

BENSALEM ELEVEN MEETS LANGHORNE AT BENSALEM

Only Home School Game
Scheduled in This Area
This Week-End

BRISTOL AT BRIDGEPORT

Morrisville Booked To Oppose
Princeton High School
At Princeton

By Jack Gill

The school boys get out of town this week in football play. Both Morrisville and Bristol hit the road. The Bulldogs play in the shadows of Palmer Stadium in meeting Princeton High School, while Bristol looks forward to an expected triumph over a weak Bridgeport combine across the river from Norristown.

Geographically, all we have to look forward to is a battle between Bensalem and Langhorne at Cornwells Heights. And a battle it may turn out to be with the Redskins on the return trail in district football, and a big brown jug hanging in the balance. The game is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon.

The jug, bought at the cut rate bargain price of eight cents last year, is held by Bensalem. Although it was picked up in the bargain basement, the gang squabbling for its possession Saturday value it highly.

Funny things, these quaint victory pieces. Last week it transformed a Bristol unit of mediocre qualities into one of almost brilliance.

The earthen container up for dispute in the Bensalem-Langhorne fuss can also be won by Newtown. Each year these schools, known as the "Little Three," fight it out among themselves for the championship. Today, conditions have outgrown the mythical group rating. Bensalem is no longer a "small fry" in the grid frying pan. Advanced in student enrollment to a larger body than that of Morrisville, the set-up now finds the league listed in terms of Bristol, Bensalem, Morrisville, Langhorne and Newtown. That is the size of the contesting schools in figures of student enrollment.

But when there are thirty or so odd boys turning out for football, the number of bookworms leafing through the textbooks means little. Boys are boys and the coaching, love of the game and breaks determine the winner. A hundred students more or less may make the choice and competition a bit more keener and finer, yet a little group can often be of more efficient quality than a sluggish larger body of men.

Newtown, smallest of the entire organization, held Bensalem, ranked as number two, to a 13-13 deadlock. To stay in the running, the Owls must take Langhorne Saturday. Then, for Newtown to tie with Bensalem and gain joint possession of the jug for a season, a victory over Langhorne on Thanksgiving Day must occur. Langhorne, on the other hand, can upset the dope by taking Bensalem and Newtown on successive tries.

Once upon a time Langhorne was supreme in the rating. The last two years they have dropped far below their old time par. Sparked by a 6-0 triumph over Bristol, they are out for the Owls' feathers this week.

However, Bensalem holds the edge. Favored to nick the men of Coach Charlie Beck, their record stamps them as pre-game favorites. Not expected to be a runaway tussle, both teams are natural district rivals of a traditional nature. Last year Bob Scarborough ran the second half kickoff back for a touchdown and a 6-0 victory. The year before Tom Carney clutched a pass from Chuck Klein in the dying moments of a ball game to enable Langhorne to tally an extra point and a 7-7 tie. Then, three seasons back, Hal Robinson duplicated Scarborough's trick and went all the way with the kickoff for another 6-0 sloucher. This week Langhorne is hoping that the flip of the coin will make Reimer's men boot the ball.

Many Bristol fans as well as Langhorne enthusiasts, stunned at the Redskins 6-0 jolt administered Bristol in the greatest upset of them all, will be out to see if it was as genuine as it has lately been claimed to be.

Bristol envisions revenge Saturday against Stovey's Bridgeport eleven. Licked 26 to 0 with a good team during 1935 by an undefeated Bridgeport aggregation that was the scourge of the suburbs, things look more rosy this week. Both clubs have slipped far below last year's form, and Bristol, by virtue of its 12-0 win of P. S. D. only enters the game as favorites. Last week the same P. S. D. bunch licked Bridgeport.

Morrisville, still the best Lower Bucks eleven, stacks up against little known opposition at Princeton Friday.

In previous years the Bulldogs entered the Tigers' den with little but despair in view. This season, however, Princeton is not the Tiger of old. Unless they creep over at old Nassau stadium and borrow an Allenside or two, the boys of Johnny Hoffman ought to keep rolling.

Discounting the Bensalem-Langhorne fight, both Bristol and Morrisville will be looking ahead to Turkey Day. For both clubs it may mean a season. Bristol, out of the conference sporting, altogether, wishes to stir the fans on the Bulldog as a climax. Langhorne hopes for the start of a grand slam. Bensalem desires to hold on to the brown jug that they are defending.

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