



COACH WILLIAM L. "FOX" STANTON

After 21 years of guiding Tech athletics, the beloved "Fox" has decided to retire.

"FOX" STANTON RESIGNS

After 21 years of service as director of athletics and head football coach at the Institute, W. L. "Fox" Stanton brought to a close an outstanding era of Caltech athletic history when he announced his resignation from all connections with the school shortly before the start of the annual gridiron battle with Pomona November 7. The announcement, made to Professor Royal W. Sorensen, Chairman of the Physical Education Department, surprised faculty, students, and alumni alike, but it provided the spark that enabled the Engineers to bowl over the Sagehens for their first Conference win since 1934. The boys really wanted to win that one for the "Fox."

Coach Stanton, who has been a fixture of the athletic department almost since the very start of the California Institute under its present name, first came to Tech in 1921 as head football coach. During the 21 years that followed, right up to the present, he has been the constant guide of the Beavers' football destinies as well as filling the positions of track coach and director of athletics. This has earned him the distinction of having served a single school on the Pacific Coast longer than any other coach. And next to Amos Alonzo Stagg he

has been connected with football longer than any other coach still active in the game.

Any description of his colorful career must be practically synonymous with the story of the development of football itself, so long and close has been his association with the game.

EARLY FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE

Stanton's first football experience was gained in Philadelphia, where he was captain and halfback on the Drexel Institute team in 1892. For the three years 1894-96 he played in the backfield for Pennington Seminary in New Jersey, also serving as captain and coach of the team. During the Spanish-American War he played on and coached his brigade team, which twice defeated a University of Georgia eleven.

The years intervening between the close of the War and 1908, when the "Fox" began his 33-year association with the Southern California Conference, were spent in coaching a number of Eastern college teams, except for a brief interval

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