

Gridiron Coaches Who Turn Out Winning Teams Year After Year Must Have Personality

COACHES' PERSONALITY, NOT SYSTEM, IS WHAT WINS GRIDIRON GAMES

Teams That Get From Their Mentors the Old Fight Are Better Fortified Than Those With a Great Plan and Little Genuine Enthusiasm

By STONEY McLINN

THROUGHOUT the football season one reads much about systems. There is the Haughton system at Harvard, the Warner system at Pittsburgh, the Besek system at Penn State, the Stage system at Chicago—indeed, every winning coach, the moment he becomes nationally famous, is said to have a system. But to quote a leader among the big college coaches, "This is the bunk!"



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When a coach develops a winning team and, year after year, continues to send eleventh graders on the gridiron that are star of tomorrow, make up your mind that the grid tutor has personality. It is personality that makes a coach a coach. He must know football; must give his players defensive and offensive fundamentals that are sound. But in a game that requires intuitive thinking and the winning spirit, the team that carries into the game the fighting, unquenchable personality of a born leader is better fortified than opponents that may have a great system of play and little genuine enthusiasm.

As a coach, there are five fundamental ways there is a fine back, a close back or plant of tackle, an end run, a forward pass and a kick. A coach teaches a squad of athletes and endeavors to teach them just what each one of the eleven players is to do on any one of the five offensive measures mentioned. When the tutor has eleven regulars and several competent substitutes better perfect on the fundamentals.

There, incidentally, is where the personality enters into it. A coach is not on the field to direct the attack, nor may he then and there point out the mistakes certain players may be making. The signal caller, who should be one of the backs, must have become so thoroughly imbued with the ideas of the coach that he will vary the attack to suit the defense of the opponents. The players as a whole must be quick to sense the strength and weakness of the opponent and govern their actions accordingly. It is, in our opinion, the leading college coach, that it is "personality" that wins. But the football experts immediately recognize the goal and in the play of the team the system, they call it, but it actually is a collection of his personality.

The same thing is true of the team on defense. Each one of the eleven defensive players has a part to perform upon the five fundamental attacking play fundamentals. Unless the coach has directed a properly aggressive personality into his players, however, the slightest variation from the fundamentals will find the team mentally and physically horseshoed.

Now when you read about a football system, and you want to know what that system really is, find out what type of man is teaching it. His personality is bound to be reflected in the men who are out there doing the actual fighting—and the coach with the strongest personality will be pretty likely to have the winning team, all else being fairly equal.

Bezdek Has a Baseball System

PHILADELPHIANS were greatly heartened when it was learned that Herb Bezdek probably would manage our Phillies next year and the two most exciting seasons. The reason for our high expectation that Bezdek will bring to the team and much-abused Philadelphia system, which means a winning personality.

Yesterday we spent several hours discussing athletics with Hugs. It did not take long to discover that he views baseball just as he views football and other games. He gets right down to fundamentals, and when he sends nine men on to the diamond they will be expected to carry out certain well-defined methods of attack and defense, with variations that situations suddenly developing have made possible or necessary. Bezdek does not teach the slugging, hit-or-miss tactics that may win the brute force is there. He has a system which will win the world.

However, it is Bezdek's speed, vigor and winning personality that makes him a winning coach and manager. Although he may not be a Bezdek in every respect, he is a Bezdek in the way he gets his players to work together and in the way he gets his players to win. He has a system which will win the world.

17 KNOCKOUTS IN AMATEUR TOURNEY

Twenty-five Boxers Survive for Phila. Championships After Sizzling Ring Competition

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

SOME snappy and sizzling scraps resulted last night in the preliminary of the Philadelphia championships in amateur boxing titles in seven different classes will be decided at the Olympia A. A. tomorrow night under the auspices of the Quaker City Athletic Association, governed by the A. A. U. rules. A fair-sized crowd witnessed last night's matches, including college men and high school boys, who displayed great enthusiasm in rooting for winners and losers alike.

Twenty-five bouts were put on, seventeen of which ended in knockouts, were stopped by the referee or terminated when a second round was boxed into the ring. The judges disagreed in but one bout, and that contest, which went an extra round, was one of the most interesting glovefests seen in Philadelphia for some time.

In that overtime set-to-of four hardest rounds, Andy Stanley of South Philadelphia, was awarded the decision against James O'Donnell, of Villanova College. These youngsters, 118-pounders, fought six and ten, first one and then the other taking the lead, without a single knockdown, and they had the crowd up on its feet from bell to bell.

George Burns Wins
George Burns was the first Villanova to qualify for the semi-finals tomorrow. In the first round, he boxed a terrific fight to the clinch. Burns was the favorite in the 120-pound class, although Jimmy Masterson, of Villanova, was the pick of the crowd.

Corbett Scores K. O.
Corbett, a South Philadelphia fighter, showed quite a little ability in disposing of William Campbell, a game contender in the 147-pound class.

TURKEY-DAY GAME
Hobart and Victor will clash on S. & C. Field. The Victor and Hobart football teams last night made fine arrangements for the Thanksgiving Day football game at the Strawberry-Chester athletic field at Sixty-second and Walnut streets.

Qualifying Boxers In Phila. Champs
The 118-pound class includes: Louis Levy, South Philadelphia; Herman Brownstein, West Philadelphia; Mike Corbett, South Philadelphia; Charley Becker, West Philadelphia; Franklin Brown, West Philadelphia; and Joseph Brown, West Philadelphia.

THE VILLAIN STILL PURSUES HIM



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LEHIGH MEN HERE GUNNING FOR JINX

Grads Here Plot to Offset Spiritually Lafayette's Strong Status This Week

By SANDY McNBILICK

THAT healthy and ever-peppy tradition of Philadelphia's population which chants its feeling loudly when the Lehigh Will Shine Tonight! sound from the corridor will turn out in force for the "grand inquisition" of Lafayette tomorrow night.

The meeting was called by Leonard T. Converse, '09, the club's president. For bookbinders, 125 Walnut street, the full membership of the club is expected to board the special train which leaves the Reading Terminal at 8:30 A. M. and returns from Easton at 10:15 P. M.

Tutor Puffed
Coach Puffed, in his new job at Lehigh, has been busy perfecting his methods for the development of a new quarterback. Henschel, one of the greatest players Lehigh has ever had in the backfield, has been counted out of the post after the last game and previous injuries. Moran, a halfback, is now being trained for the post.

Benefit for Italian Hospital
An entertainment and dance will be given by the New Century Club tonight under the auspices of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart. The proceeds will be added to the building fund of the Italian Hospital, under the management of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart.

Champion Ski Tourney
Brevin, B. C. Nov. 21.—February 10 and 11 are the dates set for the championship ski tourney at the Lehigh Valley Hotel. The tourney will be on the slopes of the Lehigh Valley Hotel, near the foot of the Lehigh River, near the foot of the Lehigh River.

Easton Hopful
With the unusual record of never having been a Lafayette College football team go down to defeat on March field during its four years in college.

19 Aquatic Records for John Welsmuller

Of seventy-six championship, American and world's swimming records, accepted by the National Amateur Athletic Union in its annual convention in New York, fifty-nine were credited to women and thirty-seven to men. This list is by far the greatest number of records established during a year in the history of amateur sport.

John Welsmuller, the sensational swimmer of the Illinois A. C., heads the list with no less than nineteen records for the year, the distances ranging from 40 to 600 yards. Second on the list is Miss Helen Wainwright, of the Women's Swimming Association, New York, Miss Wainwright gets eleven records, while Miss Gertrude Decker, her clubmate, is next, with nine.

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JERSEY GRID TITLE MUCH IN DISPUTE

Melrose-Atlantics and Greater Collingswood Disagree With Claims of Riverside

With an announcement reaching Atlantic City that Riverside now lays claim to the South Jersey independent football crown, a hornets' nest has been stirred up in the resort gridiron circles. The Melrose-Atlantics, the seniors' strong eleven, wants to know whereof the big Green aggregation gets the right to the honor without first consulting the Atlantic City warriors.

Managers and players of the latter are roaming around seeking a chance to show Riverside that they are not the champions, but the Melrose-Atlantics should be known as the South Jersey monarchs of the gridiron. The Atlantic City team is ready to pay the big Green team by the wild waves of the Atlantic Ocean or the still Delaware River.

Collingswood Speaks Up
The Greater Collingswood football team wants to be considered in the Jersey title series. The following is their version:

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How Does It Strike You?

West Stand Seats Rugged Grid Players A. A. U. Awards

ANY ONE possessing tickets for the Army-Navy game this Saturday can feel justly proud. The new Pennsylvania Stadium accommodates close to 32,000. Big business men and prominent athletic officials have been worrying over their chances of witnessing the game and many thousands of laymen have given up hope and yet yesterday we ran into an ordinary, average individual who was complaining because his seats were in the west stand!

The incident reminded us of the recipients of complimentary tickets during war days who used to object to the paying of the tax. And also of the congressman who favored a bill to prevent future gridiron games between teams of the Governmental academies because "Annie Oakley's" were not distributed promiscuously among the Washington lawmakers.

THE officials saw the play otherwise and gave the ball to State on the 20-yard line, ruling a touchback. Let it also be said that the men who worked the game rank with the best officials in the country.

THE National Amateur Athletic Association has honored the Meadowbrook Club and Philadelphia by the award of the senior and junior cross-country championships to this city.

MORAN TRAINING IN N. Y. FOR BOUT WITH BARRETT
New Orleans Lightweight to Face Redhead at the Arena's Opening

Autocar Has Open Soccer Dates
The Autocar soccer team wants game away on Sunday. This team has an opening at home on Thanksgiving Day, 12:00 P. M. Hoffman, Autocar Captain, Ardmore, Pa.

WINGS
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