

ATHLETICS



At the call of Capt. Alten, for football material, in September, about 22 candidates responded, and under the guidance of Coach Rising and the captain, were soon whipped into shape for the first game of the season.

This game was with Basil High on Oct. 1. The team proved to be all that was expected, for they cleaned up, on the 'Hilliceans' with a score of 16-0. Although this was an overwhelming score, it did not suit our team, for in former years, they had simply wiped up the earth with them.

The following week was fair week, so no game was scheduled, but the coach put the team through a severe practice every night.

On Friday, Oct. 18, Columbus Central High was our victim. Although Central brought down a good support of about 100 students, it did not phase our team in the least, but only served to encourage good work. It was in this game that our star tackle Roush, made so many gains. Almost every time he bucked the line it was for five or ten yards. Alten and McClintock also played their positions in old-time form. It does not need to be said that they are stars, for they have shown that in other years. Ellis of Central, did such starring as was done for the opposing team.

We were well satisfied with the score with Central, repaying them for the drubbing they gave us in 1905, the score at the end of the game being 23-5.

The next game was to have been with Everts High, of Circleville, but they did not materialize, so the game had to be called off.

On Nov. 1 Logan showed a team on the gridiron, for the next in line, and, although Lancaster won, it was with a close score. The team was overconfident in what they could do, and seemed to be sure of the victory. The score at the end was 11-5.

The next game was to have been with Logan on their grounds, but they cancelled, and word was received from Circleville that they would like a game for that date, Nov. 8. So Lancaster made its first and only journey to the village of Circleville, to meet their team. The game was delayed till about 5:00 o'clock, and then only 10 minute halves were played. Luck was against us, for in the fore part of the game Circleville made the only touch-

down and then failed to kick goal. This was the only defeat of the season.

The next game was scheduled with Delaware High, at Delaware, but they cancelled, and so the season.

Although we did not play as many games as in former years, only once did the team go down to defeat.

How the Team Lined Up.

At center was Fortier. Although this was his first season, he played a very good game. On the right and left guards were found Waters and Leitnaker, Waters playing his position as well as any on the line. Leitnaker did the punting, and all knew that when he was called on to do so, he always responded with a 50-yarder. At right and left tackles, Crook and Roush were seen, both playing a steady game. On the right and left ends were Dysinger and Hershberger. At quarter was Radebaugh (Bob) who handled the team as only a veteran could. At full back was our captain, Alten, who made most of the gains. On each side of him were Foreman and McClintock, Foreman playing a fair game, considering that it was his other half, was always in the game, ready to make the necessary yards if called on to do so. As sub-quarters, were Kiefaber and Radebaugh (Art). Both handled the team well for youngsters, while Rissler, Stretton, McCleery and Benadum were ready to fill any of the other positions.

The good work of the team of '07 is attributed to the coaching received at the hands of Karl Rising, ex-quarter back of Kenyon College team of '05.

Boys' Basket Ball.

Boys' Basket Ball was confined mostly to the school league, which was formed the first of the season. The league was composed of four teams captained by Fortier, Kindler, Dysinger and Leitnaker. With the exception of two, no games were played with other schools.

The first one was with Circleville, and, although they beat us with a large margin, we can say that the team made a better showing than any other, in previous years.

The second game was played with Logan, and although the game was a tie till the end of the last half, Lancaster was at a disadvantage, the ball

being so little that one could hardly turn around.

Coming back to the league, we find that three games were played every week, which afforded much pleasure to the audiences.

Leitnaker's and Fortier's teams being the leaders, drew the largest crowds.

The final game was played on the last Friday in March, and Capt. Leitnaker's team pulled down the pennant of the league.

Girls' Basket Ball.

When the Basket Ball season opened up, several of the girls held a meeting and formed a Basket Ball Club.

Miss Norma Carmon was elected as Captain, and Miss Grace Courtright as Manager. Two teams were formed and at once set to work practicing. Matched contests were played every Tuesday and Thursday to decide who should play on the school team.

A game was scheduled with South High of Columbus for the 28th of February, at Lancaster. As this was the first girls' Basket Ball game ever played in Lancaster, a very good crowd was present, to witness it.

Lancaster lined up with Misses Everett and Denton as centers; Misses Carmon (capt.) and Sturgeon as forwards, and Misses Courtright and Barr as guards, and the game was on. Lancaster scored the first basket in the first four minutes of play, then South seemed to find their feet, for they ran the score, till at the end of the second half it stood 11-1 in favor of South High.

This was not a bad score for a beginning team, and if the girls had stayed to the game they would have no doubt made a very fast team. This game was the first and last game played during the season.

It is hoped that next year the girls will continue to have a team.

Base Ball.

With Frank McClintock as captain, and Charles Miller as manager, the Base Ball team has been formed into a strong team.

The first game of the season was played with Logan High, at Logan, on May 15th, which resulted in a victory for Lancaster with a score of 11-4.

The second game was a return game with Logan, on our grounds, which resulted in a much better score, for