

# The Scorebook

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## HATS OFF TO THE FANS

It's just about time to doff the old straw skimmer in the direction of the sports fans. Although their job is relatively simple, it is vital to the entire structure of sports the world over. What would a baseball game be like without the leather-lunged shouts of the fans? It would be a game, but little more than that. Athletes have sometimes admitted that they have been spurred on to greater heights by the people rooting for them.

One of the most recent cases along this line concerns Gil Hodges, first baseman of the Brooklyn Dodgers. Several seasons ago Hodges had a rough time trying to get a hit. However, Brooklyn fans did not hoot him out of the league—as they might well have done. Instead, they rallied behind their tottering idol. Hodges had a fine season the following year and attributed much of his success on the comeback trail to the sympathy and understanding of the fans.

Babe Ruth, former Yankee slugger and one of baseballs all-time greats, was also inspired by those who watched him play. Once he even stated that he owed it to "the kids" to cut out his show off antics and perform at his best. Many are the tales of how the Bambino visited boys in hospitals and then, in response to their requests, smashed home runs. This is still being carried on by present-day ballplayers. Its good effects are reciprocal. Both the fans and the players are human and therefore are subject to human emotions. A visit to a hospital by a player to see a crippled or sick boy can have powerful effects on both. Some athletes have told that such encounters leave an impression on the mind and implant a desire to somehow make up for the boy's affliction or to at least cheer him up by performing at his best. Fans too are prone to these emotional twinges. It's hard to stay calm when your favorite athlete "comes through."

Another facet of the two-way good derived by sports and sports fans can be found in the hero-worshipping youngsters who someday want to be Tom Golas or Stan Musials. Adult Americans have recognized this and have established Little League baseball teams, Bidy basketball squads, tournaments, and athletic areas all over the nation. This is an example of fans working for sports and sports working for the fans. Avid sports fans take a great delight in coaching these teams made up of local youngsters—youngsters who will someday fill the ranks of top-flight professional and amateur athletics. It is an old theory that idleness breeds trouble, and by keeping these youths occupied by taking part in various sports this threat can be cut down. Father and son rubbing elbows in a crowded sports arena is the sporting world's assurance that athletics will be able to hold its place in this world of turmoil. Cynics may say that sports has outgrown its bounds and that it has become hungry for the fans' money. But sports fills too vital a place in our lives to be cut down by such crude attacks. One of the finest examples of the value of sports is the sportsmanship displayed by fans in the

# Two Champs Post Wins On IM Mats

With the completion of intramural wrestling's opening round of competition last night, Charley Groff, Kappa Delta Rho, moved one step closer to annexing his third fraternity title and Delta Upsilon's Art Marks also crept nearer to his second crown.

However, Chi Phi still remains in the lead for the fraternity championship, with Delta Sigma Phi running a close second.

Groff, former 145 and 155 titlist, defeated his 165 pound opponent, Don Dewey of Pi Kappa Phi, 5-1. Marks registered a fall in his 135 contest in 2:24 with a half nelson and crotch hold.

Walt Cron of Tau Kappa Epsilon pinned Don McWilliams, Phi Sigma Kappa, with 31 seconds remaining in the match. Cron was leading McWilliams, 5-3, when he applied a half nelson and crotch for the fall at 5:29.

Defending champion Delta Upsilon also picked up valuable points when heavyweight Jim Lockerman pinned Dick DeLuca of Theta Xi, however, the champs Jim Bredor dropped a 4-1 decision to Chuck Griffith of Sigma Nu in the 175 pound contest.

The sound of the referee's hand descending upon the mat echoed throughout Recreation Hall as a total of 16 pins featured the remainder of the night's action.

Larry Roman required only 21 seconds to pin his 128 opponent and George Riefler, KDR, gained a fall in 45 seconds in a 155 match. In independent action, George Vlachos pinned his 165 opponent in 1:25 and Al Barth collected a fall in 3:16.

Pins also were collected by Steve Baidy, Alpha Chi Rho, and KDR's Ray Alberigi in 2:14—both with a half nelson and crotch hold. Jess Darlington, Phi Gamma Delta, registered a fall over Bill Curry, Theta Xi, and Billy Kane of Kappa Delta Rho required only 65 seconds to pin his 175 opponent with a body press. Dave Barney of Sigma Nu pin-

ned Harry Leshar, Triangle, in 3:19 and Dave Clemson applied the fatal press to Sam Harvey in an independent match. Tom Eynon, Alpha Chi Sigma, collected a fall over Dean Plaia of Alpha Phi Delta.

Ed Robinson, Phi Delta Theta, pinned George Steinhauer, Theta Xi, and Dan VanDuyne, AGR, also pinned Howard Lambert of Acacia. Sigma Alpha Epsilon's Tom Lewis received the nod in a 145 contest, 9-4.

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following story which appeared last year:

"HARRISBURG, Ill., Dec. 7 (AP)—A telegram of near record length and more than 1000 letters have convinced Chuck Hunsinger he's wanted next season on the pro football field at Montreal, Canada.

"Hunsinger received the telegram signed by 21,948 fans in a special ceremony today at the Western Union office in Harrisburg.

"The telegram capped a "cheer up Chuck" campaign started by Montreal radio station CJAD. Each fan contributed a dime toward the cost of the 306-foot wire.

"A wildly thrown lateral pass made Hunsinger, the Alouettes' star halfback, the goat of Montreal's 26-25 loss to Edmonton in the season-ending Canada Grey Cup game Nov. 27."

Yes, it's about time to doff the old straw skimmer to you, and you, and you—the unheralded sports fans.

### University "S" Club

The University 'S' Club will meet Sunday at 7 p.m. in 316 Sparks to discuss plans for its Spring Week Carnival booth. The club will also make plans for its banquet scheduled for May 3.

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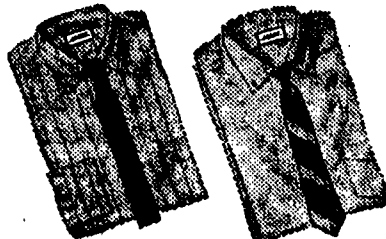
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