



HURRY-UP YOST TO HAVE HELP
"Grads" Will Assist in Coaching.

Recent Trip to East Convinced Yost a Change Was Needed.
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ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 24.—In addition to Coach Yost, the University of Michigan football eleven will have a supplementary system of graduate coaching next fall, and the athletic manager, Charles Baird, and Yost himself say that at least one or two ex-Michigan men are in view already.

This slight modification in Michigan's coaching system was suggested by the recent Eastern trip of Fitzpatrick, Yost and Baird. The idea originated partly in watching the work of Yale lineemen in the Harvard-Yale game. Of this work Trainer Fitzpatrick said: "Although as a team the Yale line was probably not any stronger than ours, yet as individuals they had a higher average of finish in their play than Michigan. They knew more points of the game, especially on defense. Though I think we had one or two lineemen better than Yale's, yet the individual attention which was given to each man by an individual coach showed the great advantage."

The plan at Michigan is to have a couple of supplementary coaches, who will have been trained on former Michigan teams in Yost's style of play, to do this individual work with the men. One serious difficulty has been encountered. It is that Michigan's alumni are not available. Manager Baird himself says the alumni he was most anxious to secure means who cannot spare the time even to return during the few days preceding a big game. The possible value of some of these ex-michigan men is so great that they are worth the effort necessary to secure them. This fall there were ten Michigan players from Yost's eleven coaching various teams in the South and West. Of these three won the championship of his section of the country. Joe Maddock at Utah, with a light breeze, won the State championship; Herstein, with the Haskell Indians, won the Missouri valley championship; and McGovern, at Vanderbilt, turned out an eleven which was never once held to less than thirty points and which laid claim to the Southern championship in Harvey, Mo. Graver at Marietta, McLean at Missouri, and with the Indiana Medias at Indianapolis, Paul Jones at Western Reserve, Jug Wilson at Alma, Bruce Short at Nevada and Sweeley are all Michigan men from Yost's eleven.

The best of them could not be brought back to Michigan, unless by loyalty to their college alone, for less than \$1000 a season. Mr. Baird says the athletic association has not this much money to spend in addition to the high salary paid to Coach Yost.

Yost, however, is satisfied if only one or two come back all season. He says: "Yale may have had more finish in the work than did Michigan, but I failed to see this superiority in Harvey, Mo. One had to be a conscientious coach on the field with the men can do more good for a football eleven than a dozen graduate coaches gathered around a table in the evening discussing what is best for the team. I know these long talks over cigars. They are a heap of fun, but they don't do much good. Too many graduate coaches are a weakness at least, as they conduct themselves at most colleges, where their greatest inducement to return is the prospect of a good time. Michigan is, moreover, already supplied with more coaches than most people realize. Trainer Fitzpatrick is, I believe, the superior of most any graduate coach Michigan or any other college could secure. He works with the eleven four hours every day, and in addition to him there is always at least one assistant coach."

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Turf Happenings.
 Philip J. Dwyer, president of the Brooklyn Jockey club, will take a trip to Hot Springs for rest and recreation. Dwyer will not retire from the turf, as reported some time ago, but is preparing for an active campaign next season. The horses will be trained by Dick Miller, who handled Africander.

Enoch Wishard, who left for the West at the end of the season to recuperate, is now in an infirmary in Nashville, Tenn., under treatment for some nervous disorder.

Mr. Wishard had worked steadily for several years with little or no time for play, and was in very bad health when he left at the end of the Morris Park meeting.

The stewards of the Jockey club have announced that C. W. Chappelle has been reinstated and will be allowed to race his horses in California. He has been under the ban since last spring, when he was suspended indefinitely for the bad showing made by the St. Carlin colt Coronel pending an investigation.

It has been shown that no fraud was intended or committed in the running of the horses of Chappelle, hence he has been placed in good standing.

Claude will be given a season in the stud next spring if Mike Daly carries out his present intentions. It may be a costly experiment if Daly intends to keep on racing his old brood mares.

Although he served a very brief season the past summer and still retains his old-time form, there are few horses that come out of the harem and win any good races. Kenilworth is an example of what such retirement may do for a horse. At one time a speedy horse, and a good winner, he now seems unable to beat the poorest kind of horses.

Milton Young, owner of the McGrathiana stud is buying up all the mares by Hanover that are for sale. He has fifty of these mares at this farm, thirty of which were purchased during the present year.

Young intends to keep adding to his stock and will purchase regardless of price. He has decided that the Hanover mares when crossed with good stock produce the best racing material. This year the produce of the Hanover mares won over \$300,000; the two-year-old filly Tanya winning \$58,655 and the three-year-old Ort Welles \$69,295.

The coming spring meeting at the old Lexington track is attracting much interest among breeders, owners and trainers, and it is expected that the racing will be of the highest class. It has been announced that during the week of racing in May seven stake events will be held.

Two of these will be revivals of the old Blue Grass contests, and the other five are new events. Three of the stakes will be for two-year-olds, two for three-year-olds and the same number for three-year-olds and upward.

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the victory of the Americans over the Englishmen on their own ground. Though the Olympics at St. Louis lacked the pomp and pageantry of the ancient festival, they served their purpose to a degree, and for the first time on American soil brought men together from Australia, South Africa, Greece, Austria, Germany, Canada, Cuba and Ireland. But, outside of these two notable features of the season, the new crop of records was prolific, and the marks regarded as well nigh inviolable were shattered and record figures which had withstood the assault of generations were lowered.

Sprinting has always been the most popular department of the modern programme, and though nothing new came to light at the standard distances, a few records will go on the books. At New Orleans on May 13, George Megrouse had a shy at the 25 yards, and his time was returned as 31.5 seconds. Heretofore there was no 25-yard record, so this will figure in the future annals. The old mark for 25 yards remained unshaken, but for the 45 yards there was a new mark by Clyde Blair, the crack Western sprinter. On February 13 at Chicago he covered the distance in 51.5 seconds, which was not very remarkable going, and which will probably be accepted by the authorities.

The 45-yard record, jointly held by no fewer than seven sprinters, received a shock at Mechanics' hall, Boston, on February 13. A special invitation event was arranged with Duffey as the star, and he started in the first heat, but to the surprise of those present was beaten by a yard by F. S. Thompson of Amherst college, and the time announced was 42.5 seconds. This was a world's record if the regular rule of the timers were running at their regular gait, but there was something wrong somewhere, for Duffey won the final, extended to his best, in 44.5 seconds. The inference deducted from the affair by the critics was that the timers expected Duffey to win the first heat, and had a record ready for him, and in the final had his true time ready for Thompson, but Duffey upset the little pantomime by reaching the worsted in the lead.

New Figures Made.
 One week later the 50-yard record of 59 seconds, held by the late E. Myers, was made exactly twenty years ago, was attacked simultaneously at Washington and Chicago, and in both places new figures were claimed. At Washington it was the annual indoor meet of Georgetown university, and, of course, the occasion of Duffey's annual attack on the 50-yard record. Starting two feet behind scratch, Duffey won a heat of the handicap from Torrey

of Yale, who had a foot handicap, in 55.5 seconds. In the final Torrey won in 52.5 seconds, Duffey stopping about half way. Duffey also won the invitation 50-yard event in 52.5 seconds, beating Torrey an inch, with Dietz of Georgetown and Sears of Cornell in third and fourth places, respectively, and close up. To cover the 50 yards twice in one night in record time ought to be sufficient for the record committee to accept it as genuine, but then nobody believed Torrey to be capable of 52.5 for the distance, and moreover, Duffey was far from being in record-breaking trim, as his subsequent races indicated.

At the New York Athletic club meet in Madison Square Garden Duffey started in the 60-yard handicap, and in his last heat came within three yards of 63.5 seconds, which showed that he was off color and not at all able to do what was credited to him in Washington. In both places Duffey had a board floor, but the one at Washington was a veritable spring arrangement, and it is said, actually propelled Duffey across the space in record time. The Chicago onslaught on the Myers figures occurred at the Chicago-Vincennes meet, and the honors of the night fell to Rice of Chicago university. He sped over the "fifty" in 52.5 seconds, the same figure attributed to Duffey, and everything seemed correct toward the acceptance of the record. Three timers agreed in the clocking and the course was measured and found to be three inches over 50 yards, and all this data, with the proper affidavits, were lodged with the authorities. Nevertheless an idea prevailed that there was something wrong with Rice's record, and it is more than likely that, with Duffey's performance and Thompson's for the 40-yard, it will never figure on the record books.

Prof. Rontgen's Modesty.
 One of the least self-advertised scientific authorities is Prof. Rontgen. He has never been interviewed, has never been banqueted and is even said to have refused immense sums of money offered him by American publishers for a book on what he himself modestly styled "a new kind of ray." Like many other investigators of his race, he carries his years gallantly, and, though 60, looks more like a man who has led a healthy outdoor life than one who has spent the whole of his manhood in investigating strange physical problems.

Blaine's Ready Wit as a Speaker.
 James G. Blaine was a most versatile political orator. He would speak many times a day from the train, which stopped at every important place, and have something to say on each occasion. He carefully thought up his speech between stations after a brief talk with the committee of the town he was coming to, and then corrected immediately afterward the notes which were taken by his own stenographer. He said to me in the campaign of 1876: "I want you to introduce me all through New York, because you are always surefooted." I appreciated the compliment as well as the difficulties of the situation. I introduced him at

Brunettes and Blondes.
 One of the most interesting anthropological investigations lately published is by Dr. F. C. Shrubshell, who has made use of the data obtained by the British Fraternity Council's Committee on Physical Deterioration, to study the physical characteristics of various individuals in a given area, comparing the hospital patients with those more healthy. His object was to ascertain how the different diseases affected the different elements of population, and he was able to make some interesting observations on the comparative susceptibility of blonds and brunettes. Blonds are more likely to suffer from rheumatic disorders, but less from nervous diseases, tuberculosis, and cancer. While they are more susceptible to children's diseases, and the mortality is greater than with brunettes, yet in the case of the latter pulmonary tuberculosis occurring after the age of from 30 to 35 goes a long way toward restoring the balance. The most unhealthy and overworked portions of cities are populated by brunettes, and as the blond children are likely to die off early these localities also have the heaviest infant mortality. Dr. Shrubshell's deductions have attracted considerable attention, and it is wondered whether the same conclusions would hold good in countries other than England, where there might be different proportions of the two classes.—Harper's Weekly.

Mexico's New Vice-President.
 Vice-President Corral is a civilian. He saw his only military service during a revolution in the frontier State of Sonora, of which he is a native, and as the revolution was of short duration, he came out of the conflict with but little practical knowledge of warfare. He knows more about public lighting, street traction, and military tactics and modern armament, for he has studied the former subjects in the great cities of the United States and Europe, and up to this time he has not felt called upon to give the latter much attention. He believes that the greatest need of the Mexican people is education, and that the future of the country depends, to a large extent, on the building up of a substantial middle class. He holds that too many of the young men of Mexico are entering the priesthood and the legal profession, and in the hope of inducing Mexican youths to devote their lives to useful arts and trades, he is promoting the establishment of a Mexican institute of technology that will rival similar institutions of other countries.—Austin C. Brady, in Harper's Weekly.

Local horse lovers were aroused by their winter's lethargy this week by arrival in this city of Torrey, the champion coach horse of the world. A beautiful bay stallion has been exhibited at the Salt Lake Livestock Transfer company stables for the few days, where he has commanded the admiration of hundreds of who can appreciate blue blood in equine.

Torrey is a fresh horse. In addition to being big and heavy enough to do a day if necessary, he can step a mile in 2:30 without much effort. The stallion weighs 1312 pounds, but dies himself like a polo pony on a parade. His step has been pronounced almost perfect by experts, and he is acknowledged to be the king of coach horses. His carriage has compelled the attention of experts in most every section of the United States in France, and in England, where he has been exhibited.

Was Bred in France.
 The animal was foaled in France about ten years ago. He was bred by McLaughlin Bros. of Colorado, who secured the horse for their purposes. Since coming to the States Torrey has been exhibited about twenty-five horse shows and numerous times at local horse shows. At the Chicago horse show in 1903, horse was awarded the first prize in the championship, at the American Horse show in 1903 he won another prize, and at the International stock exposition last year he was again champion.

Torrey came to Utah direct from St. Louis exposition, where he was awarded the grand championship, highest honor that can be given to an equine. A syndicate of local horse men, negotiating the purchase of a stallion, and it is not unlikely that may remain in this State permanently. The price asked for the horse is \$600.

Utah Horsemen Buy.
 There seems to be a movement afoot among Utah horsemen to elect the standard of draft and coach horses. About two weeks ago the Utah Horse Breeders' association purchased an imported Percheron stallion at a cost of about \$1200. Another equally sudden grasp of attention was made by the same association, but the purchase price was made public.

Farmer Shot by a Cow.
 Ira Cummins, a Wood county farmer, was accidentally shot last week while attempting to remove a cow calf from a pasture.

Cummins carried a loaded shotgun and the cow became angry and charged. Cummins, in so doing, shot the horns on the gun trigger, discharging the weapon. The contents of Cummins' breast, killing him instantly.—Alva Pioneer.

introducing here. As I have passed down your noble Hudson upon an equally floating palaces for the past five years, I have felt the impress of its scenery, made famous by Irving, but the deeper and more emotional possession was when the emotions possessed me when the scene was born my oldest and best friend, Chauncey Dewey. He was capable of an equally sudden grasp of attention where the occasion was much more serious.—Senator Dewey in Leader's Weekly.

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TOM WELSH LEADING HIS TWO YEAR OLDS THROUGH THE WHITE AND DRIFTED SNOWS OF GRAVESEND
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