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Minneapolis, January --<sup>6</sup>-- Stuart Mac Donald, long-shot expert on the University of Minnesota basketball squad, uncovered his uncanny knack of scoring from mid-court after he discarded the orthodox "bird-cage" worn by bespectacled athletes and adopted shatter-proof glasses.....Evidently the Gopher quintet has a liking for the Madison Square Garden court. In four games played in the Garden during three seasons, the Minnesotans have averaged 45.4 points a game as compared for a 36.6 point average for the other games on the schedule..... Larry Armstrong, University of Minnesota hockey coach, has the added distinction of being the oldest sprinter to compete in the Olympic Games. He was 38 years of age when he ran for Canada in Paris in 1924..... Neils Thorpe, the University of Minnesota's veteran swimming coach, was a painter and decorator when he first came to this country from Denmark. He has been coaching swimming for two decades, but he keeps his hand in his one-time vocation by giving his own home a yearly decorating job..... University of Minnesota football pictures, featuring the championship Gophers of 1940, are being used to illustrate a section on football for a nationally-known set of educational books..... Minnesota's National A.A.U. championship hockey sextet has lost only three games in the last 30 against U. S. collegiate opposition. In five seasons under Coach Larry Armstrong, the Gopher six has won 65 games, lost 26 and tied three..... Newton Loken all-around veteran on the University of Minnesota gymnastic team, is the Gopher rooster king for the 1941 football season..... Welles Hodgson, Minnesota's third place winner in the NCAA broadjump last year, has indefinitely postponed his final season of competition. He is now on duty with the U. S. Coast Artillery at Galveston, Tex.

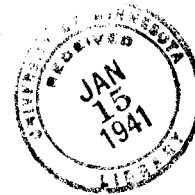
Minneapolis, January-<sup>6</sup> Presentation of the Knute Rockne Memorial Trophy symbolic of national football supremacy is tentatively scheduled to take place at the University of Minnesota Field House on the night of February 8 in conjunction with the Minnesota-Illinois basketball game. Since the Gopher eleven of 1940 wins permanent possession of the trophy for winning in 1934, 1935 and 1940, Professor Frank Dickinson of the University of Illinois, whose rating system determines the winner, and Notre Dames famed "four Horsemen," who are the donors, have been invited.

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Minneapolis, January --- Nomination for the busiest member of the University of Minnesota athletic staff goes to Phil Brain, Gopher tennis coach. Brain, who is also the official football photographer, and his assistants, are averaging six showings a night of his pictures of the national championship Gopher eleven. Bookings extend to June of 1941. In odd moments between photographic assignments and coaching tennis, Brain builds electric scoreboards. His boards are now in operation at the Minnesota, Ohio State and Wisconsin stadiums and at hockey arenas in Minneapolis and Omaha.

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Minneapolis, January --- Far from being the proverbial "Giants of the North," the University of Minnesota's basketball and hockey teams are stressing speed rather than size this season. The Gopher quintet averages only 169 pounds in weight. The national amateur championship hockey six may be fast, but it certainly is not bulky. The average weight of the starting lineup is 162 pounds; the average height is five feet, eight inches.



Minneapolis, January 14 - Minnesota looks forward to increasing power in Big Ten and intercollegiate swimming. Coach Niels Thorpe has to go back 12 years to cite a Gopher team that compares favorably with his 1941 squad --- and three-fourths of its personnel are sophomores.

Never a man to overstate his case, Thorpe is properly cautious about making any concrete predictions for this season. But he can hardly control himself when he thinks of the future. There is the proviso, of course, that too many strokes of misfortune do not destroy this pleasing outlook.

One of Thorpe's most pleasant contemplations is the probable record of Sophomore Arne Elchlepp if the young free style middle-distance swimmer follows his normal development. Elchlepp churned the 220-yard course in two minutes, 22 seconds as a student at Minneapolis Marshall high to win the Northwest championship for the distance. Then, in a recent intra-squad meet, he was timed over the distance in two minutes, 16 seconds. This is several seconds short of the national collegiate record of 2:09.9, but it betters the time of 2:17.2 which won the event in the 1940 Big Ten meet.

Only three lettermen are returning for the season, but at present that lack of experience is the least of Thorpe's worries. The veterans are Co-captains Charles (Judd) Ringer, varsity football end and breast stroke swimmer; and Jerry Liedl, free style dashman. The third is George Brandt, a back stroke entry.

Two more former high school champions grace the Gopher sophomore roster. They are Melvin Hendrickson, 100-yard dash titlist of two years ago from Minneapolis West high, Joe Grahek, three-year state diving champion from Ely. In addition, Thorpe likes Charles Anderson of Hibbing and Leon Lundblad of Minneapolis,

dashmen; Bob Acker, middle distance candidate from Minneapolis, and Ray Hakomaki, breast stroke swimmer from Eveleth, among his sophomores.

"Michigan is a certainty to repeat its championship performance this year, both in the conference and nationally," Thorpe predicts. "But we may advance to third and perhaps second in the final Big Ten standings. By 1943, who can tell."

* Lettermen ( ) Av. Time	<u>1941 Minnesota Swimming Personnel</u>		
Name of Swimmer	Event	Yr. of Competition	Home
Charles Anderson	50-100	1st	Hibbing
Glen Baker	50-100	1st	Minneapolis
Don Garniss	100 (59s)	1st	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Melvin Hendrickson	100 (54.9s)	1st	Minneapolis
* Jerry Liedl (C-C)	100 (56s)	3rd	Minneapolis
Leon Lundblad	50(25s)-100	1st	Minneapolis
Robert Acker	220(2:27)-440	1st	Minneapolis
Arne Elchlepp	220(2:16)-440	1st	Minneapolis
Dave Robinson	220-440	1st	Virginia, Minn.
Ray Hakomaki	Br. Stroke	1st	Eveleth
* Charles Ringer	Br. Str.(2:26)	2nd	Minneapolis
Dave Warner	Br. Stroke	1st	Minneapolis
Charles Anderson	Back Stroke	1st	Hibbing
Glen Baker	Back Stroke	1st	Minneapolis
* George Brandt	Back St(1:45)	2nd	St. Paul
Roger Cammack	Back Stroke	1st	St. Paul
Howard Lindow	Back Stroke	2nd	Minneapolis
Wilford Garnaas	Diving	1st	Minneapolis
Joe Grahek	Diving	1st	Ely
Paul Jenne	Diving	1st	Minneapolis
Dexter Phillips	Diving	1st	Minneapolis

1941 Schedule

Jan. 25 Iowa State at Minneapolis  
 Jan. 31 Ohio State at Columbus  
 Feb. 1 Chicago at Chicago  
 Feb. 6 Gustavus and St. Thomas at Minneapolis  
 Feb. 12 Wisconsin at Madison  
 Feb. 22 Illinois at Minneapolis  
 Mar. 1 Iowa at Minneapolis  
 Mar. 7-8 Big Ten Championships at Iowa City  
 Mar. 28-29 N.C.A.A. meet at East Lansing, Michigan





Minneapolis, January 22- Although slightly behind his scoring pace of the past two seasons, Harold (Babe) Paulsen, captain and right wing of the University of Minnesota's Big Ten and national amateur hockey champions, still maintains better than a goal a game average to rank with the best collegiate goal-getters of all time.

The most consistent scorer in 20 seasons of collegiate hockey at Minnesota, Paulsen has a total of 53 goals and 32 assists to his credit in 46 games. He has been held scoreless without a goal or an assist in less than 10 games during this period, but dislikes the fact that this has occurred three times in the current season.

Standing only five feet, seven inches and weighing just over 160 pounds, the Minnesota captain has counter-balanced his lack of size with speed and stick-handling dexterity. He has performed the hockey "hat trick" of scoring three goals in a game four times.

Paulsen's defensive record is also unusual. In 46 games he has been assessed only five penalties and one of these was a technical violation caused by Minnesota's having an extra man on the ice. Together with Fred Junger at left wing and Bob Arnold at center ice, Paulsen heads a Gopher "pony" forward line that averages 158 pounds.

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Minneapolis, January --- When the University of Minnesota gains permanent possession of the Knute Rockne Memorial Football Trophy after the formal presentation ceremony on February 8 it will mark the second time in five years that Minnesota football teams have retired a national football trophy. The first occasion

was in 1936 when the university was given permanent possession of the Toledo Cup for placing first in the national ratings in 1934-35-36.

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Minneapolis, January --- Announcement this week that the University of Minnesota football team will meet Missouri two years hence on September 25, 1943 marks the first instance of a football game being scheduled between these two state universities, although the Gophers have met several other members of the Big Six conference, including Nebraska, Iowa State and Kansas. The Gopher 1943 slate now includes Missouri, Nebraska, Pittsburgh, Ohio State, Michigan, Northwestern, Purdue, Iowa and Wisconsin.

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Minneapolis, January --- Louisiana State University and Mississippi State are coming to be perennial opponents on the University of Minnesota baseball schedule. Coach Frank G. McCormick, in his capacity as director of Minnesota athletics, announced today that the Gopher nine will meet L.S.U. at Baton Rouge on March 25 and 26, and Mississippi State at State College, Miss. on March 27 and 28 during the annual spring training trip. To date, the Gophers have met L.S.U. in 10 games and Mississippi State in eight.

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Minneapolis, January 28 Former University of Minnesota athletes have maintained a consistently high level of employment after graduation, and those who say athletes aren't smart are wrong, according to a survey recently completed.

Somewhat nettled by the many subscribers to the theory that athletes aren't smart, Athletic Director Frank G. McCormick recently had Clarence Osell, instructor in orthopedics, make a study of the file on former Gopher athletes that is a part of Minnesota athletic records. Mr. Osell's findings were interesting.

For example, he found that 27.1 percent of all former Minnesota 'M' men are lawyers, doctors, dentists, or engaged in related professional fields. Thirteen percent are engaged in selling, 8.8 percent in engineering, 6.5 percent in miscellaneous executive positions, six percent are teachers and 5.6 percent are in physical education. Only five out of 722 former Minnesota athletes queried were engaged in professional athletics. An additional 180 were employed in miscellaneous positions ranging from accountants, air mail pilots and bakers to six men who list themselves as retired.

"That is not the whole story either," Osell said. "The fact that 29 percent of our lettermen are in professions that require specialization beyond the regular four-year training period indicates scholastic ability above the average."

Getting down to individual cases it was found that a railroad president, a geologist, a prominent educator, a bacteriologist, bank examiner, congressman, research chemist, several members of college and university faculties, an editor, five brokers, two judges, three ranchers and dozens of other business and professional leaders once competed for Minnesota in intercollegiate athletics. Some, of course, played in the early days of football.

From the 1927 Gopher football team, one of the Big Ten leaders in that season, Quarterback Fred Howde, is now assistant to the president of the University of Rochester and is a former Rhodes scholar. Halfback Malvin Nydahl is now Dr. Malvin Nydahl, Center George MacKinnon is now a member of the Minnesota legislature and Guard George Gibson is a member of the geology faculty at Ohio State University and recently returned from a commercial assignment in Egypt.

The 1934 football Gophers, national and Big Ten champions, seem to be continuing their successes off the gridiron. Quarterback Vernal (Babe) LeVoir turned down a lucrative offer to play professional football because he said, "football was fun, but now I have my education. Its time to put it to work." Today, he is an insurance executive with an outstanding record.

All American Halfback Francis (Pug) Lund is now a young executive in the Twin City branch of one of the nation's big motor companies. End Bob Tenner and Halfback Bill Proffitt are physicians, Center Dale Rennebohm and Tackle Dick Smith are salesmen. Fullback Sheldon Beise, Guard Bill Bevan and Phil Bengtson are now assistant coaches at Minnesota, Stanford and Tulane respectively.

Here are the tabulated results of Osell's census of Minnesota's former athletes:

Professional	(Lawyers 77)	Related fields	13	No.	%
	(Doctors 68)				
	(Dentists 37)			195	27.1
Physical Education and associated fields				41	5.6
Teaching				44	6.
Selling				94	13.
Engineering and related fields				63	8.7
Government Work				32	4.4
Miscellaneous Executive Positions				47	6.5
Agriculture				21	2.9
Professional Athletics				5	.7
Miscellaneous				<u>180</u>	<u>25.1</u>
					100.0
				722	
No profession listed				<u>135</u>	
				857	



Minneapolis, Jan. 30, 41 Having weathered five non-conference basketball games this season without defeat, the Minnesota quintet starts the new year and conference competition with cautious optimism based upon proven performances of a fresh lineup.

Since the opening game against James Millikin university, three new sophomores have been molded into the team by Coach Dave MacMillan.

They are Tony Jaros at forward, Don Mattson at center, and Dean Hall at guard. Jaros, in three games, has made 31 points to rank second in per-game averages to letterman Don Carlson. Jaros averages 10.3 per game while Carlson, with 53 points earned in five games, has an average of 10.6.

Six feet-four Mattson didn't fully take hold until the last game against Nebraska. There he scored 10 points, but his less profitable initial game a week before left his average at six per game.

Hall went into the Nebraska game in the final minutes and has yet to be judged as a varsity player, but in his prep days at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, he set an all-time state scoring record.

These newcomers brought about a shift in the lineup reported at the beginning of the season. Carlson, known to last year's opponents as the Gophers' top forward, will be sharing the guard spot now with Warren Ajax, Harold Thune and Ken Exel -- all veterans.

Occupying the forward positions in conference games will be Jaros and veteran Don Smith, who has scored 39 points to date for an average of 7.8.

Mattson's better scoring ability gave him a first-string berth at center over early season starter, Bill Lind.

The 56-32 Nebraska victory brought the scoring total for Minnesota up to 251 against the opponents' 148. Minnesota journeys to Columbus, Ohio to meet Ohio State January 3 and returns by way of Northwestern where the Gophers battle the undefeated Wildcats January 5. The next home game will be against Indiana January 10.

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Newt Loken, Big Ten all-around gym champion, will be called upon to bear most of the responsibility this year when the Minnesota gym team goes through its schedule beginning January 24 with Penn State and ending with the A.A.U. at Cleveland May 9.

Coach Ralph Piper says he has lost too many men through graduation and injuries to offer a well-balanced and experienced team. Lettermen lost are Del Daly, all-around Big Ten champ in 1940 and national collegiate champion on the rings last year, and Bob Hanning, conference and national champion on the parallels in 1940.

Letterman Frank Grossman was expected to better his last year's rank as second in the Big Ten in rope climbing but this week accepted a physical training position with the Mayo Clinic and will be lost to the squad.

The other unwelcome news was an injury to Sophomore Bob Berg's knee which will keep him out for the season. Piper called Berg one of the six best tumblers in the United States.

Returning will be Captain Loken; Bill Anderson on the parallels; George Olson, fourth in the conference on the high bars; Dale Drinkwater on the horse; Frank Warpeha on the parallels and horizontal bar, and Allen Aalgaard on the ropes. Aalgaard took fifth in the nationals last year in spite of the fact that it was the first meet he ever entered.

Also back will be Bob Johnson, rings; Earl Melby, high bar and parallels; Roy Eveland, tumbler; Ken Iverson, horse; and Frank Hajicek, all around.

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Minneapolis, February 4- Seldom if ever has there been a sports program at the University of Minnesota's Hugh Field House to match the "triple-header" attraction scheduled for the Gopher indoor sports arena on the night of February 8.

The date was originally set for the Minnesota-Illinois basketball game, an attraction of the first rank in its own right. Then Dave Bartelma, Minnesota wrestling coach, invited the national collegiate mat champions, Oklahoma A. & M., to meet his Gophers in a dual match following the basketball game.

It remained for the feature event on the program to be scheduled last. At half-time in the basketball game a big silver-mounted plaque that has been symbolic of national collegiate football supremacy will be the center of attention.

For the third time in 10 years, Coach Bernie Bierman will accept the Knute Rockne Memorial Trophy on behalf of his Minnesota clevens. It will also be the last time, for with the presentation, the plaque will be retired for all time to the Gopher Trophy case along with the Toledo Cup, an earlier Minnesota acquisition.

Central figure in the brief program will be Prof. Frank G. Dickinson, University of Illinois economist, who will be bringing to a close 17 years of rating football teams as a hobby with his nationally recognized Dickinson Rating System. He will hand over the Rockne Trophy to Bierman, who he maintains, "takes over Rockne's premier position" among collegiate football coaches.

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Also participating in the ceremony will be Harry Stuhldreher, University of Wisconsin athletic director and football coach; Donald C. Miller, now a Cleveland attorney, and probably Notre Dame's Elmer Layden. Together with Jim Crowley of Fordham this trio once comprised the famed Four Horsemen backfield of the Irish. They will be in attendance as donors of the trophy.

A representative of the University Board of Regents will make a brief speech of acceptance and the Minnesota squads of 1931-40 will be on hand.

Minnesota gains permanent possession of the trophy for accumulating the best record by Professor Dickinson's calculations over the 10-year period, 1931-40. Nationally, the Gophers placed first in 1934, 1936 and 1940, second in 1935, third in 1933, sixth in 1938, and eleventh in 1937.

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Minneapolis, February 11- The nation's collegiate football elevens will have a new national championship trophy for a 10-year period beginning with the 1941 season, as the result of action just taken by the University of Minnesota 'M' club, the organization of former Gopher athletes.

It will be known as the Dr. Henry L. Williams Memorial Trophy and it is intended to replace the Knute Rockne Trophy, which was retired permanently to the Minnesota trophy case with an appropriate ceremony on February 8.

Just as the Rockne Trophy was a memorial to Notre Dame's late coaching wizard, so the Gopher letter winner's organization hopes to make the Williams Trophy a memorial to the Minnesota coach who, with A. A. Stagg and Fielding Yost, contributed most to the development of Middle Western football.

An impartial method of selection that is nationally recognized and independent of the University of Minnesota will determine the national champion each season. The 'M' Club will simply sponsor the trophy in the same way that Notre Dame's "Four Horsemen" sponsored the Rockne Memorial, and leave it to a national poll, or to a group of football experts, to make selections.

Prof. Frank G. Dickinson, University of Illinois economist and author of the Dickinson football rating system, determined the yearly winner of the Rockne Trophy and the earlier Rissman plaque. His retirement from the avocation of rating teams with the close of last season leaves the Associated Press Sports Writers Poll and a few individual raters in the field.

As was the case with the Rissman plaque, the Rockne Trophy and the Toledo Cup, earlier symbols of collegiate football superiority, the Williams Trophy will be retired to the team winning three legs on it during the 1941-50

period. Notre Dame retired the Rissman trophy with titles in 1924, 1929 and 1930. Minnesota has retired both the Toledo Cup and the Rockne Trophy, the former during the 1934-35-36 seasons, and the latter by winning it in 1934, 1936 and 1940.

Although he was a definite influence on the development of the game during the first two decades of the present century, Dr. Williams retired sooner than Stagg or Yost and is less known to some today. He was the originator of the famous Minnesota shift and many of his former players have used his system to become outstanding coaches in their own right.

Bernie Bierman, coach of Minnesota's national champions, and his aides, Dr. George Hauser, Bert Baston and Sig Harris, are all former Williams proteges. So are Clark Shaughnessy, coach of Stanford's Rose Bowl champions, and Ossie Solem at Syracuse University.



Minneapolis, February 19- George Franck, whose speed afoot sparked many a touchdown drive of Minnesota's national football champions last fall, is lending that speed to Gopher track fortunes for the third season.

The Gopher's all-American halfback is the captain and runs the dashes for Coach Jim Kelly's improved track and field entry that last week opened its indoor season with a 63-40 victory over Iowa. He enters his final season of competition with a reputation as one of the best sprinters in the Big Ten, his best times being 9.7 seconds in the 100 and 6.3 seconds in the 60-yard dashes.

Along with Franck, Coach Kelly has nine other lettermen and a number of promising sophomores whose total performance should give the Minnesotans a well-rounded team, although not one that is likely to be a serious contender for the championships.

In the sprints, over the 60 and 440-yard routes, the Gophers are depending upon Franck, Don Evans, Joe Hayes and Bob Johnson, all letter winners. Evans' specialty is the shorter distance, while Johnson finished fifth in the conference outdoor quarter-mile last spring. Hayes is returning to competition after a year's absence.

Minnesota also has experience in the distance events. Art Gill, one of a pair of identical twins on the squad, and Jack Rhodes are old hands at running the mile. In the hurdles, Bill Benn, who placed fifth outdoors last season, is back.

Jack De Field, former national junior A. A. U. pole vault champion, leads the roster of entries in the field events. DeField, who won the A.A.U. crown at Lincoln, Neb. in 1939 with a vault of 13 feet, nine inches, has approached the 14 foot level in practises this season.

Two veteran weight men also add to the Gopher chances for successful competition. They are Bob Fitch, letterman end on the football squad and Frank Silkey, who is returning to the team after a year's absence. Fitch placed second in the discus in the 1940 conference meet.

Promising first year performers are Marshall Potter of Milwaukee and John Marwin of Minneapolis in the dashes, Kenneth Reesman of Des Moines and Don Sorenson of Minneapolis in the distance events, Charles Hosfield of Owatonna in the high jump, and Bob Bailey of Walker in the shot-put.

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Minneapolis, February --- One University of Minnesota national champion is mapping a defense of his title and a half dozen other Gopher athletes with championship ambitions are planning to challenge U. S. titlists in their respective events as the collegiate indoor season draws to its climax.

The defending champion is Co-captain Bob Hanning of the gymnastic squad, who is the N.C.A.A. titleholder on the parallel bars. He will seek to retain his crown at Chicago on April 19 and will be competing for Big Ten honors at the conference meet at Iowa City on March 15.

Gopher challengers for conference and national honors include Hanning's teammates, Delver Daly, Big Ten all-around gymnastic champion, and Newton Loken, who placed in three events in the national championships as a sophomore last season. Wrestlers Cliff Perrizo, 128 pounds, and Leonard Levy, heavyweight, both undefeated, also seek titles. So does Jack De Field, former national junior A.A.U. pole vault champion.

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Minneapolis, February 28. There is a sign over Coach Dave Bartelma's desk at University of Minnesota wrestling quarters that reads: "I am a firm believer in luck. The harder I work, the more luck I seem to have."

As proof of his luck-through-work theory, Bartelma will be the host of some 80 young high school wrestlers from all parts of Minnesota on Friday and Saturday at the Gopher Field House. All of them are products of persistent efforts on the part of the Gopher coach to build amateur wrestling interest in the state. They will compete in the fifth annual state high school championships, a Bartelma creation.

Six years ago, when he took over the wrestling squad at Minnesota there was no organized high school wrestling in the state. That meant that Minnesota teams were made up largely of novice matmen. So the new coach set out to sell school administrators on the sport. His arguments that wrestling was the answer to a vigorous urge on the part of growing youngsters for activity and that it gave every school boy a chance to compete were persuasive.

The first Minnesota high school meet was held in 1937. Fifty-four boys representing nine schools entered. The next year the entry list jumped to 96 and the following season it was at 115. By last year the field had grown to 125 and was unwieldy.

Because of this sudden mushroom growth of interest in a hitherto little-noticed sport, regional eliminations were held at four points this year and the 80 competitors at the University of Minnesota on February 28 and March 1 will be the survivors of those eliminations.

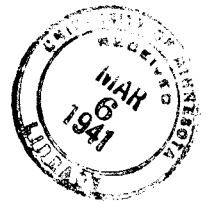
Where there was no high school wrestling five years ago in Minnesota, there are today approximately 45 schools supporting teams. Nine of 10 Minneapolis high schools have wrestling on their program. The Big Nine conference in the Southern part of the state, including such communities as Albert Lea, Austin, Owatonna and Lake City has established mat competition.

So do the schools in the lake district surrounding the Twin Cities and other points such as Osakis, Glencoe, Litchfield and Redwood Falls.

The other product of the Bartelma theory is, of course, the University of Minnesota wrestling team, now rated as one of the best in collegiate competition. Today it meets and frequently defeats teams from such geographical wrestling centers as Iowa, Kansas and Oklahoma. In six years, Bartelma has directed three Gopher matmen to national championships.

Four members of the current Minnesota team are products of state high school tournament competition. Heavyweights Leonard Levy and Bill Kuusisto, and Charles Hetfield, 175-pound entry, are all former Minnesota high school champions. Harluf Jessen, 136-pound sophomore was a high school finalist.

Two former Minnesota wrestlers will have teams in this year's meet. They are John Matlon, last year's captain, whose Minneapolis Vocational team is a strong challenger for the team title held jointly by Minneapolis Marshall high and Robbinsdale, and Phil Belfiori of Stillwater. Preliminaries will get under way at 7 p.m. Friday with the finals at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Minnesota will meet Cornell College in a dual meet on the Saturday program.



Minneapolis, March 4-- An even dozen University of Minnesota athletes will wind up the customary three seasons of collegiate competition this week and next, as five Gopher teams go into retirement until another indoor season comes along.

As a matter of fact, the Minnesota basketball and hockey teams have already completed their schedules.

Only one regular will graduate from the surprisingly successful basketball entry, which made a record that exceeded all expectations. He is Will Warhol, the methodical guard, who will perhaps be best remembered for his last second field goal from mid-court that gave Minnesota a two-point win over the national championship Indiana five last season. Reserves Max Mohr and George Boerner will also graduate along with several members of the 'B' squad.

Coach Larry Armstrong will lose three regulars from his hockey squad. They are Captain Harold Paulsen, right wing, and Kenneth Cramp and Ian Anderson, defensemen. All three played a major role in fashioning last year's undefeated season and national A.A.U. championship.

Gopher swimmers and wrestlers will end their competition at Big Ten championship meets this weekend, except for a few individuals who may compete in national events later in the month. The only senior on the swimming squad is Co-captain Jerry Liedl, a dashman. The wrestlers will lose Captain Al Janesko, 155 pounds; Maurice Nemer, 136 pounds, and Bill Kuusisto, heavyweight.

Minnesota gymnastic team seniors are Co-captains Bob Hanning, 1940 national champion on the parallel bars, and Delver Daly, 1940 Big Ten all-around champion.

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Minneapolis, March 4 - University of Minnesota entries will be aiming at no team titles when they compete in season-end Big Ten meets this weekend on March 7-8, but there are several Gopher performers who will be eyeing individual championships.

There will be two Minnesota challengers in action during the conference indoor track and field championships at Lafayette, Indiana. George Franck, who has finished second to Northwestern's Norman Piker at 60-yards indoors and 100-yards outdoors in Big Ten meets, will attempt to best his rival over the 60-yard route this time.

Pole Vaulter Jack De Field, former National AAU junior champion, will be a contender in his specialty. His best mark is 13 feet, nine inches, although he has approached the 14-foot level in practise. At Lafayette, he will renew a rivalry of two seasons standing with Wisconsin's Bill Williams.

Coach Dave Bartelma can see at least two of his wrestlers as possible contenders in the conference wrestling tournament at Columbus. They are Cliff Perrizo at 128-pounds and Leonard (Butch) Levy, heavyweight. Both are undefeated in dual meets. Levy, a 236-pound letterman football tackle, has a two-year undefeated record in dual meets. Captain Al Janesko and Lloyd Schumacher at 155 and 165 pounds, are other Gopher possibilities.

Minnesota swimmers have their best dual meet record in years, but with Michigan dominant in the collegiate aquatic world, they are not holding high championship hopes. Arne Elchlepp and Bob Acker in the middle distance events and Charles (Judd) Ringer in the breast stroke are Minnesota possibilities.





Minneapolis, March 21 There is an apparent shade of optimism as Coach Bernie Bierman discusses the opening of spring football practice for his championship University of Minnesota squad next week. But it is quite logically tempered by a number of uncertainties that prevent the Gopher coach from making any predictions.

"We have a number of good men who are holdovers from last season and some of the freshmen look as if they might fit into the scheme of things with normal development," Bierman says. "I can't make any predictions, however, until after I have worked with the squad this spring. Then, there is the draft to be considered. That will probably affect us some, although we don't know how much."

Emphasis during the spring will be placed on numbers rather than individuals. The coaching staff is hoping for the largest turnout in several years and a squad in excess of 100 candidates is expected to report for the opening practise on Monday, March 31. The Minnesota Field House is the most likely locale of the first few practises. The schedule calls for 36 full practise days, intra-squad games on Saturdays and a final spring game sometime in May.

Nineteen lettermen from last fall's Big Ten and national championship squad are expected to participate in the spring workouts, while four others devote their time to other sports and postpone reporting until next fall. The total of 23 is one man short of the number expected to return when awards were made last fall. Tackle Fred Vant Hull of Minneapolis has since been appointed to the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Four who were in the starting lineup of the undefeated 1940 team are expected to work with the spring squad, while two more are competing in other

sports. The four are Tackles Dick Wildung of Luverne and Urban Odson of Clark, S. D., Guard Gordon Paschka of Watertown, and Halfback Bruce Smith of Faribault. Charles (Judd) Ringer, end, and Bob Sweiger, fullback, both of Minneapolis, will compete with the golf and baseball teams respectively. Bob Fitch of St. Louis Park, who alternated with Fitch at end, will join the track team.

Bierman cites six members of the freshman squad who will join forces with the lettermen and reserves as candidates of particular promise. He also predicts that several more members of the yearling squad of three dozen will be advanced before the spring drills are ended.

Of Herman Frickey, highly-regarded freshman halfback, the Gopher coach comments, "He can punt and is a good open field runner. If he can make satisfactory progress he may help us." Since halfback and blocking back are two squad posts that need men, Frickey's progress will be closely watched by the coaches. So will that of Jim Haley of Minneapolis and Bob Sandberg of Rice Lake, Wis., both candidates at quarterback.

Other freshmen whom Bierman singles out as promising are John Mulready of Fargo, N. D., an end; George Path of St. Paul and Bill Hopp of Aberdeen, S. D., guards, and Foster Bacon of Spring Valley, a halfback.

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1941 MINNESOTA SPRING FOOTBALL SQUAD

(containing the names of lettermen, reserves and better known freshmen)

(T) out for track      (B) out for baseball      (G) out for golf  
 Yr. of  
 Name of Player      Pos.      Wt.      Ht.      Comp. '41      Home

Lettermen - 23 (18 reporting)

Baumgartner, Bill	E	183	6'4	2nd	Duluth
Fitch, Bob (T)	E	201	6'1	3rd	St. Louis Park
Hirscher, Joe	E	187	6'	3rd	Shakopee
Ringer, Chas. (Judd) (G)	E	194	6'3	3rd	Minneapolis
Lechner, Ed	T	200	6'	3rd	Fessenden, N. D.
Levy, Leonard	T	226	5'11	3rd	Minneapolis
Lushine, Jim	T	234	6'1	2nd	Eveleth
Odson, Urban	T	247	6'3	3rd	Clark, S. D.
Wildung, Dick	T	210	6'	2nd	Luverne
Billman, John	G	192	6'	3rd	Minneapolis
Litman, Neil	G	216	6'	3rd	St. Paul
Paschka, Gordon	G	206	5'10	3rd	Watertown
Pukema, Helge	G	201	5'11	3rd	Duluth
Smith, Bob	G	199	5'11	3rd	Minneapolis
Straiton, Howard	G	190	6'	3rd	Minneapolis
Flick, Gene (B)	C	189	5'11	3rd	Minneapolis
Nolander, Don	C	201	6'	2nd	Minneapolis
Plunkett, Warren	QB	195	6'	3rd	Austin
Bierhaus, Gene	HB	180	5'11	2nd	Brainerd
Mernik, Joe	HB	176	5'9	3rd	Minneapolis
Smith, Bruce (Capt)	HB	193	6'	3rd	Faribault
Daley, Bill	FB	200	6'2	2nd	St. Cloud
Sweiger, Bob (B)	FB	206	6'	3rd	Minneapolis
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<u>Reserves (26)</u>					
Anderson, Cliff	E	185	6'	1st	Minneapolis
Ekberg, Carl	E	200	6'5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1st	Minneapolis
Evans, Woodrow	E	189	6'2	1st	Gully
Gladwin, Bill	E	183	6'1	2nd	Robbinsdale
Lundeen, Ralph	E	175	6'	1st	Minneapolis
Van Sistine, Leo	E	185	6'2	2nd	West DePere, Wis.
Emerson, Conrad	T	191	6'	1st	Minneapolis
Johnson, Vic	T	201	6'1	2nd	Bemidji
Mitchell, Paul	T	205	6'2	1st	Minneapolis
Townley, John	T	221	6'4	1st	Fergus Falls
Berthon, Tom	G	194	5'11	1st	Minneapolis
Bicanich, John	G	202	6'	1st	Chisholm
Holmstrom, Wallace	G	210	6'	1st	Duluth
Saunders, Bob	G	194	5'10	1st	St. Paul
Nelson, Bernie	C	194	6'	1st	Minneapolis
Solheim, Bob	C	195	5'11	1st	Barnum

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Name of Player	Pos.	Wt.	Ht.	Comp. '41	Home
Lauterbach, Joe	QB	199	6'	1st	Redwood Falls
Lund, Bert	QB	182	5'11	1st	St. Paul
Nowell, Jerry	QB	185	5'10	1st	St. Paul
Brody, Bob	HB	186	5'10	1st	Minneapolis
Garnaas, Bill	HB	175	5'10	1st	Minneapolis
Geelen, George	HB	170	5'9	1st	Minneapolis
Kolander, Jerry	HB	167	5'10	1st	Minneapolis
O'Bradovich, Mike	HB	181	5'9	1st	Red Wing
Ring, Roland	HB	175	5'10	2nd	Minneapolis
Welch, Mike	FB	195	6'	1st	St. James

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1940 Freshman Squad Graduates

Adams, John	E	185	6'	1st	Mound
Burk, Dick	E	175	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
Hein, Herb	E	170	6'	1st	Billings, Mont.
Mulready, John	E	200	6'	1st	Fargo, N. D.
Sheehan, Pat	E	210	6'1	1st	Williston, N. D.
Aldworth, Bill	T	200	6'4	1st	Garden City, N. Y.
Sikich, Rudy	T	225	6'2	1st	Hibbing
Wilcox, Manly	T	250	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
Hopp, Bill	G	185	5'10	1st	Aberdeen, S. D.
Kulbitski, Vic	G	190	6'	1st	Red Wing
Path, George	G	190	6'	1st	St. Paul
Perko, John	G	195	6'1	1st	Ely
Sandberg, Charles	C	200	6'1	1st	Zumbrota
Haley, Jim	QB	200	6'2	1st	Minneapolis
Resch, Bill	QB	195	6'1	1st	Menasha, Wis.
Sandberg, Bob	QB	198	6'2	1st	Rice Lake, Wis.
Bacon, Foster	HB	200	6'2	1st	Spring Valley
Bradford, Bob	HB	170	5'10	1st	Minneapolis
Eli, Earl	HB	206	6'3	1st	Milaca
Foster, Jim	HB	160	5'10	1st	Detroit Lakes
Frickey, Herman	HB	185	5'10	1st	Billings, Mont.
Thomas, Don	HB	175	5'10	1st	Minneapolis
Graiziger, Bob	FB	190	5'11	1st	St. Paul
Schalow, Bill	FB	200	5'11	1st	Chaska

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Lettermen not returning from 1940 squad: Bill Johnson, end; Fred Vant Hull, tackle; Bill Kuusisto, Tom Riley, guards; Bob Bjorklund, Bob Kolliner, Mark Moore, centers; Bob Paffrath, Jim Shearer, John Bartelt, quarterbacks; George Franck, Joe Jamnik, halfbacks; Ed Steinbauer, fullback.



Minneapolis, April 2-- All things considered, the 1941 University of Minnesota baseball nine seems to be a marked improvement over its predecessors of the past few seasons.

Back from the week-long training trip in Louisiana and Mississippi, Coach Frank G. McCormick can discover several encouraging items in his inventory of the six games played with Tulane, L. S. U. and Mississippi State.

He found four pitchers who seem capable of winning over the nine-inning route, a pair of power hitters, and an infield that is quite appropriately addicted to double plays.

The pitchers, fortified by only a brief indoor conditioning period, held their own against the more seasoned Southern hurlers, winning three games and losing the same number. Two of those wins were turned in by six foot, three inch Bill Anderson, whose righthanded efforts contributed three of the six Big Ten victories recorded by the Gophers last season. He held Tulane to 10 widely scattered hits and limited Mississippi State to seven, meanwhile getting four hits in seven times at bat for a .571 average.

Norman Gallup, the sophomore right hander from Howard Lake, turned in a six-hit shutout against Tulane. Another sophomore, Don Tepel of St. Paul, allowed L.S.U. only four hits but lost a 2-1 decision, while Gene Flick also turned in a satisfactory game.

The presence of five of last season's regulars in the lineup lends both experience and balance to the Gopher batting order. The infield has three veterans led by Captain George Sweeney at first base. The others are Alden Burkstrand at shortstop and Jack Langan at third.

Particularly encouraging on the roster of accomplishments during the preliminary schedule was the continuance of Outfielder George Boerner's power hitting. The veteran left fielder from St. Paul contributed a triple against Tulane and a home run against Mississippi State. Centerfielder Bob Grono completes the list of veterans.

Three newcomers have broken into the starting lineup and are apparently there to stay. Bob Sweiger, 200-pound Gopher fullback in season, has exhibited power at the plate and is a good mechanical catcher in the bargain. Bespectacled Wes Roland, a reserve infielder last year, has taken over the vacancy at second base and was a key man in most of the 13 double plays turned in during the first five games. Right field has been given to Dave Warner to patrol.

The Gophers will delay opening their home Big Ten season until May 2, when Iowa is due to provide the opposition, but several non-conference games will be scheduled into open dates this month. Indiana will be the first conference opposition, with the games scheduled for Bloomington on April 18-19.

The schedule:

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Minnesota 7 Miss. State 1  
Minnesota 3 Miss. State 6  
April 11-12 Nebraska at Lincoln  
18-19 Indiana at Bloomington  
25-26 Northwestern at Evanston  
May 2-3 Iowa at Minneapolis  
9-10 Wisconsin at Madison  
16-17 Purdue at Minneapolis  
24-26 California at Minneapolis  
30-31 Chicago at Minneapolis

1941 UNIV. OF MINNESOTA BASEBALL ROSTER

Coach: Frank G. McCormick (Athletic Director)

Captain: George Sweeney, first base

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Name of Player                      Position                      Yr.    Bats    Throws    Home

Outfielders

*George Boerner	LF	3rd	RH	RH	St. Paul
*Bob Grono	CF	3rd	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Dave Warner	RF	2nd	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Warren Ajax	OF	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Lawrence Langer	QF	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Milton Minkin	QF	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Howard Wilcox	OF	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis

Infielders

*Alden Burkstrand	SS	2nd	RH	RH	Cokato
*Jack Langan	3B	2nd	RH	RH	Odell, Ill.
*Capt. Geo. Sweeney	1b	3rd	RH	RH	St. Paul
Wes Roland	2b	2nd	RH	RH	St. Paul
John Feickert	2b	1st	RH	RH	Moorhead
Stan Epstein	SS	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Don Smith	2b	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis

Catchers

Clarence Dowling	C	1st	RH	RH	Deer River
Bob O'Connell	C	2nd	RH	RH	St. Paul
Bob Sweiger	C	1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis

Pitchers

Bob Alderman		1st	LH	LH	Brainerd
*Bill Anderson		2nd	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Gene Flick		1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Norman Gallup		1st	RH	RH	Howard Lake
Bill Lind		1st	RH	RH	Minneapolis
Bob Olbin		1st	RH	RH	Duluth
Tom Riley		1st	LH	LH	St. Paul
Don Tepel		1st	RH	RH	St. Paul

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LETTERMEN GRADUATED FROM 1940 SQUAD: Frank Knox, 2nd base; Frank Fust, catcher; Stan Sowa, pitcher.



Minneapolis, April 10 - Jim Kelly, Minnesota's track coach, is in a predicting frame of mind. Here is a summary of his forecasts:

First, the forty-first annual Big Ten track and field championships at Minnesota's Memorial Stadium on May 16-17 may set a new attendance record for the event, supplanting the current high of 7,890 who attended the 1936 championships at Columbus, Ohio.

Second, the meet will rival the two national collegiate championships held at Memorial Stadium in recent seasons, both in the general championship calibre of the field and in the records established.

Third, Minnesota, slowly emerging from the depths of second division in conference track to a position of prominence, may with good fortune finish among the first four teams this time and score 25 points or better.

Kelly has a bit of logical reasoning behind his forecasts.

"The attendance at our N.C.A.A. meets established us as a center of track interest," he points out. "We had one of the largest crowds in the 20-year history of the event the first year we staged it. The Big Ten championships feature a field of similar calibre. With track interest already established, I look for a good deal of interest.

Concerning Minnesota's chances in the Big Ten event, Kelly declares, "We scored 25 points for fourth place a year ago. By a conservative estimate, we should be able to do a little better on our own track."

Minnesota hopes will be centered on the performances of a small group of athletes headed by the Gophers all-American halfback and champion sprinter, George Franck.



After two years of running second to Northwestern's outdoor champion, Myron Piker, Franck finally made good his intention of outrunning Piker in a championship race, winning the 60-yard indoor title at Lafayette, Ind. last February. The 100 and 220-yard dual between this pair is expected to be one of the highlights of the Big Ten event here next month.

Another potential Gopher champion is Bob Fitch, who doubles between an end berth on the football team and an assignment as weightman on the track team. Fitch finished second to Indiana's Archie Harris in the outdoor championships a year ago and must face Harris again this year.

Jack DeField, former A.A.U. pole vault champion, is a third Gopher candidate for a title. He will be out to end a period of second place performances behind Wisconsin's champion, Bill Williams, who will defend his championship in Minneapolis.

Finally, there is the Minnesota mile relay team. Considered an ordinary also-ran in the pre-meet analysis a year ago, the Gopher quartet outran and out-gamed a favored Michigan entry to win the Big Ten crown. Two of the four Minnesota runners, Franck and Bob Johnson, will be back for the title defense. They will be assisted by Jack Marwin, a sophomore, and Joe Hayes, a veteran who was out of competition in 1940.

The Gophers will open the outdoor season by sending representatives to the Kansas and Drake Relays, after which they will meet Wisconsin and Nebraska in a triangular meet at Minneapolis. The complete schedule is as follows:

April	18-19	- Kansas Relays at Lawrence
April	25-26	- Drake Relays at Des Moines
May	3	- Nebraska and Wisconsin at Minneapolis
May	10	- Northwestern and Chicago at Evenston
May	16-17	- BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS AT MINNEAPOLIS
June	7	- Central Collegiates at Milwaukee
June	17	- Big Ten vs. Pacific Coast dual meet at Los Angeles
June	20-21	- N.C.A.A. at Stanford University



Minneapolis, April 21- Many records may fall at the University of Minnesota's Memorial Stadium next month when Big Ten trackmen gather for their annual championships. The meet may result in more new conference standards of track and field excellence than any since 1935 when Jesse Owens was revising world marks to suit his taste as a member of Ohio State's team.

A check of the existing records and the best performances of the stars who will compete on the Gopher track on May 16-17 indicates that as many as eight of the 15 existing standards may be surpassed.

The surprising thing is that the Big Ten records continue to undergo alteration after 40 years of attack by some of the best trackmen in the nation. Some year the ultimate in performances may be reached, but evidently this is not the year.

For example, the Big Ten best in the mile is 4:10.8 by Don Lash in 1936. The conference half-mile standard is 1:52.2 set by Ohio State's Charley Beetham back in 1937. Now it appears that a longlegged Hoosier may crack either or both of these marks.

He is another of Coach Billy Hayes' distance runners, the smooth-striding Campbell Kane. He will be the defending champion in the mile, and his list of additional championships reads like the record book. He is the national 880-yard champion, Big Ten indoor mile and half-mile titlist and he has won most of the available honors during the recent indoor season. He has negotiated the mile in 4:11 indoors and the 880 in 1:53.5 on a 10-lap indoor dirt oval.

In the quarter-mile, the Conference best for a course with two turns such as the Memorial Stadium oval is 47.8 seconds established by Indiana's Ivan Fuqua in 1934. There are at least two 440-yard experts eying that seven-

year record. Indiana's Roy Cochran holds the current world's indoor record for the distance at 48.2 seconds. Warren Breidenbach of Michigan, the defending champion, has been timed at 47 seconds.

Ever since Fred Wolcott, the Rice champion, won three national titles on the Minnesota track and set an American record in the 120-yard high barriers in the bargain, the Gopher course has been regarded as particularly record-inviting. Competing for the Big Ten crown next month will be Bob Wright of Ohio State, once winner over Wolcott and American record holder in the 70-yard high hurdles; and Don Olsen of Illinois, American record holder in the 70-yard low hurdles. To better existing conference marks, they must hit the tape under 14 seconds in the high and 22.6 seconds in the low events.

Field event marks will be particularly vulnerable. Don Canham and Wes Allen, a pair of six foot, seven inch highjumpers from Michigan, will go after the six foot, seven and one-quarter inch record held by Dave Albritton of Ohio State. In the pole vault, there will be three 14-foot vaulters competing, including Minnesota's Jack DeField; defending champion Bill Williams from Wisconsin and Ed Thistlewaite of Northwestern. The record is 14 feet, two and three-quarter inches by Cassels of Chicago.

Finally, there will be Archie Harris, national collegiate discus champion. He will attempt to better his own conference record of 166 feet, 5 3/4 inches set last year at Evanston.

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Minneapolis, April 29- Minnesota chances of finishing in the first division standings of the Big Ten track and Field championships at Memorial Stadium here on May 16-17 may depend on a repetition of the race that confounded the experts just a year ago.

That race was the superbly run mile relay victory by a Gopher quartet that hadn't even been given a dark horse rating before the race got under way. A repetition of that race will be worth five points to Minnesota toward the goal of 25 that has been set by Coach Jim Kelly.

Regarded as an also-ran entry as the teams lined up for the race at Evanston last spring, the Gopher quartet of Bob Johnson, George Irvine, Bill Garrity and George Franck outran and outgamed a favored Michigan team to win in 3 minutes, 16.9 seconds.

The first three named, matched the nation's best quarter-mile experts stride for stride in the early stages of the race. Then the Gopher's George Franck stepped out against Michigan's Warren Breidenbach, conference quarter-mile champion, pulled away from him and broke the tape in near record time.

Franck and Johnson will be on hand again for Minnesota's only title defense this year. They will be joined by John Marwin, a fleet sophomore from Minneapolis Washburn, and Joe Hayes, a veteran. As was the case in 1940, the Gophers will have Michigan to beat and may have to push the Big Ten record of 3:14.7 to do it.

Minneapolis, April 29 - Bernie Bierman has announced that the date of the annual spring debut of his University of Minnesota football squad will be Saturday, May 10, at Memorial Stadium. But in the same breath he hastens to warn that the game will not mark the end of spring practise.

Weather handicaps and a certain amount of dissatisfaction with the progress of the squad to date will make it necessary to continue the spring session for sometime after May 10. Just when activities will end is not certain, Bierman admits, but the May 10 game will be the only opportunity for the public to see the Gophers in action this spring.

"I'm a little uncertain myself about our schedule from then on," he declares. "We have to get in 36 full days of practise this spring and we won't be able to do that by May 10. Track and field will take over the Stadium on the two succeeding Saturdays and we are taking the only open date available."

As usual, the spring clash between Maroons and Golds will have all of the trimmings of a big game. Players will be numbered and programs printed. Veteran officials will handle the game and a play-by-play account will be given to the spectators over the public address system.

There are a good many items that the coaches will be looking for. There has been a general lack of coordination on plays and half-hearted blocking in the scrimmages. Bierman and his aides are hoping that the presence of several thousand spectators in the stands will spur the squad to a more finished performance.

Although there has been the customary dissatisfaction with certain departments of play during the drills this spring, the general Gopher picture is far from discouraging.

The strong nucleus of veterans on hand, headed by Captain-elect Bruce Smith, has as a whole been giving a satisfactory account. There are 22 lettermen working out and these will be equally divided between the two teams designated for the big game.

In addition, Gopher partisans will have the opportunity to see several promising newcomers in action for the first time. Among them, Herman Frickey, a triple-threat halfback from Billings, Mont.; tall Carl Ekberg and Jerry Mulready at the ends; Rudy Sikich of Hibbing at tackle, John Kulbitski of Red Wing at guard, and a backfield trio of Bud Higgins, Jim Haley and Bill Garnaas.

Ekberg is the tallest wingman to play with the Gophers in recent memory. The former Minneapolis Marshall athlete stretches six feet, five and one-half inches. Higgins and Garnaas were on the squad last season but saw no action.

As usual, there will be no advance sale of tickets for the spring game. A general admission price will be charged, with tickets sold at the Stadium gates on a first come, first served basis.

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Minneapolis, July 14 - National defense jobs have replaced the usual summer chores as camp counselors and members of construction crews for a dozen University of Minnesota football players.

This summer they are getting the necessary manual labor to maintain top physical condition and at the same time they are doing their share in the nation's vast defense program.

Fullback Bob Sweiger and Ends Bob Fitch and Ed Trumper are working in a Minneapolis plant with large defense contracts. Linemen Leonard (Butch) Levy, Wallace Holmstrom and Howard Straiton are employed in steel plants, Levy and Straiton in Minneapolis and Holmstrom in Duluth.

Halfback Joe Mernik, whose place-kicking provided the winning margin in several games during the Gopher's national championship season last fall, is employed by one of the largest defense industries in the Twin City area. End Carl Ekberg and Tackle Ed Lechner are employed by an iron works.

Linemen Conrad Emerson and Tom Berthon have jobs with an implement manufacturing concern, and Sophomore Fullback Bob Graiziger is working for a hoist and derrick manufacturer in St. Paul.

There is still a good deal of variety to the summer employment of members of the Gopher squad, however Fullback Bill Daley is serving as a counselor at a summer camp in the state. Captain-elect Bruce Smith is working on the highway near his home town of Faribault, Minnesota. Herman Frickey, one of the more promising additions from last year's freshman squad, is working for the highway department in his home state of Montana.

Urban Odson, regular tackle, is working for a Minneapolis engineering

concern, along with Tackle Paul Mitchell. Bob Smith, letterman guard, is selling automobiles, and John Perko, sophomore lineman, is employed in the iron mines on Minnesota's Mesabi Range.

To be sure that squad members do not forget the task ahead of defending a Big Ten and national championship, Coach Bernie Bierman regularly services them, wherever they are located, with sets of plays to be studied in spare time.

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Minneapolis, July --- The task of getting ready for a defense of a national and Big Ten title is keeping the University of Minnesota football coach, Bernie Bierman, at his desk through most of the summer. He will take time off to participate in two coaching schools, one at Laramie, Wyoming the week of July 28 and another at Boone, Iowa late in August.

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Minneapolis, July --- Some 18,000 yards of sod have just been laid on the gridiron of the University of Minnesota's Memorial Stadium and adjacent practice fields in preparation for the 1941 season. The huge resodding job was made necessary by an early November blizzard last year that killed the grass on the Gopher fields.





Minneapolis <sup>11</sup>- Forecasters who are predicting that all Bernie Bierman has to do to assure another title for his Minnesota football Gophers in 1941 is to make sure the squad reports to the scene of action each Saturday afternoon are forgetting to look at the statistics, according to Bierman.

A firm believer in correlating statistics with his coaching strategy, the coach of four national champions in the last decade says that the 1940 Gopher statistics reveal a sizable deficiency that must be made up before there can be any thoughts of another rating as the nation's Number One eleven.

That deficiency is 773 yards contributed to the Minnesota yardage total last season by Gopher backs who have been graduated in the meantime.

"Tell me who is going to carry the ball for those lost yards this season and I'll feel a lot easier about how we are going to finish in November," says Bernie.

Biggest job by any yardstick of measurement will be the replacement of All-American George Franck, who accounted for 489 yards of the total gained by last season's Gopher seniors. Right now, there are no candidates in sight among the sophomores or reserves who can fill the bill, although Sophomore Herman Frickey is a highly regarded replacement.

However, a good deal of consolation for the Gophers' rushing problems can be gained from the fact that seven returning veterans are on the roster who contributed a total of 1,276 yards of the team total of 2,049 yards gained from rushing during the undefeated 1940 season.

Leader in this latter group and likely to be the spearhead in the Minnesota offense is Captain Bruce Smith, who was the leading ground-gainer on last year's

squad with a season total of 542 yards in 85 trips. Also back are Fullbacks Bob Sweiger and Bill Daley, who plunged for 307 and 284 yards respectively.

Commenting on this latter bit of fortune, Bierman comments, "Don't forget, yards gained are only a means to an end. We've got to have those touchdowns too."

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Minneapolis --- Minnesota's 1941 football team will play the home games of its Big Ten title defense on a converted cow pasture. Several thousand square yards of Minnesota June grass sod were transferred from a pasture to the playing field at Memorial Stadium during the summer and have been groomed to a carpet-like smoothness. Groundskeeper Art Smith, who has ordered previous Stadium turf from the same pasture, claims that the composition of the grass is unequalled for withstanding the wear and tear of football cleats.

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Minneapolis --- Minnesota's 1941 Gophers are hoping that the penchant of their football predecessors for winning on the home field continues. Records show that during the 17 seasons Minnesota elevens have been playing their home games in Memorial Stadium, they have won 75 games, lost only 12, and tied 6. Since Bernie Bierman became the Gopher's head coach in 1932, the home record has included 35 wins, three losses, and three ties. The losses were to Notre Dame, Northwestern and Ohio State.



Minneapolis <sup>18</sup> Minnesota's Bernie Bierman seems to be firmly entrenched from a statistical standpoint as the Big Ten's most successful football coach of the past decade.

During the nine seasons Bierman has been coaching Gopher teams they have won 35 conference games, lost eight and tied five. In that period, he has matched his coaching wits against 15 different coaches of Big Ten teams with surprising results. For example:

The Bierman-coached Gophers established a 28-2 advantage over nine of the 15 coaches. Against the remaining five they broke even.

No Big Ten coach has won more games than he has lost against Minnesota under Bierman. The best record is that built by Northwestern's Lynn Waldorf, whose Wildcat elevens have won three games and lost three.

Four coaches whose teams met Minnesota a total of 10 times left the conference without gaining a decision over the Gophers. Two others are still trying for their first decision from Bierman after nine games.

During the nine seasons he has coached at Minnesota, Bierman has steered the Gophers to 55 victories, 12 losses and five ties in all games played. In that period the team has earned four Big Ten titles, tied for a fifth and has been accorded national championship rating four times.

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University of Minnesota News Service  
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Minneapolis --- Just for the record: the beginning of the football era marked by recent Big Ten and national championships at the University of Minnesota was decidedly academic.

A pair of professors who, legend has it, had never played football but had seen the game played in the East were directly responsible for setting in motion the chain of events which ultimately led to Minnesota's national ranking.

It was in the fall of 1886 that Professor Thomas Peebles, a Princeton graduate, and Professor Fred S. Jones, who had been a rooter for the Yale Blue as an undergraduate, called for volunteers from the Minnesota student body for a go at the new-fangled Eastern game.

The ambitious recruits, attired in cut down trousers, old sweaters and headgear manufactured from stockings, reported for action at a campus field that is best remembered for the luxuriant growth of sand burrs that covered its expanse. After the co-coaches had argued the merits of the Princeton and Yale style of play, the first season got under way.

W. W. (Pudge) Heffelfinger, famed Yale all-American who played with the 1886 team as a Minneapolis high school student, was the first full-time, salaried Minnesota coach. He was hired for the 1895 season.

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Minneapolis<sup>al</sup> - Good fullbacks seem to go with Minnesota football as thunder goes with lightning.

At least, the 1941 Gopher squad seems destined to continue the Minnesota tradition for great line-buckers that was inaugurated with Herb Joesting back in 1925-27, and which has continued almost without interruption to the present.

This time it is a pair of returning veterans who bring a grin to Bernie Bierman's countenance every time the discussion of prospects for the coming season gets around to the backfield. Their names are Bob Sweiger and Bill Daley. Jointly they give the Gophers the best two-man combination at full-back since the duo of Stan Kostka and Sheldon Beise rambled back in the national championship days of 1934.

Like the Kostka-Beise team, the present Gopher twosome provides a valuable combination of talents. The stocky Sweiger is a heavy duty bucker. Daley is a galloper who is a touchdown threat from any point on the field.

When those few but vital yards are necessary for a first down or a touchdown, it is Sweiger who is the specialist at tucking the ball under his arm, lowering his head and cleaving the close-knit defense of the opposition.

Twice last season the Minneapolis senior bucked for touchdowns, both of them against Northwestern. More important, Sweiger's average was 4.03 yards for every time he carried the ball. There were a lot of first downs included in that yardage.

Comparative averages are graphic in delineating the differences between Sweiger's game and that of Daley. The latter, with his knack of breaking

into the open field, averaged 7.47 yards per attempt to Sweiger's 4.03.

Daley scored his first touchdown last season on a one-foot buck after dashing 24 yards to put the ball in scoring position against Nebraska. Against Purdue later in the season, he broke away for 35 yards to score. Finally, the 200-pound junior from St. Cloud, Minnesota, wound up with a touchdown from two yards out against Wisconsin after he had dashed 27 yards on an earlier play.

Along with Sweiger and Daley, Bierman has an untried but highly regarded reserve in his fullbacking corps. He is Mike Welch of St. James, Minnesota. If Welch comes up to expectations and halfback replacements do not materialize, there is the possibility that Daley will do his galloping from right halfback.



Minneapolis <sup>12</sup> --- Dr. George Hauser, who has been coming up with rock-ribbed lines ever since his one-time teammate, Bernie Bierman, began turning out Big Ten and national football champions at Minnesota, seems ready for a repeat performance in 1941.

"It should be a good line," he says matter of factly. "It will be virtually the same line we put on the field last season."

Bierman, who played halfback to Hauser's tackle for the Gophers back in 1915, goes a little further than that. "It looks like the most experienced line we have been able to assemble since 1935," he declares.

Four of the seven regulars who cleared the way for the touchdowns that brought an undefeated season a year ago are back to form the nucleus for the coaches' hopes.

Bulwark of this quartet and the solid foundations on which Hauser is already building are Tackles Urban Odson and Dick Wildung. They were the pair that opened the holes for the off-tackle bucks that are standbys in the Minnesota system. Odson weighs 247 and Wildung 210.

Also present are Helge Pukema, a hardy senior guard, and Bob Fitch, an end whose talents include blocking. Pukema attained his first team status in the latter half of the 1940 season, while Fitch was alternating on the Gopher left flank with Judd Ringer.

The other spots on the line are wide open at present, but it is a good bet that there will be a veteran at each of them when the season opens against Washington at Seattle on September 27.

Bill Baumgartner, a six foot, four inch sophomore standout of last season, is leading the rivalry for the vacancy at end. The guard assignment held down by Bill Kuusisto last year has been handed to 225 pound Leonard (Butch) Levy to start the season.

Levy, who is the intercollegiate heavyweight wrestling champion, won his letter at tackle as a junior a year ago, but shuttled between guard and tackle enough to know the ins and outs of both positions.

Center has several contenders, with Gene Flick, 185 pound senior, the most experienced. Other bidders are Don Nolander, a junior; and Bob Solheim and Bernie Nelson, neither of whom has had game experience.

In all, Hauser and his co-worker, End Coach Bert Baston, have 17 of the Gophers' 22 lettermen to work with. This includes four ends, five tackles, six guards and two centers.





Minneapolis ~~27~~ When Minnesota's Gophers roll West next week to meet Washington's Huskies at Seattle, the Gopher entourage will be definitely "triple threat."

For the all-important business of football there will be Bernie Bierman's national championship squad, three dozen strong and primed for the inter-sectional meeting with the Huskies on September 27.

There will also be that very necessary adjunct to big time football, the maintenance personnel, including trainers, equipment men and student managers.

And last, but not the least, there will be the University's special representatives, including Frank G. McCormick, athletic director; E. B. Pierce, alumni secretary; and Phil Brain, official football movie photographer. Theirs will be a good will mission.

Squad personnel for the trip will not be decided upon by Bierman for several days, possibly not until the day before the cross-country trek gets under way. But the three dozen fortunate Gophers will travel in style.

In addition to their Pullmans, they will have access to the training room on wheels, a complete replica of the one at Minnesota's Memorial Stadium even to the heat lamps and diathermy machines set up in the converted baggage car by Trainer Lloyd Stein and his assistant, Lloyd Boyce.

The squad will be served menus specially planned by Dr. George Hauser, who doubles as line coach and director of athletic training, and will have their own supply of Minnesota water, which will be among the several hundred items brought along by Equipment Custodian Oscar Munson and stored with the helmets, game suits and footballs in his special rolling emporium.

The party will make two stopovers en route after leaving the Twin Cities at 6 p.m., September 23. It is at these points that the good will emissaries will be particularly busy.

Arriving in Miles City, Montana, at 9 a.m. on September 24, the team will take advantage of the stopover to work out on the high school gridiron.

Meanwhile, the Miles City alumni unit will hold a joint luncheon with the Junior Association of Commerce at noon, with Dr. Lloyd Anderson, dentistry '19, in charge. Bierman, McCormick and Pierce will speak, and Cameraman Brain will show the movies of the Gopher's 1940 undefeated season. That afternoon the pictures will be shown again for the benefit of the general public at the high school, with the Gopher practise open to the townspeople at 4:30 p.m.

Another full schedule of practise and alumni welcomes is planned for the following day at Spokane. Alumni will have a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Davenport Hotel, with Dr. Earl Carrant, Gopher fullback on the 1904-06 teams, in charge.

At Seattle, the Gophers will be greeted by one of the most active Minnesota alumni units in the nation, headed by Frank Gilman. The Minnesota alumni dinner will be held at the Washington Athletic Club on the night preceding the game, with Bierman, McCormick and the Gopher movies as special features. Dr. W. H. Hagen, dentistry '20, will be the toastmaster.

During the entire journey to and from the Coast, the Gophers will be under the guardian eye of Sgt. Herman Glander, the perennial campus cop at Minnesota.



Minneapolis -- The nation's gridiron forces have kicked off in pursuit of a new national collegiate football championship award.

Intended to be a successor to the earlier Rissman and Knute Rockne championship, it is the Dr. Henry L. Williams Memorial Trophy, put up by the University of Minnesota M-club, composed of former Gopher athletes.

Basis of selection for the trophy will be the national football poll of the Associated Press. Over a ten-year span the poll will be the determining factor in its award to the U.S. champions. The big plaque will be retired to any team winning three legs on it during the decade.

Just as the Rockne Trophy was a memorial to Notre Dame's late coaching wizard, so the Williams award is intended as a memorial to the Minnesota coach who was the tutor of Bernie Bierman, Clark Shaughnessy and other nationally-known coaching figures.

The Rockne Trophy, sponsored by his own Four Horsemen, went into the final possession of Minnesota at the end of last year after the Gophers had won three legs on it in 1934, 1936 and 1940 under the rating system of Professor Frank G. Dickinson of the University of Illinois. Notre Dame retired the earlier Rissman Trophy with a national championship rating in 1924, 1929 and 1930.

Because no award for national football supremacy remained in circulation, and because of the desire to honor Dr. Williams, the new trophy has been put up for competition.

Only slightly less famous than Fielding Yost and Amos A. Stagg, Dr. Williams was nevertheless a definite influence on the development of football in the Middle West during the first two decades of the present century. He was the originator of the famed Minnesota shift and the coach of Gopher teams from 1900 to 1922.

Acting in an advisory capacity to the Minnesota M-club in the administration and presentation of the trophy will be a committee of well-known Midwest sports editors, headed by Arch Ward of the Chicago Tribune. Among others on the committee are Charles Johnson of the Minneapolis Star-Journal, Dick Cullum of the Minneapolis Times, George Barton of the Minneapolis Tribune and George Edmond of the St. Paul Dispatch.



Minneapolis <sup>10/10/41</sup> -- If Minnesota's Bernie Bierman and his coaching aides, Dr. George Hauser and Bert Baston, are worried about the football recipe Bob Zuppke is brewing for his Illini in their game against the Gophers on October 11, it is with good reason.

It was Zuppke, then a new coach in the Big Ten, who managed to spoil a perfect record in the playing careers of these famous Gophers three times running in 1914-15-16, for in each year Illinois upset or tied Minnesota.

In 1914, the only Minnesota touchdown scored in a 21-6 Illinois victory was provided by Halfback Bernie Bierman after End Bert Baston, now the Gopher end coach, had taken a pass on the Illini ten-yard line.

The following year Captain Bierman was out of the game with injuries, and the two teams tied 6-6 to share the Big Ten championship.

Baston was the Minnesota captain and an all-American end in 1916, but Zuppke's Illinois defense took no recognition of these facts. The Gophers failed to complete a pass, and even the efforts of George Hauser at tackle did not prevent a 14-9 Illinois win.

The 1941 meeting will be the fifteenth between teams of the two universities. In previous games from 1898 through 1924, Minnesota won nine, lost four and tied one. They last played in 1924, when Memorial Stadium was dedicated.

Minneapolis --- Bill Daley, the running half of Minnesota's hit-and-run fullback duo of Daley and Bob Sweiger, seems to have started the 1941 season by living up to his own rather demanding program of self-improvement.

When the hard-running Gopher junior averaged 3.95 yards for each of the 20 times he carried the ball against Washington a week ago in the season's opener, he also gained the admiration of Jim Phelan, Washington coach, who singled him out as one of the Minnesotans most responsible for that team's downfall.

Daley himself won't go that far. Just before the season opened, he stepped forward to nominate himself as the player facing the greatest program of self-improvement among the 1941 Minnesota squadmen. This was his appraisal despite the fact that he averaged 7.47 yards every time he carried the ball a year ago as a sophomore.

One reason for this viewpoint has been his nomination as the Handy-Andy of the Gopher backfield who is equipped to play halfback as well as fullback. But Bill is also convinced that his own personal brand of line-smashing could stand improvement.

"Take that business of smacking the line for those short gains--that trick of making your own hole by putting your head down and driving," he says. "That's supposed to be Sweiger's specialty on this team. I aim to make it mine, too.

"My blocking could stand plenty of improvement and --- well, the point is, I've got a lot to learn."

This depreciatory line of reasoning is a sort of heritage, Daley ad-

mits. Even if he were inclined to regard himself as some shucks as a football player, the attitude of the Daley family up in St. Cloud, Minnesota, serves as a check on any possible outcropping of ego on the part of the family's best-known member.

In part this has been so because Bill's dad is a railroad engineer who spends most of his time at the throttle. But it is also because up until a year ago the Daleys could take football or leave it. Mostly, they left it.

Although Bill was a high school star at Melrose, Minnesota, none of the family ever saw him play. As a matter of fact, it was not until the Minnesota-Michigan game last year that they watched their first football game.

"They liked it," says Bill. "But darned if Dad could figure out why all those people had come out to watch a bunch of kids play a game."

Bill himself saw his first and only big game until he donned a Minnesota uniform when the Gophers met Chicago at Minneapolis during the 1934 season. That one look satisfied him, he admits; and he finished out a high school career as a touchdown-running left half who had an added reputation as a punter.



Minneapolis <sup>Oct</sup> ~~22~~ A little man, who looks as if he trained on bird seed and who runs like a startled rabbit, is the current sensation on the title-defending Minnesota football squad.

He is Robert (Bud) Higgins, a scamper-back who scored three touchdowns against Pittsburgh last Saturday and carried the ball 163 yards in 11 tries. His exact weight is known only to himself, but it is certainly under 150 pounds.

Just another sub on the Gopher bench until two weeks ago, Higgins stepped out in his first Minnesota appearance at that time and picked off his first touchdown on a 14-yard sprint.

Called to action early in the Pitt game because of the removal of Bruce Smith from the lineup, he carried on with three touchdowns and darting open field dashes of 47, 42, 20, 18 and 16 yards at various stages of the proceedings.

On the weight chart posted in the Gopher locker room the Minneapolis halfback's poundage is listed at 155. But no one has ever seen him climb on the scale. Consensus of opinion puts his exact weight somewhere between 145 and 150 pounds, just 100 pounds under his tackle teammate, Urban Odson.

As a high school star at Minneapolis Washburn, Higgins was known as a one-man gang. He carried the ball three out of four tries, punted, passed and remained in the lineup most of the time.

He was just another Gopher reserve, and an undersize one at that, until one afternoon last spring when a couple of 200-pound tackles hit him



headon during a spring practice scrimmage. When he got up, grinned and ran 25 yards on the next play, coaches began giving him their rather amazed attention.

Starting out the present season on the fourth team, he has moved up to a position right behind the Minnesota ace, Bruce Smith, at left halfback. In the two games he has been in the lineup, he has carried the ball an even 200 yards in 22 trips for an average of nine yards.

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Minneapolis --- A repeat performance by Bruce Smith might be just what the doctor ordered for Minnesota when the title-defending Gophers meet Michigan at Ann Arbor on Saturday.

It was Smith, as many a Wolverine veteran will remember, who took the ball on a reverse and slithered 80 yards in the driving rain a year ago here to score the touchdown that tied the score and led to a 7-6 Minnesota victory over the Wolverines.

To date this season, the Gopher captain has scored four touchdowns and carried the ball for better than a six-yard average. In addition, he has done most of the Minnesota passing and punting.



Minneapolis <sup>10/30/41</sup> There are very few coaches in the nation who haven't come out second-best in their professional associations with Minnesota's Bernie Bierman. Lynn Waldorf is one of them.

When Bierman's Gophers and Waldorf's Northwestern Wildcats meet here on Saturday in Minnesota's Homecoming attraction before a sellout gathering of 64,000, it will be the rubber game of the Bierman-Waldorf rivalry. Since 1935 each team has won three times.

That record is the tipoff on the kind of football that has provided the tempo for the rivalry in previous engagements. Neither the Gophers or the Cats have won by more than the margin of a single touchdown plus the conversion. The average margin of victory has been 5.01 points.

Only one coach in the nation, Elmer Layden at Notre Dame in 1937-38, had a record of more games won than lost against Bierman-coached Gophers. No Big Ten coach has matched that, but Waldorf has come the closest.

In the past decade Bierman has matched coaching wits with 15 Western Conference coaches. His Minnesota elevens have established a 29-2 advantage over nine of the 15. Against the remaining five they have finished all even.

Down through the half dozen seasons that the Minnesota-Northwestern series has been sparked by this coaching duel between taskmasters of football's fundamentals, the inevitable result has been that otherwise free-running backs have had to punch for short, hard-earned gains while two immovable lines collided up forward.

There were two notable exceptions to this pattern. The first was in

1935, when Bob Swisher ambled 56 yards for one Cat touchdown, and Minnesota's Tuffy Thompson countered with a 36-yard trip over the goal line. The second occurred when a sophomore by the name of Bill DeCorrevont broke up a deadlocked game in 1939 with a run of better than 50 yards.

It was also the Wildcats who brought a sudden and stunning end to one of the most famous consecutive victory records in modern football back in 1936, when they splashed to a 6-0 win in the rain at Evanston to stop Minnesota at 21 straight wins and 28 games without defeat.

The series, begun in 1892, has resulted in 13 wins for Minnesota, eight for Northwestern and two deadlocks.

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Minneapolis, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> If Minnesota continues on its undefeated way through the rest of the schedule, don't forget the name of Bill Garneas when the discussion gets around to the whys and wherefores for the Gopher's most recent success.

Garneas is Coach Bernie Bierman's aide-de-camp in the intelligence department. As such, he is the first Minnesota quarterback in the last six seasons who has been able to do all of the things a signal-caller should do --- and do them well.

As a matter of fact, Garneas more than fills the bill from Bierman's standards. He not only calls the plays on the field and does a strong, effective job of blocking, but also place-kicks the Gopher conversions, is a sure-handed pass receiver, a punter and a sound defensive player.

This is a welcome change from the situation of recent seasons when the Gophers had to win their championships by parcelling out the quarterbacking duties around the backfield.

Last season, Bob Paffrath did the blocking and George Franck called the signals from left half. In 1939, Joe Mernik blocked and Harold Van Every ran the team from tailback. All four were halfbacks by trade. In 1937 and 1938, a pair of converted fullbacks held down the job. In 1936, it was a transformed guard.

Garneas moved in on the Gophers this fall without any fanfare. A year ago, he sat on the bench during the entire schedule without getting

into a game. He weighed only 170 pounds, was known to be an astute signal-caller, but that wasn't enough to get him in.

In games to date this season, he has come up with a record which few of his predecessors have been able to match. Aside from giving the signals, Minnesota quarterbacks usually confine their activities to leading interference. Garnaas has improved on those chores by scoring 15 points in four games. He got two of them against Washington, three each against Illinois and Pittsburgh, and one at the expense of Michigan, all on conversions.

Against Pitt, he intercepted a Panther pass and ran 65 yards to score. He was Minnesota's man of the hour in the Gopher's several defensive stands against Michigan, intercepting one pass in the end zone that took the pressure off Minnesota in the closing seconds of the game.



Minneapolis, November 30/41--A combination of nine returning lettermen and a pair of incoming sophomores with exceptional promise puts Coach Dave Mac Millan's basketball picture in an impressive frame.

There still are two shadows that bear watching, however, ---scholastics and draft --but barring them Mac Millan is looking for the best season in several years. As the situation stands now, the 1941 team is definitely better than the one which finished in a tie for third in the conference standings last season.

Included in his contingent of returning veterans is a trio who were members of the regular Gopher lineup last season.

Among the returning cagers are Don Carlson, No. 5 man on the Big Ten individual scoring list a year ago. Other lettermen returning are Don Smith, senior and a regular forward last year, Bill Lind, starting center through most of the 1941 campaign, Stuart MacDonald, Reuben Epp and Ken Exel and Jack Pearson, forwards; Warren Ajax, center, and Harold Thune, guard.

Topping this goodly number of natives are such stellar sophomores as Don Mattson and Tony Jaros. Mattson, a six-foot, four-inch center was all-state pivot man in 1939 on the Minneapolis Marshall team that went to the finals of the state tournament.

Jaros is the holder of the Minneapolis high school scoring record for a single season.

Lettermen lost by graduation are Max Mohr, Jim Smith, forwards; and Will Warhol, guard.

\*indicates lettermen

Name of Player	Pos.	Wt.	Ht.	Yr.	Home
*Ajax, Warren	G	170	6'2	2nd	Minneapolis
Ahlquist, Eugene	F	180	5'11	3rd	Minneapolis
*Don Carlson	F	170	6'	3rd	Minneapolis
*Epp, Reuben	F	165	6'	2nd	Mountain Lake
*Exel, Kenneth	F	160	5'11	2nd	Minneapolis
Fitzgerald, Jim	G	165	5'11	2nd	Yankton, S. D.
Goldstrand, Bob	G	170	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
Hall, Dean	F	170	6'1	1st	Couer d'Alene, Ind.
Jaros, Tony	F	175	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
*MacDonald, Stu	F	170	6'	3rd	St. Cloud
Mattson, Don	C	180	6'4	1st	Minneapolis
*Lind, Bill	C	185	6'3	2nd	Minneapolis
Olsen, John	G	160	5'10	2nd	Minneapolis
*Pearson, Jack	F	170	6'1	2nd	Lovell, Wyo.
Peterson, Dick	G	170	5'10	2nd	Minneapolis
Seaman, Don	C	170	6'4	1st	St. Paul
*Smith, Don	F	170	6'	3rd	Minneapolis
Steiner, Bill	F	180	5'10	1st	Mankato
Swenson, Harold	F	170	6'2	1st	Wannamingo
Vanstrum, Fred	G	175	5'10	2nd	Lind
Thune, Harold	G	155	5'11	3rd	Murdo, S. D.

\*\*\*THE SCHEDULE\*\*\*

HOME		AWAY	
Dec. 6	Millikin University	Dec. 8	South Dakota University
Dec. 13	North Dakota State	Jan. 3	Ohio State
Dec. 20	Creighton University	Jan. 5	Northwestern
Dec. 27	Nebraska University	Jan. 12	Iowa
Jan. 10	Indiana	Jan. 19	Chicago
Jan. 17	Michigan	Jan. 24	Illinois
Feb. 7	Ohio State	Jan. 26	Purdue
Feb. 14	Purdue	Jan. 31	Michigan
Feb. 16	Illinois	Feb. 28	Indiana
Mar. 2	Wisconsin		
Mar. 7	Northwestern		



Minneapolis, Dec. 4--Gopher Basketball Coach Dave MacMillan may have the combination this year to put his team higher in Big Ten rating than last year's third-place tie.

Willie Warhol is the major loss by graduation. Returning are nine lettermen plus some substitutes and sophomores who have, in pre-game practices, shown themselves capable for competition. Eligibility may be a factor.

Five non-conference games will be tackled before the regular season begins, giving MacMillan time to experiment with the positions before the first conference game against Ohio State at Columbus January 3.

Brief descriptions of Minnesota players follow:

#### FORWARDS

DON CARLSON---The letterman who last year won the conference scoring record with 131 points in 12 games is back as a senior. In all 20 games, he brought in 205 points. Carlson is a good all-around player, best on defense, a smart ball-handler and fast. Weighs 170 pounds and stands six feet.

KEN EXEL---He and Warren Ajax, according to the coaches, have made the most improvement over last year in which both took part in every conference game. Exel makes few mistakes, is a fair scorer and a good passer. Exel is about the steadiest and most reliable player on the squad. One inch short of six feet, he weighs 160.

DEAN HALL---From Cour d'Alene, Idaho comes this promising sophomore. He's six feet, one inch and weighs about 170. In high school he was all-state champion, scoring 270 points in 26 games. In his freshman year here, a torn cartilage in his leg kept Hall on the benches but the injury is history now.

STUART MACDONALD---This veteran letterman, easily recognizable on the court by his thick-rimmed glasses, has shown great improvement on defense over last year. MacDonald's specialty is the long shot. He's from St. Cloud, stands six feet and weighs 170. This is his last year.

DON SMITH---Last year's record speaks well for this Minneapolis man. He scored 85 points in the conference and 142 in all 20 games. Smith is another of those good all-around men, particularly at defense. He's good off the backboard and a smart ball-handler. Smith weighs 170 and stands six feet even.



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JACK PEARSON---Pearson comes back into the picture after some difficulty with a back injury two years ago. Alternates with first-string men in practice. Pearson stands six feet, one and weighs close to 170. He comes from Lovell, Wyoming.

EUGENE (BUD) AHLQUIST---Slightly heavier than most of his team-mates, Ahlquist weighs 130 pounds and stands five feet, 11 inches. According to the coaches, he "does everything well." Although he saw no competition last year, that was because experienced men were ahead of him. MacMillan expects fine things of Ahlquist.

TONY JAROS---A good scorer and ball-handler, and best on offense. Jaros is a sophomore who has attracted much attention since his basketball success at North high, Minneapolis. He weighs 175 and stands six feet, one.

#### GUARDS

WARREN AJAX---Ajax hopes to emerge from the ineligibility list in time for the first conference game in January, but will be absent at the non-conference games. In the six games he took part in last year, the Minneapolis product garnered 42 points. Weighs about 170 and stands six feet, two. At times, Ajax turns in a good scoring game.

BOB GOLDSTRAND---A newcomer to Minnesota's opponents, Goldstrand is fast and fairly good all-around. Is concentrating on returning the ball faster. Weighs about 170 and stands six feet, one. Comes from Minneapolis.

HAROLD THUNE---Good at defense and an all-around player and team man. Great expectations have been held out for this senior who, last year, in 19 games, picked up 90 points. Thune is fast and shifty.

JOHN OLSON---Played in a few games last year and showed the coaches that he could play steady ball. He lacks the height of some of the others, standing five feet, 10. He weighs 160 pounds. Olson is a local product.

#### CENTERS

BILL LIND---"Big Bill" is the heaviest man on the squad although not as tall as his rival, Don Mattson. Bill weighs 185 and is six feet, three inches tall. Letterman Lind, in his 20 games last year, accounted for 98 points. He's a senior from Minneapolis.

DON MATTSON---With Jaros, Mattson has been one of the men from last year's freshman squad to get the most recognition. This six feet, four center, weighing 130 pounds, is fast for a man of his size and a good team man.

DON SEAMAN---A newcomer who has put real spirit into practice sessions so far. Seaman has a long, effective reach, stands six feet, four and favors the underhand shots. He comes from St. Paul.

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Minneapolis, Dec. 10 -- First on the list of Hockey Coach Larry Armstrong's 1941-42 schedule is the Canadian team that last year ended the Gophers' run of 19 victories without defeat -- the London (Ont.) A. C. sextet. They will meet Minnesota here December 11 and 12 at the Minneapolis Arena.

Not one of the men who played on the national championship team of two years ago remains on the Minnesota squad since mighty little Harold (Babe) Paulsen graduated in the spring.

Lost also are such players as Ken Cramp, veteran defenseman, and Ian Anderson, understudy to Cramp last season, by graduation; Jim Magnus, center, Norbert Robertson, wingman, and Ray Fischer, goalie -- all in the armed forces, and Bill Calligan, now turned professional.

Armstrong isn't planning on taking back the conference championship that the Gophers lost to Illinois last year, but the return of four lettermen despite the above depletion and the action of a few reserves and sophomores leads him to predict outstanding playing as the season progresses.

Best of the new crop are Fred Heiseke, good at center or wing; and George Leckie, either center or wing. From last year's sophomore squad have come some smart, shifty players including Joe Page, Don Snapp and Alf Henry at left wing, Bob Arnold, center, and Bob Smith of the football squad, at defense.

Interestingly enough, every man on the team this year comes from the Twin Cities. Sixteen are from Minneapolis and four from St. Paul.

THE SQUAD ROSTER

(Those assigned numbers will play in opening game)

No.	Name of Player	Weight	Height	Yr.	Home
-Wingmen-					
1	Behrendt, John (rw)	175	6'	1st	Minneapolis
	Boll, Bob (rw)	180	6'	1st	Minneapolis
5	Bolla, John (rw)	150	5'7	2nd	Minneapolis
3	*Eggleton, Al (lw) Capt.	180	5'8	3rd	St. Paul
12	Henry, Alf (lw)	150	5'7	2nd	St. Paul
	*Junger, Fred (lw)	150	5'6	3rd	Minneapolis
	Leckie, George (lw & c)	190	5'8	1st	Minneapolis
	Maloney, John (rw)	180	5'7	1st	St. Paul
4	Page, Joe (lw)	180	6'	2nd	Minneapolis
2	Snapp, Don (lw)	185	5'10	2nd	Minneapolis
-Defense-					
	Hovey, Frank	175	6'	1st	St. Paul
18	Nolander, Don	190	6'2	1st	Minneapolis
10	Peterson, John	190	5'11	2nd	Minneapolis
17	Smith, Bob	225	6'2	2nd	Minneapolis
	Schneider, Sam	185	6'	1st	Minneapolis
15	Thomas, Dave	190	5'8	1st	Minneapolis
-Centers-					
11	*Arnold, Bob	155	5'9	2nd	Minneapolis
7	Heiseke, Fred	165	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
-Goalies-					
14	*Joseph, Burt	160	5'8	3rd	Minneapolis
	Wilson, Tom	165	6'	1st	Minneapolis

(\*indicates lettermen)

Results of 1940-41 season

Minnesota	5	London A. C.	3
Minnesota	3	London A. C.	3
Minnesota	2	Yale	5
Minnesota	5	Yale	4
Minnesota	2	Illinois	2
Minnesota	1	Illinois	4
Minnesota	4	Michigan	0
Minnesota	7	Michigan	2
Minnesota	8	Michigan Tech.	0
Minnesota	3	Michigan Tech.	0
Minnesota	4	Illinois	5
Minnesota	6	Illinois	3
Minnesota	7	Michigan Tech.	2
Minnesota	3	Michigan Tech.	1
Minnesota	8	Michigan	0
Minnesota	2	Michigan	1

1941-42 SCHEDULE (to date)

Dec. 11	London A.C. at Minneapolis
Dec. 12	London A.C. at Minneapolis
Jan. 2	Dartmouth at Minneapolis
Jan. 3	Dartmouth at Minneapolis
Jan. 9	Michigan Tech. at Houghton
Jan. 10	Michigan Tech. at Houghton
Jan. 22	Michigan at Minneapolis
Jan. 24	Michigan at Minneapolis
Feb. 20	Michigan Tech. at Minneapolis
Feb. 21	Michigan Tech. at Minneapolis
Feb. 26	Michigan at Ann Arbor
Feb. 28	Michigan at Ann Arbor

SQUAD PERSONNEL

LETTERMEN

BOB ARNOLD -- Center from Minneapolis and considered as one of the team's best assets. He's the brother of Ed Arnold, former Gopher hockey captain.

AL EGGLETON -- A senior and captain of the squad. Adaptable for either left wing or center. Not one penalty has been marked against him in two years. He's small, fast and elusive. One of the four St. Paul men.

BURT JOSEPH -- Started as alternate to Marty Falk. After patiently waiting, he will be the regular goalie this season. He already rates as one of the best goalies in Gopher hockey.

FRED JUNGER -- Defense industry may claim Junger before the season is far gone. Undoubtedly the fastest skater on the squad. He's excellent at carrying the puck, back-checking, and getting behind the opponents' blue line.

RESERVES

ALF HENRY -- A broken hand almost put this left wing out of the show but a special brace has helped. He's back in uniform now. Although about the smallest man on the squad, Henry will work well as a replacement.

JOE PAGE -- Started at wing in the second line last year and will play many minutes of fast, smashing hockey in the front line this season. This 180 pounder comes from Minneapolis.

BOB SMITH -- Opponents remember him lately as a stone wall in Bernie Bierman's football line. Now he's an equally impregnable stone wall in Armstrong's defense line. Weighing 225 pounds, Smith can get his husky form around with amazing speed.

SOPHOMORES

JOHN BEHRENDT -- Six-foot right wing from Minneapolis. May see little competition to begin with.

BOB BOLL -- Another six-footer but heavier than teammate Behrendt. Plays a quick, steady game.

FRED HEISEKE -- May be center or wing. One of the top-notchers of the new men.

FRANK HOVEY -- A defenseman. Was star of St. Paul Mechanic Arts high school sextet.

GEORGE LECKIE -- Husky, and smart with the stick. Leckie will be real opposition in another year.

JOHN MALONEY -- Right wing from St. Paul. Will see some action.

DON NOLANDER -- From the gridiron to the ice rink. He has the size and speed for defense work.

SAM SCHNEIDER -- Played on Shattuck team before joining Gophers. Another defense man.

DAVE THOMAS -- The third footballer in hockey. Improvement in speed will make a first-rate player out of Thomas. Plays defense.

TOM WILSON -- About the only alternate at goalie for Joseph. Wilson comes from Minneapolis.

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 \* schedules, statistics, etc. \*

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The 1940 Minnesota Schedule

Sept. 28 Washington at Minneapolis (3rd game)  
 Oct. 5 Nebraska at Minneapolis (21st game)  
 Oct. 12 Rest Date  
 Oct. 19 Ohio State at Columbus (5th game)  
 Oct. 26 Iowa at Minneapolis (Homecoming) (34th game)  
 Nov. 2 Northwestern at Evanston (23rd game)  
 Nov. 9 Michigan at Minneapolis (31st game)  
 Nov. 16 Purdue at Minneapolis (Dad's Day) (12th game)  
 Nov. 23 Wisconsin at Madison (50th game)

Minnesota Coaches

Bernard W. Bierman, Head Coach, Minnesota '16  
 Dr. George Hauser, line coach, Minnesota, '18  
 Albert P. (Bert) Baston, end coach, Minnesota '17  
 Sheldon Beise, backfield coach, Minnesota, '36  
 Sig Harris, reserve coach and scout, Minnesota '05  
 Dallas Ward, freshman coach, Oregon State

1940 Minnesota Co-Captains

Bob Bjorklund, center & end, Minneapolis  
 Bill Johnson, end, Slayton

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PRE-SEASON MINNESOTA FOOTBALL  
ROSTER

<u>* Indicates Lettermen</u>	<u># Reserves</u>	<u>(S) Sophomores</u>
3 ends	3 ends	6 ends
4 tackles	4 tackles	5 tackles
5 guards	1 guard	4 guards
2 centers	2 centers	3 centers
3 quarterbacks	1 quarterback	3 quarterbacks
4 halfbacks	0 halfbacks	5 halfbacks
<u>2 fullbacks</u>	<u>1 fullback</u>	<u>1 fullback</u>
23 lettermen	12 reserves	27 sophomores
	TOTAL.....62	

THE ENDS

<u>Name of player</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Home Town</u>
*Atkins, Bill	6'2	175	2nd	Hollandale
*Fitch, Bob	6'	197	3rd	St. Louis Park
*Johnson, Bill (Co-Capt)	6'2	192	3rd	Slayton
#Gladwin, Bill	6'1	180	2nd	Robbinsdale
#Hirscher, Joe	6'	187	2nd	Shakopee
#Ringer, Chas. (Judd)	6'3	185	2nd	Minneapolis
(S) Anderson, Cliff	6'	170	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Baumgartner, Bill	6'1	190	1st	Duluth
(S) Evans, Woodrow	6'1	185	1st	Gully
(S) Ekberg, Carl	6'4	200	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Lundeen, Ralph	5'9	160	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Moentenich, Louis	6'	195	1st	Minneapolis

THE TACKLES

*Billman, John	6'	196	2nd	Minneapolis
*Levy, Leonard	5'10	230	2nd	Minneapolis
*Odson, Urban	6'3	235	2nd	Clark, S. D.
*Vant Hull, Fred	6'	200	2nd	Minneapolis
#Johnson, Victor	6'1	190	2nd	Bemidji
#Lechner, Ed	6'	195	2nd	Fessenden, N. D.
#Lushine, Jim	6'1	240	2nd	Eveleth
#Rohlen, Art	5'11	200	2nd	Minneapolis
(S) Albers, Max	6'2	215	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Emerson, Conrad	6'	190	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Mitchell, Paul	6'2	210	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Townley, John	6'4	220	1st	Fergus Falls
(S) Wildung, Dick	6'	200	1st	Luverne

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*Kuusisto, Bill	6'	215	3rd	Minneapolis
*Litman, Neil	6'	210	2nd	St. Paul
*Paschka, Gordon	5'10	208	3rd	Watertown
*Pukema, Helge	5'11	190	3rd	Duluth
*Smith, Bob	5'11	207	2nd	Minneapolis
#Straiton, Howard	6'	190	2nd	Minneapolis
(S) Berthon, Tom	5'11	185	1st	Minneapolis
(S) Bicanich, John	6'	200	1st	Chisholm
(S) Holmstrom, Wallace	6'1	210	1st	Duluth
(S) Saunders, Bob	5'9	195	1st	St. Paul

Name of Player	Height	Weight	Year	Home Town
<u>THE CENTERS</u>				
*Bjorklund, Bob (Co-C)	6'3	215	3rd	Minneapolis
*Kolliner, Bob	5'10	180	3rd	Stillwater
#Moore, Mark	5'11	190	3rd	Minneapolis
#Flick, Gene	5'11	190	3rd	Minneapolis
(S)Nelson, Bernard	6'	190	1st	Minneapolis
(S)Nolander, Don	5'11	195	1st	Minneapolis
(S)Solheim, Bob	5'11	185	1st	Barnum
<u>THE QUARTERBACKS</u>				
*Bartelt, John	5'11	185	3rd	Mora
*Mernik, Joe	5'9	170	2nd	Minneapolis
*Shearer, Jim	5'9	175	3rd	Minneapolis
#Ring, Rolland	5'10	160	2nd	Minneapolis
(S)Lauterbach, Joe	6'	185	1st	Redwood Falls
(S)Lund, Bert	5'11	170	1st	St. Paul
(S)Welch, Mike	6'	190	1st	St. James
<u>THE HALFBACKS</u>				
*Franck, George	6'	175	3rd	Davenport, Ia.
*Jamnik, Joe	5'10	187	3rd	Aurora
*Paffrath, Bob	5'9	180	3rd	Redwood Falls
*Smith, Bruce	6'	185	2nd	Faribault
(S)Bierhaus, Gene	5'11	175	1st	Brainard
(S)Garnaas, Bill	5'10	170	1st	Minneapolis
(S)Kolander, Jerry	5'9	165	1st	Slayton
(S)O'Bradovich, Mike	5'9	170	1st	Red Wing
(S)Selvig, Stan	5'10	170	1st	Minneapolis
<u>THE FULLBACKS</u>				
*Steinbauer, Ed	6'2	198	3rd	Owatonna
*Sweiger, Bob	6'	195	2nd	Minneapolis
#Plunkett, Warren	6'	195	2nd	Austin
(S)Daley, Bill	6'2	200	1st	St. Cloud

## LETTERMEN GRADUATED FROM THE 1939 SQUAD

Bronko Danguvich, end  
 John Mariucci, end  
 Earl Ohlgren, end  
 Syrus Johnson, tackle  
 Win Pedersen, tackle  
 Merle Larson, guard  
 Tom Riley, guard

Hilding Mattson, center  
 Phil Belfiori, quarterback  
 Orville Freeman, quarterback  
 George Gould, quarterback  
 Leland Johnson, halfback  
 Charles Myre, halfback  
 Harold Van Every, halfback  
 Martin Christiansen, fullback

THE 1940 OUTLOOK

Improvement over the 1939 record---a season on which Coach Bernie Bierman commented, "A few key plays in close games made the difference between being in the running for the championship and second division"---will be the principal goal of the University of Minnesota football squad in 1940.

For the first time since 1935 the Gophers will open the season with no championship, Big Ten or national, to defend and no championship predictions to live up to. Instead, 1940 will see a Minnesota squad of better than average possibilities that plans to take each game as it comes along and to try to win it.

Minnesota in the pre-season analysis will have a squad with a strong starting lineup and fair reserve strength. It will be a squad that will play the always interesting and effective power type of football with emphasis on "yards gained from rushing." If the reserves and sophomores weather the rigors of the tough early season schedule and reach a point where Coach Bierman can have men three deep to a position without a noticeable letdown in effectiveness, the Gophers may finish well up in the final standings.

There will be five necessary replacements in the starting lineup, but the ends and quarterback will be the only questionable positions and even there good material is available. At ends, Co-captain Bill Johnson, who was in the lineup a good deal last season, is a prospective starter on one side and his teammate in the captaincy, Bob Bjorklund, may shift from center to the other end position.

Fred Vant Hull, a regular right tackle through the latter half of the 1939 season, is back and a sophomore, Dick Wildung, is a leading candidate to replace the graduated Win Pedersen. Starting guards of last season are back and if Bjorklund moves from center to end there are several good men to replace him.

Fast-moving George Franck, whose spirit, speed and punting were high spots last season; and Bruce Smith, an outstanding sophomore a year ago, will bear the brunt of the ball-carrying duties, but someone will have to be found to replace the effective Harold Van Every. At fullback, Bob Sweiger, who was a regular from mid-season on in 1939, will receive effective assistance from Sophomore Bill Daley.



SKETCHES OF SQUAD MEMBERS

(Including lettermen, prominent reserves and sophomores)

THE ENDS

## Lettermen (3)\*\*

ATKINS, BILL: As a sophomore in 1939, Atkins got into games frequently as a reserve, but spent most of the season learning the routine of Minnesota end play. Now, in his second season, the red-haired Gopher has an added responsibility in that he is one of two lettermen. He now has all of the requisites of a good end and is sure to figure in the coach's plans. From Hollandale.

JOHNSON, BILL: In his third season on the Minnesota squad, Johnson has an added responsibility as co-captain. Figured on as one of last season's regulars, Johnson suffered a sprained ankle that gave him recurrent trouble and kept him out of the lineup a part of the time. A quiet, intensely serious athlete, Johnson can be counted upon to give his best every minute that he is in the lineup. From Slayton.

\*\*Co-captain Bob Bjorklund, a veteran, may play end, but is listed among the centers, where he won his letter last season. Bjorklund played end as a sophomore and is no stranger to the position.

BOB FITCH: may figure prominently in the Gopher end assignments. Was a fair end last season and won a letter. A period on the track team last season as a weightman has given him better coordination. He placed second in the Big Ten in the discus. Fitch's home is in St. Louis Park, a suburb of Minneapolis.

## Reserves (3)

BILL GLADWIN: As a sophomore a year ago he was not in the lineup enough to win a letter. He entered the University with a reputation as a good high school football player at Robbinsdale high school.

JOE HIRSCHER: Not one of the top ends during the 1939 season, Hirscher assumed that status during the 1940 spring practise. He is a good pass receiver and took one for a touchdown in the opening game of the 1939 season against Arizona.

CHARLES (JUDD) RINGER: One of the tallest of the ends (6'3"), Ringer is an all around athlete. Last year, he won letters in swimming and golf, but missed in football. With all of the physical requirements for a good end, Ringer may get into the wide open competition for the important jobs. From Minneapolis West high.

Sophomores (6 on the squad)

LEO VON SISTINE: Was the outstanding freshman end last fall and showed considerable promise during the spring practise. Von Sistine has the added distinction of being a left-footed punter and did a good deal of punting during the spring. A better than average end both on offense and defense. Will bear watching. From West DePere, Wis.

CLIFF ANDERSON, BILL BAUMGARTNER AND WOODROW EVANS were sufficiently competent in the spring practise sessions to indicate that they must not be counted out of the picture.

BERNIE NELSON: As a member of the freshman squad last fall, Nelson was an outstanding center. When he was switched to end frequently during the spring practise, he likewise proved himself outstanding at that position. Whether he will be stationed at center or end has not been decided as yet. From Minneapolis Central high.

THE TACKLES

## Lettermen (4)

JOHN BILLMAN: As a sophomore last season, he played a total of 59 minutes during the season, spending almost half that time in the final game against Wisconsin. Weighing close to 200 pounds, Billman rates right up with the other veteran tackles on the squad.

**LEONARD (BUTCH)LEVY:** Remarkably agile for all his 230 pounds, Levy won his letter as a varsity wrestler at Minnesota last winter. He is also the former state high school heavyweight wrestling champion. Won his letter in 1939 on 67 minutes of total playing time to rank fourth among the tackles on the squad in that respect. A junior from Minneapolis West high.

**URBAN ODSON:** 1940 may be Odson's year. He joined the Minnesota squad as a sophomore with plenty of physical qualifications, but with a good deal to learn about playing tackle. A total of 57 minutes in the lineup last season has given him the necessary experience and confidence. One of the biggest men on the squad (235 pounds.) From Clark, S. D.

**FRED VAMP HULL:** Finished last season as the regular Minnesota right tackle and will probably serve in that capacity in 1940. Started last season as a guard, but was soon shifted to tackle. Has a good offensive charge and stops most of the plays over his side of the line on defense. Played a total of 187 minutes last season. From Minneapolis West.

#### The Reserves (4)

Most of the members of this quartet had potential ability last season, but not enough experience to get in the lineup the required number of minutes for a letter. **ED LECHNER** of Fessenden, N. D. looks like he is ready to move up into the competition for important assignments. **JIM LUSHINE**, 240 pounds and the biggest man on the squad, has a shoulder weakness that forces him to keep one arm close to his side. **VICTOR JOHNSON** and **ART ROHLEN** are from last year's reserves.

#### The Sophomores (5)

**DICK WILDUNG:** Coaches class him as the outstanding line prospect up from the freshman squad. Of him Coach Bernie Bierman declared, "He is our only sophomore lineman as yet who could step into a Big Ten lineup without noticeably weakening the team." Wildung proved that he was a fine defensive tackle in spring practise. On offense, he has speed and blocking ability. From Luverne.

**MAX ALBERS** of Minneapolis got in a good deal of "ground work" during the spring practise and is a candidate for a reserve assignment in his first year. So are **PAUL MITCHELL** of Minneapolis, **JOHN TOWNLEY** of Fergus Falls, and **CONNIE EMERSON**, also of Minneapolis.

#### THE GUARDS

##### Lettermen (5)

**BILL KUUSISTO:** One of four veteran guards who were interchangeable in the starting lineup last season, Kuusisto started six games at guard and played a total of 272 minutes. He is also a heavyweight wrestler along with Levy and develops speed and agility useful to a lineman, during the winter season on the mat. He is a senior from Minneapolis. (Marshall high).

**NEIL LITMAN:** Like Levy, Litman saw enough action in his sophomore year to make him more valuable in 1940. Probably won't be a starter but is certain to get into the lineup often. From St. Paul.

**GORDON PASCHKA:** In the closing games of the 1939 season, Paschka was in the starting Minnesota lineup three times. He played a total of 208 minutes during the season. Is a good kicker from placement and may do the kicking off for the Gophers in 1940. A senior from Watertown.

**HELGE PUKEMA:** Was out of the lineup a part of last season but still started two games at guard and played a total of 71 minutes. A senior from Duluth, Pukema has the valuable combination of experience and talent.

**BOB SMITH:** As a sophomore last season, Smith had the misfortune to be out of the lineup for a time, but he still was valuable enough to start five games and play a total of 194 minutes. Built close to the ground, Smith plays a hard charging game. He has also had experience as a center. From Minneapolis. (West high.)

Reserves (1)

HOWARD STRAITON: did not get into any games last season, but coaches believe he has the potential ability. From Minneapolis. (Washburn high.)

Sophomores (4)

All of the sophomore guards got their initial taste of varsity competition during spring practise and were in the lineup a good deal. WALLACE HOLMSTROM of Duluth was perhaps a little further advanced than the others at that time. BICANICH, BERTHON and SAUNDERS are all considered good prospects. Theirs will be a stiff battle, however, against five lettermen.

THE CENTERSLettermen (2)

BOB BJORKLUND: 215 pound co-captain from Minneapolis. Was one of the "iron men" of the squad last season, playing a total of 407 minutes at center. He played the full 60 minutes against Purdue and Iowa, and 59 minutes each against Ohio State and Northwestern. He may be switched to end for the 1940 season. He is no stranger at that position, having won his letter as a sophomore at end. Over six feet in height, Bjorklund will be a bulwark anywhere on the Gopher line.

BOB KOLLINER: another senior from Stillwater. Bjorklund's presence in the lineup kept him out of action a good deal last season, but Kolliner is no stranger to end play. If the co-captain moves to end, he will be a leading candidate for the starting assignment. Kolliner is only of average size (180 pounds,) but he is as effective as a 200-pounder.

Reserves (2)

MARK MOORE: After two years, Moore is a good bet to get into the lineup frequently. Was a halfback in high school at Minneapolis Roosevelt and the transition to center took some time to master.

EUGENE FLICK: did not get into the lineup as a sophomore, but is hoping for the opportunity to do so this fall. From Minneapolis.

Sophomores (3)

BERNIE NELSON: an outstanding prospect, Nelson topped the centers on the 1939 freshman squad. During the spring practise, he was shifted to end and alternated between end and center. Like Bjorklund, he also may be moved to end. He is a better than average pass receiver and a good blocker. Nelson is a member of an athletically inclined family. Three sisters and a cousin form a well-known professional skating act known as the Nelson Sisters. From Minneapolis. (Central.)

DON NOLANDER: another good newcomer. Saw action frequently during the spring practise and was rated among the best freshman centers last fall. From Minneapolis.

BOB SOLHEIM: ranks with Nelson and Noland. From Barnum.

THE QUARTERBACKSLettermen (3)

JOHN BARTELT: He is bidding for the starting assignment and has as good a chance as any of the candidates to win it. Has two years of signal-calling behind him and is a good blocker, a requisite for Minnesota quarterbacks. Is a place-kicker of merit and converted two point-after-touchdown tries last season. From Mora.

JOE MERNIK: Converted from a halfback into a blocking quarterback last fall, Mernik was the starter at this post through the season. Stocky and a fine blocker, Mernik left the field generalship to Harold Van Every. This year, his final season, Mernik may return to halfback, where his ball-carrying talent can be more fully utilized. A fine place kicker, he accounted for 19 points last season, including 10 conversions, one touchdown and a field goal. His place kick which bounced on the crossbar at a crucial point in the Ohio State game of 1939 will be long remembered. From Minneapolis. (Marshall high.)

**JIM SHEARER:** The most conscientious man on the squad. Always the first man on the practise field and a hard worker, Shearer had his reward last season when he started the opening game of the season against Arizona. He played a total of 33 minutes in 1939, hopes to double that total this season. From Minneapolis.

#### Reserves (1)

**ROLLAND RING:** did not get into a game last season due to the experienced men ahead of him. Played a good deal at halfback during the spring practise. From Minneapolis.

#### Sophomores (3)

**JOE LAUTERBACH:** One of the top sophomore candidates at quarterback, Lauterbach was given the job of calling signals frequently during intra-squad games last spring. He is from Redwood Falls.

**BERT LUND:** a St. Paul athlete who won his freshman numerals as a quarterback and is awaiting his chance to try for a berth on the squad.

**MIKE WELCH:** was an outstanding halfback at St. James, Minnesota on the high school team. Was shifted to quarterback as a freshman and was in the lineup a good deal during spring practise. A well-built young fellow with potential blocking ability. Almost certain to get into the lineup frequently this fall.

#### THE HALFBACKS

##### Lettermen (4)

**GEORGE FRANCK:** one of the fastest halfbacks in the nation, Franck is also regarded by many as one of the best. He is a 9.7 second 100-yard dashman on the track team and ran on the Big Ten championship mile relay team. As a halfback he combines his speed with a shifty running style. Last season, he carried the ball 73 times for a total of 392 yards. Scored six touchdowns and made innumerable long runs. Is a fine long distance punter and has kicks of 70 yards to his credit. Plays either right or left half. A senior from Davenport, Ia.

**JOE JAMNIK:** has been slow to develop but is potentially a good halfback. Has speed and can punt. Carried the ball only four times last year, but seems destined to get a good deal more work in 1940. From Aurora, Minn.

**BOB PAFFRATH:** chunky Bob Paffrath served most of last season as a blocking quarterback and thus missed his chance to carry the ball as he had done in his sophomore year. He may be shifted back to halfback this fall for another session of carrying the ball. Short and solidly built, he has both drive and speed. His blocking ability is attested to by the fact that he was moved to quarterback. From Redwood Falls.

**BRUCE SMITH:** as a sophomore a year ago, he was outstanding. Alternated with Franck in starting at left half, although he plays either side. Scored seven touchdowns in his first year, and carried the ball 337 yards in 64 tries for an average of 5.26 yards per attempt. Was the outstanding player of spring practise through every one of the intra squad scrimmages and the spring game. Is the son of Lucius Smith, Minnesota back on the teams of 1908-09-10. From Faribault.

##### Sophomores (9)

**GENE BIERHAUS:** his fine defensive play was a feature of spring practise. In one Saturday game he tackled the ball carrier so hard he momentarily knocked himself out. Took part in more than his share of plays from right halfback. From Brainerd.

**BILL GARNAAS:** another recruit from Minneapolis Marshall high near the campus, which has produced several of Minnesota's outstanding players. A good punter and a competent ball carrier.

**MIKE O'BRADOVICH:** This Red Wing boy was a member of the 1938 freshman squad, but was not registered in the University during the fall quarter last year and was not on the varsity squad. He returned to classes in the spring quarter and participated in the spring drills.

STAN SELVIG: was the outstanding halfback in the 1939 spring game and was counted upon to help the Gophers last fall. Was out of school, however, returning this past spring. He participated in spring practise and again displayed a good deal of ball-carrying ability. From Minneapolis Central.

#### THE FULLBACKS

##### Lettermen (2)

ED STEINBAUER: After a sophomore year spent as a fullback, Steinbauer was shifted to end last season where he played a total of 47 minutes. Graduation of Marty Christiansen from the fullback job brought Steinbauer back into the backfield. Has all the requirements of a good line-bucker and may have a good season. From Owatonna.

BOB SWEIGER: by mid-season last year, Sweiger had taken over the starting fullback assignment on the Minnesota eleven and he will probably return to that post this fall. Plenty of drive and a good deal of speed helped him to buck for 188 yards and an average of 3.76 yards per play last season. He also scored two touchdowns. From Minneapolis Central.

##### Reserves (1)

WARREN PLUNKETT: shifted from quarterback to fullback at various times last season, Plunkett spent much of his time mastering the assignments of both positions. He will probably be stationed at fullback this fall. From Austin, Minn.

##### Sophomores (1)

BILL DALEY: Ranks one-two with Dick Wildung as the outstanding freshman squad contribution. A fine all-around back, he runs with power, has plenty of drive and is expected to figure prominently in the Gopher fullback picture. He played his high school football in Melrose, but now resides in St. Cloud.

MINNESOTA'S FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF

BERNARD W. BIERMAN, head coach. Known for his emphasis on fundamentals and the successful record of his teams, Bierman will begin his ninth year as Minnesota coach in 1940. His lifetime coaching record of 116 wins, 35 losses and 10 ties represents consecutive coaching success. Since returning to the University of Minnesota, his alma mater, in 1932, he has directed Minnesota teams to four Big Ten championships and three national championships.

Born on a farm near Springfield, Minnesota in 1894, Bierman suffered from a bone infection in boyhood and was frequently confined to his bed or forced to use crutches. After the ailment had been corrected, he determined to participate in athletics and as a senior he captained the Litchfield, Minnesota high school football team in his senior year.

Three years of football at the University of Minnesota followed and Bierman was halfback and captain of the 1915 Gopher eleven that won the last Big Ten championship for Minnesota until the Bierman-coached team of 1934 accomplished the feat. He was awarded the 1915 Conference Medal for proficiency in the classroom and in athletics and participated in basketball and track.

After a period of service with the Marines during the war of 1914-18, Bierman was coach at the University of Montana, Mississippi A and M and Tulane before finally returning to Minnesota as coach in 1932. Bierman football is based on the single wing back with variations.

DR. GEORGE W. HAUSER, line coach. As a tackle on Minnesota teams of 1915-16-17, George Hauser was rated as one of the greatest linemen in the nation and missed all-America recognition only because of the advent of the war. Following the armistice, he returned to Minnesota to aid Dr. Henry L. Williams in coaching until 1923. Later assignments included a period as line coach at Ohio State, and head coach at Colgate and Iowa State. A graduate in forestry from Minnesota, Hauser left Colgate for Ohio State to study medicine. He finished his medical course while line coach there and served his internship at Minnesota. In 1932, Hauser returned to Minnesota as line coach under Bierman. At present he heads the athletic training staff and is on the staff of the University Students' Health Service.

ALBERT P. (BERT) BASTON, end coach. Another former Minnesota star under Dr. Williams, Baston was an all-America end on Walter Camp's teams of 1915-16. He was also captain of the 1916 team. During his coaching service at Minnesota, which was begun in 1930, Baston has coached many outstanding ends. Among them, Frank (Butch) Larson, all-America in 1933-34, and Ray King, all-America in 1936.

SHELDON BEISE, backfield. One of Minnesota's outstanding fullbacks, Beise played on the national championship teams of 1934 and 1935. When Lowell Dawson went to Tulane in 1936, Beise was appointed to the coaching staff. This is his fifth season as coach following three seasons as a player.

DALLAS WARD, freshman coach and scout. Joined the Minnesota coaching staff in 1936 after coaching at Minneapolis Marshall high, where he developed such well-known Minnesota players as Andy Uram, Rudy Gmitro, Babe LeVoir and George and Earl Svendsen. Played his football at Oregon State.

SIG HARRIS, reserve coach and scout. The oldest man in point of service on the Minnesota staff and one of the real figures of Minnesota football history. As an under-sized quarterback, Harris was one of the stars of the famous 6-6 tie between Minnesota and Michigan at Minneapolis in 1903. He has been a member of the coaching staff with but few intervals since his graduation. As reserve coach, he develops the "Bombers," a squad of ambitious boys who play football for the enjoyment of the game. He is a well-known scout in nearly every press box in the middle west.

FACTS WORTH NOTING

Regarding the Gophers and their Opponents

1939 Minnesota Statistics

Total Points Scored: Minn. 154, Opp. 82  
 Total First Downs: Minn. 102, Opp. 71  
   By Rushing: Minn. 80, Opp. 47  
   By Passing: Minn. 18, Opp. 21  
 Yards Gained Rushes: Minn. 2,065, Opp. 1,137  
 Yards Gained Passes: Minn. 404, Opp. 676  
 Total Yards by Scrimmage: Minn. 2,469, Opp. 1,813  
 Fwd. Passes Attempted: Minn. 74, Opp. 104  
 Fwd. Passes Completed: Minn. 26, Opp. 44  
 Fwd. Passes Intercept: Minn. 17, Opp. 5  
 Number of Punts: Minn. 82, Opp. 57  
 Average Yards per Punt: Minn. 39.1, Opp. 42.8  
 Total Yards Penalized: Minn. 265, Opp. 235  
 Fumbles: By Minn. 27, Opp. 19  
 Own Fumbles Recov. by Minn. 16, by Opp. 9  
 Opp. Fumbles Recov. by Minn. 10, Opp. 11

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1939 Individual Yardage

\*Returning for 1940 season

	Att.	Yds.	Av.
Van Every, hb	133	733	5.51
*Franck, hb	73	392	5.36
*Br. Smith, hb	64	337	5.26
*Sweiger, fb	50	188	3.76
Christiansen, fb	87	295	3.5
Johnson, hb	5	16	3.2
*Fitch, e	3	9	3.
Myre, hb	2	6	3.
*Mernik, qb	19	44	2.21
*Paffrath, hb	3	6	2.
*Bartelt, qb	2	3	1.5
*Jamnik, hb	4	5	1.25
Gould, qb	1	0	
Falk, fb	2	0	

Minnesota Results, 1934-39

1934  
 Minn. 56 N. Dak. St. 12  
 Minn. 20 Nebraska 0  
 Minn. 13 Pittsburgh 7  
 Minn. 48 Iowa 13  
 Minn. 34 Michigan 0  
 Minn. 30 Indiana 0  
 Minn. 35 Chicago 7  
 Minn. 34 Wisconsin 0  
 Minn. 270 Opponents 38

1935  
 Minn. 26 N. Dak. St. 6  
 Minn. 12 Nebraska 7  
 Minn. 20 Tulane 0  
 Minn. 21 N'western 13  
 Minn. 29 Purdue 7  
 Minn. 13 Iowa 6  
 Minn. 40 Michigan 0  
 Minn. 33 Wisconsin 7  
 Minn. 194 Opponents 46

1936  
 Minn. 14 Washington 7  
 Minn. 7 Nebraska 0  
 Minn. 26 Michigan 0  
 Minn. 33 Purdue 0  
 Minn. 0 Northwestern 6  
 Minn. 52 Iowa 0  
 Minn. 47 Texas 19  
 Minn. 24 Wisconsin 0  
 Minn. 203 Opponents 32

1937  
 Minn. 69 N. Dak. St. 7  
 Minn. 9 Nebraska 14  
 Minn. 6 Indiana 0  
 Minn. 39 Michigan 6  
 Minn. 6 Notre Dame 7  
 Minn. 35 Iowa 10  
 Minn. 7 N'western 0  
 Minn. 13 Wisconsin 6  
 Minn. 184 Opponents 50

1938  
 Minn. 15 Washington 0  
 Minn. 16 Nebraska 7  
 Minn. 7 Purdue 0  
 Minn. 7 Michigan 6  
 Minn. 3 N'western 6  
 Minn. 28 Iowa 0  
 Minn. 0 Notre Dame 19  
 Minn. 21 Wisconsin 0  
 Minn. 97 Opponents 38

1939  
 Minn. 62 Arizona 0  
 Minn. 0 Nebraska 6  
 Minn. 13 Purdue 13  
 Minn. 20 Ohio State 23  
 Minn. 7 Northwestern 14  
 Minn. 20 Michigan 7  
 Minn. 9 Iowa 13  
 Minn. 23 Wisconsin 6  
 Minn. 154 Opponents 82

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Minnesota's home games are played at Memorial Stadium, built in 1924. The stadium has a capacity of 50,600 in the permanent stands, but with the addition of bleachers can accommodate 64,000 as was the case for the Notre Dame game of 1937.

Officials for 1940 Minnesota Games

Sept. 28 WASHINGTON	LANE (Detroit)	SCHABINGER (Springfield)	NOBLE (Nebraska)	LARSON (Wisconsin)
Oct. 5 NEBRASKA	MASKER (Northwestern)	O'SULLIVAN	SIMPSON (Wisconsin)	WALDORF (Missouri)
Oct. 19 OHIO STATE	MASKER (Northwestern)	SCHOMMER (Chicago)	GOEBEL Michigan)	MILLARD (Ill. Wesleyan)
Oct. 26 IOWA	LANE (Detroit)	VICK (Michigan)	LARSON (Wisconsin)	WALDORF (Missouri)
Nov. 2 NORTHWESTERN	BIRCH (Earlham)	HEDGES (Dartmouth)	BARNUM (Wisconsin)	CURTISS (Chicago)
Nov. 9 MICHIGAN	BIRCH (Earlham)	KNIGHT (Dartmouth)	CRANGLE (Illinois)	HAMILTON (Notre Dame)
Nov. 16 PURDUE	DILWIG (Marquette)	KNIGHT (Dartmouth)	BARNUM (Wisconsin)	GRAVES (Illinois)
Nov. 23 WISCONSIN	KRIEGER (Ohio U.)	HEDGES (Dartmouth)	MILLARD (Ill. Wesleyan)	CURTISS (Chicago)

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SCHEDULES OF MINNESOTA'S OPPONENTS

<u>WASHINGTON</u>	<u>NEBRASKA</u>	<u>OHIO STATE</u>	<u>IOWA</u>
S 28 <u>Minnesota</u> (T)	S 28 NO GAME	S 28 Pittsburgh	S 28 NO GAME
O 5 Idaho	O 5 <u>Minnesota</u> (T)	O 5 Purdue	O 5 So. Dakota
O 12 Oregon (T)	O 12 Indiana	O 12 N'Western (T)	O 12 Wisconsin
O 19 Oregon State	O 19 Kansas (T)	O 19 <u>Minnesota</u>	O 19 Indiana (T)
O 26 California	O 26 Missouri	O 26 Cornell (T)	O 26 <u>Minnesota</u> (T)
N 2 NO GAME	N 2 Oklahoma (T)	N 2 Indiana	N 2 Purdue
N 9 Stanford (T)	N 9 Iowa	N 9 NO GAME	N 9 Nebraska (T)
N 16 So. Calif.	N 16 Pittsburgh (T)	N 16 Illinois (T)	N 16 Notre Dame (T)
N 23 U.C.L.A. (T)	N 23 Iowa State	N 23 Michigan	N 23 Illinois
N 30 Wash. State	N 28 Kansas State		

<u>NORTHWESTERN</u>	<u>MICHIGAN</u>	<u>PURDUE</u>	<u>WISCONSIN</u>
S 28 NO GAME	S 28 California (T)	S 28 Butler	S 28 NO GAME
O 5 Syracuse (T)	O 5 Mich. State	O 5 Ohio State (T)	O 5 Marquette
O 12 Ohio State	O 12 Harvard (T)	O 12 Mich. State (T)	O 12 Iowa (T)
O 19 Wisconsin (T)	O 19 Illinois	O 19 NO GAME	O 19 Northwestern
O 26 Indiana	O 26 Pennsylvania	O 26 Wisconsin	O 26 Purdue (T)
N 2 <u>Minnesota</u>	N 2 NO GAME	N 2 Iowa (T)	N 2 Illinois
N 9 Illinois	N 9 <u>Minnesota</u> (T)	N 9 Fordham (T)	N 9 Columbia (T)
N 16 Michigan (T)	N 16 Northwestern	N 16 <u>Minnesota</u> (T)	N 16 Indiana
N 23 Notre Dame	N 23 Ohio State (T)	N 23 Indiana	N 23 <u>Minnesota</u>





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Minneapolis, Jan. 19, 1942. Except for the backstroke event, ably handled by Captain George Brandt, the University of Minnesota's 1942 swimming team will be powered primarily by juniors.

A year ago last fall an influx of freshman tank talent appeared at the University pool and straightforward gave Coach Niels Thorpe an idea of things to come by defeating the varsity squad in the fall intersquad battle.

Most of those same swimmers will be heading the events this year in the eight dual meets scheduled for the Gophers, beginning with Chicago, January 31 at Minneapolis. Only major losses by graduation from last year's squad are Charles (Judd) Ringer, who has captained both swimmers and golfers at Minnesota, as well as performing brilliantly on the gridiron, and Mel Henderickson, backstroke leader.

Heading each event will be these men: Diving --- Dexter Phillips, former state high school champion at Iowa and Gopher understudy to Larry Perry for the past two years. Sophomore Vernon Ruotsalainen is the other diver.

Distances --- This is Minnesota's strongest event with Junior Arnie Elchlepp expected to take firsts in most of the meets. In practice trials, he has done the 220-yard free style in 2:13.6 --- three-tenths of a second short of the Big Ten record. Bob Acker, also a junior, is close behind Elchlepp for speed.

Dashes --- All three men, in this event, Ray Hakomaki, Glenn Baker, and Leon Lundblad, are of that 1940 flood of freshmen. Now all are competing about equally for the No. 1 spot in the dashes. Generally the weak link in the chain in recent years, the dashes are now reinforced by this trio plus Senior

Dick Ovestrud.

Backstroke --- Captain Brandt took over the back lead when Thorpe lost promising Charles Anderson this fall. Brandt is the only senior on the squad to hold a key position.

Breast stroke --- The loss of Ringer in this event appears to be adequately compensated for by Don Garniss, another junior. Versatile Garniss has been tested in about every style, depending upon the squad's needs. His new role as a breast stroke man helps to make one of the best balanced squads in recent years at Minnesota.

While Coach Thorpe refuses to predict how his men will come out (they took third in the conference last year), he looks for his closest meets with Michigan, Iowa and Ohio State.

THE LINEUP

\*indicates lettermen

Name	Event	year	Home
*Phillips, Dexter	Diving	Junior	Minneapolis
Ruotsalainen, Vernon	Diving	Sophomore	Virginia, Minn.
*Acker, Bob	220-440	Junior	Minneapolis
*Elchlepp, Arnold	220-440	Junior	Minneapolis
Elling, Richard	220-440	Senior	Minneapolis
*Baker, Glenn	50-100	Junior	Minneapolis
*Hakomaki, Ray	50-100	Junior	Gilbert, Minn.
*Lundblad, Leon	50-100	Junior	Minneapolis
Nearhood, Jack	50-100	Junior	Minneapolis
Ovestrud, Richard	50-100	Senior	Minneapolis
Towle, James	50-100	Junior	Brainerd, Minn.
*Brandt, George (Capt.)	Backstroke	Senior	St. Paul
Ewens, Bill	Backstroke	Sophomore	Virginia, Minn.
Lindow, Howard	Backstroke	Senior	Minneapolis
*Garniss, Don	Breast Stroke	Junior	Mt. Vernon, N.Y.
Sivertsen, Bob	Breast Stroke	Sophomore	Minneapolis

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Minneapolis, Feb. 2, 1942. The pole vault and shot put events are the two best cards in the hands of the University of Minnesota's Track Coach Jim Kelly this year.

Big Ten champion Jack DeField is back with the Gophers in the pole vault and Bob Fitch, known also for his rugged end work on the national championship football team, will enter both the shot put and discus. Fitch took second in these in the outdoors conference meet last spring.

In all, 10 lettermen have been working out every day in the Field house who, with eight other candidates, make up a squad of veteran material. Lost, however, are 15 men, including George Franck who last year won the 60-yard dash in the conference indoor meet. Coach Kelly figures on at least four more strong competitors joining the competition in the spring. They are Bob Bailey, shot put; Bill Alexander, 440; and Bruce James and Richard Peterson in the 880.

The Gill twins, Art and Jack, will be back to represent Minnesota in the mile and the two-mile respectively. Charles Hosfield, who placed fifth in the conference high jump last year, is now Kelly's only contestant in that event.

The Lineup

\*indicates lettermen

NAME	EVENT	YR.	HOME
Marsh Potter	60-yd. dash	2nd	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
*Bob Johnson	440-yard	3rd	Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
*Joe Hayes	440-yard	3rd	Minneapolis
*John Marwin	440-yard	2nd	Minneapolis
Ralph Pohland	880-yard	1st	Minneapolis
Bob Lund	880-yard	1st	Minneapolis
*Art Gill	Mile	2nd	Minneapolis
*Homer Barnett	Mile	3rd	Fairmont
*Jack Gill	Two-mile	2nd	Minneapolis
Floyd Foslien	Two-mile	1st	Minneapolis
Jim Fitzgerald	High hurdles	1st	Yankton, S. Dak.
Frank Adams	Low hurdles	2nd	Minneapolis
*Jack DeField	Pole vault	3rd	Minneapolis
*Bob Fitch	Shot put	3rd	St. Louis Park
Ray Milberg	Shot put	1st	Duluth
*Charles Hosfield	High jump	2nd	Owatonna
*Jerry Smerda	Broad jump	3rd	Chicago, Illinois
Roger Morris	Broad jump	2nd	Mantiwoc, Wisconsin

THE SCHEDULE

Indoor Track

Feb. 12 State Meet here  
 Feb. 14 Illinois Relays, Campaign  
 Feb. 23 Wisconsin here  
 Feb. 27 Iowa, Iowa City  
 Mar. 6&7 Indoor Conference, Chicago  
 Mar. 21 Daily News Meet, Chicago

Outdoor Track

Mar. 28 Texas Relays, Austin, Tex.  
 Apr. 18 Kansas Relays, Lawrence,  
 Kansas  
 Apr. 25 Drake Relays, Des Moines,  
 Ia.  
 May 2 Purdue-Iowa-Northwestern,  
 Lafayette, Ind.  
 May 9 Wisconsin, Madison  
 May 16 Iowa, here  
 May 23 Illinois, here  
 May 29&30 Conference Meet, Chicago  
 June 6 Central Intercollegiate,  
 Milwaukee  
 June 13 Big Ten-Pacific Coast  
 Dual meet  
 June 19&20 National Collegiate,  
 Lincoln, Nebr.



Minneapolis, Feb. 21. A group of scientists watching a Minnesota basketball game might refer to him as an *Oryctolagus cuniculus*, but to his teammates he's known as just plain "Rabbit".

And Warren Ajax, the versatile University of Minnesota cager, didn't come by that name for nothing. Ever since his high school days at Minneapolis Central, Ajax has been famous for that quick, bounding style that seems to click best when his team is behind and needs an extra shot of energy to bring about a rally. Coach Dave MacMillan learned to use "Rabbit" Ajax for that purpose, alternating him at guard, forward or center, depending upon the strategy of the moment.

Back in his prep days, Ajax's 94 points for the 1939 season put him in second place in city scoring -- second to Tony Jaros' 194 points, which is an all-time city record. Jaros and Ajax, formerly opponents, are now teamed up as one of the fastest and shiftiest pairs on the Minnesota court in many years.

Ajax came into the Gopher limelight last season in the game against Northwestern. With Minnesota trailing 18-17 at the half, Coach MacMillan gave Ajax his first test as a rally-rouser and the former Central standout promptly netted eight field goals. The Gophers won, 55-34.

The Iowa game at Iowa City this year, Ajax says, was the best thriller for his money. It was another case in which the Gophers trailed and "Rabbit" went in and won the game. In the close 41-39 victory, he tallied 17 points.

A major in physical education, Ajax has one more year left on the basketball squad. To date, he ties teammate Don Smith for the lead in scoring in

Big Ten games. Each has an even 100 points in 12 games. Ajax in the spring and summer months turns to his other love -- baseball.

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When Minnesota's track team downed Wisconsin in the only home indoor meet of the season February 23, it was the first time since 1923 that a Gopher cinder squad has won a dual meet over a Badger team. At Monday's meet, Bill Williams of Wisconsin and Jack DeField of Minnesota tied for a new Field House pole vault record of 13'11 7/8". The old record of 13'10" was set by Milt Padway of Wisconsin two years ago.

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Biggest home event for the Minnesota swimming team takes place in the Cooke Hall pool March 7 when the Gophers will encounter the almost unbeatable Michigan tankers. Yale recently proved, however, that all good things must come to an end by defeating the Wolverines, thus ending a streak of 35 dual meets without defeat.

It will be a case of the toughest team in the Big Ten facing one of the toughest runner-up contenders when Michigan and Minnesota meet. With only one loss (Ohio State) and five victories (Chicago, Iowa, Iowa State, Northwestern and Illinois) to date, the Gophers will finish the dual meet season against Michigan. In the meantime, Wisconsin will meet Minnesota here February 28, but Minnesota is favored to slip past this opponent.

Best point-getters for Minnesota this year have been Arnie Elcalepp and Bob Acker in the distances, Don Garniss in the breast stroke, and Ray Hakomaki in the dashes. All four of these men, now juniors, are of the 1939 fall freshman crop that received wide praise at that time.



Minneapolis, March 3, 1942. Football may be a fall sport to most people, but to some 75 freshmen at the University of Minnesota, it's an all-around affair and they believe in working all winter to get their cleats into the good earth of a gridiron next fall.

Dr. George Hauser, head-coach during Bernie Bierman's service with the Marines; Dal Ward, freshman coach; and Sheldon Beise, backfield coach, have been drilling the plebes in the University Field House since January 13, dividing the candidates into numeral winners and non-numeral winners. Most of them have been blocking, charging, passing and scrimmaging since football season opened last September.

Of the 13 men selected by Coach Ward for praise after two quarters of coaching, six are from Minneapolis, two from neighboring St. Paul, one from out of state, and the remaining nine represent towns in the State of Minnesota.

Interestingly enough, four of the most outstanding freshmen performers were prep teammates at Minneapolis West high, the school that won the Twin City title last year.

They are Jim Jewett, guard; Phil Lewis, tackle; Roy Lilja, end, and Fred Baston, end. Baston is the son of Gopher end coach, Bert Baston.

Others who will be the men to watch next season when Minnesota defends its national championship are:

Left Halfbacks -- Red Williams, Mpls. Roosevelt, and Joe Silovich, Eveleth.

Fullbacks -- Bob Kula, Jackson, and Dick Hoffman, Mpls. Washburn.

Quarterbacks -- Jerry Carle, North St. Paul, and George Holt, Austin.

Right Halfbacks -- Dick Luckemeyer, St. Cloud; Bob Mary, St. Cloud,  
and Bob Barnes, Oxboro.

Guards -- Charles Dellaho, Virginia, and Dick Plunkett, Austin.

Tackles -- Jack Heeren, Chicago, Ill.; Charles Heimark, Clarkfield;  
and Bill Drake, St. Thomas.

Ends -- Lilja and Baston.

Gopher strength, according to the talent distribution now, will lie in  
the backfield next fall. Of the men who started on the famous Gopher line of 1941,  
only Captain Dick Windung will be back. The backfield, however, will have such  
veterans as Bill Daley, Bill Garnas and Bud Higgins.

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Louis Keller, acting-director of athletics, Dr. George Hauser, head  
football coach during Bernie Bierman's service in the Marines, and Professor Henry  
Rottschaefter, faculty conference representative, will attend the Western Conference  
meeting in Chicago this week.

The wartime issue of whether freshmen will be permitted to participate  
in intercollegiate athletics next year will be one of the main problems to settle.

The University of Minnesota, Keller said, is against any change that  
would waive one-year residence rules for college athletes.





Minneapolis, March 16, 1942 The number of talented freshmen basketball players coming up for next year exceeds by a good margin the number of veterans who will be lost to the University of Minnesota this spring.

Of the first two teams that went through the 21-game season, only three men will be lost by graduation. They are Don Smith, Harold Thune and Stuart MacDonald.

While the Maroon and Gold have been running the gauntlet of conference and non-conference games, Freshman Coach Mike Cielusak had been drilling a better-than-average freshman squad of some 60 men.

There are ten especially good men in the group, and towering above them all is Bill Ekberg, the biggest freshman basketball player to come to Minnesota. Standing just over 6 feet, 5 inches, this center comes from Marshall high school where good basketball teams are perennial affairs.

For his size, Ekberg handles himself with agility and will give Bill Lind and Don Mattson something to worry about next fall in the scramble for center.

The freshmen have been scrimmaging with the varsity during the season and the best forward combination developed is that of Dave Ruliffson and Wesley Windmiller.

Last year Ruliffson was key man on the city championship team of Minneapolis Washburn while Windmiller is a Fergus Falls boy.

Others showing varsity possibilities are Walter Olson, guard from Minneapolis Roosevelt; Bob Lund, center also from Roosevelt; George McNamara, a rugged center from Duluth; Louis Brewster, Wahpeton, N. Dak. guard; Arnold Lehrman, forward from Minneapolis North; Bentley Smith, forward from Rochester; and Wayne Bredeson, guard from Thief River Falls.

Generally speaking, 1942-43 Gopher team will lack the height of the past season's quintet. Losses by graduation will be small and there will be such returning veterans as Lind, Mattson, Tony Jaros, Warren Ajax and Ken Exel.

The University of Minnesota football team will begin to defend its title March 30, for that is the opening date of spring practice, beginning in the Field House and continuing outdoors when weather clears.

Led by 23 returning lettermen, about 75 first stringers, reserves and freshmen will prepare for what appears to be a heavier-than-usual schedule next fall. There may be additions of military service schools to the regular eight-game schedule.

Although the Gopher coaches make no pre-season predictions, the number of returning players and promising sophomores for 1942 indicates a team with talent concentrated in the backfield.

Returning for backfield duties are such veterans as Bill Daley and Mike Welch, fullbacks; Warren Plunkett, quarterback; and Bill Carnaas, Bud Higgins, Gene Bierhaus, Herman Frickey and Joe Lauterbach, halfbacks. While most of those who made up the rugged Minnesota first-string line last year are gone, there are enough veterans to form the nucleus of a forward wall. Captain Dick Wildung, Paul Mitchell and Manly Wilcox are tackle prospects. Guards were the hardest hit by graduation which means that some tackles probably will be converted to guards.

Again, Minnesota will have strong end replacements. Cliff Anderson, Bill Baumgartner, Herb Hein, Joe Hirscher and John Mulready have all seen action at this position.

Of the freshmen who have worked out since last fall with Dal Ward, freshman coach, such men as Red Williams, Joe Silovich, Bob Hary, Dick Luckemeyer, Fred Baston and Jim Jewett stand ready to compete for varsity posts.



Minneapolis, March 27, 1942. That Minnesota is going to have the very best football it can under wartime circumstances will be the understanding when Dr. George Hauser and his newly revamped coaching staff meet the 1942 squad to open spring practice on Monday, March 30.

During the last world war athletics moped and nearly died from lack of attention, but this time the national policy calls for detailed attention to physical condition and bodily hardening, and college athletics will be held up both as a means to those ends and as an example.

Twenty-five lettermen are expected back to lead the squad of better than 100 men who will get their first taste of drill under the coaching combination of Dr. Hauser, Red Dawson, Bud Wilkinson, Bert Baston, Sig Harris and John Ronning.

Of the reserves who, under Bernie Bierman last fall, got into some of the games, about 20 will be out Monday to match their physical ability with the lettermen. Herb Hein, an end, and Jerry Kolander, halfback, have forsaken football duties temporarily to work out with Coach Lou Keller's baseball squad.

In addition, some 75 freshmen have drilled through the winter in the Field House and better than 60 will show up with the rest on Northrop practice field. From these a few will be promoted to the reserve section before spring practice ends.

When graduation took its toll last fall, 15 lettermen left and six of these were guards. Moreover, not too many of the men who will show up Monday are trained for guard duty. Best prospects are Wally Holmstrom, a letterman; John Bichanich, Bob Sanders and George Path, reserves; and Charles Dellaho of Virginia and Dick Plunkett of Austin, both outstanding freshmen during fall and winter practices. Plunkett is the brother of quarterback Warren Plunkett.

As was shown during last year's games, Minnesota had and still has plenty of good ends. Only Bob Fitch and Charles (Judd) Ringer graduated, leaving six men as most likely contestants for the regular post next fall. They are Bill Baumgartner, who was hurt in the opening game last season; Joe Hirscher, Cliff

Anderson, Carl Ekberg, Hein and John Mulready. Two men, Roy Lilja and Fred Baston, have been praised for their work in this position with the freshman squad. They are both from the city championship Minneapolis West high.

Captain Dick Wildung leads the tackle aggregation and is strongly supported by veteran line-plungers. Only Butch Levy and Urban Odson of the starters graduated, leaving such men as Ed Lechner, Paul Mitchell, John Townley and Manly Wilcox of last year's reserves and Jack Heeren of Chicago and Charles Heimark of Clarkfield, coming up from the plebe team.

The backfield next year will be composed almost entirely of 1941 veterans. All-American Bruce Smith and versatile Bob Sweiger left, but returning are Bill Daley, who scored more points for the Gophers than any other man last season; Bud Higgins, shifty halfback; Bill Garnaas, the quarterback who is slated to move over to a halfback position; and Warren Plunkett, who may handle Garnaas' quarterback work. Backing these men will be Herman Frickey, Gene Bierhaus, Joe Lauterbach and Mike Welch, all lettermen; Mike O'Bradovich, Kollander, Earl Eli Bob Graiziger, reserves; and some good new material in Red Williams of Roosevelt in Minneapolis; Joe Silovich, Eveleth; Bob Kula, Jackson; and Dick Luckemeyer and Bob Hary, both of St. Cloud.

Practice will continue into May with intra-squad games scheduled for Saturday mornings and a final spring game at the end.

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Minneapolis, March                      March 30 will be a homecoming for the football coaching staff at the University of Minnesota. Dr. George Hauser, newly-appointed head coach, will start spring practice with a staff of assistants of whom all but one are former Minnesota football players.

Dr. Hauser, in every case, has rounded up just the men he wants to help him successfully continue the football program at Minnesota. They are Charles (Bud) Wilkinson, Lowell (Red) Dawson, and John Roaing. Bert Baston will continue as end coach unless he goes into service.

Coach of the famous Minnesota lines and assistant to Bernie Bierman since 1932, Dr. Hauser is the logical successor to Bierman. As a Gopher tackle in 1915-16-17 under Dr. Henry L. Williams, Hauser was one of the greatest tackles

ever to play in the West. After serving in the Navy in the first world war, he returned to aid Dr. Williams as assistant coach at Minnesota and continued under Bill Spaulding until 1923.

His coaching career from there took him to Iowa State college where he was line coach, then to Colgate as head coach. He left Colgate for Ohio State to take a medical course and coach the Buckeye line. Upon finishing his medical studies, his internship brought him back to Minnesota.

Dr. Hauser still finds time to mix medicine and football, being at present a physician in the Student Health Service.

The new backfield coach will be Lowell (Red) Dawson, formerly head coach at Tulane. When Bierman came to Minnesota from Tulane 10 years ago, he brought his quarterback, Dawson, with him as backfield coach. Dawson remained with the Gopher staff until 1935 when he returned to Tulane.

Wilkinson will be assistant line and assistant backfield coach. He played guard at Minnesota in 1934-35 and switched to quarterback in 1936.

"The fact that he could move from guard to quarterback as a player and stand out in both positions shows how versatile Wilkinson is," Hauser said. Wilkinson gave up his job as line coach at Syracuse to return to Minnesota.

Ronning, Minnesota end in 1932-3-4, has been selected to take over the freshman coaching duties. His coaching experience began at Anoka and Red Wing high schools and from there he stepped into the position of head coach at Gustavus Adolphus.

Sig Harris will continue as reserve coach. He has been connected with Minnesota football as a coach much of the time since graduation from the university in 1904.

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Minneapolis, April 5, 1942. Dave MacMillan, newly-appointed head baseball coach at Minnesota is busy working a sizable sophomore squad into his veteran lineup before the season's opener at Iowa City April 10-11. Loss of six lettermen will give new talent much opportunity to land on the first nine this year.

Frank (Stub) Knox, who captained the Gophers in 1940 from second base, has been assisting with coaching duties ever since the squad first turned out in the Field House in February.

Another second baseman will captain the team through this season. He is Jack Langan, the right-hander from Odell, Ill. Backing him up as a nucleus will be three other lettermen, John Feickert, Moorhead, in the outfield; Alden Burkstrand, Cokato, short stop; and Bill Anderson, Minneapolis, on the mound.

Anderson injured his leg recently and the Gophers may depend upon veteran Norm Gallup to do much of the hurling. Gallup pitched in three games last year to relieve the arm of No. 1 pitcher, Gene Flick.

Although the team lost some of its best hitters, Coach MacMillan is confident that the veterans who are back and the few outstanding sophomores will more than make up for their loss. Gone are Captain George Sweeney, first base; George Boerner, left field; Bob Gronc, center field; Bob Sweiger, catcher; Flick, pitcher; and Bill Galligan, second base.

Two basketball men, Bill Lind and Warren Ajax, who

were pitcher and outfielder, respectively, last season will not be back. Lind is concentrating on spring basketball practice, while teammate Ajax is working in a defense plant. Holding the fort for the basketball representatives on the diamond, however, are Ken Exel, a catcher, and Don Mattson in center field.

Only football player on the team will be Jerry Kolander in the infield; while the hockey squad will be represented by hockey captain Al Eggleton, now in the outfield.

Minnesota's usual southern practice trips were called off because of transportation difficulties, but the coach hastily scheduled some strong local teams to break the boys in for Big Ten competition.

Although this is his first year as a Minnesota baseball coach, MacMillan is no rookie on the diamond, having coached baseball at the University of Idaho before coming to Minnesota 15 years ago.

The Gophers' batting power will be a matter of speculation until the season gets under way, since the best hitters of last year have all graduated. Captain Langan, Mattson, Burkstrand, Phil Canterbury, John Feickert and Dick Warner are expected to do well with the bat.



Minneapolis, April 16, 42. Just when coaches are looking for young talent to keep up the quality of athletic programs without interfering with the national emergency, Dr. George Hauser and his staff have found a favorable number of good football players among the freshmen and sophomores coming out for spring practice.

Added to about eighty freshmen are 25 lettermen and 17 reserves listed on the spring roster. This year the spring squad lost only two men to other spring sports when Jerry Kolander, Slayton; and Bob Graiziger, St. Paul, donned baseball uniforms. From the basketball court, the football coaches mustered two outstanding performers at both sports -- Bernie Nelson and Dick Burk.

Although a disproportionate number of the 15 lettermen lost by graduation last fall were guards, practice sessions so far reveal that this situation will be well taken care of by October. While Butch Levy, Gordon Paschka, Bob Smith, Helge Pukema and Howie Straiton are gone from the guard position, Dr. Hauser still has John Billman, Wally Holmstrom, Bob Sandberg, John Bichanich and some new hope in Charles Dellago, Virginia; Jim Jewett, Minneapolis; and Bill Hopp, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

The famous Minnesota line will be slightly lighter this year due to the loss of such bulwarks as Urban Odson and Levy, but, again,



balance and speed describe the forward combination.

In the backfield, the present weak point is the tail-back position. Veteran Herman Frickey is still nursing a trick knee sustained last season. Backing him will be little Bud Higgins, and two new standouts, Joe Silovich, Eveleth; and Wayne (Red) Williams of Minneapolis Roosevelt.

Being tested at right half duties are Gene Bierhaus, Charles Sandberg, Dave Thomas -- all veterans -- and two newcomers, Bob Hary and Dick Luckemeyer, both from St. Cloud. Backfield Coach Red Dawson picks Luckemeyer as his speediest back but he will need much varsity competition before rounding out into a topnotch player.

Bill Daley will do most of the fullback work next season and will probably have helping him Mike Welch of Minneapolis, Graiziger, St. Paul; and Bob Kula, a freshman from Jackson who already is working out with the first and second string squad.

The usual matter of military service will not seriously affect the Gopher squad for the present as many of the first string possibilities have enlisted in the navy's V-7 and will be deferred until they graduate.

Bill Garnaas, star quarterback last year, is the only one who might be called soon in which case the Gophers will have a little difficulty filling Garnaas' shoes. Bernie Nelson, hefty center last year, has been switched to a first-string quarterback spot, Garnaas moved over to halfback but will still call signals.

Stressing the fact that the squad on the whole will need plenty of hard drilling to get into competitive shape to defend the national title, the coaches, however, are optimistic about the large turnout this spring.



Minneapolis, May 24 - The University of Minnesota will face a tough nine-game schedule under wartime football conditions next fall with a team that will be well prepared to uphold the Gopher's reputation for strength.

Six weeks of spring practice, just finished, has given Dr. George Hauser, head coach, and his assistants, reason to believe that the Golden Gophers of 1942 will be another fine team.

Without ignoring the veterans who proved themselves last season under Bernie Bierman, Dr. Hauser has his eye on several newcomers whom he considers varsity material.

Joe Silovich of Eveleth appears to have the ability to become a real half back. The range athlete, a sophomore next season, has not only the required elusiveness, but possesses the most accurate passing arm on the squad.

Bob Hary, the St. Cloud halfback, and Bob Kula, outstanding new fullback from Jackson, were also selected by their coach as able substitutes for the veteran backfield of Bill Garneas, quarterback; Herman Frickey, right half; Bill Daley, left half; and Vic Kulbitski, fullback.

Daley, in his new role at the tailback position, spiked earlier rumors that he would not make as good a left half as a fullback. Nicknamed "Blastin' Bill", the 205-pound senior ran for three of the four Gold touchdowns in the annual spring game and set up the other with a pass.

Garneas, tested at left half for awhile this spring, will fit into the backfield somewhere. One of the best sophomore quarterbacks in recent Minnesota history, Garneas will undoubtedly call signals whether he remains at quarterback or is shifted.

Of the linemen, besides the two fine ends of 1941, Herb Hein and Bill Baumgartner, Dr. Hauser was particularly impressed with Jerry Mulready from Fargo, N. D., a junior this year; and Cliff Anderson, a Minneapolis man who saw some action last season.

Rudy Sikich, the rugged tackle from Hibbing, is gradually matching the science of the game with his physical abilities and will be worth watching as a mate for Captain Dick Wildung.

One who has turned in a consistently good performance among the 1941 freshmen is Charles Dellago. Another iron range athlete (Virginia). Dellago has been a first string guard since practice started.

Vic Kulbitski turned out to be a most versatile player this spring. Started at center, the position he held as a reserve last season, he was temporarily moved to quarterback and ended up a fullback. A reckless line-plunger, Kulbitski has not only the weight (196 pounds) but the speed, which he developed as a high school trackman at Red Wing.

Summing spring practice up, Dr. Hauser said, "It has been a normal practice, and the team spirit has been very high throughout."

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Bob Fitch and Jack DeField, the two University of Minnesota outdoor track champions in the discus and pole vault respectively, did not end their competitive careers with the Big Ten meet at Northwestern last week where both took first places.

Jim Kelly, Minnesota track coach, will send both to the Central Intercollegiates at Milwaukee, June 6, the Big Ten-Pacific meet to be held either June 9 or 16 at Northwestern, and the N.C.A.A. at Lincoln, Nebr. June 12 and 13.

In addition, Floyd Foslien, sophomore two-miler, and Dick Kelley, sophomore dashman, qualified to participate in these meets.

The combination of a record attendance at the University of Minnesota summer session and the present necessity for physical fitness has resulted in the Gopher athletic department devoting all available equipment and talent towards the hardening and conditioning of male students at the university.

Led by Dr. Louis Keller, the summer athletic staff members have "doubled up" in an effort to provide a well-balanced program for civilian and army and navy students alike.

Ralph Piper, gymnastic coach in the winter, is again Director of Recreation and handles the intramural program, tennis and golf meets, square dances and educational tours.

W. R. Smith, golf coach, has been busy turning the Gopher plant over to the navy's electrical and aeronautical engineering students stationed on the campus where the enrollment will eventually total 1,000 gobs. Working with Ensign George Barnes of the naval unit, Smith is splicing physical training with book learning.

Track Coach Jim Kelly has classes in Memorial Stadium every day and is also assisting the aquatennial committee with the "On To Victory" track meet in the Stadium July 25. Cornelius Warmerdam, world's greatest pole vaulter, has been invited as a special attraction for this meet.

Research and supervision both locally and nationally is left to capable Dr. Carl Nordly, one of the nation's outstanding authorities on the physical fitness program. He recently returned from Washington where he outlined the Minnesota system to government officials.

Maury Ostrander, former Gopher swimming and gymnastics star and physical education instructor at Marshall high school in Minneapolis, has been added to the full-time staff to assist in various athletic capacities. Clarence Osell, orthopedics instructor, and Sheldon Beise, former Minnesota backfield coach, are assisting in the general summer program.

The complete football staff, headed by Dr. George Hauser, is headquartered in Cooke Hall where the mentors are both teaching and plotting the strategy for defending the national football title.

"In these times," said Director Keller, "everybody has to pitch in and help the other fellow and it makes for a healthier program when a coach can see the problems connected with other sports beside his own."

Keller himself is handling the baseball schedule this summer and games will be played two or three times a week with local teams.

The 50-yard-line stretcher has been dusted off and oiled up again by Leslie Schroeder, University of Minnesota athletic ticket manager, and the Gopher plant is set for the onrush of football requests.

Application blanks have been mailed to regular season ticket holders this week and the mailing will continue through next week. Deadline on seat priorities for these persons is August 30.

Price for the eight regular games is \$13.75 while the game against Bernie Bierman's Seahawks at Minneapolis (not included in the season ticket) is \$2.75.

The six home games, Pittsburgh (Sept. 26), Iowa Naval Training Base (Oct. 3), Michigan (Oct. 24) Northwestern (Oct. 31), Indiana (Nov. 7) and Iowa (Nov. 14) will cost \$2.75 apiece if season books are not bought whereas the price on games away are as follows: Illinois (Oct. 10), \$2.50; Nebraska (Oct. 17), \$2.50; and Wisconsin (Nov. 21), \$2.75.

Gopher fans should witness a normal attendance season in spite of the war, according to Schroeder. The only two factors that might cut down the size of the crowd are transportation difficulties and the fact that many fans are now in the services and are unable to attend. Special rates will be arranged for those service men who can come and these rates will be announced before each game.

The Michigan battle, one of the strongest crowd magnets of the 1942 season, will be Homecoming Day and the Indiana game has been designated as Dads' Day.



Minneapolis, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> Labor Day will be just that for Dr. George Hauser and his football coaching assistants. On September 7 the head coach will blow his whistle for the first time this season as a signal for all University of Minnesota football aspirants to buckle down to the task of preparing for the toughest schedule the Gophers have ever played.

From the opening game against Pittsburgh September 26 at Minneapolis to the traditionally final game against Wisconsin at Madison November 21 there will be no free Saturdays and many of the opponents, according to Hauser, will be as strong as or stronger than they were in 1941, when the Gophers barely slipped through the season undefeated.

It will be the fourth meeting with Pitt and, as yet, the Eastern teams have not conquered the Gophers. On October 3, Lt. Col. Bernie Bierman will find himself in familiar surroundings but unfamiliar circumstances. His Seahawk eleven from the Iowa City Naval Aviation Pre-Flight school will play his former charges in Memorial Stadium.

Not since 1920 has a Minnesota team met Illinois at Urbana, but this year the Gophers will play their first conference game against Coach Ray Eliot's Illini there on October 10. Both teams will be led by new head coaches. The week after the Illinois trip, the Gophers will swing over to Lincoln to play Nebraska. Little is known of Nebraska's power, but many of the Cornhuskers who held the Gophers to a 9-0 win last year will be back.

Michigan, always one of the strongest opponents on Minnesota's schedule, is expected to be just as powerful as it was last year. The Wolverines will come to Minneapolis October 24 determined to end a

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10-year losing streak against Minnesota.

The Homecoming opponent on October 31 will be Northwestern. This is another game that Dr. Hauser expects will test every bit of ability his players have. Northwestern will have met Michigan the week before and if both survive the Wolverine date this game may well be the highlight of the season.

Indiana, reputedly stronger this year than it has been in many seasons, will face Minnesota at Minneapolis November 7, Dads' Day. In thirteen games played against the Hoosiers, Minnesota has lost only one, but it has been five years since these two met and Indiana has been improving steadily.

Iowa will be the last home opponent in 1942 and, again, Minnesota coaches expect no easy time of it. Minnesota's one consolation is that Iowa, too, will have gone through a severe schedule.

Led by the brilliant fullback, Pat Harder, the Wisconsin eleven is expected to give the Gophers more opposition than they did in 1941.

This will be the first season since 1931 in which Minnesota has played more than eight games.





Minneapolis, Aug/14--What switches must be made in the backfield of Minnesota's football team to produce the greatest gaining power, and who shall be used at left half to give the team greatest balance are problems now troubling the coaching staff according to Red Dawson, backfield coach. If Bill Daley goes to left, as seems probable, a couple of new fullbacks will have to be developed. If he doesn't, there's to be an important berth open that will give the sophomores something to scramble for.

One certainty in the situation seems to be that Bill Garnaas, blocking back, will do the signal calling, although there are several others who can alternate with him at that chore, including Joe Lauterbach, Jim Haley, and two promising sophomores, Jerry Carle and Frank Johnson, who is to be moved into the backfield from the line.

Herman Frickey, the speedy junior who made the winning touchdown run against Michigan last season, will have first option on the right halfback position. He not only has speed but is an accurate passer.

Two St. Cloud boys, Bob Hary and Dick Luckemeyer, are picked to break into the varsity scene in their first year. Dawson was pleased with the way these men performed through spring practice and plans to use them as alternates at right half. Luckemeyer, a former state dash champion, is the fastest man on the squad. Hary is noted for his cutback technique.

It will be in the tailback position that the most interest will be shown. When Daley was moved from fullback to tailback this spring there was considerable speculation as he had been one of the best fullbacks in the country.

But his performance in his new role convinced skeptics that, fullback or left half, he was still the same charging Daley.

Three sophomores will help out both Daley and Higgins. They will be Joe Silovich, Red Williams and Bill Johnson. All three showed up well this spring and, with depth one of Dawson's biggest problems, are expected to get a hasty initiation into the varsity lineups.

When Dr. George Hauser moved Daley out of the fullback position revisions were necessary all around. Vic Kulhitski was taken from center, where there is an unusual amount of strength, and tested in Daley's old spot. The Red Wing athlete caught on rapidly and will probably start at fullback in September. Four newcomers will vie for second choice at fullback. They will be Bob Kula, Bob Graiziger, Bob Sandberg and Ray Milberg.

Regarding the problem of passing, Dawson said that the Gophers will throw quite a few this season. "Daley came along pretty well with his passing in the spring workout and he has been working on it all summer." Frickey, Garnaas and Luckemeyer are the other aerial attackers.

While Dawson rightly emphasized the "greenness" of the 1942 back-field, Gopher fans' can recall the work of such returning stars as Daley and Garnaas. Daley, in both his sophomore and junior years, led his teammates in yards gained as well as touchdown honors. Garnaas is rated as one of the smartest and most versatile field generals Minnesota has had in recent years. He played in over 40 minutes in every game last year as a sophomore and pulled the Gophers out of many tight squeezes.

As in the past, Dawson said, Minnesota will stick pretty closely to the single-wingback formation and the Minnesota shift.



Minneapolis, Sept. 7: Stoutly protesting against a flood of pre-season "dope" that has them set down as the nation's Number One football team, Minnesota's Gophers turned out today about 60 strong to prepare for a season that has them on the spot.

Dr. George Hauser, former line coach, and a staff of assistants new to Minnesota but all experienced and able, fell to work at once to build a team from a squad which admittedly includes two of the country's outstanding players, Captain Dick Wildung, tackle, and Blasting Bill Dailey, halfback with plenty of fullback experience.

Garnaas, Frickey, Higgins and a small group of other backs coming up from the freshman squad or available from a year ago are the ones from whom a ball-carrying machine must be built to go with Blasting Bill. Vic Kulbitski, Mike Welch and Bob Kula are fullback candidates who hope to step into the shoes left vacant when Dr. Hauser converted Dailey to a left halfback.

"Red" Dawson, Bierman's backfield coach during the latter's first years at Minnesota and later for several years headcoach at Tulane, where he had played, is Hauser's first assistant, backed up in his task by such new men as Bud Wilkinson and John Roning, former greats under Bernie Bierman, and, as new freshman coach, Francis "Pug" Lund with new helpers. Every man on the squad is thoroughly indoctrinated with the Bierman style of play. Hauser will have full charge but will also continue in the function of line coach in which he is admitted to have no peers in present day collegiate football.

The squad has a considerable number of competent linemen and ends but as a whole can hardly be thought to live up to its terrific advance

reception, especially when one considers that it has lost such players from a year ago as Fitch and Ringer at ends, Sweiger and Bruce Smith from the backfield, and, for examples, from the line, Urban Odson, Butch Levy, Helge Pukema, Neil Litman, Bob Smith and Gordon Paschka.

Like other conference teams, Minnesota will play a longer than usual schedule this year and will have no open dates from the opening of the season against Pittsburgh on September 26 to its close against Wisconsin at Madison November 21. At home the Gophers will meet, after Pittsburgh, Iowa Naval Training School, Michigan, Northwestern, Indiana and Iowa, while away, besides Wisconsin, they will play Nebraska at Lincoln and Illinois at Urbana.

Headcoach Hauser feels that if Minnesota is to stand out above the field it will have to be because other teams are weak, rather than on account of any unusual Gopher strength. And this, he says, is not to be expected, for the nation is putting into the field some unusually husky outfits, with Minnesota meeting Michigan, Northwestern, Wisconsin and Indiana among teams that are expected to show at least last year's strength and, in some instances, marked improvement.

Material in all positions runs shallow, although first-line troops are strong and reliable. To bolster the few ends available, of whom Baumgartner and Anderson are best known, a halfback, Gene Bierhaus, may be shifted from the more numerous backfield squad, as pre-season dope has it.

So many members of Minnesota's athletic staff have gone into the services that the third man in about as many months is on the job as trainer, Jim Hunt, Minnesota '29, is now in charge of the splints and water cart, having been preceded first by the veteran trainer Lloyd Stein, who went to Iowa City with Bierman, and then by Lloyd Boyce, who succeeded Stein but was called into the army.

Advance sale of seats is still moderately slow, according to Ticket Manager L. L. Schroeder, but he expects that interest at the gate will be considerable if the weather holds fair on days when games are to be played.

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Minneapolis, Sept. 11 - As Minnesota's 1942 Gophers swung into their first scrimmage on the fourth day of the practice season the general outlines of the team that will represent Minnesota this season began to harden, presenting a picture little different in personnel from that of pre-season predictions. Early practice lineups followed expected lines so closely, in fact, that coaches had little reason for expressing either satisfaction or gloom, although there was a general approval of the condition in which the boys returned to school.

At the center of the line, where center and guard positions were so hard hit by last spring's graduation, Headcoach George Hauser seemed to be in a position to carry on to fairly good effect with Don Nolander, Bob Solheim and Bernie Nelson passing the ball on the current first, second and third strings. They are, respectively, a senior, a sophomore and a junior.

Veteran John Billman, a letter winner and Sophomore Chuck Dellago have the call at the guard positions, where they are being backed up by Wally Holmstrom and Charles Sandberg. At least the last three of this quartet can stand a good deal of further seasoning, but all are fairly well up to Minnesota standards and are expected to give good accounts of themselves.

Captain Dick Wildung equals several tackles by himself, but will not be forced to play more than one position, teamed as he is with such players as Paul Mitchell, just now his first string running mate, Rudy Sikich and Manley Wilcox, as first replacements, and two able sophomores, Dick Heeren and Charlie Heimark. Wilcox, who weighs 234, is the heaviest player on the 1942 Gopher squad.

Progress of Vic Kulbitski, former lineman, in handling the fullback work from which Blasting Bill Daley was transferred, and Daley's own improvement as a passer from his new post at left halfback were subjects of comment around the corners of the practice field. Bud Higgins, sensational in several of last year's games, is alternating with Daley at left half. Bob Sandberg alternates with Bill Garnaas at the quarterback position, and the remaining backfield post is occupied by Herman Frickey, backed up by several able junior and sophomore backs. Jim Haley, formerly a quarter, and Bob Kula, will provide the replacements for Vic Kulbitski at fullback.

Minnesota's five most promising ends seem at the moment to be Baumgartner and Hein, who have been having first call, and Jerry Mulready, Cliff Anderson and Carl Ekberg, following the first pair closely. Ekberg, still at work, is expected to appear on the field this week.

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#### UNIFORMS AT GAMES

Minnesota has adopted a policy of admitting service men in uniform to home games at a flat rate of fifty-five cents, L. L. Schroeder, ticket manager, announced. There also will be one game, at least, at which service men will be admitted free, but more probably one each for the Army and the Navy, with Navy men admitted to the game October 3d with Bernie Bierman's Seahawks from the Navy's Pre-Flight Training school at Iowa City. Uniformed men on active duty will be guests of the university at that game. Military ceremonies of some type will be arranged for each of the home Minnesota games this year. A Public enlistment ceremony for members of the United States Marine Corps will be conducted between halves at the season's opener, against the University of Pittsburgh, Saturday, September 26. Several members of the Minnesota squad will be among those taken into the service at that time.



Sept. <sup>23-1942</sup> 22--The familiar "call out the guards" cry has been supplemented by "call out the ends" in the Minnesota football camp these days.

And End Coach John Roning, who is handling one of the Gophers' major problems, is devoting a good share of his time to the development of five promising juniors.

Lanky Bill Baumgartner, senior from Duluth, is the No. 1 end but not far behind are those five fighting juniors led by light but rugged Herb Hein. Cliff Anderson, Jerry Mulready, Dick Burk and Ed Trumper have given good accounts of themselves in late practices and are still in the thick of the fight.

Hein, who at present gets the call along with Baumgartner on the Gophers first eleven, weighs only 173 pounds. He is exceptionally fast, however, besides being one of the best pass-catchers on the squad.

End Coach Roning feels that the progress of the ends has been normal and that the flanks of the Gopher line will be strengthened somewhat more when Carl Ekberg, six foot, five and one-half inch, pass-graber reports. Ekberg has been away on an engineering trip but is expected back in the next couple of days.

The newest end on the Gopher squad is Gene Bierhaus of Brainerd.

Bierhaus, a senior, was a reserve half-back and quarter-back in 1940 and '41. He was moved to an end position last week and his development, considering his inexperience at the new spot, has been remarkable.



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Larry Halenkamp, one of the better sophomore ends, has been declared ineligible while Fred Baston, another sophomore end and son of former End Coach Burt Baston, has joined the Naval Aviation Cadets. He is stationed in Iowa and is on Bernie Bierman's Seahawk squad.

Men on the University of Minnesota football squad this fall now know for certain that every player is going to have a full chance to see what he can do and that Dr. Geo. Hauser, headcoach, intends to get the most out of his squad and give every member fair play.

Shifts that have dropped seemingly established regulars to the second and third string lineups, at least temporarily, and have brought others from the second and third strings to the first have been an almost daily occurrence during the second week of practice. At guard, one of the points hit by losses, Billman, Holmstrom and others have been changed around from day to day and center has also come in for its share of juggling.

New backfield speed was seen this week as Dick Kelley, not out for spring practise, showed his lightning bursts and Luckemeyer, who was on the squad a year ago, continued to make good his promise of rapid movement with the ball.

Saturday is expected to see one of the crucial pre-season inter-squad games, with showings at that time important in determining who will be started against Pittsburgh on September 26.



9/24/42 It takes a lot of hard work to win a regular position on Minnesota's football team. And if you don't believe that statement, just ask likeable Bill Garnaas, the Gophers' No. 1 quarterback.

Things didn't come easy for Garnaas and there was many a day back in 1940 when Bill, as a sophomore, would trudge home so tired that he could hardly stand up.

He would eat his dinner and then flop into bed. The next morning Garnaas would get up at 4 A. M. to catch up on his studies.

It was the only way that Bill could play football and still get his school work done. He was simply too tired to study after practice, and he insisted on good marks.

Was it all worth it? Garnaas asked himself that question a thousand times during the 1940 season but he found no answer.

He was classified as a Bomber then, a member of the Gopher reserve squad. He never got into any of the games and he never went on any of the trips.

It was disappointing all right and Bill thought about dropping football many a time. But somehow he stuck it out and last year he got his break.

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The Minnesota coaching staff had brought Garnaas along slowly, taught him everything that a Gopher quarterback needed to know. And last year against Washington, he made his debut. He called the plays like a three-year veteran as the Golden Gophers came through with a 14-6 victory.

From that time on, he was Minnesota's regular quarterback. Bill was the man behind the scenes who engineered the famous "mystery play" on which little Bud Higgins ran 49 yards to beat Northwestern, 8-7, last year.

Garnaas, although he rarely carried the ball, scored two touchdowns last fall, one on a 70-yard pass interception against Pittsburgh and the other on a sensational, twisting 20-yard run against Iowa. Besides that, Bill was (and still is) one of the best and most frequent pass-catchers on the Gopher squad.

His kicking is as true and as accurate as a coach could want.

Although Brainy Bill is a regular now, he is still, along with Captain Dick Wildung, the hardest worker on the Minnesota team. He thinks it pays dividends.

Sports Release



Oscar Munson's

Famous Record

Still Holds Up

Minneapolis, Sept. 28/42--Oscar Munson, Minnesota custodian of equipment, will breathe easier now that the Pittsburgh football game is past. Oscar, who boasts he has seen every Minnesota home game since 1898, was ill when Pittsburgh came west a year ago, and was able to see only one quarter of play, although he counts that as seeing the game and does not think his record was lost. He is feeling better this year.

Munson's long string of unmissed home games began when the Gophers were still playing on the famous sandbur-speckled field down behind the old West Hotel. The field has been gone for years, and a few years ago the West was torn down. First game in the 44-year string was against Wisconsin.

As everyone knows, it was Oscar Munson's "retrieving" of a lost Michigan water jug after the famous 6 to 6 Michigan-Minnesota game in 1903 that started the tradition of the Little Brown Jug, now admittedly the most famous football trophy in existence. The Little Brown Jug is famous because it was real. Hundreds of football trophies have been "created" by edict to be fought for at certain games, but none has attained the status of the natural jug.

Today's jug is far bigger than the original, which your correspondent has always imagined as of about the size of an old-fashioned home-style molasses jug. Today's is a massive affair, which it must be to have space for the long record of Minnesota-Michigan football games that have been played down the years. It stands in the Trophy case in Cooke Hall and will remain there until Michigan wins it back.

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Minneapolis, Sept. ~~30~~<sup>29</sup> - It will be homecoming for Lt. Col. Bernie Bierman, Trainer Lloyd Stein, Dallas Ward, Phil Bengtson and eight other Gophers this Saturday when the Seahawks' football squad comes into Minneapolis.

Bierman, who will be aided by Ward and Bengtson in the coaching of the Naval Aviation Cadets, will be trying his hardest to break a Gopher winning streak which he himself helped build.

Six former Minnesota football players, who no one ever dreamed would play in Memorial stadium again, will don their football togs for Bierman once more and take the field Saturday afternoon. But this time, Bierman and these men will not be carrying the maroon and gold colors of Minnesota.

Ray Antil, end 1934; George Svendsen, center 1934; John Kulbitski, tackle 1937; Charlie Schultz, tackle 1937; Gene Flick, center 1941, and Judd Ringer, end 1941, are the six men who are coming home to play against their alma mater.

Two other former University of Minnesota men, Pat Maloney and Fred Baston, are on the Seahawk squad. Baston, son of former end coach Bert Baston, was a promising sophomore end on the Gopher squad last spring while Maloney is a former national speed skating champion.

Although Minnesota is starting its second game Saturday, a battle for first team guard and center positions is still raging. Dr. George Hauser has made frequent changes in these key spots of the Gopher line but at the present time, John Billman and Chuck Dellago seem to have the call at the guards with Wally Holmstrom and John Perko in reserve.

Don Nolander has a slight edge over Bob Solheim at center presently but the starter against the Seahawks will probably not be known until just before game time.

In order to fill the gaps left open by graduation, Coach Hauser and his new staff--Red Dawson, Bud Wilkinson, John Roning and Jim Kelly--have had to put on a small juggling act with their players, but the experiments turned out well. Temporary loss of Garnaas, injured Saturday, will be felt.

This year's team, which consists of ten lettermen from the 1941 squad and one sophomore, has a line that averages 198 pounds per man and a backfield that tips the scales at 194 pounds per man. The line is 11 pounds lighter than last year while the backfield this season is seven pounds heavier than in '41.

The Gophers, however, will go into Saturday's game as an underdog for the first time in three years. They will be out-weighted and they will be at a definite disadvantage in reserve strength.

Minneapolis, Oct. <sup>8-1942</sup> --- Memories of an earlier great era in Minnesota football --- of the days when teams coached by the late Henry L. Williams played unforgettable games against the teams of Bob Zuppke in his prime, are being reawakened this week as the Gophers prepare to make their first trip to Urbana-Champaign since the fall of 1920. In that year the Illini defeated Minnesota at Homecoming 17 to 7, but in two games played since at Minneapolis, one in 1924 when the Stadium at Minnesota was dedicated and again last fall, Minnesota has been victor by relatively large scores.

Minnesota teams of twenty-years ago went up against the great Red Grange only once, the Stadium dedication meeting, in which the galloper made a lone touchdown for Illinois, which lost 20 to 7. Grange was injured in the third quarter of the game.

Dr. George Hauser's 1942 Gophers look better than ever after their fine showing in the game they lost to the Seahawks last week. Minnesota outdid the Iowa City sailors in all statistical departments and fans and team were heartbroken when the great Daley's last minute run for more than 50 yards was nullified by an unfortunate fumble, just when victory over the Bierman crew seemed at last to be assured.

Gopher coaches believe now that Bill Garnaas, first-string quarterback, will be in shape to play at least part of the time at Illinois, but they are less worried than they would be had not Bob Sandberg, in the first game he has ever started for the Maroon and Gold, produced a top quality performance in calling signals and passing and showed a high grade of defensive ability. Opinion is that Minnesota has a first-class replacement now for the quarterback berth.

It would be hard to go too far in praise of Minnesota's great Bill Daley, who starred as the Gophers lost by a point after touchdown in their "game of the year" against the Bierman-coached Iowa Seahawks. Going 158 yards in 17 attempts, Daley averaged 9.2 yards per play and two of his runs were of the sensational type, one the first-quarter score, and the other the dash in the last minute, when he seemed to have been trapped for a loss behind midfield, yet broke away to go to the one-yard line before he was butted out of bounds. The backfield powerhouse has scored four times in two games and has gained 291 yards for an average of more than nine yards per play, admittedly sensational for even so widely-touted a player as Daley. Captain Dick Wildung, the only member of either squad to go a full sixty-minutes in last Saturday's game was also sensational in one of the hardest-fought contests ever seen in Memorial Stadium.

Saturday's game at Illinois will be the seventeenth between the two universities. Illinois entered the Western Conference somewhat later than did some of the teams with which the Gophers have strings of forty to fifty games, and also has not been playing the Northmen regularly in recent years. Of games played to date, 16 in all, Minnesota has won ten, lost five and tied one. Last year in Minneapolis the Minnesota win was by 34 to 6. Interest is added to the meeting by the fact that both teams are coached by men who last year were head line coaches under other head coaches. Ray Elliott was line coach for Bob Zupke and Dr. George Hauser was for many year's the line coach on whom Bernie Bierman depended for the wonderful forward walls with which the Gophers traditionally come up year after year. Backs are all right, every fan knows, but unless the line enables them to advance beyond the line of scrimmage the scoring is a bit on the slow side.





Minneapolis, Oct. <sup>14/12</sup>---Height--5 feet 11 inches,  
Weight--175 pounds.

Those figures have followed the name of Herb Hein, Minnesota end, since the beginning of football practice this year, and at least they don't overstate it.

Hein, who has already blocked and tackled some of the biggest and most rugged football players in the country, has in fact been represented as bigger than he really is. His buddy, Herman Frickey, tried to say that Hein weighs only 160 pounds.

"Heck", says Frickey, "Herb only weighed 135 pounds when we played together in high school. How could he have gained so much weight?"

The next logical thing to do was to make Hein step on the scale. He was a little reluctant at first but finally consented. The big beam barely crawled up to 170 pounds and Herb turned a little red.

"So you thought you could fool us, eh Herb. Well, you couldn't fool me, because I knew you didn't weigh that much", Frickey drawled.

Hein didn't say a word and walked back to his locker with a guilty look on his face. "He's really only 5 feet 10 inches", Frickey started in again. "But I'll tell you one thing, Herb is as solid as a rock. And he's fast as lightning too. That's why he never gets hurt."

Yes, those seem to be the only reasons why the not-so-big Hein isn't massacred every Saturday afternoon. He's just a little fellow who still thinks that "the bigger they are the harder they fall."

Hein, who is one of the best pass-catchers on the Gopher squad, is possibly the smallest regular lineman Minnesota has had in over 10 years.

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Roy Oon, captain of the 1933 Gopher team, is one of the few regulars who ever approached Hein in weight, and he was nearly 10 pounds heavier than Herb.

Besides being an excellent pass-grabber, Hein, along with Captain Dick Wildung, is the best down field blocker on the team. As Frickey says, Herb's speed enables him to take out a man on the line and then dash down-field and bump another.

Herb has come through with excellent performances in all of the Gophers' first three games. He has received much praise from Dr. George Hauser and when Minnesota meets Nebraska at Lincoln this Saturday, Herb the giant-killer will be blocking out those big bruisers as usual.

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A mass calisthenics drill by over 300 representatives of the state's high schools, colleges and settlement houses will highlight the halftime program of the Minnesota-Northwestern football game Saturday, October 31, Dr. Carl L. Nordly, state director of physical fitness and recreation, announced this week.

The Physical Fitness and Recreation committee will also conduct the pre-game ceremonies with several other physical conditioning exercises including obstacle racing, touchball, tumbling and speedball. All athletic coaches, superintendents and others interested in physical fitness programs are invited to participate in the events by contacting Dr. Nordly.

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Minnesota's basketball team had its first meeting Wednesday, October 14, and will begin practice immediately under Carl Nordly, newly appointed coach.

Nordly will have four returning lettermen in Bill Lind and Don Mattson, centers; Dick Burk, guard, and Kenny Exel, guard. The freshmen will meet Friday and will begin their drills the first of next week.

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Minneapolis, Oct. 23/42 With Michigan stating outright that it is going to take home the Little Brown Jug from next Saturday's fracas at Minneapolis, and Michigan's publicity director calling a press conference for Wednesday to explain in good-natured fashion just how victory will be achieved, the Gophers are settling down to four days of hard work with the purpose of proving that " 'taint so".

The game will mark the passage of fifty years since Minnesota and Michigan first clashed at Ann Arbor in October, 1892, and the tenth anniversary of the Wolverines last victory over the Gophers, in 1932. At that time Fritz Crisler was the Minnesota coach. The first game of half a century ago Minnesota won by 14 to 6, as it did also the following year, but thereafter, until the Bierman regime was begun at Minneapolis, Minnesota victories were few enough and far enough between to work up a tremendous hunger at Minnesota for victory over the then Yostmen.

All this notwithstanding Dr. Hauser and his new coaching staff, and Dick Wildung and his powerful though twice-defeated Gophers are just as keen for a victory as if they had been on the short end in recent years.

Dr. Hauser expects to have his team at approximately full strength for the big Homecoming game, which is expected, also, to provide the season's largest turnout. Garmaas, Wildung, Daley, Frickey and other main Minnesota stalwarts who have been suffering from injuries of varying degrees all are expected to be in condition to meet Michigan, and the experience gained in the past two weeks by newer men on the team, such as Mulreedy, Luckemeyer, Silovitch and Kula will come in just as needed at points where replacements have to be made.

Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the start of the series, the Minnesota General Alumni Association will award "M" blankets at the Homecoming dinner

Friday night to any men who played either for Minnesota or Michigan in the game of 1892 who attend the ceremony. Four Minnesotans have been identified as having played, namely Judge Wm. C. Leary and Alfred Pillsbury, both of Minneapolis, Harry White of St. Paul, and Constant Larson of Alexandria. Under the rules of that time few substitutions were made because men removed from the game stayed out. As a consequence one or two squad members in 1892 who are still living in this vicinity did not get into that first game.

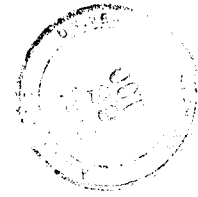
A regent of the University of Minnesota and an old Carleton College football star, Hon. Ray Quinlivan of St. Cloud, will be toastmaster at the Homecoming dinner. He will be introduced by Ben W. Palmer of Minneapolis, president of the General Alumni Association, who, with E. B. Pierce, general secretary, is making the arrangements.

President and Mrs. Alexander G. Ruthven of the University of Michigan were invited to attend the dinner and game by President and Mrs. Walter C. Coffey of Minnesota. They will be unable to attend, however, because President Ruthven must attend the annual meetings of the American Association of State Universities in Chicago this week-end.

The Minnesota-Michigan series has not been continuous over the fifty years since 1892, the two teams having broken off relations for one short period prior to 1910, besides which there was a term when Michigan was not in the Western Intercollegiate Conference. Overall, Michigan has won 18 games, Minnesota, 12, and two games have been ties. The past eight years have brought victories to Minnesota. Before that Gopher victories had been in 1927, 1919, 1892 and 1893, with ties in 1903 (6-6) and in 1933 (0-0).

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Gymnastics is being hard hit this year by loss of coaches to the armed services. A roundup of games scheduled a year ago by Minnesota showed Ralph Piper, Minnesota coach, that Iowa is the only opponent sure of having a team for the scheduled contest. Illinois, Indiana and Chicago meets will probably have to be cancelled.



Minneapolis, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> - There's one on every team--a fellow who rarely misses a practice, works hard and makes his job look so easy that he is just taken for granted. And then when the press clippings are passed out, he's the forgotten man.

Two years ago, that man may have been guard Bill Kuusisto, or last year, modest Gene Flick. And already this season, the Gopher football team has its quiet heroes. For example, there is husky John Billman, Minnesota guard, who played a 60 minute game against Michigan.

Billman first came out for varsity football at Minnesota in 1939. He was a tackle in his sophomore year and played considerable ball, being on the second team. The following year, 1940, the Gopher coaching staff decided that 200 pound John would make a good guard.

So Billman was being drilled for a first team guard spot in his junior year and was expected to be one of the mainstays in the Gopher line. Then, just before the season opened, he suffered a bad ankle injury which kept him out of the Minnesota lineup for the entire year.

It was a bad break for John at the time but turned out to be a blessing for Dr. George Hauser and the 1942 Gopher football team. The injury gave Billman another year of competition and when Butch Levy, Helge Pukema, Bob Smith and Gordon Paschka graduated last year, Dr. Hauser knew that he still had Billman returning for another season.

John took over on the first eleven just as he was expected to do. He has come through with a top-notch performance in every one of the Gophers' first five games and, knock on wood, he hasn't a scratch on him.

Against Michigan Saturday, Billman came up with probably the best game in his career. He played 60 minutes of great football, being in on almost every tackle.

It was the first time that he ever played the full time and the first time that he ever intercepted a pass. His interception of Tom Kuzma's toss stifled one of the many strong Wolverine threats.

To the average fan, it's quite hard to see who is making all those tackles in the center of the Gopher line, but the Minnesota coaching staff knows well that the blond fellow at the bottom of the pile is Billman.

Minneapolis, Oct.---The first mass demonstration of physical fitness procedures ever presented in Memorial Stadium will feature the pre-game and between-halves periods Saturday at the time of the Minnesota-Northwestern football game at the University of Minnesota. Representatives of many colleges, high schools and athletic clubs, as well as men and women from the University of Minnesota, will take part, Dr. Carl Nordly, coordinator of the project, announced.

A conference on physical fitness will occupy the morning, starting at 9 a.m. in the auditorium of the Museum of Natural History. Chief visiting speaker at that time will be John B. Kelly, Washington, D. C., assistant director in charge of physical fitness, Office of Defense, Health and Welfare Services of the Federal Security Agency. Dr. Nordly will speak on "Fitness, a community responsibility". Representatives of four statewide associations will speak and there will be a series of discussion groups.

Actual demonstrations on the field will be conducted both before the game and at the end of the first half, and between 400 and 500 persons are expected to take part. Final event will be a running of the obstacle race recently

developed at Minnesota, with men taking part, one each, from St. Olaf, Hamline, Macalester, University of Minnesota, St. Thomas, University Farm and Carleton. They will start ten seconds apart.

Having representatives in the elaborate mass exercises on the field will be men turners, women turners, men's and women's sokols, St. Paul Y M C A, Minneapolis Y M C A, St. Paul police and fire departments, Minneapolis police department, St. Paul and Minneapolis Y W C A's, Minneapolis and St. Paul Athletic clubs, girls and boys of the Catholic Youth Organization, Hamline University Women, University of Minnesota men, University of Minnesota women, St. Thomas College men, Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts, Girl Reserves, Marshall High School Girls, Monroe (St. Paul) High School Boys, Maria Sanford Junior High (St. Paul) girls, Lincoln Junior high (Minneapolis) boys, and the University of Minnesota band.

Also to appear in events before the game will be representatives of St. Paul Parks and Playgrounds, wrestling by university men, university women in modern dances, basketball drills, ski exercises, tumbling, six boy football by boys from Pillsbury Settlement House, relays by teams from four defense plants, and representatives of the Minneapolis recreation department, St. Paul Humboldt high school and North high school, Minneapolis.

Miss Ann Woodward will direct the women's formations, and Maurice Ostrander, those of the men.



Minneapolis, Nov. <sup>14/42</sup>-----When the Minnesota football team takes the field against Iowa Saturday afternoon, it will be the last home game in the gridiron careers of at least nine Gophers.

And among those nine graduating Gophers will be five regulars--Captain Dick Wildung, Bill Daley, John Billman, Bill Baumgartner and Don Nolander. Besides these regulars, Jim Lushine, Gene Bierhaus, Mike Welch and Joe Lauterbach will wear their football uniforms for the fans in Memorial Stadium for the last time.

Hard to lose will be the one and only Dick Wildung, who has held down a regular tackle position on the Minnesota team ever since his first game as a sophomore in 1940, and will be playing his last game before the home fans.

Wildung, this year more than ever before, has been the real "iron man" on the Minnesota team. He has come through with a grand 60 minute game every time the Gophers needed it--against the Seahawks, Illinois and Michigan, besides playing 50 minutes or more in almost all the other games.

Going, also, is Blasting Bill Daley, who is rapidly rounding back into top physical condition. Daley, hampered by injuries a good share of the season, is also anxious to make Saturday his greatest day as a Gopher as well as his last at home.

Johnny Billman, also, has been an outstanding line player and a most consistent performer during Minnesota's 1942 season, a player hard to lose and a man who has had a big hand in Minnesota's victories this year. Nolander, not always in the lineup, has been a sterling performer whenever he was called upon.

There will be no need for Dr. George Hauser to use the usual pre-game psychology on the Gopher gridgers. The regular daily practice will do.



For Saturday may be the last time that many a Minnesota athlete other than the seniors will play before a home crowd. The armed services are attracting athletes steadily.

The Gophers will be mentally set for the Hawkeyes and physically, the team is in fair condition.

Joe Silovich, sophomore understudy at left half for Daley, also expects the Iowa game to be his last home appearance. The Iron Range athlete intends to go into the army at the end of the fall quarter.

Silovich, who is also a hockey player, may be able to play two hockey games against the London A.C., December 10-11, before the army calls. Coach Larry Armstrong rates Silovich as good a prospect as Johnny Mariucci.

Football tickets in the bowl for the Iowa game will again be available for \$1.10 while service men will be admitted for the usual 55 cents. Ticket Manager Les Schroeder has also announced that seats for the Wisconsin game will be put on sale in Minneapolis but transportation reservations should be made first.

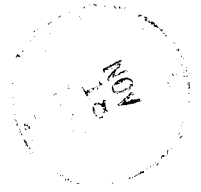
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Led by Floyd Foslien, Minnesota's distance runners will meet Iowa in a two-mile race in Memorial Stadium Saturday morning before the football game.

Foslien placed first in a cross country meet between Wisconsin, Ohio State and Minnesota two weeks ago at Madison. He will be favored to win again Saturday and Coach Jim Kelly intends to send him to Chicago November 16 for the conference cross country meet.

Chuck Fleenor, Steve Hise and Bob Clark are expected to be Minnesota's other entrants in the Iowa race.

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Ninth game of the year and besides that one of the biggest humps on the Minnesota schedule will be the game with Wisconsin this week-end at Camp Randall, where a Badger team often called the best in years is preparing for Dr. Hauser's injury-slowed Gophers.

Minnesota-Wisconsin is one of the most famous, and longest, football series in the history of the game, and traditionally, whatever the rest of the season may have been, followers of these teams feel pretty good about the whole thing if it is their team that wins.

The fine performance of such new Minnesota backs as Luckemeyer and Williams, and of the veteran Lauterbach in the Iowa game has brought Minnesota morale back to a high pitch, but the big question is still the condition in which the two great backfield stars, Bill Daley and Herman Frickey will be when game time comes at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. With either of these men in fine running form, Minnesota should be a somewhat more than even likelihood to defeat the Badgers.

Spirit was high in the Iowa Game, in which, with all regard to sterling and friendly opponents, the Gophers gave their opposition one of the worst statistical drubbings ever recorded in Memorial Stadium. Largely responsible for this, and another cause for the rise in Minnesota prestige and hopes, was the remarkable performance of the alert and hard-charging Gopher line, under leadership of the stupendous Dick Wildung. Iowa was rushed off its feet at every stage of the contest and the Minnesotans were able to keep possession of the ball enough to minimize the passing threat of Tom Farmer. This all has a decided bearing on the Wisconsin prospects, for if the Gophers keep their heads and play the football

they can play, even the pepped-up Wisconsin boys are going to know that they are in a real battle.

Seats for the game available at Minneapolis have been a complete sellout for some time, the big rush having taken place before the Badgers were tipped by Iowa a couple of weeks ago, but interest is still high and a sizeable delegation will follow Minnesota into the Wisconsin stronghold.

Winning her traditional games and losing a couple that may have looked a little too easy, which no Western Conference game ever is, has made the Minnesota season one of the strangest in years, resembling, in a way the 1927 season when the Gophers would have been conference champions but for an unexpected 14 to 14 tie which Indiana accomplished during the closing weeks.

Wisconsin beat Minnesota in 1930, Crisler's first year as Gopher coach, and in 1932, Bernie Bierman's first year, but has since been able to come no closer to victory than 6 to 13 in 1937, and last year went down by a score of 41 to 6.

The series started in 1890, when the Gophers won by a topheavy score. Down the years since that time Minnesota has won 31 games, Wisconsin 15, and five have been ties. The one year missed in this long series was 1906, the year in which the Western Conference got into trouble and went through a reorganization.



Minneapolis, Nov.---Now that the 1942 football season is history, Dr. Carl Nordly's basketball team will get the spotlight in Minnesota's athletic program.

Dr. Nordly, who replaced Dave MacMillan as head coach this year, is being assisted by Verl (Gus) Young, former Carleton man. Nordly, who is also a Carleton graduate, will send his new cagers out on the Field house floor in their opener against his alma mater on December 5.

Both ineligibility and lack of good reserves vex the Gopher coaches at the present time but they are hoping that three or four of the new sophomores will come through and prove that they are of Big Ten ability.

The loss of veterans Don Smith, Hal Thune, Tony Jaros, Don Carlson and Warren Ajax will hurt the Gophers considerably. Smith and Thune have played their three years of college basketball; Carlson and Jaros have been called into the army and Ajax is employed in defense work.

Returning from the 1941-42 squad, however, are Bill Lind, Kenny Exel, Don Mattson and Dick Burk. Burk, who has been out for football, is expected to report this week along with gridders Ed Trumper, Jerry Mulready, Jerry Carle and Bernie Nelson.

Trumper and Mulready were both all-state men in high school but neither has played any basketball since coming to Minnesota.

Last season, Lind and Mattson rotated at center but because of a lack of experienced men this year, Dr. Nordly may use both of them on Minnesota's starting five. In this experiment, Mattson will move to forward

while Lind will remain at his usual pivot post.

Veterans Burk and Exel will probably hold down the guards while two sophomores, Wesley Windmiller of Fergus Falls and Dave Ruliffson of Minneapolis, are making a strong bid for starting forward positions.

Windmiller, a deadly shot from almost any spot on the court, is one of the fastest cagers Minnesota has had since Gordie Addington played, and Ruliffson, who stands six feet one inch, seems to be especially adept in getting high into the air after rebounds.

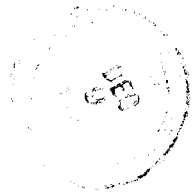
Other sophomores to watch are Arnold (Butz) Lehrman, versatile guard or forward, Louie Brewster, guard who hails from Wahpeton, N. D., and sharp-shooting Bill Hickey of St. Paul. Among the reserves, Reuben Epp of Mountain Lake and Rodney Larson of Pequot Lakes seem to have made the most improvement.

The Gophers are not as tall this year as they were in '41 but are probably a little faster. "They have good spirit and will improve as the season progresses," Coach Nordly has said.

"The boys are used to the fast-break and we will probably continue that system," he went on to say.

Probably the most encouraging bit of news in the Gophers' early drills is that Big Bill Lind is hitting the basket quite frequently. Lind, who has been rated one of the best defensive players in the Big Ten the past two years, is down to a trim 193 pounds this season and is connecting with his pivot shots consistently.

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Dr. Carl Nordly, who has taken over the head basketball coaching position at the University of Minnesota this year, can see a good many promising traits in his young and ambitious squad but no championship.

"We lost too many men through graduation and the draft", Dr. Nordly says. "And we cannot help but be short of reserves. The Cophers' first five may have two sophomores on it and inexperience will handicap us in the early games.

"The team has fine spirit and will undoubtedly improve from game to game but our veterans from last year will have to shoulder the brunt of the attack. We seem to have some pretty fair ball-handlers and our shooting should improve."

Leading the Gopher cagers this year will be Big Bill Lind at center and Guards Dick Burk and Kenny Exel. Lind, who has been the Gophers' pivot man for the last two years, ranks with the best in the Big Ten on defense, while his scoring in pre-season scrimmages seems to be much improved over the past two seasons.

Burk is a smart, rangy ball player who moved up fast near the end of last year and won a regular position. He can play both guard and forward. Exel, also a guard, is an alert man who sets up a good many plays with his accurate passing. He has a good eye for the basket and comes through with timely points.

Don Mattson, also a letterman from the 1941-42 season, may be shifted from center to forward this year to give Minnesota more height. Dr. Nordly, however, is not definitely set on this change. Should he keep Mattson as an understudy to Lind, two sophomores will probably get the call at the forwards.

Wes Windmiller of Fergus Falls, Dave Ruliffson of Minneapolis Washburn, Louis Brewster, Wahpeton, N. D., and Butz Lahrman of Minneapolis North are putting up the strongest bids for these two positions.

TEAM ROSTER

No.	Name	Position	Height	Weight	Yr.	Home Town
33	Adams, Bob	F	6'2	187	2nd	Minneapolis
9	Brewster, Louis	G	5'11	180	1st	Wahpeton, N. D.
12	Burk, Dick*	F-G	6'2	138	2nd	Minneapolis (North)
8	Carle, Jerry	F	5'10	175	1st	North St. Paul
24	Cedarstrand, Marsh	F	6'1	170	1st	Minneapolis (Washburn)
30	Epp, Reuben*	F-G	5'11	178	2nd	Mountain Lake
7	Exel, Kenny*	G	5'11	164	3rd	Minneapolis (Roosevelt)
19	Fitzgerald, Jim	G	5'11	165	3rd	Yankton, S. D.
18	Larson, Rodney	F	5'9	154	2nd	Pequot Lakes
3	Lehrman, Arnold (Butz)	F-G	5'10	147	1st	Minneapolis (North)
11	Lind, Bill*	C	6'3	193	3rd	Minneapolis (North)
28	McNamara, Goerge	C	6'3	197	1st	Duluth (Central)
26	Mattson, Don*	F-C	6'4	193	2nd	Minneapolis (Marshall)
27	Mulready, Jerry	F-G	6'2	195	1st	Fargo, N. D.
13	Nelson, Bernie	C	6'2	205	2nd	Minneapolis (Central)
22	Ruliffson, Dave	F	6'1	179	1st	Minneapolis (Washburn)
31	Shields, Leo	C	6'2 $\frac{1}{2}$	200	1st	St. Paul (DeLaSalle)
14	Schutz, Howard	G	5'10	172	1st	Minneapolis (West)
21	Snyder, Bob	F-C	6'2	190	2nd	Anoka
32	Trumper, Ed	C	6'1	195	1st	St. Paul (Central)
10	Windmiller, Wesley	F	6'	168	1st	Fergus Falls

\*--lettermen

Lettermen Lost from 1941-42

Scoring Record

	Big Ten			All Games		
	FG	FT	TP	FG	FT	TP
Warren Ajax, f	60	10	130	71	13	155
Tony Jaros, f	36	22	94	53	30	136
Don Smith, f	50	44	144	71	52	194
Hal Thune, g	30	10	70	39	17	95
Don Carlson, f	10	5	25	32	14	78
Stu MacDonald, f	8	4	20	14	5	33

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 Minnesota 56 South Dakota Univ. 35  
 Minnesota 41 North Dakota State 32  
 Minnesota 44 Creighton 30  
 Minnesota 56 Nebraska 32  
 Minnesota 56 Ohio State 42\*  
 Minnesota 38 Northwestern 49\*  
 Minnesota 63 Indiana 43\*  
 Minnesota 41 Iowa 39\*  
 Minnesota 44 Michigan 32\*  
 Minnesota 52 Chicago 28\*  
 Minnesota 36 Illinois 49\*

Minnesota 46 Purdue 39\*  
 Minnesota 32 Michigan 34\*  
 Minnesota 63 Ohio State 33\*  
 Minnesota 34 Purdue 27\*  
 Minnesota 37 Illinois 41\*  
 Minnesota 47 Great Lakes 39  
 Minnesota 45 Indiana 54\*  
 Minnesota 47 Wisconsin 49\*  
 Minnesota 61 Northwestern 42\*

\*--Conference games

Big Ten--Won 9 Lost 6

All Games--Won 15 Lost 6

## MINNESOTA PLAYERS

FORWARDS

WES WINDMILLER---Although a sophomore, he is expected to hold down one of the starting forward positions. He is probably the fastest man on the Gopher squad and is a deadly shot from almost any place on the court. Windmiller, who hails from Fergus Falls, stands six feet tall and weighs 168 pounds.

BOB ADAMS---He is well-built reserve from last year's team who excels on offense. Adams, with a little improvement on the defensive side, may see quite a bit of action. He is six feet, two and weighs 187.

REUBEN EPP---Won his letter during the 1940-41 season but he did not come out for basketball last year. Epp, a former all-state man in high school, plays either forward or guard. He is five feet, eleven inches tall and weighs 178 pounds.

DAVE RULIFFSON---Putting up a strong bid for a starting position, he is rated one of the top prospects from last year's freshman squad. Sophomore Ruliffson, who stands six feet, one and tips the scales at 179 pounds, is a ball-hawk who gets high into the air after rebounds. He is an accurate shot as well as a good ball-handler.

MARSH CEDARSTRAND---Like Ruliffson, he comes from Minneapolis Washburn. He is a rangy forward, standing six feet, one and weighing 170 pounds. Cedarstrand is rated a good shot and a fair ball-handler.

RODNEY LARSON---A reserve from last year's squad, from Pequot Lakes. He is a good ball-handler who has picked up some valuable experience but is lacking in both height and weight. Larson is only five feet, nine inches tall and weighs 154 pounds.

JERRY CARLE---Another member of the Minnesota football team who reported for basketball this winter. Carle is a fair shot and a hard worker. He is a sophomore from St. Paul.

CENTERS

BILL LIND---Big Bill is expected to have his best season this year. Lind, a senior, has been the Gophers' regular center for the last two years. He has always been ranked as one of the best defensive players in the Big Ten and this season, his scoring has improved greatly.

DON MATTSON---"Red" rotated with Lind at center last year but this season, Coach Nordly may try Mattson at a forward to give the Gophers some much-needed height. Red scored 104 points in 18 games last season, his sophomore year.

GEORGE McNAMARA---A rangy sophomore from Duluth who stands six feet, three and weighs 197 pounds. He is a good shot and a pretty fair all-around basketball player.

BERNIE NELSON---He is a center on the football team and a center on the cage squad. This is Bernie's second year on the basketball team. A fair ball-handler, and made the traveling squad last year.

BOB SNYDER---A reserve last year, Bob has made quite a bit of improvement. He is a good shot and capable of playing both center and forward. He comes from Anoka, weighs 190 pounds and stands six feet, two inches tall.



ED TRUMPER---He was an all-state center for St. Paul Central in high school but this is his first try at basketball in college. Trumper, who had been concentrating on football, is six feet, one and weighs 195 pounds.

LEO SHIELDS---One of the biggest men on the basketball squad, Shields tips the scales at an even 200 pounds and is six feet, two and one-half inches tall. He is a fair all-around man who has good possibilities for a sophomore.

#### GUARDS

DICK BURK---A big, rangy, smart basketball player who came up fast near the end of last season and won a regular position. He can play either guard or forward. Burk scored 34 points last season and is expected to be one of the mainstays in the Gopher lineup this year.

KEN EXEL---Not big but a smart player who sets up many shots for his teammates. Exel ranks with the best as a floor man and seems to come through with important baskets at the proper times. He scored 70 points last year. Height--Five feet, eleven. Weight--164 pounds.

LOUIE BREWSTER---A hard-working sophomore who is slated for heavy duty. He is a good dribbler and an excellent one-hand shot. Brewster comes from Wahpeton, N. D.; weighs 180 pounds and is five feet, eleven inches tall.

ARNOLD (BUTZ) LEHRMAN---Although only a sophomore, he is one of the best play-makers on the squad, and makes few mistakes. His only drawback is lack of weight. Lehrman is the lightest man on the squad at 147 pounds. He stands five feet, ten.

JERRY MULREADY---He is also an all-state man who is giving college basketball a first try. Mulready, who has been concentrating on football the last two years, is a versatile man on the court, playing either guard or forward. He comes from Fargo, N. D., weighs 195 pounds and stands six feet, two.

JIM FITZGERALD---This is Fitzgerald's third year on the squad. He is a good defensive man and has a lot of speed. He hails from Yankton, S. D., weighs 165 pounds and is five feet, eleven inches tall.

HOWIE SCHUTZ---A fair all-around player who will improve with experience. Schutz is fast and has a good one-hand shot. He comes from Minneapolis West, weighs 172 pounds, standing five feet, ten.

#### COACHES

DR. CARL NORDLY, who has been teaching advanced work in physical education at the University of Minnesota for the past seven years, is beginning his first year as Gopher basketball coach. Dr. Nordly, who is a Carleton graduate, coached three years at his alma mater, one year at Rochester high school and one year at Northern Illinois State Teachers College. In his undergraduate days, Nordly won eleven letters. He was an all-midwest conference halfback in football and an all-midwest conference forward in basketball. Besides being the Gopher basketball coach at the present time, Dr. Nordly is also the director of physical fitness in the state of Minnesota.

VERL (GUS) YOUNG is also a Carleton graduate--1932. He has been very active in high school basketball coaching since he left college. Young coached two years at Warroad high school, one year at Buffalo, one year at Hutchinson, three years at Austin and three years at Carleton. He brought his Austin team to the state tournament in 1938, losing by only one point to Mountain Lake, the state champions. While a student, he won nine letters in baseball, basketball and football.

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MINNESOTA BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

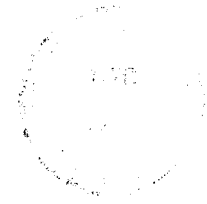
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Dec. 6	Carleton at Minneapolis	Minnesota	Carleton	
Dec. 12	South Dakota at Minneapolis	Minnesota	South Dakota	
Dec. 19	North Dakota State at Minneapolis	Minnesota	North Dakota State	
Jan. 2	South Dakota State at Minneapolis	Minnesota	South Dakota State	
Jan. 9	Iowa at Iowa City*	Minnesota	Iowa	
Jan. 11	Iowa at Iowa City*	Minnesota	Iowa	
Jan. 13	Michigan State at Minneapolis	Minnesota	Michigan State	
Jan. 16	Purdue at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Purdue	
Jan. 18	Purdue at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Purdue	
Jan. 23	Wisconsin at Madison*	Minnesota	Wisconsin	
Jan. 25	Northwestern at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Northwestern	
Feb. 6	Chicago at Chicago*	Minnesota	Chicago	
Feb. 13	Illinois at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Illinois	
Feb. 15	Illinois at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Illinois	
Feb. 20	Indiana at Bloomington*	Minnesota	Indiana	
Feb. 22	Indiana at Bloomington*	Minnesota	Indiana	
March 1	Wisconsin at Minneapolis*	Minnesota	Wisconsin	

\*---Conference Games

#---A game with the Great Lakes Naval Training Station may be scheduled also.

17 games will be played by the Gophers this year; 11 on the Field House court.



Minneapolis, Dec 19/42 As Minnesota's basketball team prepares for the Big Ten campaign, the old problem of height faces the Gopher coaching staff once more.

Big Don Mattson, who was in the University Hospital with the flu recently, is still not strong enough to do any hard playing and Dr. Carl Nordly doesn't exactly know when he will be able to count on him. Mattson, who stands six feet four inches tall, has been replaced by sophomore Dave Ruliffson, the spectacle-wearing forward.

Ruliffson has filled in admirably but the Gophers are still lacking the versatility of "Big Red", who is capable of playing either center or forward. Without Mattson, the burden of holding down the pivot job has fallen largely upon veteran Bill Lind.

Dr. Nordly has been impressed by the excellent play of several sophomores in the pre-season games and hopes that they will hold up as well in the Big Ten schedule as they have in the non-conference battles.

Sophomore Wesley Windmiller, a speedy forward from Fergus Falls, has proved himself to be Minnesota's No. 1 scorer. He is a deadly shot from almost any spot on the court and fits in perfectly with the Gophers' fast-breaking offense.

Ruliffson is a good all-around man while a third sophomore, Louie Brewster, who hails from Wahpeton, N. D., is putting up a strong fight for a starting guard position with veteran Dick Burk.

With Windmiller and Ruliffson holding down the forwards, Lind at center, and either Burk or Brewster at one of the guards, the fifth position falls to clever Kenny Exel, senior guard. Exel, who seems to have taken over the Gopher leadership with the graduation of Don Smith, is a smart basketball player who makes few mistakes.

He is probably the best play-maker on the Gopher squad and seems to be the quarterback of the Minnesota cagers.

Athletic Director Louis F. Keller has announced that a basketball game with the Great Lakes Naval Training Station has been definitely scheduled for the Gophers on February 27. Minnesota's revised schedule stands as follows:

MINNESOTA'S 1942-43 BASKETBALL  
SCHEDULE

Dec. 19	North Dakota State	here
Jan. 2	South Dakota State	here
Jan. 9	Iowa	Iowa City
Jan. 11	Iowa	Iowa City
Jan. 13	Michigan State	here
Jan. 16	Purdue	here
Jan. 18	Purdue	here
Jan. 23	wisconsin	Madison
Jan. 25	Northwestern	here
Feb. 6	Chicago	Chicago
Feb. 13	Illinois	here
Feb. 15	Illinois	here
Feb. 20	Indiana	Bloomington
Feb. 22	Indiana	Bloomington
Feb. 27	Great Lakes	here
March 1	Wisconsin	here

On the recommendation of Francis "Pug" Lund, freshman football coach, 65 University of Minnesota freshman football players will receive their numerals at the end of this quarter.

Minneapolis led the way with 20 men while St. Paul had 11 numeral winners.

Men who will receive their numerals are George Adzick, Minneapolis; Don Bunge, Austin; Jim Brier, Topeka, Kansas; Ed Bush, Thermopolis, Wyoming; Carl Backes, Cold Spring; Harold Brezny, Minneapolis; Wayne Ballard, Mt. Morris, Illinois; Warren Beson, Minneapolis; Earl Bruhn, St. Bonifacius; Remu Bretoi, South St. Paul; John Christie, Shakopee; Walter Cary, St. Louis Park; Jack Clemens, St. Paul; Dave Cowles, Burlington, Iowa; Art Dorn, Minneapolis; John Doty, Minneapolis; William Dunbar, Robbinsdale; James Dorfsman, St. Paul; Ivan Doseff, Minneapolis; Charles Edwards, Detroit Lakes; Eugene Giddings, Spooner, Wisconsin; Bob Gerber, St. Paul; Bob Granum, Amery, Wisconsin; Clint Grose, Minneapolis; Tom Geelan, Minneapolis; Don Holker, Minneapolis; Fritz Henkes, Fergus Falls; Erling Halverson, Clarkfield; Wayne Hagman, Barnesville; Bob Harris, Minneapolis; Ruben Harris, Minneapolis; Ray Januszewski, Perham; Jim Jennings, Minneapolis; Dick Kerr, Elmore; Bill Kinney, Minneapolis; Merland Kispert, St. Paul; Frank Kohout, St. Paul; Jim Low, Minneapolis; John Lundquist, Granite Falls; Bob Larson, Anoka; Pierre Mattei, Eveleth; Haydn Murray, Toulon, Illinois; James Merrill, International Falls; Gene Moore, Minneapolis; Dick McGee, Forest Lake; Jack McCullough, St. Paul; John Melcher, Minneapolis; George Prest, Minneapolis; Paul Prola, Ely; Huntley Prahl, New Ulm; Jack Rival, Hibbing; Dick Robb, Duluth; Dean Rallis, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Paul Sutton, Minneapolis; Harvey Solon, Duluth; Joe Shields, St. Paul; Glen Swenson, St. Paul; Norman Trout, St. Paul; Roderic Tyra, Alloy, West Virginia; Emery Thompson, Austin; James Thompson, St. Paul; Sam Unschuld, Minneapolis; Ken Vollmar, Chicago; Bob Wrahlstad, Fergus Falls.

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\* UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA HOCKEY \*  
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Minneapolis, Jan. 5/43--Losing twelve good hockey players via the armed services and graduation is enough to play hob with any squad, and yet, Coach Larry Armstrong can say that he sees "good possibilities" in his big, but green Minnesota hockey team.

"The boys are not as fast nor as experienced as last year's men but they are pretty heavy and they ought to come right along--especially after a couple of games," says Armstrong.

Among the men lost from last year's squad are Captain Al Eggleton, Freddy Junger, Bobby Arnold, Burt Joseph and John Peterson. They will all be hard to replace, but Coach Armstrong will be able to get an idea of the strength of his new team in the earliest games.

As yet, he is not decided on his first and second lines but as the Schedule approaches, Mally Williams and Pat Ryan seem to have the call at the wings; veteran Dick Kelley at center; and Bud Leckie and Co-captain Don Nolander at the defense posts. Mac Thayer will probably be in the nets.

Pressing this sextet the closest for starting positions are Wingman Paddy Ryan of Hibbing; Center Fred Heiseke and Versatile Bob Graiziger.

The Gophers will play one of their best schedules in years, with home and home, two-game series against Michigan and Illinois, from the Western Conference and another home and home program of four games in all with the strong Michigan Tech. team. These series, following the opening two games with St. James of Winnipeg provide a fourteen game series that will test the team to the full.

1943

MINNESOTA HOCKEY ROSTER

NO.	NAME OF PLAYER	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	YR.	HOME TOWN
-Wingmen-					
11	Barnes, Bob (lw)	155	5'7	1st	Oxboro
5	*Bolla, John (rw)	172	5'10	3rd	Minneapolis
8	#*Graiziger, Bob (lw & d)	195	5'9	2nd	St. Paul
10	Morgan, Paul (lw)	198	6'1	1st	Minneapolis
12	Parmalee, Bob (rw)	160	6'0	1st	Minneapolis
2	Ryan, Pat (rw)	147	5'6	1st	Hibbing
	Williams, Mally (lw)	170	6'0	1st	St. Paul
-Defense-					
20	Hoffman, Dick	190	6'0	1st	Minneapolis
19	Jewett, Jim	200	5'9	1st	Minneapolis
21	*Leckie, Bud	180	5'10	2nd	Minneapolis
16	Lilja, Roy	190	6'0	1st	Minneapolis
18	#*Nolander, Don	193	6'0	2nd	Minneapolis
	Silovich, Joe	185	5'11	1st	Eveleth
-Centers-					
6	*Heiseke, Fred	168	6'1	2nd	Minneapolis
7	Kelley, Dick	156	5'9	1st	Minneapolis
3	Lundeen, Warren	200	6'0	1st	Duluth
-Goalies-					
	Gardiner, John	155	5'8	1st	Minneapolis
17	Thayer, John	170	6'2	1st	Minneapolis
12	Wilson, Tom	173	6'0	2nd	Minneapolis

\*--lettermen

#--Graiziger and Nolander are Minnesota's co-captains.

Results of 1941-42 Season

Minnesota	1	London AC	3
Minnesota	2	London AC	1
Minnesota	2	Dartmouth	4
Minnesota	3	Dartmouth	5 (overtime)
Minnesota	2	Michigan Tech	3
Minnesota	2	Michigan Tech	1
Minnesota	2	Michigan	3*
Minnesota	6	Michigan	0*
Minnesota	5	Michigan Tech	3 (overtime)
Minnesota	4	Michigan Tech	1
Minnesota	4	Michigan	0*
Minnesota	5	Michigan	1*

\*--Conference games

Big Ten: Won 3 Lost 1

All Games: Won 7 Lost 5

1943 SCHEDULE

Jan. 4	St. James AC	at Minneapolis
Jan. 5	St. James AC	at Minneapolis
Jan. 8	Illinois	at Champaign
Jan. 9	Illinois	at Champaign
Jan. 14	Michigan	at Minneapolis
Jan. 16	Michigan	at Minneapolis
Jan. 22	Michigan Tech	at Houghton
Jan. 23	Michigan Tech	at Houghton
Feb. 5	Michigan Tech	at Minneapolis
Feb. 6	Michigan Tech	at Minneapolis
Feb. 12	Illinois	at Minneapolis
Feb. 13	Illinois	at Minneapolis
Feb. 18	Michigan	at Ann Arbor
Feb. 20	Michigan	at Ann Arbor

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SQUAD PERSONNEL

WINGS

JOHN BOLLA -- The only senior on Minnesota's hockey team this year. He is a smart player with plenty of experience and Coach Larry Armstrong will probably have him in the Gophers' first line at right wing.

BOB GRAIZIGER -- Co-captain of the team along with Don Nolander. Graiziger, who was capable of playing either guard or fullback on the football team, is just as versatile on the ice. Last year he was strictly a defense man but he is slated for heavy duty at left wing this season.

PAUL MORGAN -- A husky, hard-skating wing who is one of the eleven Gopher football players fighting for a position on Minnesota's hockey team this year. Morgan will do most of his playing from a left wing on the Gophers' second line.

PAT RYAN -- Remindful of Babe Paulson, Freddy Junger and Al Eggleton in size, speed and cleverness. Ryan, who hails from Hibbing, is a tricky stick-handler and a sure shot. He stands five feet six inches tall and weighs 147 pounds.

MALLY WILLIAMS -- One of the hard-working new men who has caught Coach Armstrong's eye. He is a poised athlete, who has set up many a shot for his teammates in the early drills, and when the season opens, he will probably be at a starting wing spot.

DEFENSE

JIM JEWETT -- A big 200-pound sophomore who learned his blocking on the football field and when it comes to body-checking on the ice, his weight and gridiron experience will not do him any harm.

BUD LECKIE -- One of the five returning lettermen on the Gopher squad. He is smart with a stick and a good skater. Leckie, with one year of experience behind him, is one of the most improved men on the squad.

DON NOLANDER -- A jarring body-checker and a fast skater, Co-captain Nolander, who was regular center on the football team, has loads of natural ability to make a good hockey player. He stands six feet tall and weighs 193 pounds.

JOE SILOVICH -- Rated as good a sophomore prospect as Johnny Mariucci, former Minnesota football and hockey player in 1937-39. Silovich, who was offered a professional hockey contract with the Chicago Blackhawks before coming to Minnesota, faces an early draft call and may not be able to play in many games.

CENTERS

FRED HEISEKE -- A versatile veteran who played both center and wing last season but Coach Armstrong plans to have Heiseke concentrate on the center spot this year.

DICK KELLEY -- His track and football experience make a perfect combination for a good hockey player. He is exceptionally fast and gets his share of the face-offs.

GOALIES

JOHN (MAC) THAYER -- At the present time, sophomore Thayer ranks as the Gophers' No. 1 man in the nets. Tall and agile, he protects the goal well and is a hard man to feint out of position.

TOM WILSON -- He was a member of the squad last year but didn't get into any of the games with Iron Man Burt Joseph around.

JOHN GARDINER -- A tough little sophomore with a great competitive spirit. He is pressing Thayer for the goal tender's job.





Minneapolis, Jan. 15/43 - Although losing three of the greatest swimming stars that he has ever had in his 23 years at Minnesota, Coach Neils Thorpe feels that the Gophers' 1943 season will be just as successful as last year's campaign.

Minnesota finished third in the Big Ten meet in 1942, behind Michigan and Ohio State. But this year, Thorpe expected to have even a stronger team with veterans Arnie Elchlepp and Bob Acker leading the way along with sophomores Roger Ahlman and Keith Brueckner. But the Army thought otherwise.

Elchlepp had placed second in both the 220 and 440 yard free-style events in the Big Ten meet and had taken a fourth place in the NCAA 1500 meters. Acker had also placed in the Big Ten finals, winning a fourth in the 220.

Ahlman could swim in almost any event while Brueckner was the best backstroke man on the squad and could have done well in Big Ten competition, according to Coach Thorpe. The armed services, however, have taken all of these men except Acker, who is a chemical engineer.

Thorpe plans to use hard-working Acker, who has improved considerably, in both the 220 and 440 yard free-style races this year. Captain Ray Hakomaki, who has also come a long way since last year, will be Minnesota's No. 1 man in the 50 and 100 yard dashes.

The Gophers also figure to be fairly strong in the breast stroke and diving. Vernon Ojampa and Bob Sivertsen are the best Minnesota men in the former event while Vernon Ruotsalainen and Bud Garnaas, brother of Gopher quarterback Bill Garnaas, are rated the top divers.

Coach Thorpe frankly admits that Minnesota will be weakest in the backstroke and the 300 yard medley relay but adds "should freshmen be permitted to compete, we won't cry."

Probably most welcome of the first year men would be Orrin Neff, former Wisconsin state backstroke champion, and Jay Scholtus, Minnesota's champion in the same event.

Bill Thorpe, the Gopher Coach's son and dual Minnesota high school champion in the 220 yard free-style and the 200 yard breast stroke, would also be a valuable addition to the squad along with dashman Ben Phillips, a fourth promising freshman.

Minnesota's only home meet this year is with Iowa, February 27.

#### MINNESOTA 1943 SWIMMING

##### SCHEDULE

- Feb. 13 Minnesota vs Wisconsin at Madison
- Feb. 20 Minnesota vs Northwestern at Evanston
- Feb. 22 Minnesota vs Chicago at Chicago
- Feb. 27 Minnesota vs Iowa at Minneapolis
- March 5, 6 Big Ten meet at Northwestern--Evanston, Ill.
- March 26, 27 NCAA meet at Ohio State--Columbus, O.

Minneapolis, Jan. <sup>21/43</sup> 21--Big Bill Lind, versatile center or forward on Minnesota's basketball team, has regained his magic touch.

Lanky Lind, who for the past two years has been rated one of the best defensive men in the Big Ten, has started to score again. It all began in the Dartmouth game January 6.

Bill had been the leading scorer in the Minneapolis high school league in 1937 and had set two new records but when he came to Minnesota, for some unknown reason his tosses would not drop through the hoop. For two years the cry at Minnesota was "we need a center who can score" and if it were not for Lind's great defensive play, he might have lost his position.

Then in the Dartmouth game this year, Bill regained that intangible something and the ball started falling through the basket, instead of hitting the rim and bouncing off as it had done so many times in his first two years. Lind came through with five field goals and a free throw for a total of eleven points in that game, and since that time, he has been the Gophers' high point man.

When Minnesota opened its Big Ten season against Iowa, Lind was not expected to play. He had been on crutches just a day before the game and was considered a definite loss for at least the first game. But when Minnesota's starting five took the floor, Lind was not only at center but came up with twelve points as the Gophers won. In the second Iowa game, which Minnesota lost, Lind got 13.

On the free throw line, Bill has probably a better record this year than any basketball player in the conference. He has made 21

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out of 24 gift shots in the Gophers' first nine games. But Lind is modest about his newly regained scoring ability and considers the first Wisconsin game in 1941 his best.

That was the year the Badgers won the Big Ten and National basketball championships. Wisconsin won 11 out of 12 games in 1941 and the only blemish on their record was a 34-27 loss at the hands of Minnesota.

Sensational Johnny Kotz was only a sophomore then and Wisconsin's ace was Gene Englund, the Big Ten's leading scorer at the time. When the Badgers came to Minnesota, Lind was given the more than difficult task of guarding Englund.

Big Bill came through with probably the greatest defensive game that he ever played, holding Englund to a mere three points. And the story behind Lind's great play that night can be explained.

Bill had enrolled at the University of Wisconsin after graduating from high school and played one year of freshman basketball there. He decided, however, that he was coming back home the next year.

And when his friends and teammates found this out, they often remarked to him, in a joking manner, that he was leaving Wisconsin because he thought that he could not make the team. This riled Bill and has seemed to make him play just a little bit harder and better basketball every time the Gophers met Wisconsin.

Lind is now in his senior year at Minnesota and he is going to have a chance to play against the Badgers twice, January 30 and March 1, the Gophers' final game of the year. And if you were to ask Bill what he would like more than anything else this basketball season, your answer could not help but be "play two good games against Wisconsin."

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Minneapolis, Jan. <sup>28/43</sup> ---With half of Minnesota's 1943 wrestling schedule already completed, it is evident that the Gophers' newest coach, Wally Johnson, is doing a good job.

The Gopher wrestlers have a record of two victories and two defeats for a .500 rating. They have won from Carleton and the Seahawks while falling before Wisconsin and a powerful Iowa State Teachers' College team.

Minnesota's record is much more impressive this year than it sounds, for Coach Johnson has had to rebuild almost the entire squad. Lost from the Gophers' 1941 outfit are Butch Levy and Bob Barber, National AAU champions; Irvin Wheeler and Cliff Perrizo; outstanding 128-pound men, Russ Newquist, 165-pounds; Don Forrey, 135-pounds; Jack Morton, 155-pounds, and Johnson himself, who wrestled in both the 155 and 165-pound divisions last year.

Also, the Gophers have had to compete in all their matches this season without a 121-pound man. National title-holder Barber, from last year's squad, is in the navy.

Coach Johnson, however, is still optimistic about his new team and figures that the Gophers will be a pretty fair outfit by the time the Big Ten meet is held at Northwestern, March 5 and 6.

"We have four dual matches left and after those, some of our men are going to be mighty tough to beat," Johnson said.

He has especially liked the rapid improvement of heavyweight Bill Aldworth, six-foot four-inch, 220-pound tackle from the Minnesota football team. Aldworth has won three of his four matches, winning one by a fall

and two by decisions. Bill's only loss was to George Mekkers of Wisconsin, a close 7-5 decision.

John Clausen at 155-pounds, Captain George Head, 145-pounds and Connie Emerson, rugged 175-pound man, have also come a long way in a few short weeks.

The Gophers will resume their wrestling schedule during the Minnesota-Illinois basketball series, February 13 and 15. Cornell College will furnish the opposition the first night while the Gopher matmen will meet Macalaster February 15.

Co-Captain Bob Graiziger and Johnny Bolla failed to break their tie for Minnesota hockey scoring honors as each picked up one point in the Michigan Tech series at Houghton last week.

Bolla scored a goal in the first game, which the Gophers won, 3-1, on an assist from Graiziger.

The Scoring:

	Goals	Assists	Total Points
Bob Graiziger, lw & d	3	2	5
John Bolla, rw	3	2	5
Fred Heiseke, c	2	2	4
Mally Williams, lw	2	1	3
Dick Kelley, c	2	1	3
Don Noland, d	1	1	2
Pat Ryan, rw	1	0	1
	<hr/> 14	<hr/> 9	<hr/> 23



Minneapolis, Feb. <sup>18/43</sup> --- Should Minnesota win the Big Ten hockey championship this winter, it isn't going to be any surprise to the members of the Gopher team, because they have the "Championship Kid" on their side.

He is Bob "Cue Ball" Graiziger, versatile wing and defenseman.

Being on title-winning teams is nothing new to Graiziger, and he hopes to be on another one after a few more games. Back in high school, the Gopher hockey team's co-captain played on six Twin City championship outfits.

He rotated at both wing and center on a great St. Paul Washington six that went undefeated for two consecutive years. In the 1938-39 season, Washington won 23 out of 24 games, being tied only by Minneapolis West in a pre-season game. And for two straight years, Graiziger was the leading scorer in the St. Paul high school league.

But that is not all. Bob was a crashing fullback on Washington's football team and led his teammates to two Twin City Championships in that sport also. He scored more touchdowns than any other player in the league and won all-city and all-state honors.

At baseball it was the same old story. Graiziger, at first base, helped give Washington two more Twin City Titles.

"He is a great competitor and works hard at any position," explains Larry Armstrong, Minnesota's hockey coach. "Bob, you know, was

converted into a guard on the football team last fall after having played fullback in high school and in his freshman year at Minnesota. And he applied himself so well that he was able to win his letter at this spot despite his inexperience."

At hockey Graiziger has done even better. He is the Gophers' "handy-Andy". Coach Armstrong uses Bob at left wing on Minnesota's first line and as the No. 1 replacement on defense for either Co-Captain Don Nolander or Bud Leckie.

"Cue Ball" seems to be doing a good job at both positions too, for at the present time he is the leading Gopher scorer with four goals and six assists for a total of ten points.

This is Graiziger's second year on the Gopher hockey team and he has faced a good many goalies since leaving high school, but Bob still thinks that Minnesota's own Johnny (Mac) Thayer is the best of them all.

"Why Mac is....." And Graiziger went on talking about the merits of goalie Thayer.

But Bob also played in some tough high school games against Mally Williams, Gopher left wing, and speedy Dick Kelley, center, and he says that he is mighty happy that they are on his side now instead of the other.

When asked how he got the name "Cue Ball", Graiziger took off his hat and sported a heinie haircut saying, "this one is long."



Minneapolis, Feb. <sup>25/43</sup> 25-- "The status of intercollegiate athletics may be somewhat in doubt but intramural sports at the University of Minnesota will be continued as long as we have even two men who want to compete in some activity," W. R. Smith, intramural director at Minnesota, declares.

Team sports, as usual, are the most popular in intramural, with basketball leading the way. Over 1000 men are participating in the annual winter tournament which will ultimately lead to the All-University finals and championship scheduled for March 4, the night of the yearly Intramural Carnival.

Individual sports such as boxing, wrestling, table tennis, fencing and swimming also have a big following at Minnesota and they will all come to a climax on March 4.

Besides physically developing its own men to aid the war effort, Minnesota, like a number of other universities and colleges, has loaned its athletic facilities to the Army and Navy. Conditioning classes for the armed service men, who are on the campus for technical training, meet at every hour of the day.

Basketball, boxing and swimming seem to be the most popular sports among the Army and Navy men.

Sports like volleyball, squash, handball, badminton and bowling have also attracted many of Minnesota's athletically minded students. Since the University built its new Union, with 16 well-kept alleys, bowling has

gained in popularity among both men and women.

Minneapolis, Feb.---Eighteen University of Minnesota athletic staff members are serving the armed forces.

The complete list is as follows: Dave Bartelma, wrestling, lieutenant in the navy; Bert Baston, football, lieutenant colonel in the army; Bernie Bierman, football, lieutenant colonel in the marines; Lloyd Boyce, trainer, private first class in the army; Ed Burke, baseball, lieutenant in the navy; Mike Cielusak, basketball, lieutenant in the navy; Ed Haislet, boxing, lieutenant in the navy; Wallace Johnson, wrestling, ensign in the navy; Vernal LeVour, football, lieutenant in the navy; Frank McCormick, athletic director, major in the army; Maurice Ostrander, swimming, lieutenant in the navy; George Otterness, track, lieutenant in the navy; John Roning, football, lieutenant in the navy; Manfred Schrupp, athletic director University high, ensign in the navy; Leslie Schroeder, ticket manager, lieutenant colonel in the civilian air patrol; Lloyd Stein, trainer, lieutenant in the navy; Dallas Ward, football, lieutenant in the navy; Verl Young, basketball, lieutenant in the navy.

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Minneapolis, March ~~24~~<sup>23</sup> Minnesota's baseball hopes for 1943 will rise or fall depending on two factors: call to service in the armed forces and scholastic standing. With the threat of men being called at any time and the accelerated programs of most students keeping them busy, however, baseball will be an uncertain quantity.

The squad is large but with only three lettermen returning from last year: Stu Olson and Casey Dowling, the 2 lettermen catchers, Norm Gallup, letterman pitcher. There is also Stan Kaess, who barely missed his letter last year. All of last year's infield and outfield have graduated or been called up for active duty with Uncle Sam. Outstanding frosh are: Hudson Mealy, pitcher from Faribault; Max O'Melia, second baseman from Marble; Dick Meers, Shortstop from Bethel; Earl Bruhn, Milt Bruhn's brother, and shortstop from St. Bonifacius. No outstanding frosh candidates are out for First base, catcher or the outfield. Sophomore candidates include Curtis Berg, infield, and Vince Kelly, pitcher. Other sophs are former members of the basketball squad who turned out enmasse for baseball. Howie Shutz, third base; Leo "Fagin" Shields, First base; Wes Windmiller, pitcher with good possibilities; Butz Lehrman, scrappy shortstop from North; Bill Lind, first base; and Jerry Carle, infield. Football is well represented by Herb Hein and Herman Frickey, shortstop and outfield. One senior, Dick McKesson, a lefthanded pitcher has possibilities.

It still is a little early to say what kind of a team we will have, but Dave Mac Millan, baseball coach, says "better than last year - more speed on the team". There will probably be heavier hitting this year as the

squad is really getting in good shape and weighs more per man than last year's squad.

Baseball has had one serious setback to winter practice. The fieldhouse could only be used after 3:30 p.m. as Army and Navy squads use the field house for drilling, also, the State Basketball Tournament will cut down for awhile on the time needed for practice. Even though the squad doesn't have the full use of the field house, Dave Mac Millan says "this is war time and we must make the best use of what we have".

During vacation, there will be double practice periods. Morning and afternoon practice next week and then back to afternoon practice for spring quarter.

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Minneapolis, March <sup>31/43</sup> -- For the first time in many years Minnesota football practice is set to open on April 5, next Monday, without the certainty of famous backfield men, ends and linemen being on hand from last year's squad and the firm knowledge that among the sophomores there will be all the way from half a dozen up of new men who can eventually step into the veterans shoes and do as well.

Headcoach Dr. George Hauser has sent out his annual call to players who he thinks will return, but until the squad shows up on Northrop Field next week he is saying little, and Red Dawson, who will assist in spring practice, is saying even less.

In brief, the uncertainties of war are multiplying the uncertainties of football. And everyone knows that while football will be continued in the Western Conference, as in many other American playing groups, war is all-out in first place and will stay there while it endures.

At the moment, not even the schedule of games for next fall can be considered a certainty, with travel considerations still somewhat befogging the outlook for games with Pittsburgh and Ohio State and minor difficulties besetting at least one of the other games as originally scheduled.

Sure, however, is the fact that whatever men with football ability and a yen to play happen to be on the campus next fall will be permitted to get into the game. The freshman rule is off for the duration, and the Conference has ruled that students temporarily on the campus, for instance, Army or Navy trainees, may play with the home team if they can find the time.

Men in reserve categories who remain on the campus next fall--

and many of the Navy and Marine Corps men probably will, although all Army Enlisted Reserve Corps fellows have already been called up--will be in a position to play. As for students assigned here for temporary training courses, either ratings or men in training for commissions, Navy pronouncements have made it clear that they may play if they can find the time after completing their full program of daily training routine. Some definite hope of squad members is held out from this quarter, but its extent is far from definite.

Incidentally, the Army, whose first declarations made it sound as though its specialized trainees could take no part in athletics, has since interpreted that order so that Army trainees will be in about the same position as those in the Navy. They probably may play if they can find the time.

Coaches and football followers, whose number is vast in Minnesota and whose normal ardor is high, think the main thing is to keep competitive sports going on some level--the main thing, that is, next to winning the war. Football can't possibly be normal this year, but there's no reason it can't be pretty good, and every reason for its keeping alive the spirit and flare of competitive sport.

Anyway, after another week, the squad will be out in full panoply. Punts will fly through the air, signals will be barked, coaches will divide the squad into backfield men, ends and linemen and send each through their necessary training manouvers. Yes, sir! Spring practice is almost here and when it begins there will be something factual to say about it.

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Minneapolis, April 21<sup>1942</sup> Things are looking up for Coach Jim Kelly's University of Minnesota track team, with the result that the good Jim plans to plunge at the Drake Relays, April 23 and 24, taking as many as 15 or 16 men to Des Moines.

"If we don't lose any more men we should finish in the first division", says the constitutionally optimistic Kelly. "We are just coming to the point where the cold Minnesota spring allows us to get outdoors, but from now on we're going to work hard and make fast progress."

Most of the Minnesota squad will consist of sophomores and freshmen, but Kelly has five returning lettermen, among whom are some of his best performers. For examples, there are Floyd Foslien, the distance runner and good two-miler, who is back in college, and Ralph Pohland, a half-miler of parts. Chuck Hosfield in the high jump and Frank Adams, the hurdler, are swiftly rounding into form, and Dick Kelly, whose speed was devoted to football last fall, will be out airing his track panties over the dash distances.

Among other returning men from last year's squad are Carl Ekberg, in the weights, Vern Shuckert, pole vaulter, and Roger Morris, who handles the broad jump. A sophomore of considerable promise is Bruce James, holder of the Minnesota state high school record in the quarter mile.

Kelly likes his freshman outfit, which includes two holders of state high school records, Ray Tharpe of Minneapolis Washburn, hurdler, and Cal Jacobs of North high, broad jumper. Harry Covey, a quarter miler and Ralph Ferrin, last year's best high school half miler, are also at Minnesota. Two other comers are Gordon Emerson of Spring Valley, Wis., a high jumper and the North high pole vaulter, Jim Peterson. Half a dozen other newcomers will eventually strengthen the squad.

Dual and group meets in which the Minnesota track team will take part this year are the following:

TRACK SCHEDULE  
(tentative)

Drake Relays-Des Moines, Iowa - April 23, 24

May 1 - Minnesota, Indiana, Purdue, Northwestern,  
and Wisconsin - at Evanston.

May 8 - Dual Meet - Wisconsin - at Minnesota.

May 14 - Conference meet at Evanston.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

MINNESOTA

April 12--Carleton at Minnesota

April 16-17--Illinois at Urbana

April 24--Luther at Minnesota

April 26-27--Iowa at Minnesota

April 30-May 1--Iowa State at Ames

May 7-8--Wisconsin at Madison

May 11--Carleton at Northfield

May 14-15--Iowa State at Minnesota

May 21-22--Northwestern at Evanston

May 28-29--Chicago at Minnesota





Minneapolis, April <sup>22/53</sup> -- With this week and three more laid out as the remainder of the spring practice period for Dr. George Hauser's Minnesota football team, the tempo of work on Northrop Field is being stepped up in preparation for the intra-squad game that will close the sessions on Saturday, May 15.

Proceeds of the final game will go to the Red Cross at \$1. a head with tickets paid for by all who enter the gates, including coaches but excepting players.

What is apparently a first string has been developed in the three weeks that have passed with Capt. Cliff Anderson and Dick Burk at ends; the veterans Paul Mitchell and Bill Aldworth at tackles; Johnny Perko and Bob Graiziger at guards and Bob Solheim, center.

When all are able to turn out for practice Vic Kulbitski has had the call at fullback, with Bill Garnaas, Red Williams and Chuck Avery, newcomer who spent a year at Michigan, completing the backfield.

Pushing these men closely for many positions are an approximate second string on which Remus Bretoi and Jack Moore are stationed at the ends; Charles Hiemark and Ed Bush at tackles; Jim Jewett and Sewall Johnson at guards and Jack Spewak at center, with a backfield composed of Bob Granum, quarterback, Jim Jennings, right half, Bill Johnson, left half and Paul Prola, fullback.

Very promising among many newcomers are Jim Jennings from Minneapolis West, Charles Edwards, Detroit Lakes, Ed Bush, Thermopolis, Wyo., Elmer Thiess, Ceylon, Minn., and two Wisconsin boys, Bob Granum, hailing from Amery and Church Avery, Antigo.

Minneapolis, April---If only all his eggs should hatch Jim Kelly, Minnesota track coach, will have one of his best squads this year, but as the time for opening the season at the Drake Relays approaches, Jim is clucking around the nest with a note that becomes more and more worried. The rats of illness and eligibility are lurking just around the corner of the barn, and not all is well.

However, there is a bright side to the picture as Ralph Pohland, half-miler, has passed the exams that make him eligible, and Floyd Foslien, veteran performer and dependable man in the mile and two-mile, is recovering from a siege of flu. Foslien, however, is still far from well. But again, Cal Jacobs, freshman broad jumper and dash man, has been O.K'd for competition by the health service and has joined the squad as a regular.

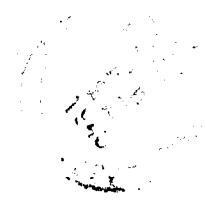
Worries at the Kelly nest were increased when the hurdler, Ray Tharp, fell ill with an ailment that may keep him out for the season.

That coach's bugaboo in the north, a cold spring, has been a drawback to the Gopher track and field men, and as the Army says in this war, "That ain't kiddin'." The cold has also interfered with conditioning the track as well as the tracksters.

Warm weather to stimulate practise and a good rain to harden down the track are items that Kelly is taking up with important powers.

Following participation in the Drake relays this week-end, a meet to which Minnesota will apparently send fewer than the fifteen originally scheduled, the Gophers will take part May 1 in a meet between Indiana, Purdue, Northwestern, Wisconsin and Minnesota at Evanston.

MINNESOTA BASEBALL SQUAD - 1943



4/22/43

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Aune, Dick	P	1	5'11	Mpls.
Berg, Curtis	2B	1	6'	Granite Falls
Berglund, Bob	P	1	6'	Mpls.
Bruhn, Earl	CF	1	5'10	St. Bonifacius
Carle, Jerry	3B	1	5'10	North St. Paul
*Dowling, Casey	C	2	5'11	Deer River
Dunnum, Quentin	P	1	5'10	Alexandria
Glass, Charles	P	1	5'10	Shujerlands, N.Y.
*Gallup, Norm	P	2	5'8	Howard Lake
Hein, Herb	LF	1	5'11	Billings, Mont.
Hill, Roland	P	1	5'11	Waconia
Halenkamp, Larry	RF	1	6'	Mpls.
Holdorf, Charles	2B	1	5'5	New York
Huso, Bob	LF	1	5'11	Cottonwood
Johnson, Bob	2B	1	5'11	Champlin
Jubina, Bill	P	1	5'10	New York
Kaess, Stan	P	2	6'	Mpls.
Kelly, Gene	P	1	6'	St. Paul
Kispert, Merland	P	1	6'	St. Paul
Kolander, Jerry	RF	2	5'11	Slayton
Laatsch, Art	OF	1	5'11	Hutchinson
Lind, Bill	1B	1	6'2	Mpls.
Lehrman, Butz	SS	1	5'9	Mpls.
Meers, Dick	SS	1	5'7	Bethel
Mealey, Hudson	C	1	5'9	Faribault
McKesson, Dick	P	1	5'10	Excelsior
*Olson, Stu	C	2	5'10	Zumbrota
O'Melia, Max	2B	1	5'10	Marble
Picha, Bob	CF	1	5'7	Mpls.
Schutz, Howie	3B	1	6'	Mpls.
Shields, Leo	1B	1	6'3	Mpls.
Snyder, Bob	P	1	6'3	Anoka
Stewart, Mike	P	1	6'2	St. Paul
Shoultus, J	P	1	6'2	Virginia
Trooien, Oscar	P&O	1	5'11	St. Paul
Wainwright, Tom	1B	1	5'11	Mpls.
Windmiller, Wes	P	1	6'	Fergus Falls

\*---Lettermen

Headcoach - Dave MacMillen

Manager - Stan Graiewski

MINNESOTA BASEBALL - 1943

Stu Olson, letterman catcher, handled the catching duties in fine style last year. He is rated as one of the few catchers able to talk a batter into swinging at the wrong ball. Olson is a Business junior and hails from Zumbrota. This is his second year as a regular.

Casey Dowling, letterman catcher from Deer River, was the reserve catcher last year. With a good throwing arm and a reputation as a placement hitter, Dowling adds considerable strength to the catching post.

Coming to Minnesota with an outstanding reputation from high school as a catcher and a hitter is Huck Mealey, a freshman from Faribault. A valuable addition to any baseball squad, Mealey is certain to see plenty of service.

Leo Shields, former American Legion ball player from De LaSalle, will see plenty of action at first base. A big boy, 6'3", with a long reach, Shields is a good target for the infield to throw at. Able to handle himself well, he is a natural hitter.

Bill Lind, regular center on the Gopher's basketball team for three years, is out for baseball for the first time. Rated as an outstanding player in high school, he played third base and pitched. Because of his size, Lind has been shifted to first base on the squad. A senior, Lind hails from Minneapolis.

Bob Johnson, a freshman from Anoka, is at second. Fast and with a good throwing arm, he is a threat on any infield hit. Johnson is one of the best fielders on the squad.

Howie Schutz, a letterman guard on the basketball team, plays third base. A sophomore, he won his numerals last year. A long distance hitter, Schutz adds strength to the squad's hitting power.

Butz Lehrman, former North High School athlete, is at shortstop. Lehrman played American Legion baseball and comes to Minnesota with a good high school reputation. He was offered a tryout with the Minneapolis Millers last spring. For a little player, he is a good long distance hitter.

Dick Meers, a newcomer from Bethel, is rated as an all around infielder. Equally at home on second or third base, he will see a lot of action.

Jerry Kolander, senior outfielder from Slayton, plays in right field. A reliable hitter, he can be counted on when the going is tough. Considered a good judge of fly balls, Kolander possesses a strong throwing arm so necessary for an outfielder.

Herb Hein, a football letterman from Billings, Montana, will play at the left field post. An infielder in the past, Hein was shifted to the outfield because of his speed and throwing arm. He hit the first Gopher home run of the year against Carleton.

Earl Bruhn, a brother of a former Gopher baseball and football player, Milt Bruhn, is at center field. He is an exceptionally good judge of fly balls. Bruhn, a freshman from St. Bonafacius, is one of the most promising hitters on the squad.

Jerry Carle, sophomore from North St. Paul, plays either in the infield or the outfield. He is a former American Legion ball player with the reputation as a fast man on the bases. Carle is not only a placement but a switch hitter as well.

Norm Gallup, bespectacled Gopher hurler, is the most consistent pitcher on the squad. A threat to base stealers, he is a speedball pitcher. Gallup, an engineering junior, hails from Howard Lake. This is his third year as a regular.

Stan Kaess, a senior from Minneapolis, is also slated for heavy mound duty. He throws a fast ball with plenty of control. His best ball, however, is a curve ball. This is his second year on the squad.

Wes Windmiller, sophomore pitcher from Fergus Falls, won his numerals last year. A versatile player, he can be switched to either the infield or the outfield. Coming to Minnesota with a reputation as an outstanding American Legion baseball player, Windmiller throws a speed ball. He was a forward on the Gopher's basketball team.

Gene Kelly, a right-hander from St. Paul, adds considerable speed to the pitching staff. His best ball is a fast ball. Fast and a quick thinker, he fields his position well. With more experience, Kelly will develop into a first class pitcher.

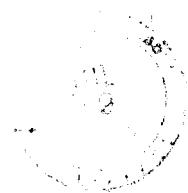
Bob Berglund, pitcher on Washburn High's Twin City team, is a valuable addition to the staff. He has always had the ambition to pitch college ball. Berglund throws a fast ball with good control. If he applies himself, he should live up to his fine reputation from high school.

#### BATTING ORDER

The early-season batting order was as follows:

Lehrman, ss.  
Schutz, 3b  
Johnson, 2b  
Kolander, rf  
Bruhn, cf  
Main, cf  
Shields, lb  
Olson, C  
Gallup, p

Sports Release.



Minneapolis, ~~7/12/42~~---Tension over football prospects has been relieved at Minnesota with the reporting of more than 80 candidates to Headcoach Dr. George Hauser, whose practice period has now been under way for a week. The program will be interrupted for a few days at the end of this week for exams. at the end of the first summer term, but then will be resumed to run the full four weeks.

Fall practice will be started again about Sept. 4, three weeks before the first game on September 25.

Dr. Hauser and Red Dawson are smiling again, not because they expect to turn out a championship football team, but because they know they have the material with which to produce a creditable showing in an abnormal and difficult year for athletics.

Yes, they even have back a few of the old-type Minnesota behemoths, principally Paul Mitchell and Ed Lechner, a couple of tackles calculated to smear the best that may be encountered.

And as for those nineteen good men lost to Marine training corps on other campuses, Dr. Hauser says: "At least the home fans will not have to see them playing against the Gophers. Most of them have gone to Northwestern, Michigan and Notre Dame and this year we play both the Wolves and the Wildcats away from home."

Somehow that fact seems to make George feel better. It puts a little rust on the awful irony of seeing his own stars playing for his most determined opponents.

Chuck Avery, transfer from Michigan, will be a backfield prospect, along with booting Bill Garnaas, veteran quarterback of Minnesota's 1941 and 1942 teams. They provide a nucleus, at least. And to go with the linemen already named, Bill Aldworth, who is now working out in Montana, expects to be back. Last fall Aldworth was practically first string. Tom Slettehaugh, freshman from Minneapolis, and Loren Palmer also a freshman, from Laurel Montana, look like good fullback candidates. Minnesota, of course, is not Minnesota without some powerfully driving men at full.

Just one player is down on the Minnesota squad list as a transfer from another Big Ten university. He is Bob Dean, 190 pound guard candidate. Bob comes from Bloomington, Ind., in fact from Indiana University.

A touch of the old cooperation has been given to the Minnesota squad by the United States Navy. Ens. Frank Patrick, former Pittsburgh football great, and Chief Spec. John Scafile, who was a brilliant guard at Tulane under Bernie Bierman a dozen years ago, have volunteered to help with the coaching.

"And they will help", Dr. Hauser says.

Marsh. Ryman, member of the intramural athletics staff at Minnesota since his graduation ten years ago has been named athletic ticket manager to succeed Leslie L. Schroeder, who after many years of service has resigned to become state commissioner of aviation. Schroeder was given a temporary appointment by Gov. Harold E. Stassen, now a lieut. comm. in the navy, and has been made regular commissioner by Governor Edward Thye, Stassen's successor.

Ryman is thoroughly acquainted with the workings of the athletic department and will step into his new post without friction. He was selected by Lou Keller, acting director.

Schroeder has had an unusual experience as ticket manager, having been active in the office as a student assistant, assistant manager, and manager from the time the stadium was opened in the fall of 1924. With a service record of nearly twenty years he was one of the conference veterans prior to his resignation.

His appointment followed long activity in aviation and Les has been a licensed pilot for many years. He has flown his Piper cub to California on occasion, to visit his father and brother in that state. Les has done all of the fancy aviation stunts but one, whichever that is. He has a cinch on outside loops, the falling leaf and those best-known combat maneuvers. But he has never been able to invent an elastic 50 yard line. That job he leaves to young Marsh Ryman.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

1943-FOOTBALL-1943

The University of Minnesota will play a full nine-game football schedule this fall, meeting, in addition to five Conference teams, the teams of The Universities of Nebraska and Missouri and those of the Iowa Naval Training Base (Seahawks) and of Camp Grant.

Games with Michigan and Northwestern will be played away from home, those with Wisconsin, Iowa and Purdue, at Minneapolis.

Like so many other institutions, Minnesota lost the overwhelming majority of its veteran football players to enlistment, draft, or transfer under one of the officer training programs. This was inevitable under wartime conditions but the sport will be continued in the interests of athletic tradition, use being made of the material that is available.

Even so, a small nucleus of skilled veterans is available and the Gophers are expected to produce a brand of football of which no one need be ashamed.

Below is given somewhat abridged data on the Minnesota 1943 football season.

The Coaches

Headcoach--Dr. George W. Hauser, now in his second year as Minnesota head-coach. For many years Dr. Hauser was line-coach for Bernard W. Bierman during the long period in which the latter coached champions at Minneapolis.

First assistant--Lowell (Red) Dawson. Dawson is another veteran of the Bierman regime, having been the latter's first assistant for several years and later going to Tulane as headcoach. He returned to Minnesota in 1942 to be Hauser's back-field coach.

Service assistants--Ensign Frank Patrick, USNR, and Chief Spec. John Scafide of the Navy's V-12 staff at the University of Minnesota, are volunteer assistants to Hauser and Dawson. Mr. Patrick is an old Pittsburgh star and Chief Scafide a former brilliant Tulane player of about ten years ago.



### The Schedule

Sept. 25	Missouri at Mpls
Oct. 2	Nebraska at Mpls
Oct. 9	Open
Oct. 16	Comp Grant at Mpls
Oct. 23	Michigan at Ann Arbor
Oct. 30	Northwestern at Evanston
Nov. 6	Purdue at Mpls
Nov. 13	Iowa at Mpls
Nov. 20	Wisconsin at Mpls
Nov. 27	Seahawks at Mpls

### Veteran Nucleus

"Veterans" on the present squad are men who have played at Minnesota before, together with a few who have survived military movements since spring practice.

Ed. Lechner, eligible under current rules, completed his original three years of play in 1941 but is back as a dental student. He is an outstanding lineman and will be used at guard. Paul Mitchell, engineering student, is a two-letter man who will be in there at tackle. Bill Aldworth, member of the 1942 squad, is a leading tackle candidate, and Jim Jewett, guard candidate, was also on the 1942 squad. Captain Cliff Anderson, end, is still on the campus as this is written but may be called to service before the schedule starts.

Bill Garnaas, star blocking back, signal caller and kick-off specialist of recent Minnesota teams, will be back at quarter and "Red" Williams, one of the most promising sophomores of recent years during the 1942 season, has a good chance to be available for 1943 Minnesota games. Chuck Avery, a right halfback, had a year's experience on the Michigan squad before transferring to Minnesota about a year ago and is due to see a good deal of action.

### Other Promising Men

Freshmen, service men and a few upperclassmen eager to win their football spurs and who have remained in college under special, individual conditions, make up the rest of the Minnesota squad. The rule allowing freshmen to play makes it certain that some men will join the squad after college opens, but these cannot be listed now. In normal years, when a man had to be a sophomore to play, all squad

members with rare exceptions were known after the close of spring practice. Dr. Hauser has said that he expects the addition of about 20 members to his squad when the college year begins.

Of the six men listed first as ends, all but one, Dick Lerversee of Spokane, Wash., are freshmen or members of a service group. These six men are: left ends, Gagni, Glatzmaier and Leer; right ends, Lerversee, Sherer and Derderian.

Mike Rapko of Chisholm, Minn., a senior in the Institute of Technology, has come along in practice to give the appearance of an excellent tackle. With him and Paul Mitchell given first choice at left tackle is also Tom Reinhardt of Jasper, Minn., a service man. Listed as right tackles are Bill Aldworth, already mentioned; Ed Rydell, a dentistry senior with some football experience, and Don Bunge of Austin, Minn., weighing 225 and standing six feet eight.

Freshmen Silianoff of Wilmerding, Pa. and Dick Lagergren of St. Cloud, together with Luverne Knappe, a junior from Caledonia, Minn., are the best pre-season prospects for the center position. The trio represents little experience.

Madsen, Adson and Jewett are three who will have plenty of chance to make good at right guard, while in that position on the left side of the line, the veteran Lechner, with Senior Henry Weber of St. Paul and 200 pound Sophomore Del Tammen of Clara City are expected to get the call, as matters shape up now.

Minnesota is well provided with quarterbacks, one position which promises to hold up to the standard of almost any year. Behind Veteran Bill Garnaas are Bob Granum, an experienced sophomore from Amery, Wis., and Freshman Bill Peterson of Detroit Lakes, one of the youngsters who shone most brightly in the summer practice period.

At right halfback Hauser now has Chuck Avery, the Michigan transfer, Loren Palmer of Laurel, Montana, an outstanding freshman back; Sophomore Lundquist of Granite Falls, and small but coming, Bob Collison of Fairmont. Available for left halfback are P. Sutton, called promising by the coaches, the excellent Red Williams, if he remains available, Bob Carle of St. Paul, a booming 185-pounder, Tom Cates, another St. Paul comer, and a freshman, Baglien.

If Minnesota finds anyone this year to continue its famous and almost uninterrupted line of great fullbacks there is only one chance in three, at present, anyway, that he will be a native Copher. Leading Candidates are Waldron of Amsterdam, N. Y., like Avery a transfer from Michigan; Hoyt Moncrief of Monroe, La., a freshman, and John King, a V-12er from Minneapolis. Immediate prospects are that these boys will battle it out between them.

#### Other Comment

Headcoach Dr. Geo. Hauser expects to issue suits to a squad of about 60 when the bell rings for the season.---Among newcomers in whom he expresses considerable confidence are Halfbacks Tom Cates, Bill Peterson, P. Sutton and Bob Carle. In the line, says Hauser, Rapko, tackle, will "play quite a bit", and the good doctor has a watchful eye on Don Bunge, tackle, Fred Madsen, guard, Del Tammen, tackle. Bunge, incidentally, should be the squad's largest man, as he stands six feet eight inches and weighs 225. The coach also lists Leer as a coming end and Collison as a back who is sure to see service.---Avery, the Michigan transfer, who plugged through spring and summer practice, is almost sure to be a starter at right half.

#### Notes

Missouri and Camp Grant are teams on the Minnesota schedule which have not played the Cophers before.--Nebraska, while not in the Western Conference, is one of Minnesota's oldest and most welcome rivals.--The Missouri game will be the season's opener on September 25.--Next comes Nebraska, also at Minneapolis, then an open date on October 2 and Camp Grant, October 9. First conference game will be Michigan at Ann Arbor, Oct. 23, followed by Northwestern at Evanston Oct. 30. Three conference games at home will follow on successive week-ends, Purdue, Iowa and Wisconsin, and the Seahawks will close the Minnesota season at Minneapolis Nov. 27, latest date of a home game since the old Thanksgiving closing was abandoned years ago.

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Minnesota has a new ticket manager, Marshall Ryman, succeeding Les Schroeder. Les has become state commissioner of aeronautics for Minnesota.

(A squad list will be provided in a subsequent release)

Minneapolis, Aug. 31/43 A three-cent scouting expedition (postage rates) of Minnesota's football opposition for the coming campaign brings information from opposing camps that the Gophers will have a brisk time of it during their nine-game schedule this fall.

None of the opposing teams is expecting to lie down on the field and conduct a reading from Homer during any quarter whatsoever.

Uncle Sam's postoffice scouts reveal in the language of the OWI that, "This is war".

C D Simpson, backfield coach at Missouri, has taken over in the absence of Don Faurot, who is now a Seahawk. George Edwards of Missouri, writes that five veterans may be available there but that only one, Bill Ekern, end, is sure to play. Other possibilities are Don Reece, last year's captain and fullback; Ralph Carter "midget" halfback; Jack Morton, like Ekern, an end, and Verlie Abrams, a guard.

"One must therefore look with some trepidation", writes Edwards, "Upon a schedule which includes games with Minnesota, Ohio State and Great Lakes. Missouri authorities, though, are determined to maintain the sport and will muster as strong a team as conditions will permit".

Next--Nebraska. A. J. (Lew) Lewandowski, coach, writes that two boys from last year's squad, neither a letter winner, will be back. They are Bert Gissler, end, who stands six feet seven and a half inches, for which the Army would not stand, and Frank Hazard, a guard. Lewandowski expects exactly none to return from the membership of eight freshmen teams that were out last fall.

"Around the state and within the city, people are wondering what the football outlook at the University of Nebraska is going to be this fall", writes the coach. " 'Brother, I am in the same quandary. When September rolls around we will have a little more of a picture." And he adds, "Yours for more football players at

Nebraska, plus a few Minnesota transfers."

Down Camp Grant way the head coach of the Warriors is Lt. Robert Eiden, sometime assistant athletic director at Loyola University in Chicago. That Camp Grant will have a squad is shown by the fact that when practice began four outstanding players were away practicing for the All-Star game. These were Corwin Clatt and Bill Huber of Notre Dame and Jim Dewar and Bob Zimny of Indiana. Four veterans of last year's squad turned out, Dick Bergner, Donald Klinetop, Louis Kessie and Jake Kakuuchi. On the squad were also experienced men from Michigan State, Stout Institute, CCNY, Temple University, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Pittsburgh, Ohio State and Marquette. Everybody hold his hat.

Fred DeLano at Michigan states that Grisler will have, among his stars, White, Hirsch, Wiese, Pregulman and Franks, "to say nothing of your own Mr. Daley, for whom we extend our heartiest thanks".

To repeat, "Among the candidates expected to report, and they add up to the nucleus for a pretty fair ball club, are Capt. Paul White, Elroy Hirsch, Bill Daley, Bob Nussbaumer, Bill Culligan and Len Seelinger, halfbacks; fullbacks Bob Weise and Bob Stenberg; quarterback Jack Wink; centers Mervin Pregulman, Fred Negus and Jim Brieske; guards Julius Franks, Pat Boyle and George Kraeger, and ends Art Renner, Clem Bauman, Bob Hanzlik and Farnum Johnson. White, Weise, Pregulman, Franks, Stenberg and Brieske all were Michigan letter-winners last fall. Hirsch, Seelinger, Wink, Negus, Boyle and Hanzlik are former Wisconsin letter winners and Daley played for Minnesota".

Down at Northwestern Walt Paulison starts off his ticket dodger by calling attention to the fact that Frickey, Dellago and Herb Hein of Minnesota are now Wildcats, as likewise John Partington and Dwayne Domeier of Nebraska. "Heading the list of returning Purple veterans," says he, "is Otto Graham, brilliant forward-passer and one of Northwestern's all-time football greats. Other experienced backs available are Don Buffmire, Dud Kean, Nick Vodick, Lynne McNutt, Erwin Weingartner, Bill Deoduic, Joe Scriba, and June Franck.

"Eight lettermen" says the by now breathless Paulison, "will form the nucleus for the line: Alex Kapter and Johnny Gent, guards; Ray Vincent and

Bill Ivy, tackles; Hal Hudson, George App and Len Golan, centers, and Bob Wallis, end."

Well for the Evers to Tinker to Chance.

Walt got so excited reciting his riches that he mailed the letter to Fred De Lano at Michigan, who can read and so forwarded it.

Exact information from Purdue and Iowa is sketchy at the moment, Eric Wilson of Iowa being on vacation for one thing, but the general understanding is that Purdue is pretty well-fixed with players while Iowa is more in the same boat with Minnesota, very few veterans and a team to be made up as the season goes along. Navy players at Iowa City are, of course, with the Seahawks, who are also stationed at the University of Iowa. Nevertheless, it is an unusual year when the Tall Corn boys can not put up a big battle when they meet the nimble, little, striped fellows from Minneapolis.

Bob Foss of Wisconsin reports that 77 men were out for summer practice at Madison, but names no names, except those of members of last year's great team who are now practicing for Michigan, such chaps as Negus, Hirsch and company. Saying that civilian enrollment at Wisconsin may fall as low as 5,000, with not more than half of them males, he goes on, "The general manpower outlook is off, and taking into consideration the loss of so many veterans from last year, it may be expected that the caliber of the Wisconsin team for 1943 will be down somewhat unless some very outstanding freshmen are uncovered and the Badgers receive goodly help from the armed forces trainees located on the campus."

Well, of course, maybe they will uncover some.

Lt. Don Faurot, lost in the first paragraph by Missouri, turns up here as successor to Bernie Bierman as headcoach of the Seahawks, officially, U.S. Navy Pre-Flight School, Iowa City, Ia.

Writes Lt. E. F. McDevitt, public relations officer:

"Nothing as regards the squad is or could be definite as yet. As you know, the Seahawks this year will be a practically all-cadet group. Of course, none of the cadets who played here last year is here now, nor any of the officers. Cadets come into the Pre-Flight school once every fortnight, and so the squad this year will be a changing one, since many battalions will have entered the school--and others departed--before the schedule is played out. This means we have no idea whom we will have on the team in October and November, and so far as cadets who will be at the school when practice begins and for a reasonable number of weeks of the playing season are concerned, it is felt here that prospects should be determined when practice starts.

It will be the men on hand about Nov. 27 who will interest Minnesota most.

Sports Release

University of Minnesota News Service

Minneapolis, 9/2/43<sup>2</sup> To develop a squad three men deep, not in the usual sense of having three experienced and seasoned players capable of going in at any position, but just of having three men well grounded in the rudiments of football who can take over at any one of the eleven posts, will be the purpose of Minnesota football practice, which will start Wednesday, September 1.

Something around sixty men will be available to Headcoach George Hauser, Assistant Red Dawson and Navy helpers Patrick and Scafide, from among whom to select the boys who will wear most of the Maroon and Gold for the Gophers this fall.

A few fellows such as Garneas, Williams, Avery and Waldron in the backfield; Mitchell, Lechner, Aldworth and Tammen in the line, ~~and Cliff Anderson~~, ~~Captain Cliff Anderson~~ seem reasonably certain to play, but the second and third men in a position so often decide the outcome of a football game that Dr. Hauser et al will be giving the closest of attention to the remainder of their material.

Summer practice closed so recently that the squad will all be in fine condition when they report and, presumably, it will be no time until practice sessions are going at full speed, with scrimmage a daily diet and the plays that are expected to count being drilled home.

Minnesota is not apologizing for playing football in a war year, as many of its men will be in Navy uniforms when they are not in football uniforms, and all of the rest are properly available, for one reason or another. Furthermore, it has been the long-time assertion of both the athletic and the military world that forceful contact sports help importantly to develop the spirit and morale required in war. Colleges that have retired from football because they simply did not have the men are justified, but for institutions that have, or think they have, the manpower, to quit football would be to turn their backs on the basic principles their

athletic people have always enunciated.

It will be high time for the Gophers to get going this week, as their first game will come at the earliest date of any in recent years. Missouri will come to Memorial Stadium Saturday, September 25, for the opening game, and on the Saturday after that the old rivalry with Nebraska will be renewed, here.

Minnesota fans will not see a Conference team in Memorial Stadium until in November, as October 9 will be an open date, and Minnesota will meet Camp Grant here on Oct. 16 and will play Michigan and Northwestern, away, on October 23 and 30 respectively.

Then will come four home games in succession, namely, Purdue, Iowa, Wisconsin and the Seahawks.

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Lou Keller, acting athletic director, has announced that Minnesota will scout future opponents no more than twice this year. A conference ruling has limited to three the number of times an opponent may be scouted, but Minnesota will cooperate with the Office of Defense Transportation and go that one better. Sheldon Beise, great fullback of the middle thirties, has been employed to do scouting assignments.

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Whatever else befalls, Minnesota is going to have a fine playing field this year. Never has Art Smith, groundskeeper, produced a better sod than is growing on the gridiron now, and that will add both to the picture of the game, under the blue October skies and to the morale of the players who will be pushed into it.

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It will be Minnesota's first nine-game schedule in many years. It will also provide one "first", Missouri, along with the novel military game with Camp Grant.



Minneapolis, Sept. ~~16~~<sup>13</sup> - What's that? Steak at the training table of the Gopher football team.

"Certainly we have steak", says the genial Dr. George Hauser, who is team physician as well as coach. "Last night we had hamburger steak and the night before that halibut steak. I guess we're going to have steaked wall-eyed pike, too, some night soon."

The University of Minnesota football training table menus have gone the way of all eating places and the two-pound sirloins that it took a fullback to lift are as scarce as violets in the stadium turf. They just don't exist. Probably no one has been thinking of 1943 football teams as reveling in heavy food unavailable to others, but if any stray serious thinkers have had such a notion they may dismiss it

"We did have chicken, one night, though", put in Red Dawson, backfield coach.

And Chief John Scafide, former Tulane player, now helping with the coaching, expressed regret that so little rice is served. "Now if I were home", said the chief, "we'd have some nice rice instead of all these big, Northern baked potatoes"

Great quantities of fresh vegetables, including corn on the cob by the bushel, is helping the 1943 squad make up for the lack of old-fashioned beef and for the fact that each man gets only one ordinary sized pat of butter at a meal.

"It doesn't make so much difference how they get their proteins, just so they get them," says Dr. George. "Bean protein will do as much for the boys as beef protein and I guess they are all going to be strong enough to play when the season begins."

Incidentally, the boys are getting all the eggs they want, a non-rationed food. Sugar is doled out, but milk and coffee are served plentifully. It isn't so bad, at all, but the steaks aren't beefsteaks; no sir; they are halibut steaks

Minnesota will have a number of players from the Navy V-12 and the schools on campus for electricians mates and machinists mates, but not one of these men will have had college football experience in actual play, Dr. Hauser pointed out Saturday as the second week of practice came to a close. Two transfers from other universities, both in V-12, played last year on freshman squads, but not in games. These are Scheer, formerly of Purdue, who is an end, and Moncrief, from Tulane University, fullback. Both of these men seem to be in line for starting positions on the 1943 edition of the Gophers. Gagne probably is the other leading end at present, with Mitchell, Bunge and Rapko, tackles, Lechner and Webber, guards, and Kutschied, center. Garnaas and Granum are the first-call 'quarterbacks, with Williams, Palmer, Avery, Peterson, Paul Sutton, Brick Waldron and Collison other promising men in the backfield, besides Moncrief, already mentioned.

Lost during the past week were Bill Aldworth, a major tackle prospect, who is not returning to college, and Steve Silianoff, a center, who has been sent to continue his training program at another camp.

Art Derderian, an end, and Rube Juster, lineman, were among the candidates who showed well in recent practices.

Just two weeks now remain until Minnesota meets the University of Missouri in the opening game of its 1943 schedule, Saturday, September 25. The game will mark two firsts, namely, the first game against Missouri and the first time for many years that a Minnesota football schedule has been opened at such an early date.

As the season approaches Dr. Hauser proclaims that he feels Minnesota is about on a par, as far as the general football situation is concerned, with Missouri, Nebraska and Iowa. However, said he, he definitely "fears" Purdue, Michigan and Northwestern, which admittedly outclass Minnesota on pre-season 'dope, and he has a strong feeling that Camp Grant and the Seahawks, both with many veterans in their lineups, will overmatch the Minnesota boys. Wisconsin, he believes, may jump either way, but no one at Minnesota has quite recovered as yet from the Wisconsin game that closed the 1942 season. Nobody, that is to say, is under-estimating the estimable Badgers of Harry Stuhldreher.

Minneapolis, Sept. 2--The wartime eleven which Dr. George Hauser has been rounding into shape since mid-July will be on display for the first time Saturday when the Gophers face Missouri in Memorial Stadium.

No powerhouse of the type turned out from the rich material resources of the peacetime Bierman regime, Minnesota's 1943 team will show, nevertheless, a very decent amount of what can be considered class, if that is rightly interpreted as doing the best one can with the material at hand. Furthermore, Minnesota has some top-notchers in both the line and backfield, but is shallow in depth in all departments but the halfbacks.

Hauser has been pleased to find at least one full set of substitutes for the all-important center of the line area, where Bob Lossie of St. Paul backs up John Kutschied of Duluth at center, with Mike Rapko and Rube Juster ready to spell Mitchell and Bunge at tackles, and Paul Rader and Fred Madsen only a couple of steps behind Ed Lechner and Henry Webber as guards. On these ten men, who are certain to play the greater part of the Minnesota games in the five key positions in the line, will depend much of the success of the Gopher schedule.

Verne Gagne and Stu Scheer remain the starting choices at end.

Bill Garnaas at quarterback, Chuck Avery at right half, Red Williams at left half and Hoyt Moncrief at full seem now to have become the favored "first" team backfield. But there will be an ample number of replacements, chiefly freshmen, from among such hard-trying players as Hicks Waldron, full; Bob Granum and Bud Schmid, quarterbacks, and Carley, Collisson, Peterson, Lundquist, Cates and Paul and Matt Sutton available for the two halfback positions. The first-string backfield is not more than an eyelash away from normal conference caliber in the opinion of many who have watched Gopher practices. Garnaas and Williams, were, of course, regulars last year and among the best, at that.

ROSTER MINNESOTA FOOTBALL SQUAD 1943

No.	Name	Position	Wt.	Ht.	Yr.	Home town
16	GRANUM, Bob	Q.B.	180	6	Soph.V-12	Amery, Wis.
18	HEEB, Dick	Half	165	5-8	Soph.	Mpls.
19	WILLIAMS, Wayne	Half	180	5-10	Jnr.	Mpls.
24	Scheer, Stu	End	185	6	Soph.Navy	Lafayette, Ind.
25	Sutton, Matt	Half	160	5-8	Soph.V-12	Mpls.
30	Moore, Jack	End	180	5-8	Fresh.	Mpls.
33	PALMER, Loren	Half	175	5-8	Fresh.	Laurel, Mont.
34	LOSSIE, Bob	Center	185	5-9	Fresh.	St. Paul
35	NELSON, Richard	End	160	5-9	Soph.NROTC	Zimmerman
36	GEIST, John	Guard	175	5-11	Jnr.V-12	St. Paul
37	LUNDQUIST, John	Half	170	5-8	Soph.	Granite Falls
38	DEMOS, Jim	End	165	6	Fresh.	Mpls.
39	BRETOI, Remus	End	155	5-9	Soph.	So. St. Paul
40	GARNAAS, Bill	Q.B.	185	5-11	Snr. V-12	Mpls.
41	SCHMID, Bud	Q.B.	165	5-9	Fresh.	St. Cloud
42	GLOTZMAIER, Claude	End	165	5-10	Fresh.	St. Paul
44	McGEE, Dick	Half	180	6	Soph	Forest Lake
45	AVERY, Chas.	Half	180	6	Jnr.	Antigo, Wis.
46	PETERSON, Bill	Q.B.	170	5-10	Fresh.	Detroit Lakes
48	BAGLEIN, Duane	Half	170	5-11	Fresh.	Fargo, N. D.
49	MONCRIEF, Hoyt	Full	180	5-11	Soph. Navy	Monroe, La.
51	WALDRON, Brick	Full	185	5-10	Snr. V-12	Amsterdam, N.Y.
52	SWANSON, Charles	Half	160	5-11	Jnr.	Mpls.
53	CONLEY, Bud	Half	160	5-9	Fresh. V-12	St. Paul
55	CARLEY, Bob	Half	175	5-10	Fresh.	St. Paul
56	DER DERIAN, Art	End	180	6	Soph.NROTC	Detroit, Mich.
58	SUTTON, Paul	Half	175	6-2	Soph.V-12	Mpls.
59	ADSON, Martin	Guard	185	5-10	Soph.V-12	Rochester
60	LEE, Richard	End	185	6-2	Jnr.	Northfield
63	LECHNER, Edgar	Guard	210	6-3	Jr.Dental	Fessenden, N. D.
64	LEVERSEE, Dick	End	200	6-2	Jnr.NROTC	Seattle, Wash.
65	WEBER, Henry	Guard	195	5-9	Snr.NROTC	St. Paul
66	RAPKO, Mike	Tackle	208	6-1½	Snr.	Chisholm
67	JUSTER, Rubin	Tackle	225	6-2	Soph.V-12	Mpls.
68	ENGLISH, Gene	Guard	198	5-10	Fresh.	Winona
69	RADER, Phil	Center	195	6-½	Fresh.	Mpls.
70	ANDERSEN, Kay	End	175	6	Fresh.	Lakota, N. D.
71	LANGPAP, Howard	Tackle	200	6-1	Snr. V-12	Tracy
72	BROWN, Frank	Half	165	6	Fresh.	Mpls.
73	KNAPPE, Lavern	Center	180	5-10	Jnr.	Caledonia
74	FLEMING, Bob	Full	180	6-2	Fresh.V-12	Bowman, S.D.
75	MITCHELL, Paul	Tackle	217	6-3	Snr.	Mpls.
77	KUTSCHEID, John	Center	200	6-1	Fresh.	Duluth
78	GRAIZIGER, Bob	Guard	200	5-11	Jnr.	St. Paul
79	RADER, Paul	Guard	220	6	Snr.	Mpls.
83	FERGEN, Don	Guard	190	5-10	Soph.U-12	Parkston, S. D.
84	CATES, Tom	Half	170	5-11	Fresh.V-12	St. Paul
85	MADSEN, Fred	Guard	170	5-7	Fresh.	St. Paul
86	COLLISON, Robert	Half	165	5-10	Fresh.	Fairmont
87	BUNGE, Donald	Tackle	243	6-8	Fresh.	Austin
89	RADER, Luke Jr.	End	175	6	Snr.	Mpls.
90	HANLEY, Norman	Guard	190	6	Soph.	Butte, Mont.
91	GAGNE, Vern	End	189	6	Fresh.	Robbinsdale
92	RYDELL, Edw.	Tackle	250	6-1	Jr.Dental	Wheaton
93	SMITH, George	Full	180	5-9	Soph.Medic	Mpls.
95	REINHARDT, Tom	Tackle	200	6-2	Fresh.V-12	Jasper
97	SELMER, Carl	Tackle	195	6-1	Soph.V-12	Mpls.

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U N I V E R S I T Y O F M I N N E S O T A

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The University of Minnesota will play a full nine-game football schedule this fall, meeting, in addition to five Conference teams, the teams of The Universities of Nebraska and Missouri and those of the Iowa Naval Training Base (Seahawks) and of Camp Grant.

Conference games with Michigan and Northwestern will be played away from home, those with Purdue, Iowa and Wisconsin at Minneapolis.

Like so many other institutions, Minnesota lost the overwhelming majority of its veteran football players to enlistment, draft, or transfer under one of the service training programs. This was inevitable under wartime conditions, but the sport will be continued in the interests of athletic tradition, use being made of the material that is available.

Even so, a small nucleus of skilled veterans is available along with freshmen and service players and the Gophers are expected to produce a brand of football of which no one need be ashamed.

The Coaches

Headcoach--Dr. George W. Hauser, now in his second year as Minnesota headcoach. For many years Dr. Hauser was line-coach for Bernard W. Bierman during the long period in which the latter coached champions at Minneapolis.

First assistant--Lowell (Red) Dawson. Dawson is another veteran of the Bierman regime, having been the latter's first assistant for several years and later going to Tulane as headcoach. He returned to Minnesota in 1942 to be Hauser's backfield coach. Milt Bruhn and Sheldon Beise also will assist. They are well-known Gopher stars of other days.

Service assistants--Ensign Frank Patrick, USNR, and Chief Spec. John Scaife of the Navy's V-12 staff at the University of Minnesota, are volunteer

assistants to Hauser and Dawson. Patrick is an old Pittsburgh star and Scafide a former brilliant Tulane player of about ten years ago.

#### The Schedule

Sept. 25	Missouri at Mpls.
Oct. 2	Nebraska at Mpls.
Oct. 9	Open
Oct. 16	Camp Grant at Mpls.
Oct. 23	Michigan at Ann Arbor
Oct. 30	Northwestern at Evanston
Nov. 6	Purdue at Mpls.
Nov. 13	Iowa at Mpls.
Nov. 20	Wisconsin at Mpls.
Nov. 27	Seahawks at Mpls.

#### Veteran Nucleus

"Veterans" on the present squad are a few men who have played at Minnesota before, together with some who have survived military movements since spring practice. Ed. Lechner, eligible under current rules, completed his original three years of play in 1941 but is back as a dental student. He is an outstanding lineman and will be used at guard. Paul Mitchell, engineering student, is a two-letter man who will be in there at tackle.

Bill Garnaas, star blocking back, signal caller and kick-off specialist of recent Minnesota teams, will be back at quarter and "Red" Williams, one of the most promising sophomores of recent years during the 1942 season, is again available for 1943 Minnesota games. Chuck Avery, a right halfback, had a year's experience on the Michigan squad before transferring to Minnesota about a year ago and is due to see a good deal of action, and the same is true of Brick Waldron, a fullback candidate.

#### Other Promising Men

Freshmen, service men and a few upperclassmen eager to win their football spurs and who have remained in college under special, individual conditions, make up the rest of the Minnesota squad. The rule allowing freshmen to play makes it certain that some men will join the squad after college opens, but these cannot be listed now.

As practice has developed Verne Gagne, Robbinsdale freshman and Stuart Scheer, a navy transfer from Purdue, have been having the call at end, with Dick Lee, a newcomer from Northfield and Art Derderian and Howard Langpap found promising. End was a position for which no veterans were available, and the new material has been welcome.

The veteran Paul Mitchell, with Mike Rapko, senior find from Chisholm and Tom Reinhardt of Jasper will be leaders for the left tackle position. Don Bunge of Austin, who is so tall that the Army rejected him and who weighs 225 is a leading right tackle candidate. Other promising tackles are Paul Rader of Minneapolis and Rube Juster and Ed Rydell.

A pair of newcomers, Fred Madsen and Martin Adson, both Minnesota boys, have been working hard for the right guard post, with the excellent Ed Lechner, Senior Henry Webber of St. Paul and Del Tammen of Clara City prospective occupants of the other guard position.

Several center candidates, including Steve Silianoff, have been lost as the season progressed, but John Kutschied, Duluth freshman and a converted fullback candidate, Bob Lossie of St. Paul, seem to be taking hold in a manner that promises they will plug this gap at the important pivot position.

Minnesota is well provided with quarterbacks, one position which promises to hold up to the standards of almost any year. Behind veteran Bill Garnaas are Bob Granum of Amery, Wis., an experienced sophomore, Bud Schmid, of St. Cloud and freshman Bill Peterson of Detroit Lakes, a youngster who did well in summer practice.

Hauser has a number of halfbacks, including some with experience and others who look promising in a year like this. Red Williams, Gopher veteran from the 1942 team, is probably the leading halfback, but with him are such good men as Chuck Avery, transfer from Michigan, freshman Loren Palmer of Laurel, Mont., Bob Collisson of Fairmont; Bob Carley, a 200 pounder with much drive, from St. Paul; Paul Sutton, Minneapolis Washburn contribution; Tom Cates, also of St. Paul; John Lundquist of Granite Falls and the freshman, Wayne Baglien of Fargo, N. D.

If Minnesota finds anyone this year to continue its famous and almost uninterrupted line of great fullbacks there is only one chance in three, at present, anyway, that he will be a native Gopher. Leading candidates are Waldron of Amsterdam, N. Y., like Avery a transfer from Michigan; Hoyt Moncrief of Monroe, La., a freshman, and John King, a V-12er from Minneapolis. Immediate prospects are that these boys will battle it out between them.

#### Other Comment

Headcoach Dr. Geo. Hauser expects to issue suits to a squad of about 60 when the bell rings for the season.---Among newcomers in whom he expresses considerable confidence are Halfbacks Tom Cates, Bill Peterson, Paul Sutton and Bob Carley. In the line, says Hauser, Rapko, tackle, will "play quite a bit", and the good doctor has a watchful eye on Don Bunge, tackle, Fred Madsen, guard, Del Tammen, tackle. Bunge, incidentally, should be the squad's largest man, as he stands six feet eight inches and weighs 225. The coach also lists Scheer as a coming end and Collison as a back who is sure to see service.---Avery, the Michigan transfer, who plugged through spring and summer practice, is almost sure to be a starter at right half.

#### Notes

Missouri and Camp Grant are teams on the Minnesota Schedule which have not played the Gophers before.---Nebraska, while not in the Western Conference, is one of Minnesota's oldest and most welcome rivals.---The Missouri game will be the season's opener on September 25.---Next comes Nebraska, also at Minneapolis, then an open date on October 2 and Camp Grant, here on October 9. First conference game will be against Michigan at Ann Arbor, Oct. 23, followed by Northwestern at Evanston Oct. 30. Three conference games at home will follow on successive week-ends, Purdue, Iowa and Wisconsin, and the Seahawks will close the Minnesota season at Minneapolis Nov. 27, latest date of a home game since the old Thanksgiving closing was abandoned years ago.

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Minnesota has a new ticket manager, Marshall Ryman, succeeding Les Schroeder. Les has become state commissioner of aeronautics for Minnesota.



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Sports Release

Minneapolis, Sept. 20/43--Minnesota's two-game football season "in the Big Six" will continue through the coming Saturday, when the Gophers will meet Nebraska in Memorial Stadium. Missouri, also a Valley Conference team, played its first game at Minneapolis last week, leaving Minnesota the victor, 26-13.

Nebraska, like Missouri, will come up as an unknown quantity, and probably, also like Missouri, as a better team than the wise ones had been looking for. Missouri played hard, good football and had an effective passing game that produced two scores, neither based on a fluke or interception.

Coach George Hauser expressed his pleasure at the outcome of his first 1943 game, but of principal interest to followers of the Gophers, was the order in which he introduced substitutions once his first string had a fair lead.

Hauser used Dick Lerversee and Dick Lee as first substitute ends; Rube Juster and Mike Rapko at tackle; Paul Rader and Fred Madsen at guards, and John Kutschied at center. Into the backfield went Brick Waldron at full and Bill Peterson at quarterback, with Collisson, Baglien and Heeb as halfbacks. Many other substitutes were sent into the game, in fact, the greater part of the entire squad in the last quarter, but the men mentioned give some indication of the players Dr. Hauser considers next in line after his starting eleven.

Starters were Lossie at center; Lechner and Graiziger at guard; Mitchell and Bunge at tackle; Scheer and Gagne at end, with a backfield composed of Bill Garnaas, quarter; Chuck Avery and Red Williams, halfbacks, and Hoyt Moncrief at fullback. Moncrief had a good day for himself and Williams and Garnaas starred in all-around play.

Minnesota turned in an attendance record of about 33,000 of whom several thousand were school and settlement house youngsters admitted free.

Following the Nebraska game Minnesota will have an open date Oct. 9 and then will face, at home, the Camp Grant Soldiers before traveling to Ann Arbor to play Michigan October 23.

Minneapolis, Oct. <sup>15/43</sup>---Minnesota's 1943 football program is deeply indebted to the United States Navy. Not only are many of the Gophers' best players of the current year Navy men, but two members of the coaching staff are members of the "Ship's company" assigned to the campus in connection with the service physical education program.

Twenty-one members of the 1943 squad are drawn either from the V-12 program or from the US Naval Training School (Electrical), which contributes two of the very reliable members of the team, Stu Scheer of Lafayette, Ind., regular right end, and Hoyt Moncrief of Monroe, La., starting fullback.

Ed Lechner, starting guard and Minnesota veteran lineman, is a V-12er in the School of Dentistry, where he rates as a junior, and both Paul and Matt Sutton, halfbacks from Washburn high school, though not brothers, are in the Navy now, also V-12.

Bob Granum, quarterback and Duane Beglien of Fargo, one of the better halfback substitutes, are others from the V-12 group, and so are Richard Lee of Northfield, end; Rube Juster of Minneapolis, tackle; Dick Lerversee of Seattle, end; and Brick Waldron, transfer from Michigan, one of several sound fullback candidates behind Moncrief. Henry Weber of St. Paul, high on the list of substitute guards, is another in this category.

Most notable V-12 man on the team, perhaps, is the veteran Bill Garnaas, first-string quarterback and All-American possibility in that position.

To complete the listing of Navy men from V-12 there are Dick Nelson, John Geist, Bud Conley, Art Der Derian, promising end from Detroit, Mich.; Howard Langpap, a good tackle, Don Fergen, Tom Cates, Tom Reinhardt and Carl Selmer.

Ensign Frank Patrick of the Ship's Company, who helps with the backfield, was an All-American fullback at Pittsburgh in the day's of its greatness and Chief Specialist John Scafile of New Orleans was a member of the famous Tulane teams on which Red Dawson played. He was graduated in 1932 after making a great record as a guard.

Minnesota thinks that for a freshwater institution it and the Navy are getting along together pretty well.

Carl Nordly, Minnesota head basketball coach, has begun meeting a squad of about 70 players, mostly freshmen and V-12 boys, among whom are no returning lettermen whatever and only three players who were on the squad last year, these being Robert Adams, Arnold (Butz) Lehrman and Marshall Cederstrand.

These three, however, will make a competent nucleus of the new squad, with the aid of three boys from last year's freshman squad, namely, Bill Inglis of Redwood Falls, Paul and Matt Sutton of Minneapolis Washburn, both now out for football, and Gordon Emerson of Spring Valley, Wis. Duane Baglien, now out for football, came to Minnesota as a star basketball forward.

Nordly is facing a twenty-one game schedule that will include a home and home pair of games with Great Lakes and an early season game here with the Iowa Seahawks. There will also be a home and home arrangement with Nebraska and pre-season games at Minneapolis with St. Thomas, the opener, Dec. 4; the University of South Dakota and Iowa State.

Dave MacMillan will be Nordly's Assistant this season, there being no freshman basketball.

Nordly will handle the men in two large squads for the opening practice period, with a good deal of scrimmage to enable all candidates to show what they have, after which the remaining men will be combined into a single squad.

Sports Release.

Minneapolis, Oct. 18<sup>143</sup>---With its three non-conference games now in the statistics, Minnesota will put the finishing touches on its preparations for Michigan this week. On a trip that may not exceed 48 hours because of the Navy men on the squad, the Gophers will go to Ann Arbor at the week-end to meet the rival which in most years is taken most seriously by the men from Minneapolis.

The Gophers hope to be at full strength against the Wolverines, but there is reason for serious doubt in the home camp that even full Minnesota strength will be able to withstand the tremendous backfield potency of Michigan, especially if Elroy Hirsch is again in condition to mix his style of running with the slants and plunges of the local boy who made good, Big Bill Daley.

Loss of the good freshman tackle, Don Bunge, who is now devoting his spare time to farm work, and the possibility that Hoyt Moncrief of the Navy may be detained in Monroe, La., his home town, by the illness of his father, indicate a probable weakening of Minnesota below the standard of the early season games. However, Bill Aldworth and Rube Juster are sure to give their all in the tackle slot, and between Brick Waldron and Loren Palmer the Wolverines will be facing a couple of capable fullbacks.

The Gophers' weakness probably lies in line replacements. In past games the men sent in as first and second replacements have done well enough, but against one of the best teams in the country the difference between first, second and third string lines will be more apparent, assuming it is ever possible to use any third string linemen during that battle.

Backfield material, while mostly freshmen, is more varied and fairly abundant for Dr. Hauser and Red Dawson have six or eight young gentlemen who can certainly scamper where directed if the linemen arrange the conditions under which

the aforesaid scampering is possible.

Gopher fans hope, in fact, to be able to attach the title "Scampering Scamp" to one of their young backfielders when the game is over, though whether the term should go to Palmer, to Red Williams, to Bob Collison, Chuck Avery, Bill Peterson or one of the Suttons remains to be seen.

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Wartime conditions will change the general complexion of the football trip to Ann Arbor. It will be no "exodus"; devoted word of the football forays of normal times. Practically no students will go, and, naturally, no band.

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The Minnesotans will leave Friday evening and must be back Sunday evening under the 48 hour travel restriction properly applied to young men in Navy Blue who are permitted to play on athletic teams. About one-half of the Minnesota players likely to get into the game are from the upper-river "Annapolis".

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Jim Kelly, track coach at Minnesota, who is "trip manager" this year, was asked to find a man who could "spot" Minnesota players for Bill Stern in his nationwide NBC broadcast of the game, and came up with a chap named Curt Heywood. "Tell him it probably will be worth \$5. to him", Jim was told. "Oh, he wouldn't take the money", said Jim (optimistically). "Why the dickens not, Jim?" "Shucks", said the coach, "the guy's a corporation president." Maybe Jim is just innocent. Corporation presidents don't usually get that way by turning down the funds.

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Want Fast Action  
On New Army-Navy  
College Tests

Mpls. Oct. 25/42 -- Young men of the ages 17 to 21 inclusive who are recent high school graduates or who will be graduated by March 1, next, are eligible for the second qualifying test for admission to the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program V-12 which will be given throughout the nation on November 9.

Plans for the tests have been announced by Gordon V. Anderson, head of the University of Minnesota Counselling Bureau, who will administer them. Application blanks may be obtained on the campus or at all high schools and colleges throughout the state, and the tests will be given at most of these institutions as well as at the University of Minnesota. Applications should be obtained and filled out as soon as possible, so that materials may be ordered.

The two programs are those which enable men of draft age to enter colleges to which they will be assigned by the armed services. Various programs of instruction in college running from about 36 weeks to three years are included in the two programs, among them engineering, pre-medicine, pre-dentistry, foreign area and language study, personnel psychology and others. College men within the age limits, as well as high school graduates and seniors, are eligible.

The same examination will be taken by both Army and Navy candidates. The examination is designed to test the aptitude and general knowledge required for the program of college training, and all qualified students are urged to take the test. At the time of the test each candidate will be given a choice of service preference, but taking the test does not obligate the candidate to enlist in the service.

The Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program enable students to continue academic training at government expense following induction into the armed services. Successful completion of the prescribed courses may,

following further officer training, lead to a commission in the Army or the Navy.

Those selected for the Army will, after further screening and basic military training, be sent to college. Students chosen for the Navy Program, after selection by the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, will be detailed directly to college. Students who attend college under either of the programs will be under military discipline on active duty in uniform with pay. All expenses including tuition, food, housing, books, and uniforms will be paid by the Army or the Navy.

With Army, Navy Men

'U' Bigger Than 1942

Although enrollment of civilian students at the University necessarily declined this fall as a result of the number of young men taken into the Army and Navy, total number of students on the campus is about eight percent greater than it was a year ago, as a result of the large number of military trainees taking work at Minnesota.

President Walter C Coffey issued a statement showing that with 7,000 civilian students, total enrollment, with the Army and Navy, exceeds 11,000.

"With the exception of medicine and dentistry", he said, "in which the programs are unchanged, instruction in the Army and Navy units is so specialized that a given class cannot be combined either with Army and Navy classes or with civilian classes and the result is a heavy demand on classroom and laboratory space. Also, we have had to employ a considerable number of special teachers to handle certain programs, such as language instruction in Japanese and Finnish. Physical education is another example. Big classes are conducted every hour of the day on Northrop Field and in the athletic plant."

University of Minnesota News Service

Sports Release

Minneapolis, Oct. <sup>30/43</sup>---Dr. George Hauser and his coaching staff have turned their attention to the Northwestern game this Saturday at Evanston. The Gopher coach and his assistants will have to concentrate on a defense to curb the attack that has been developed by Lynn Waldorf this year with the masterful passing of Otto Graham sparking the aerial game. In addition to the passing offense the Wildcats also have a strong running game which centers around such ball carriers as Herman Frickey, a lead lease half back from Minnesota, Don Buffmire and Graham.

The Minnesota squad is in good physical condition after the bruising battle with Michigan last week at Ann Arbor. Hoyt Moncrief, regular fullback, has a badly bruised face but will be in shape to take part in the game. Garnaas is recovering satisfactorily and will prove a big factor in the coming game if in top form. This will be the last game for Garnaas in a Minnesota uniform. He leaves for Wellesley College immediately after the game to receive further training in the V-12 program.

Minnesota will go into the game minus the services of Stu Scheer, who has been transferred from the campus to active sea duty. This is a definite loss to the squad for Scheer has held down the regular left end post since the beginning of the season. Replacing Scheer presents a problem to the coaching staff for there has been a lack of end material all season. Coach Hauser may use Arne Johnson or Kay Anderson at the end post. This week's practice will determine who will get the starting call at that position.

Ed Lechner is still on the injured list and at the present time it does not seem very likely that he will play. Lechner's absence means that Coach Hauser will most likely stick to his starting guards in the Michigan game, Bob Graiziger and Henry Weber.

Tom Cates, the St. Paul Cretin boy, will receive a lot of attention this week due to his fine showing in the Michigan game after he went in for Red Williams



at left half. The coaching staff was impressed with his performance and will no doubt use him advantageously against Northwestern.

In addition to Frickey the Northwestern squad has five other boys from Minnesota on the roster. All are Marine Corps trainees - Herb Hein, Jerry Carle, John Bicanich, Larry Halenkamp and Ed Bush. Of these Hein and Carle are playing a big part in the Wildcats' scheme of things.

Two of the former Minnesota boys, Frickey and Hein will be playing their last game Saturday. They are to be transferred to Parris Island, N. C. for advanced boot training Nov. 1.

Coach Carl Nordly has cut his basketball squad to approximately twenty men and plans to start extensive drills this week with the stream lined squad.

. There is a possibility that the squad as it now stands will be increased by a few more candidates after the first of the month. At this time a new shipment of naval trainees will invade the campus. Coach Nordly has hopes that he will be able to uncover some promising talent within the ranks of new recruits.

It is hoped that the termination of the football season will add to the cage squad roster. There are some very fine prospects now playing for Coach George Hauser. Among these are Duane Baglien of Fargo, N. D. and Paul Sutton of St. Paul. Baglien came to Minnesota as a star forward.

Several men are rounding into shape on the squad and making fine impressions on the head coach. Outstanding in this respect are two transfer students from Carleton (Minn.) - Bob White a forward and Kenny Johnson a guard. Both boys are well grounded in fundamentals and seem to adopt themselves very well to Coach Nordly's style of play.

Minneapolis, Nov. 2/4<sup>3</sup> Minnesota will play its first home conference game of the 1943 season this Saturday, meeting Purdue University in the annual homecoming tussle. The game will start at 2:00 p.m.

Purdue boasting one of the top teams in the nation and leading in the Big Ten standings along with Michigan will invade the home of the Gophers with a clear record for the season. The Boilermakers hold victories over such teams as Marquette, Camp Grant, Iowa, Illinois, Great Lakes and Wisconsin.

The Gophers are still in search of their first conference win of the current season having lost, so far, to Michigan and Northwestern by wide margins. Michigan taking their measure at Ann Arbor 49 - 6 and Northwestern turning the trick last Saturday at Evanston to the tune of 42 - 6.

Saturday's game will be the 13th meeting of the two schools on the gridiron. Standings to date show that Minnesota holds a decided edge in games won and lost with 7 wins against 3 losses. Two of the games ended in ties. The series has been a rather sporadic one. The first game was played in 1894 and then followed encounters in '95, '96, '97. Competition between the two friendly rivals was dropped until 1928 when a Spears coached team defeated the Boilermakers 15-0. Another lapse ensued and the next game was played in 1932 then followed engagements in 1933, '36, '38, '39 and '40. Minnesota over this span of years has a total aggregate score of 179 to 64 for the teams from Lafayette, Indiana.

Coach Elmer Burnham of Purdue will be minus the services of Fullback Tony Butkovich, who last Saturday annexed the Big Ten scoring crown by scoring three touchdowns against Wisconsin and boosting his season total to 78 points. The old scoring record of 72 points has stood since 1922. In addition to Butkovich the head mentor of the Boilermakers also loses two sterling line men in Alex Agase and

John Genis, guard and tackle respectively. The loss of these three men will be keenly felt on the Purdue squad for each was a star in his respective position all season and played a great part in the team's enviable record so far. The battering fullback will most likely be replaced by George Mihal, a civilian, while Agase's position will be taken care of by Don Lemkuhl, a marine trainee. The best bet for the right tackle spot vacated by Genis seems to be Wells Ellis, a naval transfer who played at Illinois last year.

Head Coach George Hauser of Minnesota is not without his worries in preparation for the coming clash. Bill Garnas has left the squad having been transferred out east leaving Coach Hauser with only Bill Peterson to depend on for an experienced signal caller. Peterson will move into the starting lineup while Bob Granum will serve as his understudy in the field general's spot. With the exception of Bob Graiziger every member of the Minnesota squad came through the Wildcat encounter without serious injury there being only the usual bumps and bruises in evidence. Graiziger has a bad knee injury and has been under treatment since the game. Right now it is difficult to determine whether he will be in shape by Saturday to play very much, if at all. In case he is not able to face Purdue when the two teams line up Saturday in Memorial Stadium his position will most likely be taken over by John Geist.

One of the largest crowds of the current season is expected to be present when the two teams square off in this year's game. Advanced ticket sales are now crowding the 30,000 mark and according to Marshall Ryman, Director of Ticket Sales, the crowd should number better than 40,000 by game time. The customary flares and celebration of homecoming will be missing this year in that there will be no bonfires or parades.

The annual get-to-gether of the "back wheners" will take on a military atmosphere for the first time. A mammoth review of all military units stationed on the campus will take place immediately before the game in Memorial Stadium, with every man at attention for the flag raising ceremony before the game. All men taking part will be guests of the University for the game.

Minnesota's annual state high school cross country run will be staged on the University campus Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. as a preliminary attraction to the annual homecoming football game with Purdue University.

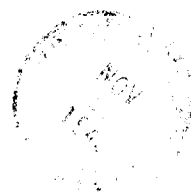
The young harriers will run the regulation high school distance of 1-1/2 miles, over a course to be laid out on Northrup Field.

According to H. R. Peterson, Secretary of the State High School Athletic League, who announced the meet, entries have already reached the 300 mark and should surpass that figure by midweek. Teams have been entered from all the Twin City high schools and Duluth. Late entries will include many other squads from throughout the state. Each school is permitted to enter up to seven men on a team. They must have at least five members on a squad to compete for the team trophy.

The meet will be in charge of Jim Kelly, University of Minnesota track coach.

Awards will be made to the high team scorers using the first five men as a team. The first five runners to cross the finish line will receive individual medals.

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Minneapolis, Nov. 16/43 - Deep snow covering the stadium and practice fields seems likely to keep the Minnesota football team inside the Field House for practice during the entire period remaining for preparation for the annual game against that long-standing natural rival, the Iowa Hawkeyes this week-end.

Over Sunday night and Monday southern Minnesota was treated to its second largest early-November snow storm in the past fifty years. Director L. F. Keller promises, however, that the stadium field will be cleared and ready before game time arrives.

Handicapped by the abnormal practice conditions, Minnesota has been furtherhurt by the loss of its first substitute fullback, Brick Waldron, who suffered a broken leg in the Purdue game. Against the possibility that Hoyt Moncrief or freshman Loren Palmer might also be injured, Dr. George Hauser is drilling Dick Heeb, another freshman, as a fullback replacement. Heeb has been less necessary at left halfback since freshman Tom Cates of St. Paul has begun to show such excellent performance at that position. In fact Cates, like Palmer, is a player of whom they are saying, "what if he could only stay and develop into a third and fourth year star". There is little doubt that he would.

Loss of Bill Garnaas has become keenly felt, not so much because Bill Peterson did not play excellently at quarter, for he did, but because it reduces by a very large "one" the number of men available for that strenuous position. Had Peterson been in the game as a fresh replacement rather than a tired performer when he made his bad kick against Purdue, the ball would have gone into safe territory and a tie instead of a loss would have been the outcome for Minnesota.

Saturday's meeting will be the 37th for Minnesota and Iowa in a series that dates back to 1891. Records show that Minnesota over this period of years has won 27 and lost 9 of the encounters to the Hawkeyes. Strange as it may seem no games have ended in ties. In scoring the Gophers are well out in front with a total of 996 points to 258 for Iowa. Last year's game with the team from Iowa City ended in the Gopher's favor 27 - 9.

Never before, incidentally, have Minnesota and Iowa played a game when both teams were as low in the standings as are those of 1943. In the early nineteen-twenties, when Howard Jones great teams were running over the Gophers, Minnesota was down, and at various times in the Spears and Bierman eras a top Minnesota team has run over a lowly Hawkeye group. This year both will be battling to preserve something from the remains of a season that has carried many disappointments.

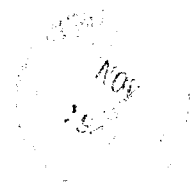
The Iowa game will be American Legion Day and a special section in the stands has been set aside to accommodate legion and auxiliary members who will be in St. Paul attending the annual State Legion Convention.

Richfield, Minnesota's national junior American Legion baseball champions for 1943 will be guests of the University for the game.

Pre-game and between half entertainment will be furnished by the drum and bugle corps of St. Paul Post #8.

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Minneapolis, Nov. 11--With the temperature well below the freezing mark and more cold and snow forecast for the week it appears very likely that Coach Dr. George Hauser and his staff will be forced to spend another week in the field house with the Minnesota football squad in preparation for their game with the University of Wisconsin in Memorial stadium this week end.

Saturday will see the renewal on the gridiron of one of the oldest and most friendly football rivalries in American football. Wisconsin's Badgers have had a place on the Minnesota schedule since 1890. Since that time the two schools have met each other every year for the past 52 years, with only one exception, as no game was played in 1906. In this historical series Minnesota leads in games won with a total of 31 in comparison to 16 for Wisconsin. Ties have been chalked up 5 times. The Gophers lead in points scored over the last half century 792 to 432 for the Badgers.

Minnesota will be trying Saturday to register it's second conference victory of the 1943 season. If this is possible it will give the Gophers a final standing average of two losses against three defeats for the campaign which in view of a wartime schedule should prove satisfactory to followers of the Maroon and Gold.

Dr. Hauser can start this week of practice with a full squad of players, which will be quite a novelty, in that every member of the team came through the Iowa game without injury. In addition to this good news it was learned today that Bob Graiziger will be able to shoulder his share of the burden at the right guard position again, thereby enabling Langpap to take a breathing spell during the game with Wisconsin if necessary. It is not probable, however, that Graiziger will be in the starting lineup. Dr. Hauser is well pleased with the

play of Langpap and probably will continue to use him in that spot in view of his sterling play in the last two games.

A week of hard drills face the entire squad this week according to the head coach. He wants no let down after the Iowa victory, and has informed his charges that Wisconsin is an improved team over the past two weeks. This will necessitate every man playing at the peak of his ability to win Saturday.

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The spirit of the Minnesota football team was brought out markedly after last Saturday's game when several of the players hurried out after dressing and helped roll the canvas on the field to assure themselves and Wisconsin a perfect playing field when they meet this Saturday. Among those to lend a hand were a few of the boys that had just finished a tough game less than a half hour before, among them Bob Lossie, Chuck Avery, Henry Weber and Howard Langpap. That kind of spirit is the type that has predominated in the Gopher ranks all year.

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Officials assigned to the Minnesota - Wisconsin here this week included the late Fred Gardner of Cornell. His death a few weeks ago in the east will necessarily cause a change in the field judge's position. A substitute has not yet been named by Major John Griffith, Commissioner of Athletics. According to Dr. Lou Keller, Acting Director of Athletics, a new name will be selected within the next two days.



Minneapolis, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> -- Football at the University of Minnesota will be living on borrowed time this coming week as the Gophers prepare for their game with the Iowa Seahawks, Saturday in Memorial Stadium. There have been few occasions when Minnesota has scheduled a game later than the annual Wisconsin contest. The Seahawk game is a result of cooperation on the part of university athletic officials to assist in every way possible to promote athletics and competition for service teams.

The Seahawks will present the most formidable lineup seen in Memorial stadium this year, the team being studded with stars of the professional gridiron and players of other college and university teams of past years.

Saturday's game will be the last for the duration for many players who made up the 1943 edition of the Golden Gophers and the last for Minnesota's All-American candidate, Paul Mitchell. Mitchell is leaving shortly after the close of the season to join the navy, having finished his engineering course.

Three members of the team, Bill Peterson, who so ably took over for Bill Garnaas, Verne Gagne, the iron-man end, and John Kutschied, reserve center, plan to enter the merchant marine service at the end of the present quarter. Bob Collison, John Lundquist and Loren Palmer expect to be in the army by the time next season rolls around. Uncle Sam's naval ROTC program will claim Dick Leversee, Hank Weber, a stellar guard, along with his understudy John Geist, in the near future.

Howie Langpap who took over for Craiziger at guard after the Northwestern game and Brick Waldron are seniors in the navy V-12 program so

naturally will be transferred to some other duty upon their graduation. Two of the youngest members of the squad, Bob Lossie, regular center and most improved man on the team, and Dick Heeb substitute fullback, will become of service age before next fall and already have made arrangements to become members of the V-12 program. Dr. George Hauser, head coach, is hoping that they will be assigned to one of the units stationed on the campus and as a result be available next year but this hope is not expected to be fulfilled. One player will be lost by graduation in person of Mike Rapko, who has played top notch ball for the Gophers since stepping in to fill the gap caused by the departure of Stu Scheer shortly after midseason. Hoyt Moncrief, Dr. Hauser's ace fullback this year, expects to be called for active duty in the Navy any day now.

Other players who have helped make this an interesting season for the Minnesota fans are not aware at this time just what their fate will be in view of wartime conditions. Many of them are enrolled in the V-12 units and cannot predict their future status. Players such as Chuck Avery, one of the leading scorers in Big Ten competition this year is at present 2A because of his work in engineering. Red Williams, another leading ball carrier in conference statistics, who has carried out his assignments all year from the left halfback position, is 4F now but expects a change in service status soon.

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Minneapolis, Dec. 9/43 Basketball at the University of Minnesota made its debut over the last weekend with two victories chalked up by the Gophers in as many starts against non-conference rivals, St. Mary's of Winona and the University of South Dakota Coyotes. Dr. Carl Nordly, head coach, still is not predicting the performance of his charges in conference play as there is a lack of height on the squad and perhaps some lack of reserve strength for the Big Ten campaign.

Coach Nordly still is content to experiment with his candidates and will not decide on a definite starting five until after coming games with the Iowa Seahawks and Nebraska. A combination that is receiving most of his attention, however, consists of Duane Baglien, two time all-state high school forward from Fargo, N. D. fresh from the football squad, and Kenny Johnson a small, but fast, man and two letter winner from Carleton College, now a V-12 student at Minnesota at the forwards. In the center position Bill Wright, another two letter man from Carleton and also a V-12er, appears to have the inside track, closely pressed by Gordy Muske, a seventeen year old player standing six feet four inches from Wahpeton, N. D. Muske looks better in every practice session but is still lacking experience. One guard position is apparently filled by Butz Lehrman, of Minneapolis, a reserve last year, who is going well. A two way battle is taking place for the other guard berth between Bill Pepper, a six foot two inch, seventeen year old from Minneapolis Washburn and Matt Sutton another former Washburn cager fighting it out for the assignment. At present it seems that Pepper is winning out on height alone for Sutton must give way about seven inches to his rival. Both are good floor men with Pepper in the first two games hitting the hoop consistently.

This combination is receiving strong competition for places in the starting five from Wally Solien, a forward from Moorhead, and Alan Rusterholz, a three letter man from Macalaster, now a graduate student gunning for a guard position. If Solien maintains the pace of improvement he has shown so far it is highly probable that he will take over as a starter. He has a good eye for the basket, handles himself well on the floor and in the past two games has proved to be a "team player".

Chuck Avery, the Antigo, Wisconsin athlete and one of Dr. George Hauser's football mainstays, has been putting his rugged build to good use in his bid for a guard position and if he doesn't break into the first five in the near future he will prove to be one of Coach Nordly's best reserves. Avery is not a newcomer to Big Ten basketball having played at Michigan for a half season.

Other squad members showing promise of developing into Big Ten, "fast break" cage men are Bob Adams, Minneapolis, and Howie Peterson who played on the Gopher reserves in 1940, at guards. Gordy Emerson, Spring Valley, Wisconsin shows promise as a forward.

This weekend Gopher fans will be able to get a line on just how their quintet will do against big time competition when they face the Iowa Seahawks on the Field House floor Saturday night and come back Monday to play host to the Nebraska Cornhuskers. Saturday's game takes on added color in that Dr. Carl Nordly will be pitting his Gophers against a team coached by his younger brother, Oliver (Hon) Nordly, now coaching the Seahawks.

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Sports Release

Minneapolis, Dec. 21/43 war casualty two weeks ago, due to lack of coaching personnel, Minnesota's wrestling team has returned to the fighting front for the coming campaign with Stan Hanson at the helm to direct forces. Hanson was appointed by Dr. L. F. Keller to serve as head coach for the mat team of which he was an outstanding member in 1937 and 1938.

First call for candidates early last week was answered by fifteen men for whom daily workouts started immediately.

Uncle Sam's navy program, as in other sports, contributes rather heavily to the squad roster. Eight of the fifteen men now training under Coach Hanson are members of the navy's V-12 program.

Two lettermen of a year ago will form the nucleus for this year's squad, headed by Bill Aldworth, of football fame, in the heavyweight division and Nick Karalis competing in the 145 pound class.

Other outstanding candidates who have reported are Verne Gagne, another football player, who made a name for himself in high school wrestling circles as a member of the Robbinsdale high School wrestling team winning the 175 pound state title in his junior year and annexing the heavy weight crown in his senior year. Another experienced man, Joe Vodnich has recently reported for drills. He is a former Gopher wrestler at 155 pounds. He is enrolled in the Graduate School.

Minnesota's opponents for the coming season include Wisconsin, Iowa and Northwestern in the conference, with meets now being arranged with Carleton and Macalaster in state college circles.

Minneapolis, Dec. 21/43 - In Minnesota's family of varsity sports basketball is easily the second ranking member to football in public interest and general student following.

While not as expensive to support as football the second member of the athletic brood presents definite problems of upkeep which in late days have assumed added importance because of the nature of items needed. What with a critical rubber shortage there is a scarcity of the two most important requisites, balls and shoes.

In the course of an average season Gopher basketeers use at least thirty-six basketballs, including a new ball for each home game in addition to approximately two dozen more for practice sessions. Under present conditions the balls are highly prized possessions and are certainly treated as such. Unknown to many fans, balls used must conform to rigid specifications regarding weight, size, shape and air pressure.

As set forth in the basketball rule book the ball must be not less than 29-1/2 inches nor more than 30 inches in circumference, must weigh not less than 20 nor more than 22 ounces, and must be a perfect "spheroid" in shape. Air pressure regulations, which govern "bounce" are slightly more complicated. Air pressure must be such as to produce a bounce of from 54 to 60 inches when the ball is dropped from a height of six feet, and the manufacturer must print on the ball the amount of air pressure necessary to produce that bounce. The most resilient spot on the ball, it is stated, is that directly opposite the valve, the least resilient being the area at the valve. To adhere strictly to standards all balls are deflated slightly after each workout, reducing the pressure, thereby assuring the shape to be uniform for the major portion of their useful life.

Because of a general ball shortage basketball coaches for the past

two seasons have called a halt to the old custom of "to the winner belongs the ball". They now follow a more conservative practice with the home team furnishing the game ball as in the past but retaining ownership, win or lose. Game balls are then used for practice purposes until no longer fit for play.

Shoes are the other important item when considering articles of necessity in basketball. An average Gopher cage candidate will wear out at least one pair of shoes in a season, with many requiring two and three pairs to be properly shod for the annual campaign. This means that Dr. Carl Nordly's charges wear out upwards of thirty-five pairs of rubber soled footgear in a season striving for factories at home and abroad.

Except for balls and shoes equipment worries for the Minnesota basketball squad are minor. In an indoor sport depending primarily on speed, agility, and freedom of action for success the uniform is abbreviated to the point of comparison with that of another varsity brother, track.

Different uniforms are worn for home games in contrast to those donned for encounters on the road. While playing for the home folks the cage squad is decked out in white jerseys with maroon trunks, while for a strange gallery gold jerseys are in vogue with maroon trunks, carrying out the Gopher color scheme, maroon and gold.

In actual combat the junior member of the varsity sports family calls for only two pairs of eyes to check its maneuvers on the court against opponents. The eyes of officials, however, must be quick to catch infractions and must have a clear, alert mind functioning behind them. Action is extremely fast and whistles must be sounded within a fraction of a second to catch a violation the instant it occurs. In this respect the majority of fans and coaches alike agree that a basketball official has a tougher job keeping the boys in line than does the guardian of the rules in football. This is no reflection on officials of the gridiron, however, for most of them also officiate in basketball and substantiate the claim.