

END OF AMATEUR ATHLETIC PROBLEM IN COLLEGES IS IN SIGHT AT LAST

DR. A. SHARPE, OF CORNELL, OFFERS SANE SOLUTION OF AMATEUR ATHLETIC QUESTION

Declares an Age Limit and High Scholastic Requirements Would End Wrangling Over "Summer Baseball" Problem

AT LAST an end of the wrangling about amateurism in colleges and "summer baseball" is in sight. The end has not come yet, and probably will not for some time, but a step has been made in the right direction by Doctor Al Sharpe, the highly efficient athletic director of Cornell University.

Sharpe is up-to-date in everything. He uses the latest plays that have been perfected on the football field; studies professional baseball in order to be able to direct his nine with more intelligence, and also constantly works out new systems for his basketball players.

In short, Doctor Sharpe is not only up-to-date, but he is even ahead of his time in some things. However, in his stand taken on the amateur question, he is, we believe, except in the matter of a few minor details, correct to a degree.

In his speech here, before the members of the Cornell Club at their annual dinner, Doctor Sharpe spoke in detail on what he considered were the remedies for the "cleaning" of college athletics.

Age Limit and Scholastic Requirements

The main points which Doctor Sharpe believes are essential for complete harmony among colleges on the amateur question are a definite age limit and high scholastic requirements for all those who represent their chosen colleges in athletics. His idea is to put the age limit of 22½ years on varsity athletes, and to allow them to compete against other colleges only when they are well up in all branches of their studies.

Doctor Sharpe is not dogmatic in the details of his plans. He stated in his address that he believed the aforesaid age was a good one for mere experimental purposes, and unquestionably it would be better than the present system. However, about 25 years would not be too old, for there are many legitimate students who are not able to complete their college courses before they have arrived at that age.

One of the main points in favor of an age limit is the fact that young players at colleges, 18 or 19 years old, would not be pitted against men of 30, who are fully developed, and who often, on the football field, severely injure the younger man because of the inequality of their maturity.

For example, Jim Hogan entered Exeter at the age of 28. He completed his course at Yale when he was 36. Obviously he was too old and too mature to be allowed to play against boys.

Let Them Play Baseball for Money, Says Sharpe

On the question of summer baseball, Doctor Sharpe stated his views in no uncertain terms. He declared that there was no reason why a poor student should not help himself through college by playing baseball in summer.

This is certainly a sane and logical way to look at it. For, when it comes down to "brass tacks," why should a young man be made to perform menial duties, such as washing dishes, waiting on the tables and selling ladies' wearing apparel, simply because "precedent" says that he must not play baseball for a remuneration? The answer is, he should not be made to do these things, but should be allowed to play baseball if he is good enough to earn money at it.

There is no doubt that Doctor Sharpe's idea will be taken up by many coaches and colleges throughout the country. There have always been many who believed that this was the solution, but for some reason no one was ever willing to be the first to take the radical step.

Paskert Expects to Have Great Year

If there is anything at all in confidence, Dode Paskert is going to have the greatest year of his career during the approaching National League campaign. Last season Dode was on the bench for some time after the season began, because Pat Moran thought that he did not measure up to his standard of efficiency.

Paskert says that he must do something to win his place from Beals Becker, so he did it. When he was put in he displayed all of his old-time "pep," and was generally so active, both offensively and defensively, that it was not long before Becker found himself a mere pinch hitter.

Since he has been in St. Petersburg this spring, Paskert has been out at the ball yard early and late. He is in fine condition, and there is no reason why he should not play up to his own predictions. He has the ability. Dode's only trouble is his habit of chronic kicking. If he gets a single, he feels that he was robbed of a double. This is not a bad way to look at it, because there isn't a chance for a man to become self-satisfied when he feels this way. So, after all, Paskert's mental attitude may be more beneficial than otherwise, although his teammates do not always enjoy his remarks.

Universal Basketball Code Desirable

Some day there will be a universal code of basketball rules. The Inter-collegiate Association is working along those lines now. The A. A. U. and Y. M. C. A.s accepted the intercollegiate code the last season, and these rules are played in 99 per cent. of the schools of the United States and in the professional leagues of the West.

The professional league rules of the East are vastly different from the intercollegiate game, although the interstate organization did accept a number of the college league rules. It would be much better for the game in all sections of the country if all leagues played under one set of rules. The intercollegiate rules, however, do not suit every one.

Orson Kinney, the Yale player, who led the collegians in the number of points scored this season, has written to the Collegiate Rules Committee suggesting that a change in the method of shooting foul goals be made by next season. Kinney was the foul goal thrower for the Yale team, but he wishes it distinctly understood that he does not think one man should throw the foul goals.

Kinney's suggestion to the Rules Committee is that the player fouled be allowed the trial for the point, and that in the case of a technical foul the opponent of the player committing such foul should be allowed to try from the foul mark. Kinney is of the opinion, and he has many supporters, that the doing away with a star foul goal thrower will greatly help basketball; but this is a hard thing to prove to the manager of a team that has an exceptional shot from the 15-foot mark.

New Device for Unifying Strokes

The honor of making the most important contribution to the science of rowing instruction in recent years goes to W. F. Beachy, a junior at Cornell University. He is the youngster whose inventive brain is responsible for the electrical device to unify the strokes of the eight men on the indoor rowing machines. Apparently it is so successful that it promises to revolutionize the teaching of rowing on the indoor machines.

What this invention does is to develop perfect regularity in the stroke of the eight men. This is accomplished by having a series of tiny electric bulbs, a red one and a white one, in front of each oarsman. Then there is a set of eight together in front of the entire combination. The lights flash only during the forward stroke of the oars. When the stroke oar, No. 8, pulls on his oar all the white lights down the row, together with the given one in the front group, flash on. When the red and white lights in front of a given oarsman flash on together he knows that he is rowing in perfect time with the stroke oar. When the eight lights of the group correspond the entire crew is rowing in unison.

The beauty of this invention is that the coach can look at the cluster of lights and tell at a glance which man is having difficulty to row in unison. Thus the coach can concentrate his work on individuals rather than waste time on the whole crew.

Joe Wright Develops Husky Athletes

The old contention that the healthiest men are those who exercise in the roughest weather is brought up once more by the announcement made recently by Coach Joe Wright of the University of Pennsylvania crews. The Red and Blue tutor says that by driving his men through practice on the coldest and stormiest days he has put to rout all physical ailments and developed a set of husky athletes that can face the rigors of winter without contracting as much as a slight cold.

Should this assertion be verified by facts, it is a tribute to the manner in which outdoor exercise is conducted under adverse climatic conditions. It is a known fact that when athletes are properly handled they may exercise at liberty in fair weather or foul and still retain the best of health. This cannot be said about the members of the other Penn teams, however, as it is frequently brought out that some star in basketball, track, football or baseball is "out of the game on account of a severe cold."

One outfield position and third base are the positions worrying Connie Mack most. If he can fill the two holes, he will have a strong team in all departments, but if he fails, seventh or last place is staring him in the face until he can develop men to take the places vacated by Frank Baker and Eddie Murphy.

DAVIS' BAND OF ATHLETICS DOCK AFTER BAD TRIP

Apache Arrives at Camp 24 Hours Late—Players Go Straight to Park

WORK THIS MORNING

By CHANDLER D. RICHTER

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 21.—The Apache with eight members of the Athletics docked here at 4 a. m. this morning, 24 hours behind its schedule. The squad was led by Harry Davis and all were up soon after the boat reached the dock, anxiously awaiting the opening of the dining room at the Aragon.

Those in the party were Captain Davis, Leo McLeod, Sam Crowell, Witt, Jimmy, John, Sam, Mr. Connel and Mr. and Mrs. Amos Strunk. They told of a rough voyage, but appeared to have been fitted greatly by the sea trip. They went to the ball park soon after breakfast.

This morning Manager Mack picked his team for the games with the Braves and Dodgers at Miami and Daytona. The first game will be played against the Braves on Thursday and Joe Bush and "M" Crowell are slated to go to the mound. As predicted yesterday, Wally Schang was left at home, with Bill Meyers and Cy Perkins selected to do the receiving.

Manager Mack will not accompany the team, nor will Ira Thomas. The squad will be handled by Harry Davis, while Joe Bush will go along to look after the business end. Contrary to expectations, Larry Lajoie also will remain at home. Lew Malone being picked to start the season at second base.

Stellbauer and Witt, two of the youngsters who are counted upon to make great bids for regular positions in the outfield and at third base, respectively, will remain in Jacksonville, so that Manager Mack may have an opportunity to watch both before they are trusted with a regular assignment.

Six pitchers, two catchers, four infielders and three outfielders will make the trip, no allowances being made for substitutes, because Manager Mack is short of men and will have to use a catcher on first base and a pitcher in the outfield on his Yanigan team.

Strongest Slab String

The pitchers selected to make the trip are Bush, Crowell, Nabora, Myers, Morrisette and Sheehan. Two days ago we doped out a list and picked seven men. Ruth Bressler being added to the list selected by Mack. These six twirlers look like Mack's strongest pitching assets at the present time, excepting that Bressler has shown enough to warrant work against the National Leaguers.

Wyckoff is short of form and Ira Thomas is never worried because Witt has failed to cut loose with anything, despite the fact that the star of the 1915 staff declares that his arm is not sore. Thomas says that Wyckoff got into a habit of pitching with a peculiar hitch last summer when his arm was lame, and that he has not broken himself of it yet. Wyckoff says that he is gradually getting back his old swing, and will be in first-class shape before the Braves and Dodgers appear here.

Wyckoff will be in first, Malone at second, Crane at short and Pick on first. The outfit will consist of Oldring, Walsh and Sheehan's Thomas. The latter will make the trip in preference to Strunk, as Amos is already down to his normal weight. Manager Mack does not want to work him too hard until he has all the stiffness out of his muscles.

Braves the Favorite

The team lined up has only one chance to beat the Braves, who are in superior condition. That chance is unusual pitching by the youngsters. The pitching should be good, but we hardly think it will be consistent enough to stop the attack of the Braves.

Stallings men have been hitting good curve ball pitching for two weeks, while the Atlanta team has not reached a point where they can map the game. Harry Davis has been instructed not to permit the pitchers to put too much on the ball, unless they show in warming up that they are ready to cut loose.

Morrisette is likely to trouble the Braves as he is a spit-baller, and they are usually hard hit early in the season.

Bush, in his present form, should prove troublesome, while if Crowell's back is strong he should prove the Mackmen's most effective hurler against Stallings' team.

Crowell has great speed and his fast ball has a great hop, which no team will enjoy facing so early in the season.

It is doubtful, however, if the Brunonians will be given enough time to cut loose.

The arrival of six players by train Sunday and yesterday enabled the Braves to put in an excellent day of practice yesterday. Larry Lajoie, Ruine Oldring and Pick got in on Sunday night, Stellbauer and "Slag" Thompson were on hand in the morning, while McLeans arrived at noon.

Lajoie and Oldring appeared to be in grand trim and their hits had hard. McLeans is slightly overripe and did not attempt to work hard. Thompson also took it easy, as he was rather stiff from working out at his home in North Carolina.

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COLUMBIA GETS BIG MEET

Is Awarded Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships for 1917

NEW YORK, March 21.—Columbia will hold the championships of the Intercollegiate Wrestling League next year, Manager Jones has announced. This was decided at a meeting of the league after the championships for 1916 had been won by Cornell. The election Saturday, in the election of officers Otto Czernay, assistant manager of the Columbia team, was elected secretary-treasurer of the league. George Kehler, of Lehigh, was elected president and William Corey, of Princeton, vice president.

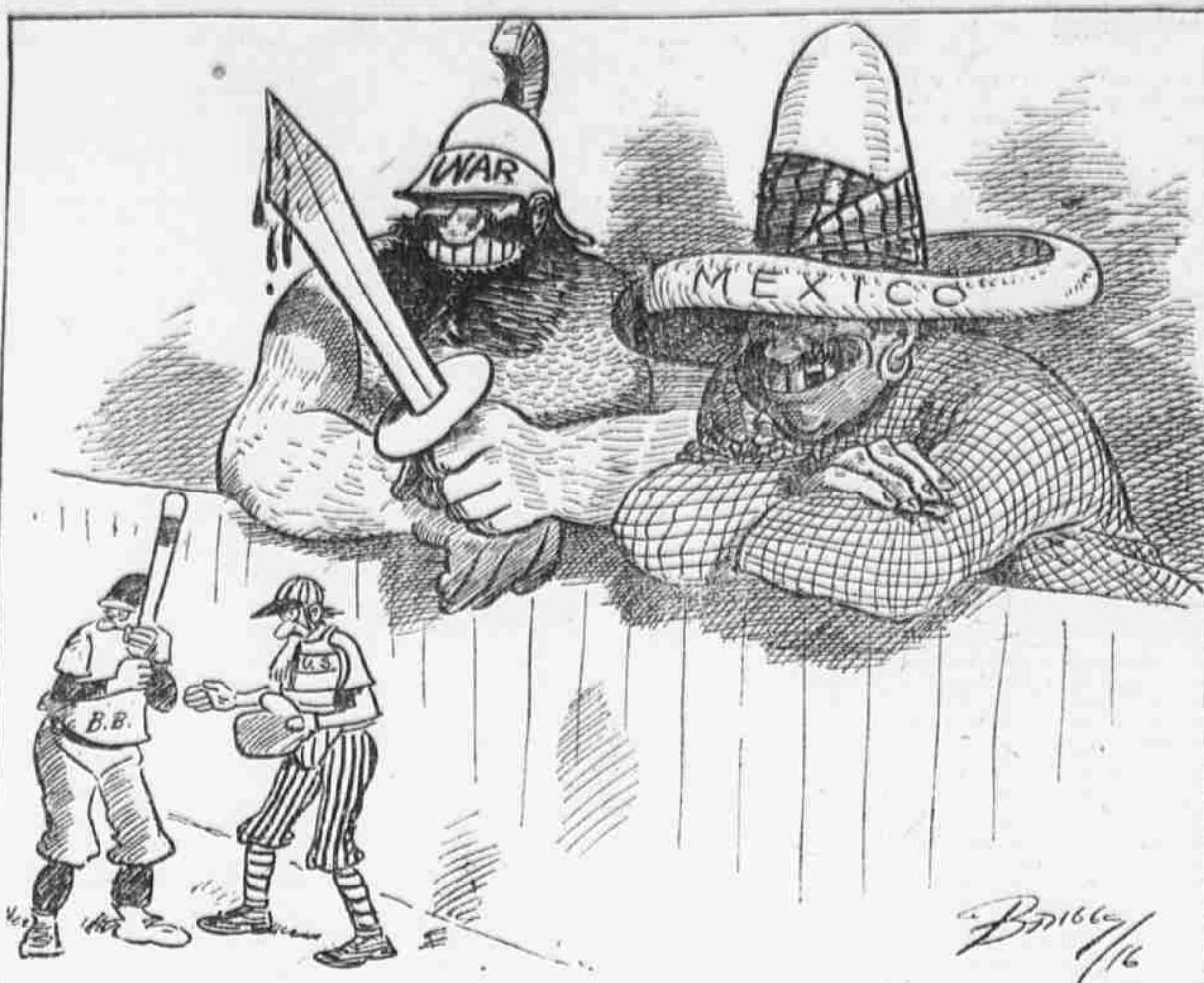
Frank W. Gildner was elected captain of the Columbia wrestling team to succeed A. J. Pascarella. Gildner grappled in the 175-pound class.

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—John H. McGough.

Rival Batting Games

Mr. McGough's pleasing lyrical offering suggests a topic for today's dissertation: each batting order, or in most bats, the order of the batters, is of great importance for the production of runs. Sam and Ty, or Ty and Sam, form the running chaser for the Tigers. Last season they had but one real rival pair in the big leagues, viz., Cravath and Luderus.

But the walk-over for 1916 will not be complete.

Rival Batting Games

Cobb will outbat Magee, but Baker will outbat Crawford, and you will find the Magee-Baker combination near the top of the list. The Tigers, however, in the Sam and Ty department, will be the best at the slugging name the two Giants are much better than their Philly rivals.

Greenville Joe had a slump last season, but his normal pace is .350 or better, with a shoal of long-range outs to boot.

Despite the Magee-Baker or the Cravath-Luderus combination, Tiger and White Sox have the best of the heavy artillery. For, like unto the old Mackmen, who had three heavy pieces in place of the two of Baker and Stellbauer, the Tigers have Cobb, Crawford and Veatch, while the White Sox have Collins, Jackson and Fournier.

There isn't a member from either trio who should hit below .300, and it would take a bird of a prophet to say which trio will assemble more hits as each set should be good for a total of 600 safe blows.

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