

hope this year is <sup>in</sup> 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 <sup>splendid</sup> 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 <sup>sum.</sup> <sup>he said -</sup> 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. <sup>" now</sup> We are <sup>-A</sup> on the lookout ~~now~~ 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." <sup>unquote</sup>

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