

## Pioneers on Dais

With them on the dais were T. Duncan Patton, of Toronto; William R. Chase, of New Bedford, Mass., and Lyman W. Archibald, of Warren, Pa., members of Dr. Naismith's original team; Ray Kaighn, a New Yorker who had the distinction of being the game's first casualty—he cracked up a knee in the first scrimmage—and Dr. Lawrence Locke Doggett, president at Springfield from 1896 to 1936 and a leader in the early propagation of basketball.

Nation-wide observance of the game's fiftieth birthday by the playing of "Golden Ball" contests by college, high school, club and institutional teams will be tied in with the efforts to raise funds for the construction of a basketball Hall of Fame.

The first of these special events will take the form of a tournament in Madison Square Garden Nov. 19 and 24, involving four outstanding A. A. U. teams—the national champion Twentieth Century Fox quintet, of Hollywood; the 1940 titleholders, Phillips Oilers, of Bartlesville, Okla.; Ohrbach A. A., rulers of the metropolitan district, and the Roanoke (Va.) Legionnaires, champions of the Southern area.

### All-Star Game Set for Chicago

Out in the Mid-West the drive for funds for the memorial will receive its impetus from the second annual "Chicago American" all-star game in the Chicago Stadium, Nov. 29. Even at this early date, it was announced, 150 colleges and 115 high schools have scheduled "Golden Ball" games. Hundreds of others have signified their intention of so doing.

An architect's drawing of the proposed structure and a portrait of Dr. Naismith occupied adjoining easels in the luncheon salon. It is the committee's hope to erect a building which not only will contain a model playing court and spectator facilities, but a Hall of Fame and museum in which may be enshrined records, souvenirs, documents and curios of the sport.

"Dr. Naismith gave us a completely democratic game," Mayor Putnam said in his talk, "one which knows neither sectarian nor national boundaries. It is played everywhere by men and women of all races and creeds. We want this building to be a universal memorial to a man who was loved universally for his contribution to competitive athletics and their democratic traditions and ideals."

Dr. Best sketched the origin of the game, Springfield's role in its development and turned over to Mayor Putnam a deed for the ground on which the memorial is to be erected. Then he introduced the game's first players and Dr. Doggett.

Basketball in this area was represented by Clair F. Bee, coach of Long Island University; Nat Holman, C. C. N. Y. coach; Jacques Coffey, graduate manager at Fordham; Captain Edward Messinger, basketball officer at West Point; Harry Henschel, head of the metropolitan A. A. U. basketball committee, and Jerry Ohrbach, president of the Ohrbach A. A.