew more about other conference squads right now than I do about Minnesota." That's the way Bernie Bierman, Minnesota football coach, feels after almost two weeks of constantly shifting and changing the Gopher lineup in practice.

Selecting a first string lineup looked easy when the season opened two weeks ago, but it has seemed to grow increasingly difficult with each day's practise until now, with the first game against South Dakota State scheduled for Saturday, the selection has Bierman guessing.

The Gopher coach has been building primarily for the six game conference schedule that includes Indiana, Purdue, Iowa, Northwestern, Michigan and Wisconsin but with the first Big Ten game just a week away he hasn't much time to lose in selecting a first team. He had expected to pick his team early and give it a thorough test against South Dakota and a week of polishing before Indiana, but at present it looks as if he will not have his best group chosen for some time to come.

Minor injuries, several ailments, and the constant shifting of players to other positions in an attempt to bolster weak spots, have held Minnesota back. It is doubtful whether Francis Lund, veteran left halfback, will start against the Jackrabbits, as he has been troubled with a hip bruise for the past week.

Bierman has been grooming George Rennix for Lund's post in case Lund is not available. Rennix, a sophomore, has been playing right halfback but Dick Farmer, also facing his first game, has been seeing service in that post most of the time. George Roscoe, another sophomore, may also see service at left half.



Sheldon Beise is practically certain to start at fullback and so, with either Babe LeVoir or Glenn Seidel at quarterback, Minnesota likely will start a complete sophomore backfield against State.

In the line four veterans are fairly certain to start. Capt. Roy Oen is expected to keep his center position and Milt Bruhn is expected to be at guard, with Frank Larson at one end. John Roning probably will receive the assignment at the other end position.

Phil Bengtson, veteran tackle, has been shifted to guard and it is probable that he will see service there Saturday. George Svendsen has recovered from the attack of boils that kept him out of practice and may start. If Svendsen does not get in, Bill Freimuth, also a sophomore, may start, with Dick Smith at the opposite tackle.

Coach Cy Kasper will have eight veterans available to play against the Gophers. The South Dakota attack is centered around a swift 155 pound halfback, Jack Belfany, who is reputed to be a dangerous open field runner. The Jackrabbits brought a well-coached sophomore team to Minnesota a year ago and practically the same team is returning this season.

It is estimated by ticket sales officials that 23,000 persons will attend the game. At least 5,000 of these are expected to be children representing schools and other organizations.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 24. Within five short days Minnesota must gather its top speed for the first Big Ten start of the season against Indiana's veteran team at Memorial Stadium.

While not particularly encouraged by the showing of the Gophers against South Dakota State's team in the opening game of the season last week, Bernie Bierman was not altogether displeased with his team.

"In spots our offense functioned fairly well although we had our poor moments also. It was about what one would expect for an opening game with conditions as they were," Bierman said in discussing the opener.

"We have a great deal of hard work ahead of us in preparing for Indiana. I don't believe we'll make any radical changes in our lineup but we'll certainly have to improve a lot this week."

Indiana will bring a heavy, veteran team to the Stadium Saturday. Defensively the Hoosiers are reputed to be a strong squad while on the offense they are expected to present a spectacular forward passing attack.

Coach E. C. Hayes has nine veterans in his first team. Only two of the first 11 players are not lettermen.

Ettore Antonini at left end and Wendell Walker at fullback are the only two sophomores in the lineup. Antonini stands six feet, three inches tall and weighs 203 pounds while Walker is a rugged player weighing 195 pounds. Antonini is reputed to be a good forward pass receiver while Walker also has ability along this line as he demonstrated by scoring Indiana's winning touchdown against Miami on a pass last week. Walker is rated as a strong line plunger and a good defensive player also.

The veteran linemen who are expected to start against the Gophers are Ed Anglemeyer and Ralph Renegar at tackles, Fitzhugh Lyons at right end; Westley Busbee and Bob Jones at guards and Ed Sprauer at center. In the backfield besides Walker, Coach Hayes has Don Veller at quarter, and Ray Daur and H. Sawicki at the halves.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Sept. 24—Good football ends are built from the ground up, Bert Baston, the man responsible for their development at Minnesota believes.

"Strong Legs," says Baston, himself a former All-American end, "are the one thing that an end must have. Without sturdy legs a man can't block, and an end that can't block is like a fish that can't swim--he isn't.

"Legs are everything to an end. They must be strong for blocking and tackling; they must have plenty of spring for pass receiving, and they must be able to get him down the field. But chiefly, they must carry him forward with a low, hard charge on almost every play, both on the offense and the defense," Baston says. "This is especially true if he plays for Minnesota where we play a smashing game at end. That is, where the end charges into a play rather than waiting for it.

"A player may be a great pass receiver, or he may be able to get down under punts with the speed of a deer, but if he can't block he isn't an end.

"Competitive spirit? Certainly, but every player must have that to be good in any game, no matter what it is."

There is something "knacky" about the ability to catch passes or get down the field under kicks, Baston believes. Pass catchers have a certain "feel" in their fingers and their hands are sure. In the same way the ability to get down with a kick may be natural. An end must be able to get by a blocker without fighting him, to feint and slip by him without losing speed.

Blocking, however, is not a natural process with anyone, according to the Gopher end coach. It is a purely mechanical movement that must be acquired by hours of continuous practise. The blocker, particularly the end, must be able to drive into an opponent in several different ways to take him out of the play, and each method calls for more than ordinary leg strength.

Nor is this "leg drive" always natural. Baston, for two years

an All-American end, was so lacking in it during his freshman days at Minnesota that he failed to make the squad, he recalls.

"It was Sig Harris who told me what was wrong and what I could do to build up my legs," says Baston, "and that advice still holds good for any boy who wants to play end."

Harris, who is still on the Gopher staff, was then assisting Dr. H. L. Williams at Minnesota. He advised Baston to develop his legs by running on the road and by special exercise.

One of Baston's favorite stunts was to place his feet in his regular football charging stance and then sink to a sitting position on the floor and rise to his tiptoes without using his hands as an aid. He would do this from 15 to 20 times a day. He ran enough miles on the road to earn several letters in crosscountry and played handball continuously.

The next year Baston made the team as a regular end and for the following two years he was an All-American end. He followed his first course of training throughout his career.

Baston also has the distinction of never having taken time out in any game during his entire playing career. This also includes his A.E.F. career and later a number of independent games.

Injuries on the football field usually happen when a player is tired and relaxed. The fact that he was never really hurt in a game Baston ascribes to physical condition. His legs always were in shape to carry him through a gruelling season without tiring.

"A player who is in good condition and stays alert on every play should not get hurt. A player can relax between plays but he should be on his toes and moving when the play starts. Tired players get hurt."

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 5. "We will be facing a heavier, more experienced team when we play Indiana on Saturday, and a team that has a fine passing attack as well as one of the conference's best punters in Bob Jones. Indiana always has been a hard game for Minnesota to get by and we have had plenty to think about ever since "Red" Dawson reported what he saw last week when he scouted them." That's the way Bernie Bierman, Gopher coach, looks at Minnesota's first conference game against Indiana this weekend.

Indiana's coach, E. C. Hayes, views the situation somewhat differently. "Minnesota will be one of the toughest teams we meet all season. Bernie Bierman has his system well founded and from all reports the Gophers will have their usual power combined with the speed that Bierman requires. He needs two good blocking backs and two triple threat backs to make his system work and they say he has found them," Hayes declared.

"Generally speaking, however, our prospects are better than they have been in several years and we feel that we have a fine chance to beat Minnesota. We hope to do things this season."

That's the way the rival coaches feel about the Minnesota-Indiana game at Memorial Stadium Saturday.

Physically and in experience Indiana apparently has the edge on the Gophers. No player in the Indiana line weighs less than 190 pounds. With four 200 pound athletes in the forward wall the average weight is close to that mark.

In the backfield the Hoosiers average 183 pounds with their strongest starting lineup. This brings their team average to 193 pounds.

On this basis Minnesota will be outweighed more than six pounds per man. The Gophers average 181 in the backfield and 189 in the line with the lineup which is expected to start Saturday.

Both Indiana's ends, Ettore Antonini and Fitzhugh Lyons weigh 200 pounds while Frank Larson of Minnesota weighs 188 and Bob Tenner and John Roning each weigh 185. At the tackles Minnesota will outweigh the Hoosiers with Dick Smith 220 pounds, and George Svendsen at 200. Ed Anglemeyer and Ralph Renegar, Indiana's tackles weigh 190 and 200 respectively. In every other position Minnesota will be lighter.

Nine of the Hoosier starters are expected to be lettermen while only five experienced players are expected to start for Minnesota.

In the matter of punting, either Lund or Roscoe will be facing Jones of Indiana. Jones was one of the leading kickers in the conference last year as a fullback. He was moved into the line at guard this year to make room for Wendell Walker, a crashing 195 pound sophomore, but he still drops back to do the punting for his team.

Minnesota has been trying to develop a defense against Indiana's passes and to stop the plunges of Walker. The Hoosiers attack from either a single and double wing formation and their defense will be keyed up to stop the tricky running attack that the Gophers will send at them.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 9. Fathers of University of Minnesota students will keep their annual "Dad's Day" date with their sons and daughters at the Minnesota-Pittsburgh football game, Oct. 21. The American Legion will conduct its annual Legion Day exercises between halves of the game.

This game will mark the first meeting of football teams representing Minnesota and Pittsburgh. It will also be the first important intersectional home game for Minnesota since the Stanford game in 1930. The Gophers will play a return engagement at Pittsburgh in 1934.

President L. D. Coffman of Minnesota will invite fathers of all students to inspect the University on the day set aside in their honor. They will be invited to attend classes, inspect the dormitories and meet members of the faculty and administration. An informal banquet will be served at the Minnesota Union at night.

A special section of 2,000 seats will be reserved for American Legion members. Special ticket application blanks have been sent to the various posts throughout the Northwest to insure seating members together.

Between halves a picked drum corps will parade and a flag raising ceremony will be held. The drum corps will be named later by Legion officials. Following the game Legion members will gather for their annual banquet at a downtown hotel.

Pittsburgh, coached by Dr. John B. Sutherland, will provide a thorough test for the Gophers. The Panthers are rated as one of the strongest teams in the United States, with practically the same team that defeated Army, Notre Dame, Pennsylvania and Stanford in 1932. Pittsburgh lost only one game last year, being defeated by Southern California for the national title.

Dr. Sutherland, a pupil of Pop Warner's when the latter was coaching at Pittsburgh, is one of the leading exponents of the famous double wing back

system first taught by Warner.Sutherland's teams at Lafayette and Pittsburgh have won 95 games, lost 21 and tied 10. During the past five years Pittsburgh has won the Eastern title three times.

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n Minneapolis, Oct.--Future candidates for the University of Minnesota's varsity football team, 197 strong, began practise this week at Northrop Field.

As soon as the freshmen have been schooled in the fundamentals of Bernie Bierman's system of football, George Tuttle, Gopher freshman coach, will divide his squad into four approximately equal divisions.

Clarence Munn, Minnesota All-American in 1931, and Walter Hass, 1932 captain, will coach one group. A second group will be coached by Sherman Finger and Elmer Apmann, another by Fred Hovde and Otis McCreery and a fourth by David MacMillan, basketball coach. Tuttle will divide his time with these groups.

Four teams will be formed and a round robin series played, each squad scrimmaging against the varsity only occasionally. The squads will play for a championship which will carry as its reward a banquet with all the things that a husky young freshman can eat.

Last year the Bulldogs, coached by McCreery and Hovde won the freshman title and this fall more than half of this team are leading sophomore candidates for the varsity.

Tuttle believes that this year's group is more rangy and of a more uniform size than the usual run of candidates at Minnesota. Speed is being stressed in the early workouts with sprinting occupying a prominent place in each day's practise.



## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 11—Can Minnesota's strength at the ends offset the experience of Purdue's rugged tackles? The answer to the question that has been agitating the minds of close followers of Minnesota football for the past several weeks will be decided when the two teams meet at Memorial Stadium, Saturday, in a game that will have an important bearing on the 1933 Western Conference title.

Both Minnesota and Purdue are primarily offensive teams and each has its quota of backs capable of gaining ground if given a chance. The task of opening the way falls to the rival lines and it is here that the battle will be decided, according to the views of the Gopher coaching staff.

Minnesota must depend largely on a pair of veteran ends in Frank Larson and Bob Tenner to aid George Svendsen and Dick Smith, its sophomore tackles, in stopping the rushes of Purdue's backs. Both Svendsen and Smith have been developing steadily since the season opened but neither has faced a team of Purdue's caliber as yet.

On Purdue's side of the line in these positions will be Capt. Bill Fehring and Ed Ungers, both veterans, and rated among the best tackles in the middle west. George Duggins and Emmett Lowry probably will start at the ends for the Boilermakers. They are veterans and served as understudies to Paul Moss and Ben Merz, Purdue's great ends of 1932.

Capt. Roy Oen, weighing 170 pounds, will lead Minnesota at center. He will be flanked by Milt Bruhn at one guard and probably Bill Bevan at the other. Bruhn has one campaign behind him but Bevan will be facing his second Big Ten start.

Coach Noble Kizer of Purdue will fill these positions with three experienced men in Art Lawrence, center and either Fritz Hebel, Byron Huggins or Robert Peters.

Purdue's backfield has been rated as the strongest in the middle west with Paul Pardonner, Jimmy Carter, Duane Purvis and Fred Hecker as its personnel. Each of these players can kick, pass, run or block to make them the most versatile set of backs in the country.

Pardonner, a stubby little quarterback, has dropkicking to add to his list of accomplishments and he has a mark of 21 points after touchdown out of 23 attempts during the past two seasons. Pardonner concentrates on calling signals and blocking but he is an elusive runner at returning punts.

Hecker averaged 4.5 yards as a ball carrier last year while Purvis is a power runner. Carter already has shown Minnesota fans what he could do by scoring the single touchdown in last year's game. Doxie Moore is another deceptive runner whom Noble Kizer will send at the Gophers.

Minnesota's backfield will contain three sophomores. Francis Lund is the only experienced player behind the Minnesota line and he will carry the kicking and passing burden again. George Roscoe is expected to start at right half with Sheldon Beise at fullback. Glen Seidel will be at quarter, with another sophomore, Babe LeVoir, ready to relieve him. Julius Alfonse, also a sophomore, showed some flashes of ball carrying ability against Indiana and he may break into the lineup at any time.

Despite the array of backfield talent on both sides, however, close followers of football are expecting the game to hinge on the question of which side has the fastest, hardest charging line.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 12. Bob Tenner, left end on the Minnesota football team, is one of the 11 principal reasons why Bernie Bierman has hopes of stopping the tricky attack of Purdue's great set of backs when the Gophers play the Boilermakers Saturday in one of the most important games of the Western Conference.

Yet two years ago Tenner didn't have the slightest idea of playing football at Minnesota, or anywhere else, for that matter. He came to college for the sole purpose of studying medicine and all that he had in mind when he entered Minnesota was to get the best possible grades in his pre-medical course. He was barely 17, then.

True, he had played football at Minneapolis West high school, and had played it well enough to gain all-city mention, but when he made up his mind to be a doctor he decided to make that his single purpose in life. As a result he finished his freshman year with an excellent set of grades. Football at that time meant only a Saturday afternoon's entertainment if he could spare the time from his books.

It was at this point that the big little two-letter word "if" began to play an important part in Tenner's career. If he hadn't been so serious about his pre-medic course he wouldn't have received such high grades as a freshman. If he hadn't studied so hard to get them, he wouldn't have felt that he needed "some sort of exercise to get in shape again." And if his marks hadn't been what they were, Bob wouldn't have taken the time to turn out for winter football practise in 1932.

Then, too, a certain curiosity impelled Tenner to go out for football. He'd read a lot about Bernie Bierman and his football system and he has that

sort of curiosity that insists on knowing first hand about things. So he reported, and it wasn't long before Bierman noticed him. What coach wouldn't notice a chap weighing 185 pounds who moves around with that careless ease that marks perfect muscular coordination?

Bierman can teach a willing boy a lot of football during the winter and spring practise periods and Tenner became more and more interested but never neglected to keep up his grades. He spent a summer doing hard manual labor to harden himself and then reported for the squad last fall. Under the direction of Bert Bazton, Gopher end coach, he developed rapidly and played in every game. As a substitute he went into the close Northwestern game, sneaked through the defense, and caught "Pug" Lund's pass to score the winning touchdown. But it isn't pass catching ability that makes Tenner, or any other candidate an end at Minnesota-- it's the ability to block, and Bob knows how.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 12.—Facing one of the greatest backfields in the country for the second successive weekend, Minnesota's sophomores are preparing to meet an entirely different type of attack when Pittsburgh plays at Memorial Stadium, Saturday, in the first major home intersectional game a Gopher team has played since 1930. The game also will be a feature of the annual Dad's Day exercises and of the state Legion Day program.

In Purdue last week the Gophers met a flashy group of backfield men schooled in the quick hitting, deceptive Notre Dame style of play. This Saturday they will get their first view of the Warner brand of football played with the modifications taught by Dr. John B. Sutherland, one of its greatest exponents.

The Panthers depend on a powerful offensive style of play built around fast backs and a heavy line that can get down the field and block ahead of the ball carriers.

Pittsburgh, like Purdue, is a team possessing a full measure of experience. With the exception of Warren Heller, who won All-American honors last fall, the Panther offense is composed of practically the same players that defeated Notre Dame and several other leading teams last year. Their attack is formed largely around Mike Sebastian, a halfback who can pass and run, and Howdie O'Dell, a lightning fast runner. Izzy Weinstock, a 200 pound fullback and Bob Hogan, a quarterback who is rated as one of the East's leading punters, complete this backfield. Heinie Weisenbaugh and Harvey Randour are capable alternates to this group.

To meet this imposing array of backs Minnesota will have an offense of its own to offer that gained 222 yards to Purdue's 96 last week and a defense that contains some of the hardest tackling that a Gopher team has exhibited in recent years.

With the exception of Capt. Roy Oen, all of the Gophers who will play against Pittsburgh Saturday will face the Panthers again next year. Six of the group are sophomores including Dick Smith and George Svendsen, tackles; Bill Bevan, guard; Sheldon Beiso, fullback; Glen Seidel, quarter, and Julius Alfonso, right half.

Francis Lund, Minnesota's all-around ace, will be at left half, and blocking ahead of him in the line will be Frank Larson and Bob Tenner, ends; Wilt Bruhn, guard and Capt. Oen, center.

Minneapolis, Oct. 25 "Shock Iowa" will be the cry of Minnesota's football team Saturday as it resumes its Western Conference schedule with the determination to halt the comeback march of the Hawkeyes and gain its own first Big Ten victory before a Homecoming crowd that is expected to exceed 40,000.

Minnesota, after being tied by Indiana and Purdue and attaining national prominence by its defeat of Pittsburgh is ready to advance another step along the careful route that Bernie Bierman has planned for his young team.

Bierman was pleased but not satisfied with the Gophers' play against the lightning charges of the Pittsburgh Panthers last week but he believes that his team will have to be a full week ahead of that form to check Iowa's powerful, eager eleven.

He believes that Minnesota showed more sustained power against Purdue than it did against Pittsburgh and especially that the general improvement on defense, particularly against passes, and the use that the Gophers made of Francis Lund's fine kicking, were distinct advancements.

Bierman also believes that it will take all of the vicious blocking and crashing tackling that has marked Minnesota's play thus far, plus the smoother coordination and defensive ability that the Pitt game developed to defeat Iowa.

Gopher scouts report that Iowa has a line that averages close to 200 pounds and a backfield that is both heavy and versatile. The Iowans have a blocking team and with Joe Laws and Richard Grayne as the spearheads of their attack, the Hawkeyes will have a power offense that will be difficult to check. Added to this, Ossie Solem has developed a strong passing attack that has functioned in every game the Iowans have played thus far.

The game will mark the first meeting as rival coaches of two of Dr. H. L. Williams favorite pupils, both of whom starred on Gopher elevens of other years. Both Bierman and Solem have developed systems of play somewhat similar and based on that which Dr. Williams taught them. Like Dr. Williams, both of his pupils think primarily in terms of offense and both have developed strong running attacks into which they have fitted effective forward passing threats to keep the defense opened up.

In addition to the fact that the game will have an important bearing on the Western Conference race and that it marks the first meeting of two former Minnesota players in coaching roles, it is backed by 42 years of football tradition which has recent memories of a series of closely fought games a few seasons ago.

With all of these elements making up the game plus the fact that Minnesota will be playing before a Homecoming crowd and Iowa will be fighting for a chance at the title after defeating Northwestern and Wisconsin, neither coach will need to resort to any "keying up" for the game.

The Gophers were given Monday off as a reward for beating Pittsburgh and also to give them an opportunity to recuperate. All of the Minnesota players will be in first class condition for the game as no injuries were reported after the Pittsburgh contest, and under the Bierman system scrimmage is practically eliminated after a team has attained its physical tone.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 24.—If anyone has the idea that modern college football is all work and no fun for the players, or that all the important thinking is done by the coaches on the sidelines, let him talk to Glen Seidel, Minnesota sophomore quarterback.

Glen stepped into his position rather unexpectedly at the beginning of the season and he's been making the most of his opportunity to play the game he loves ever since, although he never dreamed he could quarterback until six months ago.

Seidel is a quiet-spoken studious chap who has a record as an engineering student that any boy might well be proud of. If one were to see him walking across the campus, wearing glasses and carrying an armful of books, that person would hardly take him for a football player despite his 180 pounds. He's always wanted to study engineering but he admits that football has given him the biggest thrills of his life thus far.

There's something of a story behind the eager, ambitious manner in which Seidel seeks knowledge, both in the classroom and on the gridiron. It begins when he was in high school, forbidden by his parents to play football. He was a slender youth and none too rugged during his first two years at Roosevelt high school in Minneapolis.

In his junior year, he overcame the objection of his parents and turned out for football. Early in the season he suffered a broken ankle that almost ended his career at its start. As a senior, however, he reported again and this time he earned his letter as a fullback and blocking back, although he weighed less than 145 pounds at the time.

When he entered Minnesota his parents again objected to football, chiefly because they wanted him to get good grades. So he didn't report



in the fall but waited until winter practise. By this time he had convinced both his parents and himself that he could carry college work and still have time enough left for football.

He had nothing to recommend him but his eagerness to learn and his determination to make good. Bernie Bierman noticed him one day, liked the way he handled himself, and tried him out as fullback. Seidel never missed practise from that day on. He learned so rapidly and appeared so eager to learn more that Bernie and "Red" Dawson, backfield coach, decided to give him a trial at quarterback.

Glen took the same intense interest in his new position; here was something to excite his grasping intellect, a whole series of new and interesting problems to be solved.

Playing quarterback for Bernie Bierman is no task for a dullard. Bierman demands perfection in his quarterbacks--perfection based upon initiative and independent thinking. He sees to it that the quarterback is thoroughly grounded in sound tactics. But once he gives the boy a friendly pat on the back and tells him to go in there and use his head, he steps back. It is up to the quarterback to discover the weaknesses of the opposition and seize instant advantage of them. The problem is his to be solved.

These things do not awe Seidel; they merely serve as a challenge to his mental powers and he is determined to meet them. But he admits that the first time he awaited the kickoff against South Dakota State he could not even remember his first signal, nor even his name. The same thing happened against Indiana, Purdue and Pittsburgh, but when the kick came sailing down the field he was himself again--as cool as an iceberg.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 4. When Minnesota attempts to "shock Iowa" at its annual Homecoming celebration at Memorial Stadium, Saturday, one of the chief harvesters on the field will be big Frank Larson, Gopher right end.

Standing six feet, two inches tall, and weighing 187 pounds, Larson is living proof of Bernie Bierman's first command to his end candidates - that "an end shall be aggressive above all things."

"Butch" learns rapidly but this command was one of the easiest things that he ever learned because he is naturally aggressive. This quality has cropped out in every position he has ever played, and he has tried three of them in college--fullback, center and end.

As a high school player at Denfeld High in Duluth, Larson was an outstanding athlete. His story contains none of the elements of struggle or uphill fight that are supposed to make a good feature story. He was almost as tall in high school as he is now and he weighed 175 pounds. Physically he had the edge on most of the boys who played against him and he had the aggressive spirit that makes the most of opportunities. He played fullback on offense and end on defense and his vicious line smashing and hard tackling were among his outstanding qualities then, just as they are now.

When he first turned out for football at Minnesota, Larson thought he would like to play fullback, and after seeing him in action a few times the freshman coaching staff thought it was a good idea. But it so happened that Minnesota had a pretty good fullback named Jack Manders available at the time and although the two engaged in several line smashing duels that sideline spectators still talk about, Manders kept his position.

"Butch" was then tried at center and later at end as he was too valuable to leave on the bench. The latter position seemed to be the most natural for him and under the watchful eye of Bert Baston, Gopher end coach, he began to improve. Last year as a sophomore he began showing flashes of the form that has become a regular item in his play this season.

Larson has been outstanding this season against Indiana, Purdue and Pittsburgh. His blocking and tackling have stood out on a team that is rapidly becoming noted for its thorough execution of these assignments, and his speed on covering kicks and catching passes also has been a feature of Minnesota's play to date.

Against Purdue and Pittsburgh he was called on to stop lightning speed in the opposing backs and he left them with a new loss. Now against Iowa he will be called on to stop weight and power to his side of the line if Minnesota is to gain its first conference victory. It is certain that he will at least make his presence felt when the Hawkeye backs start toward his end.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Oct. 31. Practically every college football team in the United States has claimed its iceman hero since Red Grange began galloping for touchdowns at Illinois, but until Julius Alfonse, sophomore halfback, came along this year Minnesota could claim the unusual distinction of never having had a real ice carrier on its squad.

Alfonse is a modest youth and probably does not mind being well down the list of the "ancient order of gridiron icemen" as far as time is concerned, but at least his claim of being a bona fide member can never be challenged.

Any boy who has lifted 1,700 tons of ice during the past nine years to develop a physique powerful enough to play Big Ten football merits some consideration even if the iceman approach has been worn slippery.

It came about like this. Alfonse, a rugged youth of Italian descent spent his boyhood in Cumberland, Wis., where his father engaged in an ice business. Being large and strong for his age, Julius began helping with the business when he was 12. As soon as he was strong enough, he began to deliver ice in the summer and to help in storing it in the winter. On a daily delivery basis he estimates that he lifted nearly 1,700 tons of ice during the nine years he has been working.

The work was hard but gradually it added to his strength and stamina but it did not aid his speed. This matter, however, worked itself out satisfactorily. To begin with, he was naturally gifted with a good deal of speed and fine coordination. Then too, he liked to run and throughout his boyhood engaged in foot races with his companions. When he entered high school he played football and basketball, and in the spring, because there was no track team at Cumberland, he ran by himself to keep in condition.

It was in high school that Alfonse first met "Fug" Lund, his present backfield running mate at Minnesota. The introduction consisted of a series of headon collisions every time Mr. Lund tried to plunge through the Cumberland line.

Lund was playing halfback for Rice Lake, Wis., and the two high schools were great rivals. Alfonse admits that Lund was just as hard to tackle in high school as he is now and Lund says that Alfonse is one of the hardest tacklers he ever met. Cumberland defeated Rice Lake two out of three times while the two were playing, but the games were always exciting and the two developed a wholesome respect for each other that since has ripened into a fast friendship.

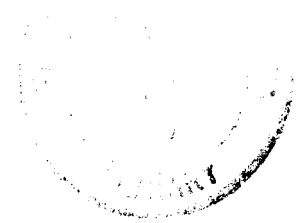
When Alfonse came to Minnesota he began to develop rapidly as a freshman. He has grown to 178 pounds of solid muscle and had a way of holding his feet that carried him through many tacklers. Bernie Bierman has taught him a stiff arm that makes full use of the powerful shoulder muscles he developed carrying ice.

Two weeks ago Alfonse got his first chance in the Indiana game. He delivered his "punch" to the Minnesota attack with the same dispatch that he puts into heaving a 200 pound cake of ice during the summer.

Last week he came through with a 41 yard run in the Minnesota-Purdue game and also scored a touchdown. This week, teaming with Lund, Sheldon Beise and Glenn Seidel, he will be facing the rush of Pittsburgh's Panthers.

Incidentally, there will be another husky young man from the Alfonse family at the game. He hasn't missed one yet and his eyes follow Julius' every move. He is Clarence Alfonse, an older bother. He is extremely interested in his brother's athletic career and it is understood that at the beginning of the 1933 season he gave Julius the alternative of making the Gopher first team, "or else---" And Clarence is a husky young man who also got his physical development in the ice business.

Sports Letter



Minneapolis, ~~11-8~~ The criticism levelled in many quarters against the present football rules, namely, that there is too much defense advantage over the offensive, seems to have received some support in Chicago Saturday, where four teams of the Western Conference, probably the nation's sturdiest football group, battled without scoring. During 120 minutes of football on two fields the tussling giants of Minnesota, Northwestern, Wisconsin and Chicago, were unable to cross a goal line or score by any route, and more than 50,000 spectators missed the principal thrill that the game carries.

The situation is made the more remarkable by the fact that Minnesota and Northwestern are traditionally scoring teams, which is to say, they play a type of football calculated to carry their players into the open for touchdowns. And both teams are skilfulling coached and have competent players.

It may be that mere coincidence ruled at Stagg Field and Dyche Stadium Saturday afternoon. On the other hand, it may be that some fundamental flaw in the current rules was at work.

The Minnesota - Northwestern game, for example, probably would have been a sensational and high scoring affair had it been permissible for a man to run with a fumble he has recovered. It seems likely that at least two or three of the multiple fumbles committed would have been converted into a long spectacular run for a score.

Again, at Urbana, defensive strength seems to have counterbalanced the strenuous efforts to score put forth by both Michigan and Illinois, for neither team was able to cross the goal line a second time after making one touchdown.

Particular interest is added to the situation at Dyche Stadium by the fact that both teams seemed to have almost everything. Sensational long runs could not score for Minnesota, nor could a sensational power to gain by punting work the ball over the goal line for the Wildcats. .

Last year, in the closing game of the Minnesota season, two evenly matched teams battled to an approximate draw, although Michigan finally booted a field goal that weighed down the balance to enable the Wolverines to gain the victory.

All of these facts may boil down to mean exactly nothing at all. On the other hand, they may be taken into consideration with an abundance of other evidence when the rules committee tackles the problem of balancing offense and defense in the nation's most popular game.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Nov. 1--What good does a young fellow get out of playing college football?

Many persons, especially parents, have asked this question, and Francis Lund, halfback/<sup>star</sup> on the Minnesota football team, believes, in his modest way, that he has an answer for them.

Lund is a junior in college with another year to play, but he has been an outstanding player since his first game as a sophomore in 1932, when he scored the first Minnesota touchdown of the season against South Dakota State.

In less than two full seasons he has kicked, passed and plunged his way across conference gridirons for hundreds of yards in the 14 games he has played. During this time he's been in the Minnesota lineup for almost 800 minutes out of a possible 840. This remarkable record recently earned him the acclaim of several critics as the "iron man of Big Ten football."

Since he suddenly burst into the public eye less than two years ago at the age of 19, Lund has had a large share of thrills and headlines but sandwiched in with the triumphs have been bruises and disappointments as well as some moments of mighty serious thinking.

As a result of this breathless and kaleidoscopic career, Lund has drawn several rather interesting conclusions for a young man who has just reached voting age.

First, he says he would have stayed out for football whether he made the squad or not--and for all three years. He believes that the friendships formed among squad members are the finest thing in football.



The confidence and respect of one's team-mates and the spirit of co-operation among the players he places above everything else.

No one who has seen Lund plunge and tear through a swarm of tacklers will doubt that he puts everything he's got into his drives, and those who know him best will tell you that he did not get his football philosophy out of a book.

They will tell you also that football has given him poise and confidence that he could have acquired nowhere else, yet it has not destroyed his modesty. As a high school player at Rice Lake, Wis., Lund earned something of a reputation as an athlete but he came to Minnesota unheralded. He was almost painfully shy as a freshman but was extremely eager to learn and he worked hard. He was not a kicker or a passer but when Bernie Bierman suddenly needed someone to fill this breach early in 1932 he found his man in Lund.

This burden of responsibility which he first assumed against Purdue in 1932 had a lot to do with the development of poise in Lund; it gave him confidence in himself without destroying his natural modesty and it has contributed materially to his character.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Nov. 17. It's rather early to be thinking about the 1934 football season but a couple of pre-views of the Minnesota freshman squad have caused Gopher fans to indulge in more than the usual amount of speculation concerning the future.

While the general average of the squad that has been working out this fall under the direction of George Tuttle is no higher than usual, enough ability is concentrated in the leading candidates to assure a strong quota of sophomore candidates for the varsity in 1934. These candidates will add to the Gopher strength next year, rather than act as replacements, as Minnesota will lose only two first string players this season by graduation.

As a result of intra-squad games and two contests with the varsity reserves, in which they split even on victories some 30 players have shown enough ability to be considered possibilities for the 1934 squad.

Chief among the freshman backfield candidates are Arthur Clarkson, Seattle, Wash.; Stanley Kostka, South St. Paul; Larry Atwell, Wakefield, Mass.; John Day, and Clark Taube, Minneapolis; Andy Glenn and Jack Wallace, St. Paul; Jack Rooney, Hot Springs, S. D.; Martin Olson, Adams; Kenneth Dollarhide, Montevideo; Sam Hunt, Red Lake Falls; and Whitman Rork, Eau Claire, Wis.

The starting backfield that faced the varsity in both games has been composed of Clarkson and Atwell, halfbacks; Kostka, fullback and Rooney at quarter. Both Clarkson and Atwell pass and kick, the former having the advantage of passing with either hand and kicking with either foot. Kostka, a 200 pound sprinter, and Rooney, 170 pound blocker, have proved outstanding in this group.

Ends include Ray Antil, Maple Lake; Dwight Reed, St. Paul; Bruce Berryman, Jackson; Al Gronner, Crookston; Dominic Krezowski, Rex Griffin and Frank Warner, Minneapolis.

A pair of husky tackles lead the line candidates. They are Ed Widseth of Crookston, weighing 220 pounds and Charley Wilkinson of Minneapolis. Wilkinson weighs 193. Earl Svendsen and Russ Peehl, a pair of Minneapolis youths, also are contenders for varsity berths as tackles. Vern Oech of Montana, weighing 190 pounds, is a candidate for either guard or tackle position.

Only one guard candidate is listed among the outstanding candidates for 1934. He is Bob Bolinger of Ely but in addition to the Gopher regulars who will return, Jay Bevan and Frank Dallora of St. Paul, both of whom have been working with the freshmen, will be eligible for competition.

Three centers are listed in the group, Bill Wickeff, Minneapolis; Stanley Hanson, Mound, and Elmer Wilke, St. Paul.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Nov. 14—If history runs true to form and repeats itself, the Minnesota-Wisconsin football game at Memorial Stadium Nov. 25, will be the hardest struggle either team has had all season.

A glance into the past will show that there is no favorite when these two teams meet because the underdog has come through repeatedly to upset the favorite. Last year Minnesota was the favored one and Wisconsin won. In 1931 Wisconsin was favored and Minnesota was the winner. The Gophers won by a single point, 13-12, in 1929 and the year before that, Minnesota ruined Wisconsin's conference title hopes in the final game of the season when Bronko Nagurski ripped through the strong Badger line for the only touchdown of the game.

And if one were to delve deep down into the beginning of this famous series, 'way back in 1890, one would find that Wisconsin was the favorite in that game, which Minnesota won, 63-0.

The two teams have played 42 game to date, Minnesota winning 22 and Wisconsin 15. Five were tied. The Gophers have scored a total of 569 points to 371 for their opponents during this time.

That is the reason why Gopher fans this year are paying no attention to the dope as far as Minnesota and the Badgers are concerned. When these two teams play, it's all even, they say, no matter what the previous record for the season has been.

Both Bernie Bierman and Dr. C. W. Spears, the rival coaches, are of that school of coaching thought which says "a good offense is the best defense." Both believe in strong running attacks and both shoot for touchdowns by this route. Fr. Spears is noted as a developer of powerful lines and the progress shown by Wisconsin this season indicates that the

Badgers will have a powerful set of forwards when they come to Minneapolis.

Bierman has been seeking speed as the basis of his offensive punch all season but he is not yet satisfied, although he has succeeded in developing one of the fastest charging teams that the Gophers have had in years.

Minnesota depends for its scoring punch on a backfield averaging 182 pounds. It is composed of Francis Lund and Julius Alfonse at the halves, Glenn Seidel, quarter, and Sheldon Beise, fullback. The ball-carrying trio, Lund Alfonse and Beise, pack plenty of drive and speed in their sturdy physiques and Seidel is rated as Minnesota's most outstanding quarterback since the days of Fred Howde, who last played in 1928.

The Gopher line that will face the Badgers will average slightly under 190 pounds, the lightest Minnesota line that has faced a Wisconsin team in years. It is expected to be made up of Frank Larson and Bob Tenner at the ends; Dick Smith or Phil Bengtson and George Svendsen at tackles; Milt Bruhn and Bill Bevan at guards, and Capt. Roy Oen, center.

Only one senior is contained in that lineup, Captain Oen, who completes his competition with the Wisconsin game.

Minneapolis, Nov. 4. — Bill Bevan, a husky sophomore at the University of Minnesota, does not agree with the person who said that a guard is the "forgotten man" in football. And several opposing players in the Western Conference will agree, rather ruefully, perhaps, that the Gopher guard is not to be placed in this classification--not by anyone he's blocked and tackled, at least.

Bevan believes that a guard has plenty of opportunity to distinguish himself in the modern game. He wouldn't trade positions with anyone and he's played in the backfield and known the thrill of carrying the ball and calling signals. In fact, not so long ago, he was looked upon as a fine quarterback or fullback prospect at Minnesota. But Bernie Bierman needed some fast, aggressive men for guards and Bevan filled the bill.

Bill contends that any sympathy given a guard is wasted; that if he's a good guard he's too busy looking for trouble and excitement in the opposing backfields to worry about the limelight; that's for fellows who have time to take a bow, a guard's too busy piling up plays and running interference.

One of Bevan's tasks on the offense is to step back out of the line and race along with the interferers protecting the ball carrier, and taking out opposing tacklers. The training he received as a back is useful here as the blocking is done in the open.

But it is defensive play that Bevan likes best. Bierman's defense is an aggressive defense and Bill's task is to charge straight ahead on every play and do all the damage he can. No pass defense to worry about and no territory to be responsible for; just get into that backfield and

every play if possible and put some one down. It's great sport, says Bill.

Minnesota fans who have read a recent magazine article stating how Michigan's guards "dig in" are wondering what is going to happen Saturday at Ann Arbor when Bevan, whom they consider an irresistible charger, meets one of the immovable Wolverine linemen.

Bevan was born in Toronto, Canada, but moved to St. Paul when he was 12 years old. He and his brother Jay, played on grade school teams together and later at Central high school in St. Paul. Bill played fullback and quarterback and Jay played guard. Jay will be eligible for competition next year.

When he first reported at Minnesota Bill was rated as a quarterback and a good one. But his fiery spirit and reckless blocking gave Bierman a hunch and it proved to be a good one for Bevan made good as a guard the moment the change was made. Most boys might have hesitated about changing from a ball carrying post to the comparative obscurity of guard but as soon as Bevan was convinced that the switch was for the good of the team he stepped into the new place without a murmur.

He has carried over something else from his backfield training besides his speed and open field blocking ability. He had practised place-kicking as a back and this year he has dropped out of the line to kick three out of four points after touchdown for Minnesota.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, Nov. 21. What qualifications must a freshman football player possess to be reasonably certain of earning a place on a college gridiron squad?

After watching almost 800 youngsters report for their first football instruction at the University of Minnesota during the past four years, George Tuttle, Gopher freshman coach, places a premium on willingness to work and mental alertness.

Physically, of course, a boy must possess a certain amount of ruggedness, size and coordination to play Western Conference football, but unless he is determined to study his own problems and improve, he'll not make the grade no matter what his physical advantages are, Tuttle believes.

As examples to prove his point Tuttle points to players on the present varsity, such as Captain Roy Oen, Francis "Pug" Lund, Frank Larson and several others. These players studied their faults and were, and still are, tireless in their efforts to improve. Several of them had serious obstacles to overcome during their freshmen and early sophomore careers before they were ready to represent Minnesota on the football field.

Under the Bierman style of play the first year of instruction is extremely important in the making of a varsity football player. Bierman's system requires intelligent players, with its speed, deception and ball handling. It requires hard, clean blocking, and a certain polish, or "niftiness," as Tuttle called it.

It is this individual "niftiness" which, when coordinated into team play, gives a team the snap and dash necessary for the successful execution of plays.

That is the reason why freshmen are no longer required to scrimmage against the varsity. In the first place, Bierman wants every freshman to



have the opportunity to develop his utmost possibilities under careful individual instruction. If they were sent against the varsity it would be only natural that the best players would be selected and the rest neglected. Then, too, the youngsters are no match for experienced plays and are liable to take discouraging punishment from the regulars.

Under the present system Tuttle and a number of assistants divide the squad into various evenly matched groups and let them play a round-robin series among themselves. Each unit receives individual instruction in which fundamentals are stressed. Blocking and tackling are all-important on Bierman-coached teams and each player is made to realize it.

This year at the end of the freshman training period the outstanding players from each team were selected and drilled together for a short period and then sent against the varsity reserves. They won the first game and lost the second but no varsity first team players were allowed to take part in either game.

Freshmen who report are in all stages of development; some have played no football at all, others have been high school stars; some have had little coaching and others are well-coached--in other styles of play. All of them have faults and crudities that must be corrected before they are ready for varsity competition.

To handle the usual group of 200 freshmen and give them individual instruction is a sizable task. In addition to Tuttle it requires the time of Clarence Munn and Walter Hass, regular members of the freshman staff; Otis McCreery, assistant dean of men; Fred Hovde, faculty member; Elmer Apmann, student coach, as well as Dave MacMillan and Sherman Finger, basketball and track coaches, respectively, when they can spare time from their duties.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Nov. 23. When Minnesota "shoots the works" for its chance at the Big Ten title against Wisconsin, Saturday, one of the Gophers on whom Bernie Bierman will rely, will be John Roning, alternate end.

In his steady, dependable way, Roning has been an important factor in the play of the Minnesota team all season. He has participated in every game, replacing either Bob Tenner or Frank Larson without weakening either the Gopher offense or defense--and that's saying quite a bit when the records of Larson and Tenner are considered.

Weighing 185 pounds, and not especially gifted with speed or any of the physical requirements of the ideal end, Roning has developed into a first class player by sheer determination and concentration upon the task. His story is one of a fellow who didn't have much natural ability to start with but who has constantly striven to develop himself to the limit of his capabilities. In the process he's turned out to be a first class end. He's not been in the limelight very much but Gopher coaches have counted heavily on him every time they have measured their team's potential strength this season.

Roning had to be a fighter to make good. In 1932 he had three strong candidates ahead of him in Brad Robinson, Frank Larson and Bob Tenner. He got in three games just long enough to assure him of a letter. Last spring he was one of the hardest working players on the squad never missing practise and constantly seeking to improve himself.

Bierman told him that he'd have to improve his speed if he ever hoped to make an end so when vacation came around he took a pair of football shoes and a ball and practised every day during the summer. Sprinting and catching passes all summer helped him considerably and while he still is not a fast end the difference in his speed has been one of the factors in his development this fall.

Roning began playing football at North high school, Minneapolis. He played regularly at tackle although he weighed around 160 pounds all through his career. He liked this position and would have reported for it at Minnesota but he knew that with his weight he wouldn't have a chance so he tried out for end.

Sports release

Minneapolis, Dec. 5. Now that the football season is a pleasant memory, Minnesota athletic fans are beginning to discuss the basketball outlook for 1933-34, and cast a speculative eye over the 20 game schedule that Dave MacMillan and his Gophers must begin playing two weeks hence.

The problem at Minnesota this season is to develop a team with speed and all-around ability without sacrificing too much in height and range. While the regular run of basketball material has not been particularly promising during the early practise season the addition of several candidates from the 1933 football squad has brightened prospects somewhat.

Through graduation and other causes Minnesota has lost four lettermen from last year's team. Brad Robinson and Virgil Licht finished their competition last season while Wells Wright has decided to devote his entire time to his law course. Jim O'Connor, sophomore guard in 1932-33, did not return to school this year.

As a nucleus for his team this season MacMillan has five lettermen. Gordon Norman of Rochester is the chief center candidate, while Walter Sochacki of Columbia Heights, Bill Farrell, Grand Rapids; Ralph Mitby, Minneapolis, and Dave MacMillan, Jr., of St. Paul, are leading prospects in other positions. Sochacki and Mitby are forwards and Farrell and MacMillan, guards.

Reserves from last year include Phil Bengtson, St. Paul; Mal Eiken, Caledonia; Glenn Barnum, Glencoe, Frank Kammerlohr and Russell Laxson of Minneapolis and Arnold Brokl, Hopkins.

Of these players, Bengtson, 200 pound football tackle, appears to be a leading guard candidate. Despite his weight he is fast and agile and may fit into one of the defensive posts.

George Roscoe, also a recent addition from Bernie Bierman's squad, and Clarence "Nubs" Neubert, are chief forward prospects among the sophomores.

... six feet tall and weighing 185 pounds, is a fine floor man and a fair shot. The Minneapolis youth should fit in with any combination that MacMillan puts on the floor. Neubert, a Mankato boy, is fast and a sure ball handler. Because of his work thus far he is certain to merit serious consideration this year.

Other standout sophomores include Bill Cain, St. Paul; Clarence Krause, Woodstock, Ill., and Frank Noyes, Starbuck.

George Svendsen of Minneapolis and Jim Baker of Glencoe are new men of ability among the guards. Svendsen, 1933 football tackle, is a player who may develop into a first class guard. He is big and rangy and covers the floor well.

Bill Freimuth, a six foot, six inch center, weighing 215 pounds, is a sophomore capable of giving Norman a real fight for center. With more polish and experience he may make an ideal key man for MacMillan's style of basketball.

Minnesota opens its cage schedule, December 16 against St. Thomas college. The Gophers will play 12 conference and eight non-conference games. The non-conference schedule includes games with Pittsburgh, Nebraska and Notre Dame.

The Schedule:

	December 16	- St. Thomas at Minneapolis
	23	- Cornell at Minneapolis
	27	- Pittsburgh at Pittsburgh
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January	1	- Nebraska at Minneapolis
	6	- Purdue at Lafayette
	8	- Northwestern at Evanston
	13	- Iowa at Minneapolis
	20	- Ohio at Minneapolis
	27	- Northwestern at Minneapolis
	29	- Chicago at Minneapolis
February	3	- Ohio at Columbus
	5	- Chicago at Chicago
	6	- Notre Dame at South Bend
	10	- Wisconsin at Minneapolis
	19	- Purdue at Minneapolis
	24	- Iowa at Iowa City
	28	- Carleton at Minneapolis
March	5	- Wisconsin at Madison
	12	- Notre Dame at Minneapolis

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Dec. 14 Still searching for that speed which is essential to winning basketball, Minnesota will open the season against St. Thomas college, Dec. 16, represented by the tallest, heaviest and youngest team that David MacMillan has coached since assuming his staff duties in 1927.

The "average man" on the Minnesota basketball squad this season is six feet, one-half inch tall, weighs 178 pounds, is 20 years old and is likely to be a sophomore. He does not have the speed that a topnotch basketball player should have right now but he will have it before the season is very far along. On that point Coach MacMillan is emphatic.

Counting 21 men on the squad at present, 12 of them are six feet or more in height and 13 weigh more than 170 pounds. In height they range from five feet, seven inches to six feet, five inches and their weights vary from 137 to 215 pounds.

Only one senior, a letterman, is listed on the roster and there are seven juniors, four of whom have won letters. Thirteen of the athletes are sophomores. Another interesting fact about the group is that seven are recruits from the 1933 football squad. Three of the four varsity tackles are included in the basketball roster.

With the physical material available, at least, MacMillan has been working on one combination for the opening game although the situation in regard to a varsity for later games is a scrambled one.

As a starting point for his quintet MacMillan has Gordon Norman of Rochester available for center duty. Norman, a junior letterman, has one year of Big Ten experience and jumping ability plus six feet, four inches in height as qualifications for the position. He weighs 188 pounds.

At the start of the season MacMillan also had counted on Wells Wright, senior letterman, as a center for forward but a heavy course in the law college caused Wright to forego his final year of basketball.

Bill Freimuth, standing six feet, five inches tall and weighing 215 pounds also is determined to see some action on the basketball floor. Freimuth, a football tackle, handles himself surprisingly well on the court and he may make an ideal player for the "hole" position under the basket with his great size and reach.

The Gopher coach has been giving two sophomores, George Roscoe and Mal Eiken, a thorough trial at forwards. Roscoe is a rangy six footer with plenty of weight, fair speed and an eye for the basket. He is green but he is certain to receive a thorough test. Eiken is smaller and has the makings of a good floor man but also needs seasoning. Both will receive stiff competition from Walter Sochacki, veteran letterman and Russell Laxson, sophomore. Ralph Mitby, 137 pound letterman also is making his presence felt among the larger players.

David MacMillan, Jr., who earned his letter last year, and George Svendson, 200 pound tackle on the 1933 Gopher football team, are the leading guard candidates at present. MacMillan is a junior and Svendsen is a sophomore. They are being closely pushed by Bill Farrell, who won a letter last year, Jimmy Baker, Phil Bengtson and several other players, any one of whom may break into the lineup.

Following the St. Thomas game the Gophers will play one more contest at home, against Cornell college, Dec. 23, before taking the road against Pittsburgh, Dec. 27, and De Paul university, Dec. 28.

1933-34 Basketball Information

<u>Name and Position</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Home Town</u>
Julius Alfonse, g	178	5'10½"	21	Sopho.	Cumberland, Wis.
James Baker, f	165	5'9"	19	Soph.	Glencoe
Glenn Barum, f	165	6'	20	Soph.	Glencoe
J. Philip Bengtson, g	205	6'2"	20	Jr.	St. Paul
Arnold Brokl, g	165	5'11"	20	Soph.	Hopkins
Malcolm Eiken, f	170	5'11"	20	Soph.	Caledonia
*William Farrell, g	190	6'	24	Jr.	Grand Rapids
William Freimuth, c	215	6'5"	19	Soph.	Fuluth
Frank Kammerlohr, g	165	5'10"	21	Soph.	Minneapolis
William Kane, f	155	5'10"	20	Soph.	St. Paul
Leslie Knudson, c or f	210	6'4"	21	Jr.	Albert Lea
Russell Laxson, f	170	6'3"	20	Soph.	Minneapolis
*David MacMillan, Jr., g	175	6'1"	20	Jr.	St. Paul
*Ralph Mitby, f	137	5'7"	19	Jr.	Minneapolis
*Gordon Norman, c	190	6'4"	20	Jr.	Rochester
Frank Noyes, f	168	6'2"	19	Soph.	Starbuck
John Roning, g	185	6'	21	Jr.	Minneapolis
George Roscoe, f	185	6'	20	Soph.	Minneapolis
*Walter Sochacki, f	170	5'11½"	23	Sr.	Columbia Hghts.
George Svendsen, g	205	6'3"	21	Soph.	Minneapolis
Charles Wallblom, f	155	5'10"	20	Soph.	St. Paul

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## Sports Release

Minneapolis, Dec. 14 Wilbur Andre, captain of the 1933-34 Minnesota swimming team and candidate for the Rhodes Scholarship, attributes his high scholastic standing to his favorite sport.

Andre has some interesting ideas in regard to the relationship between athletes and scholarship. In the first place he finds that as he trains through the fall and early winter his classroom work improves with his physical condition. Secondly, he does not hold with those who believe that eight or ten hours sleep every night is absolutely essential to prime physical condition. He seldom retires before midnight and spends this time usually on his school work.

In the fall when he first begins to work hard in the swimming pool under the direction of Coach Niels Thorpe he finds that he is so exhausted at night that he cannot keep awake to study. As he progresses in his training he finds that he is able to stay awake longer and concentrate on his work a good deal better. In midwinter when he has reached the top of his physical form in his swimming event, the 100 yard breast stroke, Andre finds that he is able to carry a heavy scholastic load with comparative ease.

The night before examinations finds him up late but his recuperative powers have been so developed through training by this time that he is much fresher and keener the next day than he ordinarily would be.

The Gopher captain does not confine his activities to the classroom and swimming pool alone. He is active in campus affairs also, being Colonel of the Minnesota unit of the R.O.T.C., a captain in the Pershing Rifles, national military organization and a member of two local military fraternities.

Andre began swimming as a small boy at the summer home of his parents at White Bear Lake near St. Paul. When he was 14 he swam three miles across the lake, using a side stroke. He found this stroke very tiring for long distances.



Thus he shifted to the breast stroke, competing in this event and fancy diving while at St. Paul Central high school. Upon the advice of Coach Thorpe he concentrated on the breast stroke at Minnesota. The wisdom of this counsel was shown when Andre finished second in the Western Conference and fourth in the national championships in 1932. Last year he scored in every meet and was elected co-captain with Max Moulton, backstroke star, at the end of the season. As Moulton did not return to school this fall, Andre assumed the captaincy duties.

## Sports Release

Minneapolis, Dec. 22<sup>2</sup> Intent upon retaining its Western Conference championship, the University of Minnesota hockey squad of 30 men is working out daily in preparation for its first non-conference series with the University of Manitoba, January 5-6.

The Gophers are ranked No. 1 in the National Collegiate Athletic Association rating this year as a result of their 1932-33 record, with Harvard and Princeton second and third, respectively. Minnesota was awarded 14 points for its showing among Class "A" college teams, with Harvard scoring 12.33 points for second and Princeton rating 12.17 points. Two years ago Minnesota was ranked second in the N.C.A.A. rating as Harvard defeated the Gophers in an early season game. On an average basis over a three-year period Minnesota is ranked fourth in the United States by this rating.

Practically the same team that won the Big Ten title last season is back again and it is supplemented this year by an unusually strong sophomore group. Despite the strength of the veterans, Coach Frank Pond expects that the competition will be extremely keen in every position.

Minnesota will be seeking its ninth Big Ten hockey title this winter. Should the Gophers succeed in winning the championship again this season it will mark the first time that they have run their succession of undisputed titles to three straight. A tie with Michigan for the title in 1927 spoiled a run of three straight conference championships through 1928 and 1929.

In Western Conference competition during the past two seasons Minnesota has won 10 games, tied one and lost one. Last season the Gophers won 11 straight games before losing one and scored 60 goals to 10 for all opponents with one of the lightest teams that every played for Minnesota.

Although the season's schedule has not been entirely completed as yet, Minnesota will open the conference season against Michigan at the

Hippodrome, Jan. 18 and 19. They will play Michigan Tech at Houston, Mich., Jan. 26-27.

Wisconsin will come to Minneapolis, Feb. 9-10, and Michigan Tech will be the invader for a return engagement Feb. 16-17. The Gophers will play Michigan at Ann Arbor, Feb. 23-24. Return dates with Wisconsin still remain to be set and two more series with non-conference teams probably will be scheduled.

Eight lettermen head the list of returning players. They are: Capt. Phil LaBette, Bill Munns, Russell "Bucky" Johnson, Bill Zieske, Spencer Wagnild, Clyde Russ and George Clausen of Minneapolis and Russell Gray of St. Paul.

Coach Pond is working with the same lightweight forward line that played havoc with opposing defenses last year. It is composed of Russ and Gray at the wings and Munns at center. Zieske, who played center on the slightly heavier alternate line last season, will be back at his old post with a pair of sophomores at the wings.

Among the sophomore forward candidates are Johnnie McGlone, Fritz Ryman, Ted Mitchell, John Peterson and Frank Berry of Minneapolis and Marvin McClure, Bob Carlson and L. V. Dunn of St. Paul.

Capt. LaBette and Wagnild are the veteran defense men on the squad but there are nine sophomores seeking berths on the team. Among the latter are Lester Malkerson, Vernal LeVair, Fred Guest, R. Willis Smith, Robert Cobb, Dick Kolar, Howard Jensen, and Robert Dahlquist from Minneapolis and Goodwin K. Kolstad of St. Paul.

George Clausen, veteran goalie is available again while John Delmore and Ellsworth Crockett will add to the strength in the nets. Clausen is a Minneapolis boy, while Delmore comes from Roseau, and Crockett's home is Calgary, Alta., Canada.

Frank Pond, coaching the Gophers for the third season, contributed to four of the eight championships Minnesota has won. As a player he starred on the championship teams of 1923 and 1924 and he has coached the past two title-winning aggregations. He also was one of the organizers of the first hockey team to represent Minnesota in intercollegiate competition back in 1921.

Sports Letter

Minneapolis, January 13 Resuming full activity on all fronts again after the holiday lull, University of Minnesota athletic teams have plunged into the midst of the 1934 winter campaign with a schedule that is expected to contain approximately 50 contests in all sports when completed.

While the vacation period did not bring complete cessation of athletics, as both the basketball and hockey teams were occupied, the beginning of the winter term will bring renewed activity in practically every sport on the Gopher athletic calendar.

Even the preliminary drills in football, baseball and tennis will begin in the winter in the huge confines of the Minnesota field house.

The basketball team which already has played three games since the beginning of the New Year will open its home conference season against the strong Iowa squad at the Field House, Saturday night, January 13. This game will mark the beginning of a home stand that will bring four conference teams to Minneapolis during January.

Following Iowa the invaders will be: Ohio State, January 20; Northwestern, January 27; Chicago, January 29. Minnesota will then go on the road for return games against Ohio and Chicago and the first of a home and home series with Notre Dame.

Minnesota's conference hockey champions will face their first Big Ten competition at the Hippodrome, St. Paul, January 18-19. Michigan, favorite hockey rivals of the Gophers, will furnish the opposition. Michigan Tech at Houghton, Mich., will be next for Minnesota, January 26-27. February will see the Gophers in action against Michigan Tech and Michigan again and against Wisconsin.

Niels Thorpe's swimmers face a busy season with 10 dual meets scheduled for the next three months as well as two title meets--the Western Conference and the Intercollegiate championships.

Minnesota wrestlers face their usual difficult schedule. They open the season, January 27 against the crack Iowa State team. Their list of competitors includes Iowa, Iowa Teachers' college and Cornell college. The gymnastic schedule will be completed in a few days according to Frank McCormick, Minnesota athletic director, and it will contain a full working assignment for the gymnasts.

Due to the illness of Sherman Finger, track coach, plans for the Gopher indoor campaign have not been completely settled as yet. Practise has begun under the direction of Clarence Munn, assistant coach, and thus far meets have been scheduled with Iowa, February 24 at Iowa City, and Wisconsin at the field house, March 3. The Western Conference indoor championships will be held at Chicago, March 10.

Bernie Bierman is calling his 1934 football candidates to the Field House this week. New men and prospective sophomores will be directed separately from the veterans on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All those veterans not engaging in some other form of athletics will report Wednesdays and Fridays. Bierman will be assisted by Lowell Dawson and Dr. George Hauser and this arrangement will hold until examination time at the end of the winter quarter. The squad will begin outdoor practise early in April.

Members of the tennis squad are working out at present under the direction of Phil Brain while the Gopher baseball squad, 1933 champions of the Western Conference will begin working out early next month.

## Sports Letter

Minneapolis, January-17 There is a trite old phrase about good things coming in small packages and you can take the word of Frank Pond, Minnesota hockey coach, that there's something to it--at least he's depending on three pint-sized forwards again this season to furnish the big punch for the team that is seeking its third consecutive Western Conference title.

Two years ago Pond looked at Clyde Russ, Billy Munns and Russell Gray, then freshmen, and shook his head. They had speed to burn, they were pretty fair stick handlers, and they worked well together but their total weights came to 388 pounds--slightly under 130 pounds apiece.

"Too small--too bad," muttered Pond, but a year later these three little fellows formed his first string forward line.

They did pretty well at that--for little fellows. Minnesota scored 60 goals to its opponents' 10, in a dozen games during 1933. Russ and Gray counted 12 each and Munns netted 10 goals and passed nine times to one of his mates in front of the nets for resulting scores.

This year the trio has gained some weight. Russ is outgrowing his mates as he now weighs 142 pounds. Munns still is the lightweight of the entire squad at 130 pounds while Gray's proportions have increased to an even 136.

Perfection in teamwork and complete harmony make up any physical deficiency in their play. Each has his outstanding points and between them they coordinate in such a way as to get the most of them. Russ is perhaps a slightly better shot than the other two; Gray depends on speed and shiftiness and Munns' stick handling is his strong point. But in a game they function entirely as a unit.

Munns and Russ had played against each other for eight years before they first teamed together as Gopher freshmen. Both being Minneapolis boys, they had played in junior park league hockey or on neighborhood teams since they were able to skate.

As high school players they continued their rivalry, Munns playing on the Minneapolis West High team and Russ representing Central. By this time they had learned to admire each other's play and they worked together eagerly as freshmen at Minnesota.

Gray came from St. Paul. He played his first hockey at Groveland Park grade school and then earned a place on the Central high school team in St. Paul. He was too light for any other sport as he weighed about 115 pounds. But speed and stick handling ability made up for his lack of size on the ice.

When the three first teamed together nobody took them seriously. But they soon made their presence felt and now they form the first string line on a team that rates at the top of the National Collegiate Athletic Association ranking.

With a heavier, harder driving forward line to alternate with them so that they will not lose the speed that they are dependent on in a hard game, they are developing still further.

Pond has Russell "Bucky" Johnson, John McGlone and Bill Zieske to change places with the lighter chaps from time to time. Both lines understand each other and work together harmoniously; the "ponies" furnish the speed and dash while the heavier line contributes the power drive.

Sports Release



Minneapolis, January 22--Three years have passed since Clarence Munn finished a great athletic career at Minnesota by setting the Gopher shotput record; now as acting track coach at his Alma Mater he's trying to break it--by "proxy" this time--through the efforts of big Bill Freimuth, a youth whom he has been training for a year.

Any track coach will list height, weight and coordination along with strength, of course, as the attributes of an ideal shotputter. There is also the little matter of competitive spirit--but more of that later.

Height, weight and coordination? Freimuth stands six feet five inches tall, weighs 216 pounds and has enough coordination to be a pretty fair all-around athlete. He earned his first letter this fall, in football, and he has the ability to play a good game of basketball at center. But he's more interested in putting the shot.

It might be said that the story of Bill Freimuth begins with a dream of Munn's--one that never quite materialized. As a competitor it was Munn's ambition to break into the magic circle of those athletes who have beaten 50 feet. He failed by a mere five inches and that has been the one real regret of an athletic career that embraced All-American football honors as well as the conference shotput title.

Munn first saw Freimuth at the Minnesota state high school track meet where the big fellow won the shotput and discus throw as a representative of Duluth Central. Less than a year later Freimuth reported for freshman track at Minnesota and Munn began coaching him.

Eagerly the former Gopher star went to work with his yearling protege and Freimuth learned fast. His height and tremendous reach gave him a big physical advantage over his teacher as a competitor. Munn was handicapped by lack of height and reach during his career but his protege



will not be. Munn overcame his handicap by sheer determination and close study of his event. In order to get his pupil to take full advantage of his fine physique, however, Munn had to awaken some of the determination in Freimuth that had brought him success in athletics.

As a high school player his great size handicapped Freimuth in the development of a competitive spirit. He was almost as large as he is now so he did not have to strive very hard to hold his own in any sport. Then, too, he was almost painfully conscious of his size. He got into the habit of coasting and trying to be inconspicuous through no fault of his own.

During his freshman days his mechanical improvement was rapid. He learned rapidly and picked up skill but in football, basketball and track, coaches found their biggest task was in trying to make him believe in himself.

In the shotput, with Munn working almost harder than he was himself, he tossed the 16 pound weight 44 feet, then 45, and moved on up to 46 feet. But it was merely a matter of improved form; he seemed destined to stop there.

Then, one day, the turning point came. The usually goodnatured Munn became exasperated, donned his track clothes and told his pupil that he was going to give him a real trimming. He brought in quite a number of things in the course of the conversation, but when the shotputting duel was ended, he had to touch 48 feet to uphold his prestige.

Officially, in conference telegraphic competition, Freimuth did 47 feet, one inch, with the shot and better than 138 feet with the discus. Ever since the day Munn cajoled him into trying, he's been improving. Munn is hoping his pupil will do 49 feet this year and he has hopes for 50 feet before the 20 year-old giant graduates. And don't forget--Freimuth plays football and basketball too--that increased confidence will help.

Sports release

Minneapolis, Jan. 31—George Svendsen, guard on the Minnesota basketball team, who stepped onto the court from the gridiron last fall believes that the cage sport demands better physical condition than does football.

Svendsen, varsity tackle on Bernie Bierman's 1933 eleven, is of the opinion that while basketball requires keener physical condition it is of a different kind than that necessary in football. Basketball requires more wind and running ability while on the gridiron conditioning to withstand hard bodily contact is necessary. As to which game he likes best, Svendsen leans toward football.

He was not seriously considered as a candidate for the varsity in basketball this winter as he had had little previous experience and it was believed that his huge size might handicap him on the court. Minnesota has played seven games to date, however, and Svendsen has taken part in all of them, scoring his share of points as first string guard.

The young Gopher giant stands six feet, three inches tall and weighs 206 pounds minus even his scanty basketball togs. He believes that he has raced more miles in seven games of basketball than he ran in a whole season of football, including practise. There is a difference in the running, too, he believes. With no springy turf to run on and much more continuous galloping to do, basketball takes a wiry, tireless pair of legs to go through the 40 minutes of a game.

Svendsen also found out early in the season that a basketball court is much harder to fall on than the gridiron with its bed of blue grass or creeping bent.

There also is more opportunity to rest between plays in football--a chance to catch the wind. Basketball requires a player to move at close to his maximum speed practically every minute of play.

Anyone seeing the husky Minnesota guard would scoff at the idea that he was too small to compete in high school. Yet Svendsen skimmed through the elementary grades so rapidly that he entered high school at the age of 12. For three years he was too small for athletic competition and then he began to shoot up. As a high school senior he played only four games but he graduated standing six feet tall and weighing 175 pounds.

He's still growing and if he keeps it up he'll stand over six feet, four inches in height and weigh around 220 pounds.

Incidentally, Svendsen was an honor student in high school and has kept up the same high scholastic rating in college. He's one chap who never gives the coaches any eligibility worries.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Feb. 12 This is the story of a fellow who is growing larger every day, both in size and in the eyes of Western Conference basketball opponents--namely 19-year-old Gordon Norman, center on the Minnesota basketball team and the Big Ten's leading scorer.

Norman, a tall youth whose slenderness belies his 190 pounds, has scored 73 points in eight conference games to date for an average of better than nine points a game. In his last two games, against Ohio State and Chicago, he scored 26 of the 64 points made by his team, singlehanded. In the Ohio State game he counted 18 points for Minnesota.

Yet less than a year ago Norman was a substitute center, frail in comparison to his present physique, nearly 15 pounds lighter and much slower afoot. He lacked the confidence and finesse in handling the ball that a high calibre center needs, and his shooting eye was undeveloped.

Norman came to Minnesota from Rochester where he played high school basketball. He played in the state tournament for Rochester high but Dave MacMillan, Gopher coach, was not particularly impressed by the tall, skinny high school youngster.

As a freshman Norman began to show improvement but he developed slowly. Having to support himself partially while a student he took over a paper route during his sophomore year. For an hour or more he carried papers every day before basketball practise, often being forced to run over part of his route in order to get on the court in time for the day's workout.

He was growing rapidly, being almost six feet, four inches tall before his eighteenth birthday and weighing 170 pounds. As a result he left most of his stamina and punch along the paper route and had little left for the daily basketball training stint.

Another thing which held him back last year was the fact that he had never learned to run properly. He kicked up his feet behind instead of raising his knees to get speed and drive into his stride. MacMillan urged him to report for track in order to overcome this defect but the press of outside work would not allow it.

This season, however, Norman reported early in the fall for basketball. A summer spent largely outdoors aided his natural development and a different job allowed him more time to recuperate. Then, too, throughout the fall Dave MacMillan spent hours teaching him the difficult technique of the "hole" or "feeder" position. The coach also worked to improve his running form to increase his speed.

Under the style of play that Minnesota uses, Norman's role is all-important. Besides seeking control of the tipoff he must get into position under his own basket, feeding the ball to his mates and setting the pace for the attack. He must know when to pass and when to turn and whip the ball at the basket.

Starting slowly, despite the noticeable improvement in his form, Norman really did not come into his own until the Minnesota-Iowa game. In this contest he gave one of the best exhibitions of center play seen on a Gopher floor in a long time. That this performance was no flash has been indicated by his subsequent play against Ohio, Northwestern and Chicago. Norman has another year to play and is still growing, both in size and in playing ability. He'll be a big man when he grows up.

Sports release

Minneapolis, February: 24 Following the general trend that began in football last fall and which has continued on through basketball this winter, Minnesota's 1934 track destiny will be largely in the hands of sophomores this season.

Six sophomores were members of the Gopher football team last fall and four of the first five members of the basketball squad are playing their first season in the conference this winter. Now the track squad has fallen into line with 15 sophomores on the varsity squad of 28 men that includes five letter winners.

Charles Singer of Chicago, Ill., and Gene Burris of Minneapolis are leading sophomores in the 60 yard dash. With two juniors, Evan Lander, St. Paul, and Howard Shaw of Minneapolis, also available Minnesota should be well fortified in this division.

Singer and Graydon Kilborn are the chief hopes in the 70 yard low hurdles. Kilborn was a member of the record breaking Minnesota shuttle relay team last season. He is from Minneapolis.

Freddy LaRoque, Henry Knoblauch and Kilborn will compete in the high hurdles. This is one of the two events in which Minnesota apparently will be represented entirely by veterans. LaRoque, a senior comes from Wolf Point, Mont., while Knoblauch's home is in Minneapolis.

Three of the eight leading candidates in the 440 yard dash are sophomores. They are Earl Hacking, Frank Berry and Steve Maxson, all of Minneapolis. Upperclassmen include Bradley Laird, LaRoque, Francis Lund, Sheldon Boise and John Roning. Laird and LaRoque lead this group. Lund, Boise and Roning, a trio of football players, are working hard and may develop with more training.

Dahl and Bill Moir, Minneapolis, are the only veteran half milers on the squad. They will be supplemented by four sophomores, including Ray Matala, Virginia; Ernest Gustafson, North Branch; Fred Comb, Minneapolis and Len Galloway, Hibbing. Wayne Slocum of Wilmot, also a sophomore, is the principal miler and two miler on the squad.

In the field events Bill Freimuth, a giant from Duluth, leads the quartet of sophomore shotputters. Freimuth, who put the weight more than 47 feet as a freshman, has been approaching that mark again in his early trials. Besides Freimuth, Minnesota has Harrison, Daniels and Williams of Minneapolis and Dick Farmer of Stillwater, all of whom have been getting creditable distance. Ray Mithun and Mervin Parks, both veterans, are the pole vaulters on the squad.

Steve Weisman of Los Angeles, Cal., is the leading high jumper on the squad. A sophomore, Weisman has a mark of six feet, two inches as his best freshman effort. Austin Reep of Minneapolis is the outstanding upper-classman in the high jump. Weisman and Len Galloway also are training for the broad jump.

Sports release

Minneapolis, Feb. 26--When a chap weighs 116 pounds and wants to take part in college athletics there usually isn't much he can do about it except try out for manager, but Attell Felix, captain of the Minnesota wrestling team, had a different idea.

Felix is perhaps the smallest athlete ever to lead a Minnesota athletic squad and he also can lay claim to being the tiniest competitor in the Western Conference this season. He's five feet, three inches tall and weighs 116 pounds but he's lost only one match in dual competition in two years. Last season he was runnerup for the Big Ten bantamweight title.

Incidentally, the only man to defeat him in 1933 was Gibson of Iowa State and he turned the tables on his opponent in the first match of the 1934 season a few weeks ago.

Looking over the athletic situation when he first came to Minnesota Felix decided that it looked pretty hopeless as far as he was concerned. There may have been a 115 pound quarterback somewhere in collegiate football history but he had never heard of him.

Basketball was out of the question--he'd tried that in high school at Little Falls, Minn. Track, baseball, tennis, and so on down the line, all looked hopeless.

Then someone suggested wrestling where they have weight classes. Reporting to Coach James G. Blaine McKusick he received a warm welcome. They don't grow many bantamweights in Minnesota and McKusick usually had to hunt around the campus for fellows to wrestle in this class.



Even for a bantamweight Felix was light--he weighed 112 pounds when he first reported--so he had to wrestle opponents weighing from six to twenty pounds heavier than himself in practise. One thing he did have was speed and with his wiry strength and determination he began to make rapid progress under McKusick's coaching.

The heavier athletes gave him good training. He gained strength tossing the bigger fellows around and when he came into the ring against someone near his own weight he simply swarmed all over him.

Felix lost the first match of his career by decision in a dual meet with Iowa State, and then wrestled his way to the finals of the conference championships in his first year of competition. This year he met his Iowa State opponent in his first match of the season and throw him in five minutes. While Felix has another year of competition after the present season he will devote all his time to his studies next year as he hopes to graduate from the law school at Minnesota.

Sports release

Minneapolis, April 6—A farmer once bet Wayne Slocum, Minnesota two miler, a quarter that he couldn't run around a section of land without stopping. Slocum finished the four mile run and then had to wait until the amazed farmer drove up to prove his ability.

Since that time, Slocum, a sophomore, has given further evidence that he can run far and fast. Until the Western Conference indoor track meet a few weeks ago he had never lost a race since he first began running the half mile at Wilmot, Minn., high school, four years ago.

In losing his first race he ran the fastest two miles he has ever run and was timed a full six seconds under the present Minnesota record for the distance. Slocum's time was 9.36 and Gopher track enthusiasts are eager to see what he can do when the outdoor season begins.

Slocum also proved in losing his first race that he is a real competitor. Warming up for his first conference championship meet at Chicago he was naturally nervous and took a bad fall on the track before changing from long to short spikes for the hard track.

Again, on the second lap of the race, when he was in third place, Slocum took another spill. This time the entire field passed him and when he arose, partially dazed from the fall, he found himself in last place.

But Slocum hates to lose at anything. He picked up the 15 or 20 yards that he had lost and passed opponents steadily until he had reduced the gap between himself and Neree Alix of Michigan to five yards. His time is a new record as far as Minnesota's mark is concerned but because he did not win it will not count officially.

Slocum, a husky youth who gained much of his stamina by hard work on his parents' farm near Wilmot, has a strong physique for a distance runner.

Standing about five feet, ten inches tall he carries 155 pounds of wiry muscle on his rangy frame.

In high school he never ran faster than 2.14 for the half mile and his coach wisely refrained from pushing him. Yet he managed to win in every dual or county meet he engaged in.

As a freshman at Minnesota he ran 9:58 for the two mile and starting against Iowa indoors in his first conference dual meet he won in 9:49. A week later he won again, defeating Wisconsin's two milers in 9:47. In every race to date, he has been at his best when the competition is keenest.

Slocum lives far from an ideal training life but he never lets anything bother him but his desire to win every time he runs. Three or four nights a week he works in a store from six until midnight. He is on his feet constantly during this time but never misses daily practise and is well above the average as a student.

The hardest part of his life right now is waiting for the outdoor season. He wants to redeem himself because he doesn't like being beaten.

Sports release

Minneapolis, April 14 Four University of Minnesota athletic teams, baseball, golf, tennis and track, will engage in 43 contests this spring, with the Gopher baseball squad opening the drive against Gustavus Adolphus college, Apr. 14.

The Minnesota baseball team, 1933 champions of the Western Conference, will play a 16 game schedule, opening the conference season against Purdue at Lafayette, Ind., April 20-21. Twelve of these games will be against conference teams, including Purdue, Wisconsin, Iowa and Northwestern.

Minnesota golfers will play 12 matches, only three of which will be against conference competition. Big Ten competition will include a home-and-home series with Iowa, and the conference championships at Evanston, May 21-22.

Gopher tennis players will play eight contests, including matches with Illinois and Iowa and the conference meet at Chicago, May 17-18-19. Last year Minnesota tied with Chicago for team honors at the conference meet.

Trackmen will compete in six meets, including the Kansas and Drake Relays as well as the conference championships. Minnesota will meet Wisconsin at Madison, May 12, and Iowa at Minneapolis, May 25. The conference meet will be held at Evanston, May 18-19.

While Coach Frank G. McCormick is not predicting another championship baseball team he expects that Minnesota will be represented by another heavy hitting club. Early indications are that the team will be strong at bat, contain fair fielding ability with its' pitching strength somewhat of a problem.

Two new faces are expected to be in the infield when the Gophers take the field for their first game. Spencer Wagnild or Mark Klonowski will be at first base and Vernal LeVoir will be at shortstop. Bernard Wolcynski and Eugene Gentry at third, both veterans, will complete the infield. Behind the play will be Milton Bruhn regular catcher last year. Leading Gopher pitchers are Tommy Gallivan, Elroy Hendrickson and Ed Grossman. The outfield probably will consist of Captain Fay Krause, Henry Streich and either Wagnild or Roger Sutherland.

Minnesota will send a delegation to the Kansas relays, April 21, to open the Gopher outdoor track season. The squad which will make the journey

to Kansas has not been definitely selected as yet but it will include the shuttle hurdle relay team and Bill Freimuth, Western Conference indoor shotput champion, and probably another individual performer.

The golf squad will not open its' season until April 26, and the tennis team, May 2, so the first string personnel of these teams has not been decided as yet.

#### THE COMPLETE MINNESOTA SPRING ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

##### BASEBALL

April 14	Gustavus Adolphus at Minneapolis
April 17	St. John's College at Minneapolis
April 20-21	Purdue at Lafayette, Inc.
April 27-28	Wisconsin at Madison, Wis.
May 4-5	Iowa at Minneapolis
May 11-12	Luther College at Minneapolis
May 18-19	Wisconsin at Minneapolis
May 25-26	Northwestern at Evanston
May 30-31	Iowa at Iowa City

##### GOLF

April 26	Northwood at Midland Hills
May 3	Town and Country Club at White Bear
May 5	Iowa at University Field (home course)
May 10	Somerset club at Hillcrest
May 12	Iowa at Iowa City
May 13	Iowa State at Ames, Iowa
May 17	Hillcrest at Southview
May 22-23	Western Conference meet at Evanston, Ill.
May 24	White Bear at Town and Country Club
May 31	Midland Hills club at Somerset
June 7	Southview at Recreation Field
June 14	Somerset at Northwood

##### TENNIS

May 2	Ex-varsity at Minneapolis
May 7	Illinois at Minneapolis
May 9	St. Olaf at Minneapolis
May 10	St. Cloud Teachers' at Minneapolis
May 11	Luther College at Minneapolis
May 12	St. Cloud Teachers' at St. Cloud
May 14	Iowa at Minneapolis
May 17-18-19	Conference meet at Chicago

##### TRACK

April 21	Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kan.
April 28	Drake Relays at Des Moines, Iowa
May 5	State college outdoor meet at Minneapolis
May 12	Wisconsin at Madison
May 18-19	Conference track meet at Evanston, Ill.
May 25	Iowa at Minneapolis

Sports release



Minneapolis, April 24 Pat Sawyer, youngest member of a golfing family, who took to the sport as surely and naturally as a duckling takes to the water, will be one of the mainstays of the University of Minnesota golf team in its' Western Conference title quest this spring.

Sawyer, whom Walter Hagen believes is one of the best young amateur prospects in the country, is just 21. Hagen saw him play in the Keller Open at St. Paul last summer when Pat was off the fairway only once in two rounds of play with the professional star. Gene Sarazen too, was impressed by Sawyer's long hitting game as he watched Pat send his long drives straight and true at Westwood Hills a year ago.

The Gopher sophomore began playing golf ten years ago at the age of 11. That is, he began playing on golf courses with his father and two older brothers ten years ago. But he can scarcely remember when he first began knocking a golf ball around his yard with a castoff iron.

He competed for the first time when he was 13, in the Minnesota state junior tournament. His loose, free swing soon attracted attention among older golfers but it took him three seasons to acquire the consistency necessary for title play. At 16 he won the state junior title and competed in the state amateur.

Since that time he has competed twice in the national amateur, in the Minnesota state amateur and in the national open as well as several other outstanding tournaments. Last year he finished in the national open at Chicago with a score of 312, while at Cincinnati, scene of the national amateur championship he tied the all-time qualifying record of 142 strokes, only to have it broken two hours later by Johnny Fischer of Michigan with 141.

Although Sawyer has never taken a golf lesson in his life he has had ample opportunity to study good form. Playing with his father and two

brothers he had three good examples to follow during the formative stage of his career. Dick Sawyer twice held the Minneapolis city title and Walter reached the semifinals of the state amateur several years ago, only to be defeated by Jimmy Johnston, national amateur champion.

Sawyer came to Minnesota from Minneapolis West high school where he aided in winning a state golf team title and also played three years of hockey. He will play his first collegiate golf this spring.

Minnesota will have only one letter man on its' golf squad this season. Bill Zieske won his letter last season while Billy Boutell and Johnny Mason both have competed for the Gophers before. Boutell played last year and Mason was on the team in 1932. Another player who is expected to add to the Minnesota golf strength is Richard Nelson of St. Paul. Boutell, Mason and Zieske live in Minneapolis.

Despite the fact that there will be only one letterman on the Minnesota squad this spring it is expected that the team will be one of the strongest since Lester Bolstad led the Minnesota foursome to the Big Ten title in 1929. Minnesota finished third in 1930 and 1931 and second in 1932 and 1933 in the conference tournament.

Sports Release



Minneapolis, April: <sup>30</sup> Bernie Bierman, after three weeks of spring football practise, is much more doubtful about Minnesota's gridiron prospects for next fall than is the average fan.

"Maybe it's the weather conditions," said Bierman when asked about the progress of the Gopher squad in spring practise. "The weather has been bad, very bad---even for football. We have laid the blame for our lack of advancement to these conditions so far.

"If we are wrong, then our squad just hasn't been making satisfactory progress. After we get some good weather we'll know a good deal more about what to expect in the fall.

"The impression that we have an outstanding football team, ready to tear loose against tough competition is erroneous," asserted Bierman. "As I see it now, we'll have a sturdy, rugged team that should furnish keen opposition to all the opponents on our schedule.

"As to the championship ideas that are being entertained in some quarters, that is simply out of the question unless abilities that have been entirely out of sight so far come to the surface before October.

"I expect a good, hardfighting football team next fall and I also expect that we'll lose some games. Our schedule this season is equally stiff as that of last year and I can't see where our outlook at present rates any particular optimism."

Bierman pointed out that last season Minnesota won only three of its seven major games decisively and that four games resulted in ties. In six of these contests one "Break" could have resulted in defeat, while in only two games was Minnesota in a position where one "break" against the team might not have made any difference in the outcome.

The annual spring game has been set tentatively for May 12, but Bierman has not made up his mind definitely as to when the practise will end. Between 80 and 90 men have been reporting daily. The Gopher head coach is being assisted by Dr. George Hauser, Lowell Lawson, George Tuttle and Sig-Harris during the spring drill.



Sports Release

Minneapolis, August 22—Minnesota will base its 1934 football hopes largely on veterans when the squad gathers at Northrop Field September 15, thus reversing the situation that confronted the Gopher coaching staff a year ago.

This season lettermen will be available for every position on the Minnesota eleven. In 1933 sophomores were being groomed for more than half of the first team positions when the season started.

With the exception of Roy Oen, captain and center of the 1933 team, the Gopher starting lineup for major games last year will return intact September 15. Last year the first team contained six sophomores, four juniors and one senior.

Availability of several experienced reserve players plus a smaller group of sophomores also adds to the prospect of a somewhat better-balanced squad than that of 1933.

Seventeen lettermen, led by Francis "Pug" Lund are expected to report to Coach Bernie Bierman when practise opens at Northrop Field, September 15. Of these veterans, seven are backs, seven are linemen and three are ends.

Captain Lund is expected to do the passing, kicking and a full share of the ball-carrying again. The Rice Lake, Wis., blond has played the triple threat role from the left halfback position for the last two seasons.

Veterans also will be available for other backfield positions. Julius Alfonse, hardhitting Italian youth from Cumberland, Wis., will return along with Sheldon Boise, Mound, and Glenn Seidel, Minneapolis.

All three of these athletes were sophomores last year, Boise holding down the fullback job and Seidel taking care of the field strategy from the quarter-back post.

Vernal LeVoir, Minneapolis, who alternated capably at quarter and full-

back last year; Bill Proffitt, Buffalo, N. Y. and George Roscoe, Minneapolis complete the group of lettermen backs.

Frank Larson, All-American end in 1933, Robert Tenner and John Roning are lettermen among the ends reporting. Larson, big, rangy and fast will assure the Gophers of plenty of strength on the right flank. The Duluth lad will be a senior this fall. Tenner and Roning, both of Minneapolis, alternated at left end last year.

Four lettermen are listed among the tackles including Phil Bengtson, St. Paul; Dick Smith, Rockford, Ill.; George Svendsen, Minneapolis, and Bill Freimuth, Duluth. Bengtson alternated at either tackle last year with Smith and Svendsen, both sophomores in 1933, playing most of the time. Freimuth, a six foot, six inch giant is expected to be a strong possibility this fall.

Milton Bruhn, St. Bonifacius, a regular for the past two seasons, and Bill Bovan, St. Paul, a junior this fall, will return to seek their berths at guard again.

Roy Oen, the little 170 pound "ironman" center for the 1933 Gophers left a gap at the pivot position that will be hard to fill. Dale Rennebohm of Austin, a stocky 180 pound youth, appears to be the principal prospect among the veterans for this job. Rennebohm earned his letter last year and with George Svendsen, who also will be given a thorough trial at center.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Aug. 22—Bernie Bierman, tanned and healthy looking from a month in northern Minnesota, dropped into his office on the Gopher campus this week for a final checkup on his Minnesota football squad before resuming his duties in earnest, September 1.

Although practise will not open officially until September 15, the two weeks previous will find Bierman at his desk every day carefully considering the plan of campaign by which the 1934 Gophers will operate.

During his brief visit to the campus Bierman frankly admitted that he is finding it more and more difficult to relax as each day brings the season closer but he claims that "a football coach always feels that way about this time of the year."

When asked how Minnesota's prospects looked to him at this time Bierman summed up his ideas on the matter quickly and briefly. "We expect a strong, rugged football team," he said. "A few candidates have scholastic matters to clear up and their standing will affect us either way.

"Practically all of our opponents will be stronger this year than in 1933 so that any championship talk is rather far-fetched," the Gopher coach stated. "We should be on an even basis with most of our opponents and the breaks of the game will decide largely where we stand at the end of the season. This year will find the competition in the Big Ten very spirited and every even."

Bierman has been maintaining close contact with members of his squad through a series of letters during the summer. From the responses which he has received he believes the Gopher athletes will return in fine spirits and good condition for a fast start September 15.

The Minnesota coaching staff will find itself in a situation almost the exact reverse of that which confronted it a year ago. In 1933 when practise opened Bierman and his aides had to develop a number of sophomores as quickly as possible to fill gaps left by graduation.

A comparatively small number of veterans were available for the first team and when the conference season got under way the Minnesota varsity contained six sophomores, four juniors and one senior.

This year, with 17 lettermen returning, and a smaller sophomore group coming up to the varsity, Minnesota will have a veteran available for every position. Of last year's regulars only Captain Roy Oen will be missing and his post at center will be one of the problems to be solved before the Gophers are ready to shift into high.

Seven of the lettermen are backfield candidates, three are ends and the remaining seven are linemen. Of the linemen, four are tackles, two are guards and one is a center.

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Minneapolis, Aug. 30 Development of a center to replace Roy Oen, the little "ironman" of the 1933 Minnesota football team appears to be the biggest problem confronting the Gopher coaching staff this fall so far as the line is concerned.

Oen, weighing 170 pounds, was easily the lightest man in the husky Gopher line last year but his place apparently will be the most difficult to fill. The former Minnesota captain, despite his lack of weight, became one of the best centers in the country by his smartness and general all-around ability.

Four candidates appear at this time as possible successors to Oen's post including Dale Rennebohm, George Svendsen, Earl "Bud" Svendsen and Stanley Hanson.

Rennebohm earned his letter at center last year as a sophomore despite the fact that Oen played the lion's share of every game. The stocky 180 pound Austin youth showed improvement in his work during spring practise and apparently has the edge on the other three candidates.

Like Rennebohm, George Svendsen is a letterman but earned his "M" at tackle last season. His ranginess and weight and the fact that he was shifty enough to play varsity basketball as a sophomore led Coach Bernie Bierman to do some experimenting during spring practise. It is certain that Svendsen will receive a thorough trial at the pivot post during the early season practise.

"Bud" Svendsen, George's younger brother, also received considerable attention at center as a freshman in the spring. Smaller than George, he has his brother's aggressive temperament and has shown ability at the position. Stanley Hanson, a 180 pound sophomore, is another trimly built, eager youngster who has designs on the varsity center job.

Milton Bruhn, who bobbed out of nowhere to become a regular guard in 1932 will be back again for his final season. Bruhn, a rugged 185 pound youth who

trains during vacation by working in a blacksmith shop, hasn't missed a game since he started playing and probably will start regularly again.

Bill Bevan, another of last year's regulars also will be back. Despite the presence of two veterans among the guards the competition will be keen with such reserves as Frank Dallera, Dale Hanson, Jay Bevan and Bob Turner reporting. Mark Klonowski, a husky end with a year's experience, probably will be shifted to guard to add further strength to the guards. Vern Oech, a rangy redhead weighing 190 pounds is a sophomore who will bear watching.

The Gophers will be well fortified with seasoned tackle material this fall with four lettermen returning. Phil Bengtson, Dick Smith, George Svendsen (if he isn't used at center) and Bill Freimuth will be available. Willis Smith and Les Knudsen are experienced reserves who also will return.

A pair of sophomore tackles, Edwin Widseth and Charles Wilkinson, may give the veterans something to worry about. Widseth, a 280 pound athlete, was one of the boys who received considerable attention during spring practise. Wilkinson, weighing 190, also showed considerable promise and both will be developed carefully this fall.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Aug. 22—Seeking that extra bit of speed and finesse that he's always wanted at Minnesota, Bernie Bierman will put Gopher backfield candidates through a strenuous "polishing process" this fall.

With the first string backfield of 1933 returning intact, plus three other lettermen, the problem of breaking in new men in the backfield will not be as acute as it has been for the past two years at Minnesota.

These veterans will form the nucleus of the backfield material and with several reserves and sophomores eager to earn places on the team Bierman can afford to devote more time to adding the final bit of polish that has characterized his best teams.

Francis "Pug" Lund will be an important cog in the Minnesota backfield again this season. Lund has done the kicking and passing for the Gophers since his first major game in 1933 when he accepted these assignments in the role of pinch hitter and he'll be fulfilling these duties again this fall.

At right half Julius Alfonse, a 180 pound youth whose hard running and strong defense play were features of the 1933 season, will return. Arthur Clarkson, a nimble youngster who kicks and passes a bit will be an important sophomore prospect for right half also.

Sheldon Beise, veteran fullback, who weighed less than 180 pounds last year will return. Reports are that he is almost 10 pounds heavier than he was a year ago. Beise and Stanley Kostka, a 200 pound newcomer, are expected to give the Gophers plenty of strength at fullback.

Glenn Seidel, a fine quarterback as a sophomore, will be back with a year of experience behind him. With him will be Vernal "Babe" LeVoir, a junior who alternated very capably at quarter and fullback a year ago. Sam Hunt and Jack Rooney are sophomores who will be seeking the quarterback job.

George Roscoe and Bill Proffitt, both lettermen and George Rennix, Pete Schuft, Mal Eiken and Dick Farmer, reserves, will be experienced backs who will be pressing hard for positions and Ken Dollarhide, a husky sophomore, will also bear watching.



Minneapolis, Sept. 12--Who will be the unknown player to rise out of the ranks to a varsity position on Minnesota's 1934 football team?

During the past two seasons, four players, none of whom was given more than passing consideration by even close Gopher followers, have made good as regulars.

Despite the fact that two of these athletes did not report for freshman football the previous fall and that the other two have given little indication of varsity ability, all four won letters and are strong candidates for the posts they held in 1933.

Milton Bruhn and Bob Tenner came to the front in 1932; last year the surprise players were Glenn Seidel and Dick Smith.

Bruhn, who has started every game since his sophomore days in 1932, was unheard of as a freshman. Even when practise opened in his sophomore year he was listed among the sophomore guard candidates as "Milton Bruhn, St. Bonifacius." It wasn't until his name bobbed up in the starting lineup for the opening game with South Dakota State that anyone except the coaches paid any attention to him.

Bob Tenner came to Minnesota to study medicine and he didn't report for football until he was certain that he could carry the scholastic work required for the medical course. He reported with the new and inexperienced candidates in the winter quarter but it wasn't long before the coaches singled him out as a recruit with fine natural qualifications for an end.

As far as the public was concerned, however, he was a substitute end at the start of the 1932 season. But he continued to improve and when he went into the Northwestern game to catch a forward pass and sneak over the goal line for the winning touchdown he became a regular. Incidentally, he repeated that feat against Pittsburgh last year to provide the winning points for Minnesota.



Both Tenner and Bruhn had played good high school football but when Glenn Seidel came to Minnesota he had little athletic background. He didn't report until the winter quarter when the coaches devote most of the time to inexperienced candidates.

Seidel tried out for fullback and attracted little attention until "Red" Dawson, backfield coach noticed him and tried him as a blocking back. Dawson was impressed with his quickness in absorbing knowledge and decided to shift him to quarterback. The result was that Minnesota had the best quarterback in its recent football history in 1933.

Dick Smith was a big 200 pound youth who appeared somewhat slow and green as a freshman. He was not particularly impressive in his early sophomore games last year either but suddenly he seemed to hit a stride and the name "Smith, left tackle" appeared in the Gopher lineup from that time on. The Michigan game was his best of the season and he'll be back September 15, ready to try for his position again.

While veterans appear to have the edge in the competition for places on the 1934 team the fascinating possibility still looms that some sophomore or holdover from 1933 will suddenly come through to emulate the example of Bruhn, Tenner, Seidel and Smith.

Sports Release



Minneapolis, Sept. 14. Bernie Bierman has several problems to consider in the development of the Minnesota football team this fall but when he scans his end candidates the morning of September 15, he will cease worrying about that particular department of the game.

First on the list of returning Gopher ends will be Frank Larson, All-American end in 1933, and the leading candidate for the position which he held last year.

The rangy Duluth athlete stands six feet, three inches tall and weighs 185 pounds. Possessing a fast, hard charge, Larson has held opposing teams to very little yardage around his end in the past two seasons. His presence at his old position will assure Minnesota of plenty of first line strength at right end.

Two other lettermen will figure strongly in the Gopher end strength when Bert Baston calls his group of wing candidates aside for instruction. Bob Tenner, heavier and stronger than he was a year ago, will return to enter the contest for the post of left end which he has held for two seasons.

Tenner, who stands six feet tall, is expected to weigh 195 pounds in top condition this year. Despite a rigorous training grind in Northern Minnesota the past few weeks his weight ~~is~~ still is slightly over the 200 pound mark and it is expected that he will reduce very little when the season gets under way.

John Roning won his letter last year and also has the reputation of being one of the hardest workers on the squad. He saw a good deal of action in 1933 at left end with Tenner, and judging by the improvement he showed in spring practise he may be in the starting lineup some of the time.

Maurice Johnson, a 190 pound senior from Anoka, will be a member of the 1933 reserve group who is likely to see plenty of service. Johnson, a rugged

six foot youth, has learned a lot of football while on the squad and he will further strengthen the Minnesota ends.

Sylvester Schnickles of Hector, is another reserve who will be extremely useful to the Gophers this fall. Standing six feet, one inch tall and weighing 185 pounds, he has demonstrated his ability as a pass receiver and with further polishing he may be ready for a varsity berth.

Two husky sophomores, Ray Antil of Maple Lake, and Dominic Krezowski of Minneapolis, will add to the potential end strength. With Bruce Berryman of Jackson and Dwight Reed of St. Paul, also available the Gopher teams of the next three years should not be weak at the end positions.

Sports release



Minneapolis, Sept. 14—Francis Lund, Minnesota football captain, playing his final season for the Gophers this fall is the third successive left halfback of All-American calibre to be developed, by Bernie Bierman since 1927.

From 1927 through 1931, while Bierman was coaching at Tulane, he had Bill Banker and Don Zimmerman, both All-Americans, as star ball carriers running from that position, so he has continuously had an All-American left half for seven years.

Since 1932 Lund has developed into one of the strongest running backs in the country, being selected by numerous critics for national honors in 1933. Lund's ability to kick and pass adds to his value in this position. As Minnesota usually shifts to the right, the left half is in a position to do any of three things--kick, run or pass.

Lund's story is rather unusual in that he learned to do two of three things required by him in his position under the stress of actual competition. As a freshman, the Rice Lake, Wis., lad looked like a fine ball-carrier but did not kick or pass.

As a sophomore he was suddenly thrust into the role of punter and passer when My Ubl became ill. In his first major game against Purdue in 1932 he faced one of the best kickers in the conference and came through that trial with only a yard difference in the kicking averages. He also did the passing and a large share of the ball carrying in that game, and he's been doing the same tasks ever since with increasing proficiency.

Despite the fact that he has been needed for the kicking and passing end of the game Lund has never slacked up in his slashing drives toward the

opposing goal line. Last year, running in the strong Gopher formation, he gained 682 yards as against 639 for all eight opposing backfields. He amassed this total in 137 drives. And as evidence of stamina he played 460 minutes out of a possible 480.

In his kicking Lund seldom is beaten by much when the yardage is figured up. His punts are not particularly impressive to look at but they usually are so deftly placed that their effectiveness is greatly increased. As with Clarence Munn, great Gopher punter in 1931, Lund is fascinated by this department of the game. He has spent hours during summer vacations kicking at a mark, constantly shifting his position, always striving for accuracy rather than distance.

Sports Release



Minneapolis, Sept. 12--Scrimmage will be in order for the University of Minnesota football squad within the first three days of practise, according to the plans of Bernie Bierman, Gopher coach.

Bierman expects to greet approximately 75 candidates, 55 of whom were invited to report for the official opening of the Western Conference season Saturday morning, Sept. 15. Practise will be held twice daily for the first two weeks.

In checking over his plans for the first two weeks of practise the Minnesota coach intimated that the first scrimmage of the year may come Monday and also stated that the squad will get plenty of it during the period before the North Dakota State game September 29.

This is in keeping with the policy which has been in force since Bierman became head coach at Minnesota in 1932. Practically all of the heavy scrimmaging is done the first two weeks of practise and the remainder of the season is devoted to perfecting and polishing plays.

After the squad has been through the early hardening process it is kept in condition by constant running rather than the bruising work of heavy scrimmaging.

Signal drill features largely in this conditioning grind, the athletes learning the plays and developing their legs and wind at the same time. This work, "dummy" scrimmage and long, jogging runs and short competitive sprints among the various groups of candidates such as the backs, linemen and ends are also part of the training grind.

Direction of the squad will be divided as usual between assistant coaches with Bierman overseeing the work and giving instruction as he sees fit. Dr. George Hauser will have charge of the line candidates and Bert Baston will direct the ends. In charge of the backfield men, particularly the quarterbacks, will be Lowell Dawson, while Sig Harris will watch over the play of the reserves.

Practise at Minnesota under the present system is accomplished with a minimum of waste motion. Every minute of the two daily sessions is accounted for and the work proceeds with a systematic precision that brings results quickly without any rush or hurry.

Sports release

Minneapolis, Sept. 24--Sideline commentators at Minnesota's early football practice have noted that the Gophers are spending practically all of their time in developing the offense and very little on the defense and yet critics agree that Bernie Bierman will have a strong defensive team.

Ever since 1932, when Bierman first came to Minnesota, this situation has been true to an increasing degree. If the time spent on these two phases of the game was figured out in percentages it would give approximately 80 per cent of the time to offense and not more than 20 per cent to defensive tactics. Yet in the past two years only one team--Wisconsin--has scored more than a single touchdown on Minnesota.

In that time Minnesota's defense has held Michigan and Pittsburgh, rated as two of the strongest teams in the United States to six points. In 1932 Michigan scored by a goal from the field to win and last year Pittsburgh was held to a lone field goal while the Gophers scored the winning touchdown.

During the time that Bernie Bierman has been coaching at Minnesota the Gopher defense has held opponents to 74 points and gained 180 points by its own offensive effort.

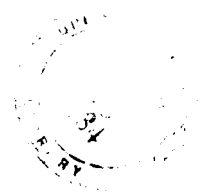
Defensive tactics never have been favored at Minnesota since the days of Dr. Henry L. Williams who was one of the great offensive coaches of modern football. In his heyday Minnesota had possession of the ball so much of the time that the other team usually had little time to advance it toward the Gopher goal line.

Under Bierman, a protege of Dr. Williams, this same offensive type of football is taught yet playing the schedules of today no team with a poor defense would get far.



At Minnesota the defense is simplified as far as possible thus making it easy for the players to cover their various assignments and also to give more time to developing the other side of the game--the offense.

In the backfield a combination zone and man-to-man defense is used and in the line the charge varies only slightly either on the offense or defense. Either way linemen are taught to charge as hard and quickly as possible and on the defense linemen use their hands little if at all.



Minneapolis, Sept. 29—Football fans who witness the opening of Minnesota's 1934 season against North Dakota State at Memorial Stadium, Saturday, will see the best array of punting talent that a Gopher squad has had in many years.

Six punters, any one of whom might have qualified as the first string kicker in other years, judging by their early season performances, will be available when the Gophers face their first opposition of the season. Although only two of these six kickers have punted in college competition, the remaining four have shown that their talents lie that way.

Such a situation, at least unusual on almost any college football team is indeed unique at Minnesota where really first class punters have been few and far between over a long period of years. Only the names of a few players such as Earl Hamilton and Ralph Capron of the days of Dr. H. L. Williams' teams, and more recently, those of Ray Ellund and of Clarence Munn, All-American guard in 1931, are written on the Minnesota roll of honor when really great kickers are mentioned.

Three of this year's punters are found in Bernie Biorman's favorite left halfback position, a post that the Gopher coach always aims to fill with a triple threat back whenever possible. In Francis Lund, George Rennix and George Roscoe, Minnesota will have three kickers available, any one of whom should be able to hold <sup>up</sup> Minnesota's punting strength.

Lund has done the punting for the past two years and has done remarkably well considering the fact that he never tried any real kicking until the week before his first major game in 1932. Never figured as a really great kicker and seldom impressive in practise Lund is the type of player who always outdoes his practising under the stress of competition. He has faced some of the greatest kickers in the Western Conference and to all appearances has been out-kicked by some of them but when the game averages are figured up he has seldom been beaten by more than a yard or two.

Like Lund, Rennix appears to be a better kicker under pressure. The Aberdeen, S. D. youth was injured in early practise last year and did not see any actual competition last year but during spring practise and in the early season scrimmages this fall he appeared to be a consistently high class kicker when opposing linemen were bearing down on him. In other departments of the game, also, the 168 pound South Dakotan has shown enough qualities to be rated as Lund's chief relief man at this time.

Roscoe, a letterman last year, is another left halfback whose kicking appears to have improved. He is a natural kicker who should be valuable to Minnesota in this department this season.

Of the new kickers Arthur Clarkson, sophomore right halfback, kicks the ball extremely high and gets fair distance. Neither he nor Whitman Rork, Sophomore fullback, and the longest punter on the squad have attained the consistence of a really first grade kicker as yet. Rork, an Eau Claire, Wis. boy can outkick anyone on the squad when he really gets his toe into a punt.

Sam Hunt, 155 pound sophomore quarterback from Red Lake Falls, is the most consistent of the newcomers as far as punting is concerned. He kicks exceptionally well and is quite accurate for a sophomore kicker but like the others he has yet to face the fire of first class competition.

A surprise kicker on the squad has been Glen Seidel, junior quarterback. Seidel never has done any kicking before but has showed an aptitude for this department of the game that the coaches are seeking to develop further. In 1933 Seidel confined his activities to calling plays and blocking on offense. Rated as first string quarterback this season he will be even more valuable to the Gophers if his kicking ability is of the type that can be developed further.

Sports release

Minneapolis, Oct. 15--The dream of a 14 year old boy who sat in the stands and watched such football heroes as Herbert Joesting and Bronko Nagurski write their names into the pages of Minnesota's football history is coming true.

When Stanley Kostka of Inver Grove, near South St. Paul, was a high school lad he cheered Minnesota on from the section allotted to prep teams at Memorial Stadium. Those were the days when big Herb Joesting was smashing his way through the Western Conference with his convulsive, jackknife dives; when Bronko Nagurski was playing tackle and fullback and doing an All-American job at both.

Kostka dreamed of the day when he might emulate the deeds of his two heroes. Nagurski, especially, fired his imagination. The giant "Nag" completely captured his fancy by his mighty deeds on the gridiron and he determined to one day play on the same team and field that Nagurski did.

Now he is achieving his dream, at least in part. Maker of six touchdowns in his first two games for Minnesota, Kostka has gained 212 yards in 26 plays for an average of slightly more than eight yards to become a new threat to Gopher foes this fall.

A driving, colorful lad of Polish-Bohemian extraction, Kostka runs with a swaying, rolling gait that thrusts tacklers aside or carries them along in a vortex of churning legs. Add to this a fiery ambition and a sturdy 210 pound body that moves with surprising speed and agility and you have a picture of the young man who has the citizens of his home community in an uproar.

It happens that both little municipalities claim Kostka. His parents live on a small farm in Inver Grove and he attended South St. Paul high school. Ever since his high school days he has been the pride of the vicinity and now both are seeking a showdown. Kostka recently was asked to settle the dispute himself but diplomatically declined.

As a high school youth Kostka started playing guard at South St. Paul High but the next three years found him at fullback where his speed and drive were more useful. He also achieved distinction as a prep track athlete by tossing the 12 pound shot 51 feet, 3 inches.

After a year on the varsity at Oregon Kostka determined to return to his native state to complete his education. He played right halfback on the Pacific Coast team but Bernie Bierman decided that the young man was a natural fullback.

Kostka had grown used to one type of play when he came to Minnesota. Much <sup>he</sup> of this/had to "unlearn" and then to learn the way of the gridiron as Bierman taught it. His progress was slow at first but he has been picking up things much faster of late.

Injury to Sheldon Beise, Gopher varsity fullback, gave him his big chance this fall and he delivered by driving over opposing goal lines six times against North Dakota State and Nebraska. The pleasing thing about Kostka to Minnesota rooters is the fact that he may break away from any point on the field. In the opener, one of his touchdowns was the result of a 64 yard dash; against Nebraska he broke away for 46 yards and a touchdown.

Kostka still has many things to learn about football--he's working very hard on his blocking right now. He realizes that his touchdowns have been the result of blocking by his mates as well as his own power. LeVair, Seidel, Bevan, Oech, Clarkson, Larson, Lund, Tenner and the rest of his mates all shared in those long dashes by picking the opposition cleanly off its' feet.

Incidentally, there is one date on Minnesota's schedule that Kostka is looking forward to with a little more eagerness than the rest--November 17, when Minnesota renews football relations with Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. John Kostka of Inver Grove will watch their son in action for the first time in their lives on that date. They've been afraid to watch him before--afraid that their big 210 pound son might get hurt.

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MINNESOTA FOOTBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Note: This is the fourth of a weekly series on Gopher football news and personalities of 25 years ago.

Minnesota defeated Ames, 18-0, October 9, 1909, on a field that was slippery with the constant drizzle that fell during the game. Minnesota scored three touchdowns, a goal after touchdown and a safety. Lyle Johnston was the best groundgainer of the day with Earl Pickering a close second, and, of course, little 144 pound Johnny McGovern was always there with interference. The highlight of the game was Johnston's dancing, dodging run through the entire Ames team for a touchdown on the "greasy" field. Dr. Williams sent in so many substitutes during the second half that Ames played the Gophers practically on even terms.

After defeating Ames, Minnesota turned its attention to the important Nebraska game, scheduled for October 16, 1909, at Omaha. Nebraska, with a fine team coming up, was given a chance to upset the Gophers and fully 20,000 persons were expected to attend the game.

Pickering, slightly hurt in the Ames game, was sent to Northwestern hospital by Dr. Williams who was taking no chances with his star fullback. Rain and cold weather with even a touch of frost and snow slowed up preparations for the Nebraska game and Dr. Williams was greatly annoyed as he was working on a few new variations of his puzzling shift plays to spring on Nebraska. Among the players who looked good in practise was Jimmy DeVeau, one of St. Paul's leading contributions to the 1909 squad. DeVeau a half-back, was highly praised by newspapermen who witnessed the practise sessions.

A headline from an Omaha newspaper told that the "Cornhuskers Look Ragged in Practise" while a Minneapolis paper told of how "Omaha May See Its' First Bit of the 'Fluffy' Football"--meaning Minnesota's new puzzling shifts that later earned the name of the "Minnesota Shift."

Dr. Williams surprised everybody by holding no scrimmage on the day ordinarily set aside for it but devoted the entire time to polishing plays much as Bernie Bierman does with the 1934 Minnesota squad.

Sports release



Minneapolis, October--Edwin Widseth, least experienced of the four sophomores who are crowding into the regular lineup of the Minnesota football team this fall, has been one of the fastest to improve, according to Gopher coaches.

Of the others who have been breaking into the lineup Arthur Clarkson was a star high school player, Stanley Kostka, in addition to being an outstanding prep player at South St. Paul, had a year of college experience in the West, and Vernon Oech was good enough to gain all-state recognition at Billings, Mont.

Two years ago this fall, Widseth, a 216 pound young giant, was working on his father's farm near McIntosh, Minn. He had planned a college career after finishing a four year course at the Northwest School and Station, a division of the University of Minnesota agricultural school at Crookston. But as he was needed on his father's farm Widseth's education was interrupted.

He had played some football at tackle and fullback at the Crookston school but as the academic year is adapted to suit the crop growing year the gridiron season was somewhat shortened. Thus Widseth was greatly handicapped by lack of experience when he entered Minnesota and turned out for football.

But freshman coaches, seeing this rugged six foot tackle candidate on the squad, were interested in him immediately. They liked the way he handled himself. Even the rigorous work on the farm had not completely tied up Widseth's muscular body. It had, however, slowed him up considerably, particularly in starting quickly.

When time for spring practise came around, Dr. George Hauser, Gopher line coach and one of the greatest tackles Minnesota ever had, became

very much interested in Widseth. He set him to charging constantly, told him to get moving as quickly as possible and forget everything else. On defense he was sent in to charge into the opposing backfield at top speed. He wasn't to use his hands or try any of the fancy tricks that great line-men are supposed to have at their command. Just a straight, powerful lunge into the heart of the opposing backfield and knock down anybody that happened to be in the way.

Sometimes the opposing quarterback took advantage of that charge and sent plays around him so that when he had crossed the line of scrimmage and penetrated into the opposing backfield, the ball carrier had gone through his position for a neat gain. But Bernie Bierman and Dr. Hauser simply told him to keep on crashing in. As Widseth's charge improved they began to teach him other things. He learned rapidly and this fall when he returned to Northrop Field for opening practise it was immediately apparent that he was ready to make his college debut.

Physically Widseth is one of the finest specimens since Bronko Nagurski came down from Northern Minnesota to make a name for himself as a tackle and fullback. In playing condition he weighs 216 pounds and is fast and active. Older than the average college sophomore, he's more mature and possesses an intense desire to play. Defensively Widseth already is a good tackle under the simplified type of defense coached by Bernie Bierman. His offensive work is improving from week to week and before November rolls around he should be a really first rate tackle.

Incidentally, Frank McCormick, Gopher athletic director and baseball coach, is strongly interested in Widseth. He believes that Widseth has one of the greatest throwing arms he's ever seen in college baseball. McCormick is awaiting the baseball season so that he can get an opportunity to develop him.



Sports Release

Minneapolis, October 23 If Arthur "Deacon" Clarkson covers even a tiny fraction of the distance he's travelled before coming to Minnesota now that he does most of his travelling with a football under his arm, the Gophers' record of 822 yards from scrimmage in its' first two games will go skyrocketing.

Clarkson, a nimble young sophomore, is proving that he's still the same "travel-conscious" youth who came all the way from Canton, China, to write his name in the pages of Minnesota's football record. And Bernie Bierman smilingly admits that he doesn't care how much further Clarkson travels-- as long as he has a football tucked under his arm and is headed for the opposing goal.

Just now Clarkson is sharing the right halfback position for the Gophers with a husky young man named Julius Alfonse who needs no introduction to Minnesota followers. These two capable young men--one a sophomore and the other a junior--have been doing extremely well of late for the Gophers.

Between them they've contributed 207 yards to Minnesota's 822 from scrimmage. And just to show that they're not rivals and are imbued with the idea of "making the team better" rather than just that of "making the team" they've shared the gaining alike. Clarkson has gained 101 yards in 11 tries and Alfonse has gained 106 in the same number.

But to get back to Clarkson's travels. He was born in Canton, China, where his parents, British subjects, were in business. He received his early education at a French Mission school and here became interested in soccer football and track. A wiry, little chap, he took to these sports naturally and when his parents moved to the United States and more particularly to Seattle, he went out for football and became an all-city high school player.

A freshman year spent at Oregon in which he became acquainted with Stanley Kostka, latest Gopher fullback sensation, was responsible for a vacation trip to Minnesota. He liked the surroundings and when fall came he registered with Kostka as a freshman.

It didn't take long for the freshman coaches to spot the young man who kicked with either foot and passed with either hand. Soccer training had done that for him but he took the advice of Bernie Bierman and concentrated on left handed passing and rightfooted kicking.

Clarkson is the intent sort of a chap that Bernie Bierman likes to have around. Team-mates will unhesitatingly name Clarkson and Bill Bevan as the two greatest football enthusiasts on a squad that lives, eats and dreams its' football. Because he's so quiet and intent on the field and gets annoyed when others refuse to take things seriously in practise the boys have nicknamed him the "Deacon".

Despite his quiet manner the "Deacon" is a dangerous young man when he gets his hands on a football. Anything is liable to happen and usually does. For example, in the Nebraska game he scooped up a fumbled punt and was away like a flash with as pretty a sidestepping, "fading" touchdown run as anyone would care to see.

Incidentally, there were several neat and timely blocks on that run and if you were sitting in the stands and didn't see who made them just ask "Deacon" Clarkson--he'll be more than glad to tell you.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Oct. 27.—The same keen sense of rhythm that makes a good piano player or a star adagio dancer also is necessary for a quarterback and this is one reason why Glen Seidel, Minnesota field strategist, is not "just another football player."

Playing on a team using a variation of the old "Minnesota Shift" Seidel's clear, distinct cadence in calling signals and his peculiar little mannerism of clicking his feet together as he shifts, keys the whole team as it wheels into formation. An ordinary quarterback does not have that magic in his voice and manner that makes eleven men move as one---only those with the gift of rhythm have it.

This rhythmic sense was one of the first things that Lowell Dawson and Sig Harris, assistant coaches at Minnesota noticed about Seidel when he was an ordinary freshman fullback candidate. During winter practise one day Dawson was drilling a group of backs in the fundamentals of the shift when he noticed a lad who wheeled into formation and drove forward with fire and dash even in the ordinary routine of practise. He singled this chap out and began to talk to him.

Seidel, however, believed he was a fullback and playing on the reserves under Sig Harris he showed lots of drive and dash. He swears to this day that he would have made a fullback if his hip pads hadn't been so large. The opposing linemen were tackling his hip pads which afforded them a better hold than his churning legs.

But the coaches decided to try him at <sup>quarterback</sup>---especially after looking up his grades. Seidel was, and still is, an outstanding student in the electrical engineering college at Minnesota.

Under the direction of Bierman and Dawson Seidel's quarterback education was begun. Dawson, one of Bierman's best quarterbacks at Tulane, took Seidel aside several times a week and went over plays and strategy with him. Seidel

absorbed this material eagerly and asked for more. He showed an uncanny memory for plays and the ability to think in the "pinches!"

Yet in his first game against South Dakota State two years ago he couldn't remember a single signal at kickoff time and didn't recall them until he was in the huddle ready to start the play. In that game he was criticized by fans for using a tricky play near the goal line which resulted in Minnesota losing the ball. Six sophomores were playing in that lineup. This year Seidel called the same play in almost the same spot and a touchdown resulted--the difference between a junior quarterback calling signals for a veteran team.

In the huddles during games Seidel allows no talking or arguing. Like Dawson and Dick Bomback, Bierman's great quarterbacks at Tulane, Seidel has poise and confidence in his ability to run his end of the game. Asked by teammates why he called a variation of a certain play that Pittsburgh stopped in 1933 but which resulted in a touchdown a week ago, Seidel replied simply, "It was the play to call."

Next to football Seidel's chief sport is hockey and Frank Pond, Gopher coach will tell you that he would welcome the driving 185 pound Minneapolis boy.

MINNESOTA FOOTBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Note: This is the sixth of a weekly series on Gopher football news and personalities of 25 years ago.

11/13/37  
"Minnesota Prepares for Chicago" was the headline that greeted newspaper readers 25 years ago this week as Dr. H. L. Williams sent his charges through their first scrimmage of the week. While the Gophers had a fortnight in which to prepare for the onrush of A. A. Stagg and his mighty Maroons, the outlook was none too bright in the camp of the Gopher. The team that had defeated Lawrence, Iowa, Ames and Nebraska and rolled up a total of 98 points to 0 in so doing was in sad condition. McGovern, Pettyjohn, Rademacher, Molstad, Pickering and Powers all were out of the opening scrimmage. Lyle Johnston was lost for the season with a broken leg. Pickering had not wholly recovered from injuries received in the Iowa game; McGovern had been badly shaken up against Nebraska; Pettyjohn had an absessed foot and Rademacher has a "bad leg." Powers was suffering from scrimmage injuries and Molstad was not back from his "land registration deal although he had promised "Dr. Williams to return by Tuesday at the latest."

Paul Young was not yet clear of "faculty exactions despite reports to the contrary." He had been taken to Nebraska and "it had been intended to put him in the game at Omaha but Prof. James Paige when appealed to by wire declared him not yet eligible. Then, too, McCree was still nursing a badly wrenched shoulder. Savore and Wold still were green and no in shape for a hard game like Chicago, Dr. Williams reported and a contemporary newspaper writer stated emphatically that "THIS IS NOT a bear story. It is a recital of fact and can be verified by any rooter who will take the time to visit the training quarters.

Walter Eckersall came up from Chicago to write about Minnesota but Dr. Williams allowed him on the field only a very few minutes. Eckersall, comparing Minnesota and Chicago stated, that "Minnesota's line should be slightly stronger, but that the Chicago backfield is faster."

Sports release

Minneapolis, Oct. 31--Minnesota, home of three great guards in the past eight years, now has another candidate for the ranks of great Gopher linemen in Bill Bevan, a fighting 195 pound youth whose sole football ambition is to battle his way into the center of every play.

George Gibson and Harold Hanson were as fine a pair of guards as ever trod a gridiron back in 1927 and in 1931 Clarence Munn of "triple threat guard" fame came along to thrill the football world with his combination of line and backfield play.

Now it's Bevan, a man who changed from the backfield to the line because Bernie Bierman convinced him that it was for the "good of the team." But Bevan soon learned to like his new position so well that it would take all of Bierman's persuasive powers to make him change back again. And not even the most fantastic imagination could conceive of Bernie doing that.

Bevan

Among his team-mates/is known as Minnesota's most ardent football enthusiast. They will tell you that he drives just as hard in practice as in a game and that he's always "talking it up" and that frivolity or delay on the training field cause him to fret and fume. And in a game Bevan is always the first man out of the huddle after the play has been decided upon.

Watch him on the field and you will see his head bobbing about in the center of every play. He never wears a headgear and he "leads with his chin" as the boys say. This headlong recklessness causes him to lose most of the skin on his face during the season but he's in every play and what's a few square inches of epidermis compared to the thrill of a cracking tackle or furious block?

Does it pay to take football that seriously? If you must know the answer you may ask Bill, He'll tell you that the more you put into the game the more you get out of it--and that's where the fun comes in.

An example of Bevan's idea of how to play guard on a football team may be shown by the following incident which happened immediately after the Minnesota-Pittsburgh game: Bornie Bierman was questioning various members of the team about the goal line stand made by the Gophers early in the game when Fitt had the ball on the Minnesota six yard line, first down and goal to go.

A touchdown seemed certain as the Panthers turned on their full power--- and trained it squarely on Bevan's position for four successive plays, after which Minnesota took the ball on the two yard stripe.

Bevan hung his head a little at Bierman's question and said, "They wouldn't have made all that ground over me, coach, but I was a little off balance on the third play."

The Gopher guard's backfield training came in as an aid to his line play as it improved his open field blocking on the offense and also because it developed his placekicking. Bill now kicks off for the Gophers and sometimes tackles the receiver of his kick. Bevan also kicks most of the Gopher points after touchdowns.

Bevan began his football career at Central high school, St. Paul, where he played fullback and quarter. His brother, Jay, played guard on the same team and now both are on the Gopher squad. Jay, a substitute, usually is more exhausted than Bill at the end of a game just from the nervous strain of watching Bill "give it and take it." He's always on his feet to grasp Bill's hand when he comes out of the game.

MINNESOTA FOOTBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Note: This is the seventh of a weekly series on Gopher football news and personalities of 25 years ago.

11/5/34

Two weeks of preparation for the Chicago game of 1909 did not particularly improve Dr. H. L. Williams state of mind with several of his Minnesota players on the sidelines with injuries. Meanwhile down at Chicago, A. A. Stagg was coming along with another strong team. The Maroons, however, received a setback, which, while it did not harm their standing, did make for reducing any swelled heads that might crop up on a squad that had championship possibilities. The Chicago Alumni met and defeated the varsity 10-0. On that alumni team were Wallie Steffen, quarter; Gale, center; Meigs and Badenoch, guards; Hill and Russell, tackles; Hewitt and Schommer, ends; Parry and Walker, halves and Boone, fullback. Walter Eckersall was supposed to play on that team at quarter in place of Steffen who was to be used as a halfback but his newspaper activities kept him away.

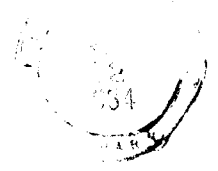
The Chicago varsity then took its revenge on the freshmen and Eckersall again predicted that the Minnesota-Chicago game, in addition to being a "crucial" one would be a close, hardfought combat.

At Minnesota, Sig H arris, who had scouted Chicago in every game, had drilled his reserves in the Maroon plays and was giving the varsity stiff opposition in scrimmage. A report current among Minnesota fans was that the great Chicago line had stopped Illinois alone as the backs were placed in a new defensive formation by Coach Stagg with their entire attention devoted to forward passes and end runs.

The game was played October 30, on Northrop Field before 20,000 spectators who jammed every inch of the stands. It was fiercely contested throughout but exceptionally clean. Minnesota scored early, and exchange of kicks and two five yard penalties on Chicago putting the Gophers in position for a plunging



march down the field. The second score came when "Duffy" McGovern booted a perfect dropkick through the uprights. Then came the bewildering series of passes that culminated in a touchdown, a play that had the spectators as excited as the recent double lateral and forward pass that won the Pittsburgh game for the Gophers a short time ago. Farnum at center passed the ball to Rosenwald, half, who passed backward to quarterback, Pettijohn, end, who faded far back. Pettijohn threw a perfect pass to McGovern, who stood alone on the scrimmage line. McGovern started like a streak, picked up a perfect cloud of interference and by some brilliant dodging ran 50 yards for a touchdown. This play put the game "on ice" and the final score was 20 to 6.



MINNESOTA FOOTBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

11/12/34

Note: This is the eighth of a weekly series on Gopher football news and personalities of 25 years ago.

After defeating Chicago 20-6 on October 30, 1909, Minnesota began two weeks preparation for Wisconsin. As an aftermath of the game with the Maroons the Chicago sport writers praised Minnesota highly. One wrote, "that instead of Chicago being proficient in the new open game the situation was exactly the reverse. Even Stagg was amazed at the bewildering attack presented by Minnesota." Another wrote that "the Maroons simply were at loss to understand the tricky, complex Minnesota attack."

A Minneapolis writer stated that "if John McGovern is given his just deserts Walter Camp cannot fail to place him on his All-American...the entire West is ringing with his praises."

However, sweet as this victory was, there was an element of deep concern to temper it for Johnny McGovern had sustained a broken collarbone in the game and was lost for the rest of the season. Jimmy DeVeau, a husky young man from St. Paul had replaced McGovern at quarterback after the accident and had run the team well but Dr. H. L. Williams apparently was not quite satisfied. He began to experiment with quarterbacks using DeVeau, Rademacher, Faegre and Lyle Pettyjohn at that position. The Gophers worked every night under arc lights on Northrop Field preparing for the Badgers.

Meanwhile a series of alarming "bear stories" began to come out of Madison. It was reported that the Badgers had been badly crippled by the Indiana game and also in scrimmage. But a Minneapolis newspaper managed to get an "inside scribe" into the Badger inner circles and he reported that these stories were greatly exaggerated. He reported that "Arpin, center was badly used in the Indiana game but will be ready for the Gophers" and that MacMiller and Buser, guards, are in excellent condition." Osthoff and Boyle, tackles, were reported as the star Wisconsin linemen and both were in good condition.

"Keckie Moll, Wisconsin's quarterback, was recovering from an attack of rheumatism, but the "inside scribe" thought that he would be ready for the Gophers. Thus the stage was set for Minnesota to turn the tables on Wisconsin as they had gone down to a 5-0 defeat at the hands of the Badgers the previous season.

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Nov. ~~12~~—After three years as a substitute--only 15 minutes of actual competition in the first two--Maurice Johnson, end on the Minnesota football squad, will graduate next spring from his journalism course with his prized "M" and the satisfaction of catching a touchdown pass against Minnesota's greatest gridiron rival--Michigan.

They thought his eyesight wasn't good enough for him to catch forward passes, yet Johnson caught three of them in the first big game of his career against the Wolverines, and one was for a touchdown.

For three seasons he has "subbed" at right end, a position held by Frank Larson, All-American in 1933. In 1932 Johnson got into the last quarter of the Mississippi game but last year the Gophers used only three ends all season--Larson, Bob Tenner and John Roning. Playing substitute for an All-American would seem rather a hopeless task to anyone but a fellow like Johnson.

But Bernie Bierman once said that he couldn't remember a single practise that his "sub" right end had missed since he first reported for football at Minnesota. Bierman wanted to reward such faithfulness but with Larson and Tenner available and playing heads-up football it began to look as though Johnson would graduate without earning his letter.

This season, however, Johnson began to show such improvement that Bierman began to use him more and more. Previously he had been a strong defensive end but weak at catching forward passes. The coaches thought it was his eyes because Johnson had been told to wear glasses when he reported for a physical examination.

Despite this handicap he served 15 minutes against North Dakota State and seven minutes in the Nebraska game. Larson and Tenner played a full 60 minutes against Pittsburgh but against Iowa Bierman sent Morry in for 17 minutes--his longest term of service up to that time.

during the first half

Then came the Michigan game. Johnson was sent in/to relieve "Butch" Larson who was injured for the first time in his career. He filled that position without weakening the right flank of Minnesota's line, started the second half and then caught three forward passes, one of which he carried to a touchdown. Most of the fans had never heard of him before and gasped in amazement as the "new-comer" caught those long accurate passes and threaded his way through the Wolverine tacklers. They did not know that Johnson had put in almost three years of preparation for that moment.

Asked after the game how he felt when he caught that touchdown pass Johnson said, "I was too busy to think about it--my biggest thrill out of that game came when Bernie started me the second half. That was the first time I ever played in a game that wasn't already won."

Johnson, who intends to follow newspaper work when he graduates, came to college from Anoka. He was an end in high school and sports editor of his school paper as well as sports writer for the weekly paper in his home town. During his vacation periods he has been running a weekly paper at Windom, Minn., and now is sports editor of the Minnesota Daily, student newspaper. Even during football season he does his full share of writing and editing and spends much of the time after football practise in his office.

Incidentally, his father who played football at River Falls, Wis., high school back about 1904, is an ardent football fan. And his brother Bob, a six foot, 200 pound youth, is a tackle on the freshman squad at Minnesota.

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MINNESOTA FOOTBALL TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Note: This is the ninth of a weekly series on Gopher football news and personalities of 25 years ago.

Excitement was high in both football camps as Minnesota and Wisconsin prepared for their annual game at Madison. Early in the week John Schuknecht, member of the Minnesota teams of 1905-06-07 was noticed by fervent Badger rooters watching Wisconsin's open practice and great excitement prevailed in Madison. "Bear stories" continued to pour out of Madison and "Inside Scribe" a Minneapolis writer who was purported to know the "inside dope" reported that the latest story that Captain Jack Wilce, Badger fullback, would not play was a myth. "Wilce is slightly overtrained and is being given a rest this week in order to be ready for Minnesota" wrote the "scribe."

Dr. Williams was looking further ahead than Wisconsin, however, Michigan was looming just over the football horizon on the Gopher schedule so the Minnesota coach sent Sig Harris, John McGovern, Lyle Johnston and Al Wegel to Ann Arbor to scout the Wolverines. They presented an unusual sight for a group of football players as McGovern's arm was carried in a sling and Johnston was on crutches. They journeyed to Ann Arbor, took copious notes and reported to Dr. Williams without giving out any information whatsoever to the newspapermen who tried to "pump" them.

The day of the Wisconsin game arrived and what was supposed to have been a close contest turned out to be one-sided affair, Minnesota winning 34-6. Minnesota took the opening kickoff and marched 85 yards without once losing possession of the ball. The Gophers began well and improved throughout the entire game. Lyle Pettijohn played at quarterback in place of the injured McGovern and did good work until he was removed with injuries also.

Atkinson, who replaced him, continued with a fine game. Rube Rosenwald who had replaced Lyle Johnston, injured earlier in the season came through with a 75 yard run for a touchdown while Earl Pickering ran 80 yards for another. Stovens and Rademacher at the ends played great football and Erdall's 25 yard return of a kickoff from behind the goal line put the ball in position for Pickering's great dash. The Gopher linemen opened great holes through which the backs dashed almost at will in the second half.

A Wisconsin writer stated that "Had Wisconsin met Minnesota on a waxed floor instead of a field of mud, the Badgers wearing spikes and the Gophers slippery shoes, Dr. Williams splendid football machine, combining everything that constitutes an ideal team would have won the championship hands down."

Only Michigan now loomed between Minnesota and an undefeated, untied season.



Minneapolis, Nov. — When the Minnesota football team takes the field against Chicago at Memorial Stadium it will be the final appearance on the home field of eight Gopher lettermen. The final game of the season, with Wisconsin, will be played at Madison, November 24.

Those who will end their careers as Gophers this fall are Captain Francis Lund, left halfback; Frank Larson, Bob Tenner, John Roning and Maurice Johnson, ends; Phil Bengtson, tackle; Milton Bruhn, guard and Bill Proffitt, halfback.

For three years "Pug" Lund has been the mainstay of the Gopher backfield. He has done the kicking, passing and a large percentage of the ball carrying for the Gophers and his fine defensive work and punt returning has completed his all-around ability as a "spark plug" on the Minnesota squad.

Frank Larson, All-American end in 1933, has made Minnesota's right end a difficult point to circle for the past three seasons. Graduation of Larson, Bob Tenner, his running mate at end, and Maurice Johnson and John Roning, a fine pair of alternate wingmen, will make the extremities of the line a big problem when Bernie Bierman calls his squad together for 1935.

Tenner's record of catching three touchdown passes in three of Minnesota's hardest games in three seasons will be a mark for sophomore ends to shoot at in coming seasons. In 1932 he caught the game-winning pass against Northwestern for the only touchdown of the game. Against Pittsburgh in 1933 he took a pass from "Pug" Lund for the lone touchdown of that contest. This season his catch almost on the goal line defeated the Panthers for the second successive year.

Roning has been a dependable, hard working wingman for three seasons while Johnson rose from the obscurity of the reserve squad to catch two touchdown passes in two successive games against Michigan and Indiana this fall to win his first letter in his final season.

Phil Bengtson, named the most valuable lineman on the squad in 1933, has been playing a fine game at right tackle all season. Last year he played both

right and left tackle. This season he started on the right side of the line and has played every game at right tackle.

Milton Bruhn, unheard of as a freshman, stepped into a regular guard berth his first game as a sophomore and has been one of the outstanding linemen on the squad for the past three seasons.

Bill Proffitt, husky right halfback, ends his career this season before his twenty-first birthday. Proffitt, a 190 pound youth, played his first varsity game at the age of 17.

In addition to these men the Gophers lose two outstanding reserve players in Leslie Knudson, tackle, and Dick Potvin, guard. Both of these players have contributed to the success of the squad by their continued service over the three year period they were on the squad.



Sports Release



Minneapolis, <sup>Dec.</sup> ~~Nov. 6~~ Now that the 1934 football season is but a pleasant memory University of Minnesota athletic followers are turning a speculative eye toward the coming basketball season.

A glance at the Gopher prospects for 1934-35, while not conducive to championship dreams, does offer something more than mild optimism for a first division team.

Possession of more experience, more poise, better scoring ability combined with the determination and stability that made the 1933-34 team an important factor in the Western Conference basketball race, are principal reasons why David MacMillan, Gopher coach, believes his team will be stronger this season.

Seven lettermen will form the nucleus of the squad this season, A year ago MacMillan was trying to rebuild a squad that had lost several important players through graduation. The squad was a young one and it took time for it to gain its form. This season the Gophers will start somewhere near where they left off last year, MacMillan believes.

The returning lettermen are Gordon Norman, Rochester; George Svendsen, George Roscoe, Minneapolis; Billy Kane and Charles Wallblom, St. Paul and Jimmy Baker and Glen Barnum, Glencoe.

Norman, a six foot, five inch center is a senior. He has played for two full seasons and this year, in addition to added experience, he weighs 195 pounds to give him what he lacked in ruggedness previously.

George Svendsen, who was shifted from tackle to center on the football squad, may find himself shifting again in basketball. MacMillan believes that he may be able to <sup>use</sup> Svendsen at center to alternate with Norman. If this plan does not work Svendsen will be used at guard. Standing six feet, three inches tall and weighing 206 pounds Svendsen may be the solution of MacMillan's difficulty concerning reserve strength at the jumping position.

Charles Wallblom, one of the best shots on the squad, has gained 10 pounds in weight and something in height also during the past year. The St. Paul forward has been playing well in early practise tilts and will be more valuable to the team with added experience and stamina this season.

George Roscoe's return from the football wars to the basketball campaign is another reason why Minnesota should be stronger this season. A clever floor man and a good shot, Roscoe will add his six feet in height and 185 pounds in weight to the ruggedness of the team at one forward position.

Baker, Barnum and Kane also appear to be improved players this fall. Both Baker and Kane are handicapped by lack of height but they offset this deficiency somewhat by speed and scrappiness. All three developed considerably toward the end of the 1934 season.

Earl "Bud" Svendsen, younger brother of George, will be a strong candidate at guard while Ed Steltzer, a sophomore from New York, N. Y. looks like a good prospect from the freshman ranks. Ray Antil, a rugged 190 pound football sophomore from Maple Lake also has caught MacMillan's eye. These three lads are guards and as all are six feet tall they will add to the height of the club.

Art Lillyblad and Dick Sobach, another pair of sophomores, members of the state championship Red Wing team of two years ago, also will be eligible for competition this season. Both are excellent ball handlers and smart defensive players but need college experience. Clarence Krause, a rangy youth from Woodstock, Ill., will add something to the center strength of the team also.

Minnesota opens its season against Hamline, December 8, followed by St. Thomas December 11.

Dec 6, 1934

MINNESOTA FOOTBALL 25 YEARS AGO

Dec 6/34

Note: This is the tenth and last of a weekly series dealing with Minnesota football news and personalities of 25 years ago. The series will be resumed next fall.

Minnesota's light, fast team of 1909 had won every game up to the final contest of the year with Michigan. Starting somewhat slowly against Lawrence and Ames the Gophers soon began to master the series of intricate shifts that Dr. H. L. Williams had mapped up for them. Moving ahead against Nebraska, Chicago and Wisconsin they mowed down the opposition with a fast, bewildering attack despite the loss of such players as John McGovern and Lyle Johnston by injury.

When the Minnesota team took the field against Michigan, McGovern was in the lineup at quarterback once more. The game was played November 20, 1909 on Northrop Field and the hitherto unbeaten Gophers lost, 15-6. Michigan started fast, scoring a touchdown after a 75 yard march in which they did not once lose possession of the ball. Soon after the Gophers scored on a forward pass but later intercepted passes and a place kick gave Michigan the rest of its points. The Wolverines apparently were headed for another touchdown when a remarkable tackle by Jim Walker brought down the runner.

The Minnesota team was composed of Vidal and Shain, left ends; Walker, left tackle; Molstad, left guard; Farnum, center; Powers, Ostrand, right guard; McCree, right tackle; Rademacher, right end; McGovern, Atkinson, quarterbacks; Rosenwald, left half; Stevens, right half; Pickering, fullback.

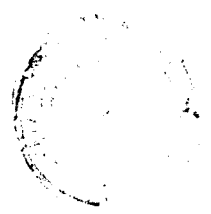
Michigan had been scouted by Sig Harris, John McGovern and Lyle Johnston and while they had done a thorough job, Minnesota was "off form" against Michigan. McGovern at quarter was far from his usual self as he had not played for several games.

Despite the disappointment of losing the game Minnesota followers were jubilant when McGovern was selected as All-American quarterback by Walter Camp. This was the first time that any Minnesota man was selected for an All-American team. Squatty and powerful McGovern was a fine broken field runner, a drop kicker of real ability and a fine field general. He directed Dr. Williams' complicated offense ably and was a strong defensive player.

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### 1935 Minnesota Basketball Roster



No.	Name	Pos.	Height	Weight	Age	Class	Home Town
4	*George Roscoe	F	6'1"	185	21	Jr.	Minneapolis
6	Fick Seebach	G	5'10"	155	18	Soph	Red Wing
7	*Glenn Barnum	G	5'11"	155	20	Jr.	Glencoe
8	*James Baker	F	5'9"	160	20	Jr.	Glencoe
9	*Charles Wallblom	F	5'10"	155	19	Jr.	St. Paul
10	Malcolm Eiken	F	5'11"	165	21	Sr.	Caledonia
13	Edward Stelzer	F	6'1"	175	19	Soph	New York, N.Y.
14	Earl Svendsen	G	6'	185	19	Soph	Minneapolis
15	Dominic Krazowski	G	6'3"	200	19	Soph	Minneapolis
16	Ray Antil	G	6'1"	185	19	Soph	Maple Lake
17	*Gordon Norman	C	6'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	195	20	Sr.	Rochester
18	*George Svendsen	G	6'3"	210	22	Jr.	Minneapolis

\* Lettermen

### 1934-35 Schedule

- Dec. 8 - Hamline 24 Minnesota 31
- Dec. 11 - St. Thomas 18 Minnesota 28
- Dec. 15 - N. D. State 13 Minnesota 42
- Dec. 20 - Carleton 26 Minnesota 34
- Dec. 29 - Nebraska at Lincoln 26 Minnesota 24
- Dec. 31 - Superior State Teachers College at Superior Wis. 33  
Minnesota 44
- Jan. 5 - Notre Dame at Minneapolis
- Jan. 12 - Michigan at Minneapolis
- Jan. 14 - Iowa at Minneapolis
- Jan. 19 - Chicago at Chicago
- Jan. 21 - Wisconsin at Madison
- Feb. 2 - Iowa at Iowa City
- Feb. 4 - Chicago at Minneapolis
- Feb. 9 - Indiana at Bloomington
- Feb. 11 - Michigan at Ann Arbor
- Feb. 18 - Wisconsin at Minneapolis
- Feb. 23 - Illinois at Minneapolis
- March 2 - Illinois at Urbana
- March 4 - Notre Dame at Notre Dame
- March 9 - Indiana at Minneapolis

### Scores of 1933-34 Basketball Season

Minnesota	24	St. Thomas	25
Minnesota	47	Cornell	23
Minnesota	23	Pittsburgh	23
Minnesota	14	DePaul	22
Minnesota	37	Nebraska	16
Minnesota	30	Purdue	45
Minnesota	26	Northwestern	33
Minnesota	39	Iowa	38
Minnesota	24	Ohio State	28
Minnesota	31	Northwestern	30
Minnesota	36	Chicago	18
Minnesota	41	Ohio State	39
Minnesota	23	Chicago	22
Minnesota	34	Notre Dame	43
Minnesota	30	Wisconsin	31
Minnesota	30	Purdue	47
Minnesota	30	Iowa	33
Minnesota	43	Carleton	29
Minnesota	23	Wisconsin	34
Minnesota	43	Notre Dame	41

Minnesota won 9 games, and lost 11 in all contests. In Big Ten competition, Minnesota won 5 and lost 6 games

David MacMillan, basketball coach at the University of Minnesota is coaching his eighth season of basketball at the Gopher institution. MacMillan came to Minnesota in 1927 from the University of Idaho, his Alma Mater, where he coached several strong teams in the Pacific Coast conference. Coach MacMillan attended both Oberlin College and the University of Idaho during his undergraduate days. Following his graduation he played for several years with the famous New York Celtics in the national basketball league. He began his coaching career at New Brunswick, N. J. high school before returning to Idaho to direct basketball activities.

#### Attendance Record

The largest crowd that ever attended a college basketball game saw the Minnesota-Purdue game at the Gopher Field House, February 19, 1934, when 13,732 persons witnessed the contest.

#### Minnesota Basketball Championships

Under the direction of Dr. L. J. Cooke, now assistant athletic director at Minnesota, the Gophers won cage titles in 1902, 1903, 1904, 1917 and 1919. Of these title-winning teams that of 1919 was the most famous. It won 13 consecutive games for a 1.000 per cent record. In more recent years under the direction of David MacMillan, Minnesota finished second in 1931 and 1932. The Gophers were seventh last season.

**Note:** Following are sketches of members of the University of Minnesota basketball squad expected to form the 1935 team.

GEORGE ROSCOE, junior forward, always amazes those seeing him for the first time with his unorthodox shooting style. A broken arm in high school caused him to change his form to a one-handed push shot which he uses at the free throw line also. Extremely accurate and quick with this shot he scored 16 points against Notre Dame last year with it. Roscoe is a six foot, 185 pound triple threat football halfback also. He is 21 and started as a high school athlete at Minneapolis Central.

DICK SEEBACH, sophomore guard, was a member of the state championship Red Wing high school quint two years ago. A fine ball handler he should be valuable with more experience. Seebach is 5'10", weighs 155 and is 18.

GLENN BARNUM, guard, proved to be something of a pinch hitter last year in several of the close games that featured Minnesota's schedule. A good floor man and a fair shot. Won his letter. Is 5'11" tall, weighs 155 and is 20.

JAMES BAKER, forward, from Glencoe, also Barnum's home town, also won his letter last season. Baker is fast and a good shot but lacks height. Is 5'9" and weighs 160.

CHARLES WALLBLOM, forward, a junior from St. Paul, should be considerably improved in 1935. Last year he was playing regularly weighing 145 pounds. At 19 he is an inch taller than a year ago and weighs 155 now. One of the best shots on the squad and a clever floor man. Increased stamina should make him more valuable. He is 5'10" and 19.

EARL SVENDSEN, sophomore guard, is the younger brother of George, football player and regular guard last year. "Bud" is a six footer weighing 185 pounds and like his brother is a battler. They are pals off the floor and neither give nor ask anything of each other in competition. "Bud" is expected to share the guard berth with George much of the time this season.

GEORGE SVENDSEN, junior, played regular guard in 1934. He is a rugged 200 pound athlete standing 6'3" and plays aggressively. He is a good shot and can move fast for his size. A football man. A Minneapolis boy.

EDWARD STELZER, sophomore guard, apparently will hold down a regular position. Stelzer is a great ball handler and a good shot. He stands 6'1" weighs 175 and is 19. From New York, N. Y.

RAY ANTIL, sophomore guard, is a good prospect this season. A six foot, 185 pound youth. Antil is fast, aggressive and can handle the ball. Should develop fast with experience. From Maple Lake.

GORDON KORMAN, senior center, should have his best year. The Rochester youth standing 6'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall was consistently outstanding last year. He was a valuable man in the "hole" position and a good shooting eye plus two years of experience should mean much to Minnesota again. He has gained 10 pounds to weigh 195 this year. He is 20.

Sports release



Minneapolis, Jan-14--With the winter quarter in full swing, more than 200 University athletes at the University of Minnesota are set to engage in at least 54 competitive events during the indoor season. While all schedules are not complete as yet 54 contests in basketball, hockey, swimming, wrestling and track have been set to date.

Twenty games comprise the basketball schedule and seven of them already have been played resulting in six victories for the Gophers. After defeating Notre Dame as the climax of its non-conference schedule, Minnesota will open its Big Ten competition January 12 against Michigan.

Following the Michigan game the Gophers will face Iowa two days later and then engage Chicago, January 19. Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois are other conference opponents on Minnesota's 1935 schedule.

The Minnesota hockey squad of 24 men will engage in 17 games this season. Three of these contests already have been played. One resulted in a victory over the Minneapolis A.A.U. All-Stars and the other two games were lost to Yale.

After facing the University of Manitoba, January 10-11, the Gophers will open their Western Conference schedule against Michigan at Minneapolis January 18-19. Games with Michigan Tech, Wisconsin and the Northwest A.A.U. champions will round out the competition for the Gophers.

Coach Niels Thorpe's swimmers will open their conference schedule against Iowa at Iowa City, February 9. Illinois and Minnesota will dedicate Minnesota's new athletic building February 16. This will be the first meet in the new Gopher pool. The Gophers will meet Wisconsin in the new pool March 9 and then take part in the conference meet at Illinois, March 16. Thorpe has not completed his swimming schedule yet and two other meets are likely.

Gopher wrestlers will open their season against Carleton January 19, later facing Cornell College, February 2, Iowa Teachers, February 9; Iowa February 16; Wisconsin, February 23 and Nebraska, March 2.

The track squad will open the indoor season February 9, against Drake. Meets have been scheduled with Michigan, Iowa and Wisconsin to complete the dual meet indoor season. The gymnastic squad will engage in several meets although its schedule is only tentative at present.

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Minneapolis, Jan---Minnesota's new athletic building, the latest addition to the Gopher athletic plant, now houses the department of physical education and athletics. Athletic administrative offices and classrooms for the department of physical education were occupied this week with the beginning of the winter quarter.

The new building, a three story structure, will be entirely finished in time for dedication exercises on February 16. The top floor gymnasium is now in use and the finishing touches are being put on the two swimming pools which will be a feature of the building.

The main pool, 75 feet long by 40 feet wide, will give the Gophers long-needed facilities for swimming. It will now be possible to hold conference and sectional swimming meets at Minnesota. A smaller pool--75 feet long by 30 feet wide--will be used for intramural purposes.

Completion of this building along with Memorial Stadium and the Field House, plus 25 acres of playing fields and tennis courts and an 18 hole golf course will give Minnesota an ideal plant for physical education and athletics.



Sports release

Minneapolis, Jan. 23 The 14 year old dream of Niels Thorpe, Minnesota swimming coach, was realized this week as he called his varsity swimming squad into action in the exhibition pool of the new Minnesota athletic building.

The dream of a new pool has been Thorpe's ever since he first took charge of the Gopher swimmers back in 1921 and its realization is even greater than the dream, according to the coach. The new pool is 75 feet long by 40 feet wide with a maximum depth of 12 feet. A specially constructed diving tower with high and low boards and a ceiling 35 feet above the water also will give Minnesota fine facilities for diving.

Special lighting equipment, and seating capacity for 1,300 persons around the edges of the pool also will give Minnesota the facilities to hold conference and intersectional meets in the latest addition to its athletic plant. In addition to the varsity pool there is an intramural pool the same length as the exhibition tank but which is 10 feet narrower.

Under Thorpe's direction in the old Armory pool, long the home of Gopher swimmers, Minnesota has won conference championships in 1922 and 1926 and finished second in 1923 and 1927. Only twice were the Gophers lower than fourth place in that time. Last year Minnesota finished fourth in the conference meet at Iowa. Since 1924, 26 members of the team have placed in national championship meets, and at least one member of the team has counted each year. In 1934 the medley team of Thor Anderson, Leonard Rush and Ordway Swennes kept this record intact.

Usually optimistic about his prospects Thorpe leans toward conservatism this year in summing up the 1935 squad's prospects. The loss of seven lettermen will handicap the Gophers considerably and a dearth of new material in several events does not lead to a promising outlook, according to the Gopher coach.

Lettermen returning are Captain Wesley Webb, Max Moulton, Minneapolis; John Beard and Austin Sparling, St. Paul; Walter Gjelhaug, Baudette and Dick Pfiel, Milwaukee, Wis.

Webb, a consistent point winner, will swim both the back stroke and the sprints this season. Moulton, a rangy, powerful back stroke swimmer, gave great promise as a sophomore two years ago. Returning this year after a year's absence from college, he is expected to add considerable strength to the squad. Beard is a distance swimmer while Sparling and Pfiel are dashmen. Gjelhaug will swim both dashes and distances.

Of the sophomore candidates Gordon Brude, John Comstock and John Sivertson, all of Minneapolis, will concentrate on the breast stroke. In the back stroke with Moulton and Captain Webb will be James Brandt of St. Paul and Joseph Therien of Minneapolis.

Milan Johnston, Duluth; Richard Aronson, Minneapolis; Richard Teague, Detroit Lakes; Dave Marcus, Minneapolis are distance candidates among the new men while John Wetzel of Little Falls and Louis Hess of St. Paul are two promising spring swimmers.

No veterans are available in the diving event and only one graduate from the freshman squad, Bill Ferris of Minneapolis, is on the squad at present.

Nine dual meets make up the Minnesota schedule this year in addition to the Western Conference championships at Illinois March 16. They are as follows:

Jan. 19	Minneapolis Y.M.C.A.	at Y
Jan. 26	Gustavus Adolphus	at Minneapolis
Feb. 2	Carleton	at Northfield
Feb. 9	Iowa	at Iowa
Feb. 12	Gustavus Adolphus	at Gustavus
Feb. 16	Illinois (dedication of new pool)	at Minneapolis
Feb. 22	Carleton (tentative)	at Minneapolis
Mar. 9	Wisconsin	at Minneapolis
Mar. 16	Conference meet	at Illinois



Minneapolis, Jan. <sup>25</sup> Further advanced in its early training than any Minnesota indoor track squad in recent years the 1935 Gopher team is expected to be in top form for its first competitive start of the season against Drake, February 9.

The squad, which will be directed by Sherman Finger and Clarence Munn, has as its two chief point winning hopes, Bill Freimuth, giant shotputter and Wayne Slocum, distance runner.

Freimuth, standing six feet, six inches tall and weighing 220 pounds, in his first competitive trial recently, tossed the 16 pound weight 47 feet, 9 inches. The Duluth athlete has decided to confine his entire efforts to the shot this season rather than dividing his time between basketball and track. Freimuth was indoor conference champion as a sophomore last season.

Slocum, who finished second in the two mile run at the indoor conference last year, ran his first competitive mile of the year in good time and the Gopher coaches expect him to be under his last season's mark of 9.36 before the season gets far along.

Including Freimuth, Slocum and Bradley Laird, Minnesota captain and quarter-miler, Finger and Munn will have a nucleus of ten lettermen with which to start the season. While the coaches are not too optimistic over the Gopher chances this season they believe that stiffer competition will bring Minnesota along faster than trying to build up gradually.

For this reason the Gophers will open with Drake at the Minnesota field house, February 9 and then follow with Michigan and Iowa and Wisconsin before the Western Conference indoor meet at Chicago, March 9.

Continuing their policy of hitting the hard ones Minnesota will open its outdoor season at the Drake Relays, April 27-28 at Des Moines. Meets with Michigan, Iowa and Marquette will follow with another dual engagement with Wisconsin following the conference meet at Ann Arbor.

Steve Weisman in the high jump; Ulysses Deters in the mile; Bill Rich and Earl Hacking in the half mile; Henry Knoblauch and Clarence Krause in the hurdles and Evan Lander in the dashes complete the list of Minnesota veterans available.

Of the new men reporting Lawrence Gibson of LaCrosse, Wis.; Art Clarkson and Bob Lewis, a couple of speedy recruits from the football squad, are sprinters of promise. Bob Evarts, University high school star, and Robert Bement are outstanding middle distance condidates, while Bob Brown, former half mile star from Minneapolis West, is the best miler among the sophomores.

Milton Wishnick and Lewis Smith, both of Minneapolis, are a pair of former state high school meet stars in the hurdles on whom the Gophers are counting. In addition to Freimuth in the shotput, Clarence Munn is seeking to develop Stan Kostka and Dominic Krezowski. Kostka has a mark of more than 51 feet with the 12 pound shot made when he was in high school at South St. Paul.

Following is the 1935 Minnesota track schedule:

Feb. 9	Drake at Minneapolis
Feb. 15	Michigan at Minneapolis
Feb. 22	Iowa at Minneapolis
Mar. 2	Wisconsin at Madison
Mar. 9	Conference at Chicago

Outdoors

April 26-27	Drake Relays at DesMoines
May 4	Michigan at Ann Arbor
May 11	Iowa at Iowa City
May 18	Marquette at Minneapolis
May 24-25	Conference meet at Ann Arbor
June 1	Wisconsin at Minneapolis in conjunction with state high school meet.

Sports release



Minneapolis, Feb. 7--The playing of Dick Seebach, a wiry little sophomore guard, who believes in making the most of opportunity is one of the principal reasons why Minnesota's basketball team is sharing third place in the Western Conference championship race at present.

Believed, at the beginning of the season, to be too small to make the Gopher team, Seebach came through in his first real opportunity of the season against Iowa last week.

Bigger and more experienced men were available but it was Seebach who started and he was one of the main factors in the Gophers' one-point victory. He played an outstanding floor game and his three baskets were a big help.

With only a day to rest on his new laurels Seebach started his second conference game of the season against Chicago and again his tireless efforts and the smoothness with which he fitted into Minnesota's style of play aided in winning.

Weighing slightly more than 150 pounds, Seebach is five feet, nine inches tall and possesses fine speed and stamina. He does not shoot often from his guard position but makes a good percentage of his attempts when he does.

He came to Minnesota from Red Wing, Minn., one of the early basketball strongholds of the state. The game has become almost a tradition in Seebach's home town and many fine college players have come from there. A member of one of Minnesota's greatest teams, that of 1919, came from Red Wing. Neal Arntson, forward on the famous 1.000 per cent team of 1919 came to Minnesota from Red Wing.

A broken collarbone suffered in a football game kept Seebach out of basketball as a high school sophomore but he became a regular guard as a junior. Red Wing lost the right to play in the state tournament that year in the district

finals, but the following season won the state championship with Seebach and Art Lillyblad, another member of the Gopher squad, as the team's outstanding players.

Both players were outstanding on the Minnesota freshman squad last season but an injured knee early this year put Lillyblad out for the season, thus leaving Seebach the task of "carrying on" as Red Wing's representative on Minnesota's team.

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Dedication of the new athletic building at the University of Minnesota will be made February 16, by President Lotus B. Coffman, with Governor Floyd B. Olson, Major John L. Griffith, Western Conference commissioner of athletics and Frank G. McCormick, Gopher athletic director, as speakers.

Three athletic contests will furnish an afternoon and evening of entertainment at the dedication and the first "open house." Minnesota and Iowa will meet in gymnastic and wrestling meets preceding the dedication exercises in the afternoon.

The evening feature event will be the Minnesota-Illinois swimming meet and a diving exhibition by Richard Degener, former Michigan star and present national A.A.U. champion. Degener, representing the Detroit Athletic Club, is former intercollegiate diving champion and was a member of the United States Olympic team in 1932.

Another star, Chuck Flackman of Illinois, will feature the meet. Flackman holds the national intercollegiate title at 50 yards and also holds Western Conference championships at 50, 100 and 220 yards.

Trophies and souvenirs from Minnesota's long athletic history, including the famous Little Brown Jug, will be on display in the lobby trophy cases also. Under the direction of Dr. L. J. Cooke, assistant athletic director, many prized souvenirs from the past have been collected for this permanent display.

Sports release



Minneapolis, Feb. 14-Perhaps its a little early to start thinking about the Western Conference indoor track meet at Chicago, March 8-9, but Wayne Slocum, Minnesota two miler, doesn't believe so. In fact, he's been thinking about the coming championships for a whole year.

It was just a little less than a year ago that Slocum, then a sophomore, ran his first big indoor race at the Big Ten championships. He changed his old, familiar running shoes for a new pair just before the race and before he got the feel of the new running gear he had taken two bad falls shortly after the start.

Falling <sup>far</sup> behind the field, he not only continued to run but finished second to Neree-Alix of Michigan. Slocum's time was approximately 9 minutes and 36 seconds but he has never forgotten the race he came so close to winning, and this year he is bending every effort to be at his best the night of March 9.

Incidentally, Slocum will run again <sup>st</sup> Neree-Alix, the runner who won the 1934 indoor two mile, when Minnesota meets Michigan in a dual track meet at the Gopher field house, Friday. This race will be something of a test for both runners as it will bring the winner and runner-up in last year's conference race together and give a line on what they may be expected to do this season. It will also bring together two runners with entirely different styles of covering long distances. Slocum is a rangy, wiry chap with a long, driving stride while Neree-Alix is a little fellow who runs with an effortless, pattering form.

Slocum ran against Drake a week ago handicapped by a bad cold. Despite the handicap he almost lapped the opposition and finished his race in 9.46. To be up scoring at the conference meet against such runners as his Michigan opponent, Lash and Smullen of Indiana and Dufrane of Illinois, Slocum and Sherman Finger, Minnesota coach, believe that he will have to run well under 9.30.

That sounds like an almost impossible task - cutting approximately 20 seconds off one's time in less than a month. But let's see how a good two miler goes about it.

In the first place Slocum works constantly on pace. A good distance runner doesn't merely go out and run as far as he can at top speed. He plans his efforts and he knows, for instance, that if he runs every 220 yard lap of his race in exactly 35 seconds that he will finish in 9 minutes and 20 seconds. Therefore, if he's aiming at a 9.20 mile he tries to average somewhere near that time per lap. Perhaps he plans to sprint at the start and finish but through the major part of his race he will try to hold the pace.

Aiming at 35 seconds per lap Slocum last week ran four consecutive laps with the express purpose of hitting that time for each of them. When he had finished a check on the stopwatch showed that he had run two of them in 34 and 7/10 seconds and two more in exactly 35. It takes a lot of running to judge pace that well but good distance men know to within a fraction of a second how fast they are running.

That sense of pace, plus a great deal of hard work are what make a two miler go around a track to new lows for the distance. Slocum's schedule calls for three or four miles on Monday. If anyone thinks he just jogs this distance let him fall in behind Slocum for a few laps.

Tuesday calls for several half miles with a rest between each run. These are run at racing speed to learn pace. Wednesday means a mile and one-half at the same pace and a few sprints. Thursday means another long, hard workout with a day of rest before Saturday's race. That's the kind of training that brings condition of two miles in anything under 10 minutes.



Minneapolis, Feb. 26-Although snow still hides the diamond on Northrop Field, the University of Minnesota baseball squad opened its 1935 practise season in the spacious quarters of the Minnesota field house this week.

Coach Frank G. McCormick has ordered all varsity baseball candidates to report five times a week at the field house until weather conditions permit outdoor work. As Minnesota's schedule does not open until April 26-27, when Luther college comes to Minneapolis, the practise period will allow two months of preparation before the opening of the intercollegiate season.

Ten lettermen, headed by Milton Bruhn, make up the group of available veterans for the 1935 season. Only one, Spencer Wagnild, hockey captain is engaged in a sport that will prevent his taking part in the indoor work, although several non-lettermen candidates are engaged in other activities at present.

Three of the returning veterans are pitchers, who give Minnesota the nucleus of a strong pitching staff for the coming season. Tom Gallivan and Everett Grossman are righthanded pitchers while Elroy Hendrickson is lefthanded.

Despite the apparent strength of his pitching staff, Coach McCormick is seeking to augment this group of experienced men with one or two sophomores, as Gallivan and Hendrickson are seniors.

Minnesota is always in need of more than one strong pitcher because of the nature of its schedule. Located at a considerable distance from most of its rivals two-game series usually are scheduled in order to avoid excessive travel. This means that the pitching staff must be fairly well-balanced to avoid too heavy a burden on the leading pitcher.

One of the most promising sophomores whom Coach Frank McCormick has in mind is Edwin Widseth, 225 pound football tackle. Although lacking in baseball experience the big fellow has the easy, natural motion of a good pitcher plus

great speed. A southpaw, lack of control was Widseth's chief difficulty as a freshman last year. If this fault can be eliminated or reduced, he will make a valuable addition to Minnesota's baseball team this year.

Milton Bruhn has been doing the catching for the varsity for two seasons and he probably will take care of these responsibilities again this season. Bruhn's timely hitting has been a big factor in his team's victories during the past two years. Bill Kane, at present on the basketball squad, will join the squad as a catcher at the end of the season. He is not a letterman.

Mark Klonowski won his letter at first base in 1934 and he will be available again this season. Frank Stanton at second base and Bernard Wolcynski at shortstop are other returning infielders with Vernal LeVair at third rounding out a complete infield of lettermen. Only one letterman, Eugene Gentry, third baseman, was lost by graduation.

Henry Streich and Spencer Wagnild are the only two "M" winners among the outfielders. Captain Fay Krause and "Bucky" Johnson were two graduating outfielders from last year's squad.

Thus far Minnesota has scheduled the following games:

April	26-27	Luther College	at Minneapolis
May	3-4	Northwestern	at Evanston
May	10-11	Wisconsin	at Minneapolis
May	17-18	Iowa	at Minneapolis
May	24-25	Purdue	at Minneapolis
May	29-30	Iowa	at Iowa City
June	3-4	Wisconsin	at Madison

Sports Release

Minneapolis, March 13—Two members of the University of Minnesota basketball team will end their competition when the Gophers finish the 1935 season against Indiana, Saturday, at the Field House, and then David MacMillan will get out his pencil and paper and start planning next year's team.

Gordon Norman, center for the past three years, and George Svendsen, a guard for two seasons, will play their final game for Minnesota against Indiana.

Members of this year's squad<sup>who</sup> will return next season are: George Roscoe, guard, Minneapolis; Richard Seebach, guard, Red Wing; James Baker, forward, Glencoe; Charles Wallblom, forward, St. Paul; Edward Stelzer, forward, New York, N.Y.; Earl Svendsen, Minneapolis; Dominic Krezowski, guard, Minneapolis; Ray Antil, Maple Lake; Irving Kupperberg, New York, N.Y.; Bill Freimuth, center, Duluth.

Norman's place will be a difficult one to fill and already MacMillan has been fixing a speculative eye on the freshman center candidates coached by George Otterness.

The first year squad contains six centers including Lowell Sullivan, Robert Manley, and Jack Watson of St. Paul, George Gustafson of Two Harbors, Eddie Anderson, Minneapolis and Gilford Atwood, Austin.

These six athletes average about six feet two inches in height. The tallest of them is considerably shorter than Norman, and, of course, all will be lacking in experience. With this latter thought in mind MacMillan will devote his spring and fall practises with an eye toward developing a suitable varsity center from the group.

Freshman guards who have shown possibilities of developing into players of varsity calibre are George Nash, Andy Uram and Earl Halverson, all of

Minneapolis. As high school players Nash represented Edison High, Uram played at Marshall and Halvorson played for West. Outstanding guard candidates include Hugo Naslund of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and J. Olson of Minneapolis.

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Minneapolis, March --What does a football coach do outside of his regular working hours in the fall?

Bernie Bierman, Minnesota coach, answers that question with a single word, "Travel," Bierman estimates that he's covered 23,000 miles since the end of football season attending various meetings, banquets and other gatherings. This mileage includes two trips to New York, one to Philadelphia and one to Chicago.

Most of the remaining mileage accumulated on trips to various cities and towns in Minnesota on speaking engagements. And he estimates that he still has another thousand or so miles to travel before he calls a halt on his schedule and returns to coaching spring football, April 1.

Sports release



Minneapolis, March 18-Bernie Bierman, having practically concluded his winter-long tour of speaking engagements, is now marking time until April 1, when he expects approximately 80 candidates for the 1935 University of Minnesota football team to report for spring practise. Practise will last about six weeks, its termination depending on the progress of the squad, according to Bierman.

Having worked with freshmen and new candidates through a casual winter practise the Gopher coach and his assistants expect to really get something of a line on Minnesota's prospects for the coming fall.

While several veterans will be out for other sports the majority of the new candidates will be on hand for the six weeks session. Milton Bruhn, Ed Widseth, Vernal LeVoir and George Roscoe will be on the Gopher baseball squad while Bill Freimuth and Dom Krezowski will be members of the track squad. Krezowski, however, probably will divide his time between the two sports.

Experienced candidates for the end positions expected to report are Raymond Antil, Bruce Berryman, Frank Warner and Krezowski. Kenneth Dollarhide and Dick Farmer, former backfield candidates, also will try for the ends this spring. Freshmen ends reporting include Ray King, Duluth; Russ Wile, Minneapolis and Dwight Reed, St. Paul.

Tackles returning from the 1934 squad for spring practise are Dick Smith, Willis Smith and Ray Trampe. Newcomers include Lewis Midler, St. Paul; Robert Olson, Osseo; Robert Johnson, Anoka and Robert Hoel, Minneapolis.

Veteran guards available for the spring session are Charles Wilkinson, Caifson Johnson, Dale Hanson and Vernon Oech. Clifford Synnes, Minneapolis; Dick Edwards, Minneapolis; Ted Wojcik, St. Paul; Ernest Nyman, Minneapolis; John Lyman, Rockford, Ill.; John Oase, St. Paul.

Dale Rennebohm, Earl Svendsen and Dale Hanson will be veteran centers reporting April 1, with Dan Elmer and Jim Woolley of Minneapolis as recruits from the freshmen squad.

Captain Glen Seidel, Sam Hunt and Jack Rooney, three experienced quarterbacks, will be on hand to direct the play during spring practise with Harold Wrightson and Robert Hurd, a pair of promising freshmen from Minneapolis to further strengthen Minnesota in this position.

Sheldon Boise, Whitman Rork and Lawrence Bugni will be experienced full-backs reporting. They will be supplemented by Charley Schultz, 220 pound candidate from St. Paul and Victor Spadaccini of Koewatin, both newcomers.

For the left halfback post vacated by Captain Francis Lund, only one veteran will be on hand during spring practise. George Rennix will be the only experienced player for the position with George Roscoe out for baseball. Andy Uram of Minneapolis and Clarence Thompson of Montevideo will be prospective sophomore backs on hand.

Julie Alfonse and Bob Lewis, both members of the 1934 squad and Bill Matheny of Anoka; Rudy Guitro, Minneapolis and Luther Cook of Billings, Mont., new men, also will be on hand.



Sports release

Minneapolis, March 28—The University of Minnesota tennis squad, with five outstanding players eligible for competition this spring, is expected to put its strongest team of recent years against the Western Conference field.

When Coach Phil Brain calls his squad together for the opening practise of the spring term April 1, he will have only two lettermen back, Roy Huber of last year's squad and Joseph (Larry) Armstrong, a letterwinner of several seasons ago. However, he will also have Billy Schommer, a member of the national park board doubles championship team of last year, also available along with Nathan Shapiro and Frank Berry, two other players of promise.

Huber developed steadily last season and is expected to be in top form this spring while Armstrong, who returned to the University last fall, has been playing considerably since he earned his first letter several seasons ago. Both Huber and Armstrong are from St. Paul.

Schommer, a lefthanded player, teamed with Charles Britzius, <sup>a former</sup> Gopher captain, to win the park board doubles title last season. In 1933 with Milton Ruehl he formed the middle west's ranking doubles team and he also held the western singles title in 1933.

All of these players have been working steadily at the Minnesota field house during the winter months under Brain's direction and are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to get on the outdoor courts. Gopher tennis players have been consistently in the upper brackets in conference play during the past several seasons, but this season they will make a determined bid to reach the top.

Coach Brain has arranged a ten game schedule, exclusive of the conference meet at Evanston, Ill., May 23-24-25. Minnesota will play Iowa, Michigan, Chicago, Wisconsin and Northwestern in the Big Ten and Carleton, Gustavus Adolphus and St. Olaf in the state college conference.

Following is the complete schedule:

April 25	Carleton at Minneapolis
April 27	Gustavus Adolphus at Minneapolis
April 29	Carleton at Northfield
May 1	St Olaf at Minneapolis
May 3	Iowa at Iowa City
May 4	Michigan at Chicago
May 6	Chicago at Chicago
May 7	Wisconsin at Madison
May 11	Wisconsin at Minneapolis
May 18	Northwestern at Minneapolis
May 23-24-25	Conference meet at Evanston





Sports Release

Minneapolis, April 8—Minnesota's spring intercollegiate athletic program of 43 contests in four sports will open April 12-13 when the Gopher baseball team plays Nebraska at Lincoln, Neb.

Baseball leads in the amount of actual competition with 18 games on the schedule, 12 of which will be played with Western Conference opponents. The program calls for four games each with Iowa and Wisconsin and two each with Northwestern and Purdue.

Golfers are next, with 11 matches, exclusive of the Big Ten meet, although only two of these will be played with conference opponents. They will meet Iowa and Wisconsin, in addition to competing in the conference meet over the Killdeer Country Club course at Evanston, May 20-21. Exclusive of conference competition the Minnesota golfers will meet Iowa State, St. Olaf and Carleton, besides playing in the St. Paul city league.

Track athletes will compete at the Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kan. April 18. A week later they will compete in the Drake Relays and then swing into a dual meet program that calls for competition with Michigan, Iowa and Marquette on successive weekends before the conference meet at Ann Arbor, May 24-25. The Gophers will end their season against Wisconsin, June 1 at Memorial Stadium.

Its prospects brighter than at any time in recent years, the Minnesota tennis team will play Iowa, Michigan, Chicago, Northwestern and Wisconsin in the conference before the Big Ten meet at Evanston May 23-24-25. Ten matches will be played in all and Carleton, Gustavus Adolphus and St. Olaf will furnish opposition outside of the conference.

Following is the complete schedule of Minnesota's athletic competition for this spring.

**BASEBALL:**

April 12-13	Nebraska at Lincoln, Neb.
April 16	Gustavus Adolphus here
April 20	River Falls Teachers' Collete here
April 26-27	Luther College, Decorah, Ia., here
May 3-4	Northwestern at Evanston
May 10-11	Wisconsin at Minneapolis
May 17-18	Iowa at Minneapolis
May 24-25	Purdue at Minneapolis
May 29-30	Iowa at Iowa City
June 3-4	Wisconsin at Madison

**TENNIS:**

April 25	Carleton here
April 27	Gustavus Adolphus here
May 1	St. Olaf here
May 3	Iowa at Iowa City
May 4	Michigan at Chicago
May 6	Chicago at Chicago
May 7	Wisconsin at Madison
May 11	Wisconsin here
May 18	Northwestern here
May 23-24-25	Conference at Evanston

**TRACK:**

April 18	Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kan.
April 26-27	Drake Relays at Des Moines, Ia.
May 4	Madison at Ann Arbor
May 11	Iowa at Iowa City
May 18	Marquette here
May 24-25	Conference at Ann Arbor
June 1	Wisconsin here in conjunction with Minnesota state high school meet

**GOLF:**

April 15	St. Olaf here
April 26	Carleton here
May 2	Northwood Country Club at Midland Hills*
May 4	Iowa State at Ames
May 6	Iowa at Iowa City
May 13	Wisconsin here
May 16	Town and Country Club at White Bear *
May 20-21	Conference at Evanston
May 23	Somerset at Hillcrest,*
May 25	St. Olaf at Northfield
June 13	Hillcrest at Southview

\* St. Paul City League

Sports Release



Minneapolis, April 14—Delayed several days in their practise by unfavorable weather, Minnesota's outdoor track squad this week began pointing toward the seven weeks of constant competition that will open for them with the Drake Relays at Des Moines, Iowa, April 26-27. Later Minnesota will meet Michigan, Iowa, Marquette and Wisconsin in addition to competing in the conference meet.

The Gophers will put their principal dependence on the two aces of the indoor season, Bill Freimuth, shotputter, and Wayne Slocum, two miler. These two already have given indication of continuing where they left off at the end of the indoor season. In their first outdoor competition at the Texas Relays a few weeks ago Freimuth finished third in the shot and Slocum won the 3,000 meters in 8:57.6.

Freimuth's best mark outdoors was made last spring when he put the 16 pound weight a distance of 49 feet, 10½ inches. Clarence Munn, who has been directing Freimuth since the Duluth athlete's freshman days, predicts that he will break 50 feet this spring. He won the indoor conference title in his event for the past two years.

Slocum finished second again in the 1935 indoor conference, his time being 9:26 this year.

Outdoors these athletes will be more valuable to their team as Freimuth has a mark of 144 feet, 8 inches in the discus and Slocum has run the mile in 4:28. This will add to the Minnesota strength in dual competition.

In the hurdles Minnesota will have Henry Knoblauch, Clarence Krause and Milton Wishnick in both the 120 yard highs and the 220 yard lows. Knoblauch, a senior from Minneapolis, has run the high hurdles in 15 seconds flat. Wishnick, also from Minneapolis, has the best time in the low hurdles--25 seconds flat. Krause, who has been developing steadily is from Woodstock, Ill.

Evan Lander, a junior from St. Paul, will be Minnesota's chief hope in the 100 yard dash. Lander, a stocky, redheaded youth, was the surprise of the indoor season when he finished fifth in the world's record breaking 60 yard dash at the indoor conference.

Lawrence Gibson, La Crosse, Wis., Ed Graham, Kansas City, Mo., and Lander will compete in the 220 yard dash for the Gophers. Graham, Captain Bradley Laird and Robert Blotcky will be the Gopher quartermilers. The latter two are from Minneapolis. Dick Robb, Bill Rich and Earl Hacking will be Gopher hopes in the half mile. All three are Minneapolis boys.

In addition to Slocum in the mile, Vernon Dahl and Robert Brown will be available. Dahl and Brown are capable of running under 4.30 and with Slocum on hand Minnesota will have more than usual strength in this event. Brown is a former half mile star from Minneapolis West high school while Dahl also comes from Minneapolis.

Slocum in the two mile virtually assures Minnesota of points in this event in dual competition.

Freimuth in the shot and discus will be seconded by Dominic Krezowski in the former event and Selmer Anderson, a fellow Duluthian in the discus. Krezowski is a former Minneapolis Edison high school track athlete.

Erwin Burg, Milwaukee, Wis.; has a mark of 175 feet in the javelin while Bob Larson with 23 feet, 6 inches in the broad jump is the best leaper on the squad. Ray Kotchevar of Ely and Rudy Lanto of Nashwauk are the best of the varsity pole vaulters.

Sports release



Minneapolis, April 23--Spring practise, the time for preliminary proving of football squads, is two weeks along at Minnesota and both coaches and sideline experts are beginning to get an idea of the kind of a team that the Gophers will put on the gridiron next fall.

Although the squad has participated in one game, between the veterans and the new men, the climax of the season will not come until May 18, the date of the annual spring practise game between two picked squads.

The first game, between the veterans of 1934 and the prospective sophomores, who hope to be on the 1935 roster, proved only one thing--that the entire squad needs plenty of hard work before September 28, when the season will open with North Dakota State.

For the purposes of spring practise the entire group of approximately 100 athletes has been divided into two squads. The "A" squad is composed of former lettermen and the most likely reserves and freshmen. The rest of the group forms the "B" squad with promotions and demotions taking place from time to time at the discretion of the coaches. Both groups engage in scrimmage and games within their own squads.

The first weekly game between the veterans and the prospective sophomores of the "A" squad showed that the newcomers have plenty to learn about blocking and defensive play. With few exceptions the new backs had little chance to get started before varsity linemen were pinning them to the ground.

Andy Uram, a sophomore left halfback, who has played that position ever since he began playing at Marshall high school, Minneapolis, was outstanding in the backfield among the new men, with Charley Schultz, a 219 pound guard from St. Paul and Ray King, an end from Duluth, apparently destined for bigger things

in the line. King, a fellow townsman of Frank Larson, Gopher All-American end in 1934, is built along the same generous lines as the former Minnesota varsity end. He is six feet, three inches tall and weighs about 185 pounds, almost the exact physical proportions of Larson.

Other new men who have shown possibilities are Lewis Midler, tackle, St. Paul; Dwight Reed, end, St. Paul; Clarence Thompson, halfback, Montevideo; Victor Spadaccini, fullback, Keewatin; Russ Wile, end, Minneapolis; Rudy Gmitro, halfback, Minneapolis and Bob Johnson, tackle, Anoka.

Among the experienced players who have been reporting regularly are Julius Alfonse, halfback, Cumberland, Wis.; Sheldon Beise, Fullback, Mound; Whitman Rork, fullback, Eau Claire, Wis.; Ray Antil, end, Maple Lake; Glen Seidel, quarterback, Minneapolis; Jack Rooney, quarterback, Hot Springs, S.D.; George Rennix, halfback, Aberdeen, S.D.; Bob Lewis, halfback, St. Paul; Dale Rennebohn, center, Austin; Lawrence Bugni, fullback, Montreal, Wis.; Dominic Krezowski, end, Minneapolis; Bruce Berryman, end, Jackson; Dale Hanson, guard, Alfred, N. D.; Stanley Hanson, center, Mound; Dick Smith, tackle, Rockford, Ill.; Willis Smith, tackle, Minneapolis; Charles Wilkinson, guard, Minneapolis; Earl Svendsen, center, Minneapolis, and Frank Warner, end, Minneapolis.

Several veterans who will figure in the lineup next year are at present on other athletic teams and will not report for any of the spring football training. They are George Roscoe, left halfback, Minneapolis; Vernal LeVoir, quarterback, Minneapolis; Edwin Widseth, tackle, McIntosh; Mark Klonowski, end, Winona, members of the Baseball team and Bill Freimuth, tackle, Duluth, at present on the track team.

Sports release

Minneapolis, April ~~30~~ Scoring 47 runs in four games against Nebraska, Gustavus Adolphus and River Falls Teachers College, the University of Minnesota team has shown batting power in its early season games that may make it a factor in the Western Conference title race.

Two years ago the Gophers won the Big Ten title with a strong array of hitters and this year although the club does not appear to have the all-around polish of the 1933 team it has its share of rugged hitting strength.

The Minnesota attack thus far has been led by Stan Kostka, Henry Streich, Frank Stanton and Bruno Wolcynski. Milton Bruhn, captain, and Mark Klonowski also apparently are recovering the batting form which kept them high on the list last year.

Kostka apparently is carrying the same punch into baseball that he showed on the gridiron last fall and with another football player, George Roscoe, now playing in the outfield along with Streich, the Gophers should have a strong trio of hitters in the lineup.

The pitching staff has been strengthened by the addition of Kermit Aase, a husky young sophomore who has allowed three hits in the seven innings he has pitched this year. With Tom Callivan and Everett Grossman back in form and Aase and Elroy Hendrickson coming along Minnesota should be well fixed with right handed pitchers. Ed Widseth, the only left handed pitcher on the staff has been bothered with a sore arm thus far.

Milton Bruhn will attend to the catching duties again this year. A rugged 190 veteran with a good batting eye Bruhn has been a mainstay for the Gophers for the past two years. Ted Brissman, a sophomore from St. Paul probably will alternate with Bruhn behind the bat.

On first base Mark Klonowski is back again with Bernard Wolcynski on second, Frank Stanton at shortstop and Vernal LeVair at third.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Bats</u>	<u>Throws</u>	<u>Home</u>
Lase, Kermit	Soph	5'11"	175	p	RH	RH	Kenyon, Minn.
Balik, Stanley	Soph	5'11"	160	p	RH	RH	Spillville, Ia.
Boccalis, Nick	Soph	5'2"	160	2b	RH	RH	Faribault, Minn.
Brossman, Ted	Soph	5'10"	170	c	RH	RH	St. Paul, Minn.
Burnham, Milton, Capt.*	Senior	5'11"	193	c	RH	RH	St. Bonifacius
Ethan, Malcolm	Junior	5'10"	165	of	RH	RH	Caledonia, Minn.
Gallivan, Tom *	Senior	5'10"	165	p	RH	RH	St. Paul, Minn.
Grossman, Everett *	Junior	5'11"	167	p	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Hendrickson, Elroy *	Senior	5'10"	160	p	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Klonowski, Mark *	Junior	5'11"	198	1b	RH	RH	Winona, Minn.
Kostka, Stanley	Junior	5'11"	220	of	LH	RH	South St. Paul, Minn.
LaVoie, Vernal *	Junior	5'9"	178	3b	RH	RH	Minneapolis, Minn.
Raccoe, George	Junior	6'1"	192	of	LH	RH	Minneapolis, Minn.
Stanton, Frank *	Junior	5'11"	160	ss	RH	RH	Minneapolis, Minn.
Streich, Henry *	Senior	5'7"	160	of	LH	LH	St. Paul, Minn.
Wagnild, Spencer *	Senior	5'11"	185	of	RH	RH	Minneapolis, Minn.
Wadseth, Edwin	Soph	6'2"	227	p	RH	LH	McIntosh, Minn.
Wolcynski, Bernard *	Senior	5'11"	165	2b	RH	RH	St. Paul, Minn.

\* lettermen

1935 Schedule

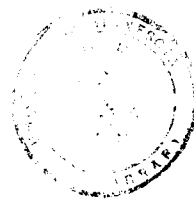
1934 Scores

April 12	Minnesota 8; Nebraska 2	Minnesota 13	Gustavus Adolphus 8
April 13	Minnesota 20; Nebraska 5	Minnesota 8	St. Johns 3
April 16	Minnesota 16; Gustavus Adolphus 9	Minnesota 2	Purdue 3
April 20	Minnesota 9; River Falls Teachers 0	Minnesota 7	Purdue 8
April 24	St. Olaf here	Minnesota 7	Wisconsin 6
April 26-27	Luther College (Decorah, Ia.) here	Minnesota 5	Wisconsin 8
May 3-4	Northwestern there	Minnesota 3	Iowa 10
May 10-11	Wisconsin here	Minnesota 8	Iowa 4
May 17-19	Iowa here	Minnesota 13	Luther 3
May 21	South Dakota University here	Minnesota 6	Luther 7
May 24-25	Purdue here	Minnesota 9	Wisconsin 8
May 29-30	Iowa there	Minnesota 3	Wisconsin 6
June 3-4	Wisconsin there	Minnesota 1	Northwestern 3
		Minnesota 7	Northwestern 4
		Minnesota 1	Iowa 3
		Minnesota 3	Iowa 4

Frank G. McCormick, baseball coach and athletic director at the University of Minnesota is a graduate of the University of South Dakota where he starred as an athlete in football, baseball and basketball. Since his graduation he has had considerable baseball experience both as player and coach and was one of the founders of the American Legion Junior baseball program. Since coming to Minnesota in the fall of 1930 he has been instrumental in bringing one Western Conference baseball title to Minnesota. In 1933 under McCormick's direction, the Gophers won their first diamond championship in many years.



Sports release



Minneapolis, May-~~2~~<sup>3</sup>- Slowly--all too slowly for Bernie Bierman--the University of Minnesota football squad is beginning to make something like the progress that is necessary in spring practise if the team is to make a strong start in the 1935 gridiron campaign next September.

Although practise is well along toward the end of the fifth week the best advance apparently has been made during the past six days.

Bierman, still concerned, now is making plans for the continuance of light practise after May 18, the date set for the annual spring game between two picked squads.

A game or scrimmage has been played each Saturday between members of the "A" squad, but until last week's secret drill the teams looked like anything but Big Ten calibre.

Differing from the usual spring practise it has been the veterans and seasoned campaigners who have been showing the most dash and interest in proceedings. The old men to whom the drills in the spring usually are something of a grind have been playing heads up football most of the time while the usual "eager young sophomores" have been falling down.

Last Saturday's game brought a smile to Bierman's face for the first time in weeks as he watched both the old and new men go through their paces. A 70 yard touchdown run by Clarence (Tuffy) Thompson, swift young sophomore halfback from Montevideo, showed the Gopher coach some really good blocking. Another shorter touchdown run by Thompson, the result of a 35 yard punt return and a quick dash on the first play revealed more blocking strength.

Thompson, being groomed for left halfback, showed ability to make use of the protection afforded him by the blockers in his dashes. Other left halfbacks

who have been showing improvement are George Rennix, veteran from Aberdeen, S. D., and Andy Uram of Minneapolis.

The play of the veteran backs, Glen Seidel, quarterback; Sheldon Beise, fullback, and Julius Alfonse, right half, has been dependable throughout the spring. These players have also been instrumental in helping the new candidates along.

Center has been a problem in the line with much to be desired in the passing, which has been generally poor and has had its effect on the offensive play. Earl Svendsen and Dale Rennebohm have been the steadiest of the passers although the latter has not attended practise regularly because of outside work. Rennebohm was regular center in 1934 with Svendsen a reserve.

Of the new linemen Charley Schultz, a trim, fast 220 pound youth from St. Paul is an outstanding guard prospect. Ray King, a six foot, three inch end from Duluth, the home of "Butch" Larson, is another strong candidate from the frosh ranks.

Dale Hanson, a reserve guard who has put on almost 15 pounds the past year, is another candidate of promise. Hanson formerly weighed slightly more than 170 pounds and now tips the beam at 185. The stocky youth from Alfred, N.D., always has been an aggressive player and the added weight will make him a valuable asset. Charles Wilkinson, first string guard last year, also has been playing steadily.

Dick Smith, regular tackle in 1934, and B. Willis Smith, a reserve tackle, have been showing good form this spring and so has Fred Guest, a reserve end last season.



Minneapolis, May ~~14~~—Despite the fact that pitchers are traditionally weak at bat, Frank G. McCormick, Minnesota baseball coach, plans to give his pitching staff the task of batting in runs as well as striking out opposing batters.

Changes in the lineup for the Wisconsin series at Northrop field, May 10-11, probably will find either Tommy Gallivan or Everette Grossman in the outfield when they are not pitching for Minnesota.

Both athletes are exceptions to the old axiom that pitchers can't hit and McCormick plans on making use of their ability with the bat.

Minnesota has won eight non-conference games this year and in its first conference series with Northwestern won one and lost one game. All through the early season the pitching staff of Gallivan, Grossman and Aase, all right handers, has performed in an outstanding manner.

Gallivan allowed only three hits in his game against Northwestern and although Grossman and Aase yielded seven in the second game the earlier season batting punch that characterized the Gophers until last week might have won.

Both Gallivan and Grossman have been batting well this season and if they can add the needed "punch" to the batting order Minnesota may be well up among the contenders before the season is over.

Gallivan, Grossman and Aase supplemented by Elroy Hendrickson and Ed Widseth give Minnesota the strongest pitching staff it has had for a long time.

With Bernard Wolcynski and Henry Streich doing most of the hitting although Stan Kostka has been driving them far when he connects, the Gophers have potential hitting strength. Fielding also has been generally good with the infield of Mark Klonowski, Wolcynski, Frank Stanton and Vernal LeVoir performing capably.

Following the Wisconsin series the Gophers will play Iowa at Northrop field May 17-18; South Dakota University, here May 21, and Purdue here May 24-25.

Minneapolis, May---May 18 will be a red letter day for the "A" squad, Bernie Bierman's prize football class at the University of Minnesota.

On that date the annual spring game will be held between two picked squads coached by Lowell Dawson, backfield coach, and Dr. George Hauser, line coach.

Bierman will follow the play strictly as a non-partisan but what he sees in that game will go a long way toward determining Minnesota's lineup for conference games next fall.

Until the past week the practise has been a distinct disappointment to Bierman. The older, more experienced men on whom he counted in 1934 were playing their usual good game of football and displaying plenty of enthusiasm. But the prospective sophomores were lacking woefully in spirit and drive.

But last week's game apparently brought the new men into the spirit of things. Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, a dashing sophomore left halfback, candidate for the post vacated by Captain Francis Lund, led the new backs in ball carrying and passing activities. Sam Riley and Bob Weld, a pair of guards, of whom little has been known thus far, were other new men to win the closer inspection of the coaches.

Charles Schultz, 220 pound guard, did not participate in this game and this week Bierman has shifted him to center where his height, weight and speed may give Minnesota its first "good, big man" at the post in several seasons. Roy Oen, captain two years ago, never weighed over 170 pounds during his entire career while Dale Rennebohm, who had the call last year, weighs 180 pounds.

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Minneapolis, May 31 The University of Minnesota baseball team, winner of 12 of its 14 games played so far this season will close its 1935 home schedule this weekend against Purdue, seeking to strengthen its position in the top half of the Big Ten standings before going on the road for its two remaining series. Minnesota, with a possible chance of sharing the conference title, if all its remaining games are won, has three victories and two defeats on its Conference record against Northwestern, Wisconsin and Iowa.

A return to the batting form that piled up runs in the first six games of the schedule may make the Gophers extremely dangerous in their remaining games against Purdue, Iowa and Wisconsin.

All season Minnesota has had strong pitching with Tom Gallivan, Everette Grossman and Kermit Aase handling the mound duties consistently but a batting slump kept the Gophers from backing up the splendid work of their three right handers.

Considerable juggling of the lineup, plus a sudden recovery of batting form by two or three hitters has given Frank McCormick, Gopher coach, the idea that Minnesota may go through the remainder of its games undefeated.

Mark Klonowski, a dangerous hitter last year, has become dangerous again after a slump that almost threatened to bench him. Klonowski began a batting spree against Iowa, and with Bernard Wolcynski, Stan Kostka and Henry Streich also hitting the ball consistently, Minnesota will have a strong array of batters.

Injury to Milton Bruhn, captain and catcher, gave Sophomore Ted Brüssman his chance against South Dakota and he showed that his batting will be an aid to the Gophers of the future with four hits in five times up, including one home run.

When Minnesota meets Purdue Tom Gallivan probably will start the first game with Ev Grossman pitching the second. The batting order will include Streich, left field; Kostka, centerfield; Wolcynski, shortstop; Klonowski, first base; Roscoe, right field; Ted Brissman, catcher (if Bruhn has not recovered from his elbow injury); Wagnild, second base; LeVoir, third base; Gallivan, pitcher.

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Minneapolis, May---Entry blanks for the annual Minnesota State High School League track and field meet at the University of Minnesota, June 1, will be mailed out within the next few days, O. E. Smith of Anoka, secretary of the league, has announced.

Some 20 schools, survivors of elimination competitions in the various regional meets, are expected to compete in the 1935 state championship, according to Clarence Munn, of the Gopher track coaching staff. Munn will act as director of the meet for the state high school league.

Last year the state championship was won by Minneapolis West high school after a gallant effort by Gaylord's "one man track team," Bill McKenzie, who scored  $16\frac{1}{2}$  points singlehanded to take second, only two and one-half points behind the leader.

Other high ranking teams in the state meet of 1934 were Mankato, Farmington, Minneapolis North, University High, Minneapolis; Minneapolis Edison, Red Wing and Anoka.

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A football team, like an army, is just as good as its reenforcements. That is why the quality of the 1935 Minnesota team is likely to depend on what Bernie Bierman and his staff can do with the class of 29 recruits from the 1934 Freshman squad, who will report on Northrop Field on September 10 along with 17 lettermen and 13 reserves from last year.

The slightly pessimistic attitude aired by Coach Bierman ever since he first looked at his men in practise last spring is caused by the knowledge that he must rebuild in every position but one before the 1935 season gets under way on September 28. In the 17 returning lettermen, he has the nucleus for a strong first team that will almost measure up to the national champions of 1934. But there the comparison ends. Outside of one or two reserve linemen there is not a letterman in the second or third string line. The backfield, allowing for the loss of Lund, will be more nearly a par with 1934.

"A fair bunch, with no particularly outstanding man," is Bierman's comment on the class of sophomores he is inviting to report for the first practise session. In that class he must find men to fill the gaps at end and guard and to fortify the available material along the rest of the line and in the backfield.

Although none of the prospects are "particularly outstanding" according to Bierman, several were sufficiently capable in spring practise to attract attention. Among these were Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, halfback; Rudy Gmitro, halfback; Ray King, end; Louis Midler, tackle; Dwight Reed, end; Charles Schultz, guard; Andy Uram, halfback, and Robert Weld, guard.

At quarterback, the position that needs the least rebuilding because of the presence of Captain Glenn Seidel and two reserves, at least one sophomore will be on hand. He is Harlan Hurd, 155 pound player from Minneapolis. He will join the ranks of Seidel, Sam Hunt, Harvey Ring and Jack Rooney.

Five newcomers will be competing for halfback positions along with the veterans Alfonse, Rennix, Roscoe, Eiken and Lewis. They include Clarence Thompson of Montevideo, Rudy Gmitro and Andy Uram of Minneapolis, Harold Wrightson of St. Paul and Bill Matheny of Anoka.

Thompson, known as "Tuffy" by his teammates, is one of the fastest backs seen on a Gopher gridiron in several years. In the open field he can sprint at high speed and his play in the annual spring contest last May was more than acceptable to the coaches. If he can develop his passing and his punting he may be given the opportunity to hold down the all-important left halfback post vacated by "Pug" Lund. Thompson comes from Montevideo, where as a high school senior he made the astonishing total of 24 touchdowns in one season.

Uram, a product of Minneapolis Marshall high school, is already versed in the tactics of the Bierman system, having played three years at the left halfback post under Dallas Ward, an advocate of the Bierman style of football. Although he weighs only 168 pounds, Uram needs only a little more polish in all departments of offense and defense to become valuable.

Bill Matheny, 160 pound athlete from Anoka, established a reputation as one of the fastest men on the squad last year with his startling bursts of speed. Already developing into a capable blocker, Matheny may have the opportunity to serve as an understudy to Julie Alfonse at right half this season.

Gmitro and Wrightson are another pair of backs Bierman is calling into practise because of the promising showings they have made in the past.

Kenneth Filbert of Minneapolis is listed as the only sophomore fullback candidate as yet. Several others are expected and the position is well fortified in any event by Sheldon Beise and Whitman Rork.

At least one of the ends on this year's first team will probably be held down by a first year man if present indications hold good. Ray King, rangy 193 pounder from Duluth, attracted the coaches attention in spring competition. King was an



all-around athlete during his high school days at the head of the lakes. He was halfback on his football team for three years, basketball center, and competed in the 440 and the discus throw on the track team. He won all-conference recognition in both basketball and football. Dwight Reed of St. Paul is another leading candidate for the squad, as are Robert Carlson, Alexandria, and Russ Wile of Minneapolis.

The tackles, which still need fortification despite the presence of veterans Ed Widseth, Dick Smith, Willis Smith and Bill Freinuth, will have five sophomore candidates including Bob Johnson, husky 195 pound all-around athlete from Anoka. Bob is the younger brother of Maurice Johnson, who finished an illustrious career as a Gopher last fall. Louis Midler, 210 pound product of St. Paul, is another man who is likely to prove valuable to the Minnesota cause this year, as are Robert Hoel, Morton Safran and William Hilke of Minneapolis.

Among the sophomore guards is a trio of candidates whose showing in spring practise indicates that they may help Bierman and his aides to fill the gap caused by the graduation of All-American Bill Bevan and Milt Bruhn. Included are Charles Schultz, the 215 pound player from St. Paul; Sam Riley, a 183 pound boy from L'Anse, Michigan, who displayed his versatility at both guard and tackle, and Robert Weld of Minneapolis. Among other first year candidates for guard are Irving Hork, Minneapolis; Ed Kafka, Antigo, Wisconsin; Merle Larson, Iron Mountain, Michigan; James Lund, Stillwater; John Lyman, Rockford, Ill.; John Oase, St. Paul.

Dan Elmer and James Wooley of Minneapolis will compete for center from the first year class.

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The same coaching staff with one exception that guided the 1934 University of Minnesota football team to a Big Ten and National championship will be on hand Tuesday, September 10 to take charge of the 61 candidates who will report for the 1935 edition of the Gopher eleven. The exception will be Clarence Munn, assistant on the staff last year, who will take over the duties of director of athletics at Albright college this fall.

Head Coach Bernie Bierman, master football strategist and nationally recognized because of his work at Minnesota and Tulane, will again direct and coordinate the coaching activities of the Gopher staff. With the brilliant record of the Minnesota teams of the past few years under his regime still uppermost in the minds of the fans, Bierman this year faces the difficult task of rebuilding a team that will come somewhere near the expectations of the Gopher supporters.

Last year Coach Bierman directed what he calls his greatest football machine. Until the close of last season he had always regarded his 1931 Tulane team as the greatest he had ever coached. When the Wisconsin game was out of the way he finally got around to making comparisons and the 1934 Gophers got the vote.

Bierman has been at the University of Minnesota since 1932. Under his tutelage Minnesota has not lost a game in its last 16 starts, the last loss being the 3 point victory of Michigan in 1932. Like four of the five remaining members of the coaching staff, he is a Minnesota alumnus and a former football star. Bierman captained Minnesota's championship team in 1915 and also earned letters in basketball and track. He joined the coaching staff at Tulane University in 1922 as the assistant to Clark Shaughnessy, another Minnesota alumnus. In 1927, after a brief coaching career at Mississippi A and M, he became head coach at Tulane and developed some of the South's outstanding teams.

Dr. George Hauser, line coach, came back to the University of Minnesota in 1932 along with his old teammate, Bierman. Dr. Hauser played tackle for the Gophers in 1915-16-17 and was captain of the team in 1917. Rated as one of the greatest tackles ever to play for the Maroon and Gold, Hauser has developed many outstanding linemen here, including Bill Bevan, Phil Bengtson, Milt Bruhn, Roy Oen and others. Besides coaching the Gopher line, Dr. Hauser serves as head of the athletic training staff and also in the Students' Health Service at the university.

Lowell Dawson, Gopher backfield coach, is the only member of the coaching staff who is not a Minnesota graduate. Dawson also came to the university with Bierman. Previous to that time he was quarterback on Bierman's 1930 and 1931 Tulane teams, achieving rating as one of the outstanding field generals in the nation. This fall, Dawson will again concentrate on instructing the Gopher quarterbacks.

The third member of the coaching staff who was a member of the famous 1915 team is Bert Baston, end coach. The ability that caused him to be named All-American end in 1915 and again in 1916, Baston has imparted to several recent ends, including Frank Larson, himself an All-American, Bob Tenner and Maurice Johnson. Baston has been a member of the Minnesota coaching staff since 1930.

The veteran of the staff is Sig Harris who played quarterback on the 1903 team under Dr. H. L. Williams. Harris coaches the reserves and goes on scouting expeditions during the playing season. He was one of the greatest athletes ever to play on Northrop field. George Tuttle, who has handled the freshmen gridmen since 1930, will be back to instruct the first year men. Tuttle will be remembered as an end on the Minnesota team of 1925.



Minneapolis, 9/5/35\*--Vernal "Babe" LeVoir, the Gopher's stocky little  
back-of-all-trades, is facing a situation this fall that would bring despair to  
most football players. He is too good to be a regular on the varsity.

Because he is a potential one man football team, possessing the ability and  
the experience to play every position in the backfield and two positions on the  
line, LeVoir will report for the opening practise on Tuesday, September 10,  
pretty well slated to fill the role of alternate quarterback with Captain Glenn  
Seidel. If the fullback crop doesn't come up to expectations, he may see  
service at that position also.

To many young athletes, such a situation would be a distinct disappointment,  
but not to LeVoir. "I don't care where I play as long as I'm in the ball game,"  
he explains. And it's pretty certain that Babe is going to be in the ball game  
a lot, for coaches appreciate his all-around ability.

Last season, LeVoir spent almost as much time on the field as Seidel at the  
quarterback position. So much, in fact, that Captain Seidel in summing up the  
1935 prospects, declared: "You can't call LeVoir a reserve. We've been alter-  
nating at quarterback."

LeVoir had attained his reputation and considerable experience as an all-  
position player before he matriculated to the university. While a student at  
Marshall high school from 1928 to 1931, he played halfback, fullback, guard and  
tackle during his four years at the Southeast Minneapolis high school. As the  
fullback he called signals and did considerable blocking that was to prove  
invaluable experience when he became a quarterback on the Gopher squad.

Like Seidel, LeVoir did not go out for football in his freshman year, pre-  
ferring to wait until the following spring. Also, like Seidel, he joined the

Gopher ranks as a fullback candidate and was converted to quarterback to fill a shortage in that department.

During the 1933 season, with injuries and other factors reducing the number of fullbacks to below the minimum requirement, LeVoir was again shifted to fullback and saw considerable service from that position. His experience as a blocking back served him in good stead during the time he was alternating between quarterback and fullback, since both of these positions do a great deal of blocking.

Last season, with Stan Kostka and Sheldon Beise leading the fullback contingent, there was little need for reserve strength at that spot and LeVoir again went back to playing quarterback. During the season he spent almost as much time on the field as Seidel, the regular quarterback. Again, closely paralleling Seidel's record, the major portion of LeVoir's duties consisted of blocking while the other fellow carried the ball. Where the Gopher captain-elect carried the ball only 5 times for 27 yards, Babe called his own signal only 6 times for 38 yards.

This fall, LeVoir is slated to be the alternate quarterback, although a possible shortage of capable fullbacks may send him to that post at times. Trimly built, LeVoir is one of the speedier Gopher backs. Weighing 175 pounds in his football uniform, he is rugged enough to be a hard blocker and a shifty ball carrier.

If he should by chance be called upon to hold down the important left halfback post on the team, he is qualified in the necessary departments of the game. He is an excellent passer, a capable punter and a ball carrier of no little ability as is attested by his high school record.

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Minneapolis, Sept. 2--Faced with a multitude of serious problems, chief of which will be determining the personnel of his squad, Coach Bernie Bierman will view some three score candidates for the 1935 University of Minnesota football team on Northrop field Tuesday morning, as the Gophers begin preparations for the defense of their Big Ten and National amateur championships.

It will be a sadly pessimistic coach who looks over the 60 athletes invited to report and the odd dozen who will be out to make themselves known on their own initiative. Gone will be such Gopher greats as "Pug" Lund, Bill Bevan, Stan Kostka, Frank Larson, Phil Bengtson and 10 more lettermen who were cogs in the 1934 team. In their places will be a limited number of reserves and a group of 29 sophomores, none of them experienced.

"Problems? I've got dozens of them," sighed Bierman as he searched for a starting point from which to begin rebuilding his team. "The biggest problem is to know what we are going to have to work with, and we probably won't know that exactly until after two or three games have been played.

"One big problem will be to have any kind of a team organized for the early games. Until we are sure who the men are that will be able to make up the permanent squad, it will be next to impossible to find a starting point from which to lay a campaign."

Specifically, Minnesota's problems as far as the first string lineup are concerned will consist of finding replacements for one position in the backfield and at least three posts on the line. In the backfield, the job at left halfback, probably the most important spot on the team from an offensive standpoint, will

have to be filled. It is likely that either George Roscoe, Clarence Thompson or Andy Uram will be groomed for Lund's old position.

Ends will need special attention because of the graduation of both of last year's regulars. Two reserves and four sophomores will be after the jobs. Guards also will require replacements. Four lettermen, including Bill Bevan and Milt Bruhn are gone, but Vern Oech, a regular and Frank Dallera and Charles Wilkinson, reserves, will be back.

Perhaps the most distressing problem, and certainly the one that is going to be the most difficult to solve, is that of finding capable reserves for the second and third string lineup. There last season, the Gophers could boast seasoned men three and four deep in some positions, it will take all of the experienced men to make up a first string this fall. The remainder of the squad will have to be made up of unseasoned reserves.

In the backfield, Bierman is going to have several major problems, chief of which may be to change the style of attack in the reserve backfields to a high geared, open game of football. Such a change may be necessitated because the backfield candidates on the reserve and freshman squads are all of the "pony" type. Seven of the eight backs expected to return from last year's reserve squad average only 167 pounds, exactly the same average of the seven men reporting from the freshman squad.

Only three items does Bierman class as cause for no particular worry. They are passing, kicking and the returning regulars, and on the latter for the most part depend the first two.

Practise will be held twice a day until classes begin, with present plans indicating a swing to the usual afternoon practise in the week preceding the first game with North Dakota State in Memorial Stadium on September 28. Issuing of equipment and light drill are expected to take up most of the first day's sessions.

Candidates who have been invited to report are as follows:

Regulars (17): Alfonse, hb; Antil, e; Beise, fb; Berryman, e; Dallera, g; Freimuth, t; LeVair, qb; Oech, g; Rennebohm, e; Rennix, hb; Rork, fb; Roscoe, hb; Seidel, qb; B. W. Smith, t; R. Smith, t; Widseth, t; and Wilkinson, g.

Reserves. (14); Bugni, fb; Eiken, hb; Stan Hanson, c; Krezowski, e; Lewis, hb; Nold, c; Ring, qb; Svendson, c; Trampe, t; Warner, e; Schuft, hb; Taube, hb; Hunt, qb and Rooney, qb.

Sophomores (27): Carlson, e; Elmer, c; Filbert, fb; Gmitro, hb; Hilke, t; Hoel, t; Hork, g; Hurd, qb; Johnson, t; Kafka, g; King, e; M. Larson, g; James Lund, g; Matheny, hb; Midler, t; Lyman, g; Oase, g; Reed, e; Rooney, qb; Riley, g; Safran, t; Schultz, g; Thompson, hb; Uram, hb; Weld, g; Wile, e; Wooley, c; Wrightson, hb.

The same coaching staff with one exception that directed the 1934 champions will be on hand again this fall to instruct the Gophers. They include Bernie Bierman, head coach; Dr. George Hauser, line coach; Lowell Dawson, backfield coach; Bert Baston, end coach; Sig Harris, scout and coach of reserves, and George Tuttle, freshman coach.



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Seven of last seasons regulars and four of the 1934 top-ranking reserves seem to be the guardians of first string positions on the 1935 Gopher football squad, as Coach Bierman begins drilling his 74 charges in the second week of practise.

How long they will remain on the varsity depends solely on their showing, for Bierman has indicated that every position on the team is open to competition and he has shown no hesitancy in juggling his lineup to give every man an opportunity to display his talents. By his choices, however, Bierman has given a fair indication as to what the fans may expect in the way of a starting lineup when the Gophers meet the North Dakota State "Bisons" in Memorial Stadium on September 28.

During the dummy scrimmage of the first few days, Gopher coaches have concentrated on a first string backfield that included two of last seasons regulars. A third, Captain Glenn Seidel is a certainty for his regular job as soon as a slight ailment is cleared up and he returns to practice.

Jules Alfonse, the galloping halfback, has been a fixture at right half during most of the sessions, although Andy Uran, a promising sophomore, has replaced him at times. George Roscoe, understudy last year to the All-American Lund, has been Bierman's choice at left half and has shown up well in passing and punting drills. The hard-charging Sheldon Beise again leads the full-back candidates.

Two reserves who saw a limited amount of action last year, but who are acquiring polish with amazing rapidity, have been playing at the ends. They are Ray Antil and Dominic Krezowski. Dwight Reed and Ray King, a pair of sophomores, are still very much in the running, with the former alternating in the varsity lineup.

Ed Widseth and Dick Smith, two of the bulwarks of the 1934 Gopher line, have been working out at their old tackle positions. Smith is in much better physical trim than last year, having trimmed his weight down some 15 pounds. Vern Oech, regular of last season, and Bud Wilkinson, seasoned reserve, have been placed at guard, while Dale Rennebohm is back in the lineup at his old center post.

A second eleven has been made up of Reed and Frank Warner at ends, Willis Smith and Bill Freimuth, both seasoned reserves, at the tackles; Robert Weld and Frank Dallera at the guards and Stan Hanson at center, LeVair at quarterback, Rennix at right half, Thompson at left half and Rork at fullback have formed the backfield.

Perfect practise weather brought the Gophers along in great shape during the first five days of practise, with a good old fashioned scrimmage in order on Friday and Saturday. As the two teams ran the ball up and down the field, Bierman changed his lineups frequently. Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, the speedy sophomore halfback, has shown sideliners his heels with several touchdown runs. Roscoe, LeVair, Rork and Alfonse also showed that they had lost none of their ability that was theirs last season.

The squad was in excellent physical condition at the end of the first week, with only minor bumps and bruises as a result of the 10 practise sessions. Coaches kept Captain Seidel, Fred Guest, Vern Oech and Charles Schultz out of actual scrimmage, taking no chances on aggravating their ailments. Schultz, the 215 pound sophomore lineman from St. Paul who sustained a painful leg injury last spring, is rounding into shape slowly. Dr. George Hauser, Gopher line coach, expects him to be ready for action in about four weeks.



Minneapolis, Sept. 27-When Coach Bernie Bierman summed up his prospects for the 1935 season several weeks ago, he classified his sophomore recruits as "a fair bunch, with no particularly outstanding man." Today, after two weeks of practise, some of the most promising men on the Gopher squad are members of the sophomore group.

Pre-season indications, based on the showings in spring practise, favored at least eight second year men as acceptable material for the Minnesota entry in the 1935 Big Ten race. Appropriately enough, each of these eight men has attracted individual attention with the quality of his play. But along with them, equally as many other second year men have come through in a pleasing manner.

In planning his campaign, Bierman included Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson and Andy Uram, halfbacks; Rudy Gmitro, fullback; Ray King and Dwight Reed, ends; Louis Midler, tackle, and Charles Schultz and Robert Weld, guards, in his plans. All of these men with the exception of Schultz, who is recuperating from a leg injury, have come up to expectations.

Thompson, the Montevideo speedster, has thrilled sideliners in each of the afternoon scrimmages so far by long open field runs through the opposition. He took the ball on one opening kickoff behind his own goal line and ran it back over 100 yards for a touchdown. Uram's consistent all-round play has also been up to par and he has been used at right halfback in the first string lineup, alternating with Julie Alfonse.

Gmitro, although known to be fast and shifty, has become the surprise of the squad. Weighing only 159 pounds, Rudy has been doing service at fullback and, despite his lack of weight, he has set opposing linemen on their heels and gone through for consistently good gains.

The pair of sophomore ends, King and Reed, while lacking experience, have shown a willingness to learn and an aggressiveness that has found them in the first string lineup several times. Lou Midler, the husky lineman from St. Paul, has demonstrated so much versatility that Gopher coaches have been alternating him at both guard and tackle, with the probability that he will be used in either position as needed.

Robert Weld, 195 pound guard candidate from Minneapolis, has managed to get the jump on his teammate, Charles Schultz, due to a leg injury of the latter which has been slow to heal. Trainers expect Schultz to be ready to see service within a fortnight.

The above named sophomores, while exhibiting real ability, have not been alone in showing promise, however. Bierman has utilized his scrimmage sessions so that every man on the squad has been service. Out of the group of 27, Vic Spadaccini, fullback; Bob Johnson, tackle; Bob Carlson and Russ Wile, ends, and Harold Wrightson, halfback, have been particularly impressive. Spadaccini, a well-built Italian youth from Keewatin, has shown particular ability to crash the line with much the same ferocity as the usual standard of Gopher fullbacks.

As an incentive to the new men, Bierman has declared that all but four or five of the regular positions on the team will be open to all comers. In any event it is almost a certainty that the majority of the above named group will see plenty of service before the season is over.



Minneapolis, Sept. <sup>34</sup>Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, Minnesota's fleet-footed sophomore halfback, is expecting a birthday present from the North Dakota State football team when it meets the Gophers here Saturday. That birthday present is nothing less than a substantial number of assorted touchdowns.

It isn't that Tuffy expects the North Dakota State boys to give him these touchdowns without a dispute. It is simply because Tuffy is very partial to September 28 where football and touchdowns are concerned. For one thing the date of the Gopher opening game is Tuffy's birthday and it also marks his debut as a Big Ten football player.

The whole thing began on a fall afternoon, September 28 to be exact, in 1929. Tuffy was a member of the Montevideo high school football squad, but he had never played a game of football in his life before. Montevideo was scheduled to play the team from the Dawson, Minnesota high school to open the season. Hopes weren't very high in the home camp because Montevideo had not scored a single touchdown during the previous season.

When the teams took the field, Tuffy was considerably downhearted. Here it was his birthday and it didn't look as if he had a ghost of a chance to get in the game. The game started and with it started Thompson's unusual football career.

The regular halfback was injured in one of the opening plays and Thompson went in the lineup. Immediately thereafter he took the ball and raced up the field for the first touchdown Montevideo had scored in two years. Three more long runs were made by Tuffy during the game each of them resulting in a touchdown.

Throughout the remainder of his high school career, Thompson continued to be an outstanding back. During his senior year he scored 24 touchdowns. As a member of the freshman squad at Minnesota last year, he continued to show the speed he displayed in high school.

This fall Gopher coaches have been drilling Thompson as a candidate for the left halfback post vacated by Francis "Pug" Lund. Thus far in scrimmage he has shown that he is capable of going places with the ball. One of his runs last week took him 100 yards from behind his own goal line through the entire opposing team for a touchdown.

Thompson will undoubtedly be out of the starting lineup on Saturday, with the veteran George Roscoc starting at left half. He is almost certain to see considerable service when the game gets under way, with Coach Bernie Bierman alternating the two men at strategic times.

"Boy, I'm just praying that I get a chance to get in there Saturday and can play some good football," Tuffy tells his intimates. "Then if I could get away for a touchdown or two---what a birthday present!"



Minneapolis, October: <sup>10</sup> Ray King, the Gophers rangy sophomore end, was probably the proudest football player in Memorial Stadium last Saturday. He was also undoubtedly the most nervous in the pre-game warm-up. The reason was the number 49 attached to his gold jersey.

All during his high school football career in Duluth, King was a close follower of the performances of the Gopher football teams. But more closely, he was the follower of one player in particular--to wit, Frank Larson, fellow Duluthian and two-time All-American end. What Larson did on the football field was of utmost interest to King, for Ray, in company with most of the residents of Duluth and the vicinity, was as proud of Larson as of the bracing Duluth climate of Lake Superior.

Last year as a freshman, King matriculated at the university and when the time came he reported to Coach George Tuttle for freshman football. So outstanding was his play that he was nominated as a member of the all-freshman team at the close of the season.

This fall King reported as one of the outstanding end prospects, but there was not too much glory in the distinction. Larson was gone and so were three more lettermen ends of the same calibre. Experts predicted that the ends would be the weak spot of the 1935 Gophers. King started slowly, but three or four days before the opening game he moved up among the first four ends.

When Oscar Munson, custodian of equipment, passed out the gold game jerseys Saturday, Ray found himself the recipient of number 49, Larson's old number. Carrying this added burden of responsibility, he went into the game early in the first quarter. To many of the 35,000 in the stands it seemed as if Larson

had never been out of the Gopher lineup. When King caught Roscoe's touchdown pass in the fourth quarter he even went Larson one better, for Frank was never much on pass grabbing.

Bert Baston, Gopher end coach, displayed a pardonable pride Saturday when, late in the fourth quarter, he looked out on Memorial Stadium field, smiled and exclaimed, "My ends." At that moment his pair of sophomore wingmen were piling up Minnesota's 26-6 margin of victory over the stubborn North Dakota State Bisons via the pass route.

On the left flank of the Gopher line, Dwight Reed, trimly built sophomore, was playing the best defensive game on the line, meanwhile accounting for two touchdowns, one on the recovery of a blocked punt and the second on a 45 yard pass from Roscoe. On the defense, Reed was constantly in the Bison backfield. In the third quarter, he accounted for his first touchdown after falling on Sturgeon's blocked punt across the goal line.

Reed, who is a product of the St. Paul high schools, is playing his first year for the Gophers although he was technically a member of the squad last season. After gazing upon the imposing array of ends on the squad last fall, Dwight decided that discretion was the better part of valor and retired to wait for 1935. He seems destined for stardom now.

Three reserves from last season are disputing the pair of sophomore's right to hold down the wing posts regularly. They include Dominic Krezowski, who is just now hampered by an injured shoulder; and Ray Antil and Bruce Berryman, both lettermen.

With these five men, Baston believes that he can make the experts forget their predictions of outstanding weakness at the Gopher flanks. If Saturday's performances are any indication, he seems to be headed in the right direction.





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Dale Rennebohm has achieved success as a football player at Minnesota by being the opposite of sensational.

There have been no long, open field runs on intercepted passes and the like to distinguish the trimly built Gopher center. Few fans take any particular note of his play on the field. When the Stadium quarterbacks get together to discuss the Gopher stars, Rennebohm's name is seldom mentioned.

And yet, in spite of the absence of that quality popularly known as "color," Rennebohm is considered by the Gopher coaches to be one of the outstanding men of the 1935 team. That is because he is regarded by them as a consistently good football player. In keeping Rennebohm in the lineup as the first string center, Coach Bernie Bierman has rated "consistency" over "color."

Rennebohm's career as a football player at Minnesota provides a slant on why coaches consider him one of the most valuable cogs in the Gopher gridiron machine. It is also an indication of why coaches and teammates alike respect the judgment and ability of the Austin lad.

Like several other members of the 1935 Gophers, Rennebohm reported to the Minnesota squad after a high school career that found him playing in half a dozen different positions. In his first year on the Austin, Minnesota high school team, he was an end. The second year he played tackle and the third year he played guard. In his senior year, Dale finally got around to playing center and that year Austin won the Big Eight high school football crown.

When he reported for the team at Minnesota, Rennebohm was under a distinct handicap. Whereas Bierman likes his centers to be tall and rangy, Dale was only 5 feet, 8 inches in height and weighed only 170 pounds. He had, however,

come a long way from his high school days, when he weighed 135 pounds and found it hard to stretch the measuring tape to five and one-half feet.

In his sophomore year, Rennebohm got his first taste of Big Ten competition, playing 15 minutes in the Iowa game. Last season, he started out as the regular center and played approximately three-fourths of the time the Gophers were on the field.

Gopher backfield men rate Rennebohm as one of the best centers they have ever played behind. It was Dale's poise and ability in passing the ball from center that enable the Gophers to push out of several ticklish spots last year.

A serious student of the game and particularly of the duties of the center, Rennebohm is one of the first to admit that the job of playing center is not for the fellow who likes to see his name in print. "There's just nothing sensational or colorful about my job," he points out. It's a lot of hard work but I like it. A lot of fellows don't like to be stuck at center because of the routine assignments, but it's an important job.

Dale has a single ambition as far as football is concerned and that is to make at least one touchdown before he closes his career against Wisconsin on November 23. "You know," he admits, "I carried the ball for eighty yards and a touchdown in a practise game last year. 'Id like to do that just once when it counts."

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Only four of the men who were in the starting lineup when the Gophers met at Minneapolis Nebraska last fall will be available to start again for the Maroon and Gold on Saturday, but eight other veterans on the Minnesota squad who saw service in the first encounter will be with the Gopher troupe when they take the field at Lincoln.

At the same time, despite the margin of experienced men boasted by the Cornhuskers, Nebraska can return only four men to the starting lineup. Seven reserves from the 1934 game, four of them regulars on the present Nebraska team, will also be on hand to try to erase the memories of the 20-0 defeat of last year.

Of the 1934 starters, the four who will probably line up with the Gophers for the opening kickoff are Captain Glenn Seidel, quarterback; Ed Wiseth, tackle; Vern Oech, guard, and Dale Rennebohm, center. The left side of the Minnesota line with the exception of the end will be facing the Cornhuskers for the second consecutive year.

Four of the reserves used as substitutes last fall have been promoted to regular jobs and are scheduled to be in the Gopher starting lineup. They are Ray Antil, right end; Richard Smith, at right tackle; George Roscoe at left halfback, and Vernal "Babe" LeVair at right half. Other members of the 1935 Gopher squad who saw service in the 1934 Nebraska game include Bruce Berryman, end; Bill Freimuth, tackle; Frank Dallera, guard, and George Rennix, halfback. Sheldon Reise, regular fullback for the past two seasons remained out of last year's game but is scheduled to see plenty of service in this one.

Down at Lincoln, Coach Bible is expected to return Bernard Scherer to left end, Henry Bauer to quarterback, Bob Benson to left half, and Lloyd Cardwell to right halfback in the hope that they will want to even up old scores.

From the reserve ranks, Coach Bible has promoted five of the veterans who saw service against the National Champions. Johnny Williams, who played against the Gophers as a fullback last year will be facing them from the left guard position Saturday. Ladas Hubka has been made a regular at the opposite guard, Lester McDonald a regular end, and Sam Francis the first string fullback.

Although Nebraska will be represented by about the same number of veterans of the 1934 encounter that Minnesota boasts, the Cornhusker strength is based upon the return of several outstanding men of previous seasons. Chief among these will be Paul Morrison, center, who is back at the Midland university after an absence of about eight years. Jerry LaNue, the jackrabbit back whose injuries kept him out of the Gopher game a year ago, is also back and promises to give an added advantage to the Husker backfield.

The Gophers will leave for Nebraska Thursday at 8:05 p.m. from the Great Northern station. The team will arrive in Omaha on Friday morning and will quarter there until Saturday. They will work out at 2 p.m. Friday on the gridiron of Creighton university. Following the game Saturday, the Minnesota squad will entrain for Minneapolis immediately.

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Minneapolis, Oct. 18. When the Gophers meet Tulane in Memorial stadium Saturday in one of the nation's leading inter-sectional games, they are going to have another incentive to win than merely maintaining an undefeated record.

This incentive had its birth back in 1933 when the seniors on the present squad were just beginning their first year of varsity competition. During daily practises, whenever Coach Bernie Bierman or backfield coach Lowell Dawson wished to illustrate a play from their experience or correct an error, they naturally drew upon their experiences at Tulane university, with the illustration usually prefaced by, "Now, when I was at Tulane..."

Since that time all the members of the Gopher squad have heard frequent references as to the brand of football played at the New Orleans university. Naturally, the men on the squad realize that the comparisons have been drawn for purposes of illustration, but when the two teams meet for the first time in their athletic history on Saturday, the Gophers are going to try and find out just exactly how good Tulane teams really are.

The inter-sectional aspect of Saturday's game is made all the more apparent by a scanning of the rosters of each squad. All but one member of the Tulane squad is a resident of one of the states in the far south. That one griddier is Stanley Carnegie, who came all the way to New Orleans from Westville, N. J. to play halfback for the Green Wave.

Forty Tulane gridgers are residents of Louisiana, 28 of them from New Orleans. Four squad members are from Texas, four from Mississippi, three from Alabama, and one each from Florida, Tennessee, West Virginia and Oklahoma.

The Tulane team that will face the Gophers for the first time will be after its third victory of the current season, having defeated Virginia Military Institute and Florida while losing to Alabama Polytech by a close score. Since October 1928, the Green Wave has won 55 games, lost nine and tied four. Three of the nine defeats came at the hands of the Alabama Polytech Plainsmen.

Ted Cox will lead his Tulane squad into the Twin Cities on Friday morning and will run them through their paces in Memorial Stadium early in the afternoon. Approximately 1,000 Tulane rooters will accompany their team on its only game away from home.

The probable Tulane starting lineup: (59) Hal Mentsas, New Orleans, left end; (74) Bill Moss, New Orleans, left tackle; (55) Charles Smither, New Orleans, left guard; (66) Noel Loftin, Baton Rouge, center; (68) Norman Buckner, Marshall, Texas, right guard; (73) Roy Ary, Stigler, Okla., right tackle; (51) Fred Preisser, New Orleans, right end; (49) Dick Page, New Orleans, quarterback; (43) Doug Johnson, New Orleans, left half; (41) Captain Barney Mintz, New Orleans, right half; and (56) John Andrews, New Orleans, fullback.



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Freshman football players at the University of Minnesota are going to have an added incentive for giving their best performances for Coach George Tuttle. A new competitive system, modelled along the lines Coach Bernie Bierman uses with the varsity, has been inaugurated this fall.

The unusually large turnout of frosh gridders, numbering over 200, has been divided into an 'A' squad and a 'B' squad. The division has just been made following two weeks of practise, with the athletes who have shown the most promise being placed on the 'A' squad.

Such a division is not permanent, however, Coach Tuttle points out, it being his aim to provide an added incentive for freshman competition. Inter-squad games will be played every Friday and the showings made by the men in these games, plus the observations made by the coaches in daily practise, will serve as a basis of promotion or demotion from one squad to another.

Thirty-one men have been named to the 'A' squad, which also included three other complete teams. The remainder of the candidates are members of the 'B' squad.

Several athletes who have already made names for themselves in state high school football circles are members of the 'A' group. Among them are Howard Parkinson, guard, from St. Paul Central high school; Wilbur Moore, a halfback from Austin; George Faust, halfback from Minneapolis North; Lawrence Buhler, a halfback from Windom high school, and Ray Strate, fullback from Minneapolis Central.

Brothers of several members of the varsity squad are among the freshman candidates. Included among them are Allen Rork, younger brother of Whitman Rork, Gopher fullback, who is a candidate for center. Mervin LeVoir, 6 foot, two inch brother of Vernal "Babe" LeVoir, is a candidate for a line position. Mervin weighs 220 pounds as compared with Babe's 175. Florian Bugni, younger brother

of Lawrence Bugni who is out of competition this season, is another line candidate.

The complete 'A' squad is as follows:

Ends: John Kulbitski, Roosevelt high of Minneapolis; John Barnum, Paul Maki, Aurora; Bob Larson, Rockford, Ill, and Gaydon Godward of Washburn high school, Minneapolis.

Tackles: Howard Parkinson, St. Paul Central; Burton Storm, Willmar; Marshall Kallgren, Eau Claire, Wisconsin; Eldred Miller, Hutchinson, and Fritz Grewing of Humboldt high school, St. Paul.

Guards: Horace Bell, Akron, Ohio; Robert Dennis, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Francis Twedell, Austin; Ray Close, Minneapolis North; Tom Flolid, Minneapolis Marshall, and Vendall Kaufman, Marinette, Wisconsin.

Centers: Allen Rork, Eau Claire, Wisconsin; Harry Butler, Max Derrickson, Detroit Lakes; and Clare Lilevjen, Appleton.

Quarterbacks: Dick Peterson, Minneapolis North; Martin Falk, Minneapolis Washburn, and Leland Johnson, Wadena.

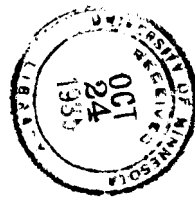
Left half: George Smith, Faribault; Bronko Smilanich, Chisholm, and Wilbur Moore, Austin.

Right half: George Faust, Minneapolis North, and Lawrence Buhler, Windom.

Fullback: Ray Strate, Minneapolis Central; John Ahlf, Detroit Lakes, and Phil Belfiori, Buhl high school

Included on Coach Tuttle's staff are Milt Bruhn, Art Clarkson and Mervin Dunnigan, 'A' squad coaches; Maurice Johnson, William Proffitt, Lloyd Hribar, Dave MacMillan, David Bartelma, and Marshall Ryman.





Minneapolis, October ~~24~~<sup>24</sup> Coach Bernie Bierman and the 1935 Gophers this week find themselves at the crossroads of their 1935 season, with one of two definite alternatives facing them. Either the Gophers must become an 11 man team with each man capable of playing 60 minutes or else dependable replacements must be brought forward from the group of sophomore and veteran reserves.

With five consecutive conference games ahead of them in their defense of the Big Ten title, the Gopher reserve ranks must provide men who can step forward to fill the recurring gaps in the varsity ranks.

From the group of 25 sophomores who joined the varsity this fall, Coach Bierman has thus far drawn his reserve strength for the most part in early games. Such sophomore backs as Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, Rudy Gmitro, Andy Uram and Bill Matheny and first year linemen like Lou Midler, Bob Weld, Ray Trampe and Bob Hoel have constituted the majority of the reserve strength.

Now it is to the sophomore group and about a dozen veteran reserves not yet used, that the Gopher coaches must turn this week as they start their search for suitable replacements.

At quarterback, the position of which Coach Bierman felt surest at the start of the season because of the presence of Captain Glenn Seidel, the Gophers now find their biggest gap. The loss of Seidel places the responsibility for replacements in the Gopher backfield directly up to the reserve group and more particularly to the veterans.

Sam Hunt of Red Lake Falls, who saw his first competition this fall after a year of observation from the bench, is a possibility to replace the Gopher

leader at the important signal calling post. Should Coach Bierman decide on this move, Harlan Hurd and Harvey Ring, would be moved up a notch.

Still another maneuver in the backfield which Bierman may make, would send the dependable Vernal LeVoir back to the quarterback job and draw on the reserve ranks for a man to fill in at right halfback. This seems almost certain.

Of the veterans on the reserve list, George Rennix, fast and elusive Aberdeen, S. D. boy, may get first consideration. Rennix started the opening game with North Dakota State, but has seen little action since because of a rib injury. Mal Eiken, who has been a Gopher reserve for three years, is also getting special consideration because of his passing abilities.

Bill Matheny, a fleet-footed ball carrier and a good blocker, and Rudy Gmitro are also being groomed for the right halfback assignment, although lack of weight is a handicap to both.

"Tuffy" Thompson and Andy Uram are being depended upon to provide the reserve strength at left half, which Whitman Rork and Vic Spadaccini are the men available to relieve Sheldon Boise at fullback.

On the line, Bierman has limited his replacements to date to a half dozen sophomores, but it is evident that he will have to rely on several veteran reserves if he decided to fortify each position along the line.



Minneapolis, October 25. A complete lack of the usual pre-game nerves has played a major part in making Ed Widseth an outstanding tackle.

Where a great many football players, some of them stars, are handicapped by having to enter each game in a highly nervous state which sometimes does not wear off until several plays have been run off, Widseth's temperament is such that nerves play no part in his actions on the gridiron no matter how high the stakes.

Although readily admitting his immunity to nerves on the football field, Widseth confesses that he often gets "worked up" over an important game and imbued with an overwhelming desire to get into the opponents backfield. How effective this emotion is with the big Minnesota lineman can be testified to by most of the Gopher opponents of the last two seasons.

Opposing linemen who had learned to look for the hard charging 218 pound tackle on the left side of the Gopher forward wall last season have had to change their tactics this fall, for Widseth has been moved to the right tackle position to bolster the spot left by Phil Bengtson. Although he experienced a little difficulty at first in accustoming himself to his new job, Widseth now plays the right tackle position like a veteran.

Perhaps a second reason for Widseth's coolness under fire lies in the fact that he is a little bit older and more mature than the average on the Gopher squad. Following four years of playing football at an agricultural high school at Crookston, Ed took a recess from his studies to aid his father on the family farm near McIntosh, Minnesota.

At the Crookston school the coach experimented with the husky farm boy, but after using him for one year at tackle, he decided that his power and weight could be used more effectively in the backfield. Consequently, Widseth spent

three years of his high school career at fullback.

Despite his four years at prep school football, Ed gives the major portion of the credit for his development to Bernie Bierman and line coach Dr. George Hauser at Minnesota, who Widseth admits, "taught me just about all I know about playing football." A short academic year in Crookston, limited to suit the crop growing season, was a major cause of his inexperience.

Although faced with the task of coordinating his weight to other men who were smaller and lighter than he, Widseth learned the rudiments of the Bierman system in a remarkably short time. And was one of the outstanding linemen on the field in the 1934 Pittsburgh game, the second game of his collegiate career.

Three games stand out in his memory when, he confesses, he really got "worked up." The first was the 1934 Nebraska game, his first for the Maroon and Gold. The second was the Pittsburgh encounter and the third was the Nebraska game this fall. On all three occasions, Widseth's outstanding line play attracted particular attention.

The fact that Widseth is left-handed is one that is not of any particular significance to football fans, but to Athletic Director Frank McCormick it is of paramount importance. McCormick, who is also the Gopher baseball coach, is training Ed to be a pitcher with the expectation that his southpaw slants may win some games for the Gophers next spring.

Widseth is a junior in the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics at the university and has a year of varsity football competition remaining.



Minneapolis , October ~~31~~<sup>31</sup> - Minnesota fears Purdue!

With the University of Chicago dropping its time honored slogan of "Chicago fears Purdue" after a quarter of a century and coming out with the flat assertion that its team no longer fears the Boilermakers, the Gophers are this week appropriating the right to "fear" the big team from Lafayette in anticipation of Saturday's game.

When the two teams meet in the annual Dad's Day game in Memorial Stadium, fans who like their football to result in hard, close contests, will be in their element. In other words the past records of the two teams indicate that the game will be outstanding on the 1935 Gopher home schedule because of the evenly matched ability of the two teams.

While the Gophers have been busily engaged in winning their first four games, Purdue has won three and lost one, the latter to Carnegie Tech last Saturday by a single touchdown. Previously, the Boilermakers had defeated Northwestern and Chicago in the conference and Fordham in the East. As a result, Purdue is sharing the lead in the Big Ten title race with Michigan, Ohio State, Iowa and Minnesota.

Past performances of both teams lead to the prediction that the game will center around the strength of the two opposing lines. The Gopher forward wall, which has become known for its goal line defenses and its terrific charging power, may be pitted against its toughest opposition to date, for the Boilermaker linemen have allowed their goal line to be crossed only once this season.

Average weights on the two lines are almost identical, with the Gopher forwards averaging 197 pounds to the Boilermakers 196. Dick Smith and Ed Widseth at the Gopher tackles both weigh close to 220 pounds, but they will be

matched by Forrest Burnmeister, who weighs 212, and Ted Farring, who weighs 202, at the Purdue tackles.

The guards on both teams are of about equal weight, but the Gophers will find themselves outweighed 13 pounds at the center post. Ray King and Dwight Reed, Minnesota's sophomore ends must also find themselves at a slight weight disadvantage, but more important, they must try and cope with the experience of the Boilermaker's pair of senior wingmen.

Coach Bernie Bierman indicated in the Northwestern game that he has assembled another ground gaining combination in the Gopher backfield when he shifted George Roscoe to right halfback and moved the elusive Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson to left halfback. This combination will probably see considerable service for the Maroon and Gold.

Matching this Gopher combination will be a set of seven outstanding Purdue backs whose attack will be built around John Drake, hard hitting fullback. Included in this group are Charles Wright, who had an average yardage of 6.50 previous to the Carnegie Tech game; Cecil Isbell, who carried the ball 4.96 at every attempt, and Tom McGannon, who boasted 4.15 average.

Both teams will enter the game minus the services of their respective captains. Glenn Scidel of the Gophers will still be on the sidelines recuperating from a broken collarbone and Ed Skoronski of the Boildermakers has been ruled ineligible.

Saturday's game will be the "rubber" contest between the two universities, with each school having won three games with one tie. The record:

1894	Minnesota	24	Purdue	0
1895	Minnesota	4	Purdue	18
1896	Minnesota	14	Purdue	0
1897	Minnesota	0	Purdue	6
1928	Minnesota	15	Purdue	0
1932	Minnesota	0	Purdue	7
1933	Minnesota	7	Purdue	7

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Minneapolis, October 31-A little matter of humidity was responsible for getting Dick Smith into shape to have one of the best seasons a Minnesota tackle has had in several years. He says he's "down" to 220 pounds.

Last year, when Dick reported to the Gopher training camp, he was hampered by some 25 superfluous pounds which sent his weight up to 245. During the 1934 season he found it impossible to lose this extra poundage and as a result found his game hampered to a considerable degree.

When classes were over last spring, Dick decided that it was time to do something about his weight. Consequently he applied for a job in a paper box factory in Rockford, Illinois, his home town. His work in that factory, claims Dick, really brought him back into shape.

"I worked in a room that was thick with steam," explains Smith. "That steam was just like a Turkish bath to me. I began to lose weight and by the end of the summer I had lost 20 pounds. I reported this fall at 225 and now I'm down to 220."

Both coaches and observers agree that Smith's game has improved materially this season and that he possesses a new drive and speed that was missing from his game in the past. Opposing linemen also can testify to the force of Smith's charges, although some of them are at a loss to know how he could have dropped any weight.

Another feature of Dick's play which has impressed both opposing players and observers is his extreme politeness while on the field. Although he is constantly charging through the line and taking opponents off their feet, Dick seldom fails to stop and help them to their feet after each play.

"It gives me a chance to talk with them and sometimes kid them along," Dick explains. "Most of the time they reply with the same sort of kidding, but once in a while you find a fellow who doesn't want any help.

"There was a big guard playing on the Tulane team who didn't like the idea very well. Every time one of our plays would go through his position, one of our linemen would stop and help him to his feet. Finally he waved them away and said, 'Leave me alone, I can get up by myself.'"

"'All right,' said the Minnesota man, 'but as long as you're going to be in a horizontal position most of the afternoon, I'd think you'd want a lift once in a while.'"

Smith came to the university after only one year of football at Rockford high school. Previous to that time he had attended a private prep school. Although he went out for the team at the latter school he wasn't considered good enough to make the team. In his senior year in Rockford, however, he won the job as the team's regular tackle.

At Minnesota, Dick has played in at least a part of almost every game since his sophomore year. Last fall in the Wisconsin game he realized a life-long ambition when he took a 51 yard pass from George Roscoe and went over for a touchdown.

Both of Dick's parents are avid football fans and his father has journeyed from Rockford to watch most of the Gopher games this fall, including the Nebraska game at Lincoln.





Minneapolis, Nov. ~~14~~—The guards in the Minnesota line may be good and all that, but it's the tackles that really make the line a great one. This is the intimate, if somewhat generous opinion, of Charles "Bud" Wilkinson, who really ought to know since he plays a guard position.

"Is our line good? Well, they say it is, and if that's so the credit should really go to Smith and Widseth," exclaims the rangy Wilkinson. "Boy, did you ever see a pair of tackles like those fellows? Why, anyone with half an eye can see that they 'make that line.'"

Although the Gopher guard could go on praising his teammates indefinitely without a word about his own ability, Minnesota coaches recognize in Wilkinson one of the most talented and versatile players they have coached in a long time. Because he combines the speed of a halfback with the charge of the lineman, Bud has been a kind of combination lineman and blocking back all season.

Since the Bierman system runs most of its plays to the right, it is Wilkinson's duty to pull out of the line and lead the interference on a great many formations. His startling speed was displayed before Minnesota fans in both the Tulane game and the Northwestern game this year. In the first encounter, he blocked a punt, scooped up the loose ball and dashed 55 yards for a touchdown. Against Northwestern a week later, Wilkinson intercepted a Wildcat pass and carried it back 30 yards before being downed.

Because of his speed and versatility, Wilkinson has been tried in several different positions on the practise field, but he has remained at guard during the actual games. After reporting as a tackle candidate as a freshman and play-

ing that position all during his freshman training, Bud was shifted to guard last year by Bernie Bierman. During his frosh competition he paired with Ed Widseth on the yearling line.

This fall, after playing his regular guard in the first two games, Wilkinson was tried at center by Bierman who was looking for a replacement for the injured Rennebohm. But Rennebohm recovered and Bud went back to playing guard again.

In the following game on the schedule, against Tulane, Captain Glenn Seidel, Wilkinson's buddy on the team, received his collarbone injury and the following Monday Bud found himself working out at right halfback. He has alternated at the backfield post and the regular guard positions during the practise periods since that time and may yet see service as a back.

Bud began his football career by playing quarterback during his sophomore year at Shattuck school, Faribault. He followed this with two years as a tackle during his junior and senior terms there.

With all his varied experience, Bud still likes playing the guard position best--at least for the remainder of this year. "If I can get a little more training in the backfield next spring, maybe I can make a go of it next year," he says.

At the university, Wilkinson is a student in the University College, a division with higher than the average entrance requirements. Bud himself has maintained a 'B' average in his studies. His ambition upon graduation is to be a coach. That is, he wants to be a coach if he can be a good one. His home is in Minneapolis.



Minneapolis, Nov. 17--The similarity of action between drawing a bead on a pheasant and spotting a pass receiver may not become immediately apparent to most people, but to George Roscoe, triple threat Gopher halfback, the two acts have something in common--they develop his accuracy of aim and coordination.

Whether he is on the gridiron, rifling passes to eligible receivers and aiming punts at the sidelines, or whether he is tramping the Minnesota countryside, gun in hand, George's aim has generally brought him results. When the Gophers are at home, Roscoe usually finds time to be both places over each weekend, dashing from the shower room at the close of each game into a waiting automobile and off to the country for some Sunday hunting.

Although the Roscoe family larder stands to benefit from George's accuracy with the shotgun, Minnesota football destinies are dependent to a larger extent upon his accuracy with the pigskin and it is this latter ability that is of paramount interest to thousands of Gopher supporters.

The excellence of George's aim where football is concerned, both with his toe and with his throwing arm, has never been questioned by close observers in the Gopher camp since he stepped on Northrop field as a promising sophomore prospect. With his promotion to a regular berth on the varsity, however, Gopher fans have come to agree with the opinion of sports writers that Roscoe is one of the most accurate passers of recent years.

Thus far this year Gopher backs have tossed 46 passes, with Roscoe on the throwing end of the great majority of them. Out of this number 12 have been completed, not a outstanding average for completions. But when one considers that all of the completions came at strategic points during the games and that the incompletes were not the fault of the passer, the record stands to Roscoe's credit.

Roscoe's placement of punts has played an important factor in the Gopher victories to date, his well placed kicks serving to keep the opponents "in the hole" much of the time. Doing most of the punting for the Gophers, George has averaged 29.8 yards per kick and has punted the ball a total of 2,197 during the six games played so far this season.

Only once during the time he has been in the game has Roscoe relinquished his punting duties and that once was the result of a wager with Captain Glenn Seidel during the Tulane game. "You do the punting for a while today and I'll bring you back a duck from my hunting trip," George told Glenn before the game.

Seidel took over the punting duties and did an excellent job of it before he was injured. The following day Roscoe delivered the promised duck to Seidel, who was nursing a broken collar bone at his home.

Roscoe, a product of Minneapolis Central high school, stepped into the regular left halfback position on the Gopher varsity this fall after serving for two years as an understudy to Francis "Pug" Lund. During his sophomore and junior seasons he displayed occasional flashes of brilliance, but was overshadowed by Lund.

This fall, however, George found himself and from the very first day of practise has played a consistently brilliant game in all departments. In the opening game against North Dakota State, he threw 11 passes, completing five of them with two good for touchdowns. He punted for an average of 39.9 yards per attempt and carried the ball 85 yards in 18 attempts. Continuing his all-round play through the Iowa game last week, Roscoe tossed 11 passes, two of which set the stage for Gopher touchdowns; punted for an average of 40.3 yards and carried the ball 56 yards in 11 attempts.

During the winter and spring, Roscoe is a member of the Gopher basketball and baseball teams. He is one of the leading scorers in the conference basketball circles.



Minneapolis, Nov. 20—Eleven members of the Gopher varsity football squad, 10 of them lettermen, will have their last opportunity to play football for Minnesota on Saturday when the Gophers meet Wisconsin in the forty-fifth game in the historic series at Minneapolis.

Six backs and five linemen are included in the group and will conclude their football careers in an attempt to add another victory to the long string won by the Gophers during the time they were members of the squad. Seven of these men have been regulars this season.

Leading this group of retiring athletes, none of whom has ever known a defeat during his career as a member of the Gopher eleven, will be Captain Glenn Seidel, who is almost a certainty to play against Wisconsin after being out of the lineup since October 19 with a broken collar bone.

Joining the Gopher squad in the fall of 1933, Seidel has directed the team to some of the most outstanding victories in Minnesota football history. He was the field general during the majority of the games in 1934 that brought the Gophers the National championship and continued in that capacity until the Tulane game this fall, when he received his injury.

Vernal "Babe" LeVair, who has played three positions in the backfield this fall, two of them as a regular, will also close his three year football career on Saturday. LeVair, whose versatility made him the handy man of the Gopher squad, started out this season as alternate quarterback, served time as reserve fullback, and then became regular right halfback and regular quarterback in rapid succession as emergencies occurred.

Three halfbacks will see their last service for Minnesota against Wisconsin. They are George Roscoe, George Ronnix and Mal Eiken.

Roscoe after serving as a brilliant understudy to Francis "Pug" Lund for two seasons, came into his own this fall. Alternating at left and right halfback, George took over the passing and punting duties along with his ball carrying assignments. He played the full 60 minutes in several games to earn the title of the "iron man" of the team.

Rennix, after a promising start as a sophomore, was hampered by injuries and never really hit his stride until this year. He was in the starting lineup against Northwestern and performed capably against several other Gopher opponents. Eiken, after being on the squad two years without getting in a game, got his chance against Northwestern and Purdue this fall, scoring a touchdown against the latter. Two years of varsity basketball complete his athletic career at Minnesota.

Sheldon Beise, most recent in the long line of outstanding Minnesota full-backs, will conclude his playing days against the Badgers. Always a strong defensive player and one of the outstanding open field blockers of the conference, Beise brought his line plunging abilities up to a par with other departments this fall to make himself one of the spearheads of the Gopher offense.

One of the major losses from the Gopher forward wall will come with the graduation of Dale Rennebohm, the 180 pound center, who, despite his comparative lack of weight has become one of the defensive mainstays of the Gopher eleven.

Dick Smith, senior member of the Gopher's stone wall tackle combination of Smith and Widseth, will also be playing his last game. The 220 pound Rockford, Illinois youth was an alternate until this year when his game improved to such an extent that there has been wide comment upon his splendid play.

Vern Oech will also play his last game on the Gopher line at one of the guard positions. Although this is only his second year of competition as a Gopher, Oech had one year at the University of Montana. He has been an important factor in the line's power. Frank Dallera, guard, and Bill Freimuth, tackle, will also conclude their collegiate competition.



Minneapolis, Nov. 23 - A Minnesota vow made 45 years ago will be reiterated Saturday in Memorial stadium when the Gophers meet the Wisconsin Badgers in the forty-fifth game of the historic gridiron rivalry between the two universities.

With tales of the prowess of the mighty Badgers ringing in their ears, the Gopher squad joined hands in the training room on a fall afternoon in 1890 and vowed that they were out to defeat the Badgers, and if they couldn't defeat them they would at least compel Wisconsin to respect Minnesota.

That vow marked the beginning of football relationships between Minnesota and Wisconsin which have continued annually from that day to the present with the exception of a single year. How well the vow was kept that first year, can be attested to by the 63-0 score in favor of the Gophers.

Saturday the 1935 edition of the Gophers will gather in the stadium training rooms for last minute instructions before facing the Badgers for the opening kick-off. Although the ceremony of joining hands may be eliminated, it can be definitely stated that the Gophers will vow at that time to make the latest Badger representatives respect them.

From the date of that early victory for the Gophers through 1905 the two teams met annually. In 1906 a program to "de-emphasize" football was inaugurated throughout the nation and the series came to a temporary halt, but it was resumed the next year and has continued without interruption since that time. It is the oldest continuous football series in the West.

Minnesota has won 24 games, lost 15 and 5 have been tied in the contests to date. In the early years until 1916, the Gophers held quite a decided edge over their rivals in the standpoint of victories and of the last 13 games Minnesota has won ten.

It is estimated that close to 40,000 spectators will witness the close of the 1935 Gopher season Saturday, with the size of the crowd dependent to some degree upon the weather. Approximately 5,000 tickets were sold over the counter during the first day of the public sale on Monday. This is in contrast to the 1890 game, when a crowd of several hundred was present and the guarantee for visiting team was \$100.

Ray Murphy, Ida Grove, Iowa, national commander of the American Legion, will be present in the stands during the game as the University athletic department observes its Legion Day. Several hundred Legionnaires and an official drum corps will also represent the organization.

#### THE MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN RECORD

(44 games. This year's game will make the forty-fifth year that the two teams have met.)

1890	Minnesota 63	Wisconsin 0	1913	Minnesota 21	Wisconsin 3
1891	Minnesota 26	Wisconsin 12	1914	Minnesota 14	Wisconsin 3
1892	Minnesota 32	Wisconsin 4	1915	Minnesota 20	Wisconsin 3
1893	Minnesota 40	Wisconsin 0	1916	Minnesota 54	Wisconsin 0
1894	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 6	1917	Minnesota 7	Wisconsin 10
1895	Minnesota 14	Wisconsin 10	1918	Minnesota 6	Wisconsin 0
1896	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 6	1919	Minnesota 19	Wisconsin 7
1897	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 39	1920	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 3
1898	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 28	1921	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 35
1899	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 19	1922	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 14
1900	Minnesota 6	Wisconsin 5	1923	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 0
1901	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 18	1924	Minnesota 7	Wisconsin 7
1902	Minnesota 11	Wisconsin 0	1925	Minnesota 12	Wisconsin 12
1903	Minnesota 17	Wisconsin 0	1926	Minnesota 16	Wisconsin 10
1904	Minnesota 28	Wisconsin 0	1927	Minnesota 13	Wisconsin 7
1905	Minnesota 12	Wisconsin 16	1928	Minnesota 6	Wisconsin 0
1907	Minnesota 17	Wisconsin 17	1929	Minnesota 13	Wisconsin 12
1908	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 5	1930	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 14
1909	Minnesota 34	Wisconsin 6	1931	Minnesota 14	Wisconsin 0
1910	Minnesota 28	Wisconsin 0	1932	Minnesota 13	Wisconsin 20
1911	Minnesota 6	Wisconsin 6	1933	Minnesota 6	Wisconsin 3
1912	Minnesota 0	Wisconsin 14	1934	Minnesota 34	Wisconsin 0

(Minnesota won 24, lost 15, tied 5)





12/14/35

The official close of the Big Ten football season and the Minnesota schedule last Saturday may have meant a welcome vacation from athletic competition to some of the Gopher squad, but to a dozen members of the varsity it only meant a quick change into basketball, hockey and track suits and another season of competition.

Five football men will join Coach Dave MacMillan's basketball squad this week, three will transfer their activities to the cinder track, three to hockey and one each to boxing and wrestling.

George Roscoe, the "iron man" of the 1935 football campaign, will continue in a similar capacity as a forward on the basketball team. During the past two seasons, Roscoe has amazed fans who have witnessed his success in scoring with the unorthodox one-handed "push shot." In the past he has been one of the leading scorers in conference cage circles.

Earl Svendson, reserve center for Bernie Bierman, also transfers his athletic activities to the basketball court as a candidate for a guard position. Earl was a member of the squad last winter, alternating at a guard post with his brother George.

Ray Antil, reserve end, will join the cage squad for his second year of basketball competition. He was a guard candidate last season. Mal Eiken, reserve halfback, and Bill Freimuth, reserve tackle, will also augment the basketball squad.

Captain Glenn Seidel, Charles "Bud" Wilkinson and B. W. Smith have other ambitions and will don skates and pads to begin working out with the Gopher puck squad sometime this week. Smith and Seidel, if doctors say his collar bone injury sufficiently healed, will work out as defense men, while Wilkinson will be

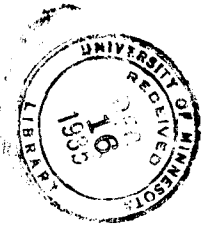
the regular goalie. Laurence "Larry" Armstrong, the Gopher's newly appointed hockey coach, believes that Wilkinson is destined to become an outstanding goal minder, an impression gained after seeing him in action last year. Wilkinson will act as co-captain with Ted Mitchell.

Freimuth, forced by a knee injury to remain on the sidelines during the football season, got the jump on his football mates who were planning to compete for places on the track squad and has been working out in the shot put, an event in which he holds the conference championship. Dominic Krezowski, reserve end, will also be a track candidate.

The flying feet of Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, that carried him on innumerable trips up and down the gridiron and aided him in scoring several touchdowns, are going to be utilized to the full advantage if George Otterness, forming his first Minnesota track team, has anything to say about it. Tuffy reported to favor track over basketball, although he has previously participated in both sports, attracting wide attention in state high school track circles during his high school career.

Caifson Johnson, reserve tackle, is one of the outstanding members of Coach Dave Bartelma's mat squad. He had a very successful record last season in the 175 pound class.

Dwight Reed, who played the left side of Bernie Bierman's sophomore and combination, is expected to take his fighting spirit into the boxing ring, where he holds the University championship in the 165 pound class.



12/14/35

Hoping to make up with speed and deception what his squad lacks in weight, size and experience, Coach Dave MacMillan will send his Minnesota basketball squad through its third and last week of hard pre-season drills this week in preparation for the Gopher's opening game of the season with Cornell college of Mount Vernon, Iowa in the Field House, Saturday night, December 7.

The lack of big, rangy men, a problem that has confronted MacMillan for several years, again seems destined to be the Gopher coaches' major worry this season unless some of the larger athletes in the group of 16 sophomore candidates develop with unexpected rapidity. The average weight of the seven returning lettermen is only 173 pounds and the average height is around six feet. Most of the other teams in the conference will average inches taller.

To complicate Coach MacMillan's problems, George Roscoe has informed the coach that he will have to remain out of competition until after the first of the year in order to make up studies. Although the conference season will not open until January 6, the temporary loss of Roscoe is expected to hold up the squad's early season progress.

Of the returning lettermen, Roscoe with his 190 pounds and height of six feet, one inch, is the only man who will approach the average size of conference basketball players. The veteran trio of forwards, Malcolm Eiken, James Baker and Charles Wallblom, average only five feet, ten inches in height. Dick Seebach and Glenn Barnum, a pair of seasoned guards, are in the same classification.

Bill Freimuth, a letter winning guard last season, should qualify with his six feet, six inches and 210 pounds, but a bad knee which kept him out of football competition makes his services questionable.

Of the reserves, Earl Svendson and Ray Antil seem to have the most promise. Svendson and Antil joined the cagers after the close of the football season and are candidates for guard. Dominic Krezowski, another football man, also hopes to use his six feet, three inch height to some advantage from a guard position.

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MacMillan. Foremost among them are George Gustafson of Two Harbors and Lowell Sullivan of St. Paul. During the early drills, MacMillan has been using Gustafson as a forward post and Sullivan at center of his prospective first team. Robert "Red" Manly, another sophomore from St. Paul has been receiving favorable consideration at center from the coaches.

Eight members of the varsity football squad have reported for action on the basketball court, including Roscoe, Eiken, Antil, Svendson, Krezowski and Bill Matheny. Andy Uram, galloping halfback, joined the squad with the reputation of having been all-city guard during his Minneapolis high school days. Frank Biele of Gilbert, a guard in football, is out for the same position in basketball.

#### COACHES

David MacMillan, head basketball coach, will direct his ninth successive Gopher cage entry in the coming conference schedule. He came to the University of Minnesota in 1928 from the University of Idaho, his alma mater, where he had coached several strong teams in the Pacific Coast conference. Coach MacMillan attended both the University of Idaho and Oberlin college. Upon his graduation he was for several years a member of the famous New York Celtics in the National Professional Basketball league. He began his coaching career at New Brunswick (N.J.) high school and then returned to the University of Idaho to assume his duties as head coach.

Al Sundberg, assistant coach, appointed this fall.

Mike Cielusak, Earl Loose, newly appointed freshman cage coaches and former Gopher basketball players.

#### LETTERMEN LOST

Gordon Norman, center  
George Svendson, guard

Edward Stelzer, forward  
Irving Kupperberg, guard

#### SKETCHES

NOTE: Following are brief sketches of members of the present squad who are likely to make up the squad. This list is subject to change for reasons of eligibility, ability and the like.

GEORGE ROSCOE, senior forward and probably the backbone of Coach Dave MacMillan's plans for the season if he is able to play. This versatile athlete, who was the kicker and passer in the backfield of the championship Gopher football team, is also outstanding on the basketball floor. Last season he scored 39 field goals and 10 free throws for a total of 88 points, one behind Gordon Norman.

DICK SEEBACH, junior guard. Last year he scored 7 field goals and an equal number of free throws for a total of 21 points. Was a member of state championship Red Wing quint while in high school. Home is in Red Wing.

MALCOLM EIKEN, senior forward. Another back on the Gopher football team who also utilizes his speed and ability on the basketball floor. Was a reserve last winter. Height 5'11", weight 165 pounds. Home, Caledonia.

JAMES BAKER, senior forward. 5'9" in height. Weight 170 pounds. Fast. Scored 31 field goals and 19 free throws for a total of 81 points last season. Home in Glencoe, Minnesota.

CHARLES WALLBLUM, senior forward. Has been in the lineup consistently for the past two seasons. Height 5'10". Weight 160 pounds. Home, St. Paul.

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GLENN BARNUM, senior guard. Was a letterman two years ago, but was ineligible most of last season. Came to Minnesota from Glencoe along with Baker. Height 5'11". Weight 165 pounds.

EARL SVENDSON, junior guard. As his brother George did, Earl plays guard in basketball and center in football. Six feet in height and weighs 188 pounds. Graduate of Minneapolis Marshall high school.

RAY ANTIL, junior guard. Although a member of the squad last season, Ray saw no action. Big and rugged. Weight 190, Height 6'. A reserve end on the football squad. Home Maple Lake.

DOMINIC KREZOWSKI, junior guard. A reserve who may be ready this year. Also out for guard and also a reserve football end.

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The following sophomores have looked good in pre-season work-outs according to Coach MacMillan:

George Gustafson: a rangy sophomore from Two Harbors who is out after the vacant center post. Height 6'2". Weight 170 pounds.

ANDY URAM: MacMillan hopes he'll deliver in basketball the way he did in his first season of football. Was an all-city guard in high school. Competing for a guard position. Height 6'. Weight 170 pounds. Home Minneapolis.

EARL HALVERSON: sophomore from Minneapolis who has been seeing some service with the first string. Height 5'10". Weight 172.

Also: ED JONES, guard, and HUGO NASLUND, forward, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; LOWELL SULLIVAN, St. Paul; ART LILLIBLAD, Red Wing; GEORGE NASH, Minneapolis, and MARTIN ROLEK, Minneapolis

ROSTER OF 1936 MINNESOTA BASKETBALL SQUAD AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 1935

Returning Lettermen

NAME	POS.	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	AGE	YEAR OF COMP.	HOME TOWN
*George Roseoe	f	6'1"	190	22	3rd	Minneapolis
*Dick Seebach	g	5'10"	155	19	2nd	Red Wing
*Malcolm Eiken	f	5'11"	165	22	3rd	Caledonia
*James Baker	f	5'9"	170	21	3rd	Glencoe
*Charles Wallblom	f	5'10"	160	20	3rd	St. Paul
*William Freimuth	g	6'6"	210	22	3rd	Duluth

Returning Reserves

*Ellen Barnum	g	5'11"	165	21	3rd	Glencoe
Earl Svendson	g	6'	187	20	2nd	Minneapolis
Ray Antil	g	6'	190	20	2nd	Maple Lake
Dominic Krezowski	g	6'3"	195	21	2nd	Minneapolis

Sophomores

Gilford Atwood	g	6'2"	165	19	1st	Austin
Ray Barger	f	6'1"	170	18	1st	Farrington
Mark Forgette	g	6'	170	18	1st	Duluth
George Gustafson	f	6'2"	170	19	1st	Two Harbors
Earl Halverson	g	5'10"	172	19	1st	Minneapolis
Edward Jones	g	6'1"	180	19	1st	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Jim Ingles	f	6'1"	175	18	1st	Red Wood Falls
Jack Laxaskas	c	6'2"	175	20	1st	Scranton, Pa.
Art Lillyblad	g	5'8"	155	19	1st	Red Wing
Robert Manly	g	6'2"	170	20	1st	St. Paul
George Nash	g	6'	170	18	1st	Minneapolis
Hugo Naslund	f	5'10"	155	18	1st	Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Henry Olson	f	5'11"	160	19	1st	Minneapolis
Martin Rolek	g	5'10"	165	19	1st	Minneapolis

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Lowell Sullivan	c	6'2"	175	18	1st	Minneapolis
Andy Uram	g	6'	170	19	1st	St. Paul Minneapolis



1935-36 SCHEDULE

- Dec. 7 Cornell College at Minneapolis
- Dec. 10 North Dakota State at Minneapolis
- Dec. 14 Carleton College at Minneapolis
- Dec. 20 Nebraska at Minneapolis
- Dec. 28 Marquette University at Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
- Dec. 30 DePaul University at Chicago
- Jan. 4 Notre Dame at Minneapolis
- Jan. 6 Illinois at Minneapolis
- Jan. 11 Michigan at Ann Arbor
- Jan. 13 Northwestern at Evanston
- Jan. 18 Indiana at Minneapolis
- Jan. 20 Northwestern at Minneapolis
- Jan. 25 Michigan at Minneapolis
- Feb. 1 Ohio State at Columbus
- Feb. 3 Indiana at Bloomington
- Feb. 8 Ohio State at Minneapolis
- Feb. 10 Purdue at Minneapolis
- Feb. 22 Illinois at Urbana
- Feb. 24 Purdue at Lafayette
- Feb. 25 Notre Dame at South Bend

Scored of 1934-35 Basketball Season

		<u>Conference</u>	
Jan. 12	Minnesota 31	Michigan 24	
Jan. 14	Minnesota 33	Iowa 39	
Jan. 19	Minnesota 42	Chicago 33	
Jan. 21	Minnesota 31	Wisconsin 38	
Feb. 2	Minnesota 36	Iowa 35	
Feb. 4	Minnesota 35	Chicago 26	
Feb. 9	Minnesota 23	Indiana 48	
Feb. 11	Minnesota 29	Michigan 26	
Feb. 18	Minnesota 27	Wisconsin 28	
Feb. 23	Minnesota 34	Illinois 38	
March 2	Minnesota 29	Illinois 40	
March 9	Minnesota 29	Indiana 38	

Conference record: Won 5, Lost 7

		<u>Non-Conference</u>	
Dec. 8	Minnesota 31	Hamline 24	
Dec. 11	Minnesota 28	St. Thomas 18	
Dec. 15	Minnesota 42	North Dakota State 13	
Dec. 22	Minnesota 34	Carleton 26	
Dec. 29	Minnesota 24	Nebraska 26	
Dec. 31	Minnesota 44	Superior Teachers 33	
Jan. 5	Minnesota 30	Notre Dame 28	
Mch. 4	Minnesota 27	Notre Dame 38	

Non-conference record: Won 6, Lost 2

In 1935, Minnesota finished seventh in the conference standings with five wins and seven losses for a percentage of .417. During the conference season scored 379 points to 414 for its opponents. During the season the Gophers set a new scoring record for Minnesota basketball teams with the total of 379 points. More than 76,000 spectators saw the 12 home games in the University of Minnesota

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With prospects for the Gopher swimming team described as "the best in many years" by Coach Niels Thorpe, some 30 or more prospective members of the Minnesota aquatic squad are working out daily in the exhibition pool in the Athletic building on the university campus.

Not for several years has Coach Thorpe been so enthusiastic over his chances for a winning team. Four lettermen and five reserves from last season are back to form the nucleus for the 1936 squad. Added to this group are 18 sophomores, two of them holding records in state high school swim competition.

Three lettermen of last season will be lost including Richard Pfeil, dash man; Jack Beard, 440 yard event, and Gordon Brude, breast stroke. The latter has transferred to Northwestern university.

Captain Austin Sparling, St. Paul, whose favorite event is the 220 yard distance, will lead the team during the coming season. Wesley Webb, last season's captain and back stroke swimmer, will be back for another year of competition in his favorite event, as will Bill Ferris, diver, and Walter Gjelhaug, who swims "anything" from 50 yards to a mile. Webb and Ferris are from Minneapolis and Gjelhaug is from Baudette.

Among the reserves from last season who are working for positions on the 1936 squad are James Brandt and Louis Hess of St. Paul, backstroke candidates; and Harry Knight and John Comstock of Minneapolis, breast stroke swimmers. Milan Johnston of Duluth is back to swim in his favorite event, the 440 yard swim.

Two sophomores who have held state records in the short dashes in two different states are among the sophomore group. They are Andy Ackerman of Detroit, who was the Michigan state high school champion in the 50 yard dash,

and Rex Hudson of Duluth, who holds Minnesota high school records in the 40 and 50 yard dashes.

Others in the sophomore group are:

From Minneapolis: Louis Cooke, breast stroke; Gordon Halvorson, backstroke; Ernest Hyman, Walldron Jerome, breast stroke; Walter Robb, diver; Robert Smith, and William Thompson, crawl.

From St. Paul: Phil Broderson, crawl and backstroke; Bernard Pusin, breast stroke, and Lucien Thompson, crawl.

From outside the Twin Cities: James Collinson, Devils Lake, N. D., James Nichols, Duluth, crawl; Robert Pierce, Detroit Lakes; Marshall Pratt, Washburn, Wis.; Bill Sturm, Duluth and Bob Watts, Royal Oak, Michigan.

The Western conference swimming meet will be held in Minnesota's new exhibition pool on March 13 and 14 it was decided at the conference meeting in Chicago last week. The remainder of the Gopher aquatic schedule follows:

Feb. 7 - Nebraska at Lincoln  
Feb. 8 - Iowa State at Ames  
Feb. 15 - Iowa at Minneapolis  
Feb. 29 - Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
Mch. 6 - Northwestern at Evanston  
Mch. 7 - Illinois at Urbana  
Mch. 13-14 - Conference meet at Minneapolis

The Spring Schedules:

SWIMMING

April 25 Northwest International Swimming Meet. Varsity pool

BASEBALL

April 14 Gustavus Adolphus at Minneapolis  
 April 18 Gustavus Adolphus at Minneapolis  
 April 21 River Falls Teachers College at Minneapolis  
 April 24-25 Purdue at Minneapolis  
 May 1-2 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
 May 8-9 Iowa at Minneapolis  
 May 15-16 Northwestern at Minneapolis  
 May 18-19 Nebraska at Minneapolis  
 May 22-23 Iowa at Iowa City  
 June 2-3 Wisconsin at Madison

SPRING FOOTBALL

May 23 Annual Spring Intersquad Game. Memorial Stadium

TENNIS

April 25 Carleton College at Minneapolis  
 April 29 Carleton College at Northfield  
 May 2 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
 May 4 Iowa at Minneapolis  
 May 5 Illinois at Minneapolis  
 May 8 Wisconsin at Madison  
 May 9 Northwestern at Evanston  
 May 11 Chicago at Chicago  
 May 13 Luther College at Minneapolis  
 May 14 Winona State Teachers at Minneapolis  
 May 21-22-23 Conference Meet at the University of Chicago

GOLF

April 29 Carleton College at Minneapolis  
 April 30 St. Olaf College at Minneapolis  
 May 4 Wisconsin at Madison  
 May 8 Iowa at Minneapolis  
 May 11 Iowa State at Minneapolis  
 May 18-19 Conference meet at Northwestern University  
 May 23 Carleton at Northfield  
 St. Paul League Play

TRACK

April 18 Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kansas  
 April 24-25 Drake Relays at Des Moines, Iowa  
 May 9 Marquette University at Milwaukee  
 May 16 Iowa at Minneapolis  
 May 22-23 Conference Outdoor Meet at Ohio State, Columbus, Ohio  
 May 29 Wisconsin at Madison  
 June 5 Central Intercollegiate meet at Marquette university  
 June 6 Nebraska at Minneapolis  
 State High School meet at Minneapolis

June 13 - Regional Olympic trials.  
 Memorial Stadium

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1/10/36

The maximum use of athletic facilities by men students, major additions to the athletic plant and conference championships in football, baseball and tennis singles and doubles were prominent in making 1935 a successful year for the University of Minnesota department of physical education and athletics, Frank G. McCormick, director, announced today in summarizing the department's work during the past year.

Approximately 6,000 men at the university took advantage of the department's facilities during the period. Nearly 5,000 of this number availed themselves of the program offered by the intramural department and the remainder entered intercollegiate and freshman competition.

Two members of the tennis team gave Minnesota its first Western conference championships of 1935 late in May. Bill Schommer and Roy Huber, outstanding members of the Gopher net team, were individual stars of the conference tournament in Chicago. Schommer defeated Trevor Weiss of the University of Chicago for the singles title and then teamed with Huber to take the doubles crown.

The baseball team followed the championship ways of the netmen in June by taking top honors in the Big Ten race. Under the direction of Mr. McCormick the team won 17 games and lost 3. Tom Gallivan, pitching ace, won the most valuable player award by a vote of the coaches.

The recent exploit of the 1935 football team in winning national recognition and tying for the conference championship provided a fitting climax to the year's athletic activities. The season gave the Gophers a record of 17 straight wins and 24 games without a defeat.

Two new coaches joined the athletic staff at the beginning of the fall quarter to replace men who had resigned because of other duties. They were Laurence Armstrong, who took over the position of hockey coach, and David Bartelma, who was named to succeed Blaine McKusick as the wrestling coach. Armstrong, who succeeded Frank Pond, formerly coached the St. Paul team, while Bartelma came to the university from Cresco, Iowa.

Several additions and improvements to the physical plant of the athletic department marked the year just closed. Chief among these was a three-story athletic building, constructed facing the open end of Memorial Stadium. The building provides executive offices of the department, a large gymnasium, intramural facilities and two pools for varsity and student use.

Construction of a terrace and promenade fronting on the building and connecting the north and south towers of the stadium was begun this fall. Included in this addition will be varsity and reserve football locker rooms, training room and the equipment room.

A new glass-enclosed and electrically heated press box was constructed on the roof of the South stands at Memorial Stadium before the football season opened to give Minnesota one of the best equipped press boxes in the conference. Radio booths were constructed on top of the North stands.

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1/20/36

In better condition for the opening of the indoor season than any Gopher cinder squad of recent years and guided by a new coach, the University of Minnesota track team this week began workouts for the approaching Western Conference indoor season.

With several intra-squad meets, run off during the fall quarter, under their belts, the Gopher track candidates reported to Coach George Otterness with most of the kinks worked out. About 30 varsity candidates for 11 events have reported and are going through their training routine daily in the Field House.

Six lettermen, including two veterans who have won honors in collegiate competition, have reported to form the nucleus for the squad. They are: Captain Wayne Slocum, two miler; Bill Freimuth, holder of the conference indoor shot put record; Dominic Krezowski, weights; Clarence Krause, hurdles; Bob Blotcky, 440 yard run, and Ulysses Deters, two-miler.

Captain Slocum, in his last year at Minnesota, is expected to be a serious contender for conference honors in his favorite two-mile event. Last season he placed third in the conference outdoor meet in the two-mile and also stepped the 3,000 meter run in 8.57.6 to win that event over an imposing field in the annual Texas relays. Slocum has been working out daily ever since last fall.

Freimuth, who was indoor shot put champion of the conference for two years, has already shown his old form in early workouts with several tosses averaging 48 feet. Dominic Krezowski, another letterman in the weight events, has been close behind him. Freimuth placed third in both the shotput and the discus in the conference outdoor meet, while Krezowski placed fifth in the shotput. Freimuth also took a third in the Texas relays.





Reserves and sophomores lead in the competition for most of the other events. Roger Verran, Minneapolis; John Jepson of Hibbing, and Claude Rosenthal of Minneapolis, are candidates for the 60-yard dash. Rosenthal was out last season but pulled a muscle.

Bob Blotcky, a junior letterman from Minneapolis is back again in the quarter-mile along with Bob Watson of Barnum, a state A.A.U. champion in the event; Phil Palmquist of Duluth and Len Richardson of Minneapolis. Dick Robb of Minneapolis and either Palmquist or Watson lead the field of contenders in the half-mile.

Bob Brown a junior and a former state high school champion in the half-mile, is expected to compete in that event along with Ulysses Deters of Caledonia. Deters and Captain Slocum will run in the two-mile.

In the hurdles, Clarence Krause, veteran letterman from Woodstock, Ill.; Jim Robinson, a sophomore from Toledo, Ohio, and Bob Hubbard of Winona, are leading all other candidates. Hubbard is also the best broad jumper on the squad and will compete in that event with Verran and Robinson. He jumped 23.6 in his best effort last spring.

Jack Kelly and Bob Turner of Minneapolis will compete in the high jump, with Leighton Long of Luverne the number one man in the pole vault. Clarence "Tuffy" Thompson, fleet-footed football halfback, also has designs on conference track records in the 440 and the hurdles.

#### The Schedule

Indoor: Feb. 15 Iowa State at Minneapolis  
Feb. 21 Carleton College at Minneapolis  
Feb. 29 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
March 4 Indoor Sports Carnival at Minneapolis  
March 6 Iowa At Iowa City  
March 13 Conference Preliminaries at Chicago  
March 14 Conference finals at Chicago

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Minneapolis, January 24--If you're looking for a sport that you can learn in a short time and enjoy while you are learning, pass up shot-putting and discus throwing. That is--unless you've got six or eight years to spare.

This piece of expert advice comes from William Freimuth who knows whereof he speaks, for Bill is scheduled to be the number one weight man for the University of Minnesota track team this season. His daily workouts with the 16-pound metal shot mark his sixth year at the sport, and he admits that he still has a lot to learn.

Bill became acquainted with this strange competitive sport of throwing weights while he was still a junior in Duluth Central high school. He came upon a group of boys attempting to throw a huge medicine ball up against the lofty ceiling of the school gymnasium. Someone handed the ball to Freimuth and the six foot four inch high school boy hit the roof on the first try. He was advised that his form might be adoptable to shot-putting and taking the jibe seriously, he reported to the track team as a weight man.

His height and his weight of 190 pounds gave Freimuth an ideal foundation for a beginner. In his initial year of competition, he won fourth place in the state track meet, while Stan Kostka, of later renown as a Minnesota fullback, was winning first place.

Freimuth added the discus to his repertoire in his senior year of high school when the regular discus man invited him to try tossing the oval during a practise session. To his own amazement, Bill out-distanced the varsity man. This incident led to Freimuth's gaining considerable publicity when he chartered a taxi and rode from Duluth to Chicago, where he took fourth place in the Interscholastic track meet.

In his freshman year at the University of Minnesota, Freimuth set the freshman shot-put record of 47 feet in a telegraphic meet. In his sophomore year, he won his place on the Gopher team over the same Stan Kostka who had defeated him in the state high school meet. He then went on to win the conference indoor meet with a throw slightly over 48 feet.

Last season, Freimuth duplicated his feat of winning the Big Ten indoor title and then added a first place in the discus at the Central Intercollegiate meet with a throw of 146 and one-half feet.

Behind this steadily mounting record of success in competition, however, is another record--one of long and arduous practise sessions that meant calloused hands and stiff muscles, and always a striving for coordination.

"It isn't easy," Bill admits. "You work and work and just when you're about ready to give up you get a good toss. Then you work some more trying to get another one like it. You've got to get your little jump at the start timed just right and then get the shot away with your arm at just the right angle."

This season, Bill is aiming at both the indoor and outdoor title in the shot-put and the discus. Coach George Otterness is confident that he can throw the shot 52 or 53 feet.

"I should be able to do it," admits Freimuth. "I've got everything but that little 'something' necessary for those last few feet. Right now I plan to keep tossing that ball until that 'something' clicks."



Minneapolis, Feb. 14--The University of Minnesota swimming team will benefit by the combined experience and leadership of two captains this season. They are Wesley Webb, captain last season who is back for another year, and Austin Sparling, captain for 1936.

Although Sparling holds the title, the close friendship of the two lettermen has given Webb a sort of "emeritus" claim upon it. Each swimmer is a mutual admirer of the other and much of their time is spent in study and constructive criticism of each other's styles of swimming.

For instance, Sparling has an explanation for Webb's remarkable all-around improvement after he decided to try swimming the backstroke. "He found a coordination that was missing in his other strokes and consequently, when he switched back to them he was a better all-around swimmer."

Webb's explanation for the improvement is a little different. "Coach Thorpe simply turned me over on my back and made a swimmer out of me," he declares. In high school I was perhaps the world's most unnoticed swimmer. When I came over to the University, nobody had ever heard of me, so I couldn't have been very good."

It took two years before Webb was ready for varsity competition. A shortage of backstroke swimmers led Thorpe to try the Minneapolis boy in that event. The rest is a record of continuous improvement that led to Webb's winning the 100-yard backstroke in the Canadian Amateur meet at Winnipeg last spring.

Captain Sparling also found out that there were certain necessary changes in his style of swimming before he could get anywhere in Big Ten competition. Even though he came to Minnesota after being named on the St. Paul all-city high school team for two years, there were certain faults to be corrected. One of them was distance.

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"Every man seems to have an event that suits him best," he explains.

"After a lot of experimenting I found that I was too slow to be a dash man and that I lacked endurance to become a distance man. So now I concentrate on the 220-yard swim which seems to suit me best."

Webb and Sparling won further honors in the Canadian amateur meet when they teamed with Walter Gjelhaug and Ordway Swennes of the 1935 Minnesota team to win the 400-yard relay. The same quartette entered the 800-yard relays and lost to the Canadian team that set a record for the distance.

This season, Coach Thorpe is depending on his two captains to form the backbone of a Minnesota team which he believes to be the best in several years. The Gophers will open their conference season against the University of Iowa in the new Minnesota varsity pool on February 15. They will act as hosts to the entire conference during the Conference meet to be held in Minneapolis on March 13 and 14.



Minneapolis, Feb. 10--A little better than three years ago George Matison was cut off the freshman football squad at the University of Minnesota because of his lack of physical development. Today, as a five-event man on the Minnesota gymnastic team, Matison's physical development has earned him a job as an artist's model at the Minneapolis Art Institute.

Behind the Austin, Minnesota, senior's record of rapid development is a story of three years of hard work learning the fundamentals of what is generally conceded to be one of the most difficult and least known of competitive sports.

When Matison reported for the freshman football squad at Minnesota he had ideas about learning to be a quarterback. But Minnesota coaches after a quick appraisal of his slight build advised him to take up something a little less strenuous. Squash racquets or table tennis were deemed excellent sports for a 125 pound freshman. But they were not for George. He reported to Coach Ralph Piper of the gymnastic team and declared himself a candidate for a position on the varsity---after he learned just what it was that gymnasts did.

After listening to Coach Piper explain the intricate exercises possible on the side-horse, flying rings, horizontal bars and the rest of the apparatus, George decided to concentrate on the side-horse.

"I didn't know then that it's the most difficult piece of apparatus to master, because it seemed to be the easiest, and it was the closest to the ground," Matison relates. "It was a fortunate thing for me that I did begin on the horse because there is nothing better for building a person up physically than exercises on the side horse."

All during his freshman year, George worked at learning to swing himself around by his hands on the leather-covered barrel. He fell off often but he kept on trying and when he thought he had a working knowledge he began to practise on other pieces of apparatus.

In the meantime, muscles began to appear where none had been before and pounds were added to the Austin freshman's weight. In his first year of varsity competition he took second place on the side-horse in the Western Conference meet. He repeated this feat in his junior year. At the same time, Matison's growing experience in other events enabled him to win the all-around championship of the Northwest Gymnastic Society.

This season, after a year of inactivity, Matison will compete in all five events in the conference meets with an excellent chance of placing in each of them. He has achieved his ambition to be a Minnesota varsity letterman and, best of all, coaches no longer advise him to try parlor sports. He weighs 152 pounds and is two inches taller than when he came seeking recognition as a football player.

Although his physical development gives him an opportunity to act as an artist's model, George hastens to deny that he is any super-strong man. "Gymnasts aren't muscle-bound by any means," he asserts. "It's all a matter of coordination, of learning to apply strength when needed and being able to rest the remainder of the time."



Minneapolis, Feb. <sup>14</sup>--The University of Minnesota swimming team will inaugurate its campaign for the 1936 Western Conference swimming title on Saturday night, February 15, when the Gophers open their conference schedule against the University of Iowa team in the Minnesota exhibition pool.

Minnesota will enter the meet holding an undefeated record in its non-conference engagements, having defeated the University of Nebraska team 57 to 27, the Minneapolis Y. M. C. A. 40-35, and the alumni and freshman teams in a three-way meet 40-27-13.

Iowa swimmers are expected to provide first class competition for the Gophers in their conference opener since the Hawkeye team finished second in the conference meet last year while the Gophers were ranked fifth in the standings. Prospects for one of the best Minnesota teams in recent years has caused Coach Niels Thorpe to concede his Gopher swimmers an even chance of defeating the Iowans.

To a nucleus of four lettermen and five reserves of last season, Coach Thorpe has added a squad of outstanding sophomore swimmers, including two state high school champions. This team won seven out of nine events in the recent meet with the University of Nebraska and set five unofficial records in the meet with the freshmen and alumni.

Captain Austin Sparling, St. Paul, will lead the Minnesota team and swim in the 220-yard event. Wesley Webb, last season's captain, will enter the relay, the backstroke and the free style events. Webb has shown the best form of his collegiate career this season, setting a new Minnesota record of 2:22.5 in the 220-yard free style event during the freshman-alumni meet.

Several other Gopher swimmers will be out to put the "official" stamp on the records established in the three-way meet. They include Bill Morris, who set a new record of 5:12 in his favorite 440-yard event; Rex Hudson,



former Minnesota state high school champion in the 50-yard dash, who has an unofficial pool record of 56.1 seconds for the 100-yard free style, and the relay team.

Minnesota relay swimmers will be out to try and equal the unofficial conference record of 1:38.3 which they established in the earlier meet. Members of the team are Webb, Hudson, Andy Ackerman and Walter Gjelhaug.

Coach Fred Armbuster will rely on several veterans to help bring the Iowa team its first conference victory. Included in this group are Westerfield, backstroke, who took third place in the 1934 conference meet; Wehmeyer, second place in the 1934 breast stroke event; and Jacobsmeyer, who took second place in the free style. Supporting this trio of seniors will be Christens, diver, and Sieg, crawl, both veteran lettermen.

Following the Iowa meet the Gophers will meet Wisconsin at Minneapolis on February 29; Northwestern at Evanston on March 6, and Illinois on March 7 at Urbana. Minnesota will be the scene of the Western Conference meet for the first time in the university's history on March 13-14.



Minneapolis, Feb. 21--Those members of the sports public who have been prone to refer<sup>to</sup> all athletes as "dumb" and to wrestlers in particular as gentlemen of brawn but not brain had better harken to the error of their ways or else stay out of the way of Don Dailey.

Dailey, who wrestles at 155 pounds for the University of Minnesota varsity team and who is undefeated in his six matches to date this season, is beginning to become exasperated with the frequent comments, and well he has a right to if his own record is any criterion.

Along with being a wrestler, Dailey has had time to win two scholarships, become a member of two honorary fraternities and win two trophies for all-around service, character and scholarship during his four years as a student in the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics. What is more, he has maintained a 2.2 scholastic rating in a system where 3. is "tops" and has been president of the University Farm Y.M.C.A. If this record doesn't entitle Don to a little credit for having brain as well as brawn, then he is ready to withdraw his contention that it takes plenty of grey matter to be a good wrestler.

"After all, wrestling is more a mental game than it is a physical sport," he contends. "I was just a mediocre wrestler until this fall when I decided that it was time to study wrestling just as I did technical agriculture. Up to that time I kept losing and I couldn't figure out why. I always was as strong as any man I ever met, but I was out-smarted."

Dailey began his wrestling career as a freshman at the university after matriculating from Pipestone. In his sophomore year, he made the varsity, but he made more progress in his studies than on the mat, winning the Caleb Dorr scholarship for outstanding work in the classroom.

Last season, Don won three matches and lost three, a decided improvement in his wrestling. At the same time he kept up his scholastic record, winning the Henry Webb Brewster scholarship and attaining membership in Alpha Zeta, national honorary agricultural fraternity, which requires an average in the upper two-fifths of the class for membership.

He was also president of the agricultural Y.M.C.A. and was awarded the "little red oilcan," an emblem of popularity, meritorious service and scholarship awarded annually on the farm campus.

This fall, Dailey decided to include wrestling in his curriculum of studies and since that time he hasn't lost a match. In addition, he was named the recipient of the "brass mug," a new honor established by agricultural students, for much the same purpose as the "oilcan."

Included in his list of extra-curricular activities is memberships in Iron Wedge, campus honorary society, and the chairmanship of the agricultural union board.

In the meantime, Don is making a serious study of his wrestling in order to continue in the "honor" class on the mat. His record to date reads: December 13, threw Heacox of Carleton college; January 11, defeated Heacox again with a time advantage of 6:56; January 18, defeated Mallon of Nebraska with a 8:40 time advantage; January 25, defeated Butler of Chicago by a time advantage; February 1, threw Schultz of Iowa State Teachers College in 8:45; February 8, threw Guernsey of Iowa in 7:33.



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Thirteen high schools in the state, seven of them located in cities outside the Twin City area, will send representatives to the Statewide Interscholastic Swimming Championships at the University of Minnesota on Friday and Saturday, February 28 and 29.

Hibbing high school, winner of the high school swimming championship for the past two years, has entered to defend the title and heads the delegation of teams from cities on the Iron Range. Virginia, Ely, Eveleth and Chisholm have also entered teams in the scholastic swimming classic.

Austin high school has entered two of its outstanding natators and is yet the only entry from Southern Minnesota, although late entries may come in from Rochester and Winona, according to Coach Niels Thorpe, university swimming coach, in charge of the event. Moorhead has a single representative from the Moorhead Teachers' college high school and Duluth may send in an entry to complete the field.

Five Minneapolis high schools have entered teams or representatives. They are West, Washburn, Central, Marshall and University high school. St. Paul Central is the only team entered from that city.

Hibbing, determined to retain the title the range team has held for two years, will bring a full team of 13 swimmers to Minneapolis. Among them will be Glenn Coder, present holder of the 100-yard breaststroke championship, and Howard Marsland, also a breaststroke swimmer, who has defeated his teammate in competition this year.

Virginia high school, with a team that finished among the first three last year, will also bring a complete contingent of swimmers headed by R. McKenzie, dash swimmer; J. Andrick, a strong contender for the 100-yard dash title, and T. Laine, fancy diver.

Chisholm high school has entered nine swimmers who have been outstanding in range competition. Billy Loushine, Chisholm diver, is recognized as one of the favorites for the state diving crown. Ely high school will have swimmers in all events and has made arrangements to bring 13 men to the meet. Eveleth will send five swimmers to Minneapolis to complete the Range entries.

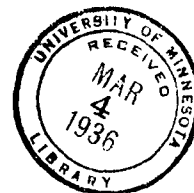
Dick Embrickson, who has twice this season broken the state high school record in the 50-yard dash, will be one of the two Austin high school entries. Brian Brown, outstanding Southern Minnesota free style swimmer and diver, will also swim for Austin.

Nels Thysell, who last summer set a new record for the junior mile in the annual lake Calhoun swim at Minneapolis, has entered the state meet from Moorhead State Teachers' college high school. Thysell will swim in the 50- and 100-yard dashes.

The West and Washburn high entries of Minneapolis recognized as strong contenders for the championship, will both enter full teams in the hope of carrying off team honors. Bob Peavey of West and Alger Syme of Washburn are being counted on to earn points in the dashes.

Central high of St. Paul, with a relay team that has already broken the existing state record in practise, will enter swimmers in every event.

Preliminaries will take place on Friday at 8 p.m. in the varsity pool of the university athletic building. Diving preliminaries are scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, with the finals on Saturday afternoon. High school swimmers will be the guests of the university athletic department at the Minnesota-Wisconsin dual swimming meet on Saturday night. Approximately 1,200 spectators can be accommodated in the galleries of the varsity pool.



Don't plan on becoming a good diver unless you can withstand the pangs of hunger.

This is the expert advice of Niels Thorpe, University of Minnesota swimming coach and judge of diving in several recent National Collegiate championship meets.

Divers, to be in their best form, should enter competitive meets with an empty stomach and with a hungry feeling, according to Thorpe. The result is a better performance on the spring board, he maintains, because the diver is lighter and has his nerves under better control.

"Form is one of the most important requisites of a good diver," Thorpe points out. "When a man gets out there on the end of a board, he's got to be poised and he's got to be light on his feet. He can't do that if he has eaten a meal in the last three or four hours. A deep breath is necessary before a diver goes under and no one can expand his diaphragm when his stomach is full of food.

Although menus and the time of meals are a matter of individual discretion among the divers on the University of Minnesota varsity, the Gopher spring board artists usually eat only a light breakfast on the day of a meet and then an apple or an orange three or four hours before the meet is scheduled.

Diving, according to Coach Thorpe, is the most unpredictable of all athletic events, since a man may dive like a champion on one dive and flop the next according to the circumstances and the diver's state of mind. In fact, Thorpe is a firm believer in the contention that all divers are a little eccentric-- the more eccentric, the better the diver.

Strangely enough, Minnesota divers are of the same opinion as Thorpe in regard to diving on an empty stomach. They are William Ferris, junior letterman; Robert Smith and Walter Robb. All are from Minneapolis.

Swimmers who engage in competition should also eat sparingly on the day of a meet, Thorpe believes, with the meal coming at least three or four hours before the swimmers take in the water. The Minnesota coach is also a strong advocate of plenty of rest or a nap after meals.

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With five lettermen and six seasoned reserves as a nucleus, Coach Frank McCormick and his aides have been hard at work this week preparing the 1936 University of Minnesota baseball nine for a defense of its Western Conference championship, won last season.

Already, Coach McCormick has tentatively selected a varsity nine composed of five lettermen from the 1935 champions and four promising newcomers. Before the training grind progresses much further, he will select <sup>a squad</sup> of 16 men for the Gopher's southern tour during spring vacation.

In Ted Brissman of St. Paul, Coach McCormick will have an experienced catcher who performed under championship conditions last season. Replacements for Milt Bruhn, last year's captain and number one backstop, are expected from among several promising new men.

An airtight infield composed of three veteran lettermen and one newcomer is the coaches choice at present and has been performing faultlessly in field house drills. This combination places Mark Klonowski, Winona senior, at first base; Frank Stanton, letterman from Minneapolis at second base; Don Lee, a newcomer, at shortstop, and Vernal (Babe) LeVoir, at third base.

Of this combination, ~~Klonowski~~, Stanton and LeVoir are all known for their ability at the plate. LeVoir, Minnesota varsity quarterback last fall, hit well above .300 last season.

The outfield is somewhat tentative as yet, with replacements necessary all the way around. At present Ray King, football letterman from Duluth; Monte Peiper, a sophomore, and Art Schnell of St. Paul. There is also the possibility that Ed Widseth, Minnesota's All-America tackle, may be placed in the outer garden because of his tremendous power at the plate.



Widseth and King are both pitchers by preference but their batting ability may gain them a permanent place in the outfield if the Minnesota pitching staff develops according to expectations.

The Minnesota squad of 16 men and Coach McCormick will leave for Baton Rouge, Louisiana at the close of final examination week. They will meet the Louisiana State University nine on its home field, March 23 and 24. Games are also scheduled with Mississippi college at Clinton, Mississippi, on March 25 and 26, and Mississippi State at State College, Miss., on March 27 and 28.

With the opening of the spring quarter, the Gophers hope to open outdoor drills in preparation for the difficult 20 game conference schedule the team must face in defense of its title.

Everett Grossman, veteran right-hander, is the nucleus for the pitching staff. Kermit Aase, Stan Balik, both reserves from last season; and King and Widseth are all possibilities.

The Conference schedule:

April 24-25	Purdue at Minneapolis
May 1-2	Wisconsin at Minneapolis
May 8-9	Iowa at Minneapolis
May 15-16	Northwestern at Minneapolis
May 18-19	Nebraska at Minneapolis
May 22-23	Iowa at Iowa City
June 2-3	Wisconsin at Madison



Minneapolis, March 25—The continued success of Minnesota football teams next fall is going to depend to a large extent upon the weather conditions this spring and the ability of some 60 varsity candidates to assimilate a maximum of football instruction.

This is the opinion of Coach Bernie Bierman as he anxiously awaits reports on the condition of Northrop field and for March 30, when 60 candidates for the 1936 University of Minnesota football team are scheduled to report for the annual spring practise.

Minnesota coaches are attaching unusual importance to the practise sessions this spring, since the Gophers must meet the University of Washington at Seattle next fall less than two weeks after formal practise opens. The Minnesota squad is expected to open its spring practises in the field house and move outdoors onto Northrop field as soon as the weather permits.

Thirty-three members of the 1935 varsity squad have received invitations to report for the spring workouts. They will be joined for the first time by 22 members of last fall's freshman squad representing the pick of the 1935 yearlings. Several veterans will forego the spring training in order to compete in other sports. They include Co-Captain Ed Widseth, Ray King, and Sam Hunt, who are members of the baseball squad, and Clark Taube and Dominic Krezowski, who are members of the varsity track team.

Co-captain Julie Alfonse heads the group of 20 backfield candidates who are scheduled to report. Despite his absence from competition for more than a year, Alfonse is in excellent condition and eager to regain the form that caused Bierman to term him, "the best halfback in America who neither kicks nor passes." Alfonse has been working out all year to keep in condition.

Five other veteran halfbacks are scheduled to report. They are Clarence (Buffy) Thompson, Andy Uram, Rudy Gmitro, Bill Matheny and Robert Lewis. Augmenting this group will be George Faust, Lawrence Buhler, Martin Christiansen and Dick Myers from the freshman squad. Wilbur Moore of Austin, one of the outstanding freshman backs last fall, may also report if an ankle injury heals in time.

At quarterback, where replacements must be found for Glenn Seidel and Vernal (Babe) LeVoir, two veterans and three new men have been invited to report. The returning reserves are Sam Hunt, Harlan Hurd and Harvey Ring. The newcomers include Richard Peterson and Marty Falk of Minneapolis and George Gould of St. Paul.

Whitman Rork, Vic Spadaccini and Jack Rooney are all expected to be on hand again to compete for the fullback position vacated by Sheldon Beise, now Minnesota backfield coach. Ray Strate of Minneapolis and Phil Belfiori of Buhl will be the freshman aspirants.

With both regular ends from last season expected back next fall, Bert Baston, end coach, is planning to concentrate on developing reserve strength this spring. Dwight Reed, Ray King, Domic Krezowski, Frank Warner, Ray Antil, Bob Carlson and Russ Wile will be among the veterans available, while Bob Larson of Rockford, Illinois and Melvin Erickson of Duluth will represent the freshman group.

Four veterans will be competitors for Dick Smith's vacated tackle position, namely B. W. Smith, Bob Johnson, Lou Middle and Bob Hoel. At least four newcomers will be out this spring, including Howard Parkinson, St. Paul; Eldred Miller, Hutchinson; Burton Storm, Willmar; and Fred Grewing, St. Paul.

Charles Wilkinson will head the group of seven returning guard candidates, four of whom are lettermen. Newcomers will include Francis Tvedell of Austin, Horace Bell of Akron, Ohio, Tom Flolid and Ray Close of Minneapolis.

Two lettermen, Stan Hanson and Earl Svendson, are among the five centers from last year's squad invited to be on hand this spring. The others are Dan Elmer, James Wooley and Charles Schultz. The latter was out of action all last season. John Kulbitski of Virginia, a reformed end, Allen Rork of Eau Claire and Claire Lillevjen of Appleton will be among the newcomers.



Minneapolis, March-21-Suitable replacements for two Western Conference champions is the major problem before Phil Brain, University of Minnesota tennis coach, as he sends a large squad through daily workouts on the field house courts.

At the same time, the problem of new men to replace a pair of veteran letter-men is also facing W. R. Smith, varsity golf coach. A wealth of promising material on both the tennis and golf squads is aiding both coaches materially in their preparations for coming Western Conference seasons.

The tennis team was perhaps the hardest hit by graduation with Billy Schommer, Western Conference singles and doubles champion, Nathan Schapiro and Larry Armstrong gone. In addition, Roy Huber, who won the conference doubles title with Schommer, is uncertain as to whether he can report due to the pressure of outside work.

To offset this, Coach Phil Brain has lined up eight men to date whom he believes may make satisfactory replacements. Heading this group are Frank Berry of Minneapolis and William Brussells of Aberdeen, S.D., both reserves from last season.

Another brother combination on the courts to replace <sup>the</sup> Scherer brothers combination that started for Minnesota a few years ago is also in prospect with the reporting for practise of Paul and Bob Wilcox of Mountain Lake. Paul won the state high school singles championship two years ago.

Other promising new men include Phil Brain, Jr., Dan Eisenach of Wausau, Wisconsin; Charles Huntley and LeRoy Ellickson of Minneapolis, and Grover Fletcher former state high school doubles champion, St. Paul.

Two lettermen will return to bolster the forces of the golf team coached by W. R. Smith. They are Wally Taft of Minneapolis, captain, and Les Gilbert of St. Paul. Melvin Larson, brother of Earl Larson, former Gopher captain; Lambert Fyhrie of St. Paul, and Robert Coleman of Minneapolis are holdovers from last year's reserve squad.

Henry Colton, who paired with Pat Sawyer last year as the Northwest representatives in the National Amateur tournament, is one of the outstanding varsity prospects to report from last year's freshman squad. Dick Tang of Fort Dodge, Iowa, Bill Finger of Minneapolis, Gilbert Swenberger, St. Paul, Dale Olson and Lyle Werring of Minneapolis are other new men of promise. Ernotte Miller of Crookston will also be after a position on the varsity. He was on the squad two years ago.

The tennis team will play Carleton, Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois at home before engaging in the conference tournament at Chicago on May 21-22-23. The golfers will open their schedule against Carleton college at Minneapolis on April 28.



Minneapolis, April 14--Minnesota varsity athletes will play more than one-half of their scheduled athletic contests on home grounds this spring, according to the spring intercollegiate schedule just completed. Twenty-seven of the forty-scheduled/three contests in six sports are to be played on the Minnesota campus. Thirteen of these are Western Conference games.

Baseball leads the list of home attractions with 13 of the Minnesota champion's 17 games scheduled for Minneapolis. Eight of the home baseball games will be Conference contests. The baseball team also will be the first to open the home season, meeting Gustavus Adolphus on the Northrop Field diamond on April 14 and again on April 18.

The tennis team will play 10 matches exclusive of the conference meet at the University of Chicago on May 21-23. Six of these matches will be at home including three Conference matches. The tennis team will open its season against Carleton College at Minneapolis on April 25.

The golfers are next in the matter of home attractions, with four of their six scheduled matches to be played on the University course. The track team, however will make only two home appearances in the seven meets on its schedule. It will make its first home appearance against Iowa in Memorial Stadium on May 16 and will also meet Nebraska at Minneapolis on June 6.

The annual spring football intersquad game, scheduled for May 23, will close the spring training session for Coach Bernie Bierman and some 60 varsity football candidates. It will take place in Memorial Stadium. Swimming will carry on into the spring quarter with the Northwest International Meet scheduled for April 25 in the varsity pool.

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Minneapolis, April 12 - Two, and possibly three University of Minnesota varsity athletes will be strong contenders for positions on the United States Olympic teams during final trials this spring and early this summer.

George Matison, captain of the gymnastic team; Caifson Johnson, captain of the wrestling team, and Wayne Slocum, captain of the track team, are the prospective Olympic entries.

Matison stands a favorite to win a place on the United States gymnastic team because of his feat of earning 2,336 points and second place in the all-around competition of the Eastern Intercollegiate meet at Temple University, Philadelphia, on March 28.

Although he failed to finish first in any individual competition in the eastern meet, Matison won second place on the horizontal bars and third place on the side horse and in tumbling. He is the present Western Conference all-around champion and is the conference champion on the horizontal bars as well.

Four years ago, Matison was cut from the gymnastic squad because he was too small. He turned his athletic interests toward gymnastics and learned the difficult exercises from the ground up under the tutelage of Coach Ralph Piper. Because of his performance in the Philadelphia competition, the Minnesota gymnast is eligible for the final National tryouts.

Caifson Johnson, Minnesota wrestling captain, won his way to the final tryouts in the middle-weight division this week at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, by surviving the round robin eliminations at the National Collegiate tournament at Washington and Lee university, Lexington, Virginia.

Johnson, after wrestling at 175 pounds or in the heavyweight division during the regular Western Conference season, switched his activities to the 165 pound division during the Conference meet and captured the conference title in that division. He will compete in the middle-weight division during the Olympic trials.

Johnson has been working out daily under the Olympic rules which are somewhat different from those in the collegiate rule book. There will be two wrestlers selected at each weight in the final tryouts.

Although he has not yet qualified for a place in the final track and field tryouts, Slocum will have three opportunities during the spring season to enter the select group. His first will come during the Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kansas on April 18. The second opportunity will be the Drake Relays at Des Moines on April 24-25 and the third the regional Olympic trials in Memorial Stadium on June 13.

A temporary illness kept Slocum from getting into condition until after the indoor season was completed. Completely recovered, the Minnesota distance runner is in the best shape of his collegiate career according to Coach George Otterness.





Minneapolis, April ~~23~~ Well fortified in all departments of the game and with five wins out of seven non-conference games to date, the University of Minnesota baseball nine will open its defense of its Western Conference baseball championship this week with two games with Purdue University on Friday, and Saturday, April 24 and 25, on Northrop Field.

Consistent hitting and good early season pitching in its games to date have again stamped the Minnesota nine as one of the teams to be reckoned with as the 1936 conference season gets under way. While Gopher pitchers were chalking up five wins in games with Louisiana State, Mississippi State, Mississippi college and Gustavus Adolphus, the Minnesota hitters were accounting for 71 hits in 243 times at bat for an average of .292.

Mark Klonowski of Winona, veteran first baseman, leads the Minnesota hitting array, batting from the cleanup position. Close behind are Captain Frank Stanton, second baseman, and Ed Widseth. Widseth, although nominally a southpaw pitcher, has shown such power at the plate that Coach Frank G. McCormick has been using him almost exclusively in the outfield.

Ev Grossman and Kermit Aase, right handed holdovers from last season's championship nine, lead the pitching staff with two wins and one loss apiece. Stan Balik, a reserve from last season, Jack Lowe and Ray King have also seen some service on the mound.

Coach McCormick has expressed his satisfaction in general with the team's performance by picking his lineup from the same group of a dozen candidates

that have been in the varsity lineup ever since practise opened. This lineup places Ted Brissman at catcher, Klonowski at first, Stanton at second, Don Lee, a sophomore at short and Vernal (Babe) LeVair at third. In the outfield, King, Widseth, Art Schnell, Don Lindeberg and Emanuel Pieper have been alternating.

Purdue, with a team made up largely of sophomores, has shown potential power and some good pitching in its games to date and is figured on to give the Gophers plenty of competition. Bob Rosser, a sophomore, held Illinois to six hits in a recent game, but dropped the decision when Hale Swanson of the Illini held the Boilermakers to two hits. Two veterans, Glenn Downey, a right-hander, and Lefty Martin are also ready for starting assignments. Harry Krause and Pat Malaska are handling the catching.

In the infield, Carroll Mangas, who hits better than .300, will be at first, Fatch or Lucas at second, Johnny Sines at short and Armon or Waling at third. Two regulars from the co-championship basketball team make up a part of the outfield. One of them is Jewell Young and the other Malaska, who alternates between catch and the outfield. Mitchell, a junior, is in left field.

The Boilermakers were slow in starting this season, dropping four games to Louisiana Tech and two to Mississippi State. The team then won over Carleton 5-2 and broke even with Butler, 3-7 and 10-9. Last week, Purdue dropped games to Chicago and Illinois.

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Minneapolis, April ~~2~~<sup>30</sup>—Outstanding performances by two Minnesota track athletes in sectional meets during the last two weeks, have forecast one of the most successful outdoor seasons in several years for the University of Minnesota track team.

The performances of Dominic Krezowski in the shot put at the Kansas and Drake relays and of Captain Wayne Slocum in the two-mile run at Drake have given Coach George Otterness high hopes that there will be an improvement in the Minnesota track fortunes this spring. Recently, Otterness declared that consistently good performances by two or three Gophers during the season was necessary to brighten the Minnesota track outlook. Several members of the Gopher squad, led by Kewzowski and Slocum, have indicated great improvement.

Slocum, who has been slow to regain his form since an illness during the indoor season, came through unexpectedly last Saturday to take second place in the record breaking two-mile run behind Indiana's speedy Don Lash. The Indiana runner lowered the existing American mark by three seconds with a time of 9:10.6. This was Slocum's best performance since he won the 3,000 meter run at the 1935 Texas relays.

Krezowski, the present Western Conference indoor champion in the shot put, placed in the Kansas event and also took fourth in the Drake competition. The winning toss of 50 feet, 7 inches by Sam Francis of Nebraska is only a few inches better than Krezowski has done in practise, and Coach Otterness is hopeful that the Minneapolis athlete will equal Francis' mark in competition later in the season.

Bill Freimath, Duluth, who was forced to let his Western Conference indoor shot put title won in 1934 and 1935 go undefended this year because of illness, has yet to recover his best form, but is expected to become one of the outstanding contenders in the conference in both the shot put and the discus by the time of the Gopher's first conference meet.

Improvement of several sophomores on the squad is also a factor in the brightened Minnesota track outlook. Roger Verran of Minneapolis recently ran the 100-yard dash in 10 seconds flat indoors and is expected to lower this time on the outdoor track. Jim Robinson, hurdler from Toledo, Ohio, and Phil Palmquist of Duluth, whose specialty is the half-mile, are also expected to be sophomore point winners.

Harold Moe of Lead, South Dakota, a miler, is considered a distinct addition to the squad. Moe as a freshman consistently outran several members of the present varsity squad in competition. He is now training to go back into action.

Among others on the squad who are now turning in good performances are Bob Blotcky of Minneapolis and Bob Watson of Barnum in the quarter-mile; Clarence Krause of Woodstock, Illinois in the hurdles, and Bob Hubbard of Winona in the broad jump and hop, step and jump.

The Western Conference outdoor championships are scheduled this year for Ohio State university, Columbus, on May 22 and 23. The complete schedule follows:

May 9 Marquette university at Milwaukee  
May 16 Iowa at Minneapolis  
May 22-23 Conference meet at Columbus, Ohio  
May 29 Wisconsin at Madison  
June 6 Nebraska at Minneapolis  
State High School meet at Minneapolis  
June 13 Regional Olympic trials at Minneapolis



Minneapolis, May<sup>9</sup>---The freshman football class of 1935 that must share a part of the burden of the 1936 University of Minnesota schedule "still has a long way to go" in the words of Coach Bernie Bierman, but the daily spring practise sessions have reflected the ability of a few of the yearlings who may make their names synonymous with the Lunds, Larsons and Beises of other years.

With six weeks of intensive spring training behind them, some 25 of the inexperienced varsity candidates are showing definite signs of ability. Although the freshmen are no match for the veterans as yet, Coach Bierman and his staff hope to polish off the rough spots before the annual spring inter-squad game in Memorial stadium on May 23.

On the line in particular, new candidates have shown plenty of potential power and a willingness to learn. At center, John Kulbitski of Virginia has placed himself in the thick of the competition for the position vacated by Dale Rennebohm. The 200-pound Range athlete must show himself to be better than Earl Svendson and Stan Hanson, lettermen, and Dan Elmer, a reserve, before he gets the assignment, however.

Four yearling guards have advanced themselves to the point where they may give the eight holdovers from last season a battle. Francis Twedell of Austin, Allen Rork of Eau Claire and Horace Bell of Akron, Ohio have all been seeing varsity service in the Saturday games. Last week, they were joined by Stan Sitarz of Minneapolis, a comparative "unknown" who was promoted because of his fine work on Coach Sig Harris's reserve squad.

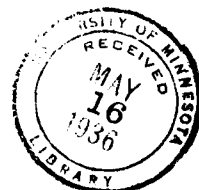
No less than seven of the promising first year athletes are tackles. The group, which averages better than 205 pounds in weight includes Howard Parkinson, Fred Grewing and Warren Kilbourne of St. Paul, Eldred Miller of Hutchinson, Burton Storm of Willmar, Marvin LeVair and Win Pederson of Minneapolis. LeVair, a brother of the Gopher's varsity quarterback last season, is playing his first football, but is rated among the best on the squad.

With eight ends from the 1935 squad back, six of them lettermen, several freshman aspirants for this position have been shifted elsewhere. Clarence Lilevjen of Appleton and Charles Brown of Olivia continue to compete for end positions, however, and Mike Milosevich of South St. Paul was recently promoted from the 'B' squad to help the freshman cause along.

At quarterback, where there is a wide open competition for the vacancy created by the graduation of Glenn Seidel and Babe LeVair, the freshmen are represented by George Faust and Harvey Struthers of Minneapolis and George Gould of St. Paul. All three are being considered.

Five halfbacks who will be eligible for varsity competition next fall have seen frequent action in the varsity backfields during the practise sessions to date. They are Ray Bates of Minneapolis, Lawrence Buhler of Windom, Leland Johnson of Wadena, Dick Myers of White Bear Lake and Wilbur Moore of Austin. The latter saw his first competition during the past week after being out of action with an injury.

Martin Christenson joined the ranks of the competitors for the fullback position last week after first being given a trial at end. Other first year candidates for the position include Phil Belfiori of Buhl, Woodrow Olson of Mankato and Ray Strate of Minneapolis.



Minneapolis, May-14-That University of Minnesota athletics and methods of athletic coaching and training have a national interest extending to all sections of the United States has been shown by the inquiries received concerning the university's intensive coaching school and short course in athletics scheduled for the week of June 15-20. A total of 260 coaches, athletic directors and instructors of physical education from 27 states and Canada have written to the Minnesota athletic department concerning the school.

Nine courses of interest to coaches in all branches of athletics will be offered during the seven-day school. These include football, basketball, track, baseball, swimming, recreational games, athletic training, wrestling and tennis.

Head Coach Bernie Bierman and Dr. George Hauser, Minnesota line coach, will head the staff for the courses in football. Lectures, demonstrations and discussions on all phases of football, have been scheduled. Mr. Bierman and Dr. Hauser will be assisted by other members of the Minnesota coaching staff and by players from Minnesota's championship teams.

Baseball, another sport in which Minnesota teams have won Western Conference championships recently, will be taught by Frank G. McCormick, Minnesota athletic director, whose baseball teams have won the conference title twice in the last three years. Mr. McCormick will lecture on the various phases of baseball, including offensive team strategy, position play and fundamentals.

Two of the northwest's leading basketball coaches will continue to offer the instruction in that sport. They are Dave MacMillan, head basketball coach at Minnesota, and J. D. Kelly, director of athletics and head basketball coach

at DePaul University, Chicago. They will be assisted by members of the basketball coaching staff and Minnesota players.

Athletic training, including a study of the conditioning of athletes and the treatment of injuries, will be under the instruction of Dr. L. J. Cooke, assistant director of athletics, and Dr. Hauser. Dr. Cooke, whose long experience in the field of athletics includes 29 years as Minnesota basketball coach, will lecture on athletic training and the treatment of injuries. Dr. Hauser is the present head of the athletic training staff. They will be assisted by Minnesota trainers.

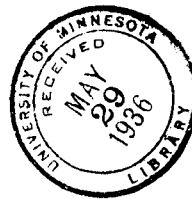
The course in track will be taught by George Otterness, head track coach and former Minnesota trackman. He will be assisted by Mr. Kelly of DePaul. Swimming will be under Ralph Piper, coach of Minnesota's championship gymnastic team and former swimming coach at Kansas State college.

Phil Brain, under whose direction Minnesota tennis teams have always finished well up in the conference competition, will handle the course in tennis, while Dave Bartelma, head wrestling coach, will teach in that sport. Recreational games will be under the direction of Mr. Piper.

University credit toward a B.S. degree in physical education will be granted those attending the sessions who successfully pass an examination.



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Minneapolis, May--→With Coach Bernie Bierman's conditional stamp of approval on their work of the past eight weeks, some 80 candidates for the 1936 University of Minnesota football squad turned back their equipment to Bear Munson this week and prepared to await the call to return to practise next fall. At that time a whirlwind period of preparation will be in order prior to the Washington game in Seattle, on September 26.

"We've made average progress this spring," Coach Bernie Bierman declared as he reviewed the spring practise sessions. "Not as much progress, of course, as we would like to have made, but the squad has developed as much as in the average spring. I would say that the squad was as far along as it was in 1935, but not quite as far along as in 1934."

The Gophers will not report for practise again until September 10 when the Minnesota coaching staff will call them back for a brief but intensive nine-day practise period before they entrain for Seattle.

Although the new men on the squad need to be seen under actual competitive conditions before the final stamp of approval can be placed on their work, several of them have caught Bierman's eye as likely prospects, particularly Francis Twedell and Horace Bell at the guards and John Kulbitski at center among the linemen. Stan Sitarz, a third newcomer among the candidates for guard, and several of the big tackles have also shown possibilities.

Previous to Saturday's intersquad game between the Maroons and the Golds, Bierman's analysis of the backfield candidates found only the veterans ready with the new men lacking in experience. The performance of several of the prospective sophomores was a little more encouraging on Saturday, particularly

that of Dick Myers, a fast halfback from Mahtomedi, Minn. who broke through the line and dashed 63 yards for a touchdown.

Eighteen lettermen participated in the spring practices. Ten members of the squad were reserves from last season and the remainder were prospective sophomores in a total squad to about 80 men. Of this number, Coach Bierman has announced that 45 of the most promising will be called back in the fall plus an additional man for every uncertainty among the 45. Five lettermen who have been participating in other spring sports will also be on the varsity list including Clarence (Tuffy) Thompson, Dominic Krezowski, Sam Hunt, Ray King and Ed Widseth.

Members of the squad who showed enough ability to rate positions on the first four teams during the daily spring sessions will be leading candidates for the fall varsity list. They include:

ENDS: Ray Antil, Bruce Berryman, Robert Carlson, Dwight Reed, Frank Warner, Russ Wile, Clarence Lilevjen and Mike Milosevich.

TACKLES: Lou Midler, Robert Hoel, Robert Johnson, Win Federson, Burton Storm, Howard Parkinson, Fritz Grewing, Warren Kilbourne, Eldred Miller and Marvin LeVoir.

GUARDS: Robert Weld, Francis Twedell, Horace Bell, Dale Hanson, Stan Sitarz, Ray Close, Allen Rork, Sam Riley, Frank Barle and Merle Larson.

CENTERS: Earl Svendson, John Kulbitski, Stan Hanson and Dan Elmer.

QUARTERBACKS: Harvey Ring, Charles Wilkinson, Harvey Struthers, George Faust and George Gould.

HALFBACKS: Julius Alfonse, Andy Uram, William Matheny, Rudy Gmitro, Wilbur Moore, Lawrence Buhler, Ray Bates and Richard Myers.

FULLBACKS: Whitman Rork, Martin Christianson, Vic Spadaccini and Phil Belfiori.

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Sports Release



Minneapolis, June---The University of Minnesota track team will wind up its outdoor season of dual meets on Saturday, June 6, by meeting the University of Nebraska, present Big Six track champions, in Memorial Stadium. The meet will be held in conjunction with the twenty-seventh annual state high school meet which will be run off in the stadium at the same time.

Although Minnesota is not counted upon to defeat the Cornhuskers, a good dual meet entry list has given the Gophers the opportunity to make a creditable showing. The weights, distance runs and the broad jump are conceded to be the Gopher's best events, with Nebraska counted upon to win points in most of the other events. The Cornhuskers will bring several outstanding athletes to Minnesota, including Harold Jacobson, who runs the 100-yard dash in :9.6 seconds and Lloyd Cardwell, Nebraska football player, who broad jumps 24 feet, one and three-fourths inches.

Six members of the Minnesota squad will be winding up their dual meet competition for Minnesota with the meet. They are Captain Wayne Slocum, mile and two-miler; William Freimuth, Conference indoor champion in the shot put in 1934 and 1935 and an all-around athlete at Minnesota; Clarence Krause, hurdler; Leighton Long, pole vaulter, and Lawrence Rosenthal and Phil Palmquist, dashes.

University of Minnesota News Service  
Sports Release

Minneapolis, June-12 A concentrated assault on existing state high school track records is in prospect in Memorial Stadium at the University of Minnesota on June 6, when more than 200 high school athletes from every section of Minnesota gather for the twenty-seventh annual state high school track meet.

The return of several winners of last week's meet plus the near record times registered in the regional qualifying meets have forecast the setting of new state marks. It will be the first opportunity in two years for an attempt at new records, since the meet last year was slowed down by bad weather.

With Duluth Central high school as the defending champion, no less than a half-dozen outstanding high school squads of 1936 will be serious contenders for the title won by the Trojans in 1935. Mankato, which finished second last year; Owatonna, Rochester, Minneapolis Washburn, St. Paul Central, Marshall and Fergus Falls are only a few of the teams that will send outstanding entries to Minneapolis.

The Trojans from Duluth Central qualified eight men to compete in the state meet in winning the Duluth city championship by a large margin last week. Included in the Trojan squad will be Helgo Pukema, who won the shot put and discus events last year, and George Stevenson, title holder in the 100-yard dash. Lloyd Irving, Central javelin entry, is counted upon as another point winner for the Head-of-the lakes squad. Irving tossed the javelin 163½ feet in the city meet recently, which is nearly nine feet further than the winning toss of last year.

Mankato qualified five men for seven events and the Scarlet entry will be led by the versatile Henry Jabbara, who finished second in the 100 and 220-yard dashes and the shot put in 1935. Jabbara garnered 19 points in the recent second region meet and will be entered in five events, including the 880-yard relay.

Rochester will have five entries in the meet including Mertz in the 440-yard run, Lenihan in the 220-yard low hurdles, Goetting and Albright in the 220-yard dash, Hempstead in the high jump and Kendall in the broad jump. Owatonna will enter only three men, but two of these entries combined a few weeks ago to win 27 points<sup>and</sup> the class 'S' championship for Owatonna in the Carleton meet.

Frank Silkey and Herbert Jurgenson were outstanding performers for Owatonna in the first region meet, qualifying for three events apiece in the state meet. Silkey gave notice that he would challenge Pukema's supremacy in the shot put with a toss of 49 feet, 11 inches in competition which is 3 feet, 6 inches further than the winning toss in the state meet last year. Silkey will also enter the competition in the javelin throw. Jurgenson will be entered in the high and low hurdles and the high jump, while Jimmy Rouns, third Owatonna entry will compete in the 440-yard dash.

Led by Steve and John Schweitz and Earl Skoog the St. Paul Central high entry will be one of the most imposing in the meet. The trio scored 50 and one-half points out of a total of 71 last week as Central won the St. Paul city title. Minneapolis Washburn will have a top flight rating as the meet gets under way with such outstanding performers as Eric Hopley and Bill Benn entered.

Preliminaries of the state meet will be run off on Saturday morning with the finals scheduled in the afternoon in conjunction with the Minnesota-Nebraska dual meet.

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Minneapolis, Sept. <sup>3</sup>—All roads lead to the Twin Cities this week for some 50 candidates for the 1936 University of Minnesota football team as the prospective Gophers prepare to answer Coach Bernie Bierman's call to action. Recipients of the coveted invitations have been asked to be ready to start preparations for the season on September 10.

From summer camps in the north woods, from construction crews out through the state and from the offices of Twin City business concerns the athletes who will make up the 1936 squad will converge on the Minnesota campus in the next few days prepared to show Coach Bierman how well they followed his edict of last spring to report ready for a fast start and a difficult schedule.

Most of the top ranking players of last spring will be on hand to greet Bierman and his aides. Co-captain Julie Alfonse has been in town all summer working in a Minneapolis bank and keeping in condition through the medium of summer sports. Big Ed Widseth, who will share the captain's duties with Alfonse, is still out in the state working on a recreation project, but is expected to report at the Minnesota headquarters before the week is up.

September 10 will ring the curtain up on one of the busiest and most difficult seasons the Gophers have faced in recent years, with only a brief practise period preceding the early Washington game. Within ten days Bierman has the task of molding veterans and sophomores into a powerful, smooth-running eleven that will be capable of holding its own against the strong West Coast squad.

Several changes in the personnel of the coaching staff and in the physical equipment of their home playing field, Memorial Stadium, will greet the Gophers as they prepare for earliest opening of practise in the history of the Western Conference.

Dallas Ward will be serving his first year as freshman coach and Sheldon Beise his first season as a backfield coach. Ward tutored several members of the present Minnesota team in their first fundamentals of Bierman football while coaching at Minneapolis Marshall high school. Beise, last fall one of the outstanding fullbacks and open field blockers in the conference while a member of the Minnesota team, will aid Bierman in coaching the backs.

Although they will not be able to play on it until October 10 when they meet Nebraska, the Gophers will find a new covering of bluegrass blanketing the stadium field. The new sod, laid during the summer, is designed to perfect playing conditions.

A new electric scoreboard designed to place the statistics on each play before the spectators only a few seconds after the play has been completed will go up soon on top of the athletic building, fronting the open end of the stadium. The aluminum scoreboard will be centrally operated from the press box on top of the south stands. It was designed by Phil Brain, Minnesota tennis coach.

Reports of advance ticket sales indicate that the team may play before large crowds at most of their home games as they attempt to defend a three year undefeated record.

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Minneapolis, Sept. 10 "That new blue grass turf in Memorial stadium is going to make a much faster field than the one the boys played on last year," Art Smith, groundskeeper for the Minnesota athletic fields, declared.

"Yes, but wait until some of those big tackles sink the cleats of those size twelve shoes into it," Oscar Munson, veteran custodian of Gopher equipment, replied, pausing for a moment from his job of packing a trunk with football shoes.

The two veterans of the University of Minnesota athletic plant paused for a few minutes yesterday in the midst of their preparations to greet half a hundred Minnesota football players who will report to Coach Bernie Bierman on Thursday, Sept. 10, and reviewed their preparations to help get the Gopher practise under way.

The new turf in the stadium has been fertilized, top dressed and has been watered every night during the summer and the result will give the Minnesota team one of the fastest gridirons they have played on in several years, according to Smith. Red top and blue grass, the composition of the new sod, makes the toughest gridiron, he explained. "This kind of turf gives the boys a better footing," he pointed out. "If you use creeping bent in your field you'll find that when a halfback pivots the surface roots will rip out and he'll lose his footing."

A new canvas cover 170 by 360 feet divided into 12 sections has been ordered for the field and will protect the surface between games, Smith revealed. The old canvas will be used on the practise fields.

To the tackles go the honors for wearing the largest uniforms, while the quarterbacks seem to require the smallest sizes in the equipment checked out to date, according to Munson. Co-captain Ed Widseth, Bob Hoel and Eldred Miller, all weighing well over 300 pounds, take size 48 jerseys, the largest in stock.



On the other hand, Sam Hunt, Harvey Ring and Harlan Hurd of the quarterback contingent wear a size 38 jersey which is the smallest. To Hurd, 155 pound Minneapolis boy goes the distinction of wearing the smallest shoe on the squad, size six and one-half. Several of the boys will be wearing size twelve brogans, Munson revealed.

All but a dozen or so of the varsity squad have already dropped around to Munson's new quarters in the sports terrace and arranged for uniforms. Veterans will be given their old numbers on their jerseys and new men will take those of the graduates of last years squad.

When the varsity squad reports on September 10, each candidate will find all his equipment ready for him in his locker if he took the precaution to report to the equipment room before hand. Packing has already begun for the Washington game at Seattle on September 26 and most of the numbers that the players will wear throughout the season have been issued.

Two new trunks, one made especially for headgear and the other especially for shoes, will accompany the squad to Seattle along with various and sundry other equipment trunks. The shoe trunk will carry two pairs of football shoes for each man; one with high cleats for a wet field and one with low cleats for a dry field.

"There goes another big one," said Munson as he checked off equipment for Stan Sitarz, 210 pound sophomore guard candidate. "He took a size 38 pair of pants. That's the biggest we've got."

At this juncture Smith left to supervise the preparation of the stadium field and the several practise fields. "Another thing," he said, "we've got to put up goal posts, put canvas around the fences and lay out and mark the playing fields in the next few days."

"Is that all?" said Munson. "When we get these 60 varsity fellows out of the way all we'll have left to do is to outfit a gang of about 250 freshman and reserve players."

PROSPECTIVE ROSTER  
1936 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOOTBALL SQUAD



NAME OF PLAYER	POSITION	APPROXIMATE HEIGHT	APPROXIMATE WEIGHT	YR ON SQUAD AS OF FALL, 1936	HOME TOWN
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RETURNING LETTERMEN (24)

Julius Alfonse	HB	5'11"	178	3rd	Cumberland, Wis.
Ray Antil	E	6'	190	3rd	Minneapolis
Bruce Berryman	E	5'11"	175	3rd	Jackson
Rudy Gmitro	HB	5'9"	155	2nd	Minneapolis
Stanley Hanson	C	6'	190	3rd	Mound
Sam Hunt	QB	5'10"	170	2nd	Red Lake Falls
Ed Kafka	T	5'11"	190	2nd	Antigo, Wis.
Ray King	E	6'2"	195	2nd	Duluth
Dominic Krezowski	E	6'2"	195	3rd	Minneapolis
William Matheny	HB	5'9"	160	2nd	Anoka
Louis Midler	T	6'1"	210	2nd	St. Paul
Dwight Reed	E	6'	180	2nd	St. Paul
Sam Riley	G	5'10"	190	2nd	L'Anse, Mich.
Harvey Ring	QB	5'10"	180	2nd	Minneapolis
Whitman Rork	FB	6'	195	3rd	Eau Claire, Wis.
Earl Svendson	C	6'	190	2nd	Minneapolis
B. Willis Smith	T	6'1"	195	3rd	Minneapolis
Victor Spadaccini	FB	6'	195	2nd	Kewatin
Clarence Thompson	HB	5'11"	170	2nd	Montevideo
Andrew Uram	HB	5'11"	170	2nd	Minneapolis
Frank Warner	E	6'	185	2nd	Minneapolis
Robert Weld	G	6'	200	2nd	Minneapolis
Ed Widseth	T	6'2"	220	3rd	McIntosh
Charles Wilkinson	QB	6'1"	190	3rd	Minneapolis

RESERVES FROM 1935

Frank Barle	G	5'10"	180	2nd	Gilbert
Robert Carlson	E	6'	175	2nd	Minneapolis
Dan Elmer	C	6'1"	190	2nd	Minneapolis
Dale Hanson	G	5'10"	185	2nd	Alfred, N.D.
Robert Hoel	T	6'2"	217	2nd	Minneapolis
Harlan Hurd	QB	5'9"	155	2nd	Minneapolis
Robert Johnson	T	6'1"	195	2nd	Anoka
Merle Larson	G	5'11"	185	2nd	Iron Mt., Mich.
Robert Olson	G	6'	210	2nd	Osseo
Jack Rooney	FB	5'11"	190	2nd	Hot Springs, S.D.
Clarke Taube	HB	5'10"	175	2nd	Minneapolis
Harold Wrightson	HB	5'11"	180	2nd	St. Paul

SOPHOMORE PROSPECTS

Ray Bates	HB	6'1"	190	1st	Minneapolis
Philip Belfiori	FB	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	185	1st	Buhl
Horace Bell	G	5'11"	185	1st	Akron, Ohio
Charles Brown	E	5'11"	180	1st	Olivia
Lawrence Buhler	HB	6'2"	205	1st	Windom
Martin Christianson	FB	5'11"	190	1st	Minneapolis
Ray Close	G	6'	185	1st	Minneapolis
George Faust	QB	6'	190	1st	Minneapolis
George Gould	QB	5'9"	175	1st	St. Paul

John Kulbitski	C	6'2"	200	1st	Virginia
Warren Kilbourne	T	6'2"	195	1st	St. Paul
Marvin LeVoir	T	6'2"	210	1st	Minneapolis
Clarence Lilevjen	E	6'2"	185	1st	Appleton
Eldred Miller	T	6'1"	235	1st	Hutchinson
Mike Milosevich	E	6'	190	1st	So.St. Paul
Wilbur Moore	HB	5'11"	175	1st	Austin
Win Pederson	T	6'2"	210	1st	Minneapolis
Allen Rork	G	5'11"	220	1st	Eau Claire, Wis
Morton Safran	T	6'1"	205	2nd	Minneapolis
Charles Schultz	G	6'2"	210	1st	St. Paul
Stanley Sitarz	G	5'11"	210	1st	Minneapolis
Harvey Struthers	QB	5'10"	180	1st	Minneapolis
George Smith	FB	6'	195	1st	Faribault
Burton Storm	T	6'1"	190	1st	Willmar
Francis Twedell	G	5'11"	205	1st	Austin
Elmer Wilke	C	5'9½"	170	1st	St. Paul

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1936 Co-Captains: Julius Alfonse, halfback  
Ed Widseth, tackle

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1936 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 26	Minnesota vs University of Washington at Seattle
Oct. 3	Open date
Oct. 10	Minnesota vs Nebraska at Minneapolis
Oct. 17	Minnesota vs Michigan at Minneapolis
Oct. 24	Minnesota vs Purdue at Minneapolis
Oct. 31	Minnesota vs Northwestern at Evanston
Nov. 7	Minnesota vs Iowa at Minneapolis (Homecoming)
Nov. 14	Minnesota vs University of Texas at Minneapolis
Nov. 21	Minnesota vs Wisconsin at Madison

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1936 Football Officials' Assignments  
For All Minnesota games

DATE	SCHOOL	COLORS	REFEREE	UMPIRE	F. JUDGE	H. LINESMAN
Sept. 26	Washington at Seattle	Purple & Gold	Morris	Hedges	Getchell	Varnell
Oct. 10	Nebraska, here	Scarlet & Cream	Gardner	Hedges	Carrithers	Taylor
Oct. 17	Michigan, here	Maize & Blue	Lane	Knight	Huegel	Simpson
Oct. 24	Purdue, here	Old Gold & Black	Lane	Haines	Graves	Maxwell
Oct. 31	Northwestern, at Evanston	Purple & White	Getchell	Hedges	Simpson	Maxwell
Nov. 7	Iowa, here	Corn & Black	Masker	Vick	Magidsohn	Wyatt
Nov. 14	Texas, here	Orange & White	Birch	Larson		Simpson
Nov. 21	Wisconsin at Madison	Cardinal & White	Gardner	Vick	Graves	Daniels

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MEN LOST BY GRADUATION: Sheldon Beise, FB; Glenn Seidel and Vernal LeVoir, QB; Geo. Roscoe, HB; George Rennix and Mal Eiken, HB; Dale Rennebohm, C; Vern Oeah, G; Frank Dallerá, G, and Dick Smith, T. (All Lettermen.)



THE 1936 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOOTBALL SQUAD

NOTE TO SPORTS EDITORS: Following is a biographical sketch of the individual members of the Minnesota squad as of the opening of practise on September 10. It has been prepared to aid you in following the progress of the Minnesota team in 1936.

THE ENDS

Lettermen (6)

**RAY KING:** In starting lineup last year as sophomore. In first year as regular on varsity he was outstanding. After slow start in practise, he came through in opening game against North Dakota State taking two passes, one good for touchdown. Was important factor in Minnesota's now famous 1935 goal line stand against Nebraska and continued to improve throughout the season. From Duluth. A junior, he is 5 feet, 2 inches in height and weighs 195 pounds.

**DWIGHT REED:** Together with King he formed the starting end combination last fall. Reed also came to the front in the opening game of the 1935 season, scoring two touchdowns in this game. Was consistently good throughout the rest of the season. A fine blocker, this Negro athlete from St. Paul is ready for his second year of competition. Stands six feet in height and weighs 180 pounds. A junior.

**RAY ANTIL:** A senior this fall, Antil is expected to be one of the most valuable veterans on the squad. Displayed new ability in spring practise which is expected to make him more valuable than in 1935 when he was a factor in several major games. Six feet in height and weighs 190 pounds. Home is in Maple Lake.

**DOMINIC KREZOWSKI:** Like Antil, an A-I reserve end during the last two seasons and a threat to either Reed or King for starting assignments. During the past year Krezowski has added pounds to his weight while winning Western Conference shot put championship both indoors and out. Now weighs over 200 pounds and stands 6 feet two inches. Captain elect of 1936-37 Minnesota track team. A resident of Minneapolis. A senior.

**FRANK WARNER:** A splendid team player, Warner has also developed physically since last season. Gained much needed experience during past two years and now seems ready for action in major games. Home is in Minneapolis. Height about six feet, Weight, 185 pounds. A junior.

**BRUCE BERRYMAN:** Won his letter two seasons ago on championship 1934 team. Presence of so many promising new men last fall didn't give him enough service to win a letter. During workouts last spring, Coach Bierman used him frequently in the lineup to forecast that Berryman may see plenty of service during the coming season. A senior.

Reserves (1)

**ROBERT CARLSON:** A natural athlete, Carlson has been developing rapidly ever since he joined the Minnesota squad. Saw considerable service during spring training and is just about ready to move up into the letterman group. A resident of Minneapolis, Carlson stands 6 feet and weighs about 175 pounds.

Promising Sophomores (3)

**MIKE MILOSEVICH:** One of pleasant surprises of 1936 spring practise. Started out on 'B' squad and seemed destined to be unheard of. Reserve Coach Sig Harris put him in lineup during scrimmage and his performance against varsity earned him a berth on the 'A' squad. Tough and rugged. Six feet in height and weighs 190 pounds. From South St. Paul.

**CLARENCE LILEVJEN:** Reported to freshman squad as a center and was picked as one of best in that position at close of freshman practise. Last spring, Bierman switched him to end where he has shown up equally well. Height 6 feet, 2 inches, Weight 185 pounds. Home in Appleton, Minn.

**CHARLES BROWN:** Competing against veteran ends, he won himself a place on the squad. About 6 feet in height and weighing 180 pounds. From Olivia, Minn.

### THE TACKLES

Lettermen (4)

**CO-CAPTAIN ED WIDSETH:** Big and remarkably agile for his size, he was named All-America tackle on several selections in 1935. A consistently fine performer through every game on the schedule, statistics show that very little yardage is gained through his position during a season. Entered Minnesota after he was physically matured and learned most of his football from Coach Bierman and Dr. George Hauser, Gopher line coach. Left-handed. Weight 220 pounds, and height six feet, two inches. Home McIntosh, Minnesota. A senior.

**LOU MIDLER:** Last season as a sophomore, alternated at both tackle and guard where he proved himself a natural lineman. Comes out of the line fast to lead offensive plays and is hard to move on the defense. May pair with Widseth in starting lineup. Weighs 210 pounds and stands 6 feet, 1 inch. A junior from St. Paul.

**B. W. SMITH:** A fine reserve lineman from 1934 and 1935. Will lend needed reserve strength to Gopher tackles. Weighs close to 200 pounds and stands six feet. Was a regular defenseman on the championship Minnesota hockey team last winter. From Minneapolis. A senior.

**ED KAFKA:** Saw service latter part of 1935 season and earned a letter. Trimly built, he is expected to prove valuable in his second year of competition. Home is in Antigo, Wis. Height 5 ft., 11 inches and weight about 190 pounds. A junior.

Reserves and promising sophomores (7)

**ROBERT HOEL:** Was on squad in 1935 and absorbed plenty of experience although he didn't get into action. Spent time in learning fundamentals of Minnesota line play. Now a polished tackle candidate and one of biggest men on squad. Stands 6 feet, 2 inches and weighs 217 pounds. From Minneapolis

**ROBERT JOHNSON:** Like Hoel, was on 1935 squad but spent most of time gaining experience. Likes rough going and appears to be ready this fall. Younger brother of Maurice Johnson, end on the championship 1934 team. Six feet, two inches in height. Weighs 190 pounds. Home in Anoka, Minn.

**WARREN KILBOURNE:** Another tall rangy sophomore prospect. Developed fast during freshman year. Comes naturally by his athletic ability since his father is director of physical education in St. Paul public schools. Height 6 feet, 2 inches. Weight 195 pounds.

**MARVIN LEVOIR:** May become one of the surprises of the 1936 Minnesota squad. Began playing football last spring without any previous high school experience. In few short weeks developed into one of best tackles in sophomore group. If he continues to advance as rapidly is sure of going places. Brother of Vernal (Babe) LeVoir, 1935 Minnesota quarterback. Weight 210 pounds, height 6 feet, 2 inches. Home is in Minneapolis.

**ELDRED MILLER:** One of the biggest men on the squad, weighing in the neighborhood of 235 pounds. Despite weight, he gets around quickly and is powerful. One of most promising sophomore prospects. Height about 6 feet, 1 inch. Home is in Hutchinson, Minn.

**WIN PEDERSON:** Started out as an end but was switched to tackle by coaches when they observed the power of his line play. Is rugged and likes the play when it's the hardest. Weight 210 pounds and height 6 feet, 2 inches. Home in Minneapolis.

**BURTON STORM:** Sophomore from Willmar, Minn. Height about 6' 1"; weight 200.

### THE GUARDS

Lettermen (2)

**ROBERT WELD:** Starting out as a little known sophomore last fall he soon caught the eye of the coaches and made his Big Ten debut in the starting lineup early in the season. Thereafter, he alternated with the regulars Oech and Wilkinson. A powerful athlete of the stocky type, Weld is a leading candidate for the starting assignment. Six feet in height and weighs 195 pounds. From Minneapolis.

**SAM RILEY:** A junior, he is built "close to the ground." This makes him hard to move on the defense. Earned his first letter last year as a sophomore. About five feet 10 inches and weighs 180 pounds. From L'Anse, Michigan.

Promising Reserve Guards (2)

FRANK BARLE: This athlete from Gilbert, Minn. proved his versatility last year at both football and basketball. Is 5' 10" in height and weighs 180 pounds. A junior.

DALE HANSON: Regarded as one of best guard prospects before start of 1935 season. Then remained out of school last year because of death of father. Back for the 1936 season and seems to have lost none of his ability. Stands 5 feet, 10 inches and weighs 185 pounds. His home is in Alfred, N. D. A junior.

Most promising sophomores (5)

FRANCIS TWEDELL: May get starting call over veteran guards. Coach Bierman asserts Twedell is one of few sophomores who appear to have enough experience to see early action. Already plays his position with a polish. Well built, Twedell weighs about 205 pounds and stands just under six feet. His home is in Austin, Minn.

NORACE BELL: Came to Minnesota last fall in order to play under Dr. George Hauser, line coach, upon the advice of an older brother who starred under Dr. Hauser at Ohio State. The Negro athlete ranks among the best of the sophomore line prospects. Height 5 feet, 11 inches. Weight 185 pounds. From Akron, Ohio.

ALLEN RORK: Another outstanding graduate of the 1935 freshmen. Of chunky build, he should see plenty of service with more experience. Younger brother of Whitman Rork, Minnesota fullback. Height 5'11". Weight 220. From Eau Claire, Wis.

CHARLES SCHULTZ: Reported in 1935 as varsity candidate for guard. Was converted to a center and was a leading prospect until an injury incapacitated him for the season. Back for the 1936 season and ready for action again as a guard. Home is in St. Paul. Weighs 210 pounds and is 6 feet, 2 inches in height.

STAN SITARZ: Was unheard of until last spring. From a lowly place on the reserve squad, he moved up with a rush. Coaches are hoping now that he will duplicate the performance of Milt Bruhn, star guard in 1934, who came up from the reserves to become a regular. Height 5 feet, 11 inches. Weight 210 pounds. Home, Minneapolis.

THE CENTERS

Lettermen (2)

EARL SVENDSON: Was understudy to Dale Rennebohm last season and turned in capable performances whenever he was in the game. One of the leading contenders for the starting assignment and may get it in early games. A brother, George, was a center on the 1934 squad. Home, Minneapolis. Height 6'. Weight 190. A senior.

STANLEY HANSON: Won his letter last season. Wrestled as a heavyweight for the Minnesota wrestling team during the winter season and as a result is stockier and stronger than in 1935. Height 5'10". Weight 185 pounds. A senior.

Most promising sophomore

JOHN KULBITSKI: May win the starting position away from the two veterans. Reported as a freshman end but was converted into a center when coaches saw possibilities in his big physique for a position in the center of the line. Has been advancing rapidly ever since. Weighs 200. Stands 6'2". Home is in Virginia, Minn.

THE QUARTERBACKS

Lettermen (3)

CHARLES (BUD) WILKINSON: Although he has never played quarterback for Minnesota, Wilkinson has won letters for the past two years. Was a starting guard for the Gophers in 1934 and 1935. His speed on the field, all-round football ability and intelligence led Bierman to try him at both quarterback and fullback in practice last year. Now he seems ready to take over the starting quarterback assignment if it is given to him. Six feet, one inch in height. Weighs 190 pounds. From Minneapolis.

SAM HUNT: Smart in the classroom and on the playing field. Has received intensive training and instruction from the coaches on the possibility that he might succeed Seidel and LeVair. Will make a bid for the starting assignment this fall. Height 5'10". Weight about 170. Home is in Red Lake Falls, Minn. A junior.

HARVEY RING: A Minneapolis athlete who has developed rapidly in the past year. Saw enough service in 1935 to win a letter. Runs the team with a steady dependability that may win him an important job in 1936. Height 5' 10". Weight 180.

Most promising Sophomores

**HARVEY STRUTHERS:** Singled out by coaches from the very beginning as a likely prospect. Came to Minnesota well-versed in Bierman football as result of high school play under Dallas Ward, now Minnesota freshman coach. A Minneapolis boy. Height 5 feet, 10 inches. Weight about 180 pounds.

**GEORGE FAUST:** An excellent punter. Was prospect for both quarterback and fullback as a freshman, but now is concentrating on signal calling. Six feet in height and weighs 190 pounds. From Minneapolis.

**GEORGE GOULD:** Teammates declare that he is one of the hardest tacklers on the squad. From St. Paul. Weighs 175 pounds. Stands 5 feet, 9 inches.

THE HALFBACKS

Lettermen (5)

**CO-CAPTAIN JULIUS ALFONSE:** Right halfback. Outstanding for Minnesota in 1933 and 1934. The latter year he led all Minnesota backs with an average yardage of 8.5 yards per attempt. Out of action last year, but back for his final season. Termed by Coach Bierman in 1934 "The best halfback in America who neither kicks nor passes." May do both this fall. Is fine blocking back. Home, Cumberland, Wis. Height 5'11". Weight 180 pounds.

**RUDY GMITRO:** Right halfback. One of smallest backs on the squad and also one of the fastest and hardest to bring down. In only eight ball-carrying attempts last year he carried the ball 127 yards for an average of 15.87 yards per try. Home is in Minneapolis. Height, 5 feet, 9 inches. Weight 155 pounds. A junior.

**ANDY URAM:** Left halfback. May get starting assignment. Gained 233 yards in 33 plays in 1935 for an average of 7 yards a play. Scored twice against Michigan, once after a 72 yard dash and again <sup>after</sup> carrying the ball 55 yards. Rugged and a deceptive runner. Both punts and passes. A junior. Home, Minneapolis. Height about 5 feet, 11 inches. Weight 170 pounds.

**CLARENCE (TUFFY) THOMPSON:** Left halfback. Fast and elusive, he scored no less than six Minnesota touchdowns in 1935. Carried the ball 343 yards in 79 trips for a season's average of 4:30 yards. Had runs of 85 and 93 yards in one game last fall. Last year of competition. From Montevideo, Minn. Height 5'11". Weight, 170 pounds.

**BILL MATHENY:** Left halfback. Much improved over 1935 when as a sophomore he was one of the Gopher's most elusive pony backs. Has exceptional speed. A junior this year. Home Anoka. Height is 5 feet, 9 inches and weight 160 pounds.

Most Promising Freshman Halfbacks

**RAY BATES:** A product of the Minneapolis Central high school. Got into select group of halfbacks from the start. Well built and handles himself well. Weighs 190 pounds and stands 6 feet, 1 inch in height.

**LAWRENCE BUHLER:** One of most promising backs up from the freshmen. Is big and rugged. Appears to be ticketed to play plenty of football for Minnesota. Has been playing right half. Six feet, two inches in height. Weight 205. Windom, Minn.

**WILBUR MOORE:** Classified as the best 1935 freshman halfback by coaches. Both kicks and passes. Was teammate of Twedell at Austin. Height 5'11". Weight 175.

THE FULLBACKS

Lettermen (2)

**WHITMAN RORK:** Understudy to Beise last year. Fast and a good punter. May receive starting assignment. From Eau Claire, Wis. Height 6'. Weight 195. A senior.

**VICTOR SPADACCINI:** Like so many Minnesota athletes from the range country, Spadaccini is rugged and likes rough going. Won his letter as a sophomore in 1935. Height 6 feet. Weight 195 pounds. Home Keewatin, Minn.

Promising sophomores (2)

**PHID BELFIORI:** Another Range athlete. Powerful and capable of handling the line crashing activities of a fullback. From Buhl, Minn. Height 5'11". Weight 195.

**MARTIN CHRISTIANSON:** Started as a freshman end but was moved to fullback, his high school position. A "natural" athlete. All he lacks is experience. From Minneapolis. Weight 190 pounds. Height 6 feet.

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Minneapolis, Sept. 15--Veterans hold the key to the early season success or failure of the 1936 University of Minnesota football team.

That was the opinion voiced by Coach Bernie Bierman as he prepared to call some 60 varsity athletes into action on Thursday morning, September 10.

"The progress of the team during the early part of the season depends to a large degree upon how much the veterans have advanced over the ability they displayed in 1935," Bierman explained. "Since it is obvious that the sophomore bunch can't step into the shoes of key men who have graduated, it seems equally clear that the returning veterans will have to be uniformly better if the team is to be as strong as that of 1935."

A total of 24 lettermen were included in the squad of 60 invited to report to Bierman on Thursday. Of that number, nine will be seniors reporting for their last season of competition. They are expected to be at the peak of their ability. Greatest advance must therefore come from the large group of juniors, who won letters in 1935 because the caliber of Minnesota play permitted frequent substitutions.

Only one of the 26 sophomores reporting for the opening practise session appears to be ready for early action, according to Bierman. That one is Francis Twedell, promising sophomore guard from Austin, Minn. Several sophomores are expected to join Twedell in this category before the Gophers entrain for Seattle where they will meet the University of Washington on September 26.

Plenty of scrimmage the first week was promised the Minnesota squad by Coach Bierman as he prepared to send them into action, although no scrimmages were scheduled for the first day or so. Indications were that the scrimmage sessions would continue up until the time the Gophers leave for Seattle when they would be practically discontinued for the remainder of the season as is Bierman's usual custom.



"The squad must work twice as hard if they expect to get into mid-season form<sup>in</sup> less than two weeks," Bierman declared. "And that's just what the fellows are going to have to do if they expect to win over Washington. There is a limit to the physical work we can give them, but assignments must be learned and that means plenty of chalk talks."

Practises are scheduled twice daily for the first 10 days at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Men invited back for the opening of the season are as follows:

**ENDS:** Ray Antil, Maple Lake; Charles Brown, Olivia; Robert Carlson, Mpls; Ray King, Duluth; Dominic Krezowski, Minneapolis; Clarence Lilevjen, Appleton; Mike Milosevich, So. St. Paul; Dwight Reed, St. Paul; Bruce Berryman, Jackson and Frank Warner, Minneapolis.

**GUARDS:** Frank Barle, Gilbert; Horace Bell, Akron, O.; Ray Close, Minneapolis; Dale Hanson, Alfred, N.D.; Sam Riley, L'Anse, Michigan; Allen Rork, EauClaire, Wis.; Charles Schultz, St. Paul; Stan Sitarz, Minneapolis; Francis Twedell, Austin and Robert Weld, Minneapolis.

**TACKLES:** Robert Hoel, Minneapolis; Robert Johnson, Anoka; Ed Kafka, Antigo, Wis.,; Warren Kilbourne, St. Paul; Louis Midler, St. Paul; Eldred Miller, Hutchinson; Win Pederson, Minneapolis; Morton Safran, Minneapolis; B. W. Smith, Minneapolis; Burton Storm. Willmar; Ed Widseth, McIntosh and Marvin LeVoir, Mpls.

**CENTERS:** Dan Elmer, Minneapolis; John Kulbitski, Virginia; Stan Hanson and Earl Svendson, Minneapolis, and Elmer Wilke, St. Paul.

**QUARTERBACKS:** George Faust, Harlan Hurd, Harvey Ring, Harvey Struthers and Charles Wilkinson, Minneapolis; George Gould, St. Paul; Sam Hunt, RedLakeFalls.

**HALFBACKS:** Ray Bates, Rudy Gmitro, Clark Taube, and Andy Uram, Minneapolis; Julius Alfonse, Cumberland, Wis.; Lawrence Buhler, Windom; Bill Matheny, Anoka; Wilbur Moore, Austin; Clarence Thompson, Montevideo and Harold Wrightson, St. Paul.

**FULLBACKS:** Philip Belfiori, Buhl; Martin Christianson, Minneapolis; Jack Rooney, Hot Springs, S.D.; Whitman Rork, Eau Claire, Wis.; George L. Smith, Faribault; Victor Spadaccini, Keewatin.

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Minneapolis, September 22---Ray King and Dwight Reed won the starting end assignments as sophomores on the 1935 championship University of Minnesota football team, but they are going to have a real battle on their hands to win the starting call on the Minnesota squad this fall.

Such is the prediction of Bert Baston, veteran Minnesota end coach and former All-America end at Minnesota, as he looks over a group of proteges composed of six lettermen, one reserve and three good sophomores.

Minnesota's ends will probably be the best a Gopher squad has had in some time. Baston admits as he sends the Gopher wingmen through their final drills before departing for Seattle.

"Our ends seem to be uniformly better than in 1935 and show promise of being one of the best outfits we've had in some time," Baston declares. "But then, there is really no reason why they shouldn't be better than last year. All the old bunch are back and they've had the benefit of a year's experience.

"One thing is certain to date. No end job is sewed up. There are four and possibly six men whom I'd say were possibilities as starters right now."

King and Reed, who came to the front as sophomores last fall and were outstanding, have been receiving the assignment on Coach Bernie Bierman's first eleven in practise sessions to date, but close behind are four lettermen who saw major action during the past two seasons, Antil, Krezowski, Warner and Berryman. According to Baston, the best pair will get the regular jobs.

King, the rangy Duluth athlete, reported this fall in far better condition than in 1935 when he scored a touchdown in the opening game of the season and continued to play top notch football through the rest of the schedule. Reed, one of Minnesota's outstanding Negro athletes, opened the 1935 season by receiving a pair of touchdown passes and has continued to improve.

Close behind this pair, and with the advantage of an extra year of experience, are two veterans who have the ability to play regularly on the best of teams. They are Ray Antil of Maple Lake and Dominic Krezowski of Minneapolis. Both are finished performers at their positions and have been factors in many Minnesota games.

Another pair of lettermen who stand within the select group are Frank Warner of Minneapolis and Bruce Berryman of Jackson. Both are big and well-versed in the requirements of the position. Berryman won his letter on the 1934 team.

With an array of experienced men such as these on hand it would be only natural to assume that sophomore candidates would become discouraged, but three first year men plus one reserve figure prominently in the plans of Coach Bierman and Coach Baston. They are Robert Carlson of Minneapolis, a reserve; and Mike Milosevich, South St. Paul; Clarence Lilevjen, Appleton, and Charles Brown, Olivia, all sophomores.



Minneapolis, September 29--Development of a crew of competent passers, punters and blockers continues to be one of Coach Bernie Bierman's major problems this week as his University of Minnesota football squad finds itself face to face with the fact that it must be in mid-season form before the week is out.

Immediate needs if the Gophers are to be prepared for the Washington game, include at least a trio of backs who can average 40 yards on punts and who can catch the sideline corners when necessary. They must also be able to get away accurate passes good for from five to 40 yards, for these were the specifications established by George Roscoe last season.

Andy Uram, the triple-threat halfback from Minneapolis, seems to fulfill these specifications best at present and it gives him the inside track on the job at left halfback. Uram is the most consistent punter on the squad, and his passing ability compares favorably with that of Roscoe.

Whitman Rork, veteran fullback from Eau Claire, Wis., has lifted some towering punts over Northrop field in the first few days of practise to show that he has lost none of his old ability. Indications are that he may take over the punting duties when Uram is out of action. Bill Matheny of Anoka and Clarence (Tuffy) Thompson of Montevideo are among the bidders for a punting assignment to be found in the group of lettermen halfbacks. Both athletes are capable passers although they lack major competitive experience.

Two years ago Coach Bierman termed Co-captain Julio Alfonse "the best halfback in America who neither kicks nor passes." It seems that he will have to revise that statement this season because Alfonse has been tossing passes with great accuracy in early practises.

Among the sophomores, George Faust, 190 pound Minneapolis quarterback, leads the punting aspirants. Possessed of a powerful toe and fortified by plenty of competitive experience at Minneapolis North high school, Faust is expected to bolster the Minnesota punting department. Wilbur Moore of Austin and Ray Bates of Minneapolis, both sophomore halfbacks, join the varsity with triple threat possibilities having done considerable passing and punting in high school.

For kickoffs from placement, Charles (Bud) Wilkinson will again be on hand to duplicate the competent job he turned in in 1935. Sophomore Horace Bell also excells in this department.

Blockers to duplicate the devastating interference provided by such men as Sheldon Beise, Vernal LeVoir and Roscoe in the backfield last year are a pressing need and Bierman will continue to devote part of each practise session to blocking drills for both backs and linemen.

Julie Alfonse, one of the best blockers on the championship 1934 team, will be back at right half to replace Roscoe at that important blocking position. Wilkinson, who learned his blocking at guard where the fundamental becomes an art, has the inside track at quarterback and is expected to carry out the blocking duties at that position.

Nearly all of the quarterback crew, including Harvey Ring, Harvey Struthers, George Faust and George Gould have exhibited better than average blocking abilities.

At fullback, Sheldon Beise, termed the greatest open field blocker of them all by his teammates, will be out of uniform but he is on hand to aid Bierman in tutoring Whitman Rork, Phil Belfiori, Vic Spadaccini and Rudy Gmitro in the art of clearing a path for the ball carriers.

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Minneapolis, September 28 Minnesota's Gophers are going to carry a very special kind of insurance when they meet the University of Washington Huskies at Seattle on September 26. That insurance is going to be in the form of young Mr. Andy Uram, triple-threat left halfback from Minneapolis.

Uram has never played on a losing football team during his entire high school and university football career and he is firm in his declaration that he is not going to let the Huskies or any one else spoil his record if he can help it. He is going to receive the cooperation of Rudy Gmitro and a squad of 40 Minnesota players, but especially Gmitro, since he was 50 percent of the "touchdown twins" combination of Uram and Gmitro at Marshall high in Minneapolis.

Andy began his high school football career in 1931 under Dallas Ward, now Minnesota's freshman coach, who was his high school coach at the time, and from that season to the present has found himself at halfback on a winning team every time he went into a game.

Incidentally, if Minnesota ever gets stuck for someone to kick the points after touchdown from placement, they could do worse than to call on Mr. Uram, according to Ward.

During his last year of high school competition, Andy kicked 19 out of 21 conversions from placement, meanwhile accounting for 11 touchdowns. The twentieth and twenty-first attempts to convert the extra point found one kick being blocked and the other missed when the fellow holding the ball dropped it.

"If I had my choice of any one man to put on my team, Uram is the fellow I'd pick," declared Ward the other day as he watched Uram running at left half-

back behind the first team. "He's cool under fire. In fact, I think you could shoot a cannon off behind him and it wouldn't effect his steady, consistent performance."

As a sophomore in 1935, Uram first caught the eye of the spectators in the Michigan game at Ann Arbor. In the first quarter, he carried a kickoff back 28 yards and a couple of plays later broke through left tackle and ran 55 yards for a touchdown. Less than three minutes later, he again broke through tackle and went 72 yards for another score.

Against Wisconsin the following week, Andy scored his third touchdown of the season on another 55-yard run. During the entire 1935 season he carried the ball 33 times and had a net gain of 233 yards for an average of 7 yards every time he carried the ball.

This fall Uram seems ticketed to run, pass and punt from the regular left halfback post. He will have plenty of competition from Clarence (Tuffy) Thompson, who accounted for six touchdowns in 1935; and Bill Matheny, veteran "pony" back. Those who are acquainted with Uram's durability and dependability are counting on Andy, however, to provide the Gopher's with insurance at left half.

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Minneapolis, September 20: They have been told they were too small to play football so often that they have built up a dozen defenses against <sup>the</sup> assertion, chief of which have been their performances on the gridiron.

They are two of the smallest and, at the same time, the most elusive half-backs that have ever played for the University of Minnesota, which has established a reputation for producing large players. The two young men in question are Bill Matheny and Rudy Gmitro, junior lettermen on the Gopher squad.

Late this past summer, admittedly indignant at the references to their lack of brawn and determined to take advantage of the year of experience they gained on the 1935 Minnesota squad, the pair reported to Oscar Munson, Gopher equipment custodian, and borrowed some old and well-worn equipment including some odds and ends of uniforms and a football. Then they hied themselves up to northern Minnesota and began getting into condition.

When they returned for the opening of practise on September 10, Matheny announced to doubters among his teammates that he had gained 11 pounds. Gmitro grinned and allowed as how he had managed to add five pounds himself.

The scoffers still scoffed for they well remembered the weight boosting activities of the pair in 1935 which included getting on the scales fully clothed. But when the diminutive halfbacks began out-running their mates in the early practises without even a long breath even the most skeptical agreed that there might be something in the conditioning exercises.

"We got the jump on you fellows," grinned Matheny. "We're in top condition with all the kinks ironed out while you're just beginning to feel the bumps."



Then he proceeded to prove his assertion with a 33 yard run that placed the Gophers in scoring position for their first touchdown against Washington last Saturday.

The Anoka athlete is headed for his best season this year, coaches believe. Last fall as a sophomore, he was hampered by an ankle injury, but with no such aggravation this fall he is expected to do lots of ball carrying.

Gmitro, the junior member of the "touchdown twins" combination of Uram and Gmitro in high school, is carrying on where he left off at the conclusion of his prep school career. Weighing only 160 pounds, he not only is a threat for the Gophers at right halfback but also at fullback.

In high school he played fullback and he weighed only 140 pounds. At this position he scored 11 touchdowns in his senior year besides calling signals and running back punts. So proficient did he become at converting punt returns into touchdowns that the opposing teams went into each game with instructions to punt out of bounds.

Last fall, appearing in only a few games, Gmitro compiled the best average yardage of any back on the Minnesota squad, scoring his initial touchdown for the Gophers on an 80-yard run against Wisconsin.

Both Matheny and Gmitro hope to contribute some touchdown runs to the Minnesota cause this fall. Their consuming ambition, however, is to be listed on the roster as Matheny, 170 pounds; Gmitro, 165 pounds.

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Minneapolis, October 2—What does a Minnesota quarterback think about as he faces the task of directing his team against a major opponent in his first game at the signal-calling position?

"Football, and plenty of it," admits 20-year old Charles (Bud) Wilkinson, who directed Minnesota to a 14-7 win over the University of Washington in his first game as a quarterback after two seasons spent at guard. "You have to remember some 40 different plays running off four formations and have some at your mental fingertips ready to use. Then there is the question of studying the opposition's defense and of doing quite a little blocking and pass receiving yourself.

"But it isn't as hard as it sounds," he hastens to add. "On a Minnesota team every man is expected to know not only his own assignment, but also what every other player is going to do on a specific play. In a way there are 11 quarterbacks out there with one to call the signals."

"Versatile, I don't know whether he can play every position on the team, but he has shown his ability at those positions where we have played him," says Coach Bernie Bierman of Wilkinson.

The Minneapolis senior seems destined to succeed Vernal (Babe) LeVoir as the handy man of the Minnesota squad. Last year, LeVoir was in action at three positions in the backfield. Wilkinson on the other hand has seen action at every position except end since he first began to play football at Shattuck academy and he has the ideal qualifications to make a good end.

In his first year of prep school competition, Bud played at quarterback and followed this up with two seasons at tackle. He was judged one of the

outstanding tackles on the 1933 freshman squad at the University of Minnesota, but his sophomore year saw him transformed into a guard.

During the 1934 and 1935 seasons, Wilkinson's play at guard for Minnesota won him All-America recognition. Last fall at various times he was tried at center, halfback and fullback during practise, but with LeVoir the official handy man, Bud went back to guard for every game.

This last summer, Bud was a counsellor at a boy's camp and each afternoon found him taking an hour or more to study the sheaf of diagrammed plays that contain the principal Minnesota offensive and defensive formations. He has been the first string quarterback since the first day of practise.

Calling signals for Minnesota is getting to be something of a problem these days, Wilkinson admits. The opposing teams change their defense so often on the Gophers that it is necessary to check the Minnesota formation just before the play is run to be sure that the defensive team has not moved into a new formation.

Many have expressed surprise that Wilkinson should have called for the pass play that brought Minnesota's winning touchdown against Washington. The ball was on the Huskie 10-yard line with four downs to put over the score and the obvious play seemed to be to try running the ball across the goal.

"A running play did seem to be the obvious thing to call for at that point," explains Wilkinson, "and that's just what I called for. But when we came out of the huddle we found that Washington expected the same thing and had pulled its defense in, so we checked signals and called for the pass that resulted in the touchdown."



Minneapolis, October 13--A healthy respect of 23 years standing for the ability of University of Nebraska football teams is in the back of Coach Bernie Bierman's mind as he sends the University of Minnesota football team through its final practise sessions before meeting the Cornhuskers in Memorial Stadium on Saturday, October 10.

That respect was instilled in Bierman back in 1913 when he was sophomore halfback on a Minnesota squad that went down to defeat before a Nebraska eleven by a 7-0 score. It was the second time Nebraska had defeated Minnesota in the series between the two universities and marked the last Nebraska victory from that day to this. But Bierman still fears Nebraska.

Chief among his reasons is an improved Nebraska team over the one that fought Minnesota to the final gun before losing 12-7 last season. "Stop Cardwell" has been Bierman's charge to his players as he has run them through plays against Nebraska formations. Bierman was tremendously impressed with Cardwell, at halfback, Sam Francis at fullback and the Nebraska team in general when he scouted the Cornhuskers game with Iowa State a week ago.

Four men on each team who were in the starting lineup for the 1935 game at Lincoln are expected to be in the game again, on Saturday, but in the case of Minnesota at least one of these men will be starting at a different position. For Minnesota Dwight Reed and Ray Antil are back at the ends, although Antil will probably be replaced by King in the starting lineup. Ed Widsoth will be back at Tackle and Charles Wilkinson will be at quarterback instead of guard as was the case in 1935.

For Nebraska, Cardwell and Francis are expected to be in the backfield with John Ellis back at tackle and Captain Lester McDonald at end. In addition, seven Minnesotans who saw some action in the 1935 game will be matched by nine members of the 1935 Cornhusker squad who are back.

To Whitman Rork, Minnesota fullback, the Nebraska game will provide the opportunity to settle a little argument with John Richardson, a teammate during high school days at Eau Claire, Wis. Both tentatively decided to go to Minnesota when they graduated from high school, but Richardson changed his mind and matriculated to Nebraska. Now, Rork declares, he is out to show the former Eau Claire end and buddy that he enrolled at the wrong university. Both were in the game for a short time last season.

Possibility of the largest opening game crowd in the history of Minnesota football for the Nebraska game has been voiced by officials of the Minnesota football ticket office. More than 44,000 tickets have already been sold and a crowd of 51,000 to 55,000 is anticipated.

The Minnesota Nebraska record is as follows:

1900	Minnesota	20	Nebraska	12
1901	Minnesota	19	Nebraska	0
1902	Minnesota	0	Nebraska	6
1904	Minnesota	16	Nebraska	12
1905	Minnesota	35	Nebraska	0
1906	Minnesota	13	Nebraska	0
1907	Minnesota	8	Nebraska	5
1908	Minnesota	0	Nebraska	0
1909	Minnesota	14	Nebraska	0
1910	Minnesota	27	Nebraska	0
1911	Minnesota	21	Nebraska	3
1912	Minnesota	13	Nebraska	0
1913	Minnesota	0	Nebraska	7
1919	Minnesota	6	Nebraska	6
1932	Minnesota	"	Nebraska	6
1934	Minnesota	20	Nebraska	0
1935	Minnesota	12	Nebraska	7

Minnesota won	13
Nebraska won	2
Games tied	2

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Minneapolis, October--Scientists may scoff at the contention that football, of all things, is hereditary, but it will be rather hard to convince the Twedell family of Austin, Minnesota, that this is not so.

Francis Twedell, one of the three boys in the family, has been judged by coaches and critics alike to be probably the most promising sophomore on the University of Minnesota squad and has been nominated by Coach Bernie Bierman as one of the starting guards. Edward, the oldest, was a star fullback at Austin high school and Donald, the youngest, is guard on the present Austin team. As for Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Twedell---well, they're football fans extraordinary.

Mr. Twedell, senior, really is the guiding force behind all this football talent in one family. Although he has never met Clarence Munn, one-time All-America guard at Minnesota, the pair of them are probably responsible for Francis' coming to Minnesota.

"I had a scholarship at the University of Chicago and was all set to go to school there, but dad was a Minnesota fan and he took me up to Minneapolis to see Minnesota play several times," Francis explained. "Even before I got the scholarship I had seen Clarence Munn play several times and had been using him as my model for playing guard. Well, the upshot of it all was that I finally decided to come to Minnesota. Dad Convinced me that I couldn't go wrong if I did."

Francis began his football career by playing guard and tackle for two years at St. Augustine's high school in Austin. In 1933 he was transferred to Central high school in the same city and that year Central won the championship of the Big Eight high school conference.

Wilbur Moore, who came to Minnesota from Austin and who was judged the outstanding back on the 1935 Minnesota freshman squad, was a teammate of Twedell's on the championship Austin team.

"Coach E. Y. Sangster, who had charge of the Central team when we played down there, taught us the fundamentals of the Bierman system, so when we came up to the university we at least had the advantage of knowing something about it," Twedell said.

To Dr. George Hauser, Minnesota line coach, goes most of the credit for teaching him the intricacies of line play, according to the Austin athlete. "He's a wonderful coach," says Twedell. "I've learned a lot and I still have a lot to learn from him."

In another two years, Minnesota lineups may list a Twedell at each guard if the advance notices on the play of young Donald on his high school team are correct.

"He's good," says Francis. "Probably better than I was when I was in high school. Of course I've learned a few tricks that I could show him, but when he comes up to Minnesota as a freshman next fall he'll learn those tricks and then we'll see."

An honor student in high school, Twedell is studying civil engineering at the University. He weighs 205 pounds and stands five feet, eleven inches.

Minneapolis, October 23—It may be a good thing for Minnesota's football fortunes that Ed Widseth doesn't meet his opponents until after the game.

"You have to hit them hard during the game. You want to hit hard because it's the game. But after the game is over and you meet the fellow who played opposite you, you usually find he's a pretty fine fellow and are kind of sorry you hit him so hard," Ed says.

Ed believes that football players as a general rule are as fine a bunch of men as you will find gathered anywhere, and he is of the opinion that his teammates on the University of Minnesota squad are the cream of the crop.

Widseth, the Gopher co-captain and left tackle, used the Minnesota squad as an example of sportsmanship before some 95 boys and young men's clubs during the past summer in his capacity as a lecturer for the Young People's Luther League.

What's more, Widseth, whom opponents have characterized as one of the hardest and most vicious tacklers in the game today, believes that the players on the opposing teams are really among the best and that after the game is over they often prove to be of the same mind about the Minnesota team.

"Take this man, Nowogroski, the Washington fullback, for example," Ed points out, "We were hitting hard in there all afternoon, but when the game was over he came over, shook hands and we talked over the game. He's a swell fellow.

"I remember an incident in the 1934 Minnesota-Wisconsin game that proves my point that opponents are a pretty good sort," Widseth recalls. "We went into the game frankly expecting a lot of rough stuff. Early in the game the tackle opposite me told me he was going to rearrange my face on the next play and he made a try for it. I kept kidding him and he tried it again. This time he missed me altogether and I helped him up and asked him if he felt all right.



He finally grinned and said, 'Okay, buddy.' We didn't have a bit of trouble after that."

Following the hard fought Nebraska game last week that resulted in a last minute victory for the Gophers, Widseth made it a point after the game to go over to the Cornhusker locker room and congratulate the Nebraskans on the fine game they had played.

This season marks the third and last for the 220-pound McIntosh, Minnesota athlete who joined the Gopher squad with a minimum of football experience. In two previous years his raw physical power was transformed into coordinated tackle play and last fall he received All-American recognition.

Known for his coolness in action and his lack of any sort of emotionalism on the field, Widseth admits that there are three games that stand out in his memory when he really got "worked up." They were his first game for Minnesota, the 1934 Pittsburgh game and the 1935 Nebraska encounter.

Although a student in the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics at the University, Widseth is at present undecided as to what his future will be. One thing he knows for certain and that is that he wants to work with young people in some capacity, either as an athletic coach, or in some sort of advisory work.

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Minneapolis, October 24—The adage that "history repeats itself" is not an infallible one but a quartette of Minnesota backfield men are hoping that it holds true when they meet the University of Michigan Wolverines in Memorial stadium on Saturday, October 17.

Against Michigan in 1935 these same four ball-carriers averaged over nine yards every time one of them carried the ball and during that game the quartette combined to carry the ball for three-fourths of the total yardage that the Gophers gained from scrimmage in downing the Wolverines 40-0.

Andy Uram was the leading ground gainer against Michigan last season and he will start at left half on Saturday hoping to duplicate the ball carrying that earned him 187 yards in 11 plays. Two of Uram's runs in the 1935 game were good for touchdowns after he had carried the ball for 55 and 72 yards.

As was the case last season, a pair of 1935 speeders will be among Coach Bernie Bierman's candidates to earn needed yardage for the Gophers. They are Clarence (Tuffy) Thompson and Rudy Gmitro, both halfbacks. Last season, Thompson carried the ball 72 yards in 16 plays and returned a Michigan kick-off 85 yards for a score. Gmitro ran 39 yards in four plays despite the fact that he was called back twice on long runs because of penalties.

The fourth veteran in the group is Whitman Rork, fullback, and he prefers to disregard his 1935 yardage record and concentrate on establishing a new one since he carried the ball only twice against Michigan last fall.

Julius Alfonse, Minnesota's right halfback, did not play in 1935 but Matt Patanelli, end; Cedric Sweet, fullback, and a few other seniors on the Michigan team will remember his 76-yard touchdown run in the 1934 game.

Two veterans and two sophomores is likely to be Coach Harry Kipke's choice to handle the ground gaining activities of the Michigan eleven on Saturday in the twenty-seventh game of the Little Brown Jug series.

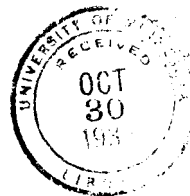
Perhaps the outstanding halfback in the Michigan backfield to date has been Bob Cooper, Detroit sophomore. An outstanding triple-threat man and an excellent punter, Cooper was out of action last season because of a wrenched knee. He was the winner of the 1934 Chicago Alumni trophy awarded to the outstanding freshman.

At right half, John Smithers will be Kipke's starting choice. Smithers won his letter last season as a blocking halfback. The second veteran in the backfield will be Cedric Sweet at fullback. Sweet is playing his final season for the Michigan squad.

Louis Levine, a sophomore from Muskegon, has been receiving the starting assignment at quarterback, but William Barclay, a junior letterman, is a possibility to start against the Gophers.

Between forty and forty-five thousand persons are expected to see the game between the two traditional rivals on Saturday. Officials will be as follows: F. C. Lane, referee; W. D. Knight (Dartmouth) umpire; R. W. Huegel (Marquette) field judge; and G. Simpson (Wisconsin) head linesman.

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Minneapolis, October--Ray King, rangy Minnesota end with an uncommon knack of catching passes, has a new and reasonably effective method of sharpening his pass-catching abilities. It consists of practising with a red-hot rivet instead of a football.

After a few weeks of catching rivets tossed in your direction with more speed than accuracy, catching anything as large and harmless as a football is comparatively easy, according to King, who considers himself an authority on the subject after a vacation spent in a rivet crew in the shipyards of his native Duluth, Minnesota.

King's job, in keeping with that of his football assignments, was that of a pass receiver. Armed with a small can, he caught the red-hot rivets as they were thrown his way, picked them out of the can with tongs and thrust them into the rivet holes.

"It wasn't hard after you got the knack of it," he admits now, "but you couldn't afford to miss many passes. You just had to catch the rivet or else--"

Whether significant or not, King has not missed many of the passes tossed his way during Minnesota's three games thus far this season. In the opening game against the University of Washington at Seattle, he leaped high over the end zone between two Washington players to catch the touchdown pass that gave the Gophers their 14-7 margin of victory over the Huskers.

King is playing his second season at right end for Minnesota, getting the starting assignment in the first game of his sophomore year and holding down the position since that time.

His one great regret to date is that he has been forced to give up his trombone playing temporarily in favor of football.

Just as Coach Bernie Bierman gained an outstanding end in King's decision to play football for Minnesota, so did Gerald R. Prescott, director of the Minnesota band, lose an ace trombone player. King also plays the baritone horn and his ability at the piano is usually one of the entertainment features when the Minnesota squad takes a trip.

At Denfield high in Duluth, King played halfback and fullback and it was there that he developed the punting abilities that Coach Bierman has been utilizing from time to time this season. During his senior year in high school, King averaged close to 51 yards on his punts.

After reporting to the Minnesota freshman squad as a halfback and playing most of that year in the backfield, King was shifted to end and put under the instruction of Albert P. (Bert) Baston, Minnesota end coach.

"He's a great coach," King says of Baston today. "I've got to give him credit for everything I know about playing end."

Humor is the Minnesota'end's long suit and for that reason he lists the play that gave him the biggest laugh over any of the touchdown passes he has snared.

"We were playing Wisconsin at Minneapolis in 1935," he relates. "The play came around my end and the blocker moved over to take me out of the play. To cross him up, I hit him before he could hit me. He bounced back into the ball-carrier and spoiled the play."



Minneapolis, October ~~31~~—Are you nursing an ambition to have that husky boy of yours become a football player? If so, scan the menus for some of the "hearty" eaters on the University of Minnesota football squad and then start laying in a stock of groceries.

"I guess I've got a pretty good appetite," admits Lou Midler, whose 210 pounds are stationed at right tackle on the Minnesota team on Saturday afternoons. "For breakfast I usually have cereal and the usual things that go with a breakfast and then I finish it off with a nice helping of pork chops.

"I don't eat so much at noon. Usually meat, potatoes and vegetables--- about a 40 cent lunch. But at night after practise I'll admit I'm kind of partial to a nice big steak with all the trimmings."

Lou figures that if he ate all his meals in a restaurant it would cost him about \$2 a day. Living in St. Paul, however, he is home for breakfast and the evening meal.

"Gosh," he grinned when discussing his gastronomical achievements, "the other day I asked Mom whether it was worth \$10 to her if I stayed on the campus for a couple of weeks. She said it sure was and that she could give me the ten and still be money ahead."

Lou is not the champion grocery destroyer on the Minnesota squad, however. The domination for that honor goes to Bob Weld, 200-pound guard from Minneapolis, according to L. L. Schroeder, Minnesota ticket manager, who is somewhat of an authority on the subject by virtue of his duty of arranging meals and accommodations for the Minnesota squad on trips.

"Returning from a recent game," Schroeder relates, "Weld sat down with the rest of the boys in the diner and proceeded to polish off two turkey

dinners plus the trimmings. Not long after dinner he complained of being hungry and ate several sandwiches we had on hand along with a couple of apples.

"I figured that should take care of Mr. Weld's appetite until morning, but along about the time everybody was going to bed, we ran across Weld looking for a waiter in the deserted diner. He said he was hungry and couldn't sleep."

The healthy appetites of the Minnesota players are entirely normal when one considers the strenuous exercise in both practise sessions and games. The weights of such huskies as Midler, Weld, Co-Captain Ed Widsoth and other 200-pounders often vary from five to ten pounds a day when they play.

Although some of the light-weight backfield men on the squad do not eat as much as the linemen, they all have healthy appetities. Bill Mathemy, 165-pound "pony" halfback, is the envy of all the gourmands. His father owns a butcher shop.

But regardless of the size of their appetites, the members of the Minnesota squad are in agreement on one fact; namely, that playing football makes a fellow sort of hungry.



Minneapolis, November ~~9~~<sup>9'36</sup> Every boy who has ever spent the major portion of his waking hours as an ardent follower and disciple of some football star has a counterpart in Andy Uram, Minnesota's "home grown" halfback star, for not so long ago Andy was the leader of the boy brigade that dogged the footsteps of the Minnesota squad.

Members of the Gopher teams of a half dozen years ago still remember the slightly built youngster whose silent determination got him by the gate guards on Northrop field, where he spent long afternoons watching the Minnesota squad at practise. The guards ejected him frequently but he reappeared so often they finally gave it up as a bad job.

It was no particular player who attracted Uram to the practise field, he admits today. It was just football. Even the word had a magic in it for him and the opportunity to watch the Gophers---well, that was something that couldn't be passed up.

Brought up within a stone's throw of the University of Minnesota campus, Uram spent all of his spare time as a youngster, around the Minnesota athletic plant. That time was limited, however, for Andy carried an early morning paper route in order that he could divide his time between watching the Gophers and playing football at Marshall high school, just a block from the university gates.

It was in high school that the 115-pound Uram first put into practise the things he had learned by observation on Northrop field. Observation made up but a small part of the boy's football ability, however, for he was a natural athlete in every sense of the word, according to Dallas Ward, Uram's high school coach, who has followed his progress ever since he was 12 years old.



"Uram is my idea of an all-around athlete," declared the proud Mr. Ward recently, speaking in his new capacity as Minnesota freshman football coach. "He is utterly without emotion. He does everything instinctively and well. In fact, I think you could shoot a cannon off behind him and it wouldn't effect his steady, consistent performance."

That apparent quality of lack of emotion has served to make Uram one of those unusual personalities that appear in athletics every now and again. He is colorful without possessing any of that quality in his personal makeup.

Reticent and extremely shy of the spotlight of public recognition, Uram prefers to let his record and performances on the playing field provide all his color.

Against Washington at Seattle, Uram passed to King for the winning touchdown and gained 15 yards from scrimmage despite a painful injury which handicapped his playing.

Against Nebraska he took a lateral from Charles Wilkinson and sprinted more than 75 yards for the winning touchdown with 68 seconds of the game remaining.

In 12 ball-carrying attempts against Michigan, Uram carried the ball 53 yards and lateraled to Alfonse for one of Minnesota's touchdowns. A 30-yard run gave him a touchdown against Purdue, while in the Minnesota-Northwestern game he was the Gophers leading offensive threat as they outgained the Wildcats.

It may be just a coincidence, but the only time that Uram appears at ease in the presence of fans, supporters and well-wishers is when he is met at the door of the locker room by the 1936 edition of the boy brigade that hangs upon every action of the Minnesota team.



Minneapolis, November 11--Just as a dexterous pair of hands spells the difference between a good surgeon and a poor one so it has meant the difference between an outstanding center and a fair one in the case of Earl Svendsen of the University of Minnesota.

"He's got the surest pair of hands I ever saw an athlete have," remarked a Minnesota coach recently as he watched Svendsen handle a football with the one-handed agility of a baseball infielder, "He can pluck that ball out of the air better with one hand than most players can using both hands."

Although he has handled the ball in more offensive plays than any other two players on the Minnesota squad during the last three seasons, Svendsen has only uncorked one pass from center that got away from the intended ball-carrier, and that was in the Minnesota-Iowa game last Saturday when snow and a freezing wind proved conducive to anything but good ball-handling.

Whether this dexterity in ball-handling is hereditary is highly questionable, but at least it can be said that it runs in the Svendsen family. Mr. Svendsen senior was a star basketball player, while Mrs. Svendsen and two sisters played on a girl's basketball team until, as Earl explains it, "they changed the rules and took the kick out of the game for them."

The fall of 1934 is a highly significant date in so far as the Svendsen's designs on playing center for Minnesota are concerned, for it was at that time that all three of the Svendsen boys switched from other line positions and started playing their football at center.

George, the oldest, had been a regular tackle on the Minnesota team of 1933. In his senior year, he was moved to center where he alternated with

Dale Rennebohm throughout the season. He is now playing center for a leading professional eleven.

Earl, after playing fullback, tackle and guard in high school and end on the Minnesota freshman squad, was switched to center as a sophomore and has played that position ever since.

Coincidence found Edward, the third of the Svendsen brothers switching to center on the Marshall high school team during the same season that his brothers made the change. The latter is now enrolled in the University of Minnesota and intends to report as a center candidate for the Minnesota team next fall.

Earl will finish out his football competition against Texas and Wisconsin and then plans to transfer his activities to the basketball court where he has been playing a strong game at guard for Minnesota for two seasons.



Minneapolis, November---Many are asking what freshmen of 1936 are being groomed to play important roles in the University of Minnesota's football fortunes during the next three seasons,

There are about 40 first year players who have shown enough ability to be classed as potential varsity material, according to Dallas Ward as he prepares to close his first season as head freshman coach. Although there may be many a slip between freshman and varsity stardom, at least a part of the group will have to provide the Minnesota hope of the future.

Ward has his candidates catalogued so that he has a pretty good idea of the top-ranking candidates in each position. By his ratings<sup>9</sup> representative freshman eleven would include the following freshman players and alternates:

Ends: Earl Ohlgren, a 185 pound, six foot, two inch athlete from Cokato; John Mariucci, 185 pound Eveleth boy who has been shifted from tackle, and Ed Diehl.

Tackles: Richard Danowski, 195-pound freshman from Bemidji; Leslie Apmann, brother of a former Minnesotan, Elmer Apmann, from Rice, Minnesota, and Ed Stein, 208-pound athlete from St. Paul Mechanic Arts high school.

Guards: Helge Pukema, a 200-pound football and track athlete from Duluth Central high school; and Ed Bannon.

Center: Hilding Mattson of Bovey, Minnesota, who played his high school football at Coleraine, and Mark Moore of Roosevelt high, Minneapolis.

Quarterbacks: Jack McCormick, 175, from Bemidji, and Harold Anderson, 170.

Halfbacks: William Gilchrist, 185, from Minneapolis Marshall high; Harold Van Every, 178, Minnetonka Beach; Ray Kimblin, 170, East Grand Forks; Lloyd Parsons, 175, Minneapolis, and George Frank, 170, Davenport, Iowa.

Fullbacks: Ed Bonk, 190, South St. Paul, and Francis Crimmins, 185, of East Falls Church, Va. Crimmins played his high school football in Washington, D. C.

Close behind this group if not on a par with them in ability shown this fall are Howard Blum, 186, of Minneapolis North high; Oscar Anderson, 183, of Austin, and Clifford Cook, 180, ends; Fred Radde, 220, Wagonia; Haakon Rasmussen, 250, Pierre, S. D.; and Everett Derenthal, 180, Austin, tackles; Gordon Swanson, 196, Minneapolis, a guard; and Phil Teeter, 180, Minneapolis; Robert Kolliner, 175, Stillwater, and Wayne Mullene, 175, Wayzata, centers.

Among outstanding backfield candidates are Victor Bertramson, 170, Mound; John Broussard, 165, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Jack Dasset, 150, Minneapolis West; Lloyd Everson, 165, Grafton, N.D.; Willard Erie, 170, Faribault; Joe Osmussen, 170, Minneapolis; Don Pivec, 160, St. Paul Mechanic Arts high; George Lighter, 155, Spencer, Iowa; Dick Rummell, 160, Logansport, Indiana; Richard Renner, 150, Springfield; Richard Ryan, 179, Rochester; Gene Sobczyk, 160, Duluth Denfield, all halfbacks.

Fullback prospects include Roger Keller, 185, and Charles Myre, 170, Albert Lea; and Richard Quackenbush, 175, Rochester.

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Minneapolis, November--<sup>23</sup>A rivalry that began over some silk top-hats back in the "gay nineties" will have its forty-sixth annual settlement on Saturday at Madison when Minnesota and Wisconsin meet on Camp Randall field in the final game of the 1936 season for both teams.

It took a glimpse of the silk hats setting aslant the Badger brows back in 1890 to give the Gopher's of that day a good and sufficient cause to roll up the largest score ever recorded between the two teams, 63-0. In the 46 years that have elapsed since the first game 45 games have been played, but neither university has scored such a victory as the Minnesotans did in that first meeting. Of the 45 games Minnesota has won 25, Wisconsin 15 and five have been tied.

The crux of that initial rivalry was the fact that the Wisconsin squad arrived in Minneapolis for that first game resplendent in new silk "toppers." Resentful, the Minnesotans agreed to humble the "high hats" and they did.

Only one break has occurred in the annual rivalry between the universities of the two neighboring states and that was in 1906 when it was thought best to discontinue games between particular rivals.

Fourteen Minnesota players will see their last competition in Saturday's game. They include Co-captains Julius Alfonse, halfback, and Ed Widseth, tackle; Ray Antil, Dominic Krezowski, Frank Warner, Bruce Berryman, ends; Frank Barle, guard; Earl Svendsen and Stan Hanson, centers; Charles Wilkinson, Sam Hunt and Harvey Ring, quarterbacks; Clarence Thompson, halfback, and Whitman Rork, fullback.

The Minnesota squad will leave Minneapolis at noon Friday and will arrive in Milwaukee at 7 p.m. where they will spend the night. The Minnesota special

will leave Milwaukee at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, arriving in Madison two hours before the kickoff.

The Minnesota-Wisconsin record is as follows:

1890	Minnesota	63	Wisconsin	0
1891	Minnesota	26	Wisconsin	12
1892	Minnesota	32	Wisconsin	4
1893	Minnesota	40	Wisconsin	0
1894	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	6
1895	Minnesota	14	Wisconsin	10
1896	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	6
1897	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	39
1898	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	28
1899	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	19
1900	Minnesota	6	Wisconsin	5
1901	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	18
1902	Minnesota	11	Wisconsin	0
1903	Minnesota	17	Wisconsin	0
1904	Minnesota	28	Wisconsin	0
1905	Minnesota	12	Wisconsin	16
1907	Minnesota	17	Wisconsin	17
1908	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	5
1909	Minnesota	34	Wisconsin	6
1910	Minnesota	28	Wisconsin	0
1911	Minnesota	6	Wisconsin	6
1912	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	14
1913	Minnesota	21	Wisconsin	3
1914	Minnesota	14	Wisconsin	3
1915	Minnesota	20	Wisconsin	3
1916	Minnesota	54	Wisconsin	0
1917	Minnesota	7	Wisconsin	10
1918	Minnesota	6	Wisconsin	0
1919	Minnesota	19	Wisconsin	7
1920	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	3
1921	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	35
1922	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	14
1923	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	0
1924	Minnesota	7	Wisconsin	7
1925	Minnesota	12	Wisconsin	12
1926	Minnesota	16	Wisconsin	10
1927	Minnesota	13	Wisconsin	7
1928	Minnesota	6	Wisconsin	0
1929	Minnesota	13	Wisconsin	12
1930	Minnesota	0	Wisconsin	14
1931	Minnesota	14	Wisconsin	0
1932	Minnesota	13	Wisconsin	20
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Minneapolis, November---If some half dozen University of Minnesota basketball players have anything to say about it the legend of the good big man being better than the good little man is going to appear badly warped when the season is over. And they are going to start reversing the process no later than next Saturday night when the Gophers open the season against Carleton college in the field house.

No less than a half-dozen of the 16 most promising members of the varsity squad are under six feet in height, but every one of these athletes are scheduled to play an important part in Minnesota's basketball fortunes this season, even, Coach MacMillan intimates, a more important part than some of the taller men.

To get the background on at least a portion of the Minnesota basketball prospects the sport's panorama must be turned back to 1933, when a midget-sized Red Wing, Minnesota, high school basketball team battled its way through the state tournament to win the state championship.

The two smallest players on that Red Wing quintet were a pair of guards named Dick Seebach and Art Lillyblad, but despite their lack of stature, their speed and determination won the admiration of the crowd, and, incidentally the title for their team.

Saturday night Seebach and Lillyblad will be in action together once more; this time as guards on the University of Minnesota team that will open its season against Carleton in the field house. They have "grown up," (Lillyblad is now five feet, eight inches in height and Seebach five feet, 10 inches,) but they are still among the smallest guards in the Western Conference.



Seebach, a senior, will be playing his last season for the Gophers and for the third season he has won his place on the squad over bigger men. Last season in addition to turning back the offensive forays of the opposition, he found the basket for 15 field goals and 12 free throws for a total of 42 points.

Lillyblad, standing only five feet, eight inches, will be playing his second season for the Gophers. A knee injury kept him out of action during his sophomore year, but he rejoined Seebach last season in time to account for 19 points.

Three other lettermen, one a forward and the other two guards, are also under the six foot mark that is usually set as a standard for basketball players. Earl Halverson of Minneapolis will be a junior this season and is expected to be of greater value than last year, when as a forward he scored 24 points in 13 games.

Martin Rolek and George (Butch) Nash, veteran guards, both have a year's experience to aid them in their competition for positions on the team. Both stand five feet, 10 inches. Gordon Addington, sophomore guard candidate, rounds out the half dozen and this athlete has already exhibited a sureness when shooting that is causing coaches to give him serious consideration.

To offset the lack of size in these valuable cogs in his basketball squad, Coach MacMillan is depending upon Bob Manly and George Gustafson, six foot, three inch centers; G. Henry Johnson and Ed Jones, guards; and Guy DeLambert and John Kindla, forwards, all over six feet.

Regardless of size the entire Minnesota squad is going to have plenty of incentive in showing their best form when they meet the Carleton cagers.



Minneapolis, December 16—An East-West hockey series between Minnesota and Dartmouth on December 29 and 30 and the National Intercollegiate swimming championships on March 26 and 27 are outstanding home attractions on the program for Minnesota athletic supporters during the remainder of the 1936-37 school year. This was announced by the University athletic department yesterday as it released the schedule for winter and spring athletic events.

Basketball and hockey will hold the sports spotlight at Minnesota until after the first of the year, when swimming, wrestling, gymnastics and track will enter the picture. Track, baseball, tennis and golf are on the program for the spring quarter.

Home wrestling meets will be held in the field house this season, with three of them scheduled immediately following basketball games. Basketball fans will thus be given the opportunity to attend two events for the price of one. Fred Perry and Eklsworth Vines, ranking professional tennis players, will play an exhibition match in the field house on March 16.

The schedules are as follows:

#### HOCKEY

Dec. 10 Carleton College at Northfield  
Dec. 29 Dartmouth College at St. Paul Auditorium  
Dec. 30 Dartmouth College at Minneapolis Arena  
Jan. 8 Alaska at Minneapolis  
Jan. 9 Alaska at Minneapolis  
Jan. 15-16 Michigan at Ann Arbor  
Jan. 22-23 Manitoba at Minneapolis  
Jan. 29-30 Michigan Tech at Houghton, Michigan  
Feb. 5 - 6 Michigan Tech at Minneapolis  
Feb. 26-27 Michigan at Minneapolis

#### Wrestling

Jan. 11 North Dakota State at Minneapolis  
(following Chicago basketball game)  
Jan. 16 Carleton College at Minneapolis (3 p.m.)  
Jan. 21 Carleton College at Northfield  
Jan. 30 Iowa State Teachers' at Minneapolis (3 p.m.)  
Feb. 6 Nebraska at Minneapolis  
(following Ohio State basketball game)

Feb. 13 Iowa State college at Minneapolis ( 3p.m.)  
Feb. 20 Wisconsin at Minneapolis (3 p.m.)  
Feb. 27 Iowa at Minneapolis (following Wisconsin basketball)  
March 6 Illinois at Urbana  
March 12-13 Conference meet at Chicago

Swimming

Feb. 12 Nebraska at Minneapolis  
Feb. 13 Wisconsin at Madison  
Feb. 19 Northwestern at Minneapolis  
Feb. 22 Illinois at Urbana  
Feb. 27 Michigan at Ann Arbor  
March 6 Iowa at Minneapolis  
March 12-13 Conference meet at University of Indiana  
March 26-27 NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AT MPLS.  
(Afternoon and evening)

Gymnastics

Jan. 16 Illinois at Minneapolis (1:30 p.m.)  
Jan. 21 City High School meet (7 p.m.)  
Feb. 6 Chicago at Minneapolis (1:30 p.m.)  
Feb. 12 Nebraska at Lincoln  
Feb. 13 Iowa at Iowa City  
Feb. 20 Northwest Gymnastic Society meet  
Feb. 27 Iowa at Minneapolis (1:30 p.m.)  
March 6 Illinois at Urbana  
March 13 Conference meet at Iowa City

Indoor Track

Feb. 13 Iowa State at Minneapolis (8 p.m.)  
Feb. 27 Wisconsin at Madison  
March 6 Iowa at Minneapolis (2:30 p.m.)  
March 12-13 Conference meet at Chicago

Outdoor Track

May 8 Marquette at Minneapolis (2:30 p.m.)  
April 17 Kansas Relays at Lawrence, Kansas  
April 23-24 Drake Relays at Des Moines  
May 1 Iowa at Iowa City  
May 29 Wisconsin at Madison  
June 4 Central Intercollegiate at Milwaukee  
June 19 National Intercollegiate

March 3 Intramural Indoor Carnival

Baseball

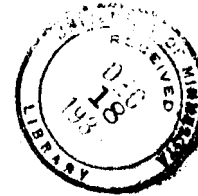
April 30 Iowa at Minneapolis  
May 1 Iowa at Minneapolis  
May 7-8 Northwestern at Evanston  
May 14-15 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
May 19-20 Michigan at Ann Arbor  
May 27-28 Purdue at Minneapolis  
May 30-June 1 Iowa at Iowa City

Golf

April 24 Iowa at Iowa City  
May 1 Notre Dame at Minneapolis  
May 8 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
May 15 Northwestern & Ohio State at Evanston  
May 17-18 Conference meet at Evanston, Ill.

Tennis

March 16 Tennis Exhibition (Perry vs Vines)  
May 1 Wisconsin at Minneapolis  
May 6 Wisconsin at Madison  
May 7 Michigan at Ann Arbor  
May 8 Iowa at Iowa City  
May 14 Northwestern at Minneapolis  
May 15 Chicago at Minneapolis  
May 20-22 Conference meet at University of Michigan



Minneapolis, December <sup>18</sup>--Two generations of Minnesota coaching methods and Minnesota trained coaches have been transplanted throughout the state and into every section of the nation, a survey of the whereabouts of former University of Minnesota athletes discloses.

Proteges of the Minnesota coaching staff from the regime of Dr. H. D. Williams and Dr. L. J. Cooke to Bernie Bierman and Dave MacMillan are now carrying the athletic doctrines they learned at Minnesota into more than one half the states of the Union and the veteran 'M' men and physical education graduates now rank among the best coaches in their respective sports.

Former Minnesota athletes are now coaching in 21 states including Alabama, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Six of the pupils of the late Dr. Williams, "father of Minnesota football," are prominent in the realm of Western Conference football. Four of them have returned to Minnesota <sup>to establish</sup> Gopher football on the standard it enjoyed under Dr. Williams. They are Bernie Bierman, head coach; Dr. George Hauserm line coach; Albert P. Baston, end coach and Sig Harris, reserve coach.

Clark Smaughnessy and Oscar (Ossie) Solem, tackles on Dr. Williams 1912 team are now head coaches at the University of Iowa and the University of Chicago respectively. Fred Enke, Gopher tackle in 1918, is now coaching at the University of Arizona; while George Myrum, quarterback, and Earl Martineau, halfback on the 1921 team that closed out Dr. Williams' 22 year coaching regime, are also in athletics. Myrum is athletic director at Gustavus Adolphus college, St. Peter, Minnesota, while Martineau, later an All-America halfback, is backfield coach at Princeton university.

A second generation of 'M' men and physical education graduates who played under Bierman, Hauser, Baston and Harris have now entered the coaching profession and are establishing enviable records. This group includes Glenn Seidel and William Bevan, now at Tulane university of New Orleans, Milton Bruhn, Amherst college college; Phil Bengtson, University of Missouri; Roy Oen, Oberlin college.

Only one 'M' man now coaching football outdates the Dr. William's coaching regime and he is Gilmore Dobie, a member of the 1899 team, who is now coaching at Boston college.

Forty six former Minnesota athletes are now coaching in the state, while another 30 are coaching in other states. More than 130 graduates of physical education, some of them included in the letter winner group, also hold coaching positions.

Former Minnesota athletes now coaching in other states include: football: Gilmore Dobie, 1899, Boston college; Fred Enke, 1918, University of Arizona; Ted Cox, 1922, Oklahoma A & M; Earl Martineau, 1921-23, Princeton university; Fred Oster, 1922-23, University of California at Los Angeles; Percy Clapp, University of Idaho; Clarence Schutte, 1924, Santa Barbara, Calif.; Harold Almquist, 1926-27, Augustana college, Rock Island, Ill., Mitchell Gary, Western State Teachers' college, Kalamazoo, Mich; Gordon Fisher, 1924, North Central college, Naperville, Ill.

LeRoy Timm, 1927-29, Iowa State Teachers' college, Ames, Ia.; Russ Leksell, 1929, Rhineland, Wis.; Clarence Munn, 1929-31, Albright college, Reading, Pa.; Robert Reihson, 1929-31, Bessemer, Mich.; Pat Baland, 1930-31, University of Miami, Miami, Fla.; Marsha ll Wells, Yale university, New Haven, Conn.; Ellsworth Harpole, 1931, Georgia Normal college, Albany, Ga.; Roy Oen, 1931-33, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; Phil Bengtson, 1932-34, University of Missouri; Milton Bruhn, 1932-34, Amherst college, Amherst, Mass.; William Bevan, 1933-34, Tulane University of New Orleans; Lloyd Hribar, 1931, Glendive, Mont.; Walter Hargesheimer, 1932-33, Sioux Falls college, Sioux Falls, S.D., and Glenn Seidel, 1933-35, Tulane University.

Former Minnesota basketball players who are now coaching include the following: James Baker, 1934-36, Sioux Falls, S.D. high school; Glenn Barnum, 1934-36, Colome, S.D.; Charles Wallblom, 1934-36, Monticello, Minn.; Virgil Licht, Oconomowoc, Wis.; Joe Nowotny, Alden, Minnesota. More than a score of other 'M' winners in basketball also hold coaching positions.

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Minneapolis, December 22 With its ultimate aim the establishment of an adequate program of physical education and recreation that may be of benefit to communities throughout Minnesota and the Northwest, the University of Minnesota is now conducting a four year study in the schools of two "typical" Minnesota communities, Glencoe and Litchfield.

Thus far the program set up in the schools of the two cities has been made to compare favorably on every point with 13 basic characteristics of an adequate program as set up by the American Physical Education association.

The newly established gymnasium, health and recreation programs are some of the major features of the study which is being made with the three-fold purpose of improving physical education and recreation programs in the schools of the selected communities, of developing techniques and principles of general applicability for other communities, and to provide the basis for better professional preparation of teachers and leaders in the field. The study is being conducted through the university department of physical education and athletics and the University Committee on Educational Research. It is under the supervision of Carl Nordly, assistant professor of physical education.

Among the more salient of the 13 adequate standards set up by the American physical education association are that the health and physical education programs should be adapted to the needs, capacities and interests of the students and that in the secondary school emphasis should be placed on physical education activities which may be used by adolescents and adults as leisure time activities.

"More than a year of research has been devoted to obtaining and analyzing data in order to provide a course of study which would meet the former standard," Professor Nordly has pointed out. "The interests of the pupils were revealed last year by questionnaires, interviews and observations. Pupil interests have

not been the sole criterion however for the selection of activities. Unwholesome interests are not recognized in the programs, which attempt to satisfy needs and capacities."

Touchball, volleyball, horseshoes, checkers, speed ball and soccer are all a part of the new school intramural programs at Glencoe and Litchfield. Basketball, table tennis and shuffle-board, games not generally included in a school recreation program, are also being played, according to Mr. Nordly.

"Hiking and hunting were among the most popular activities of Glencoe and Litchfield students a survey of the leisure time interests indicated," Nordly pointed out. "So on a recent Saturday, 25 boys were taken on a hike. A few scratches and a turned ankle gave opportunity for instruction in first aid. Instruction was given in the safe use of firearms, hunting laws and regulations, fire building and the care of camp fires. The subject of diet was also discussed to make the whole day's activities tie in with the hunting and hiking interests of the students."

Thus far the results of the study have accomplished one of the three objectives, namely to improve the programs of physical education in the two communities. The other two objectives will be to discover certain phases of the programs in these communities of general application in other communities and to use data uncovered as basis for professional training of teachers.

"The programs we have established are elastic and the changes are frequent," Professor Nordly has explained. "It is impossible to apply all of the program features in different communities because the training and qualifications of staff members, the facilities and equipment and the budgets available all vary from community to community. There are, however, certain features and activities which may well be all-inclusive and an attempt is being made to find them.

A job analysis of the functions of the physical education teacher is being conducted in the two communities in conjunction with other phases of the study. This study is being made through observation of the work of Goddard DuBois, director of health and physical education at Glencoe and Clarence A. Nelson, director of Litchfield. The results of the analysis will serve as a basis for determining what is needed in the way of professional training for physical education teachers.