

BENSALEM HOST TO MORRISVILLE XI IN A TILT THAT MAY DECIDE CONFERENCE TITLE

Bristol Heavily Favored To Defeat Invading Langhorne Squad in Breather Preceding Burlington Scrap; Newtown Travels To Meet Pemberton Team

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Tuned to a tempo that has attained its peak, two district high school elevens collide this Saturday when Bensalem plays host to Morrisville's rampaging Bulldogs at Cornwells Heights. Scouting the championship, two well-drilled units will hook horns in one of the most interesting duels of the present campaign.

Morrisville, once more receiving blocking on those sweeping end arounds, shaking lose a hard-running threat every now and then in Bob Pursell and clicking on passes more often, lacks the vital steadiness that Bensalem possesses.

Agreeing readily that the Bulldogs have the better offensive attack, the Owls hold the key up front on the line. Morrisville, it has been proven often, suffers serious lapses on the defense. Makuka sneaked through it much too often. Last week, Januzelli, of Conshohocken, nearly got loose on long treks, with the secondary salvaging touchdowns by several suspense tackles.

These teams are evenly balanced enough to make the winner solve that old gridiron question as to which is best, "a good offense or a good defense."

Bristol, supposed to be on the move now, is expected to roll up another one of those "Chicago" tallies on a weak Langhorne aggregation. Although this year's score is not expected to vault up in the sixty bracket like that of last season, it should be in the thirties.

And the irony of the situation is that the Redskins were once the top small school in sectional ranks. Bristol always had to fight to lick the men of Coach Charlie Beck. Suddenly the bottom fell out and Langhorne descended into the depths of conference rating figures.

A fairly good little school team, they are struggling to hold on and remain in the league until better days arrive.

Conspicuous among their many defeats this year are two severe wallings: Mt. Holly, one of South Jersey's still unbeaten contingents, berelled them by a 45 to 6 count; and Morrisville slapped them around to the tune of 47 to 0.

Bristol, warming up for one of their most important frays of the season against Burlington next week, must not become psychologically unbalanced. Thinking ahead, anything can happen in modern football.

Newtown travels to do battle with an exceptionally strong Pemberton outfit in New Jersey. Thus far the Cornhuskers have done well with local stuff, having tied Bensalem, 6-6, and having licked Langhorne, 18-0. Newtown might be the team to halt their domination. Last week the Indians thumped Trenton High Reserves, 25-0, in a game sparked by Pilecock and Driver.

Morrisville Is Impressed

A desperate battle is expected to ensue between Morrisville's backs and Bensalem's good line in the major fray of the day. Determined to shake peppery Bob Pursell off tackle, thrust after thrust at the Owl line will be the order of the afternoon.

Interspersed with these line plunges will be the inimitable Hoffman flankers, deceptive at the start and baffling later as they pick up three man interference. And just as the Bensalem's are sticking many men up front to halt this attack, thus opening up the secondary, an unexpected pass might fly skyward.

Picture that blocking angle. Get it set in your mind before you go to Cornwells Heights this Saturday. Watch the Morrisville offensive displacement of would-be enemy tacklers on those end runs.

If they have the same type they were fortunate enough to possess against Conshohocken, whom they defeated by 12-6 last Friday night, they'll sneak over a score or two. It won't take long to win this ball game.

And on the defensive side, which should be Bensalem's main might, see who gets in there to break down this blocking to enable the eventual tackler to get his man. Give these ragged souls an assist on the play.

It may be well to note that Bensalem's line has been sturdy all year. They repulsed Bristol's powerful driving Petergoud up close to the goal line all afternoon. Pursell, perhaps a bit more shifty, has not the power of "Interpaul. Also, scored on three times this season, all touchdowns have come as the result of forward passes.

But Morrisville's backs have the edge in an attack that is more diversified. In view of the fact that a championship hangs in the balance, this fray will be one of determination and fight.

Morrisville has caught the campus tempo. Last week they had traffic started for fifteen minutes in the center of Morrisville as students, band, cheerleaders and townsfolk held a spirited pep rally in the center of the street. And when they have a team in the running down at Bensalem, students can ramp up in jovial fashion at Cornwells Heights. According to leaders in football, you cannot discount the value of campus tempo in tight games.

Looks like any kind of break, a tumble, forward, interception, field goal or blocked punt may lead either squad to triumph.

Bristol Looks Ahead

The Bristol-Langhorne fracas is perhaps one of the most traditional rivalries in the section. These two teams have met almost every year since football was inaugurated at both institutions. Great plays, games and players have taken part in the series.

Bristol is overwhelmingly favored to trounce the hapless Red and Blue. Yet

to talk of such things in football today may backfire. Subdued, downtrodden, smarting from successive failure after failure, every ball player has his day. Every team its one driving day of days. Bristol must prepare for this.

Little resistance is looked forward to emulate from the light Langhorne's.

Pilecock and Driver are Newtown's main hopes at Pemberton, Friday. George School plays host to Swarthmore College Fresh at George School Saturday.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Friday

NEWTOWN at PEMBERTON

Saturday

LANGHORNE at BRISTOL

MORRISVILLE at BENSALEM

Hundreds Compete for Prizes In Big Hallowe'en Parade

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which when lifted displayed one petticoat over another.

The junior drum and bugle corps of Jesse W. Soby Post, American Legion, of Langhorne, led the comic division. One group, dressed ready for bed, wore old-time sleeping garments, the one carrying the baby and bottle, another a candle. One traveler, in addition to her old-time costume, wore a red wig with long plaits. Her costume was complete with muff and neck-piece of fur, and she carried a bird cage in one hand, and a large package in the other. Christmas tree balls were also a part of the adornment. In this division a snake charmer in white costume disappeared, while "The Draft Kid" rode in a baby carriage many sizes too small for him. One gigantic figure with built-up superstructure, boasted of brilliant red hair, and a bustle.

"Lady Godiva," garbed entirely in white, with a white feather headdress, lead the McFarland Post drum and bugle corps of Burlington, N. J., which occupied the space set aside for fancy groups.

Twenty-five women, attired as "Old Dutch Cleanser" girls, received a fine ovation as they followed each other snake-fashion down Mill street, "chasing dirt." Each wore a blue dress, white bonnet and kerchief, red slippers, and carried a stick.

Following Willet Sanford Post, American Legion Band, of Morrisville, which group were dressed as farmers, were various pieces of fire fighting equipment sounding the siren of Bristol Fire Company No. 1 was a "skelton"; next came America Hose, Hook and Ladder Co., No. 2, then Crooked and Goodwill Company No. 3. The "Smoketown Brigade," a group of firefighters from No. 3 company lead the comic groups. A donkey drew the two-wheeled sulky in which the "colored" chief rode, the bell ringing all the while. The "Ladies Auxiliary" followed, the "colored" girls being in costumes of ancient vintage. From a camouflaged and antiquated fire engine water was played upon the crowd, and volumes of smoke belched forth as rubber burned in the boiler.

The participants in "Sadie Hawkins" Day gave a demonstration of how the women chased and caught the men of their choice, when the judges' stand was reached. A six-piece string band in brilliant satin costumes was well received.

The St. Francis Industrial School band members, Eddington, were attired as hill-billies, and received fine applause. Their costumes consisted of straw hats, red and blue plaid shirts, red neckerchiefs, and blue overalls. These young men marched at the front of the organization float division. The Mill Street Business Men's Association led a float in the national colors on which appeared the words "Help Bristol," "Buy in Bristol."

Daughters of America, Council 18, depicted a little red school house on a float, with Uncle Sam, Miss Liberty and a member with a Bible at the front. A marching group was attired in the national colors, one row having red caps, another white and the third, blue.