

UNIFORM CODE OF AMATEURISM NECESSARY—PENN'S DEFENSE HOPE FOR VICTORY

BAN ON LEGORE ANOTHER PROOF OF FLAWS IN AMATEUR RULES

Glaring Inconsistencies in Code Unfair and Could Be Remedied Easily by Standard Agreement of All Colleges—Other Sports Comment

IF THE Yale Athletic Association, instead of disqualifying five of its best football and baseball players for what it insists was merely a technical violation of the amateur code, would take the initiative or enter into an alliance with other universities to agree upon some uniform code of amateurism it would do intercollegiate sports a real service.

Such a definition is needed not only in behalf of amateurism in college baseball but in football, track and other sports.

There is hardly any word in the English language which admits of more definitions and interpretations than "amateur." Even Yale observes two definitions for it. For example, Legore and his team mates are disqualified from amateur athletics for all time because they violated the Yale rule by accepting free board for playing with a club baseball team during the summer. Yet Yale track athletes are allowed to compete for the New York Athletic Club and other organizations during the summer months, and particularly if they go on trips, their board and traveling expenses are paid for them. If baseball players have to pay their own expenses, even to their board, while playing baseball, so ought the trackmen.

All Colleges Violate Some Phase of Amateur Rule

The inconsistency of the thing grows as the investigation proceeds. It is now the custom for Yale and the other big universities to hold preliminary football practice before their universities open in the fall. Yale practiced thus for three weeks this year at Madison, Conn.; Harvard at some place near Boston and Pennsylvania at Fort Deposit, Md. Is it to be supposed that the students summoned for early practice paid their own board? Not on your life!

Legore went from playing summer baseball for a club to playing summer football for Yale. He is disqualified for doing for an amateur club precisely what he was allowed to do later for Yale. It would take more than a Philadelphia lawyer to make the proper distinction here.

Lapses in Rowing, Football and Track Games

Further, the Poughkeepsie regatta, and sometimes the Yale-Harvard boat races at New London, are held after the college year closes. The entire expenses of these crews are paid by their athletic associations. To be consistent these men should be compelled to pay their own board, since they are competing after the close of their universities.

Here is another juicy inconsistency: The International Olympic Committee is supposed to set the pace in making pure amateur rules. Yet it permits the employes of rifle and ammunition manufacturers to participate in its amateur events at the Olympic games! And almost any kind of a wrestler or bicycle rider is an amateur in the Olympic games.

A Bit of Humbug Worthy of Ridicule

A very pretty appeal is made to sentiment by the action of leading Harvard athletes and the similarly suggested action at Princeton asking Yale to reinstate these men since they unwittingly violated the letter of the Yale rule.

Both Harvard and Princeton rise to protest indignantly that they never thought of calling to the attention of the Yale authorities the infraction of the amateur rules by Legore and his fellow athletes. But every one knows well enough that if either Harvard or Princeton had evidence concerning the violation of the amateur rules by these men they would have presented it quickly enough. Yale knows it, too.

Harvard Caused Disqualification of Roos

Only last spring Harvard protested Roos, of Yale's track team, on the ground that he was then competing his third year for Yale after two years of competition at Columbia. Yale had to admit Harvard's contention, and the disqualification of Roos gave the meet to Harvard. On top of this, Princeton protested against Yale's use of Hanes, the star outfielder of its baseball team, on the ground that his playing this spring was giving him an extra year of competition. Yale had to admit that contention, too. Yale men must have their own thoughts now on the proffered sympathy of Harvard and Princeton.

Colleges Should Get Together and Formulate Code

There is only one conclusion to be reached. Human nature is the same at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania and every other university. The standard of amateurism is just as high as the standard of undergraduate honesty. The sole purpose of amateur rules is to insure an even game with all sides observing the same rules.

The amateur code is not the same at any two institutions, and since all the colleges play each other, common sense should dictate, forgetting old enmities, and the calling of a convention in which at least all the universities of a certain class would pass uniform amateur and eligibility rules written clearly enough to be understood and observed by all.

Braves Field Could Exceed Yale Bowl's Seating Capacity

The most notable features of Braves Field, the new home of the Boston National League baseball club, on which two of the world's series games this year were played, are the extent of the playing surface and the possibility of increasing the seating capacity.

The official attendance at the first Phillies-Red Sox game in Boston was 42,500. This number indicates the exact present number of seats, and still the sweep of the stands extends only half way around the field and has no upper tier. The concrete stands are built in such a way that a "double-decker" can be erected at any time the management desires.

Further, the stands can be extended all the way around the field, making a complete circuit. If two-tier stands were placed around this big ball lawn they would be capable of seating not less than 125,000 persons, or 55,000 more than the giant Yale bowl.

If such an extension were made Braves Field would have a capacity exceeding by many thousands even the mammoth soccer football arenas of Great Britain and Australia.

Niehoff Blamed for Tipping Off Red Sox to All Signals

Upon arriving in Chicago en route for the Pacific coast, Duffy Lewis, hero of the recent world's series, told a scribe that Bert Niehoff, of the Phillies had unconsciously tipped the Red Sox off to almost every ball pitched at critical stages of the series.

Major league infielders have a habit of shifting after seeing the catcher give the signal to the pitcher. In order to take advantage of the percentage, as certain batmen pull curve balls through one spot and hit fast ones in an entirely different direction. Lewis says that Niehoff was nervous throughout the series, and in the pinches shifted before the ball was on its way to the plate. He says that he knew that Alexander's curve ball was coming up in the fourth game, and that he also called Rizzy's fast ball when he hit the home run in the final game by watching Niehoff.

If Lewis is right, it is strange that such a strongly boosted hitting team could not score more runs if Niehoff was constantly tipping them off.

Paced Running Records Not Proper Idea in Sport

A number of protests are certain to be made by district delegates at the annual pow-wow of the Amateur Athletic Union at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, November 22, regarding the advisability of granting records to athletes who make their marks in "paced" events.

The Middle Atlantic Association representatives will take the stand that it is unfair to grant an athlete a "paced" record and thus wipe off the books a highwater mark made in "open" competition. The Amateur Athletic Union at its session last year, when the Federation Athletic Rules were adopted, decided to list only standard events for records. Odd distance and miscellaneous figures were to be placed under the caption "Notable Achievements." Very properly, the "paced" records should be placed on the books, but not to replace standard marks made in open running.

It is magnanimity in the Nth degree for Harvard and Princeton to urge the reinstatement of Legore and his team mates, barred from athletics at Yale. As Clarissa would say, it is too sweet for anything.

The crushing defeat of Delaware College by Lafayette yesterday was somewhat of an upset, although it was expected that Crowells team would win, probably by a narrow margin.

IT WILL HAPPEN IN THE BEST REGULATED OF FAMILIES



BUCK, A WANDERLUST, TO LEAVE FOR WEST; KAUFMAN VS. TOLAND

Local Feather Again Will Leave For Out-of-Town Bouts. Show Scheduled at Broadway Tonight

OTHER BOXING CHATTER

Tommy Buck, local featherweight, who returned from Canada last week after a successful invasion of the Dominion, again will leave for other fields to conquer in about three weeks. Following his arrival here Buck was matched to meet Eddie Moran, of England, at the National Club Saturday night.

Tommy believes he can take anybody his weight in this vicinity into camp, but he has the "wanderlust" bug, and he has the "wanderlust" bug, and he has the "wanderlust" bug, and he has the "wanderlust" bug, and he has the "wanderlust" bug.

Jimmy Toland, who is down below the 12-pound mark following his long lay-off, will make his reappearance in the squared circle at the Broadway tonight. Benny Kaufman will be his opponent.

The program follows: First bout—Jimmy McAnany, Southwark, vs. Young Howard, Fairmount. Second bout—Willie Beckert, Southwark, vs. Eddie Rando, Southwark. Third bout—Lefty Tyler, Southwark, vs. Joe Maza, Camden.

A local promoter tried to clinch a match between Battling Levinsky and Jack Dillon, but as the latter signed up to meet Young Weisert in New York November 1, the bout fell through. The Hoosier knocked out Weisert here in two rounds.

A unique 12-round set-to between Battling Levinsky and Percy Flynn will be held at Portland, Me., next Monday night. They will box six rounds, and after a 15-minute rest they will resume fighting another half dozen periods.

The preliminaries to the Buck-Morgan bout at the National, Saturday night, follow: Fred Jordan vs. Sam Taylor, heavyweights; Charley Thomas vs. Joe Welsh, Henry Hauber vs. Walter West, Young Jack Toland vs. Barney Hahn.

White Sox Get Chappell Again

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Secretary Harry Grabner, of the Chicago American League team, has announced that the White Sox had optioned outfielder Chappell and pitcher Shubert from the Milwaukee team of the American Association. He denied, however, that Milwaukee as part of the deal. It is rumored that Chappell is to be turned over to Cleveland in part payment for Joe Jackson. Both and neither already having been turned over in connection with the trade.



SHE LIKES SUNNYBROOK Miss Gretchen Clay, H. V. C. C., was one of the score of young women golfers who played at the new Sunnybrook course yesterday for the benefit of St. Luke's Hospital, Tokio.

WHEN IS AN AMATEUR NOT AN AMATEUR? CASE OF LEGORE

Yale Star Did Not Receive Cent For Services, Yet He Was Branded a Professional—Bacon and Eggs Evidence Against Him

By GRANTLAND RICE

We wonder Shakespeare never had to write Slug about a game; Shakespeare never penned a fight Or heard of Willard's name; Telling us the metric slope, Always on the job, Shakespeare never heard of "dope." Never wrote of Cobb.

Shakespeare never tried to spin Poems on Moran; Never doped the Phils to win From the Boston clan; Shakespeare never saw a guy "Soak one with the second"; Who knows? Maybe that is why His stuff was pretty good.

AN AMATEUR, in this jaunty Commonwealth of ours, still appears to be any guy who can get away with it.

Briefly, it isn't what you got—but what you can get by with—that establishes the amateur status in about nine cases out of eleven.

The Case of Harry Legore

The case of Harry Legore and the four other Yale athletes is a striking example, as some one has called it, of a similar case before.

No one charges that Legore is in any sense a professional, where it is charged that he received any money. He merely received his board for a short period until he discovered that he was violating a university rule, and for the rest of the period he paid his expenses for the pleasure of playing a game he liked.

Legore, knowing the ways of our amateur rule guardians, should have looked more carefully into details before he was willing to accept an unpaid strip of bacon or a brace of eggs. He didn't—so he is a professional—where there are getting regular kake out of the game through an athletic ability that makes their written article worth while.

The Amateur Problem

We have been groping with this amateur problem for a long while without getting anywhere with it.

Perhaps it is because we are handling it in an amateur way, where it is worth the best services of a professional.

There have been any number of amateurs in this country in every line of sport who have made money out of their athletic abilities—out of their connection with certain pastimes. Most of these are still amateurs. And a good many of them are among the best amateurs we have, in so far as efficiency is concerned.

In spite of which five Yale men are branded as professionals, when they have never received as much as 20 cents for their services.

"We should have our amateur rules and regulations patterned after the English system," writes a contemporary scribe, "where they have a well-established system."

Quite so. As in the case of one of their leading amateur golfers who receives \$2500 a year for playing with a certain brand of golf ball.

There is also something to be said against Legore and his four mates. Knowing, as we remarked before, the intricate ways of our amateurism, they should have made it their business to find out exactly what the rule was and then follow it, if they cared to play under a Yale flag.

Cornell and Harvard

Cornell, under the instructorship of Al Sharpe, has been coming forward more rapidly in football than she has received credit for.

Cornell hasn't yet reached the football height that her track and crew legions have gained, but she has been well upon the way for some time. So Cornell on Saturday has at least a healthy outside chance to beat Harvard, and even if the Ithaca invaders are repulsed, the battle is almost sure to be a close one—too close for Crimson comfort. And if Cornell should win, there would, of course, be no jubilation at all around Ann Arbor, Mich., where Cornell comes later on for the big home game of the Wolverine year.

Maxims of the Winter League

The magnate that keepeth his face closed tightly from October to April is rarer than he that winneth a world series. The simple may have no blisful existence up to October, but we'd like to trade jobs with him now until April 15th.

Now comes along Prof. W. Trumbull, who after looking up on two shots in succession broke into a plaintive melody entitled—"I didn't raise my head to be a golfer."

"What is the amateur system in this country, anyway?" writes Eli '09. There isn't any. We have amateur rules but no amateur system.

A number of baseball magnates are planning to visit Quogue, Long Island, and discover the art of running a ball club by merely paying two weeks upon each athlete's board. The experiment sounds like an interesting one.

Quoth the Raven—"Lost Legore."

PENN AND DARTMOUTH IN DUAL X-COUNTRY RACE HERE SATURDAY

Hill and Dale Event to Be Held Over Course in Fairmount Park—Quakers' Chances Good

RED AND BLUE SCHEDULE

Coach Orton, of the University of Pennsylvania athletic team, has his cross-country runners in good condition for the dual contest with Dartmouth's representatives at Fairmount Park next Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The race will be over a 4 1/2-mile course.

The local men have been in constant training since the University opened its doors for the fall term, and the runners are well shaped for hard contests. Lieberman, who is expected to be one of the star distance runners of the University, is suffering from an injured ankle, and he is giving the member a rest.

A fine band of athletes will wear the University colors in Saturday's race. Mitchell, formerly of Northeast High School; Brooks, of West Philadelphia High School; Macomb, of Central; Eisele, brother of the famous champion of Princeton University; Jones, Episcopal; Humphreys, De Korn and Colton will represent Penn.

Mitchell and Macomb have the earmarks of great distance runners, and will essay the cross-country to point until they are strong enough to be pointed for the two-mile distance.

Immediately after the varsity race there will be a novice intercollegiate race conducted by the Pennsylvania track authorities for local and suburban schools. There are 194 entries, the largest known for such an event. The following schools have entered their best runners: Central High School, West Philadelphia High School, Southern High School, Germantown High School, Frankford High School, Northeast High School, Roman Catholic High School, Episcopal Academy, Lawrenceville School, Chester High School, Camden High School, Woodbury High School. It will be over the short course of three miles.

Novices and freshmen will be in their glory tomorrow afternoon on Franklin Field, as Doctor Orton has decided to hold a set of games for their benefit. The games will be scratch events. The results will give the coach a line on new material.

Pennsylvania's track dates indicate that the season is going to be a hummer. For the first time in the history of athletics, Princeton will appear here in a dual cross-country run. Other important features also have been announced.

Dates for some of the events decided upon follow: Tomorrow—Novice and Freshman dual and field meet, scratch. Saturday—Varsity cross-country dual at Fairmount Park. October 29—Fall handicap meet, open to all students. October 30—Departmental 5-mile handicap. Ten individual and two time prizes offered.

November 5—Princeton cross-country dual at Fairmount Park. November 12—Cornell dual cross-country race at Ithaca. November 20—Intercollegiate cross-country race at Brookline, Mass.

The feature event of the season is usually with Cornell, but this year interest probably will be equally divided with Princeton.

TO PLAY ON HOUSTON FIELD

Annual Central-Northeast Game on Former's Gridiron

At a meeting between the managers of the football teams of Northeast and Central High and the chairman of the Athletic Commission of these institutions it was decided by Professor Althouse and Northeast vs. Central High game on Houston Field.

This action was taken as a result of the limited accommodations of last year for the students of both schools at the Northeast High Field.

All-Americans Defeat All-Nationals OREGON, Wis., Oct. 21.—The All-American baseball team defeated the All-Nationals here last night. The contest was played at Oshkosh field tomorrow afternoon.

Catholic High La Salle Referee It has been announced that 25000 fans, who was one of Pennsylvania's regular men on the championship 1905 eleven, will referee the game between Catholic High and La Salle College. This contest is scheduled to be played at Oshkosh field tomorrow afternoon.

SATURDAY EVE, OCT. 23 National A. C. Jack McGraw, Tommy Buck vs. Eddie Morgan

PENN'S CHANCE TO BEAT PITT IS ON DEFENSE

Warner's Men Have Slight Edge This Part of Game for Strong Attack

ZIEGLER IS OPTIMISTIC

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

The dope on the Pittsburgh-Pennsylvania game is beginning to pour in and judging from the guesses made by some of our local experts, all hope is not lost in the ranks of the home folks. Penn has a chance to win the game Saturday, and the dopes are basing their claims on the fact that Penn has been through a strenuous season, all hope is not lost. Penn has had an easy time of it. It is said that Pitt never has been thoroughly tested. This fall, the battles with West Virginia and Carleton being nothing more than practice frolics.

All of this is true. The first game played by Warner's men resulted in a walk-over, and in the Navy game they got the jump at the start and scored almost at will. Then, in the contest with the Indians, it took little time to pile up several scores, and a flock of substitutes finished the battle. Encouraging scores were run up, and this is the cause of the undue enthusiasm in Smoketown.

Penn, on the other hand, has been up against it in every game except one. West Virginia appeared in the curtain raiser and after a very hard fight, the Red and Blue came out the winner on one single score. Then came Albright, minus one Mr. Benfer, and Penn walked the weakest team by the score of 23 to 6. In the next battle Frank Marshall almost slipped one over, but Pennsylvania won by the score of 19 to 6. The State game and the first bit was smothered on a 1915 scotchman. Dick Harlow's players took advantage of Penn's weak defense and managed to shoot two scores across the line.

Last week the Navy showed unexpected strength and held Penn to a 7 to 1 score. I use the word "held" because the Navy's touchdown was not earned and was the result of an intercepted forward pass which was not intended to be intercepted.

So it can be seen that Penn has had the experience of playing in hard games. If all of the battles had been as easy as Albright, the Red and Blue, too, would now be touted as the best team in the world.

Any team looks like championship material when playing against a good school, but it takes class to make a good showing with an eleven that has the "goods." There is some doubt as to the class of Penn this year, but we venture to state that it will not be average. Red and Blue has a chance this week, and if it plays and good coaching will be put up by our local friends.

It is rumored that Pitt's defense is not so strong as it might be. While teams have been able to gain consistently against the Westerners, there is a belief that a fast backfield and a fairly strong line will be able to gain through Warner's forwards. Penn has a good backfield, the line probably will give a good account of itself, and it is likely that several gains will be made—provided, of course, that the grandoldies does not slip a cog.

Gus Ziegler, the old Penn guard, believes that Penn has a chance to "cop" from Pittsburgh. He admits that Pitt has a strong line, but he believes that his doubts about the defense.

"Warner teaches his men to 'set the ball and keep it,'" says Ziegler. "This might be all right for a time, but what will happen if the team should happen to be in a position where they are suddenly trained in defensive tactics? Will their opponents for down and take the ball away from them? This system is similar to Hinkley's theory at Yale last year, which was to score twice as fast as the other fellow."

It happened to Old Eli in the Harvard game and what a narrow escape the Blue had in the last quarter of the Princeton battle when the Tigers put out that sensational finish. Yale had no defense.

"A team must be strong on the defense if it expects to win games. I do not say that Pitt is weak in this department, but I believe that the Westerners have not had enough opposition to show what they have got. From all I can learn, Warner has a powerful attack, his men are the best interested in the game, and they will win. This alone will not win. If Penn can get the ball and hold it for a time during the first part of the game, I really believe that the Red and Blue will surprise its followers Saturday and I expect to see a close score."

"My claims are based upon the performances of the Indians in the past. Carleton always had a brilliantly offensive team, but they were not able to put out that sensational finish. Yale had no defense."

"Penn was leading near the end of the first half by the score of 20 to 6. Before the period ended, one of Penn's fullbacks got the ball on his own 20-yard line. On the first play, Jim Thorpe got loose and ran eighty yards for a touchdown. He got the score 20 to 13 and the half ended. Penn did not find it hard to score, but was unable to do anything with the Indian attack once it got started."

"In the third period, the Indians made two more touchdowns, making the count 28 to 20. Then Penn got the ball, Carleton's defense went to pieces and the Red and Blue made a touchdown and tied the score, putting Penn in the lead, 27 to 28. By this time Warner's defense was shattered and just before the game ended Roy Mercer ran through the entire Indian line for the final score and the game ended 34 to 28."

"Feels" Claim Title of World CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The members of the Chicago team of the Federal League, who were declared champions of the world for 1915, are feeling very good. They were the first to be named manager of the team, from James Z. Guinan, who was named manager of the team, and the National Commission failed to accept any other name for a series to decide the champion of the world, says the letter.

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EVENING LEDGER MOVIES—FOOTBALLERS, CLARICE, THINK AS MUCH OF THEIR TOOTSIES AS THE FAIR SEX—WATCH BERRY AND WILLIAMSON

