

Thursday.

by Major Edwards

When I was asked to speak at Kinross
so soon after the ~~Nebraska~~ ^{Cornhusker} game I
~~was afraid~~ ^{concluded} that my most
appropriate remarks would be Oh Shucks

~~I am~~ ^{asked} to speak on a sport as American as
the Indian but nowhere near as vanishing.
- 46 years old and strictly American in
origin - more persons play and watch
basket ball than any sport in the world.
20,000,000 persons play it every year, 8,000,000
more watch it and 60 nations have adopted
the sport into their athletic families.

The court game has grown more rapidly
than our National debt but the New Yorkers
just discovered this four years ago when
Red Irish a reformed newspaper man
of the big metropolis sold the game to
Madison Square authorities and then let
the sport sell itself to the New Yorkers.

Mayor Jimmy Walker really was the New York
sports promoter. When the depression first hit
New York, ^{9 years ago} Walker appointed a sports committee
to help the city take care of its less fortunate
citizens, a sound and meritorious move.

a game These court carnivals draw more than 20,000 spec-
tators - altho' Madison [□] holds something less than 19,000

Basket Ball