



H. COLEMAN GRIMES

A History of Portsmouth's 1929 Football Season.

BY H. COLEMAN GRIMES CITY EDITOR THE TIMES

The 1929 edition of the Portsmouth Spartans has been the first really successful football team Portsmouth has ever had. And who is it that would not say the team is a success? It has broken a number of old jinxes that have been hanging onto Portsmouth football teams for a number of years and the team has so badly beaten the age-old traditional rivals that it has been established as one of the strongest

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professional teams in the United States. For the first time in the history of football in this section of the country Portsmouth has established a claim to the championship of the valley and is undisputed in that claim.

This season's team has placed professional football on a new and different plane here and in this vicinity. In one sense of the word it can no longer be called professional gree of righteousness. The writer has chosen to call it "graduate football." Meaning Meaning that the Spartha are just what "graduate graduate graduate football."

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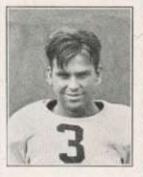
ate football" implies. The thirty or more players, who have been in the lineup of the Spartans during the entire season are, with very few exceptions, all college grad-uates. They nave starred on college gridirons, have known the glory of blazing headlines in the press and have heard the thousands of fans proclaim them heroes while they were in college. After leaving college they have still felt the urge of carrying the pigskin, racing over the yard lines and hearing the screams of the crowds. Why shouldn't they capitalize to a certain extent on their

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knowledge of the

game?

Each and every player on the team has been a star in college. It was with this idea that he was picked to play on the Spartans. The players have been brought to Portsmouth where they have been treated as they would like to be treated, as gentlemen and not as "roughnecks," the term usually given a professional football player. These men have blasted the idea that professional football players are the bruiser type of men and a lot of drinking, illiterate "low brows." They are gentlemen and have been treated as such by the



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many friends they have made in this city. They have been taken into the best homes of Portsmouth and have been made to feel at home. It is this kind of treatment that will serve to get the same type of football players here in years to come and keep the game on the same high plane. Graduate football is gradually coming into its own in the United States, Larger crowds are attending the games each year and the sport has been placed on such a high standard by such interest as has been shown in Portsmouth that the

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very cream of the college stars are being induced to play a few more years. The game is thriving in communities where there are no colleges within easy reach. Hundreds and thousands are being electrified each year by the players who are giving the fans n -, pe of game far superio, to anything that could be found in college. True it is that graduate football has not quite reached the point where it draws the crowds that colleges do. That time is yet to come and the writer predicts that within a few years the crowds will be just as colorful at graduate football as they are for the college games.

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The organization of the Spartans of 1929 dates back months, long before the opening of the season. Right after the close of the 1928 season, when the Spartans showed promise of a bang-up team, the board of directors decided on Harold W. Griffen as a coach for the next season. In spite of the fact that the directors went into the hole thousands of dollars in 1928, they put their loss to one side, charged it to experience and made up their minds to spend more money in building up a team for this season. They believed that the game could be put on a basis where it would pay for itself. It seems that they

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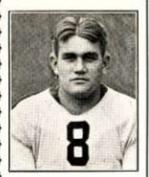


DWIGHT "WHITEY"

FULLBACK

University of Pittsburgh, '26, '27. Spartans, '28.

were correct. Immediately after the close of the 1928 season the newly elected coach began scouring the entire country for material to build a new team for this year with what little material he decided to keep from the squad of the previous year. He wrote letters to practically every football player of note in the country, who was leaving college, and asked him to come to Portsmouth and play for the Spar-tans. He traveled hundreds of miles to make personal contact with some players he espe-cially wanted. The re-sult is evident. Griffen worked hard for



ERNEST "BOB" JESSEN TACKLE

University of Iowa, '26, '27, '28.

All Conference Mention '28.

months and he was rewarded by gathering one of the strongest array of football stars this part of the country has ever seen. The success of this year means that the directors will be spurred to even greater efforts next year and they will spare no expense to get what they want. Already the coach, with the aid of the directors, has started to build a 1930 aggregation which will surpass the winning team of this year.

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experiences and have profited by those experiences. Year after year the Portsmouth teams have lost to Ironton and Ashland, teams that got the jump, so to speak, in the graduate football game. It was humiliating, to say the least, but the dyed-in-thewool fans stuck by and continued to hope for a team that would make up for past defeats and win back the lost laurels. The Spartans of this year have done just that little thing. They have so successfully trimmed the Ironton Tanks and the Ashland Armco that it will be a long time before the stigma of de-



EMIL "PUSS" MAYER

Catholic University, '24, '25, '26. Pottsville, '27. Spartans, '28.

feat is erased in those two cities.

True it is that Ironton succeeded in winning the first of a series of three games by a score of 3 to 0 over Portsmouth. Portsmouth outplayed them easily and after the second game, when the Great White Herd thundered down on Tankland and smothered the Big Red under a 20 to 0 score, sport critics wondered how the Tanks ever came close enough in the first game to even kick a field goal. The Ashland Armco team was trimmed almost as decisively. By winning these games over the old rivals the defeats

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of other years have been forgotten.

The writer was unfortunate, he feels, in that he was unable to attend some of the big games of the season. vacation keeping him miles away from Portsmouth during the first Ironton and Ashland games, but he returned home in time to see the second Ironton game and was rewarded after years of waiting. He has followed football for years and has "covered" nearly every high school and professional game in which Portsmouth has participated for at



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least seven years and can truthfully say that in the Spartans of 1929 he has seen more good football and more stars than he ever saw on one football team in his short but varied career as a writer.

Now to give a short resume of the game up to the date of this writing. First there was the opening game with Green Bay. The Spartans had never played together before this game and, naturally expected to lose to a National League team that had been going strong together for a number of years. They were set, however, to give the Wis-

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consin aggregation a surprise and they did what they expected to do. The score was 14 to 0 in favor of Green Bay. That meant that the Spartans had a strong team and by mid-season should be showing something. The game uncovered several stars. Lumpkin and Bennett showed promise of being two mainstays in the back-field. Weak points in the line and some in the backfield were discovered by the watch-ful eye of Griffen and he began to remodel the team after that game. All the next week new plays were practised. New men were added. The weak spots were strength-

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ened to a certain extent and Griffen worked hard to make ready for the Chillicothe game.

The Chillicothe game was disappointing to a certain extent in the eyes of the fans. They had expected that the Spartans would walk away with the game easily. That may have been the result later in the season, but not for the second game. Even the team was surprised when Chillicothe showed up with an exceptionally strong lineup, including many former Ohio State players headed by the versatile Byron Eby. years together at State and under the tutelage

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of one Dr. Wilce. Although at times the Spartans showed form and ability they could not get going. The score was 7 to 0 in favor of the Portsmouth team. Bennett and Lumpkin broke loose several times with nice long gains which made an otherwise dull game interesting. The Chillicothe Eagles were no turtle doves. It may have done the Spartans good to nearly be beaten by the Chillicothe aggregation because after that rather



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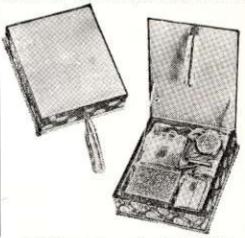
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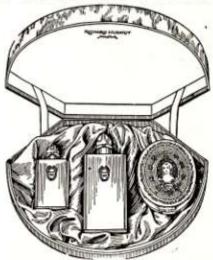
Capt. '26.

sad exhibition they spruced up and the team has been going hot ever since. Griffen really found the weak spots in his team and he found what was wrong with his system of coaching. He found that he had stars and good players if properly used and began to lay his plans for the next game, the one with Middletown, More new players were added and some of the others were cast aside. After a week of practice things began to look brighter.

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Then came the Middletown game. The fans anxiously looked forward to this game as the team had been strengthened materially with the addition of such players as Molesworth, a star of last season, and Jessen, of the great Iowa team of last year. Then there was Harry and Jones, two players with quite a reputation. Molesworth was the only backfield man in the list of additions. The rest plugged up holes which had ap-



MOLESWORTH

QUARTERBACK

Monmouth College, "25, "26, "27, All State. Spartans, "28,

peared in the line. It was announced previous to the game that the squad would be cut after the game and only real stars would be kept on the team.

The game was everything that it was expected to be, Portsmouth literally cleaned up on the Middletown Armco Blues. The flashy Bennett, Molesworthy, Lumpkin, Brumbaugh and others made sweeping runs and showed class that had not before been displayed. At last the

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After the game four linesmen were released from the team and new



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and better stars were added on the line. With this news the fans went wild. They could not see, after the Middletown defeat, just how the Spartans could be any better. Their thrill was yet to come.

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with the Detroit Tigers. The Great White Herd played pussy - wants - a - corner with the Tigers arrived. It looked like a track meet. Every man in the backfield scored a touchdown and some of the men on the line nabbed fumbles in the air and made scores. Well, it just began to look like the Spartans could not be defeated.

It began to look like the Ironton Tanks would be meat for the Spartans after the bar-



RALPH "BUCK" WEAVER END

University of Indiana, '26, '27, '28,

rage hurled at the Tigers. The Tanks came next on the menu. Coach Harold W. Griffen began working his men overtime and sat up nights figuring plays and ways to make the first game with the old upriver rivals a winner for Portsmouth. The new men on the team got the spirit of rivalry between Portsmouth and Ironton and swore to give everything they could to win the game. Money was bet by the barrel by the enthusi-

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astic fans and the gate was sold out.

To make a long story short Ironton put the old Indian sign on Portsmouth again. The loss from betting caused a panic. The fans rightfully declared that the referee had been bought by Ironton and were ready to mob him after the game. He had to be led from the field by a cordon of police. Ironton got close enough to the Spartan goal line for Welch to make a field goal, the lone score of the game. The



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game was a bloody affair. Ironton seemed to get by with any type of roughness that they tried, whereas Portsmouth was forced to sit back and take it by Referee Durfee. The Spartans outplayed the Tanks three to one but could not win. A touchdown made by Molesworth on a long run was not allowd. In other words the writer feels that the game was stolen and there was nothing that could be done about it. The rough game cost Portsmouth The Stockham Co.

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the services of Red Joseph, one of the finest ends that ever drew breath. He suffered a broken leg. On the other hand, Glen Presnell, the great Tank fullback, came in contact with the bulk of Mr. Lumpkin and suffered. He was carried from the field with a dislocated shoulder and was out of the game for weeks. It was just tough and the players made ready for the next game with the Cincinnati National Guards, in Cincinnati.



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'27, '28.
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The Spartans were crippled and so were the Tanks in that hectic first game. Joseph was put out of the game for the season, Brumbaugh was hurt, so was Armil, Griffen, Webber and Richman, The Tanks suffered injuries to Hubert, Presnell and Alvis.

The game in Cincinnati was played before a large crowd and because of injuries the Spartans were crippled. The Portsmouth team outplayed the Queen City team but the score was a 6 to 6 tie.

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The only new man in the lineup was Lyons, a star tackle from the New York Giants. Runs by Bennett and Lumpkin were features of the game. Molesworth played his usual good game as did the other stars of the team. It was a hard game and with so many on the injured list it came at a bad time for the Spartans. At any rate the Spartans got a tie out of it and the fans were not disappointed. They wanted to see something happen the fol-



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lowing week when the team went to Ashland for the Ashland Armco game.

The Armco game marked brilliant play on the part of the Griffen machine. They so completely trimmed the Armco eleven that a thick gloom settled over Ashland for a week afterward. The score was 19 to 0. The score was 19 to 0. The game was marked by spectacular runs on the part of Molesworth, Estes, Lumpkin, Brumbaugh and Bennett. The preUnlike "Father Lumpkin"...Princess Shoppe fashions are not "All-American...there are so many Parisian styles among them...but each garment scores a Touchdown on the field of "fashion."

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vious hard luck of the Spartans was forgotten by the fans. The addition of Estes, a star of last year, in the backfield, and Weaver, Indian, end, and Braidwood, Chattanooga, end, gave the Spartans a team that seemed unbeatable. At last things began to start looking bright, for the week before the Ashland team had defeated the Tanks 7 to 2. This meant one thing to Portsmouth and that was that the Spartans were better by far than the Tanks. The



PAUL "BOOM BOOM"
ARMIL

QUARTERBACK

University of Iowa, '26, '27, '28.

fans will talk of this game and the wonderful plays from now until next season.

The game following the defeat of the Ashland eleven was another Tank game. And here is a game that made history for the Spartans. The revamped team ran true to form and gave Ironton the worst beating they had ever received by any aggregation. A score of 20 to 0 was rolled up against the Big Red of Ironton by the Griffen coached warriors. Strange to

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say, the Tanks have never been the same since. After the first few minutes of play there was never any doubt in the minds of the spectators as to who would be the winner. Porstmouth outplayed their opponents in every department of the game. And by so doing they broke a jinx of years of standing. Th defeat of Ironton made the Spartans the outstanding team in the state both on paper and in reality. The flashy Bennett scored



ERNEST "BOB" JESSEN TACKLE

University of Iowa, '26, '27, '28.

All Conference Mention '23.

all three touchdowns. The game was made exceedingly interesting by Bennett's long runs, Lumpkin's superhuman line plunges and the outstanding work of every man on the line and in the backfield. It would be impossible to tell in a few words the merits of each player in this game. Witt made himself one of the stars of the game by his heady game and long runs. When one man in the backfield was marked another would break loose as

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The rules governing incompleted backward passes have been so modified that only those passes which have been clearly thrown a distance of approximately two (2) yards through the air before striking the ground, are now dead at the point of recovery. Such passes are defined in Rule VI as protected backward passes, and Rule XVII.

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Section 1 (b), has been altered to indicate the rights of all players when a "protected" backward pass strikes the ground before being caught.

Rule XVIII, Section 5, has been amended so that it is no longer necessary to draw any distinction between a muffed punt and a fumble. After a ball has been kicked beyond the line of scrimmage it is to be considered a "kicked" ball until it is declared dead by the Referee.

The traditional rules governing "on side" and "off-side" still obtain, except that if such a kicked ball is legally recovered by a player of the kicker's

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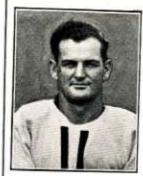
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side, he may not advance it beyond the point of recovery.

In Rule XVI, Section 3 (a), the words "after the pass has been made" have been stricken out, so that on forward pass plays there can be no interference whatsoever by players of the passer's side who have crossed the line of scrimmage.

In addition to these changes, the wording of several of the rules has been modified in order to bring out more clearly the intent of the Rules without in any way changing their meaning.



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Spartans two years.

the star of the team. More real football and good team work was shown in the second Tank game than any other game of the season. It was the second time in history that a Portsmouth graduate team ever beat an Ironton team and it was the first time that the beating was really a decisive victory.

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Red Grange's N. Y. Yanks, '26.

Green Bay and Spartans, '28

there is no good reason why they should. Griffen seemed at last to have the men he wanted to finish the season. It is hard to see how the team could be improved on in the least,

Akron came after the Ironton upset. Akron was not an easy foe but was beaten decisively, 15 to 6. The team had a let down after trimming Ironton. It was just that let down that had been expected and it could not have come at a



ROY "FATHER" LUMPKIN FULLBACK

Georgia Tech.

All-American Mention.

better time. When running true to form the Spartans should have won by a larger score and Akron should never have scored on them. The game more firmly established the Peerless City standard bearers as champions at any rate. The game was sloppy and played under bad conditions, yet the team, by its winning streak, had the fans so enthused that more than 200 of them accompanied them on the long trip.

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Even the members of the team were happy to get the Akron game out of their systems. They were looking for a breathing spell and they had it coming to them. The Middletown game was the breathing spell. The Spartans took over Middletown as before. Every man on the squad had a chance to do his stuff and none of the players was injured to any extent. It meant that they could begin building for the next three



ERNEST "EGG" MEYERS
GUARD

Geneva, '24, '25, '26, '27. All Conference, '26, '27. Capt. '26.

games which were considered the hardest games of the season. Middletown took another defeat by a score of 22 to 0 and then the Spartans did not extend themselves.

This is as far as the games go to the date of this writing. But there is more to tell and that more is the real inside dope on the players and the team. Sport writers sometimes make mistakes in writing stories of graduate football games. It is not altogether their

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fault as they cannot see everything that goes on. The hardest thing the writer has to do is to give full credit to the players. Each and every player on the Spartans is a star. They have been stars in college and it is not strange that they should be a bit jealous and want to see that what the sport writer has to say about the kind of a game they play. The writer is forced to keep his eye on the ball most of the time and does not



MOLESWORTH QUARTERBACK

Monmouth College, '25, '26, '27.

All State. Spartans, '28.

catch the exceptional work of the men in the line. Of course they see and write about the long runs made by some of the flashy backs and they touch on the kind of interference these backs get from their fellow players. Sometimes a writer sees and tells of an exceptional tackle a linesman makes, but these fellows in the line do not get all the credit that is due them in the sport columns of the press. Most of the glory goes to the

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HALFBACK

University of Dayton, '24, '25, 26,

backs and as far as that is concerned a great percentage of the fans see only the work of the backfield man...

If a sport writer could catch every player's merits in a game he would have to have a dozen eyes and as many minds to record what each eye saw. This writer has not been forced this year to report many of the games and perhaps saw more of the game than did the sport writer whose unhappy



EVERETT "EBBY"
DeWEESE
GUARD
Dayton Triangles, 3 years.
Portsmouth Spartans, 2

years.

lot it happened to be to have to write what happened. To pick out a few players and tell of their performances would be an injustice to the others. There is Red Joseph. He is one of the greatest ends the writer has ever seen in action. There is no doubt but that Joseph would have been an All-American player had he been associated with a team in a larger college than almost obscure little Miami University. Deweese of

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RALPH "BUCK" WEAVER END

University of Indiana, '26, '27, '28.

yond the writer. Randolph can cope with any of them and be an edge better in any part of the game. Zupke, one of the greatest coaches in the game, stated recently that the most outstanding defensive center he ever saw was Randolph. So the writer's opinion is backed up. One cannot deny the fact that Griffen is a smart and heady player. He is as good at guard as he is at center. Then Griff is



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CHARLES "CHUCK" BRAIDWOOD END

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right there when it comes to directing the team from the bench. Richman, who was one of Mr. Zupke's regulars, simply struts his stuff at guard and knows how how to play the game as well as any of them. Lyons is just about the toughest tackle in the business. He seems never to get hurt but manages to do plenty of damage to the other fellow. Weaver and Braidwood were two happy additions to the team this year. These



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Now to go to the backfield. Stars who have not been previously mentioned cannot go without some word of praise. Whitey Fyock has developed into a better blocking halfback than he was at fullback and he was



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HALFBACK
University of Indiana, '26,
'27, '28.
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O. K. at fullback. Fvock has not been used much this year as a ball carrier but he can be pushed into that part of the service at any time. Armil is about as good and cool a field general as any team would want and can pass as straight as an arrow. Every player who has played against Aichu knows what it is to be blocked by the wiry, stocky, shifty half. When he hits, hard and the rest of the team likes to play behind him. It would be a waste of words to



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say more about Lumpkin, Bennett, Whitt, Brumbaugh, Estes and Molesworth.

A short story appeared in the Chicago Tribune recently which shows what others think of the Spartans. F. B. Lane, veteran official, was asked by a sport writer on the Tribune what he thought was the best college team this season. Lane replied that the best college team he had seen was playing professional football in Portsmouth, Ohio.



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PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Sept. 15th

Score:

Green Bay \_\_\_\_\_14 Spartans \_\_\_\_\_0

Touchdowns—Lewellyn, Lidberg.

Points After - Molenda, Blood.

#### OFFICIALS

Referee — Bobby Conn.

Umpire-Wilson.

Head Linesman — Hessmen.



PAUL "BOOM BOOM"
ARMIL

QUARTERBACK

University of Iowa, '26, '27, '28.

CHILLICOTHE

VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Sept. 22nd

Score:

Chillicothe \_\_\_\_\_0
Spartans \_\_\_\_\_7
Touchdowns—Lump-kin.

Points After-Joseph.

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University of Pittsburgh, '26, '27. Spartans, '28.

> MIDDLETOWN ARMCO

> > VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Sept. 29th

Score:

Middletown \_\_\_\_\_ 0
Spartans \_\_\_\_\_ 32
Touchdowns—Lumpkin 2, Brumbaugh,
Bennett, Armil.
Points After—Molesworth, Joseph.

OFFICIALS

Referee—Addison.
Umpire—Davis.
Head Linesman—
Tommy Williams.



ERNEST "BOB" JESSEN TACKLE

University of Iowa, '26, '27, '28, All Conference Mention '28.

DETROIT TIGERS

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PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Oct. 6th

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Spartans \_\_\_\_\_79

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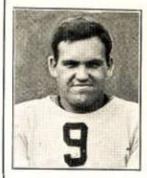
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IRONTON TANKS

VS

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Oct. 13th

Score:

Tanks \_\_\_\_\_3
Spartans \_\_\_\_\_0
Field Goal—Welsh.

OFFICIALS

Referee—Durfee. Umpire—Eichenlaub, Head Linesman—

Finsterwald.



EMIL "PUSS" MAYER END Catholic University, '24, '25,

Catholic University, '24, '25, '26, Pottsville, '27, Spartans, '28,

> CINCINNATI NATIONAL GUARDS

> > VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Oct. 20th

Score:

Cincinnati \_\_\_\_ 6 Spartans \_\_\_\_ 6

Touchdown — Bennett, Spartans, Wohlender, Guards.

Referee-Reese.

Umpire—Bray.

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Green Bay and Spartans, '28

ASHLAND ARMCO

vs.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Oct. 27th

Score:

Ashland \_\_\_\_\_ 0 Spartans \_\_\_\_\_19

Touchdowns—Molesworth, Bennett Fyock. Points After—Moles-

worth. Umpire—Chamber.

Field Judge — Thomas

Head Linesman — Bray.



DUDLEY "DUD" HARRIS

TACKLE

Ohio State and Marietta College ('21 to '25) Capt, of Marietta two years. All Ohio, All-American Mention, Columbus Tigers. Canton Bull Dogs, Spartans two years,

#### IRONTON TANKS

VS.

#### PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Nov. 3rd

Tanks \_\_\_\_\_\_0

Spartans \_\_\_\_\_20

Touchdowns — Bennett 3.

Points After—Witt.

OFFICIALS

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Referee—Lane. Umpire—Herrington.

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'26.

Green Bay and Spartans, '28

AKRON AWNINGS

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Nov. 10th

SCORE

Akron \_\_\_\_\_\_ 6
Spartans \_\_\_\_\_ 15
Touchdowns — Bennett 2.
Points After—Witt.
Safety—Leaman.

OFFICIALS

Referee—Griswold. Umpire—Larabee. Head Linesman— Larsen.



ROY "FATHER"
LUMPKIN
FULLBACK
Geargia Tech.
All-American Mention.

MIDDLETOWN ARMCO

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Nov. 17th

SCORE

Middletown 0
Spartans 22
Touchdowns—Lumpkin, Bennett, Brumbaugh,
Points After — Witt
2.
Safety—Tays.

Referee—Addison. Umpire—Davis. Head Linesman— Courtwright.

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Miami University, '23, Ohio State, '24, '25. Ashland Armoo, '26,

IRONTON TANKS

VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Nov. 24th

Score:

Tanks \_\_\_\_\_\_
Spartans \_\_\_\_\_
Touchdowns \_\_\_\_\_
Points after \_\_\_\_\_
Field Goals \_\_\_\_\_
Safety \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICIALS

Referee \_\_\_\_\_ Umpire \_\_\_\_ Head Linesman



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ERNEST "EGG" MEYERS GUARD

Geneva, '24, '25, '26, '27. All Conference, '26, '27. Capt. '26.

> CINCINNATI NATIONAL GUARDS

> > VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Thursday, Nov. 28th

Score:

Spartans
Touchdowns
Points after
Field Goals
Safety

OFFICIALS

Referee \_\_\_\_\_ Umpire \_\_\_\_ Head Linesman \_\_\_\_ The Spartans

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in Football

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RICHMAN
GUARD AND CENTER
University of Illinois, '26,
'27, '28,
Chicago Bears, Spartans '29.

ASHLAND ARMCO

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PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Dec. 1st

Score:

Spartans
Touchdowns
Points after
Field Goals
Safety
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OFFICIALS

Referee	~~~~~
Umpire	
Head	
Linesn	nan



KEITH "MOLEY"
MOLESWORTH
QUARTERBACK
Monmouth College, '25, '26,
'27.
All State.
Spartans, '28.

CHILLICOTHE

VS.

PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Dec. 8th

Score:

Touchdowns
Points after
Field Goals
Safety

OFFICIALS

Referee \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Umpire \_\_\_\_\_\_Head \_\_\_\_\_Linesman \_\_\_\_\_

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ACHIU
HALFBACK
University of Dayton, '24,
'25, 26.
Cincinnati Potters, '27.
Dayton Triangles, '28.
Spartans.

CHICAGO CARDINALS vs. PORTSMOUTH SPARTANS

Sunday, Dec. 15th

Score

Score:
Spartans
Touchdowns
Points after
Field Goals
Safety
OFFICIALS
Referee
Umpire
Head
Linesman

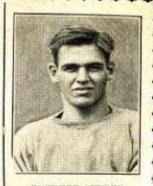
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PROBABLE GAME

BENNY FRIEDMAN'S NEW YORK GIANTS

VS.

PORTSMOUTH

Sunday, Dec. 22nd

Score:

Spartans \_\_\_\_

Touchdowns
Points after
Field Goals
Safety
OFFICIALS
Referee
Umpire
Head
Linesman



