SPRING SPORTS

Spring football is on in full swing at the University of Kansas.

Head Coach Henry Shenk, assisted by Elmer Schaake and Dean Nesmith, have

listed thirty-five men who have checked out football suits for the spring

work out. Of that number only six, - Dan Chase, center, Wayne Hird, center,

Charles Keller, guard, Charles Moffett, half, Don Barrington, fullback,

Don Faulkner, back, and Bill Chestnut, drop kicker - are lettermen. Junius

Penny, Bob Miller, LeRoy Robinson, and John Bergin are out for track.

Warren Riegle, only experienced end, is in a swirming class, and cannot

participate due to this conflict. Other last year's squad men who are

out are James Weatherby, back, Jim Shondell, tackle, Joe Ryan, guard, and

Harold Hill, end. All of the other men are new men, not one of whom has

had any college experience.

Most of the practice sessions are devoted to fundamentals, with scrimmage each Friday. In order to develop more enthusiastic tackling on the part of the Navy boys, Coach Henry Shenk has had likenesses of Hirohito and Hitler drawn on the two tackling dummies. It is astonishing how viciously those boys hit those dummies with the learning countenances now.

Athletic Director Karl Klooz is working on a ten-game football schedule for next year. An announcement of the schedule should be made in a few days.

The outdoor track season is blossoming forth in promising fashion under the splendid coaching of Ray Kanehl. Kanehl graduated at Kansas in 1927, having won a gold track shoe on Coach Huff's Missouri Valley Championship team. He is now in our department of Physical Education,

having come to us from Wichita East High School where he was chairman of the department.

The damp and chilling weather has temporarily repressed the ardent enthusiasm of these hopeful Jayhawkers, but there are over fifty boys out striving for the honor of representing the University of Kansas this spring. The following boys from the recently completed indoor track season are reporting daily for workouts: Whitson Godfrey in the distance runs and the javelin throw; Rolland Hamilton in the middle distance runs; Lillibridge in the sprints, hurdles and the jumping events; Harvey Morrow in the pole vault; Dean Patterson in the hurdles; Jim Richey in the sprints; Leroy Robison in the shot put, discus and javelin throw, and the high jump; William Schell in the middle distance and distance runs; Tom Scofield, last season's Big Six outdoor champion high jumper, will also broad jump and run low hurdles; Frank Stannard, Big Six indoor high hurdles champion, will compete in the low hurdles, high jump and run in relays; William Stewart, middle distances; and John Sutton in the dashes, John Hawley, middle distance runner who competed in the indoor season has been unable to report because of a foot operation which will delay him for some time.

The schedule for the outdoor season includes the University of Oklahoma at Norman, on April 15th; the Drake Relays, April 28 and 29; a triangular meet with Nebraska and Kansas State probably on May 5 or 6; Iowa State at Ames, May 13; the Big Six Outdoor Meet at Lincoln, Nebraska, May 20, and a meet to be scheduled later with Pittsburg State Teachers College.

Kansas experienced a very successful indoor track season under Kanshl's tutelage. Missouri was whipped at Columbia, 67 to 37. Kansas also emerged first place winner in a triangular indoor meet at Lincoln

when the Jayhawkers amassed a total of 43 2/3 points, and Nebraska was second with 41½ points, while Kansas State finished third with 15 points. The Big Six Indoor Meet at Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium found Iowa State winning first place with 38 points, Misseuri second with 28 1/3, Kansas won third place with 27 1/3 points, Nebraska fourth with 22 1/3 points, while Oklahoma was fifth with 16 points. Kansas State failed to place or to score a point.

The outstanding place winners in the Big Six Indoor Meet, so far as Kansas was concerned, found Frank Stannard winning first in the high hurdles and third in low hurdles; Tom Scofield tide for first place in the high jump and placed third in the broad jump; Harvey Morrow tied for first in the pole vault; and Robert Lillibridge tied for first in the broad jump.

Baseball will stage a come-back after a cessation of a year for

Kansas with the diamond sport. In all probability, Acting Athletic

Director Karl Klooz will engage Jackson G. Austin as coach of the baseball

team. Jack Austin is in our Physical Education department in charge of

ASTP physical education. Jack graduated from Kansas State Teachers College

of Emporia in 1930 with a major in physical education and a minor in

biological sciences. When engaged for the ASTP work Jack was working

toward a Ph. D. degree at the University of Kansas. He coached and

taught physical education six years before going into administrative work.

Austin played quarterback for Coach Fran Welch, and also played baseball.

The baseball schedule will of necessity be with service teams here in school and nearby camps and stations. Very few of the colleges are indulging in the national pastime. Gasoline restrictions and the inability of the baseball teams to draw on college diamonds will necessitate the scheduling of games with service teams. But the students who are in school

who have an aptitude for baseball will have an opportunity to play the game of their choice and at the same time earn the right to try for a varsity letter.

Tennis will receive attention and should be one of the prominent spring sports. There are several tennis players who are students in the Navy V-12 who have won national recognition. Professor Dick Howie, of the School of Business, will coach the tennis racketeers.

The Kansas Relays are out for the duration. But on April 22nd Kansas will stage her fortieth annual Kansas Interscholastic Meet on Memorial Stadium Field. Ray Kanehl, the varsity track coach, will be in charge of the hundreds of high school boys who will come in for this annual spring classic.

On March 17th several hundred ASTP boys were sent in to active We had four training. They left the University for southern camps. men handling the ASTP physical education - Howard Porter, Elmer Schaake, Vernon Hayes and Jack Austin. This large reduction in the ASTP ranks will naturally cause a thinning out of our instructors. The deferments of Elmer Schaake and Vernon Hayes will be up May first. Howard G. Porter, a University of Missouri graduate, who came to us last August from the Argentine High School of Kansas City, Kansas, has presented his resignation effective the 15th of April. Porter goes to the Planeview-Beechwood Schools, at the edge of Wichita, as a teacher of the teachers in physical education and recreation. Some would call it "supervisor", but the superintendent doesn't like that word. This district is near the airport at Wichita, and has a population of 20,000 within a radius of one mile. It has the largest grade school in the United States, as well as large high school and junior high school, in the set-up. The Porters have been living at

2133 Vermont Street in their home which they purchased last summer. The housing conditions being what they are in Lawrence have enabled the Porters to dispose of their home readily.

The Jayhawk Club of Greater Kansas City is calling all K. U. folks to their big funfest and dinner, April 25, at the President Hotel. Charles B. Shaeffer, Kansas alumnus and Regional Director of the War Production Board, as well as President of the Jayhawk Club, says: Come ye - one and all - husband, wife and family - to the big gathering of the tribe - on Tuesday evening, April 25, at the Hotel President roof ballroom - help us raise the ROOF. Chancellor Deane Malott and Mrs. Malott are the honored guests. K. U. professors and their wives will be there."

Shaeffer says a regular caravan from the University will be on hand to renew old friendships. Those in charge of arrangements state that so far as possible the diners will be grouped with others of your decade at school - making it doubly easy to greet and visit with your former fellow students and friends. A good will hour will precede the dinner. From 6:15 to 7:15 you will be in a position to let your hair down and have a good time. At 7:15 the call for chow will be made. While you wait you will have music. George "Dumpy" Bowles, the author of "I'm a Jay-Jay-Jayhawk", has arranged for an orchestra to soothe and inspire the dinner guests while they wait. For those who haven't forgotten, the dance floor is in readiness for you to recall the old days when you were in the University and you danced at Ecke's, the Fraternal Aid, the Country Club, or the Union Building. You may not have Swede Wilson's music, or Shanty Newhouse, or any of the early day orchestras, but "Dumpy" will have it arranged so that you will recall old times.

The hotel has a limit of 300 persons and the first 300 reservations

to come in will be the lucky ones. No special invitation is needed if you are a Kansas alumnus, a former student, or a friend of the University. Write to Charles B. Shaeffer, care of the War Production Board, 414

Interstate Building, Kansas City, Missouri, and enclose your check for \$2.50 per person, including all taxes, and your tickets will be mailed right back.

Prexy Charles says that amount is not much in times like these.

He admonishes with this sentence: Let's go for old K.U. Let's let the old K.U. spirit flow once more -- its been a long time. You will be sorry if you miss this one. Let's go for old K.U.

The football coaches will be present and there will be many an opportunity for the assembled multitude to celebrate their great victory over the Missouri Tigers on Kansas Memorial Field last Thanksgiving day, in football. Kansas defeated the Tigers in football, in track, and two out of three games in basketball. Certainly with that athletic record and with good food and good music, the Jayhawk Club of Greater Kansas City should have a grand evening.

P. T. Barnum and Henry The both had the right idea. Each produced an exceptional attraction and exhibited them to the public which "paid off" at the gate to view the oddity.

Chairman Jim St. Clair of the Basketball Rules Committee, will see from his crow's next above the basket Saturday night at the Oklahoma - Oklahoma A. and M. game at Norman what we at Kansas have known for a long time, - the folly of a ten foot basket easily within reach of a hyper seven footer:

St. Clair talks of defensive trouble. He speaks of goal tending difficulties. The offensive threat is even more of a orisis.

He should know that Kurland now holds the high scoring record of all time of Gallagher Field House, the home of the A. and M. Cowboys.

Raising the basket discriminates against no player but it does discourage a super tall player from camping under a low goal because the poorest place to shoot at a twelve foot basket is directly underneath the goal.

The same reasoning applies to moving the goal posts ten yards back of the goal line in college football. It discourages too easy place kinking or drop kicking attempts, yet it allows the same opportunity for all field goal artists.

If the proposed defensive goal tending suggestion of St. Clair should become a rule it would necessitate two additional crows nestsattending referees to rule on descending flights of the ball over the perpendicular cylinder of the basket, plus the two present referees that we now have. A cat-walk constructed from basket to basket above the players' heads would enable a single tightwire walking referee to observe both baskets in his elevated position. And some of the present basketball rules members even talk of the expense of raising the basket two feet!

A ten foot basket encourages the big time coaches to scour the country, searching for these altitudinous giants too tall to fight for Uncle Sam, yet

not too tall to fight for four years for dear old alma manany and Coach Go Get 'Em Quick and Tall.

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The Big Six Comforence has had quite a bit of difficulty in selecting their representative for the National Collegiate Athletic Association play-off in Remons City March 24 and 25. As amounted last week, Iom State by having the better offensive-defensive record them Oklahoma, was selected to represent the conference. Icms State declined the invitation because they were lesing sets of their star Haval trainces. Therefore they desired to close their season. Oklahoma was placed in the same position, so it was necessary for the tournament manager, Reaves Peters, who is the Big Six Commissioner, to sak the Fifth District Solootion Committee, comprising of Dr. H. H. Hing, chairman, of Eanons State College, C. . Modride, sports editor of the Kanses City Star, George Edwards, basketball cosen of the University of Missouri, and a representative from the Missouri Valley Conference, to select a representative. The University of Missouri was asked because they had a civilian team. Assistant Bean San Shirkey, who is faculty representative of Missouri, was out of town and no decision could be had. Middle The representatives asked the Hig Six Selection Committee to ask Iowa State College to recommider, which they did, so the Iowa State Cyclones will be the Fifth District representative. Henry Iba's Oklahess Aggies, which would be the Missour's Valley Conference representative, would have been the team to meet in a play-off match with the Big Six representative, but since meet of the Missouri Valley teams had disbanded and since Oklahema Aggies had accepted the Invitation Tournment in New York, no play-off was necessary.

The Fifth District has always heretofore had a play-off series between the Big Six winner and the Missouri Valley winner. Therefore, this year when Iowa State has been selected by the Big Six as their representative they new become the Fifth District representative without a play-off. The Rocky Mountain District, which is the Seventh, has no representative, so the M.C.A.A. constitute has asked the University of Iowa to represent the Rocky Mountain area. Likewise, the Pacific Coast had no representative because the northern and southern section of the

Pacific Coast did not meet. Again, the M.C.A.A. committee selected Pepperdime College, a small college that has heretofere been in the Intercollegiate fournament in Essass City which is made up of small colleges not observing the one year residence rule.

So only Iowa State and Arkamas will be representatives from their districts. The other schools - the University of Ioms and Pepperdine College - have been filled in to make a tournment possible. The plan of the National Collegiate is to have the four teams west of the Mississippi River play off their temment in Kanssas City March 24 and 25. Then the winner of the four western districts will meet the winner of the four eastern districts in Madison Square Carden in Now York. Then there is an Invitation Tournment in Madison Square Gardon promoted by Ned Irish. Oklahom Aggies, Eautuaky, Utah, New York University, St. John's of Brooklyn, - some of the top towns of the sountry - have been invited to participate in the Invitation formanent. This formerly was the Invitation Baskethall Writers Tournessut. It is rather an independent affair, but lists the top towns in the country. The winner of the Invitation Tournement, which is played in Madison Squere Cardon, will most the wisner of the Mational Colle glate in New York City for the bonefit of the Red Cross. Last year about \$26,000 was turned over to the Red Cross from the Invitation fournment with Wyoming University, the wimmer of the H.C.A.A. tournament, defeating St. John's of Brooklyn, the wirmer of the Invitation tournment.

The difficult time that Commissioner Reaves Peters has in making up a mak skeletal quartet to fill places of the Pacific Coast and the Rocky Mountain conferences is justified if only for the benefit that the Red Cross derives from the eventual play-off.

Pepperdine College from Los Angeles, of course, never has been a part of the R.C.A.A. organization, and Iowa University belongs in the Fourth district, the Big Ten area. Iowa is the second boot teem in the Big Ten, finishing barely below

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Ohio State, the winner. However, those games should afford a very interesting tournament in Kansas City. The dates, again, are March 24 and 25, in Municipal Auditorium. Double headers will be played each night. The tickets can be procured by phoning or writing Clyde Baker, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Missouri. Another interesting feature of the play-off will be the possible meeting of Iowa State College and the University of Iowa, two formidable opponents in the Hawkeye State. The drawings by Commissioner Peters will be announced in the very near future.

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Now, back to some nows about some of our alumni. Roland "Kickapoo" Logan, right guard on the Kansas football teams in 1927, 1928 and 1929, is now Lieut. Roland Logan, of the Havy. The Kickapoo was given Roland Logan on account of the fact that he came from Kickapoo, Kansas, a small village near Leavenmorth. Logan was trainer for the Kansas varsity athletic teams for a number of years. He then went to George Washington University, Washington, D. C., as trainer, then to the Boston Red Sox, and them to the University of Pittsburgh. He finally wound up as trainer of all athletic teams at the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York. He enlisted in the Navy over a year ago and is now at one of the advance bases in the Pacific in charge of recreation. Four months ago he took over as officer in Coach Jim Crowley's place. Crowley was football coach of the Fordham Rame before he assumed the fleet recreation center in the Pacific.

Crowley is now in charge of Admiral Halsey's staff as chief of all recreation in the Southern Pacific.

Lieut. Roland Logan has under his direct supervision forty agrees of play activities such as football, basketball, boxing, secoer, swimming, termis, handball, horseshoes, softball, backinton, velleyball and golf. He has just finished laying out a nine-hold golf course. Logan states that he is short of golf equipment but they are hoping to get some very soon. Quoting Logan, he says, "He also have a big stage where I warble and not as master of coremonies

parlor. Five thousand non or thereshouts visit this large center every day. It is a terrific boost to their morals — fighting men off the ship who come here and play, relax, out ice cream and rest up. Admiral Nimits stated the place is worth five battleships. I am carrying on and enjoying the work immensely. It is seven days a week and as much as 15 hours a day. The men come as early as 5:50 for a pre-breakfast work out, and often come back at night."

Congratulations to Roland Logan and the fine work that he is doing. He was always the life of any party. On football trips as a player he always led the singing, and as trainer of the teams he had the boys in high spirits as they gathered around the piene at the hotel or therever they night be.

In my Jayhamk Rebounds letter to our service boys, as of February 16, we published a letter from Captain Fon Durand of the Marines, one of our old varsity basketball and track stars. He states, "I was roughly indoctrinated into action on November 20th when I landed in the assault wave against the Japs at Tarawa. After having my landing craft shot out from under me when 100 yards from the beach, I spent nearly two hours swimming in the water before reaching shore. These Japs are worthy opponents and we Marines don't underestimate them. I was lucky to survive since about half of those in my craft were killed and several others wounded. At present we are in a rest camp, so called, where we are again undertaking strenuous training in preparation for the next operation. We manage to work a couple of hours in our daily schedule for athletics and have organized basketball, baseball and volleyball teams."

This morning Coach Henry Shenk received a letter from Captain Durand. This letter, dated March 1st, states, "We are now at a base comp training hard but also enjoying a let of good sum and surf bathing. The temperature is mild enough that we never wear shirts and use only one or two blankets at night. We are far removed from a town and therefore removed from all dissipation, so all of us are really getting in tip top shape. I weight 195 pounds at present.

Then, consistent with his modesty, he states, "Today I received a thrill when Admiral Nimits presented me with a Silver Star Medal for so-called gallant action. There were many others of our division receiving similar awards as a result of our Tarawa action. It was a real thrill to receive the award from one of the big boys. Major Bill Jones, a former K.U. boy, also received the Silver Star Medal."

Bill Jones will be remembered as a Sig Alph back in 1937, and Fen was a Phi Pai, graduating in 1939. Fen further states, "I guess it has been all of three years or more since I last saw you and Mrs. Shank. Your boys will be grown, probably, when I see you again at this rate. Give my regards to all of my friends on the Hill.

Now, in closing, well do we remember General Douglas MacArthur's words which are carved in stone above the gamasium of the United States Military Academy at West Point:

"On the fields of friendly strife are some The seeds which, in other years on other fields Will bear the fruits of victory."

THERE IS A CRISIS FACING OUR YOUTH

There is a crisis facing our youth in Lawrence. The crisis is in our schools of Lawrence and in the State of Kansas. It would appear that we supporters of this platform, spokesmen for health and physical education and general education of our children, must become increasingly and persuasively vocal regarding the values that are so commonly neglected. Cities and towns that do not provide adequately deny these children great opportunities to which they are inherently entitled. Our teachers have been going to better jobs. Industries and teaching positions in public schools draw many of our finest teachers from Lawrence. We are in danger of losing many more of our very excellent teachers unless something is done definitely to meet a salary schedule to which they are entitled.

Citizens in classification clubs are urgang the local school board to go before the State Tax Commission and ask for permission to raise the levy to such place as is necessary to provide needed funds. This can be done without legislative action. If the local board decided to add another mill and levy 15 mills instead of 14 which is now the limit, it would receive about \$16,000 more money. This doubtless would be adequate for salary increases. Our Lawrence public can help by insisting that our teachers' salaries here in Lawrence be increased. The Board of Education has the necessary power to solve the problem. If our Lawrence patrons will be audible in behalf of the deserving teachers, the Board doubtless will react favorably.

Last night the Board of Directors of the Lawrence Rotary Club went on record with a strong endorsement favoring an increase for the teachers.

Today at noon the Lawrence Kiwanis Club acted in a similar manner. Our teachers have no organization like the unions have to express themselves, and it is only

through the appreciative patrons of the schools that Lawrence teachers may speak up in their behalf. Lawrence is proud of her school system and of course the teachers are responsible for the high standing that Lawrence enjoys.

The matter of general education is but one phase of the crisis. The physical fitness of our youth has been plaguing the country in a most embarrassing situation. Out of Washington yesterday came the following statement: Quote: The office of education today announced three regional institutes on physical fitness among students, in addition to a three-day institute which started yesterday at the University of Texas in Austin. One of the three will be at the Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka, Kan., March 7, 8, 9; local chairman, Strong Hinman, assistant superintendent of schools, Topeka. The institutes are a part of a wartime drive for physical fitness of students in schools and colleges, which started in November, 1942, because selective service figures showed a high percentage of rejections among registrants 18 and 19 years old. The campaign is sponsored by the office of education with the cooperation of the army, navy and federal security agency, committee on physical fitness. Ald those groups are represented on the faculties of the institutes in addition to local physical fitness leaders. Unquote.

will have to assume some responsibility for their short-sightedness in not enforcing a more efficient physical fitness program during the pre-war days. Many educators held to the belief that physical conditioning should be optional. This is a great mistake. A thoroughbred horse or a thoroughbred dog is exercised daily because the owner considers him a valuable animal. Seven-eighths of the returned circulation of the blood to the heart is through muscular exercise. Certainly growing youth should be exposed to a scientific and sane physical fitness program.

Before the war the hospital at the University here examined the students for defects. If they were found to have no organic or systemic diseases it was optional with them whether they should take physical conditioning. The very people who needed it most -- because they were not in fine physical condition -- generally took an academic subject rather than to enroll in physical conditioning. The University catalog stated that it was necessary to have 124 hours for graduation, 4 hours of which might be physical exercise. One hour credit per semester was given for physical conditioning. The boy who was not aggressive or highly skilled in some game naturally shrunk away from swimming and physical exercise. Many of them did not want to change their clothes during the day and the general so-called discomfort of exercise and shower bath to them was odious. They followed the philosophy and reactions of President Robert M. Hutchings of the University of Chicago who said, "When I feel the urge to exercise I just go and lie down and soon the urge passes away."

This attitude and the attitude of college administrators who permitted such a program definitely contributed to the unfit condition of our younger men for military service. When the war came on these same administrators who were lethargic about installing the program were very enthusiastic about getting all young men in vigorous and rigorous physical conditioning programs. But the effort was too late to save many of the young men who could have been saved by a same and comprehensive physical building program.

Bacon said: Quote: If by gaining knowledge we destroy our health, we labor for a thing that will be useless in our hands. He that sinks his vessel by overloading it though it be with gold and silver and precious stones, will give its owner but an ill account of his voyage. Unquote.

Someone else has said, quote, Health is an asset that outweighs all others. Health is a gift from nature, and one must obey her laws if he is to retain possession of his chiefest asset in life's struggle. Unquote.

Maude Royden, the great English woman sociologist, said, quote: You cannot break Nature's laws, but you can break yourself against Nature's laws. Unquote.

You may lost money, friends, power, prestige and even reputation, but if you have health and courage you can regain lost treasures, climb the heights again and look the sun in the face. But when health is gone, money, power, prestige and friends cannot save you. Nature has decreed that man must work in order to be health, and work must be such as to provide plenty of mental and physical exercise properly proportioned, or the individual must arrange his living outside of working hours to get the needed mental and physical activities in order to avoid a loss in health and happiness. A man who does not work at all soon finds himself slipping on life's highway. Any faculty which is not used tends to deteriorate. But the man who works too hard is undermining his health and wrecking his life. Safety lies in pursuing the middle course of work and play happily proportioned. Measure and proportion. The man who does not obtain both mental and physical exercise in his daily work and refuses to obtain it in some form of recreation has no one to blame but himself if the bloom of health fades from his cheeks. The human system cannot stand a steady diet of hard work and no play. Abolish play and you would destroy happiness, outlaw laughter and you transform life into a gloomy funeral march from the cradle to the grave.

We need teachers in our public schools who have vision, energy, personality and vibrant health. In my opinion, teachers should be examined for physical defects and retired from their teaching until they regain their physical fitness. We have too many teachers in our schools and colleges who have embalming fluid in their veins instead of glood. It is altogether desirable to have in

our public schools teachers who will take the entire class out over the week-end into the country and teach them as only efficient headmasters can - camping, hiking and nature study. The Boy Scouts organization is doing a wonderful job, but less than five per cent of our boys are touched by this program.

I had a very interesting experience with my son, Bob. A few years ago we were playing golf at the Lawrence Country Club. The wind was pretty strong across the course and before the shot was made Bob said, as he picked up some grass and tossed it into the air, "From which direction is the wind?" Naturally the grass blew in the direction that gave him the information he desired for the drive. Before he tossed the grass into the air, I said, "From the southeast." And he said, "Which is southeast?" Shocking, I would say, to think that a boy who could earn a Phi Beta Kappa key was never taught in the public school the four points of the compass. Then I tried it on two of my other children who were graduates of the University and fund that they did not know directions. So shocked was I at the lack of elemental knowledge that I thought I would try it on my basketball team. I said to a group before scrimmage, "Take the east goal." And several of the varsity basketball players looked at me and said, "Which is the east goal?" Certainly our schools have failed to teach some of the most vital and elemental things that our youth should possess.

A very excellent illustration of the need for physical fitness is exemplified by the officers of our U. S. Naval Unit here on Mount Oread. The entire staff of our naval officer personnel exercises every morning here in Robinson Gymnasium at 11 o'clock. It is not optional with them, but is required by the government. Our government recognizes the emphatic need of these officers to retain their physical vigor and alertness and these orders are enforced to the letter. If we had the same requirement for our teachers that Uncle Sam has for his fighting men, we would have buoyant, personable, healthy and aggressive teachers in our public schools. Crime and truancy would be reduced because these

leaders would be leaders both in and out of the classroom.

During my years here at the University I have had many faculty members who are parents come to me and say, "I want you to teach my Johnny, or Bill, to box. He doesn't know how to take care of himself, and the neighborhood children are punishing him unduly." These children generally came from homes where the father did not take an active part in building the morale and physical stature of his son.

The great Greek, Laodamas, son of Alcinous, said to Odysseus: Quote: Come, do thou too, father and stranger, try thy skill in the sports, if haply thou art practiced in any; and thou art like to have knowledge of games, for there is no greater glory for a man while yet he lives, than that which he achieves by hand or foot. Unquote.

No greater joy can a father have than to indulge in sports and games with his son. But generally a busy father will do what most fathers do -- leave it to the schools to provide games and sports for his son. All sociologists and psychologists agree that where play and recreation are afforded youth, juvenile delinquency decreases markedly. Lawrence has a fine school system with elementary schools in which are excellent gymnasia. However, there is no physical education program for the youth on Saturdays and holiday periods. Cordley School has a fine gymnasium, but the basketball goals have been removed and an auditorium has been made out of the gymnasium. The youngsters from Cordley attack Robinson Gymnasium in force on week days, Saturdays and Sundays with their basketballs. Certainly this is not as it should be. The Parent-Teachers Association and the patrons of the school should see that these youngsters have a place to play under proper supervision. In all first class Y.M.C.A.'s and school organizations the intermediate youngsters are separated from the high school youngsters, and the high school youngsters from the adults. Therefore, the intermediate youngsters

should not be storming Robinson Gymnasium and waiting around where men dress and exercise. It gives them the wrong perspective. There is hardly an afternoon or evening that a large group of juveniles do not invade the gymnasium. For What? For a chance to play basketball. It has even been known that they break into the gymnasium to play. When the attendants and janitors run the small boys from one floor they go to the next. When they are run off the other one they move out but they are found in another part of the building. No one desires to be unfriendly or out of sympathy with these little fellows. They are not permitted in the Community Building where basketball goals are installed. They want a place to play. If the school buildings were opened the gymnasium in that school building would be their "home room", so to speak. It would be more than that. It would be their rendevous. Instead of thinking of the drudgery of study, they would think of the joy of play and naturally grades would come up because they would associate the building with a place to play as well as a place to work. And play and work, measurably proportioned, is the prescription for you and for me - for your child and my child.

Thank you.

DOUBLE TROUBLE FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

The pseudo-patriotism of some of our so-called big time coaches in both basketball and football is astounding. These coaches are traveling over the country signing up all the likely 4F boys with athletic potentialities. They also are scouting for all 17 year old high school graduates who have one year of athletic competition before registering for selective service.

The method employed by these proselyting coaches is to appear at alumni gatherings and quarterback clubs, as well as business executive meetings. They show their reels of football or basketball games and enlist certain men of the community, whether alumni of the college or big shot business executives who grab an opportunity to get in the reflected limelight of publicity. These high powered young business executives have the name and record, as well as the financial standing of the young athlete's family. They know just how much money the family will need to help this young high school athlete obtain a college degree. This personality-plus business executive has already talked to the dad or mother of the young athlete and assured them that he can fix the boy up with Coach So-and-So of Siwash fame.

When this coach comes to town he is entertained by this business executive or executives of this hot down-town quarterback club, and the boys are brought in and introduced to Coach So-and-so.

Now, that is just one angle. It is possible that the alumni of several colleges reside in the same town, and each one of the alumni of certain colleges or the followers of the various colleges will make appointments to according to the precedure is repeted flow according to with their own particular favorite coach. In this way it is possible for the boy to talk to and even be propositioned by five or six of these itinerant athletic tramp coaches who are out to buy the boys on the hoof through the so-called respectable status of the coach being interested in the welfare of the boy. As a matter of fact, this coach is only interested in his own coaching

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other faculty members, are supposed to do. At the same time, these coaches in making after-dinner speeches, are indulging in frantic flag waving while posing as developers of young men, aiding the war effort through physical conditioning programs of athletic games.

Please do not misunderstand me. All of the college coaches in America are not doing this thing, but the so-called big time coaches are and they are aided and abetted by the college which they represent because the athletic governing body of that institution is paying the expenses of the coach in his marauding over the country. State boundaries have no restraint for him.

Any likely athlete anywhere in the United States is fair game for his project toward more efficient athletic material in winning his games.

There is more respect for rules and for conduct in our professional sport

of organized baseball than that which obtains in our college athletic competition

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of today. The reason is very obvious. Judge Landis enforces the professional

code to the letter and spirit, while the college authorities temporize and are

now permitting the devil to take the hindermost.

Take the college athletic situation of today. The president is always
the acting head or ex officio head of the athletic committee. He or the school
faculty appoint a faculty representative who is responsible for the so-called
ideals and laws of the conference under which the school operates. These
ather conference which the school operates. These
faculty representatives assemble and are the legislative, executive and the
judicial bodies of the conference of which the school is a member. An athletic
board is formed by the college, in which are student representatives - always
in the minority because the conference rules state that only institutions
having faculty control of athletics shall be members of the association. And
further, the faculty representatives shall be persons of professional rank who
do not receive pay primarily for services rendered in connection with athletics

or physical education. Herein lies one of the chief weaknesses of the break down in amateur enforcement because by such a method these faculty representatives generally are deans or administrators of an important division in the university and primarily interested in their work, and are not paid specifically for doing a job in which no compensation accrues. No wonder illegal practices creep in when these law enforcement faculty representatives do not know the inside of the game as practiced by wily coaches and administrators. Nor do they particularly care beyond the range of casual decency. But in professional baseball Judge Landis is paid an annual salary of \$75,000 to keep baseball free which is from the taint of the cancer/eating up the amateur collegiate athletic competitive body.

Also on this college athletic board there are generally double the alumni members that there are student members, but certainly the board is faculty controlled. And that is as it should be. But by the school taking the responsibility of having a faculty controlled athletic board, the real responsibility rests upon the faculty members of the committee that control the athletic board. The athletic board hires a director or a manager, and if the school is large enough, hires a head coach for each of the major sports. The athletic director is nothing more than a business manager and a personnel director. The coaches are responsible to the athletic director - the athletic director responsible to the athletic board - and the athletic board responsible to the president. So, after all, the responsibility for the policy of the institution definitely rests with the athletic board and the president.

From time immemorial we have had proselyting of our strong young men for combat and for athletic contests. Paul spoke of it in Biblical times when he referred to the Olympic games. But our present proselyters of 4F material are playing for huge financial stakes. Bowl games and tournament money are the lure in assembling these illegitimate teams. Professional baseball's chief

hope this year is the signing of all 4F's and older men too old for the draft. This obtains also for professional football. The big time college coaches are restricted to the younger men. Professional football teams did it last summer and fall with success.

Professional baseball and professional football are businesses calculated to make money and to entertain their patrons for the price of admission. The business of the college is to educate the youngster, not to prostitute him professionally. College athletics are supposed to be a sport and not a professional business. The old college ideal of former days is gone. One football coach of our section said only the other day, "Our team, had it won a couple of more games, would have gotten a Bowl bid that would have paid us a very handsome to Look at the example of Siwash (real name not used). Siwash was nearly all a 4F outfit. They accepted a Bowl bid and got the money. We are on the lookout for these 4F boys for next year, and also the 17 year old boys who have one year of competition before being called for the draft." unsquote

The coach quoted was under the impression that he was speaking to one of his workers, but he got his geography mixed. He was speaking to a Kansas man.

Certainly I want it understood that I am strongly in favor of 4F boys being permitted to participate in athletics. But when they are made the medium of an all-out effort to go professionally big time, then there should be pause for sober reflection.

So be prepared for more flag waving, more high sounding patriotic phrases emulating top physical conditioning of our athletic teams for the coming year by these same pseudo-developers of physical conditioning.

Our number one business in America at the present time is to win the war with everything we have got in the shortest possible time. Back the attack by an all-out effort on the home front. The 4F athlete in war time should not be glorified nor should he be villified athletically. And if something is not done

soon for post war athletic rules - to rigidly enforce decadent and dead regulations in our college conferences after the war - then the college presidents had better tie their hats on because the gale brewing will develop a holocaust excelling anything yet seen.

But the teams that suffer most are the ones which observe the conference rules. These big time teams have discarded all of the traditional collegiate restrictions. There is no one at present in the collegiate set up to enforce the old rules. Maybe they are outmoded. The big timers are ignoring these rules the same as Hitler ignored the Versailles treaty and invaded the Ruhr.

No nation acted. And no school or person is restricting the big time teams and the big time coaches at present.

The surest way to kill intercollegiate athletics for the future is to continue in the deplorable manner that they are now being conducted. All other phases of educational and business procedures are definitely planning a post-war program. Certainly the old form of hiring a conference commissioner who pinches off the fuse before the flame gets to the powder keg will not be the answer. There will be such an upsurge of athletics by the boys returning from the world's war fronts to college halls that athletic contagion will spread like a prairie fire. Attendances will leap to a new high, and unless new rules are made and enforced -- rules that have teeth in them to keep these proselytors in bounds as Judge Landis has kept the baseball recalcitrants in bounds -- then we are in for double, double trouble. Judge Landis ousted William D. Cox, the president of the Philadelphia National League club. Cox was banished from organized baseball for betting on games, It will take a commissioner for college athletics with as much fearlessness in dealing with college coaches and administrators as is now possessed by Judge Landis in handling professional baseball.

Only college conferences subscribing to such a plan would schedule games with colleges that adhere to this plan. The cost of this large salary for administration would be divided equally among the conferences subscribing. The gate receipts, stimulated under a fair enforced plan for all, would double and treble because each school then would feel that they would have a fair opportunity of developing their school's talent. And they would not be forced to compete against itinerants as they now are. The money expended for a commissioner would be much less than the subsidized subterranean contributions that are now given by business men and alumni enthusiasts that go into the channels of athletic promotion unethically and unaccounted for.

The only safe way to insure intercollegiate athletics for the future on a safe and high plane, bringing back the fine educational phases of years gone by, is by the installation of a high commissioner or czar. A sterling character the like of Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis would do the trick.