

COACH BEZDEK MAY INDUCE MANAGER BEZDEK TO USE MASSED ATHLETICS FOR PRATES

MASSED ATHLETICS MADE TEAM AT STATE, SAYS COACH BEZDEK

New Gridiron Tutor Had 27 Football Teams Practicing at One Time and Was Able to Get Line on Varsity Material

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THE great showing of Penn State against Pitt on Thursday still is the topic of conversation in Pittsburgh. It was surprising to see a green team composed of virtually unknown players manhandle the champions in the first quarter and make them extend themselves to the limit to pull out a victory.

Six weeks ago Bezdek had no more of an idea of who would play on his football team than the man in the moon. Not a single veteran was in college and only a few leftover scrubs reminded one that there once was an eleven at Penn State.

"I attribute everything," he said, "to the system of massed athletics recently inaugurated at State College. I do not want to stand out as the originator of the idea, for Ray Smith and Nell Flemming, aided by the hearty support of President Sparks, were the ones who made it possible."

"Realizing the value of competitive sports, I called out the entire student body and used each company as a unit. The men were given their choice of ten sports—football, baseball, soccer, basketball, volleyball, cross country and track, boxing, wrestling, tennis and pushball.

"It was a great sight to see the boys working out in an eighty-acre field every day, and the best part of it all was they enjoyed it. I shall keep it up as long as possible, regardless of the order to disband the S. A. T. C. units. It is a great thing for any college, and I am sorry I cannot continue through the winter. We have no gymnasium at State to speak of, and until we get a new one the work will be at a standstill."

"But the massed athletics saved me this fall. I selected six of my varsity men from 'pick-up' teams, and they helped a lot. You must admit we played a good game against Pitt, and I honestly believe we could have given Rutgers a tough battle if the men known as much football as in the game with Pittsburgh."

Penn Did Well, Considering Lack of Material

PENN did not fare so badly in the football season just closed, despite the poor material. The Red and Blue won three out of five collegiate games, defeating Lafayette, Swarthmore and Dartmouth, and losing to Pitt and Swarthmore.

Those who saw the game on Franklin Field Thursday hand all of the credit to Big Bill Hollenback, the dollar-a-year coach. Bill had a bunch of sad material wished on him at the start, but he stuck to the job and finally made good.

Bob Fowell, who was taken sick early in the season, returned before the Pittsburgh game, but he gracefully stepped aside and allowed Bill to finish the work he had started.

Another college which stood out this year was Swarthmore. Roy Mercer had a good team out in the suburbs and carried it through the season with only one collegiate defeat.

Lafayette had a disastrous season, losing many games, but every one is satisfied because two rival eleven's were soundly trounced. First Muhlenberg took the count and then Kentucky men walked Lafayette in the annual fracas.

Ban Johnson Speaks, and Baseball War Is On

BAN JOHNSON has spoken. The big boss of the American League has shattered the silence of a week and boldly announced himself in regard to the official standing of William Howard Taft, proposed member of the National Commission.

Ban admits Mr. Taft is a very able person and could handle the affairs of the big leagues in a satisfactory manner, but believes he will turn down the proposition closed when he learns the sort of work he is expected to do.

Despite reports that Johnson will run into squalls at the annual meeting of the league next week, it is said an effort will be made to curtail his powers, it is almost a safe bet that he will come through with flying colors as of yore.

Jim Navin, of Detroit; Clark Griffith, of Washington, and Connie Mack, of the Athletics, are his staunch supporters. Colonel Ruppert is doubtful, but probably will line up with the gang, and the only insurgent is Harry Frazee, of the Red Sox.

THE National League meets in New York on December 9 to elect a president and make plans for the coming season. It looks as though the season will begin on May 1 and the teams will leave on their training trips the first week in April.

JIMMY CURRAN, coach of the Mercersburg track team, discovered Thursday that cross-country running was a very expensive sport. While he was watching the race in Fairmount Park some light-colored person swapped \$100 from Jimmy's pockets.

MARYLAND racing ends today after one of the best years the sport ever has had. The official closing will take place at Bowie, where the long shots have been busy upsetting the dope and talent for the last two weeks.

THE Hog Island football team will play a game of Sunday football tomorrow at the athletic field, Ninety-fourth street and Tincum avenue, against the strong Paschall eleven.

RUTGERS and Syracuse will battle at the Polo Grounds this afternoon and that game will be well worth seeing. Foster Sanford is anxious to prove his team still is good, but Syracuse is exceptionally strong. There should be lots of excitement.

THAT GUILTIEST FEELING

WHEN YOU ARE OUT ON THE GOLF COURSE—(CADDYLESS) AND YOU REALIZE YOU HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF YOUR HOUSE ACCOUNT AND AN AWFUL ASSESSMENT. YOU FEEL AS THOUGH YOU WERE IN EVERYBODY'S WAY AND THEY WERE ALL WISE TO YOU.



LEAGUE ISLAND FAVORITE TODAY

Dickson's Eleven Confident of Win Over Charleston Navy Yard Team

GAME STARTS AT 2:30

League Island left end, H. Vandenbergh, right end, J. Grindstedt, left guard, J. Grindstedt, right guard, J. Grindstedt, left tackle, J. Grindstedt, right tackle, J. Grindstedt, left halfback, J. Grindstedt, right halfback, J. Grindstedt, left fullback, J. Grindstedt, right fullback, J. Grindstedt, center, J. Grindstedt, quarterback, J. Grindstedt, punter, J. Grindstedt, kicker, J. Grindstedt, referee, Robert W. Maxwell, Swarthmore, head linesman, W. C. Crowell, Swarthmore, time of periods, 15 minutes.

FRANK KRAMER DEFENDS CYCLE TITLE TONIGHT

Ten-Mile Open Race Also on Card as Six-Day Grind Preliminary

New York, Nov. 30.—Frank Kramer will defend his indoor sprint title against a formidable field of cyclists at Madison Square Garden tonight, when the sprint and motorcycle championships will be decided.

CAPT. CAVANAUGH PICKS SHRAPNEL OUT OF OWN FACE

Former Dartmouth Coach Pulls Splinters From Wounds Received in Action

New York, Nov. 30.—Capt. Frank Cavanaugh, former football coach at Dartmouth and a Green Gridiron star in the late '90s, is recovering from shrapnel wounds in a French hospital.

AID TUBER'S WIDOW Yours Truly Club Realizes \$500 at Boxing Exhibition

More than \$500 was realized last night, when the Yours Truly Club gave a boxing exhibition for the benefit of the widow and child of Joe Tuber, the crack little boxer of this city, who recently succumbed to influenza.

OHIO STATE CONFIDENT Michigan in Western Conference Game at Columbus

Columbus, O., Nov. 30.—The football teams of the University of Michigan and Ohio State University met here today on a hard, dry field in Ohio State's third western conference game of the season.

SIX CENTRAL BOYS ON ALL-HIGH TEAM

Champions Have Majority of Players Selected for State Interscholastic Team—West Phillie Gets Four and South Phillie One

ALL-INTERSCHOLASTIC TEAMS

Following are the Evening Public Ledger selections for the all-inter-scholastic football teams as selected on the merits of the players representing Central, West Philadelphia and South Philadelphia at recent practices.

Table listing football players for Central, West Phillie, and South Phillie teams, including positions like left end, right end, left guard, etc.

MILLER LEADER IN CAGE SCORING

Dobson Player Tops Field in American League With Seventeen Points

MEINHART IS SECOND

Table showing records of American Basketball League players, including W. Miller, Dobson, and Meinhardt.

NEW YORK SHIP PLAYS SUN TEAM

Manager Bowie to Have Strong Eleven in Field in League Match Today

TOM SWORDS IN LINE-UP

Table listing players for New York Ship and Sun Ship teams, including Tom Swords and others.

INTERCITY BILLIARDS HERE

First of Series Between New York and Phila. to Begin Monday

The Monday night—Jacob Klingler, New York, vs. Carl, Philadelphia. Tuesday night—Hal Coleman vs. Tabor Reid, Philadelphia vs. York, Pa.

DE NERI INDEPENDENTS WIN

De Neri Independents, the "S. P. H. A." team in the American League easily defeated the original Independents of the East, at Musical Park Hall, by a 10-0 score.

Many Soccer Games Arranged for Today

Walden Shore vs. David Lipton, at Cardington, Chest. Church, at State road and Frank street, at 2300 N. 22nd St., C. Indians vs. M. L. at 450 W. Washington, at 2nd and 3rd streets, at 4th and 5th streets.

GREAT LAKES IN GAME

Sailors Crippled for Contest Against Purdue Team

Evansville, Ind., Nov. 30.—Every jockey who could get leave from the Great Lakes Naval Station was here today for the football game between the station team and Purdue University.

AMATEUR CAGE COMMENT

St. Paul A. A. is anxious to book Wednesday and Saturday games with all of the leading amateur cage teams. William Evanson, manager, 1519 Roseberry street.

PUSEY & JONES IN LEAGUE GAME

Opposes Chester Team in Delaware Shipyard Soccer Clash at Fairhill Park

COLUMBIA SQUAD DISBANDED

The Columbia squared football team disbanded yesterday when it returned from Newark, where it was defeated by Orange on Thursday in a game which permitted the team to claim the football championship of the State.

WILL PLAY LAST GAME OF SEASON AT PASADENA ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

Great Lakes, Ill., Nov. 30.—The Municipal Pier team, Chicago, will not get a whack at the Great Lakes stadium this year, according to a decision reached by Captain William A. Moffet and the Chicago Athletic Association.

CURTIS LEAGUE CONTESTS

In the Curtis League tournament, rolled on Terminal Square, the results of the games were closely contested. Engraving was won by the Curtis League, by seven points. Royal beat Country Gentlemen two games to one.

ANDERS ANDOVER CAPTAIN

Adams, Mass., Nov. 30.—Francis W. Anders was voted captain of the Phillips-Andover Academy football team.

WESTERN ELECTRIC DEFATED ST. SIMONS

Western Electric defeated St. Simons in a red-hot game on the latter's home turf by the score of 12 to 8. Line-up:

CALHOUN INTRODUCES BOXERS WHILE DELIRIOUS

Bobby Calhoun, who admits that he is the best announcer in the city, carries his vocation and vocal exercises to the nightclub. Bobby was one of the victims of the influenza epidemic and although his case was of a very serious nature, he survived after an illness of forty-one days.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

Jack Sharkey, the New York bantam, will show here twice within five days at two boxing exhibitions. Monday night, Eddie Wheeler, the tough Pittsburgh fighter, will be the main attraction.

WARNER OFFERED \$10,000 SALARY BY UNIVERSITY OF GA.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 30.—It was reported here yesterday that the University of Georgia athletic authorities have offered Glenn Warner, a year to handle their athletic team, effective with the spring of 1919.

Advertisement for 'TRUCKS' with text: 'Our business is not only to sell you a truck, but to keep it sold. That means you get a No. 1 service continued from both the truck and from us.'

Advertisement for Larson Oldsmobile Co. with address: 231-33 N. Broad St.

Advertisement for 'You Going, Too, "So Am I"?' featuring rugby football games.

Advertisement for 'SATURDAY EVE. NOVEMBER 30TH NATIONAL A. A. SAMMY FREDMAN vs. BENNY GOLDEN'.

Advertisement for 'Young McGovern vs. Battling Murray' and 'Tom Smith vs. Jack Hanlon'.

Advertisement for 'Olympia A. A. Brood & Balbriggan vs. MONDAY EVEN. 8:30 SHARP'.

Advertisement for 'SUITS AND OVERCOATS \$11.80' by PETER MORAN & CO.