

(Excerpts)

A STATISTICAL STUDY

A statistical study of the annual reports on athletes for 1933-34 has unearthed some interesting figures. In the 657 senior high schools which were members of the association during the past school year, 16,107 boys participated in interscholastic athletics. This is an increase of more than 2,500 boys above the number shown by a similar study for the year 1928-29. The number of schools engaged in the various interscholastic sports, as compared with the number five years ago, is shown by the following table:

Sport	No. in 1928-29	No. in 1933-34
Basketball	629	844
Track	431	432
Football	398	372
Baseball	199	319
Tennis	190	236
Golf	20	45
Wrestling	11	18

Group	Total Schools	Total Boys In Athletics	Number of Schools With Average Boys	Number of Boys Over Age Limit	Average No. Overage Boys Per School	Percent of Total Boys in Athletics Who Are Overage
1	31	2359	26	100	3.22	4.24%
2	69	2296	60	119	1.72	5.11%
3	147	4255	89	167	1.13	3.92%
4	410	7197	140	188	.458	2.61%

The table shows that there are more than three boys per school in the group of largest schools which had overage boys, on the basis of a twenty-year age limit, and that the number per school grew gradually less among the smaller schools until there was less than one-half boy per school in Group 4. This method of figuring may not be considered entirely fair since there are many more boys out for athletics in the larger schools, so figures are presented to show the percentage of the all the boys engaged in athletics who were over the age limit. This shows that not only the total number per school, but also the percentage of boys per school who are overage is larger in the larger schools than in the smaller schools. For instance, there has been considerable discussion concerning the advisability of reducing the age limit of athletes to twenty years in order to give the average regular pupil a better opportunity to compete and to better equalize competition by cutting down on the use of pupils who are often older than college freshmen and sophomores. The study shows that if the twenty-year rule had been in effect last year 574 of the 16,107 boys who participated would have become ineligible some time before June 1st, 1934. This is an average of less than one boy per school, but for comparative purposes the schools have been divided into four groups so as to ascertain the percentage of difference between the larger and

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Excerpt from The Kansas Athlete

smaller schools. Group I includes those schools whose enrollments are above 500; Group 2 those between 200 and 500; Group 3 those between 100 and 200; and Group 4 those below 100. The second table is self-explanatory: 5.11% of the total boys who engaged in athletics in the schools in Group 2 were over the twenty-year age limit while only 2.61% of the boys in the schools of Group 4 were over the limit. These figures may be worth something to the school men who are interested in a new age limit for athletes.

Information Service
IOWA STATE COLLEGE
AMES, IOWA

Sports News

Iowa State Will
Meet Washington
in Swimming Meet

Ames, Iowa, Feb. 11--Washington University, St. Louis, Mo., has been added to the schedule of the Iowa State College swimming team. Washington swimmers will appear here for a dual meet Feb. 23.

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Gordon Camp, freshman football and basketball star from Waterloo, is the heaviest man on the freshmen basketball team--he weighs 210 pounds. Harry Roschlau, Davenport, forward, is the lightest member, weighing 140.

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A recent check showed that approximately 1000 people use the Iowa State gym every day. Not a few of them are members of the intramural basketball teams, of which there are 90 in interleague competition.

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Harry Newman, former all-American quarterback at Michigan, and now calling signals for the New York Giants professional team, gave George Veenker, the Cyclone coach, all of the winning pass plays used in the league in 1933. Veenker planned to use them this last fall, but gave up the idea, when he found that he had no passers who could fling the ball with the accuracy of a Newman.

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Bill Allender, star Cyclone fullback for the past two years, is a golf champion in his home town of Atlantic. He spends a large share of each summer participating in the amateur tournaments in southern Iowa. The flashy red-head is also a first class hurdler, and won his numeral in track at Northwestern before transferring to Iowa State.

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HEALTH RAYS

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OMAHA CONVENTION

The Central District Physical Education Association will hold its convention at Omaha on March 20 to 23, with all indications pointing to one of the most important gatherings of physical educators that has been held in this section. Nearly 1,000 health, recreation and physical education enthusiasts will meet for a three-day session to consider the present day problems in these fields. Nationally known speakers, practical demonstrations and displays, as well as round table discussions will make this a worth while meeting. Alfred O. Anderson is secretary and treasurer of the association.

SCHOOLMEN ARE BOWLING

A Schoolmen's Bowling League has been organized which will take in any bowler in the school system, who desires to play. At present, five teams have entered, including teams from the following departments: Physical Education, Principals, a Headquarters team, and two teams from the School Board shops. Play will be held at the Cocked Hat Alleys each Wednesday evening, 6:30 to 8:00 p. m. Any men employed by the Board of Education interested in this sport may call the Recreation Department.

SPEECH CHORUS PLEASE

The speech choruses presented at one of the section meetings at the Missouri State Teachers Association and at the Teachers' Institute in December were highly pleasing. In England and other European countries this instruction has

been carried on for sometime. A combination of speaking chorus and motion chorus work is gaining favorable recognition in Germany. This development is being sponsored by physical education departments. Physical education teachers should be alert to possibilities along this line.

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NEW ELEMENTARY PROGRAM

The Recreation Department has set up a tentative program of recreation and athletic activities for the second semester which will extend opportunities for the development of skills in the many activities suggested. The schedule:

1. First Semester Basket Ball Play-offs. Saturday, January 26, Central Junior high school.
2. Second Semester Basketball — Leagues will play February 9, 17, 23, and March 2. No games will be scheduled on March 9, Institute day.
3. Spring playgrounds—The opening of the spring playgrounds has been set for March 11. An eleven-week program has been planned.
4. Tournament of skills—The annual

tournament of skills will be held Saturday, May 25. Practice for this program of skills will include athletic games, apparatus work, track events, folk dancing and novelty relays.

DEMONSTRATION APPRECIATED

Many expressions of appreciation have been received from local and state educators on the success of the physical education demonstration staged by 3,200 boys and girls from all grades, primary through college, before 7,000 teachers November 8. All who assisted, the teachers, the principals, the physical directors, the nurses, (and of course the children) will please accept a hearty vote of thanks for their splendid efforts!

DEAFNESS NO HANDICAP

Notable progress is being made at Madison school. In the primary grades the hearing and the deaf children have play periods together. During this time it is not easy for the casual observer to distinguish the handicapped children from those with normal hearing. There are no hearing children above the third grade in the school. However, the older deaf children are enjoying games, stunts and rhythms. Few of them hear the sounds of the music, but they feel the vibrations through the floor and are able to swing in unison.

A. P. E. A. MEMBERSHIP LAGS

Kansas City lags in membership in the American Physical Education Association judging from the reports received from the other large cities of the Central District. St. Paul has 29 members in the A. P. E. A.; Lincoln 24; Minneapolis has 22; Wichita 11; Kansas City 10; and St. Louis 29. Registrations from Kansas City during the present school year are not included, however. The membership fee is \$3.00 per year, which includes the Journal.

PRIMARY PLAY TO BE SHOWN

At Teachers College, March 16, 9:00 a. m., organized free play on gymnasium apparatus will be demonstrated by Miss Morgan's children (Pershing school) and rhythmical play activities by Miss Pauline Orear's children (H. Cook school). The play on gymnasium apparatus will demon-

strate activities on all pieces of apparatus without teacher leadership. The rhythmical play activities will demonstrate dramatic rhythms, creative rhythms, and created folk dances for play-days and assemblies.

EARLY ASSEMBLIES PLEASE

For many years the Friday morning before 9 o'clock auditorium programs at the Horace Mann school have been a factor in coordinating all school activities. Many excellent health and physical education activities have been brought before pupils, parents and teachers.

NEW IDEAS FOR PLAY

The Curriculum Committee of the primary grades is assembling material for a course of study in Play Activities.

KUMPF CHILDREN ENTERTAIN

The physical education classes of the H. C. Kumpf school are furnishing a series of eight half-hour auditorium programs during the school year.

HAPPY IN POSTURE PROGRAM

Switzer school is emphasizing the importance of maintaining good posture. The children are happy in following the entire health program. They enter heartily into the practice of pleasurable physical activities that are conducive toward improving good posture.

CHILDREN TEACH PLAY

At the recent Mt. Washington Parent and Children party, the children provided the entertainment by teaching their mothers the popular games of William Tell, Hit the Target, Guard the Castle, and Statue. Did the mothers enjoy the playing—"Just ask them." Miss Helen Fahey addressed the mothers on the "Value of Primary Play Activities."

VOLLEY BALL GAINS INTEREST

A six-team volley ball league has been organized and is playing at East high school each Monday evening. This sport is increasing in popularity by "leaps and bounds," and, judging from the interest

shown, a new league will be opened in the near future. The teams competing at East high are: Kansas City Life Insurance Company, Bell Telephone Company, Union Oil Company of North Kansas City, Lathrop Polytechnic Institute, Broadland's Community and the Worthwhile Class of the Oak Park Christian Church. Mr. Charles Wolfe, a veteran volley ball player and enthusiast, has been appointed by the Recreation office as manager of the league.

BASKET BALL ATTRACTS ADULTS

For the past six weeks 26 leagues including more than 2,300 adult players have been playing basket ball regularly in these leagues sponsored by the Recreation Department. Play has been set up in Sunday School, All-Employee and Independent divisions and many interesting battles have been waged. A city play-off for Sunday School championship, Independent championship, All-Employee championship and Open City championship is being scheduled.

OUT AND ABOUT TOWN

Miss Helen Owens and Miss Rachael Davies gave splendid demonstrations in teaching Open Air Rooms at the Teachers College.

Miss Ruth Case is the new open air teacher in the upper grades at Woodland school.

Miss Mildred Gould is doing graduate work in California. Miss Jane Ferries is in Chicago.

June Ellis became Mrs. Ben Oleness in Judge Rodgers Cupid's parlor.

Miss Margaret Craig is substituting at Ashland and Leeds schools. Miss Mabel Johnson is at Benton, Hamilton and Jackson schools.

Miss Georgia Boswell is the new nurse at Lincoln high school. Alfred O. Anderson and Miss Pattric Ruth O'Keefe gave

demonstrations at the Group Leaders Institute sponsored by the Kansas City Association of Neighborhood Houses in February.

Roscoe Shores gave a splendid talk on "Being Prepared for the Future" at the January meeting of the school nurses.

Mrs. E. R. Weeks spoke before the staff of school nurses on the "Use More Milk" campaign. The schools are cooperating in the city-wide "Use More Milk" educational campaign.

Miss Robina Kneebone addressed a group of health workers January 22, at Jefferson City on "Teaching Public Health."

Paseo high school was honored at the Red Cross Institute, January 11 and 12, when devices for teaching student assistants were used to teach the nurses assembled.

Miss Pattric Ruth O'Keefe will talk on "Introducing Physical Education to the Primary Child" at the Central District Physical Education Association at Omaha, March 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ave of Cleveland, O. spent the Christmas holidays in Kansas City. Mrs. Ave was formerly Miss Peggie Peters of the Physical Education Department.

PLAYS ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

Twenty-two girls' teams are playing a round robin series in the twentieth annual basket ball tournament at Junior College under the leadership of Eleanor Canny, director.

The "All American" girls are in the lead followed closely by the "Fighting Irish" and "Boop a doops." All officials are connected with the Junior College Women's Physical Education Department. Visitors are always welcome to see the well trained, enthusiastic girls' teams competing for the annual award of the Silver Loving Cup.

RECREATION FOR FERA WORKERS

Alfred O. Anderson assisted J. R. Batchelor of the National Recreation Association in conducting a recreation institute in Omaha December 7 and 8, for 125 recreation workers from the ranks of the FERA workers. Five lectures and one demonstration were given by Mr. Anderson.

NO REST FOR GYMNASIUMS

All of the elementary school gymnasiums are in constant use during inclement weather. The instruction periods by the special teachers are followed by practice and play periods at other times during school hours. The splendid cooperation of the classroom teachers is enriching the program of physical education. In addition to games the children are learning many rhythms, stunts with and without apparatus, and folk dances.

VARIETY IN DEMONSTRATIONS

Stark, "The Little But Mighty" school, entertained parents and guests with a USE MORE MILK program.

The D. M. Pinkerton primary school children demonstrated organized free play before the Play Activity class from Teachers College. Miss Selma Heglund gave an inspiring and practical talk on the "Philosophy of Play."

The children of Misses McCahon's, Coates' and Orear's rooms of the Hale H. Cook school entertained primary teachers with a rhythm demonstration. An "entertainment" was the appropriate name for the demonstration, since the talented little dancers performed so many beautiful rhythmic numbers.

Could the Turnverein officials have seen the primary children at Pershing school demonstrate play activities on the apparatus and in the gymnasium they would have been anxious to sign them for membership. The demonstration illustrated all types of gymnasium play activities.

The primary children at Garfield school gave a demonstration of outdoor play activities.

ALUMNAE LEAGUE ACTIVE

Many girls, graduates and former students of the high schools, are continuing their basket ball playing under the name of National Amateur Athletic Federation League. The practice games are held Tuesday evenings at Central senior and Westport junior high schools. The league is sponsored by the high school women.

WORKERS EDUCATION CLASSES

The Workers Education Classes of Physical Education and Occupational Diseases have 14 classes with the enrollment of 147 adults. These classes were recruited from the employed and unemployed adults in labor and industry.

Although Workers Education as an Adult Educational Movement is not new to educators, this is the first time this work has been offered to industrial workers in Kansas City. These classes are supported by the Emergency Educational Program sponsored by the Kansas City Board of Education and are taught by Opal O'Donohue.

NEW IDEAS FOR LEADERS

A five-day institute sponsored by the Recreation Department was held at Westport junior high school, January 21 to 25 inclusive. The institute was conducted by Mr. Robert K. Murray, field secretary of the National Recreation Association with headquarters in New York City. Some seventy church recreation leaders, P. T. A. leaders, physical education teachers and playground directors were enrolled.

DINNER FOLLOWS EXAMS

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P. 590 Higher Ed in Canada.

Pres Angell of Yale "Par." " " " "

1939 = Golden Era of Sports ~~IV~~

Carnegie Foundation Bulletin # 29. " The effect of that report upon athletics, and more especially upon athletics in education, is still felt."

1931 - 12.5 1932 - 13.5 1933 - 14.1 1934 - 14.5
L.S. Despite depression basket ball business increased.

1896 Soft ball. first on list.
1878 Badminton growing rapidly in this country but is a very small industry as rep by comparison with other sports.
13 Soccer should not rank third. Just about holding its own. Squash is not showing any great growth either. Has had to get hard handled archery equipment for great many years. We all know that. Ping Pong or table tennis is growing rapidly. We all know that.

46 Nations -

Lists of nations in which Basket Ball is played extensively -

P81 Par II Decline of Puritanism is due largely to the introduction of basket ball -
Any thing will lie on paper -

1931 - 12.5

1931 - 12.5%

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On page 81 second paragraph. he mentions the decline of Puritanism.

Puritanism

This decline is due largely to the introduction of basketball. In the 90s. games were taboo by the clergy. There were a few individual theologians, who took part in sports but they were thought to be outside the pale of the church. In 1904 there were several theological colleges that had basketball teams. and the churches took up basketball to hold the young people in the circle. Soon other games were introduced in the gymnasiums.

He classifies sports as attendance sports and ~~#####~~ others as real sports. basketball is both and has all the advantages that comes from this double classification.

He says page 84 bottom of right column that trapshooting has seven million followers yet it is not mentioned in the intramurals of the 255 colleges.

Page 1st Par last sentence.

~~More newspaper space on bowling. What newspapers. not in the Middle West.~~

Ping pong, Archery, and badminton have had their day and vanished to be revived. Some what like midget golf which he labels phoney,

What effect has Bulletin 29 had on college sports ?.

See page 78. Section III.

Page 83 bottom of second column. sign of popularity is press notices Cf. basketball and any one other sport.

Compare

Dear Mr Tunis -

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 25th ult.

To begin with I heartily agree with you that there are too many yes men in the country already. Therefore, in a true spirit of camaraderie greeting from one anti to another. ^{Indeed} I am very fond of intellectual honesty but I fear in your recent correspondence that a certain species of ^{intellectual} ~~intellectual~~ ^{haughtiness} was aborted soon after conception.

As Chairman of the Press Committee of the National Association of B.B. Coaches ~~Association~~ of the U.S. and as Chairman of the Research Committee of the National Basket Ball Rules Body, I expect to give you certain irrefutable facts bearing upon my previous statements concerning numbers playing basket ball in the U.S. When I made the statement that twenty million people were playing basket ball I did not confine the number of participants to America. However, I expect to make a definite check on both national and foreign participation in this sport and altho it may take several months to obtain this data you shall receive an authenticated compilation of facts and figures in due time.

(Insert over here p 2 -)

P. 2. I fear that you have an ^{impr}improper conception of sports. The game fitted for a man of 40 should not necessarily be played by boys of the teen age. Games suited to the physical and moral growth of the boy are perfectly proper. Indeed it would be a poor plight to teach the young boys games th in their teens, games that men ^{past} forty enjoy - Games such as fighting games, ^{with contact & combat} which develop the qualities of Courage, Romance and Drama are necessities. "Man in an omnibus in which all of his ^{adventures} ^{side} is that you

The English conception of a gentleman should learn to play one game well. It is for the purpose of acquiring the game sense to teach sportsmanship in the growing boy rather than to teach a particular game. That the educators of America incorporated athletics in our school system & Education thru play is as sound today for the high school boy as was Froebel's theory which he prescribed for the kindergarten age &

We have our youth for play and development rather than to develop games for the 40 age period. I am inclined to grow facetious and state that ^{most} many men past forty are permitting give to do the thing for them in the way of a ^{stimulus} kick or pick up that exercise would have done had they indulged in the struggle or fighting games during the period of their youth.

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I was struck by the inti-coherence of the theme of your article and the thought ~~expressed~~ ^{conveyed} in your letter, concerning the theme of your article.

The underlying ^{treating} ~~that~~ of your article seems to be "playing-games as against attendance-games." However you seem to be somewhat confused, ~~in your own mind~~ at times on the ~~points~~ ^{differentiation} between attendance and participation ~~games~~. Especially do you strengthen this belief when you say to me that basket ball "is a young man's game. You can't play play it at 40." The games that are growing today are the games older men can play. Yet nowhere in your article was the reader ~~able to differ~~ ^{understand} ~~understand~~ ^{made to} ~~read between~~ ^{the lines} ~~the lines~~ ^{made to} understand that you were drawing fine lines between youth-sports and maturity-sports.

Therefore, I still believe that you have
~~completed~~ ^{slighted} ~~slightly~~ a fast growing attendance
 and playing game that ^{the} provincial east
 has as yet failed to appreciate and which
 should have been included in any ^{concerning} ~~article on~~ fast growing sports
~~Your comparison of basketball football~~
~~and basketball in their relation to real sports~~
~~as being as undeserving as would~~
~~fornication in the same listing hardly deserves~~
~~a dignified reply.~~

Your comparison of football,
 basket ball and fornication in relation
 to real sport, is unworthy of a dignified reply.

As truly as does tennis, basket ball
 deserves its place in ^{both attendance}
 and ⁱⁿ participation sports ^{in your little or local}
 the idea that basket ball recently drew over
 16,000 at ^{Madison Square Garden} ^{yet, you}
 mention with dignity the fact that "last
 February, 17,000 persons, the largest number
 that ever saw a match of tennis packed
 into M. S. G. to see Tilden play Cochet. They
 stayed until nearly 1 o'clock on the worst

morning of the winter and paid
almost 300.00 for the printed⁴

The basket ball games that I mentioned were
college sports played by amateurs - collegians *

The tennis match that you mention was
more than tennis * ^{It was} a duel between two
super - champions; Tilden^{2d} & Cochet.

professional

~~You ought to know that in spite of
the fact that in deriding your article
into specks you state that the super
champions passed away entirely at the
end of 1930. In spite of the contradiction
of your article might I not still~~

~~reasonably - Yet you stated the basket
ball games were exhibitions and not sport.
I maintain that these games were more
than exhibitions (they were both
attendance and participation sports.~~

over the U.S.
over the world

Again I ask when ^{fact quantity} attendance and
participation sport ^{for years} basket
ball has been both a ^{when} ~~participation~~ sport
it as ~~it~~ either?

However I note that you concede
basket ball to remain - competition.
which is this is some concession.

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Of course you can be excused for your undue liberality toward tennis. Perhaps you can say the same thing for me concerning basket ball.

You might be interested to know that at the U of California, Prof. Clifton Pace ~~a tennis and not a basket ball enthusiast~~ states "that we have ^{only} 12 tennis courts ^{to me} for 11,750 students at Berkeley." In contrast to this they have built a new mammoth field house for basket ball at Berkeley which will ^{seats} over 8000 spectators for Basket ball x

Most of our midwestern state universities have field houses which accommodate from 5000 to 15,000 ^{spectators} at ~~most~~ of their conference semi-weekly championship ~~contest~~ basket ball games x

The Legislators and members of the School Board are the real Sports Promoters of Basket ball. With a thro- working public school system requiring compulsory physical training one has the explanation of ^{the} astounding

and phenomenal⁶ growth of B.B. throughout
the U.S.

Every new public school building
is equipped with a gymnasium outfitted
for basket ball. And most of the private schools
have them as do many churches.

Basket ball is inexpensive to the player.
The state pays the overhead. The expense to
the player is a cotton gym shirt and a pair
of tennis shoes. One basket ball will last
a whole season.

Golf, tennis and baseball grounds require
maintenance. Even a school boy must pay
to play golf on a public course. That
same boy can play basket all winter
in his school or church for nothing.
And in summer with a pair of hoops
nailed to an upright ten feet from
the ground, in his own back yard
he can continue the development of his
skills, health and skills of his very
versatile game.

In the yearly tournament in Indianapolis
alone, 600 teams engaged in basket ball.
I am sending a copy of Health Rays
of the K.C. Mo Public Schools showing a marked

*In the same city 15,000 people paid admission
for a H.S. Tour. and the doors were closed while
the kids were turned away.*

~~Paragraphs~~ space devoted to basket ball.
Please refer to p. 3. wherein it states that
2300 adults players have been playing
basket ball regularly - In one High
School - the Paseo High of K.G. Mo
there are 112 ~~to~~ organized teams of
basket ball.

I am ~~also~~ enclosing a sheet
from Iowa States College daily
sports service wherein it states there
are 90 intra mural teams there. ~~At the~~
~~all of Ks. we have~~

Also you will ~~also~~ find enclosed the
December issue of the Kansas Athlete
p. 3. wherein it shows that there are 644
organized competitive teams of basket ball
out of a total membership of 657 senior

high schools in the state of Kansas
Mr. E. J. Thomas Secy KSHSAA. estimates that there are 16000 HS boys 14000 HS
25000 Jr. Hi girls playing basket ball in the high 3 of Kansas this year
Incidentally there is more news paper

space devoted to basket ball in the midwestern
papers, in the winter than that given to all
other sports combined* bowling included.
In looking over your manufacturers
list regarding your allegedly ten fastest growing

Sports in the United States I thought it might
 prove interesting to you to submit ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~figures~~ ^{figures}
 figures on the numbers taking part
 in intramural events in the different sports.
 This is a compilation from 255 colleges
 and universities in this country &

