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NOTES ON SPORTS

We know that enough has already been said about that game with Delaware last Saturday, but this wouldn't be a sports column if we didn5t add our paen of praise for the work of George Ekaitis' boys against the Blue Hens. First of all, Nicholson proved beyond doubt that at last he has learned enough and is strong and fast enough to be a real gridiron star. As Coach Kibler remarked, Nicholson's feats are all the greater when he runs with the ball for he makes his gains virtually without interference; yet when his teammates are carrying he clears the way for them. In one play alone on Saturday this was evident. Gibby Young, after making that brilliant run, crossed up the Delawareans by calling for a weak side play for Berry, instead of using Bill "Nick," as they expected. Berry got to the line of scrimmage and found Nicholson ahead of him, clipping down at least three men in his way and then crashing the safety man to leave the way clear for a stand-up touchdown.

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The reportorial masterpiece which appeared in the Wilmington Sunday Star, chronicling the "tainted" victory of Washington College over the Delaware Blue Hens, has provided the Postoffice gang with conversational material during the past week. Surpassing any of Polk Bramble's famous alibis, this story went on for two columns to explain away Washington's four touchdowns and a field goal as "breaks" of the game and tainted scores. With eight players running temperatures of 100, the writer tried to leave the impression, on top of this, that the officials were recipients of Eastern Shore graft.

But we got a laugh out of the paper, too, for, on another page, Dick Rinard, in a signed column, spoke truthfully when he said that it was easy to see after the Dalaware game why Washington College is one of the few undefeated teams in the United States. Its funny, isn't it, how two people can view an athelic contest and report such contrasting results.

We have no doubt, however, that the Blue Hens developed fevers along about the fourth quarter of the game. But it wasn't caused by grippe. It was "buck" fever!

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To Ekaitis and Kibler, and all the lads, we extend our congratulations for a brilliant season on the football field. You have given Washington its first undefeated season. You have given fans something to yell about. You have given alumni an opportunity to strut proudly and lift up their heads when speaking of their alma mater. And, best of all, you have vindicated all of those past Washington gridmen who played, some for four years, without tasting the sweet froth of victory.

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Washington College's basketball squad will move into its new home, the Chestertown Armory, on Monday to begin practice for the opening game of the season on December 14th. This contest, against Upsala College, will be played here in the Armory.

The bleacher seats have already been erected in the big building, and will line sides of the court and the far end. The playing court will be approximately 84 by 42 feet, providing a floor which is about six feet larger all around that the college gymn. Baskets are being erected this week and several minor changes will be made in the lighting system to improve it.

Nicholson, Berry, Ward, Huffman, Bilancioni, Evans, and Skipp are members of the grid squad who play the court sport. They will rest this week and take up their basketball duties on Monday.

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It is interesting to note that, after Saturday's game, the era of seasonal athletic captains passes away at Washington College. Hereafter a team leader will be appointed just before each game, and he will serve for that one contest alone. This new plan will be used in all sports at Washington College, with basketball being the first to give it a trial.

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The local huntsmen are still finding game scarce, especially those who strive after ducks. "Experts" predict that a freeze up north and a good heavy snow will send the fowl down here. And they add that its not cold weather which brings them to us, but the lack of food due to ice and snow.

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With the Washington gymn available this winter, since basketball will be played in the Armory. Geo. Ekaitis has announced to Washington students that a more intensive program of boxing will be presented this year. Last season the former heavy-weight collegiate star held classes which were well- attended, but he was handicapped by conflictions with the cage squad. The manly art of self-defense will be given a trial fairly now, and we trust that an evening of exhibitions can be worked up sometime during the winter.

YACHT CLUB HERE JOINS NAT'L GROUP

The Chester River Yacht and Country Club has become a member of the American Power Boat Association, and plans are now under way for holding a regatta during the summer, the program for which will be sanctioned by the association. The national body will pass upon dates for all member yacht clubs during the month of January.

The local club has submitted two dates, August 4-5 and August 21-22, for the sanction of the association.

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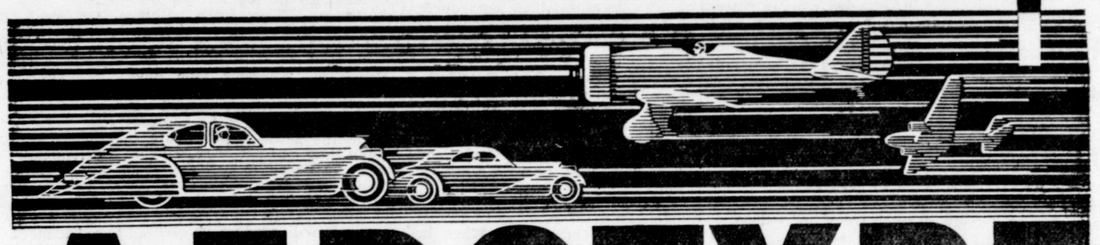

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