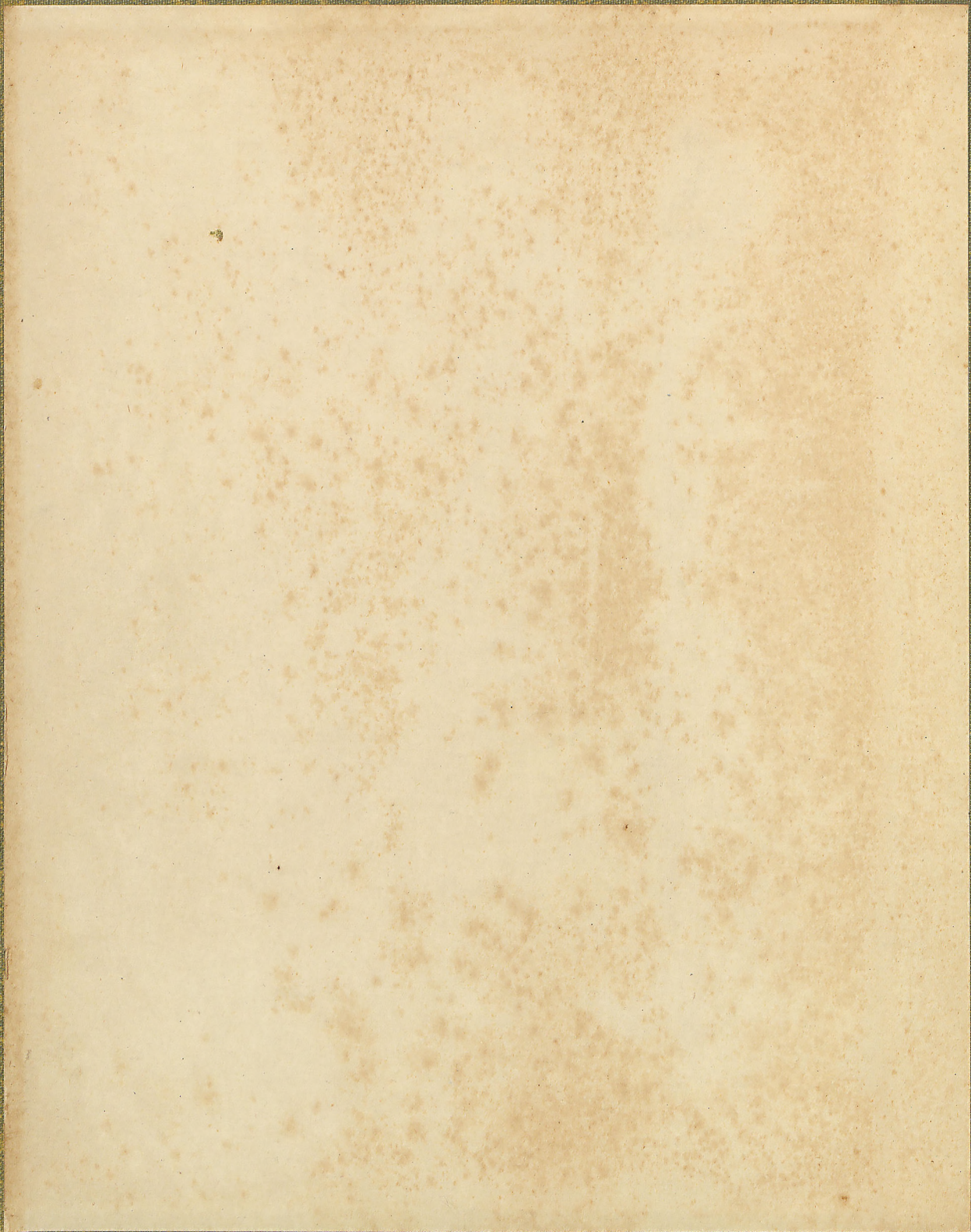


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# John E. Farrell, Director of Athletics At P. C., to Write Series on Baseball

## Joins News-Tribune Staff and Will Present Col- legiate Picture

John E. Farrell, graduate manager of athletics at Providence college for a decade, will write an interesting series of articles on college baseball in New England exclusively for the News-Tribune sports fans. The first of this series will start in the News-Tribune tomorrow.

Farrell as a coach and manager has been a keen student of baseball affairs in collegiate ranks and has been active in the attempt to form an Eastern Catholic College League and more recently a New England College Conference.

The P. C. graduate manager has been right hand man to Head Coach Jack Flynn of the Friars for the past seven seasons. Last year he handled the Freshman team at P. C. and his boys won seven games out of eight starts.

Farrell is personally acquainted with every college baseball coach in the East; those in the first class group to the man with the smaller schools and his wide experience in this respect enables him to speak as an authority.

John was elected in 1934 Chairman of the Baseball Committee of the New England Conference of Colleges. The conference includes every college in New England. He hold the chairmanship again this year.

The possibility of a college baseball league in New England, to be



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formed within the year, once again proves that interest in the national game has never really lagged in this part of the country, although other sections have failed to encourage the sport, preferring instead to supplant it with football. New England has for years been considered the cradle of baseball, and from here have gone forth some of the greatest players the game has ever seen.

College baseball is at its best in the northeast, due mainly to the

## Friars' Manager Is Again Chosen Chairman of N. E. Conference

natural interest in the sport throughout the district, as well as to the fact that practically every college sponsors a baseball program of intercollegiate competition. Attendance has fallen off somewhat in recent years, but the campus enthusiasm still runs strong and the student turnout each spring at the colleges by far exceeds that of turnouts for any other activity.

### WEATHER CONDITIONS

The colleges of the Mid-West are faced with the same weather conditions of the East, resulting in a late spring, and a limited playing season, while the Southern colleges feel that they have a decided edge on the northern schools in that they can extend their raining period on from February. The proximity of the colleges in this section of the country coupled with the spirited enthusiasm for the sport, has resulted in consistent outstanding baseball play.

The coming season promises to produce a banner campaign all along the eastern front, and will undoubtedly bring scouts from every major league team into New England to scan the college ranks for potential 'big' leaguers. Just what is to be expected of the college nines this spring will be reviewed daily from now until the middle of April by Mr. Farrell.

Prospects of the various teams, plus schedule difficulties, etc., will be an important part of the series.

# Brown University Baseball Team

## Sorely in Need of Catcher to

## Replace Hal Fowler

### Team Strong In Pitching And Infield

Coach Kelleher's Chief Job  
Is to Develop a Good  
Backstop

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
(News-Tribune Sports Writer)

As Jack Kelleher, veteran Brown baseball coach, takes preseason stock of his diamond material up on college hill these days he must often



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sigh for a real fine catcher to emerge from the shadows and claim the post left vacant by Hal Fowler last June, and thereby set the Bruins well on their way to what promises to be one of their best baseball seasons in recent years. With veterans on hand for every assignment but the catching work, it is little wonder that Kelleher is giving more than a passing glance at every youngster he sees toting a catcher's mitt across the wide campus.

Brown lost a great battery last June in Bert Humphries, hero of many a pitching duel, and Hal Fowler, the classy little receiver who was second to few in New England competition, but the real setback to the present aggregation lies in the passing of Fowler. Two really fine pitchers, Bob Kurlansky and Bob Dye, move up to the varsity from the freshman ranks of last year, to join the veteran Amby Murray, and so the pitching staff will be strong, but Fowler had such a monopoly on the catching work the past couple of years his understudies had little chance to gain varsity experience.

#### SIX YOUNGSTERS

Kelleher tells me that he has six youngsters working out for the catching assignment now, and from such a group may find the answer to his problem. If he does I am conceding him many a victory this spring. I liked young Hogan, the freshman catcher, in his games against the Providence freshmen last spring. If this sophomore is available for service he will be a valuable man for the job once he gains a little experience in fast competition.

The genial Bruin mentor is not alone in the belief that he has one of the outstanding pitchers in college baseball in Ambrose Murray, the New Bedford junior. Murray is one scouthpaw who violates the rule about being wild and with a year of varsity experience behind him will prove troublesome to many a Brown opponent in the next two months. Hob Dye looked good in the games I saw him pitch last spring and although I saw Kurlansky in action for but a few innings, the workout was sufficient to convince me that he will soon add his name to the list of brilliant moundsmen who have made Brown baseball history.

#### FINE PITCHERS, INFIELD

The presence of this potentially fine pitching staff will solve another problem for Jack Kelleher, in that it will release Captain Charlie Slader from such all round work as he turned in last spring when he took his turn in the lineup as a pitcher, an infielder, and as an outfielder. This season he will be able to concentrate on one assignment, and in all probability will be in line to take Ed Tracy's vacancy in centrefield, thus teaming up with the veterans Perry Elrod in left and Mickey O'Reilly in right. This trio should contribute much to the offensive power of the team.

The inner defence will be the best in years, for not only has Kelleher veterans for the base positions, but he also has some likely looking reserves who will force fast play at all times in their quest for the first-string awards. I don't see how anyone can displace big Charlie Butler at first, as his unusual height is a big asset to any infield, and after last year he should have worked off some of his fielding faults.

#### UP TO O'REILLY

If O'Reilly can clinch an outfield berth, Stan Henshaw, who saw service in rightfield and at third, will be free to claim work at either short or third. Norman Appleyard cannot be left off the first-string array, no matter how it is figured, and as he seems to work best on the left side of the field I would concede him the third base position, with Henshaw a strong favorite to claim second. Frankie Brown, a good hitter and a steady fielder, would fit in well at shortstop, unless young Clements from the sophomore ranks equals his great work of last spring with the freshmen, in which case the battle for the keystone positions is apt to become a three-cornered affair.

Taken all in all, Brown faces the coming campaign in a very optimistic frame of mind. The prospects are the brightest they have been in five years, and even with the possible weakness in the catching department, the strong pitching, coupled with a sparkling defence and an improved hitting attack should see Brown in the top flight of the Eastern college baseball outfits by the time the finale is played in June.

# State College Should Have Another Rosy Baseball Season Under Keaney's Direction

## Rams Likely To Pile Up Many Wins

Catching Department Chief  
Worry as Team  
Reports

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
*News-Tribune Special Writer*

When Frank Keaney, coach extraordinary of Rhode Island State College athletic teams, says that the prospects for a successful season for his baseball club this spring are just "fall" you can immediately concede him wins in at least two thirds of the contests to be played. Frank is far from a pessimist as regards his teams, but rather, he is of the school which agrees that games are won on the field, and not on paper.



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Last year Rhode Island collected nine wins in 14 games, and with an array of veterans available for service this spring I am of the belief that an even better record will be made in spite of the fact that Rhody had added two games with Providence and two with Holy Cross to the spring list.

Frank Keaney is a coach who has a peculiar knack of getting successful results from his athletes, and any time he has nine veterans back in togs for a baseball campaign, and includes in that group two pitchers of the ability of Jack Marsden and Wilfred d'Entremont, the athletic association of the college can plan to make room in the trophy case for additional baseball souvenirs.

Rams' Baseball Coach



FRANK KEANEY

Veteran director of Rhode Island State College athletics who is now building another diamond machine.

### MARSDEN BEST PITCHER

Marsden is probably the best pitcher that Keaney will have on his varsity staff, with d'Entremont a close second. However, at this time it is difficult to speculate on the possibilities of Joe Gula, a senior veteran, and Roland Gill, the former Dummer Academy hurler who had a good season with the freshmen last spring. This pitching staff should be able to handle the schedule outlined for this spring, and the success will probably depend a good deal on the catching work of Ed Ryan, who is favored to handle that assignment. Ryan is a steady receiver, and appears to be in for a good campaign.

With Frank Aplin, the tallest college ball tosser in the East, if not the country, still available for first base duty, there has been much speculation as to where Bob Mudge, Westerly's great all-round performer, and a capable first sacker, will be used. It is my opinion that Mudge will be relegated to outfield duty this spring, probably handling the rightfield position left vacant by the graduation of Ed Bastolla, captain of the nine a year ago.

As Harry Greaves is the only man to be lost from the infield, Rhode Island should flash a strong inner defence this spring. I like Johnny Messina, the capable sophomore from Medford, for the second base post Greaves handled so well. Messina is a natural athlete and as a ball tosser ranks with the best the Greater Boston scholastic ranks have produced in recent years.

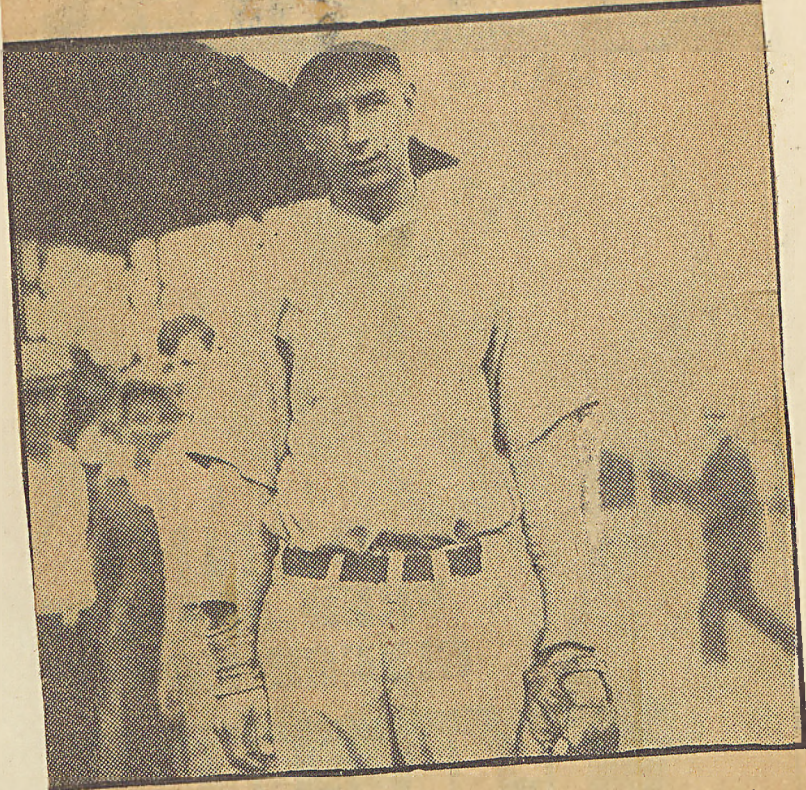
At this time Rhode Island appears to be sharing the same problem as her sister colleges, Brown and Providence, in that all three nines are seeking capable catching to obtain the best results from sizable hurling corps. Rhody appears to be set for a good campaign, even better than the 'fair' that Frank Keaney predicts, and the fans of this State will be assured of keen competition in the first playing of the triangular series for the college championship of these plantations.

### GORMAN A STANDOUT

Charlie Gorman, the Bristol lad who has come to the fore the past two years under the fine tutelage of Keaney, is a standout among the veterans. He is a good hitter, a steady fielder, and appears a certainty for the third base work. Shortstop is a tossup at this writing, with the veteran Louis Pascoe having a slight edge over Ed Fay who comes to the varsity after a fine season with the freshman nine.

John Francis Martin, one of the best hitters on the squad, will be set for the centrefield assignment, where he combines with his speed a natural ability in going back after the long drives and high flies which prove so disconcerting to the average college outfielder. John Fisher, senior from Saybrook, will be back in left field, while Johnny Mantenuto, the football star, will try to prevent Bob Mudge from claiming his place in right.

## Friar Candidate



Pete Gobis, above, who will be one of the outfield prospects when the Providence College team starts baseball drills. Gobis is a good batsman.



# Providence College Baseball Team

## Must Be Rebuilt This Season

### Friars Lost Many Stars Of Diamond

Coach Jack Flynn Will  
Have to Do Some  
Fancy Juggling

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
(News-Tribune Special Writer)

If ever a team had to be rebuilt, the Providence College nine of this spring faces a reconstruction such



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as I have never met in my many years of contact with the Friar baseball destinies. Graduation stripped the team last June of such standouts as George Tebbetts, now with the Detroit team in the South, and Ollie Roberge, two of finest catchers in the East, such pitchers as Al Blanche, Charlie Burge, and Charlie Rennick; infielders, Walter Corbett and Ed Reilly, a keystone combination of three years standing, and Ed Koslowski, the big left fielder. Additional losses were incurred with the withdrawal from college of O'Connell Perrin, flashy first baseman, and Dick Burns, hard-hitting right-fielder.

In spite of this sweeping elimination of veterans, Coach Jack Flynn will start this campaign with as ambitious a group of sophomores as he has ever had under his wing at one time. True, there are some big gaps to be filled and the outlook is far from encouraging for this spring but certainly a firm foundation can be laid for another year, and possibly the keen competition for positions in the next month of training may produce a team this season which will uphold the brilliant baseball traditions of the Friars.

At this writing it appears that Flynn will have to add the art of juggling to his baseball repertoire, for he has a roster of candidates for every position and exceptionally promising candidates for the two or three posts where veterans are now holding forth. Co-captains Johnny Madden at third and Leo Marion at first face opposition which will either displace them or result in some shifting about of men to solve the problem of mustering the strongest possible array for the opening on April 10.

### CATCHING A PROBLEM

Catchers of the calibre of Tebbetts and Roberge come once in a decade, and although there are some capable receivers on the Providence squad they will face the hardest test of all the players, for they will be subjected to comparison with their brilliant predecessors. If they can weather this, possibly Jack Flynn can develop one or two real dependable receivers from such youngsters as Johnny Reid, John McCabe, and Bill Fitzgerald, reserves last spring, Gus Hagstrom, football and basketball star, and Peter Lekokos, freshman catchers a year ago.

Certainly Providence will have a pitching array that will be second to none in New England. Southpaw Ed Eldredge, hero of the Holy Cross win here a year ago, and Leo Lanigan, a capable senior, are the two veterans, and they will be joined by a brilliant group of six sophomores who turned in a fine campaign as freshmen. This latter group consists of Fred Collins, a southpaw; Marshall Brooks, Karl Sherry, Tom Hammond, Frank Donahue and Walter Doolan, right handers.

Capt. Leo Marion, who was brought in from centerfield last spring when Perrin left college, may return to the outer gardens, as Flynn has a trio of sophomore first basemen in Hank Soar, the football star, Joe Curnane, and Ralph Coleman. If one of these lads can contribute any hitting power to the team he will be likely to handle the position thus allowing Marion to bolster the depleted outfield where only Omer Landry, football captain, is left of the veteran array.

### PLENTY OF TROUBLE

The old woman who lived in the shoe had no troubles compared with Jack Flynn's task of finding the proper second base and shortstop combination from the array of ambitious youngsters which includes Paul Healey, Pat Morrison, Doc Bleiden, Charlie Gallagher, Ray Bervilleau, Ed Banhan and Tom Hazell. The task of testing each man and juggling him about to fit the infield puzzle is one that only the veteran Flynn would dare undertake.

If Marion is released for outfield duty, then that department will brighten considerably, as Landry should win back his centerfield berth, although he may be switched to the troublesome leftfield. In the latter situation, Ben Smith, Pete Gobis, Carlo Angelica, Joe Lefebvre, Frank Fitzpatrick and Frank Keane will make bids for regular service.

Providence may be expected to be very strong in its pitching and if the catching holds up the Friars will be very much in the running for sectional honors. The team should be good defensively as the sophomore recruits turned in some capable fielding work last spring although the outer defense will undoubtedly cause some worry. In Marion the team has one of the finest hitters in college ranks, and much of the offensive power will be concentrated in his bats, with Captain Madden, Omer Landry and Charlie Gallagher, freshman leader a year ago, as other dependable hitters.

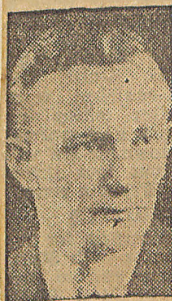
# Columbia Is Keen to Win Title Again

## Coach Andy Coakley Will Again Be in Charge of Champions

By JOHN E. FARRELL

*News-Tribune Special Writer*

When the graduation exercises were completed at Columbia last June it is highly probable that Lou Little, master grid mentor of the Lions, and Andy Coakley, veteran baseball coach who has held the reins since 1914, silently wept as they saw such brilliant athletes as Tony Matal, Joe Linthan, Owen McDowell and George Seguin climb the steps for their academic degrees. And no wonder, for Columbia Lou saw in their passing the removal of some of his aces, of Rose Bowl fame, while for Coakley it was the elimination of the infield which played such an important part in winning the Eastern Intercollegiate League title for the second successive year.



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But even as Little recovered and with his Al Barabas and Ed Brominiski swept through a highly successful campaign last fall, so too do I look for the genial Andy Coakley to stay out in the front in the baseball race again this spring, with this same pair of brilliant athletes as his main siege guns. Brominiski, now Captain Ed, will pilot the ball tossers from the catching position he has held for the past two years, as he will have three veteran pitchers to work, the gloom that stalks Morningside Heights might well be swept into the Harlem.

### INFIELD A PROBLEM

The infield will be a problem, and to replace an entire quartet is a task that any coach dreads. Yet there are several coaches in the league who would trade in a few of their flashy fielders for a catcher of the ability of Brominiski, or a trio of hurlers with the experience of Bill Cannetet, a smooth working southpaw, and John de Bettencourt, and Charlie Morgan, capable right handers. If college pitching is 75 per cent of the battle, then Columbia is well out in front already in the title scramble.

However strong the battery, the gaps remain wide in the absence of capable fielders to provide a defense, and from now until the opening game with City College on April third, Coakley will devote most of his time in combing the sophomore ranks for replacements. Bill Nash, one of the leading hitters a year ago, will probably be switched to third base in the first step to build the defensive barriers, and present indications point to the selection of Harry Chase, senior from Washington, for the second base assignment.

From last year's strong freshman group Coakley has two promising youngsters in Tony Marecki, who will bid for second or short unless it is decided that his speed will be of more use in the outfield, and Jack Green, a product of Georgia. The loss of lanky Owen McDowell, who pulled in wide tosses to first base with the same ease with which he earned passes as an end on the Rose Bowl team, is one of major importance. Oscar Peterson, a New York lad, appears to have the inside track on the assignment in view of his effective first base play with the freshmen.

#### **STRONG OFFENSIVE**

To offset an apparent infield weakness, Columbia will have a really strong offensive outfit, with Al Barabas, the Jersey City junior who won national honors in football, who will be in right field, Bill Nash, who hit well over the 300 mark last year, Captain Brominiski, a dependable man in the pinches, and Harry Chase who came along fast towards the end of the campaign.

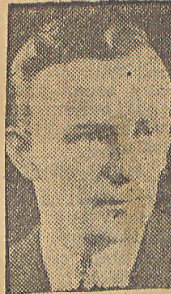
Columbia will play but five games outside of its league competition this spring, and therefore Coach Coakley will have little chance to experiment with his infield prospects. Following the season opener with City College the title race will begin with a game with Princeton at New York on April 6, and if the Lions have uncovered a strong inner defense by that time they will be the team to defeat again for the championship.

# Cornell Sees Another Big Ball Season

## Coach Eckley Looks for Flag, So Also Does Penn Outfit

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
(News-Tribune Special Writer)

Paul Eckley, for 10 years varsity baseball coach at Cornell University, knows how Bill Terry felt last fall when the New York Giants were nosed out at the finish in the National League title race, for Eckley's smart Cornell nine suffered the same fate last June when Pennsylvania tripped them from first place in the Eastern collegiate loop. Cornell was setting a fast pace and had counted two wins over Columbia, the ultimate champions, and to all appearances was going to float the pennant over Cayuga's waters, when along came an aggressive Pennsylvania team to score 5 to 1 and 8 to 5 wins, sending Cornell into second place in the final standings.



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This spring the veteran Eckley will again point his nine towards a championship and, although graduation stripped him of some fine players, he tells me that his pitching should be better than last year, even though he lost a great hurler in Pasto, and at the same time his catching is expected to be as good. If such is the case at Ithaca, I am inclined to believe that the race in the Eastern Intercollegiate League will be very close again this year, with Cornell very much in the running.

### FINE BATTERY

In Phil Pross, Dan Lindheimer and Bela Tift the Cornell team has three veteran pitchers, and with the addition of Jack Batten, brilliant sophomore hurler from Cape May, and Rudy Doering, one of the best catchers to appear at Ithaca in recent years, the battery prospects are very bright. Eckley will face plenty of work in finding replacements for the infield, where three positions are open.

Al Froehlich will be moved in from right field in an effort to solve the first base problem, while Matt Jordan, who has been on the varsity squad for two years, is favored to draw the shortstop work, thus allowing Jack Kreimer, regular short last spring, to shift to second base to bolster the middle of the field. Johnny Mayer, letterman last year, will retain his third base position.

Captain Bill Dugan, southpaw slugger whose string of triples aided a great deal in Cornell's climb to the first division in the league last year, will be expected to provide much of the offense of the nine this campaign. Dugan will patrol left field, while Ernie Downer, another veteran, will be in center. Walt Switzer, captain of the Cornell 1934 football team, is out for baseball for the first time and if he shows any promise as a hitter may claim the right field opening.

#### CARISS AT PENN

Down in Philadelphia where Dr. Walter Cariss is starting his 14th season at the helm of the University of Pennsylvania nines, the main worry seems to be that of finding a catcher to take the place of Lynch, star receiver of last year's nine, who left college at mid-term. This setback is about the hardest Dr. Cariss could get, as he has one of the best pitchers in the league in Andy Barton, a big right hander from Lansdowne, and with two fine additional pitching prospects coming up from the freshman ranks it was a certainty that Pennsylvania would better its fifth place standing of last campaign.

The loss of Don Kellett, who is now with the Red Sox, removes much of the power from the team which caused so many upsets in league competition a year ago. Kellett was tops as an infielder and also led the circuit in hitting. The probable makeup of the infield for the season's opener will consist of Bob Freeman, lanky basketball leader, at first, Joe Chnda at second, Henry Kozloff at short, and either Walt Edmonds, Joe Bernstein or Tom Rees, all sophomores, at third. This group would prove a good defensive unit, but only Kozloff ranks as a consistently good hitter.

Bill Shanahan, who stands over six feet and scales the 200 pound mark, will captain the team from his left field position, and in all probability will provide much of the offensive power. Shanahan is a fine ball player, and teamed with Frank O'Donnell, and Steve Slobojun will give Pennsylvania one of the fastest outer defenses in the league.

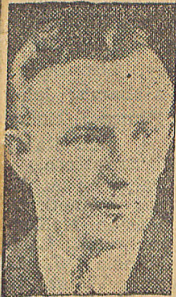
Thus it appears that Cornell will place its hopes on the ability of its young replacements to support the promising pitching staff, while Pennsylvania will seek a catcher to help Andy Barton reach his peak form, and will also seek hitting prowess to equal the defensive strength of the team.

# Yale Outfit May Be Real Factor Again

## Joe Wood Has Good Team in Making; Harvard a Puzzle

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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A summer trip to Japan proved sufficient incentive to enable a mediocre Harvard nine to battle its way



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to a third place position in the Eastern Intercollegiate League last spring and possibly the same plan may arouse Yale from last season's baseball lethargy and send Ellis into the thick of the fight for the title; this campaign. Yale has already accepted the invitation of the Nipponese colleges to tour Japan late this summer, and therefore veteran coach Joe Wood anticipates plenty of competition for every position this spring.

Although comparisons are often misleading, especially when one applies them to baseball players who look clever in the early season indoor drills but fade from the limelight once the rigorous outdoor sessions start, yet, in checking the relative merits of Yale and Harvard for the coming season, I am inclined to favor the Ells to top their Cambridge rivals in the race for League positions.

Joe Wood can win many a game if he has fair pitching, and this spring he starts his campaign with two seasoned veterans in Bernie Rankin, the big right hander from Lowell and Dave Harrington, and a couple of promising youngsters from last year's freshman outfit in Loomis and McNeely. Rankin and Harrington are both juniors, and this spring will have the necessary confidence to carry them through the strongest of opposition.

### HARVARD WEAK ON MOUND

Harvard must develop at least one pitcher to balance the loss of Ed Loughlin and Frank Allan, last year's dependables. Tom Bilodeau, one of the best all round athletes to come up in the Boston district in recent years, may be the answer to this problem. Bilodeau played shortstop and pitched now and then for the freshman team, being equally at home at either assignment, and he was considered of such value that he was drafted to the varsity fold for the summer invasion of the Orient. With veteran infielders available, Coach Fred Mitchell will undoubtedly let Bilodeau concentrate on pitching, to bolster a staff which now numbers but two seasoned veterans in Chad Braggiotti and Bill Lincoln.

Yale will have its infield back intact, while Harvard will have three veterans on hand, but must seek a first baseman to take big Charlie Nevin's place. Down at New Haven Dave Armstrong, senior first sacker, will have a fight on his hands to keep Larry Kelley, hero of the Princeton football clash, from displacing him at that assignment. Captain Preston Woodlock is certain to be a fixture at shortstop, while Tommy Curtin, the versatile junior from Pittsfield, should retain his second base post, and John Dugan, the latter player faces keen competition from Klimczak, star of the freshman infield last year.

Gardner Prout, a junior, will head the quest for first base at Harvard, and if he proves capable of the work the Crimson infield will present a tight defence with Johnny Fitzpatrick at second, Craig Woodruff at short, and John Adzigan at third. The last named player was one of the leading hitters of the league in 1934 and in all probability Fred Mitchell will depend upon him to provide much of the offensive spark of the present nine.

#### CATCHING STAFF STRONG

Both clubs will be strong behind the plate, as Harvard will have Dick Maguire, captain of the team, and Yale will depend on Phil Klein, the senior from Wyomissing. Both are good receivers, and work their pitchers well, and can be counted upon to contribute their share of hits in every game. Of the two Maguire is the more aggressive, and has a natural knack of being able to keep a team travelling at top speed.

While Joe Wood will have to rebuild his entire outfield, and in so doing will search far before he gets a flyhawk with the ability of McKenzie who starred for Yale last spring, Fred Mitchell will start the campaign with Braman Gibbs, regular right fielder in 1934, and two reserve performers in Dick Fletcher and Al Berry. Gibbs, who incidentally is one of the finest running halfbacks I have seen in New England in five years, should develop into a strong hitter as he has natural athletic sense, and is a big powerful lad.

Both Harvard and Yale will present well balanced teams by mid-season, but I look for the experienced Yale hurlers and the veteran infield to give the Elis a slight edge over the Cambridge collegians.

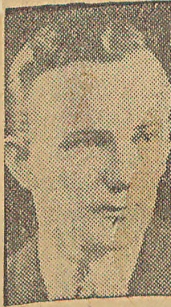


# Outlook Poor On Diamond For Indians

## Graduation Hit Dartmouth Squad Hard; Tigers Look to New Recruits

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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Not since Bob Rolfe, Yankee in-  
fielder, and Lauri Myllykangas, Mon-  
treal pitcher, were starring in col-  
legiate play back



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in 1930 has Dart-  
mouth won the  
Eastern Intercol-  
legiate League  
title, and unless  
Jeff Tesreau's  
pitching corps sets  
an unexpected  
fast pace this  
spring I don't see  
how the Big  
Green can beat  
the veteran teams  
of Columbia, and  
Cornell in the  
battle for the  
leadership of this  
campaign. Last  
graduation removed some great  
players from the Hanover baseball  
forces, with such mainstays as Bob  
Miller, burly pitcher now with New-  
ark, Jack Edwards, classy outfielder  
from Southbridge, and Smith  
O'Brien, another tried outer gardener  
and Buster Snow, Frankie Spain  
and Rolly Morton, infielders, and  
Bob Bennett, catcher, moving into  
the alumni ranks.

Tesreau, a great pitcher in his day  
with the Giants, also has to contend  
with late season start owing to the  
inclement weather in northern New  
Hampshire, and generally he cannot  
get his charges out of doors until  
the end of April. This season Dart-  
mouth faces a task of rebuilding,  
and at this distant vantage I am  
inclined to view the situation with  
pessimism. True, Tesreau has a fine  
catcher in Bill Clark, captain of the  
team, and incidentally one of the  
real good hitters of the league a  
year ago, but the pitching corps is  
but average.

Bob Roundey, Barnish, a south-  
paw, and Tom Olson, comprise the  
veteran pitching staff, with Bruce,  
Brooklyn youngster, coming up after  
a good season with the freshmen.  
Possibly this group may prove able  
to stand up successfully in league  
competition, but it is doubtful.  
Clark, a steady receiver and a good  
worker, may help pull these young-  
sters through some of the games  
and upon his shoulders apparently  
rests the hopes of Dartmouth's base-  
ball fortunes for this year.

### HAIL NEW INFIELDER

Ray Ratajczak, sophomore from Buffalo, and captain of the freshman nine, is being hailed already as the finest infield prospect to appear in the hills of Hanover since Red Rolfe made baseball history for the Big Green. Ratajczak is a fine hitter, and a great defensive player, and undoubtedly will claim a regular position, with Red Pounder moving over from short to second to make room for the new recruit. Junie Allen, who worked at both second and third last spring, will probably be assigned to the later post, and Conatham at first will round out the infield.

### PRINCETON SQUAD OUT

While Tesreau is waiting a break in the weather up in New Hampshire, Johnny Jefferies, starting his third season as baseball coach at Princeton, already has his charges out in the open preparing for the first game with Vermont on next Saturday. Princeton played an intensive schedule of 27 games last spring, winning but 10.

Prospects for this season at Princeton appear to hinge on how good Larry Crawford, Sophomore ace, turns out to be as a Varsity pitcher. Crawford, a rangy left hander, is one of the best pitchers to matriculate at Princeton in recent years, and last spring he turned in a great record with the Freshman nine. If he proves able to weather the keen competition of the league the Tigers may duplicate their football successes and add a baseball championship to the records. Crawford is expected to share the mound work with Johnny Reichel, Junior classman, and veteran right hander.

The team will be strong defensively, as Jefferies will have a veteran infield available with Capt. Myers at second, Ed Spencer at first, Neel at short, and Perry at third. In addition two very fine prospects come up from the Freshman team in Sandback and Chubet. The catching problem will offer some difficulty, although advance predictions point to George Lauritzen, a Sophomore, as the logical choice for the first string award.

Gerry LeVan, one of Fritz Crisler's football aces, will claim one outfield, with Bob Nevitt, regular last year, back in centre. Gil Gillahan and Ted Elkins, hard hitting outer gardeners with the Freshman team, will bid for the other field, with Elkins the favorite.

In retrospect, it would appear that Dartmouth will cause the league leaders trouble at all times, but will probably lack the all round ability and balance to top the veteran clubs of the circuit, while Princeton will look to Larry Crawford and the other new recruits to keep its nine in the running. At this early date I hardly think that either team possesses strength to cope with that of Columbia, Penn and Cornell.

# Holy Cross Nine Should Go Places

Purple Diamond Hopes Are  
Brightest Since Success-  
ful 1930 Campaign

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
*(News-Tribune Special Writer)*

Holy Cross, perennial leader in collegiate baseball circles, and the cradle from which many major league stars, should regain much of its former prestige during the coming season. Not that the Crusaders ever fell far behind their baseball standards as leaders of the East, but certainly the Holy Cross nines of the past few seasons have lacked the power and balance of the outfits that Jack Barry guided prior to 1930.



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Last year Holy Cross presented a fairly smart team, and a consistent winning pitcher in big Joe Mulligan, who has since gone on to win diamond success with the Red Sox. However, the Crusaders looked very bad at times during the 1934 campaign, and in their major games often proved very unsteady. In the series with Providence their play was erratic, and if this fault is corrected this spring I am of the opinion that Jack Barry will enjoy a banner season.

I cannot see any great strength in the Crusader's probable field lineup, except at second base where Ed Moriarty, a really good ball player at all times, will hold forth. Moriarty, who ascended to the leadership of the nine following the withdrawal of Ed Britt from college, will have to be the steady force for the infield, as Nick Morris leaves much to be desired at first base, while Doc Couillard, an effective hitter, doesn't seem perfectly at home at third. Possibly both of these lads may reach their peak this spring, and with Joe Kelley, star leadoff man of the freshman nine last year, at shortstop, may turn in a stout defence.

### STRONG BATTING MATERIAL

However, it is due to the exceptionally capable battery material, which ranks with the best that Barry has had in his 15 years at the Worcester college, that I base my opinion that the Crusaders will climb the baseball heights in the next three months. The pitching staff is well balanced, with two right handers in Roy Bruninghaus and Al Jarlett, and a pair of south-paws in the veteran Bill Sline and Frank Callaghan. As a catcher the team has one of the best in the east in Joe Cusick, junior from Providence.

Even though Bruninghaus, Jarlett and Callaghan are sophomores, and will be getting their first taste of collegiate competition this spring, yet I think they already possess the ability to top some of the best nines of the college realm, provided they are given good support afield. Bruninghaus, a six footer, has been a standout since his high school days at Millbury, and last summer I saw him pitch again down on the Cape. He has a world of speed and fair control, and apparently needs only experience. Since turned up many wins last year, and can be counted upon to carry on equally well this campaign. Jarlett, former Taft hurler, looked very good to me in the one game I saw him work.

### CUSICK KEY MAN

Joe Cusick will have much to do with the success of the team, as he will be left with the task of steadying these sophomore pitchers. Cusick is future major league material, as he is big and fast, a fine hitter and once he overcomes a slight hitch in his throwing he will be second to none in college competition.

Contrary to general belief I don't think that the withdrawal of Ed Britt, the big Lexington lad who patrolled right field last year, will seriously affect the team. Unless I miss my guess, Jack Barry will find a capable replacement for Britt in Joe Conway, the former Holyoke high outfielder, who turned in some effective stick work with the freshman nine. With Jim Canty back for duty in centerfield there will be few balls drop safely in that territory, and with Jim Hobin as the likely candidate for the right garden I think the outfield will be as strong as that of last spring.

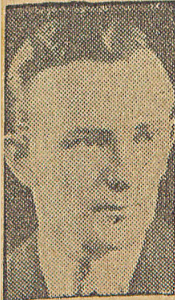
Holy Cross will play a longer schedule than usual, getting in 25 games before the annual series with Boston College in June, and although the Crusaders may suffer a few defeats before the team becomes fully organized, the large number of games will aid materially in bringing the new pitching staff to its top form mid-season.

# B. C. Team to Be Dangerous On Diamond

## Coach McCrehan Has Veteran Material Left to Build Winner

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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Frank McCrehan, starting his 11th campaign as baseball coach at Boston College, tells me that as things appear now the Eagles should have a very successful season this spring, as but four players were lost by graduation. I accepted this statement with trepidation for I considered Boston College as one of the most dangerous teams offensively in New England last campaign, and if the club is to be stronger by the



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middle of this season, rival outfits will do well to prepare their cleverest pitcher for the task of taming the Eagle.

Bob Duffey, the stocky southpaw pitcher from Waltham, and Charlie Marso, portsider from Natick form a unique veteran hurling corps. Both are very steady for left handers, and both turned in some fine work last spring, with Marso's win over Fordham, and Duffey's five hit performance against Providence as standout performances. I have been a great admirer of Marso as a pitcher ever since I saw him at St. John's Prep three years ago. Bereft of his right hand when a boy, Marso developed the use of his left, and then went on to become a fine schoolboy pitcher at Natick high. In spite of his handicap he has trained himself to be a good fielder and it is only when at bat that he is at a disadvantage.

### TWO GOOD CATCHERS

Tim Ready, junior from Cambridge, will have the inside track on the catching work, with Charlie Fallon, former all-scholastic backstop from Quincy, coming up from the freshman ranks to give him the main opposition for the starting assignment. Fallon looked good with the freshmen, and he apparently inherits his baseball ability, as his father was a star ball tosser years ago, and an older brother flashed into prominence as a pitcher three seasons back and was signed by the Yankees.

Besides Fallon, the sophomore recruit whom McCrehan will carefully comb for replacements include two outstanding varsity prospects in Bob Cash, pitcher from Hyannis, and Attilio Ferdenzi, an outfielder from Ashland. Cash, who scales over the two hundred mark, starred as an end, and Ferdenzi as a halfback, on Joe McKenney's football team last fall.

As will be the case at Providence, Boston College will have its first and third basemen as captains of the team this spring. Bob Curran, who played right field last year when not serving as understudy to Kittredge, at first, will return to the infield, and Dave Concannon, all eastern third baseman, will protect the left side of the field. Second and short will be open to competition, with Gallant, Tim Morris and Jim Jobin, all sophomores, as the outstanding candidates.

### GAP IN CENTER

The graduation of the popular Bill Boehner leaves a big gap in center-field, while the loss of Johnny Freitas will be offset by the presence of Jack Terry, who drew service as a relief fielder a year ago. Jerry Paglucchia, hard hitting junior from Everett, should have no trouble in retaining his left field berth, and in all probability Ferdenzi will be the man to replace Boehner.

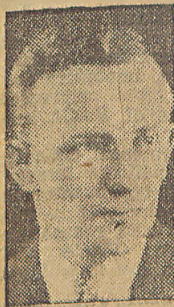
Boston College played a rather inconsistent brand of ball last spring, turning in some fine wins against major teams, and then faltering in competition of lesser importance. The big disappointment of the campaign was the failure to win the Holy Cross series, as the Crusaders turned in 8 to 3 and 9 to 8 triumphs. I look for the Eagles to have a team defensively weaker in the field than the 1934 nine, but much stronger as regards pitching and catching.

# Tufts to Be Factor Again On Diamond

Woodworth, Ace of Squad,  
Set for Good Year; B. U.  
Team Weak

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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If I were asked to name the outstanding college baseball player in New England I think that I would



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nominate Roy Woodworth, captain of the Tufts College nine, for the award. This big rugged lad is an ideal all round ball performer and aside from natural ability in the sport he possesses real athletic courage. As a hitter he has few equals in New England, and last spring he led all the collegians in this district. Woodworth is so valuable to the Tufts team that he plays regularly in right field when he isn't taking his turn in the box as a pitcher.

I was won over to Woodworth last Memorial Day when I saw him pitching a losing game until the eighth inning against Providence, and yet never a falter in his pace, always hoping for the win. His courage carried his team through and enabled them to knot the score in the ninth and then go on to triumph in the third extra inning. The victory that day was Woodworth's, more than it was Tufts, and it is with regret that I note he will face his senior season with an inexperienced team behind him.

Tufts, with Woodworth as its main strength, upset Harvard and Brown twice, and pinned single defeats on Providence and Boston College last year as its outstanding victories. This spring Judge Ken Nash can hardly expect to duplicate such triumphs unless his choices to fill the many gaps left by the graduation of veterans prove exceptionally capable.

### NORTHEASTERN STRONG

Out in Brookline the Northeastern University team, which had the best win and loss percentage in the East last spring with 12 victories in 14 starts, anticipates another banner campaign. However, it is my belief that Northeastern does not attempt a schedule that thoroughly tests its ability, and with the wealth of fine material that Al McCoy has at his command I am sure he will have little trouble with most of his opponents.

Northeastern has a very fine pitcher in Jim McCarthy, junior classman, who has been scouted by several major league clubs, and two other capable hurlers in Jack Gillis, who has not lost a college game in the past two years, and Frank Kihis, a rangy southpaw. The catching will fall to the lot of a pair of sophomore receivers, Joe McCusker, and Jay Hart of Hackettstown, New Jersey.

The team will lose much of its batting punch due to the graduation of Ned Murray, Herb Gallagher, and Jake Jachym, all of whom topped the .300 mark in 1934. However, Ken Cahoon, second baseman, Ed McNamara, centerfielder and Charlie Traynor, third baseman and brother of Pittsburgh's Pie Traynor, should contribute much to the offence. If the catching holds up, and a good first baseman is uncovered from the reserve ranks, then the team will be well equipped to maintain the pace it set last season.

### B. U. WEAK AGAIN

Boston University, still quite in the doldrums athletically, and particularly in baseball, should give little trouble this spring. The Terriers are somewhat handicapped by the fact that they must travel to Riverside for their daily drills, and this fact, coupled with the lack of capable material promises to prevent any success of importance this spring.

Dr. Harmon, starting his third campaign as coach of the Terriers, informs me that "other than pitchers only three men will be back who did much playing last year. Captain Frank Collins, second baseman, is a very reliable player. Bill Croke played well at third in several games last year, while Fred Hale, who played short a part of last season, is a good hitter."

Of his battery material the genial Doctor says, "the pitching staff should turn in fair pitching. Soltz, who won a game two years ago, is back after a year out of school. Kelly and Gordon are promising sophomore pitchers."



# Fordham to Be Dangerous On Diamond

## Rams Will Field Another Strong Nine This Sea- son; N.Y.U. Looks Up

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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One of the best southpaw pitchers in college ranks, Ed Estwanick, senior from Nanticoke, Pa., will be the main factor in

keeping Fordham's strong nine in the van among the eastern diamond leaders, and certainly in the top position among the metropolitan colleges. Estwanick is a veteran of two campaigns, and as he will be surrounded with a galaxy of tested players this spring, he and Fordham should enjoy another



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banner campaign. New York University should field a fair team, and City College likewise, but the prospects are far from encouraging at Manhattan and St. John's University.

Jack Coffey, starting his 13th season as coach of Fordham, tells me that he will have a well balanced team, with Tommy Bristow, a little right hander who pitched three good games last spring, and three promising hurlers from last year's freshman ranks to support Estwanick with the pitching burden. With such a staff of moundmen it is little wonder that Coffey feels certain that his outfit will even better the 1934 record which saw the team defeated on but three occasions.

I consider Andy Palau, the aggressive sophomore from Bristol, Conn., who made good as quarterback of the Ram last fall, as a really fine catching prospect, but Palau will hardly draw service this year with Fred Harlow, another football luminary, big Ton DePhillips, basketball captain, and Bill Ladroga, the last two junior classmen, held over from the 1934 nine. From the point of things, Fordham will have the best array of catchers along the eastern collegiate front.

Couch Coffey will have no problem with his infield, as Captain Howie Lashue, senior from Gardner, and George Scerry, senior from Worcester, will be starting their third season at short and second, respectively, while Bob Young, left handed batter and fielder, and incidentally the best sticker on the team last spring, will be back at first, and Proctor will be at third unless Mitchell, sophomore star, shows an unusual game in the pre-season drills.

The outfield combination of George Mulrey, Tony Sarausky, both former Boston all scholastic stars, and Gene Coyle of Jersey City, will carry much of the offensive power of the team.

#### **N. Y. U. PROSPECTS BRIGHTER**

Over at New York University where Bill McCarthy, former Holy Cross and Lehigh star athlete, is starting his 14th season as coach, the prospects for a winning team are but fair. Bill Gottlieb, a senior, is the only tested pitcher available, and with Jesse Furland, letterman catcher, will form the first string battery. Tom O'Connor is back to handle first base, with Greenberg at second, and Machlowitz at third as other veteran infielders fairly certain to start the season. O'Neil, a good hitter, should clinch centerfield, and Al Telese the left field berth, but both boys will face opposition from several promising sophomore candidates.

City College of New York, which became quite athletically-minded with the acquisition of Benny Friedman as its football coach last fall, faces the baseball season with six first string men from last year ready to claim varsity assignments, and a promising array of substitutes and recruits from the junior varsity and freshman teams, all eager to aid Coach Harold Parker turn out the best team of recent years.

The success of the team appears to hinge on the finding of a catcher to fill the gap left by the graduation of Archie Solomon, as otherwise Parker has the best all round group of pitchers he has ever had, a veteran infield, and at least two outfielders with varsity experience. I doubt that the team will pack much of an offence, as for years I have noted that City never has had the advantage of a powerful hitting nine, and to offset this deficiency has featured smart base runners, with squeeze plays, delayed steals, and double steals as the main run-making methods.

#### **MANHATTAN NOT SO STRONG**

Manhattan College, coached by Bert Daniels, faces a none too encouraging campaign. The team should have a good defence, with some clever infielders in the ranks, but promises to lack a consistent batting attack. Two good pitchers, Rescigno, veteran right hander, and Pete Blumetti, a big two hundred pound southpaw, and a veteran catcher in Ed Welch, will probably carry the burden of the work.

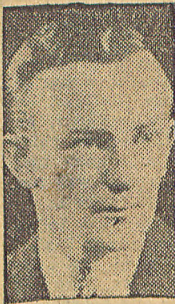
St. John's University has lost nine men through graduation, and consequently anticipates the weakest team in the history of the university. However, I look to Buck Freeman to come up with an aggressive team as he has a peculiar knack of being able to get a great deal out of his athletes, even though he has to carry on baseball under adverse conditions due to the lack of a home field. Johnny Dixson, junior from Brooklyn, is a good pitcher, and Bob O'Farrell, nephew of the big league catcher, is a capable receiver. With this battery, and three experienced performers in Bob Cochran, Phil Carey and Joe Coppo, I think Freeman will have a creditable season.

# Vermont to Field Strong Nine Again

Coach Larry Gardiner's  
Charges Picked to Repeat  
in State Title Hunt

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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Up in the Green Mountain district where the spring comes late to make the college baseball season very



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short, the interest in the sport nevertheless runs very strong, and the competition between the University of Vermont, Norwich, Middlebury, and St. Michael's College produces some fast and interesting games. The rivalry in this conference is exceptionally keen in baseball, even though the University of Vermont has a decided edge on the other members of the group.

Years ago Burlington was one of the major baseball centers of northern New England, and possibly that may account in some measure for the fine teams that Vermont annually produces. The University has one of the finest college baseball fields that I have ever seen, and the student enthusiasm is still strong enough to sponsor an annual fete to procure funds to finance a southern trip which will enable the team to compete away from home until such time as the home field is ready for the playing of contests.

W. L. Gardner, the old Red Sox third baseman, turned out a fine team at Vermont last spring, and closed the campaign by annexing the Green Mountain Conference title for the second successive year. This spring, however, he has but one first string pitcher available in Ed Swartz, a promising junior in "Stretch" Kierley of Holyoke, and a good speed ball hurler in Jack Bedell, sophomore from Flushing, to carry on the great work of the strong mound staff of the 1934 nine.

The lack of veteran battery material will be offset by the presence of a veteran infield composed of Palm... at first, Bobby Burns at second, Williams at short, and Andy Werner at third, and, in Enos Ramon and Bob Legree, a pair of outfielders who have already won varsity insignia in baseball. Such a strong nucleus is certain to steady the pitchers, and the sophomore catcher, Roger Kenworthy, who will be starting his first collegiate campaign.

### ST. MICHAEL'S

St. Michael's College, runner-up for the State title a year ago, can be counted upon to furnish plenty of trouble again this spring. The Saints, owing to their limited enrollment, are permitted to play freshmen, and this factor makes the lineup of the varsity somewhat uncertain at this writing. Coach Archie Petras, starting his first campaign as baseball coach, has two veteran pitchers, Bob Meade, senior right hander, and Bob Rivers, sophomore southpaw, a veteran first baseman in Barry Branon, and a good shortstop in Phil Ruggiero. Dan Shea of Bondville, and Dave Bourgeois of Shirley, are likely candidates for second and third.

### MIDDLEBURY

Middlebury has a veteran team to wrap up, with a great leader in Backer, catcher and outfielder, who appears to have major league possibilities. Nash, a senior, will do the catching, while Hoehn will be at first, Co-Captain Zawistoski, at second, and Meacham at short. Baker, who hit over .350 last year, will be in centerfield, while either Guild, a pitcher, or Barker will handle right field when not taking their turn on the mound. Replacements will be sought for the left field and third base assignments.

### NORWICH

Norwich University, the fourth of the Green Mountain group, has Joe "Stuff" McInnis as coach, and according to advance reports will lead a very good nine. The defence should be strong, even though McInnis will have to rely a good deal on sophomores for the infield assignments. Bill Ball, captain of the team, will do the catching, and will have Washburn, a junior, and Comi, a great sophomore prospect, to work. Comi promises to be one of the best twirlers in the Conference this spring.

As I see the situation in Vermont, the university will be the top favorite to repeat as champions, as the team is experienced, and will have a good offence and defence, and only the pitching problem faces Coach Gardner. St. Michael's always furnishes trouble for the opposition, and can be counted upon to have a good season, although I look for Middlebury to give Vermont the most position for the State title. The success of young Comi at Norwich may mean the difference between a mediocre team and a very good one.

# Colby Looks For Another Good Season

## Waterville College Has the Edge Over Three Rivals in Maine

By **JOHN E. FARRELL**  
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The State of Maine has always been a baseball stronghold, and although the competition in the colleges has been curtailed some in the past few years, yet the general interest in the sport has never waned. As a result the contests for the State College championship always produce spirited playing, and often surprising upsets.



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Colby College at Waterville has witnessed a change in athletic administration within the past year, but Eddie Roundy, veteran coach of all the major sports since 1925, still holds forth at his post, and advance indications point to his producing another championship nine this spring. Last year Colby ran away with the Maine series, defeating the University of Maine three times, Bates twice, and Bowdoin three times.

This spring Roundy will have almost his entire team back in togs, as he lost but one regular by graduation, and all the other veterans are expected to be eligible for play. The lone loss was one of major significance, however, as the real power of the 1934 nine was centered in Jim Peabody, hard hitting outfielder and ace pitcher. Peabody was one of those handy ball players who could take his turn on the mound and win consistently (he won the five games he worked last spring) and then step into an outer garden assignment on his off day and lead the offensive attack of the nine.

Ralph Peabody, brother of last year's ace, will try to offset his brother's loss, and will share the twirling work with Al Farnham, another senior and George Cole, sophomore lefthander. Art Brown of Wakefield will be back to handle the catching, while Captain Bob Sawyer heads a seasoned infield which also includes Jack Sheehan of Cambridge at first, Charlie Geer at second, and Romeo Lemieux at short. Two veteran outfielders are Ross and Ray Farnham, with Hannigan, a recruit from the freshman ranks as the logical man for the lone outfield vacancy.

### MAINE WEAK AGAIN

The University of Maine, second in the State finals, defeated a weak Bowdoin team last spring, but otherwise showed little strength in its competitions. Fred Brice, starting his 14th season at the university, appears to have a stronger array of pitchers than he boasted a year ago, but the dearth of experienced men for the other assignments makes the outlook anything but promising.

Win Hot and Sid Henderson are the veteran hurlers, and they will be joined by Greene, former Pomfret star, and D. C. Kilgour, southpaw from Lovell, Maine, both of whom come up from the freshman nine of last season. The catching vacancy is yet to be filled, and offers a real problem for Brice.

The offence of the team will depend mainly on the ability of the three outstanding veterans to deliver base hits when needed. These three mainstays are Milt McBride, shortstop; Hal Woodbury, first baseman, and Red Walton, senior outfielder from Wellesley. If Brice can locate dependable men for second and third the inner defence should be good.

### BATES DARK HORSE

Bates, of whom I have been able to find out but little at this early date, appears to be the "dark horse" in the battle for the State title. With a goodly share of last year's squad available, a heavy hitter in Marcus, and a reputedly new pitcher of considerable experience, the Lewiston collegians may prove the real stumbling block to Colby's quest for a third straight championship.

The outlook at Bowdoin College is most discouraging. Linn Wells, now in his fourth year as director of the baseball activities, faces the coming campaign with little material with which to attempt to better the 1934 record of but three wins in 13 games played. Douglas Walker, pitcher and captain of the team, will probably have to bear the burden of most of the work.

Wells has another hurler in Ara Karakashian, sophomore from Stoneham, and veterans for first, short, and two of the outfield posts. As the freshman ranks offer no outstanding performers, the task of rebuilding the team and developing its power to compete with the veteran machines of Colby and Bates is one that even John McGraw or Connie Mack would shudder at.

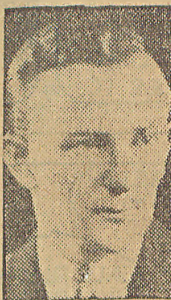
Even though it looks as if Colby will romp to its third straight title, yet you can be certain that the other colleges in the Pine Tree State will offer keen opposition, and, weak as they may now appear, they will find added strength when the time rolls around for the series battles. Ample evidence of this was seen in the Bates-Bowdoin tilt of last year when the Bowdoin team went on a rampage to score in every inning, making 18 runs on 19 hits, and giving the supposedly stronger Bates outfit the worse defeat it had suffered in years.

# Springfield Has Wealth Of Material

## Bay State College Should Have Fine Season on Diamond

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While many of the college baseball coaches of New England are bemoaning their lack of material for this spring, or else cautiously predicting but fair results from what appears to be a wealth of material



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I am convinced that Harry DeGroat, veteran Springfield College mentor, has three "Bills" in his baseball treasury that will provide him with many a return before the close of the campaign in June. Bill Scott, his captain-catcher, Bill Elliot, speedball hurler, and Bill Brown, another veteran slabman, are the answer to any coach's battery problem.

Elliot is one of the best hurlers in the college ranks of this district. I recall his game against Providence a year ago when he was facing an unbeaten team, a team that had some really fine hitters in such lads as Tebbetts, Koslowski, Marion, Madden and Reilly. On that occasion Elliot gave a sparkling exhibition of control, and with a little offensive help from his mates he would not have been forced to accept the 1 to 0 defeat.

Defensively the team should be good, with such capable players as Rod Smith at second, Bob Mason at third and a great shortstop prospect in Warren Huston, the versatile youngster from Newton who won the admiration of local sports fans by his football exhibitions against Brown and the Friars here last fall. It is the offensive angle which will provide Coach DeGroat with most of his worry, and even though he has a good sticker in Scott and two dependable batters in that classy outfield pair of George Cella and Bill Ober, yet the team will need plenty of power to overcome the many strong nines to be met this spring.

Probably the most welcome addition to the ranks will be that of Archie Allen, a stocky youngster from Pittsfield. Allen is one of the finest ball tossers to come from the Berkshires in the past few years, and he should fit in nicely at an outfield post with the Gymnasts. He is a good hitter, and has a fine knack of being able to go back after flyballs in ranging the outfield.

Although a conference of the state colleges was formed in 1923, interest in the organization has waned in the past few years, and competition between the colleges of this group has been limited. The conference never fostered a league, or developed the plan of championships, although the common bond between the members would have served as a fitting basis for such plans.

#### MASS. STATE

Massachusetts State had a great season in 1934, and numbered such fine aggregations as Amherst, Tufts, and Springfield among its victims, but Mel Taube will have his hands full this spring as he lost some good players by graduation. Captain John Consolatti, centerfielder, is the outstanding veteran and the leading hitter of the team. A trio of veteran right handers, John Stewart, Dan Ballavich, and Ed Tickofski, comprise the hurling staff, but the catching position is open to the best bidder. Little is known of the sophomore material, as Mass. State had no freshman team last year; so it is possible that Coach Taube may uncover a receiver from this class to solve his battery problem. One veteran infielder, and two experienced outfielders are available, but otherwise the team will have to be rebuilt.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

The University of New Hampshire nine will again commute daily from Durham to Dover for drills and games, and the new field at the college will not be completed until 1936. A wealth of veteran material will help assuage Coach Henry Swasey's worries, and I feel confident that the Granite Staters will turn in a fine record. The main hopes for success appear to rest on the slim shoulders of little Bill Weir, junior southpaw hurler from Melrose. Leo Collins, a promising right hander from Millis will be groomed to take a turn in the box.

Penacook, the town which gave Red Rolfe to Dartmouth and later to the Yankees, contributes two men to the team in Charlie Ellsworth, who heads a veteran infield from third base, and Fred Moody, intercollegiate boxing champion, who will take over the catching assignment. The main task facing Coach Swasey will be the makeup of the outfield where replacements are sorely needed, and where additional offensive strength will have to be centered.

#### CONNECTICUT STATE

Connecticut State will have a new coach this spring in J. O. Christian who inherits little in the way of seasoned material from his predecessor. Two good pitchers, two hard hitting outfielders, and a fine first baseman were lost through graduation, and the freshman material of last spring is reported to have been the poorest in years. Ray Field and Gene Lewis are pitching mainstays reporting, and with Nate Lipman, one of the real good small college catchers of New England, may offset weaknesses in the field.



# Amherst and Williams Are Both Strong

## Lord Jeffs Given Slight Edge for "Little Three" Title

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If I were to pick out one particular college ball game that I should like to see this spring I know I would hesitate but a moment before singling out the Williams-Amherst game at Amherst on May 22, for I believe that this tilt, the first of a two game series between these old rivals, will not only settle the championship of the Little Three, but will also produce some exceptionally fast baseball.



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I do not discount the possibility of Wesleyan producing a strong nine to atone for the weak team of last campaign, but yet one can't overlook the power that Williams and Amherst each possess, with veterans on hand for almost every assignment. Of the two teams I am inclined to give Amherst a slight edge at this writing, as they seem to possess a great array of batters, and a strong hitting team.

Coach Wheeler of the Lord Jeffs has one outstanding hurler left from last year's nine in Don Waite, a southpaw, but the staff will be strong again with three great prospects coming up from the sophomore ranks in Jack Epple of Ridgewood, N. J., Jack Coey, a left hander of Glen Ridge, N. J., and Bill Palmer. Epple and Coey are six footers, and each scales close to 10 pounds.

### SEASONED INFELDERS

Add to this hurling corps the presence of Joe Boyle, veteran catcher and leading hitter last spring, four seasoned infielders headed by Second Baseman George Fusco, captain of the team, a fine sophomore first sacker in Tom Kennedy, and a quartet of seasoned outfielders, with Earl Turner of Holyoke as one of the standouts, and it is apparent that very few teams are going to collect wine over the Jeffmen.

Williams tied Amherst for the Little Three title last season, but the Berkshire collegians have no intention of splitting the award this spring. Charlie Caldwell will start his eighth campaign with the finest array of material that he has tutored, and with a fine spring trip to stimulate competition for positions on the starting nine as well as to prepare the club for its later campaigning, Williams will be very much in the running for sectional honors.

Three right handers loom as the mainstays of the hurling corps, with Ed Sheehan, sophomore from Holyoke, as the latest addition. Ted Sucher and Alex Kroll are holdovers from last year, and can be counted upon to turn in some effective hurling. Bill Moseley, junior classman from Boston, should hold over all opposition for catching position he handled last spring.

As at Amherst and Wesleyan, the leadership of the Williams nine will be vested in the second baseman, with Howard Navies, veteran of two campaigns, heading a strong infield which will probably include Jack Lasher at first, Dick Forbes at short and Henry Stanton, who comes up from the freshman ranks of last year, at third. The outfield will also be well fortified with veterans, as Harry Stevens of Wallingford, Pete Salsich of Columbus, and Ted Hapgood of Albany are available for service.

#### HARD JOB AT WESLEYAN

Wesleyan will turn to Jack Blott, former Michigan star athlete, and now head coach of football and baseball at the Middletown university, to bring its baseball club to the fore. Blott has better than a man-sized task to rebuild the baseball fortunes of Wesleyan, and it seems hardly likely that he will be able to produce a nine capable of equaling the power that the other Little Three members will possess.

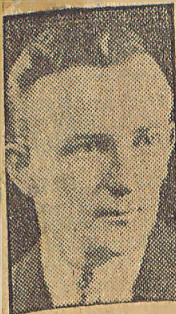
At any rate, Blott will aim for the opportunity to upset either Williams or Amherst, and his main hopes appear to depend on a strong defensive team, coupled with the ability of Dwight Coultas, junior classman, Keith Huntress, a senior, and Leonard Havens, sophomore from West Hartford to pitch consistently good ball. Syrett, a senior who was ineligible last spring, is being groomed already to take over the catching work which was handled a year ago by Burton. The infield will be a veteran one, headed by Captain John Edgar, but a new outfield will have to be found to replace the trio lost by graduation.

# Navy Picked Over Cadets On Diamond

## Annapolis Likely to Con- tinue Sway Over Army in Baseball

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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There is probably no more colorful, nor more keenly-contested collegiate contest than one between the two



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service teams representing the academies at West Point and Annapolis and although the general public becomes most enthused over the football contest between the two schools, the Cadets and Middies take every competition very seriously. Throughout the years Army has shown to best advantage in football, baseball, and track. Navy has been the leader in basketball, lacrosse and tennis.

When athletic relations, interrupted in 1927, were renewed, the baseball teams of the two academies did not meet until the spring of 1933 when the Navy team visited West Point. In that contest the Middies had a decided edge until the seventh inning when the Army staged a strong rally which was cut short by a heavy rainfall and which in turn resulted in the game being called with the Navy leading by an 8 to 4 score. Last spring the Cadets suffered their second baseball setback at the hands of the Middies when the latter scored a 4 to 2 win at Annapolis.

Victorious in baseball last year, and in football last fall, the Navy appears to be enjoying one of its best campaigns against Army teams, and I look for the Midshipmen to win the annual service clash to be played at West Point in the season's finale on June 1. Navy has the best outlook in three years, while the Army faces the coming campaign with an apparent lack of seasoned battery material.

Lieutenant Fenno, Navy mentor, has three seasoned pitchers, and a promising yearling in S. S. Paist, a rangy youngster from Glenside, Pa. The veterans on the staff are R. McGowan, O. C. Sexton, both righthanders, and A. E. Paddock, a portside.

## NAVY INFIELD STRONG

The Navy infield should be exceptionally strong, with two veterans on hand in Gadrow, senior third baseman from Peacedale, R. I., and Knapper, shortstop from Phillipsburg. A galaxy of stars from the plebe ranks of last year will head the quest for the first and second base vacancies, with Ruge, Indiana husky, as the likely man for first base, and Frank Hale of Washington for the keystone post.

Fred Borries, Navy's all time football hero, and an all-American quarterback choice last fall, has just finished a great season in basketball, and now he plans to claim his regular position as centerfielder on the nine. This versatile son of Louisville is undoubtedly one of the finest athletes in the country today. His hitting and fielding will be important factors in the Navy nine's success again this spring. H. C. Schwaner of Saratoga is another veteran outfielder available.

Coached by "Moose" McCormick, outfielder and pinch hitter for McGraw when with the Giants, the Army nine came along fast towards the end of the 1934 campaign and scored surprising wins over Columbia, Yale and Lehigh. However, McCormick will miss one of the best players he has ever had under his wing at West Point in Tip O'Neil, clever shortstop and leading hitter.

### AIDED TEBBETTS

McCormick was one of the best hitters in the game, and Jack Flynn credits him with helping the Providence nine, and particularly Georgie Tebbetts, in this department last spring. The Friars defeated the Army last spring, and then stayed over at West Point to practice the following day. For years Flynn had tried to convince Tebbetts on the best batting stance for him, but the Friar receiver, who incidentally is now with Detroit, couldn't seem to get the swing. As we were leaving the practice field that afternoon, McCormick stepped up to the plate to hit, and Flynn called to Tebbetts and asked him to watch the old Giant slugger. That lesson, accidental as it was, convinced Tebbetts, and from that day forward he set the pace for the Providence team in hitting.

McCormick tells me that he will have a good infield and outfield to start the 1935 campaign, but he faces trouble with his battery material. Orville Stokes, veteran right hander, is the only pitcher at this writing who can be counted upon to weather any formidable opposition. Joe Davis, one of the best hitters on the squad, will be in line for the catching, and should handle that work satisfactorily.

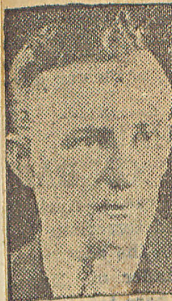
Caughy, captain and first baseman, heads the infield, with Bob Morris, a good hitter, back at second, and Bill Grohs, junior from St. Paul, at shortstop. Two yearlings, Holcomb from Kemp, Texas, and Steigmaier from Cumberland, Md., will battle for the third base vacancy. In the outfield John Haug, a senior, is a fixture in left, while Bill Hipps, sub end on the football team last fall, will campaign for center, and Jack Williams will have the edge on all candidates for right field.

# Lafayette to Field Strong Nine Again

Second Best Team in East  
Last Year Once More  
a Title Threat

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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Last year Lafayette topped Lehigh three times, and Rutgers twice to win the championship of the so-



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called Middle Three, and at the same time finished a banner campaign with but three setbacks to claim the second best percentage record in eastern collegiate baseball. While I am inclined to believe that Coach Bill Coughlin's Lafayette ball tossers will fall short in attempting to equal their fine record of last year, yet I do think the team will be strong enough to defeat its keenest rivals, Lehigh and Rutgers.

Coughlin, who has mentored the Lafayette nines since 1919, will start the campaign with a tested battery of Wayne Dumont, II, as pitcher, and Tom Eynon, Jr., as his catcher. This pair will be able to steady the team a good deal, and with two likely-looking hurlers from the freshman ranks in Al Rippard and Dick Baldwin, may turn in a better season than is expected. Captain Sid Weiss is the only veteran infielder, and other than for his assignment at second base, replacements will be sought for all positions.

Lehigh, closest rival of Lafayette in the Middle Three competition, finds the outlook far from promising. The team won but four games last year, and hopes for a better campaign this spring were given a hard jolt when the best pitcher failed out of college at the mid-term. Bill Kuhl, a senior, will bear the brunt of the mound work, with Hal Ock, Brooklyn senior, as his batter mate. Ock stands out as the best hitter on the squad. Captain Paul Budura will work at either second or short, depending on the success in finding infielders to fill the losses from the 1934 team, and Jack Kornet looms for first base. Only one seasoned outfielder is available.

## RUTGERS LOOMS AS A THREAT

Rutgers, the third member of the group, though far removed from the famed Lehigh Valley, looms as a possible threat to Lafayette's diamond supremacy. Wilder Tasker, veteran football coach, is starting his fourth baseball season at Rutgers with fair prospects for a winning combination.

Two huskies who starred for Tasker on the gridiron will be outstanding members of the nine this spring, as Al Chizmadia, halfback forward pass ace, will be in one outfield, and Lou Hemerda, backfield running mate of Chizmadia, will be at first base.

The pitching will be handled by three sophomores, Leroy Lins, Cuna Bender and Jack Jerabeck, the last named a capable southpaw, while two other second year men, Bus Lepine and Beanie Pennington, have the edge on the field for the catching work. I fear that the inexperience of these battery men will count against them this spring, although they may keep Rutgers in the running since a veteran infield and outfield will be in togs to assure a strong defence.

#### TEMPLE STANDOUT TEAM

Of the non-league and conference teams I consider Temple University the standout of the East, and it is my guess that the Owls will rank close to the top of the eastern standings by the time that classes are suspended for the summer recess. Coached by Stuart Young, former Detroit second baseman, Temple played an arduous schedule last year, winning 15 out of 23 games against major opposition.

This spring Temple has three pitchers, all juniors, who showed to advantage last season, and one of the greatest catching prospects in the college ranks in William Docherty, who stands well over six feet and tops 200 pounds, and who has already turned down offers from Brooklyn and Detroit. He is a sophomore, and will replace George Patton, last year's regular catcher, who will be moved out to third base, where his strong arm and his hitting prowess will be of great value. Rubinsky, a sophomore, will be at first, and Jack McKenna, a smart and cocky ball player from Paterson, short. Stonik, at second base, appears as the only weak link of the infield, for both Rubinsky and Patton are steady fielders.

Temple's mound staff should be very effective. Ken Berry is a smart lefthander who likes to play baseball. He has a fine cross fire, and as a sophomore last year turned in seven wins in 10 starts. Bob Ows-ton is a big right hander who needs only assurance of his own ability to develop him into an ace, while Jack Pollen, who saw but little action last spring, may come to the fore. A veteran outfield trio consisting of Jim Brown, Ray Mullen and Danny Testa, offer the final balance necessary to give Temple an exceptionally fine outlook.

There was a time when Penn State was a power in the collegiate baseball realm, but the past few editions of the nine have failed to cut any wide swath in seeking diamond honors. Joe BeDenk, coach of the Nittany Lions since 1929, faces a problem this spring due to the loss by graduation of the two best pitchers and the outstanding catcher. Two sophomores will have to carry on the pitching work, and one of them, Frank Smith from Altoona, should be a college sensation.

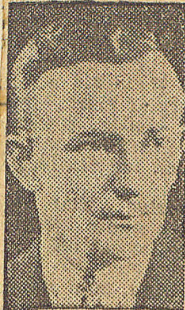
Last year's infield and outfield is intact with the exception of one fielder. Capt. Bill McKechnie, Jr., will captain the team from his first base position, while Stocker will be at second, O'Hara at short and Mitchell at third. Paul Miller and Joe Belicki are the veteran outer gardeners.

# Colgate Nine Looms Again As Dangerous

## Coach Reid Has Near-Veteran Club; Syracuse Needs Hurlers

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
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Although Colgate University has attracted wide attention in the sports world by the fine work of its



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football team under the direction of Andy Kerr, yet the well known upper New York State college seldom has to lower its colors to many of its rivals in baseball also, and under the direction of my good friend Bill Reid annually fields a real smart nine. Last spring Colgate won the Central New York Big Three title by scoring four wins over its arch-rival, Syracuse, and two triumphs over Cornell of the Eastern intercollegiate loop.

Coach Reid is a striking personality, and a man who is a natural as a coach. That probably explains in good measure why Colgate does so well in baseball each year in spite of the fact that the outdoor drills are hampered early in the year by the weather conditions at Hamilton, and late in the season by the spring football drills. Reid has turned out some classy outfits since he took over the baseball reins in 1920, and his current edition promises to compile an imposing season record.

True Reid will not have Howie LaFlamme, the mainstay of the pitching corps for three years, who has been at St. Petersburg with the Yankees the past month, nor Joe Bridge, first baseman a year ago, and Johnny Brooks, one of the best outfielders Colgate has had in some years, all of whom have graduated, but he will have enough experienced players on hand to give the Maroon a decided edge on most of its rivals.

### VETERAN HURLING STAFF

Three juniors, Bob Wright of East Orange, Ed Hickey of Pittsfield, and Ike Kern of Waterbury, will form the veteran pitching staff. Wright, who stands six three and weighs 200, is a southpaw with a fine fast ball, a good curve and excellent change of pace. Hickey relies chiefly on a curve ball and splendid control. To handle the slants of these youngsters Coach Reid has a truly good receiver in Clarey Anderson of Verona, N. J., and another good catcher for relief work in Dick Offenhamer who will regularly play in the outfield.

First and third base are the positions open to most competition these days as the team rounds into condition. Pete Dashewski, who comes up after a fine year with the freshman nine, is the probable choice for first base, with Joe Choborda another sophomore heading the quest for third base. Marty McDonough the football star from Woburn will retain second while Erling Larsen a junior from Jersey City will be at short. Steve Kuk captain of the team heads the outfield corps which includes the veterans, Offenhamer and Bart Amendola.

Colgate was a powerful team last year, and should carry as much of an attack this campaign. During the 1934 campaign the Red Raiders averaged better than 10 runs a game for 19 contests, and an average of better than 13 hits per game, a most unusual record for any college nine. The defence should hold its own, with first and third as the spots most likely to break under the strain of keen competition.

#### SYRACUSE LACKS PITCHERS

While Colgate is endeavoring to develop a third pitcher to starting assignment rank, the Syracuse nine faces the preparatory work bemoaning the absence of valuable hurlers to carry the team through a better than average campaign. Otherwise the prospects appear good with veterans for nearly every position, and Louis Carr, starting his 25th season as coach of the team, believes the nine will show a complete reversal of form from the outfit of 1934.

It did look as if Captain John Hafer, senior pitcher, would have to do most of the twirling this spring, but with Charlie Lundy, a transfer from Michigan, eligible for play the work can be divided. Lundy, a big, two hundred pound right hander with a world of speed and everything that goes with it, is a native Syracusan who had returned to his home city to complete his education after a year in the midwest. With Skids Sanford, senior catcher, to complete the battery, Coach Carr may yet stage a surprise on the veteran Colgate nine.

There are veterans for every assignment in the field except shortstop and leftfield. George Brown and Frank D'Orio, sophomores, will battle for the starting work at first, while the Singer twins, who played regularly at first base and the outfield two years ago and who were ineligible last spring, will compete for the outer garden vacancy. Both are good hitters and will add much to the offence of the team.

I favor Colgate to have a banner season, although I doubt that they do much more than better their record of 1934 when they lost but four games, and I also believe that they will again prove too strong for their New York State rivals. Syracuse will depend much on Lundy, and if he and Hafer deliver a fine brand of pitching and they get fair support in return, the team will be a constant threat.



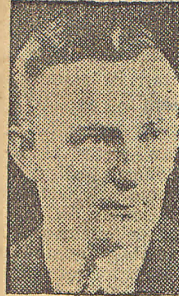
# Baseball Due For Big Year In Mid-West

## Vogel of Iowa Thinks East Develops Very Much Better Players

By JOHN E. FARRELL

*(News-Tribune Special Writer)*

Statistic experts have charted the rise and fall of all our industrial and mercantile markets for years, and their surmises have proved a good barometer for industry. As a result, when I received word from Otto Vogel, veteran coach of the University of Iowa, that his athletic department has checked the rise and fall of college baseball, and that the present indications point to a banner year for the sport throughout the midwest, I was naturally very much interested.



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The Iowa authorities base their predictions on the fact that college baseball moves in cycles. In checking back they found that during the period from 1907 to 1909 many people thought that the sport was declining in general, both for professional teams as well as for collegiate. However, the interest increased for the next ten years, and then faced a short slump, only to revive from 1921 to 1929. Then followed four years of decline until last spring when the interest in general had a decided upward swing, thus giving rise to the belief that this campaign will be much better, especially since the college teams are so well matched.

### PLAYING RULE HANDICAP

Coach Vogel, an outstanding major league performer after his collegiate days at Illinois, tells me that he feels the teams in the East have a decided advantage over those in the Western Conference, since the latter group has a ruling that boys cannot play baseball in summer where an admission charge is made. Thus it happens that unless a boy comes from a larger city he is at a disadvantage, as all the small town teams, as a rule, make an admission charge to defray the team expenses. In the cities this is offset by the use of municipal ball fields.

Consequently, Vogel informs me, many of the players of the Western Conference are boys who play little or no baseball during the summer months. Even though the Conference teams face this disadvantage Coach Vogel believes they are, as a whole, to be favorably compared with any of the Conference teams of the East, and particularly those that finish at the top of the league.

Iowa, according to Coach Vogel, should be pretty good this spring. Three pitchers, Charlie Blackman and Gene Ford, seniors, and Charles Mau, a junior, present a well-balanced mound staff, and although they will toss their offerings to Don Nelson, a sophomore who will be getting his first taste of varsity ball, yet they should prove very effective. Three veterans are on hand for infield duty, and a wealth of material offers a wide selection for the starters in the outer gardens.

#### OHIO STATE THREAT

While Iowa will claim its share of attention from the Big Ten members, most eyes are focussed on the nine which will represent Ohio State this spring, as the belief is strong that the Buckeyes will claim the title this spring. The varsity will be composed of a veteran array of seniors who have already played together for two years, and it includes two All Conference selections in Captain Alex Clowson, second baseman, and John McAfee, first baseman.

Ohio State will pin its hopes on its strong pitching staff of four right handers, three of whom have had plenty of varsity experience, and have attracted the attention of major league scouts by their work. Marvin Ulrich and Bob Blue are the senior hurlers, Charles Montgomery is a junior, and Ronald Peters comes up from the freshman class.

Michigan, tied for second place in the Western Conference last year, will start its 15th season under the direction of Ray Fisher with far less bright an outlook than faced the team at this time last spring. Everything appears to depend on the development of batterymen, with Art Patchin, a senior, and Berger Larsen, a junior, as the only seasoned performers. Two sophomores may help the cause along, although their lack of experience will weigh heavily against them. Wistert, ace of the staff last year, is now with Cincinnati.

Coach Fisher must find a first baseman and a shortstop to fill gaps in the infield, while two openings in the outfield have also to be closed. Victor Heyliger, Concord, Mass., sophomore, looms as a likely man for one of the outfield posts, with George Rudness, another product of the second year class, as the best bet for the right field work.

Frank McCormick, present athletic director of Minnesota, starts his four years as baseball coach with a fine group of juniors about which to build his varsity. Minnesota won the Big Ten title in 1933, and dropped to the tailend of the league last season due to the graduation of a major portion of the team. With Tom Gullivan and Ev Grossman, good pitchers, Captain Milton Bruhn, veteran catcher, an infield of juniors who should be much improved, and sophomores with hitting ability to be located in the outfields, the Gophers may get some place in the title race if the pitching holds up.

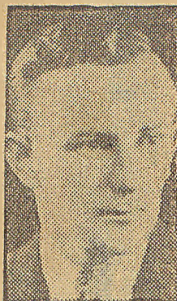
# Illinois Will Be Contender In Big Ten

Wallie Roettger, Former  
Major Leaguer, Directs  
Champs This Year

By JOHN E. FARRELL

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Any discussion of mid western college baseball must ultimately lead to the University of Illinois, as that university has been a dominant factor in Western Conference baseball competitions for years, and no less than four of its graduates are serving as coaches of the national pastime in Big Ten universities. Wallie Roettger, who was with St. Louis last season, is the new coach at Illinois, while Otto Vogel at Northwestern, and Floyd Stahl at Ohio State are other Illini graduates.



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Baseball at Illinois received a severe setback last summer with the death of Carl Lundgren who had handled the team for years. Lundgren was the old Illinois and then Chicago Cubs pitcher who coached at Michigan before returning to serve in a similar capacity at his alma mater, where he compiled fine records, and last spring won the Big Ten championship.

Roettger, who was a star at college before signing for a professional career which saw him wearing in turn the uniforms of the St. Louis Cardinals, New York Giants and Cincinnati, was originally a pitcher, but switched to the infield where he enjoyed real success. He steps into the coaching work at Illinois with his work cut out for him to keep the team in the running for the championship title this spring. Al Masek, whose pitching was one of the big factors in the Big Ten race last year, has graduated, and additional losses include Fred Fink, first baseman and outfielder, John Tomcoff, catcher, and Frank Niklewicz, outfielder who has withdrawn from the university because of illness.

#### TEAM'S PROSPECTS

With the prospect for a winning combination depending on the development of the pitching staff, Coach Roettger plans to devote much of his time to that department. Harold Swanson, a sophomore, is expected to be an outstanding hurler, and if he lives up to advance predictions Illinois may stay in the running for first division recognition. Howie Berg, a junior, Russ Pershell, a senior, and Irving Cherry, sophomore portsider, complete the varsity mound staff. Frank Russell, second year man from Wisconsin, looms for the starting work behind the plate, while Captain Ben Lewis, second baseman, heads a veteran infield.

With two good men competing for each position, the Chicago baseball team faces the 1935 season with the best prospects since 1931 when it finished in second place in the Big Ten, one game off the title. Coach Kyle Anderson, who was a star infielder in his undergraduate days at the University, and who later saw service with Pittsburgh, is counting upon Bill Haarlow, the basketball star, to do most of the pitching. Haarlow has plenty of speed and good control, and in his prep school days was an outstanding hurler, but last year, his sophomore season at Chicago, he divided his time between pitching and playing the infield. He may be used at first base this campaign when he is not taking his turn in the box.

Three candidates of equal ability are battling for the catching work, and Anderson believes one of the group will develop into a first class receiver. Paul Ganzer, a junior, and Ed Tyk, a sophomore are competing for second base, while Dick Cochran, who prepped at the Berkshire School, and who was a letterman last spring, is favored to retain his shortstop job. Kruzic and Kacena, substitutes a year ago are in line for work at third base.

The outfield is the strongest group on the team, with Ralph Wehling and David Levin, lettermen, in left and centre, and Harry Nacey, a product of Middlesex School, in right. Nacey is the best natural ball player on the squad, as is also regarded as a slugger.

#### WILDCATS TROUBLESOME

Northwestern, with Paul Stewart at the helm for the seventh successive season, will concentrate on its defense in the preparatory campaigning for the Big Ten title, and if this is improved, and the pitching proves good the Wildcats will cause plenty of trouble for the Conference leaders.

Ralph Claborn, captain and catcher of the team, will have two tried pitchers to work in Tom Woods, senior left hander, and Ray Kimball, husky junior righthander. Veterans are also available for second, short, and rightfield. The team split even in its games last year, and Coach Stewart can find capable replacements to offset his losses, the current edition of the Northwestern nine should win close to two thirds of its games.

# Dark Outlook For Baseball At Indiana

## Notre Dame Likely to Be Strong Foe for Big Ten Teams

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
(News-Tribune Special Writer)

The University of Indiana compiled one of the best records of any of the midwestern colleges last spring in winning 21 games and losing but five, but good as this record was it only netted the Hoosiers a second place in the Big Ten competition, as the team faltered in some of its important Conference clashes.

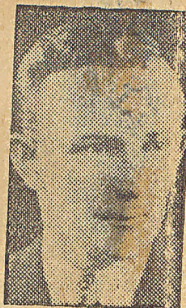
Graduation stripped the squad of many of its best players last June, and as a result the present outlook is rather dismal.

Coach Everett Dean, who has been on the job at Indiana for 11 years, has but three regulars about whom to build his present team, and as the sophomore material is but mediocre, the task of producing a winner appears very difficult. Dean is noted as a builder of teams, and may be counted upon to present a dangerous outfit for Conference play by the middle of the season.

The pitching staff appears formidable, and that is a source of much encouragement. Willard Kehrt, senior right hander, will be supported by two promising sophomores, Willis Hosler and Dav Adler, both right handers. Another second year man, Steve Kubic, stands out as the most likely man to do the catching. Morrie Himmelstein of Indianapolis is a fixture for short-stop, the position he played last spring, but the other assignments are open to competition. Henry Wahl, a junior, is the sole outfield veteran.

### PURDUE SEEKS HURLER

Over at Lafayette, Indiana, where Ward (Piggy) Lambert has been directing the baseball activities of the Purdue University nines since 1919, the search is on for another starting pitcher to aid Tom Elrod, and Charles Shuttleworth, both juniors, in the quest for the Big Ten flag. The two mainstays of the hurling corps of the 1934 team, Griffin and Huml, have been lost by graduation, and therefore the development of a new staff of moundsmen will decide the success of the Boilermakers in their campaigning the next two months.



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Vin Cherico, the senior from White Plains, will do most of the catching, and he will look to Ed Skoronski at first base, Vernon Craig at second, and Jack Lany, outfielder. The only holdovers from last year, to help him to steady the team. Glen Downey, sophomore hurler, may be the answer to Coach Lambert's problem, and if he is, I look for Purdue to have a better than average team.

#### NOTRE DAME OUTLOOK

Although not a member of the Western Conference, or the Big Ten as it is better known, Notre Dame is nevertheless a very important team in midwestern baseball, as its schedule calls for games with most the Conference teams, and their success against the Irish of South Bend often serves as a barometer of the rise and fall of the Big Ten race.

Clarence Kline, formerly freshman coach, took over the varsity baseball duties at Notre Dame last year, and was faced with the task of producing a successful nine while some of the best ball tossers at the university were busy on the football fields with spring drills under the direction of Elmer Layden. As a consequence the team lost nine out of its first ten games before Andy Pilney, Frank Gaul, Wally Fromhart, Joe Beach and Matt Thernes were released from grid work and allowed to don baseball togs. The advent of these lads changed the fortunes of the nine with the result that seven of the last nine games were won by Notre Dame.

Kiernan Dunn, senior from Springfield, Mass., will captain the nine this season, playing first base. Two other New England products, Frank Gaul, junior catcher from Waterville, and George Wentworth, third baseman from Bucksport, will also claim starting positions. The team should be fair defensively, and should present a strong offence, but apparently will be very weak in the pitching department.

Matt Thernes, stocky junior hurler from Cincinnati, is the only pitcher who is known to be dependable, but his mound assignments will necessarily be limited. Van Wagner, a Staten Island boy, is supposed to be the best of the recruits coming up from the sophomore ranks.

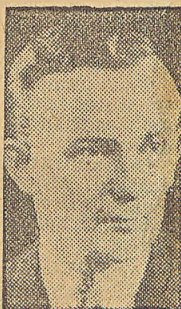
The outfield promises to be very strong, with Joe Beach, football star from New Orleans, in centre field, Dan Cunha of St. Petersburg in left, and Andy Pilney, junior from Chicago, in right. These lads are all good hitters, and are also fine defensive players.

# N. Carolina To Bid for Title Again

**Coach Bunn Hearn Confident of Building Winning Nine in Dixie**

By JOHN E. FARRELL  
(News-Tribune Special Writer)

He taught the king of England how to throw a curve ball, and he also taught the North Carolina University baseball team how to topple all the opposition last spring so as to win the collegiate championship of the South. These are Bunn Hearn's bids to baseball fame in recent years, and the veteran Tar Heel's mentor has few equals as a baseball coach. He coached at North Carolina in the early 20s, but left to manage professional baseball clubs, and when he tired of that activity he returned to his old post at the college in 1931.



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Last spring Hearn turned out a team that was the talk of the Southland. His North Carolina University outfit lost but one game in 21, and thereby captured both the Southern Conference and the North Carolina State titles. This year Hearn will hardly experience as good a season, as he has lost several valuable cogs from the 1934 machine, and he will have to face the task of rebuilding.

Two senior pitchers, Fred Crouch and Leo Manly, and two recruits from the sophomore ranks, will form the hurling staff, while the catching assignment is open to dispute. Mack Cook, a second year man, is favored to claim the backstop work. Veterans are on hand for second and short, but replacements must be uncovered for the other infield posts. A veteran outfield, headed by Captain Thurman Vick, will be the strongest department of the squad, and will carry much of the offensive power.

### DUKE STANDOUT TEAM

Duke University at Durham, North Carolina, looms as the real standout team of the South this year, and I don't see how any nine can subdue the aggregation that Jack Coombs has assembled. Coombs, former star hurler for the Athletics, himself admits that this year's array is the best he has had in his seven years at the university, and he predicts a better record than that of last campaign when but four games out of 24 were lost.

Coombs is a great developer of pitchers, but Ken Weafer, the W. burn senior, was a really fine hurler before he trekked to the South. Weafer, a major league possibility, hurled for Dean Academy, and compiled an enviable record. Last year was undefeated in heading the Duke hurling staff. Reynolds May, another senior, and Pete Naktens, a junior southpaw, are the standouts of the seven fine hurlers Coombs has retained on his staff.

Ty Wagner, a Pennsylvania youth, will do the catching, and will also captain the team. He assures Duke of an exceptionally strong battery all times during the season. Veterans are also on hand for third base, shortstop, and two of the outfield berths, while two good prospects from the sophomore group are Wayne Ambler, a second baseman, and Herbert Cheek, a first baseman.

Duke will be better defensively than offensively, according to Coombs, but even so the hitting power will be better than that of last spring. All in all the team should be well balanced, with great power in the battery and it looks like a case of defeating Duke to win the Southern Conference title.

### ALABAMA LOSES STRENGTH

Alabama, winner of the Southeastern Conference title last year with a record of fifteen wins against three defeats, will feel the loss of these pitchers keenly, as well as that of Dixie Howell who left college to join the Detroit team. In spite of these losses Coach Henry Crisp is optimistic about the prospects for this campaign, and if he can locate another hurler to share the pitching burden with southpaw Lee Rogers, he believes Alabama may be able to repeat as Conference champions.

Crisp has two fine outfielders in Don Hutson, the all American of Rose Bowl fame whose fleetness of foot has enabled him to star as flyhawk in the left field as well as beat out many a hit to the infield, and Hilmon Walker, lanky junior who is a younger brother of Gerald Walker, Detroit outfielder. Two sophomore candidates, Young Bozer and Ben McLeod, will battle for the other outfield assignment.

Only a third baseman has to be located to round out what shapes up as a string inner defence. Jim Whatley, a junior classman, will retain his place at first base, Charlie Bouska of Linden, N. J. will be at second, and Tony Scalzi, a Ohio product, will handle short.

This is the last in the series of reviews on college baseball prospects for this season as viewed by John E. Farrell, athletic director of Providence College.



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