

polis, not far behind. Indeed a poor quarter-back was a *rara avis* last fall.

Daly's work was the best in his career. He never punted (*e. g.* average 40 yards against the wind in the Navy game) nor drop-kicked so well for Harvard; his generalship, running back and interference were of the highest order. Even allowing for luck, and he certainly had that, his success entitles him to first place, for it is the player who gets there which counts. Brewster punts as well as Daly and is the most deadly interferer of all the quarter-backs of the year. As he is physically stronger than DeSaulles and much less liable to fumble or to get hurt, he is the safer man for second choice. DeSaulles made a brilliant record for Yale and except for the reasons named would be the choice. Marshall's fine game against Yale put him up in the first division.

**HALF-BACKS.**—Kernan, brilliant, fast, heavy, the longest punter (save Cure) of the year, a good helper, a strong rush-line back, is first of the season's backs. Morley, stocky, muscular, not to be denied his two yards help or no help (and three times two means six, or a first down, you know!) able to repeat indefinitely, the best interferer in present day football, a forty yard punter and a drop-kicker who can actually score—here is a running mate for Kernan who will insure us steady progress when our team starts its offense. Weekes is far better than in 1900, because he is less dependent upon Morley. His broken field running, line plunging and tackling are all of the highest order. Chadwick is a grand player, although not physically able to turn out his best work in Yale's big games, but as a plunger who can keep his feet, run low and hold the distances he gains, he has few equals. Graves, of Williams, and Platt, of Lafayette, would probably have made any team in the East, and they, with Ristine of Harvard, are out of the blue-ribbon class simply because there is no room for more.

Purcell and Coffin, Cornell's pair, also rank

up in the same company, but seemed to lack the staying qualities of the others. McClave of Princeton has no superior as a rush-line back in defensive work and is a hard plunger as well, but has fumbled badly this year. Reynolds of Pennsylvania, Corscaden of Wesleyan, Watson of Williams, Brown and Patterson of Dartmouth, Casad of West Point, Freyer of Annapolis, and Biram of Amherst, were all excellent players, as were Brown and Henderson of Syracuse.

**FULL-BACKS.**—There were several giant plungers of the new type, any one of whom would be good enough for our first team. Graydon of Harvard is a fierce line plunger, excellent interferer, carries his opponents from one to ten yards after being tackled, and is always "on his game." Cure of Lafayette, 193 pounds, is a hard plunger and the longest punter in the colleges. Davidson of Pennsylvania, 186 pounds, did phenomenal work almost unaided. He has no superior in offensive or defensive work in his position. Inglis of Wesleyan is another full-back who, barring his injuries, would have reached the top of the ladder. If he had played for one of the big universities his praises would have been sounded from Maine to California. Bates of Brown is a full-back of the good old style and was punting in ideal fashion when injuries forced him from the game. Peabody of Williams, Knibbs of Dartmouth, Schoelkopf of Cornell, Nichols of Annapolis, and Graves of West Point, are all players deserving recognition.

There are in fact, many players of the Trinity, Lehigh, Union, Hamilton, Bowdoin and other teams of excellent quality, whose work during the 1901 season entitles them to warm commendation and encouragement.

#### SCORES FROM NOV. 16 TO END OF SEASON.

Yale, 12, Princeton, 10; Harvard, 22, Yale, 0; Cornell 24, Columbia 0; Cornell, 24, Pennsylvania 6; West Point 24, Pennsylvania, 0; Columbia, 40, Carlisle, 12; Dartmouth, 22, Brown, 0; Pennsylvania, 16, Carlisle, 14; Williams, 21, Amherst, 5; Georgetown, 17, Virginia, 16; Virginia, 23; N. Carolina, 6; Virginia, 23, Sewanee, 5; Georgetown, 22, Lehigh, 0; Tennessee, 12, Georgetown, 0; Tulane, 22, Louisiana Univ., 0.

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## THE MIDDLE WESTERN UNIVERSITY SEASON

**T**HE season of 1901 was the most impressive in the history of Middle Western football. The only undefeated teams are Michigan and Wisconsin, in a class by themselves. Unfortunately they could not meet.

#### ALL-WESTERN COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM OF 1901.

Driver (Wisconsin), full-back.  
Heston (Michigan) and Larson (Wisconsin), half-backs.

Weeks (Michigan), quarter-back.

Page (Minnesota), center.

Stahl (Illinois) and Flynn (Minnesota), guards.

Curtis (Wisconsin) and Shorts (Michigan), tackles.

Snow (Michigan) and Juneau (Wisconsin), ends.

Michigan scored 501 points against opponents' nothing, which entitles them to be ranked with the best teams in the country on offense, and the fact that the total number of first downs gained by Chicago, Beloit and Iowa

against Michigan were only seven, it can readily be seen that the defensive department was not lacking. The offense was greatly aided by the kicking of Sweely, whose punts averaged forty-two yards for the last six games. The back field was very fast and the ends and tackles very strong, while most of the ground gained was by the tackle-back formation. The team averaged 178 pounds.

WISCONSIN had a veteran squad and consequently had only to develop team play, which they did so well that the 1901 eleven may be recorded as the best to have represented Wisconsin; it ranks with the foremost teams the West has ever seen. The back field was exceptionally fast and worked in perfect harmony with the line men; they, too, were strong in the end and tackle positions. Their general style of play resembled that of Princeton, except, that the backs stood closer to the line; most of their gains were made by the mass on tackle and by end runs, which were executed with a great deal of perfection. The punting of Driver, the full-back, was very strong and the team scored many points by his well executed drop-kicks. Wisconsin played her half-backs behind the tackles on defense, whereas the majority of teams played them on the line. The tackling of the team was low and sharp, and their plan of defense was well formed. The average weight of the team was 172 pounds.

THERE were surprising reversals of form, particularly in the case of Minnesota and Iowa. The former team did not lose many of last year's men, but for some reason did not come up to their 1900 form. Minnesota's general style of play was a modification of the guards-back formation, which failed against Wisconsin, but against all the other teams was successful,

IOWA lost by graduation most of the men of its splendid eleven of last year, and its green material consequently lacked team play and experience. However, as most of the 1901 men are to be back next year it is only reasonable to suppose that Iowa will again equal the high position it has attained in the past two years.

THE greatest advance made by any western team this year, outside of Michigan, has been that of Illinois. Barring one bad case of over-confidence when they lost to Northwestern, they played a very high grade of football, and in general style similar to that of Wisconsin, using to good advantage the line men running with the ball.

NORTHWESTERN has throughout the year played rather an indifferent game. They defeated Illinois and Chicago, losing to Minnesota and Michigan, but depended largely upon a tandem formation which was very slow and quite unsuccessful in advancing the ball; their defense was far better than the offense, and their scoring largely due to the individual efforts of Johnson, who is an exceptionally good man in a broken field.

CHICAGO, owing largely to injuries received in early games and to lack of material, failed to develop a team that in any way approached the standard of previous elevens. At times it played good football, but the back field was not in harmony, and the majority of the line lacked experience. At times the team showed strong defensive power, but their mode of advancing the ball failed in every game. The loss through injury of Sheldon, the captain, may have been largely responsible for the poor showing.

PURDUE, Beloit and Indiana have all played better football than in the past few years, but owing to the lack of available men are not as yet in a class with the larger universities.

NEBRASKA has made rapid strides, and although defeated by Wisconsin and Minnesota, had a team that would rank favorably with any of the others, barring Michigan.

The quality of football played this last season was superior to anything in the past, and best of all the ethical conditions have been greatly improved.

Scores of the most important games.

Michigan	22;	Chicago	0	Wisconsin	18;	Nebraska	0
Michigan	89;	Beloit	0	Wisconsin	18;	Min'sota	0
Michigan	50;	Iowa	0	Wisconsin	35;	Chicago	0
Minnesota	16;	Northw'n	0	Northw'n	6;	Chicago	6
Minnesota	16;	Illinois	0	Northw'n	17;	Illinois	1
Illinois	24;	Chicago	0	Missouri	18;	Kansas	12
Purdue	5;	Northw'n	12.				

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