

The Lion's Lair

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Mark Twain once said, "Everybody talks about the weather but no one ever does anything about it." If Twain was living today he might say the same thing about college athletics.

In the past twelve months there has been enough criticism made on the state of college athletics, especially football and basketball, to fill four volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica. Plenty of criticism but what action? Hardly any.

There have been committees, panels, groups, and what have you, appointed to "look into the matter" but all that seems to come out of these is more criticism in the form of "recommendations."

The latest "committee" is the one made up of seven college presidents. They came out with the profound and original statement, "something must be done." Well, we're sure glad they told us.

At least they didn't beat around the bush about it. In New York last week, when five basketball players were sentenced to jail terms and nine others given suspended sentences, it took General Sessions Judge Saul S. Streit 41 type-written pages to say the same thing.

You can't pick up a weekly magazine anymore without finding an article on "the evils of college football" or "why I quit coaching" by some former college coach.

Last week, while we were home for Thanksgiving, we saw one television program entitled "Education for a Fullback" and saw the advertisement for a similar program scheduled for this week. Both programs hit at illegal sub-



sidy of athletes. Incidentally, in "Education for a Fullback," a few action scenes revealed the "fullback" to be a T-quarterback.

Just recently students had a chance to see "Saturday's Hero" at one of the town theaters—a movie about the same subject.

Well, we're impressed. We've finally got it through our brain that these critics have found out something. There's something wrong with college athletics. After 12 months of saying it week after week they've finally reached us—and also made us sick and tired of hearing about it.

Right now we'd just like to tell them all—"put up or shut up." Everyone knows by now that college athletics aren't what they used to be. The question now is what is going to be done about it?

We're beginning to think that the NCAA sanity code wasn't such a bad idea after all. At least the colleges had something on their conscience when they broke the code. Now it's just a criminal's utopia.

What's to be done? We don't know. At least we'll be honest about it. But we would like to point out to the responsible people that if things keep going as they are, the words "something must be done" is going to become a popularly accepted cliché.

Army, Navy Footballers Prep For Traditional Service Battle

Navy

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 28—(AP)—Navy's football squad brushed up its defense today against the threat of Army spread formations. Also single wing, double wing, straight T, split T, winged T . . .

"We're not anticipating one formation more than another," Coach Eddie Erdelatz explained. "We expect anything."

Maybe the Cadets will catch the Midshipmen snoozing, but Erdelatz has been trying to figure all the angles in preparation for the struggle that will create season's success or failure for either team.

Navy has won only one of eight previous contests this fall. The West Pointers, depleted by their cribbing scandal, have taken two of eight.

Army

WEST POINT, N.Y., Nov. 28—(AP)—A pair of unseasoned and unsung tackles were promoted to varsity status today as Army wound up its contact work in preparation for its climatic game of the season against Navy in Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium Saturday.

Howard Glock, a six foot 213 pound plebe from Pittsburgh, and John Krause, equally large from Millvale, Pa., were the chosen two whom coach Earl (Red) Blaik is depending on to stop the Navy forward wall.

Neither of the two gladiators saw as much as a moment's action in a varsity game this or any other season.

Liotta —

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Houston and Detroit. Then came the Boston College game in a city close to Nick's home.

Teammates said Nick took the B.C. game very seriously. But, despite the fact that Villanova was expected to win handily, Boston College engineered an upset in the traditional contest. Other players said Nick took that defeat hard and that his depression was further heightened by the team's humiliating loss to Louisiana State.

Boston College officials expressed "deep regret and sincere sorrow" at the news of Liotta's death.

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Stars, Foresters Record Wins In IM Basketball Tournament

The high scoring of the Stars and tight defense of the Foresters decided their victories in Tuesday night's IM basketball games. The wins moved the two teams into a two-way tie for first place in League F.

The Stars rolled over the Lords by a 35-8 score, while the Foresters dumped previously unbeaten Altoona, 13-9. The Foresters and Stars each have won three consecutive games without a loss.

Other League F play found G.F.O., with Charles Roth and Steve Grozinski scoring 16 and 15 points, respectively, handing Samettes its third loss, 39-13. Jim Ash paced Dorm 27 to a 33-9 win over Dorm 34 with 13 points.

Another two-way tie occurred in League G as the Wildcats and Terrapins notched their third straight triumphs.

The Terrapins led only by five points at halftime, but pulled away in the second half to whip the Bagoonies, 31-19. The Wildcats piled up an 18-6 lead at intermission over the Globetrotters and then coasted to an easy 27-14 vic-

tory. Joshua Lederberg led the winners' attack with 12 points.

In two other games in League G, the Falcons overcame a 17-11 halftime deficit to edge the Helots, 30-27, and the Colonial 5 squeezed by Penn Haven, 19-12. Gerald Werner and Bob Shaub each tallied 11 points to lead the Falcons in their win. The wins were the first registered by both the Colonial 5 and the Falcons, and the losses were the second absorbed by Penn Haven and the Helots.

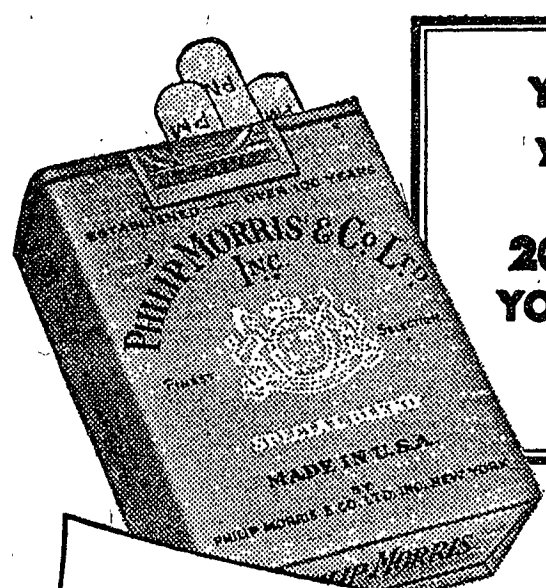
The Dinks, trying for their third consecutive win with Dorm 14 in League H, led at halftime, 13-12, but due to the accurate foul-shooting of Don Thomas, Dorm 14 staged a second half rally to win, 32-25. Thomas finished the night with 14 points, six of them being made from the foul line.

"Yankee Doodle" verses were written in 1755 by Dr. Richard Shuckburg, regimental surgeon of General Braddock, who wrote the words to accompany an ancient tune.

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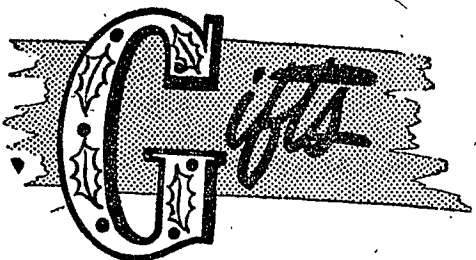
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