

Princeton Owe Much of Success This Year to Drop-Kicking Ability of Ken Smith

TRY-FOR-POINT RULE STRESSES NEED FOR MORE DROP-KICKERS

Princeton, for Instance, Has Won Three Games by Calling On Ken Smith at the Opportune Moment. Tigers' Alertness Affected Yale

ONE reason advanced for the try-for-point rule, which has helped to scramble the football situation this year, was that it would develop drop and place kickers in fact, that was the only good reason for the new rule. It may not have developed Ken Smith at Princeton, for he was a kicker before the 1922 grid rules were written, but because of the Tiger's true aim with his toe, the Orange and Black eleven is undated. Bill Roper, using Smith at the right time, won at least three games where drop kicking skill was needed.



STONEY MCLEAN

In the Virginia game, on a wet field and in a driving rainstorm, Ken Smith, who uses his left foot to drop-kick the ball over the cross-bar, got three of the Tigers' five points. In Chicago it was Smith's successful try-for-point kicks that won the game, 21-18. And Yale was beaten, 3-0, because Smith made good on one of two two-point, while O'Hearn failed to do what he was sent into the game to do—the score.

When O'Hearn was called into the battle in the fourth period last Saturday every person knew that he was expected to drop-kick a field goal. He had practiced a long while before the game and from the 35-yard line Yale men, at least, believed he would save the Blue eleven from defeat. But the ferocity of the Tiger charge hurried the Eli blocker and his effort was a dismal failure.

It is not sufficient, the power of a games where drop kicking is important. The human element enters into the field goal to such an extent that a player may kick twenty-five in practice and miss his one effort in actual combat. However, we desire to give full credit to Bill Roper, for as far as it was possible for a coach to do so, he developed Smith to the point where he won the important games for the Tigers.

If the try-for-point rule is in the game next year—which we hope it will not be—a number of leading coaches will pay more attention to the drop-kicking department. Penn, Penn State and Lafayette, for example, three leading teams that lost games because they missed the goal after touchdown may give several players a football and ask them to carry it with them wherever they may go next spring and summer.

Although Pop Warner is one wise and experienced coach who prefers the place-kick to the drop-kick, we differ with him. In place-kicking, three men play an important part—the snapper, the holder, the player who kicks the ball and the chap who blocks it. If the pass from center is high and wide, or if the holder does not get it in the proper position rapidly, the kicker can't possibly succeed.

With the drop-kick, one player performs the most powerful action. A poor punter can enter right with his effort, but to him is better chance to grab a ball that is high or wide and kick it than the man who is to hold the snapper for a place-kick of getting and firing on the turf a ball wide.

Pumpelly's Great Field Goal Remembered
A PRINCETON man said Saturday night that he put in one of the most uncomfortable minutes of his entire life in the first quarter of the game between the Tigers and Bulldogs. He was one man who had been among those present, and betting, when Pumpelly saved the day in 1916 for Yale with that historic 60-yard drop-kick.

Last Saturday O'Hearn stood in his own territory and swung his powerful right leg against a ball that was aimed for the goal posts 57 yards away. Now the Eli blocker had practically no chance to get the three points. The ball would have been little short of a miracle had it not been for the Tiger's defense. Pumpelly was doing Yale's kicking, should hold their breath when O'Hearn tried to save the Blue eleven by the same sort of a desperate shot?

Effect Upon Yale of Tiger's Alertness
THE psychological effect upon Yale of the Tiger's alertness in gathering in touchdowns was one of the big factors in the game last Saturday. Mention has been made of the fact that the Elis, throughout the afternoon, signaled for a free catch upon all but two occasions when a punt was in the air. And yet, strange fate decreed that it should be a Princeton fumble, early in the game, and a Yale recovery of the ball, that nearly gave the Bulldogs a touchdown victory.

Yale's Johnston, a Pittsburgher, who changed textbooks at Princeton six and more years ago, was recounting the tale of the Eli which caused them to free-catch punts, and recalled the late Hooley Baker when he was a Tiger star.

"Remember how Hooley would stand 4 or 5 yards behind while a punt was going to fall and then rush forward and catch it while on the punter down the field?" queried Johnston. Yes, we do remember Baker's great skill and aggressive manner of grabbing kicks. It was a sight worth watching him snatch a pick-out of the air and carry it back for a good gain. Baker's method was dangerous, true enough. If he fumbled the ball, and none of his mates were near him to retrieve it, the enemy might get an easy touchdown.

Bezek a Real Organizer
PHILADELPHIANS must wait until Penn State's Lions have fought Pitt's Panthers on Thanksgiving Day before they will know whether Hugo Bezek will manage our Phillies for the next three seasons. But in the meantime we may rest assured that Hugo is giving Prexy Baker's offer serious consideration. We also must expect that the strongest possible pressure will be brought to bear by Penn State men to have their athletic director remain a college sports tutor.

State men cannot understand why Bezek would give serious thought to the Phillies offer. It is not a question of money—his admitted that to the State Athletic Committee. We have learned that the college men would, if it was necessary to keep their coach, pay whatever salary was asked by him. But Hugo has played absolutely fair so far as money was concerned. With him it is merely a question of whether he should quit college athletics to enter the harder and more exacting professional baseball field.

State men may know this, again they may not. But if we judge human nature correctly, Hugo Bezek is at heart an organizer, a builder of athletic organizations. He has labored faithfully at State and his record has been established at the Pennsylvania college in the mountains. Now that his system is established at the Pennsylvania college in the mountains, he has little opportunity to satisfy his craving for organization. But he would have all the chance that any builder of athletic systems could ask if he came to Philadelphia.

OVERBROOK BOOMS SQUASH RACQUETS

Golf Club Gets Jump on Rivals to Develop New Blood

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THE Overbrook Golf Club, the "greatest little club in the country," always a trifle ahead of its rivals in starting something new, has put another one over this fall.

Anxious to develop some fresh blood for the squash racquets teams, ever-keen contenders in the Intercollegiate Squash Racquets League, Overbrook decided to hold a junior squash tournament to arouse the enthusiasm of the younger element.

The prime movers in inaugurating this innovation were William F. Horsey, a star bowler as well as a cool-headed and superior player, and J. Nesbory, both members of the Squash Committee.

The series of John F. Friel, one of Fred Tompkins' able assistants at the Philadelphia Racquet Club, was obtained to start the juniors on the right road by grounding them correctly in the basic principles of the game.

Several of the boys assimilated what they were taught with a rapidity that surprised both their coach and the committee. The competitors were slower, but all showed more interest than had been anticipated.

Eventually it was decided to hold a Round Robin tournament so that it would be possible to see just how each boy would come out in actual competition with his rivals.

There were more than a dozen entries and some forty odd matches have already been played. The tournament will wind up on Thanksgiving Day and the winner, runner-up and possibly the third place holder will be given a divisional expert coaching in the inner points of the game as their reward for victory.

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PITTS GOES LIMIT AGAINST G. CHANEY

Baltimore Scores Two Knocks-downs in Winning Final Bout of Olympia Regime

MEALY DEFEATS JACKSON

HEY LOUIS H. JAFFE

THEY tossed a human punching bag into the ring against George Chaney last night for the contest that marked the final of the Olympia regime in Philadelphia's fight fraternity.

At times, especially during the first four rounds, Pitts surprised the far-looker at the South Broad street arena with his ability to show Chaney's wall-punch and keep on fighting back-fighting back so hard that the former Australian appeared to hold the upper hand.

Another knockout occurred in the seventh session. A right hook clipped Chaney on the point of the chin and he took a nose dive into the resin. But Chaney leaped to his feet as soon as he could. Referee Griffio being able to count but "out."

Early in the seventh round Pitts injured his right eye by hitting Chaney's head with his left for hitting purposes.

Willie Jackson, attempting a comeback, made a sad spectacle in his matinee bout in eight rounds. Only a shadow of his former self, Jackson suffered a lot of punishment in the early rounds.

Jack Carr, of Baltimore, went through eight rounds to victory against Marty Kane, the latter talking quite a lick without being knocked off his feet.

In the opener Joe Welch was disqualified on the decision against Harry Gelfund. This was the former's first knock-out in several months, and he showed his lack of ring savvy in the early rounds.

Noted Soccer Star Dies
St. Louis, Nov. 20.—The death of a noted soccer star was announced today by the manager of the Ben Miller team of this city. Following an operation on the brain, the victim died two days ago.

Boxing Decisions of Bouts Held Last Night

OLYMPIA A. A.—George Chaney defeated Carlo Pitti, Johnny Mealy won over Willie Jackson. Joe Welch won over Harry Gelfund. Nate Carr defeated Marty Kane. Joe Mealy won over Eddie Kline. Mike Stork won over Mike Stork. Frank Kramar won over Frank Kramar. Harry Dever won over Harry Dever. Frank Kramar won over Frank Kramar. Harry Dever won over Harry Dever.

AMATEUR BOUTS AT OLYMPIA TONIGHT

College Men to Vie for Philadelphia Boxing Titles. 110 Entries

Preliminaries for the Philadelphia championships will be held at the Olympia Club, Broad and Bainbridge streets, tonight, and the amateur titles in seven different boxing classes will be awarded on Thursday night. An entry list of 110 ambitious boxers has been received by the Quaker City Athletic Association under whose auspices and rules of the A. A. the tournament will be held.

Two of the 1921 Middle Atlantic States champions will participate. They are Johnny Dever, featherweight, who will wear the colors of Knoxville Catholic Club, and Fred Bickett, the Villanova College heavyweight.

Villanova has six boxers entered in as many different classes, while three University of Pennsylvania men will vie for two silver loving cups emblematic of the Philadelphia championships. Johnny Lukka, middleweight and captain of the Penn boxing team, will appear for the Red and Blue, as will Max Trachtenberg, a Meadowbrook lad, and Edward Keyle, heavyweight.

David Baloff, star football player with South Philadelphia High School, is entered in the lightweight division. Seven heavyweight boxers have been entered, and Fickett is promised a lot of competition. Dan Slovick, of the West Philadelphia Club, a 195-pounder, is said to be a terrific puncher.

Several Philadelphia celebrities will act in the capacity of judges and referee, at different times, including William H. Roca, Franklin T. McCracken, Leo Tander, Tommy Loughran, Harry Kid Brown, Harry Cross, Sam Blackiston and Henry Henschel. Joe Cervino and John Stevens will be the timekeepers.

PHILLY ALL-STARS ACTIVE
Will Open Basketball Campaign Against St. Peter's Five
The Philadelphia All-Stars are back in the basketball game and are out to duplicate their record of last year when they won twenty-four out of twenty-nine games played.

MUST BOX FLYWEIGHTS
No Need for Villa to Box Out of Class, Says Muldoon
New York, Nov. 21.—Panche Villa, American flyweight champion, will not be permitted to box out of the bantamweight division, the State Boxing Commission has decided in calling off the proposed contest between Villa and Terry Martin, of Providence, R. I.

SIKI'S LICENSE CANCELED
French Federation Considers Further Action Against Senegalese
Paris, Nov. 12.—(By A. P.)—Batting Siki's rise to pugilistic fame receiving another setback today when his license was canceled by the French Boxing Federation. The action reinforced the nine months' suspension which Siki received on November 9.

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How Does It Strike You?

Paddock's "Records" Amateur Bout Field-Goal Kicking

CHARLIE PADDOCK's name will not appear as often in the record books as the native son anticipated. The A. A. U. has turned down seven records claimed to have been made by the Olympic champion last July 4.

There are a number of entries from the University of Pennsylvania and from Villanova College, but the great majority of the boys who will participate will represent athletic clubs in this city.

MIKE believed the speed limit for 100 yards was ten seconds. If the watch showed under even figures, either the timer didn't know his business or the distance was short.

THE response of amateur boxers to the call for entries for the Philadelphia championships, to be held at the Olympia tonight and Thursday night, shows that interest in the fight game is not lacking among the simon pures.

There is a wide gulf between amateur and professional boxing. The simon pures are not so talented as the men who make the game a business, but in spirit and gameness the all-for-glory entries win by a wide margin, and these are two characteristics that make for thrilling sport.

THE preliminaries of the championship will be staged tonight and the finals will be put on Thursday. Keen competition is assured.

A NUMBER of the big college games this year have been decided by a field goal. It was this play that gave Princeton its win over Yale and enabled Brown to down Harvard. It should figure just as prominently in scholastic downfalls.

COLWYN TO PLAY ONE GAME THIS WEEK-END
Delaware County Eleven Hits Stride and Smothers Hunting
The Colwyn football eleven has struck its real stride and the addition of several new players to take the place of critics in regulars proves the move needed to put the team in a position where it will be able to defend its Delaware County title claim.

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