

on account of the pressure that is on him. I have seen fellows go all through life just that way. Their financial credit is on the rocks, and then by some Herculean effort they pull up and get going pretty well, and just as soon as success seems flowering in full fruition they go back into another slump and disappoint the people depending on them, as well as all of their friends. The intelligent thing, of course, would be to have a comfortable bank account with a reserve whereby this confidence could be built up where it would be a source of much satisfaction to the individual as well as all of his friends. That individual would have a stability begetting a security that is beyond all description. He would be a big man in his field. He would have the consciousness of being a success, not a question mark.

Now, why isn't it possible to get this in a ball game using the same parallels of description that we have used in a financial set up. I once had a so-called great player who failed to train, and when it came to the play off down at Columbia in 1935 we lost both games. That fellow failed to train, and it wasn't the failure of his physical body but it was the failure of his mental machine. When he came up after those two games that we had lost he said to me, "Doc, I lost the Big Six Championship for you." It wasn't what I had lost but what he had lost that should have been the great concern. He sold his own team mates short.

You men playing on this team who are playing with men who do not train and men who do not come up one hundred per cent should yourselves place the odium upon this player rather than expecting the coach to carry the load, because it is your team and the coach is merely a teacher in a class room trying to get the most out of the players so that they in turn will receive the great benefit. And what is this great benefit? Is it money? No, it is simply a mythical something that all of you are striving for -- a Big Six Championship. You can't describe it. You can't analyze it. It is that mystic something that men struggle for. It is no banner given as an emblem of the championship. There is a bronze plaque that