

rather than emotional instability, and I am in favor of the old athletes of Oxford and Cambridge up in the air today in the R.A.F., as against those moles under the ground in England that are trying to tear down the motherland.

Now, to get down to more absolutely specific things. Both Mr. McMillin and Professor Owens have spoken of the broader athletic program. I will not be satisfied with what we are doing in the national defense side of this program until every boy in every institution is in some sort of organized team play, and I mean by that not filling the intramural teams alone but getting more candidates for intercollegiate teams. I think there is only one way of doing that, and that is to eliminate the distinction between major and minor sports in the college program. Any boy who goes out for any team gives it the best he has, if he is a real sport, and for that reason it is a major sport to him. England has done away with class distinctions under the bombs and under the flares, and we ought to do away with class distinctions in athletics. We ought to see that the tribute is paid to any boy who makes his letter, no matter what the sport is, because that will bring more boys out for our organized teams.

In the second place, I think any director of athletics ought to have more pride in bringing one boy who is a victim of, let's say, infantile paralysis back to strength than in directing a dozen super-athletes. As has already been suggested, we need more men with strong physiques.

As Director of Selective Service for Pennsylvania I am much concerned to observe the number of young men who are being turned back to deferred classification for physical reasons. I realize that a good many of them are turned back for minor faults—a few teeth lacking, or something of that kind, or because the regulations haven't been brought up to date—but when you find out the amount of tuberculosis, the amount of social disease, the results of alcoholism and drug addiction, eye-strain, malnutrition and a dozen other things, you and I—who think that America is strong and virile—must pause and think what our part is to be in this thing.

My answer, gentlemen, is that the college athletic organization has to go off the campus tomorrow and serve the community. There are over 16,000,000 young men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty-six who were registered last fall on the 16th of October. Out of those, if we don't get in the war, at least 4,500,000 are going to be called to the colors, but they are going to be called in small increments. We can cut down the number placed in the deferred classes, if every college and university in the United States, if every Y.M.C.A. and Y.M.H.A., if every Boy Scout organization that have gymnasiums, throw open their doors to reg-