

SELECTION OF BOB FOLWELL AS PENN COACH POPULAR WITH STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

OPEN CRITICISM OF FOOTBALL SYSTEM AT PENN PUT FOLWELL IN LINE FOR JOB AS COACH

First Man With Courage to Protest Against Gridiron Conditions and Coaching Methods Gets Chance to Pull Red and Blue Eleven Out of the Rut

IT SEEMS particularly fitting that the first man with nerve enough to come out publicly in a denunciation of football conditions and the coaching system at Pennsylvania should be the man selected to put the Red and Blue back on the right path.

When Robert C. Folwell returned to this city after a most successful year at Washington and Jefferson he bitterly assailed football conditions at Penn. He said the material was as good if not better than at any college in the East; said the coaches did not know their business, and that a change was needed, with one of the younger element who had played and coached the new game in charge.

Folwell Boosted Bill Hollenback

Many of Folwell's friends who had been boosting him for the head coaching position declared that this outbreak had ruined Folwell's chance to be appointed. Folwell declared that he did not care whether he was appointed as long as a change was made.

The result is practically the same, as Folwell and Hollenback each agreed to appoint the other as his assistant in case either should be selected head coach with full power to appoint his own assistants.

The student body greeted the announcements of Folwell's appointment with joy, while former stars and grads also were elated. Those who had favored Hollenback are just as well pleased, as they know Folwell and Hollenback are of the same type, and that a new system will be inaugurated.

Poor Teams at Penn Since 1908

Since 1908 Penn has not been represented by a first-class eleven, and many of the teams have been so weak that they were almost a disgrace to an institution with such splendid material and so large a student body from which to select its material.

Penn stood still after that season, while other coaches and coaching boards grasped the possibilities of the new game and changed their systems. Penn would probably have continued to go back had it not been for Folwell's sensational outburst, which awakened the student body and graduates to the true state of affairs.

Evening Ledger Printed First Story

Four weeks ago the EVENING LEDGER picked six former stars as coaching possibilities, and a member of the Football Committee admitted after yesterday's meeting that the six men, Folwell, Hollenback, Dickson, Bennett, Sommer and Ziegler, were most seriously considered of the eleven candidates.

It also might be well to mention that the EVENING LEDGER, in an exclusive story, told its readers on Monday that Bob Folwell had been selected and that he would be passed upon by the Board of Directors.

Lieutenant Hobbs is All-round Athlete

Lieutenant Leland S. Hobbs, a Philadelphia, who is generally recognized as the greatest all-round athlete ever turned out at West Point, was married at Tucson, Ariz., Monday, to Miss Lucy Berger, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Berger, Jr., of West Philadelphia.

It has been said recently that Elmer Oliphant was the first Army athlete to earn four varsity letters in one year, but in 1913 Hobbs earned five and was the only athlete who ever attended West Point who earned the varsity letter in football, baseball and basketball for four consecutive years.

Philadelphia Needs Indoor Tennis Courts

The crying need of Philadelphia tennis players is a group of good indoor courts for winter use. Every large city in the country has facilities for winter tennis playing except our own.

In February the national indoor tournament will be held in New York. If the local players had a chance to practice here the chances are that they would make a great showing, if not a clean-up.

Wallace Johnson and a number of other prominent tennis players indulge in racquets, squash racquets and other games of this character. But if the clubs would make any attempt they could easily arrange to build the indoor courts necessary to keep the bulk of tennis players in practice all winter.

Fred Fulton Gets Chance Against Flynn

When the Fulton-Willard heavyweight championship battle was called off by the New Orleans promoters, the Minnesota giant beat a hasty retreat for the old hometown 'way up North and vowed that he was the victim of a 'frame-up.'

However, Fulton's good resolutions lasted but two days. He was not allowed to retire after the efficient work done by his press agents and a match was arranged with 'Porky' Flynn. Fulton gleefully accepted and the fuss will be staged in a month in Tommy Burns' new arena.

He Might Not Be a Bad Singer at That

President Tener of the National League is so anxious to have his umpiring staff working without continual wrangling and the suspension of players that he has formulated a code of instructions for the officials.

Pierre Maupome Shooting in Fine Form

Local billiard enthusiasts are not surprised at the brilliant work of Pierre Maupome, who is leading the Interstate Three-Cushion Billiard League. Maupome, who is now representing St. Louis, was the Philadelphia entrant last year and would probably have won the championship had it not been for the number of matches lost by his substitute when he was sick.

Practically every small college in the country wants to adopt Houghton's system. So do all major league managers want to adopt Mack's system with a Collins, McInnis, Baker and Barry infield thrown in.

Barney Sedran kept Jasper in the running in both games at Reading Saturday by tossing four goals in a remarkable manner. Sedran landed 18 single pointers out of 23 tries in the afternoon game and added 15 out of 18 in the evening, giving him a total of 33 for the day.

KELLY—ENTERTAINING A PROSPECT



LIGHTWEIGHT TOURNEY IDEA OF J. O'BRIEN

Philadelphia Jack Suggests Elimination Affair to Determine Local Champion

OVER 15-ROUND ROUTE

Who is the representative lightweight champion of Philadelphia? With 15-round bouts legalized in Norristown, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien this morning suggested an elimination tournament over that distance to decide upon a definite contender to fight under the colors of this city in a match with Champion Fred Welsh.

"We have at least four good lightweights in Philadelphia," said the one-time leading light heavyweight, including Jimmy Murphy, Eddie McAndrews, Bobby Reynolds and Pat Moore. Each of the quartet is worthy of recognition as top-notch boxers, and a tournament to decide which is the best would result in an interesting affair for fight fans and also a good investment for a promoter.

"Chicago has one boxer who stands out as a likely successor to Welsh's crown in Charles White," continued Philadelphia Jack O'Brien. "New York is boasting both Benny Leonard and Johnny Dundee for a mix with the lightweight title at stake, while several other cities are claiming the 'real' pretender for the laurels. Then why shouldn't Philadelphia decide on a certain individual to drop like a German bomb in the path of the Englishman?"

"As 15-round bouts seem to be the maximum limit for championship contests at the present time, 15-round encounters certainly would familiarize Philadelphia fighters with the score of sessions route. With 15-round matches staged but half an hour's ride from the central section of the city, Philadelphia can gain the prestige of being a leading developer of championship material.

"At the present time two big problems stand out prominently in fight circles here. The bantam question as to supremacy, as well as the lightweight argument, is holding forth. Local champions of both classes can be determined by an elimination process. And who is roundly to decide, leaders of the respective divisions could be decided decisively."

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

A letter for Frankie McCoy, of Ireland, is awaiting claim in the sports department of the EVENING LEDGER.

Charley McCarthy, Canadian lightweight champion, who has made good here in bouts with Sean Robins and Charlie Thomas, is making Philadelphia his home at the present time. McCarthy is scheduled to meet Jimmie Dolan at the Olympia the latter part of the month.

Johnny Dundee, New York lightweight, has several big bouts scheduled. After his go here with Jimmy Murphy at the Olympia, Dundee will meet Fred Welsh in New York January 15, and Phil Bloom in New York, the last week in January.

"Can Jim Coffey 'come back'?" is the question New York fans are asking each other relative to the return match between the Dublin giant, and Frank Moran at the Garden A., New York, Friday night.

The star beat at the Nonpareil Friday night an, having together Young McEvoy and Bobby McLeod. Fred Jordan and Homer Smith will meet in a return match in the semi.

Charley Thomas and Danny Ferguson are the principals in the final of the Quaker City Club's weekly program for Friday night.

Besides his match with Johnny Dundee, in New York, Fred Welsh also is booked up with Benny Leonard before a Gotham club January 25. The latter probably will show here again the latter part of the month.

Boxing matches with contestants on skates is the latest novelty suggested for the Madison Square Garden, N. Y., when it is turned into an ice rink. Under right club heading, it is believed boxing bouts on skates would be a success, as a number of fighters have fallen victims to the skating craze.

MOORE KNOCKS OUT GRAMM. POTTSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 5.—Willie Moore, of Philadelphia, stopped Eddie Gramm, Pottsville, in the second round of a scheduled 15-round bout here last night. Moore landed a knockout blow on Gramm on his face on the mat. In the first round Moore sent Gramm to the canvas for a count of nine. At the close of the fight, Moore, of England, and Jimmy Toland, of Pottsville, fought the best light stage bout for a number of years. The fight, which was evenly divided, after 10 rounds.

Jerome Travers Sees Bright Year in Golf

Jerome Travers makes the appended prediction to golfers of the United States: I said a year ago that golf skill in this country had increased to such an extent that no man could be rated with even a fair chance to win a championship. That was proved at Detroit where within two days the open champion, the amateur champion and the Western champion were all dropped out.

There are now too many good players for any two or three men to rule the field, for 1916 will bring out the best golf that America has ever known. The improvement was great through 1915, but I believe it will be even greater this year on account of the large number of competitions held last season.

These competitions all added to the experience of the youngsters, and experience is one of the most important features of successful tournament golf. The youngsters have learned to play their shots correctly under fire, and this is the test.

AUTO VETERANS ARE DINED AT WALDORF

Notable Gathering of Society Attends Show and Banquet

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The honk of horns under the fingers of curious rural visitors and fascinated boys continued to sound yesterday through the Grand Central Palace, where no automobile in the record crowds attending the sixteenth national automobile show was evident.

Yesterday was pioneers' day, when those of the old guard of the industry who have not been in constant attendance since the show opened, last Friday, arrived to shake hands with their staffs and, in some cases, with those who have succeeded them in the active making of automobiles and accessories of every sort, and the selling of them.

In the evening the more serious affairs of the day were forgotten at a dinner at the Waldorf, attended by more than 30 members of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce with their guests, at which Senator Thomas F. Gore, of Oklahoma, spoke.

The dinner at the Waldorf was the largest social gathering of the exhibitors since the show opened. In the absence of Colonel Charles Clifton, president, Wilfred C. Leland, vice president of the Automobile Chamber of Commerce, introduced Senator Gore, who spoke on "Preparations for Peace After Movies, Cartoons and Parodies Had Allowed Every One to Laugh at Everybody Else."

"Society Day" in previous years, attended by a doubling of the admission price of 50 cents, will find its exhibition open Thursday at the usual rate.

CAMDEN TEAM HAS CHANCE TO MOVE UP PLACE

Jasper Plays South Jersey-men in Armory—American League Games

PENN HARD AT WORK

The Camden five, of the Eastern League, has a chance this evening to move up one notch in the race for the pennant. Jasper, the tail-end club of the league, will play the South Jersey-men at the Armory in Camden. The game will begin at 9 o'clock.

Camden has been going at a fast clip recently because the men have been playing together better than at any time this season. Jimmy Brown, who is one of the best men in the Eastern League when he plays with his teammates, has not been doing so much individual work recently, with the result that Camden has won a number of games that were expected to go to their opponents.

If Camden wins this evening, the team will be tied at the 300 mark with Trenton for third place and will be only two games behind Reading, the present occupants of the second notch.

Jasper's team has been shifted around so much recently that the individuals have to play exceptionally good basketball to win a game. There is little teamwork among the Kensingtonians, yet that is not the whole trouble. Some new blood is badly needed to make the Jersey real contenders and unless something is done within the next week they will be hopelessly out of the 1916-17 race.

Two games will be played this evening in the American League. The Girard Alumni team meets Xavier and the Hancock A. A. clashes with St. Columbia.

Penn's team has been working daily under the direction of Lon Joulet and Lou Sugarman. The team is very speedy and the Red and Blue basketball rosters expect their team to win from Cornell on Saturday at Weightman Hall in the opening game here of the Collegiate League season.

The triple tie for second place in the Industrial League was last night at the Quaker City A. C., when Electric Storage, weakened by the loss of Haine and Dierker, went down to defeat at the hands of J. A. Dobson by the score of 49 to 27. Dobson now has a half-game lead over Electric Storage, but had he a full game lead over Electric Storage, he would have a double tie against the team between Dobson and the field goal.

The Trades School basketball five traveled to Darby and defeated the local high school team, 24 to 12. The final score was Trades, 24 Darby, 12.

Berkeley easily defeated St. Andrew, in a brotherhood League game at the latter's hall last night, by 65 to 33. Line-up: Berkeley: forward, St. Andrew, McFarland; guard, St. Andrew, Mohr; center, St. Andrew, Kennedy; point guard, St. Andrew, Yustman; guard, St. Andrew, Yustman.

M'LOUGHLIN, TENNIS STAR, IS ON DOWNWARD GRADE

Since Defeat by Norris Williams, California Comet Has Been Skidding Gradually—Travers and Ouimet Best Amateur Golfers, Says Rice

By GRANTLAND RICE

WHAT has 1915 in view for Maurice McLoughlin? Just a year and a half ago this California Brilliant in the Land of Last Things had reached the highest height ever known by an American player.

Just a year and a half ago he had within less than a week empowered Norman Brooks and the late Anthony Wilding, two of the supermen of the game.

This was a feat unparagoned in lawn tennis play. That was only a year and a half ago, and yet McLoughlin, still a young man, is rated by most of the leading experts with only an outside chance to bag another championship.

McLoughlin's slump stands as one of the queerest athletic turns on record. Since beating Brooks and Wilding in 1914—where he reached the top—his game has never been the same.

That same season he was beaten by Norris Williams, but to many this defeat was merely "one of those things" that was something more. That defeat was prophetic of the shadow gathering above McLoughlin's game; still a game, but not the smashing game of old.

1915 proved well enough that California Mac had lost something from his best days. According to George M. Church, part of this slump was due to McLoughlin's service. "Mac," says Church, "hits the ball on the left corner in places or the right corner. This puts an overwhelming strain upon his stomach muscles, as it isn't a normal method. It was the most effective service I have ever seen, when at its most, but it was quite evident that such a service could only last so long. The last blow came when Mac met Brooks and Wilding. The cannon-ball stuff has never been in evidence since."

There is a general feeling among leading tennis players that McLoughlin will reach the height again before long. They are right. They all say that young William Johnston is the best lawn tennis player America has ever produced. They figure that he should be the logical favorite for the next title campaign.

But there is a general feeling among those not so closely adjacent to the expert dope that McLoughlin isn't yet through. They still believe he can make one more return to the top. They believe he will be a good bit better in 1916 than he was last year. Here's hoping they are right. For McLoughlin has done more for lawn tennis in America, in the way of popularizing a great sport than any other single entry.

Case of Ouimet. Francis Ouimet attained the bulk of his popularity just as McLoughlin did—viz., by repulsing a British invasion where...

AS A CHAMPION WILLARD IS GREAT CIRCUS PERFORMER

By KRYTIC

Starting at the top of the art perfected by the lamented Marquis of Queensberry, we find Jess Willard. While we may be skeptical as to the ability of Jess in one ring, we submit he has proved his ability at the three-ring game. As a world's heavyweight champion, Mr. Willard is probably one of the greatest circus performers extant. One cannot deny Jess his accomplishments. It is inspiring—it stirs a man's red blood to sit and hear the thud of Willard's fingers on the typewriter keys as he tells the public how anxious he is to defend his title.

Next we have Al McCoy, middleweight champion of the world, shades of Stanley Ketchel and Jack Dempsey! McCoy is a man of one punch. One thought to bludge an easy mark. George was busy counting the hours when McCoy (or it was indeed he) took a healthy swing and landed on Mr. Chip, who at once lost all interest in the proceedings.

After he had landed that haymaker McCoy stopped fighting—and he has never resumed. At intervals Al enters the ring with a fighter, but thus far the only results have been broken hands for the fighters and a damaged countenance for Al. As an absorber of human blows, McCoy has made us forget Joe Grim and dear old Penn's football team.

Passing on, we come to the lightweight class, and if we didn't do this thing for a living we would keep right on going until we reached a more pleasant topic like highway robbery or murder.

One Frederick Welsh comes from England. There is a reason. They are fighting in England. Frederick is probably the most peaceable man in the world. He is easy to get along with, and he is the ring-provided White fights for nothing and enters the squared circle blindfolded.

Let's not by no means mean, we approve, the bantam champs. We use the plural form advisedly, for there appear to be two of them. Williams and Erling are battling viciously for the honor, and at the hour of going to press the latter led by the margin of two gallons of printer's ink. The gentlemen named are not at all desirous of settling the matter in the ring. To do so would be rough work, pugilist all speaking. One would certainly be eliminated and his ability to get large purses for small bouts lessened. They are working on the principle that half a title is better than none.

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