Football and Other College Sports

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Football, without any question, it enter the elements of team work, holds the first place among all college sports. It can be looked upon



Carlson, Kansas Center

as a sport in a place all by itself, not even approached by the other branches. Without, doubt, too, it fully deserves this rank, but not for the reason simply that it yields a little more excitement to the spectator, leaving aside the question of whether or not he has something substantial staked on the outcome-for there seems to be those with such defective sporting circulation that it takes some such individual and personal stimulant to set their sporting pulses stirring above a normal rate-nor is football to be accorded first place simply because it is a test of strength, a test whether this university or that university can produce the more powerful bunch of beef. These points enter into the supremacy of the game, but along in connection with the fact that



Birkner, Nebraska Halfback

favor of one or the other side. Into run off the northern nemisphere-

which includes head work, skill, experience, nerve, aggressiveness and ability to construct, as well as Get all these elements mixed up in one game, to be settled in a single contest on one field within sight of every onlooker, and you have something to make spirit intense when two rival schools meet to settle the question of their superiority in

But reflexly, football gets a whole



Frum, Nebraska Tackle

lot of greatness from this spirit which it arouses. That is the best part of it. In the Kansas-Nebraska game this season there was the best exhibition of real spirit shown by Nebraska supporters since the fall of 1904, when the team came back defeated from Minnesota, but were met, nevertheless, at the station with a big "bandwagon" with a block of rope on the tongue, and that rope lined with men as thick as they could stand; when there was a monster mass meeting in



Hubbard, Ames Halfback

Memorial hall into which the players were carried on the shoulders of their supporters and placed upon the platform flanked with cornstalks; when speeches were demanded from the players and from old Jack Best, who football, rather because of its nature, got up and waved his cap and everyis a most sharply decisive contest in body yelled as if Minnesota had been



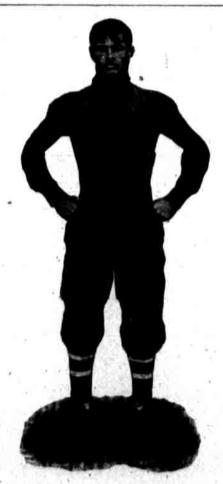
Minor, Nebraska Halfback

when the fact was. Nebraska had more nearly suffered that fate. At does not matter whether that spirit be manifested by a mass meeting or a



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snake dance and a siren yell, it is what makes football really great, because it goes along with tootball.



Bentley, Nebraska Quarterback

best and most completely during the football season ought to extend along will every basket-ball game, every into the winter and spring in suport of the sports, which then come off, for those sports also stand for the university. Perhaps, they do not include all the features of the bigger contest, yet the same principle is back of them and that should not fail of recognition as it has so lamentably failed in the past history. At many other institutons basket-ball and foot



Temple, Nebraska Fullback

ball and track work are supported as if it were felt that the institution were really being represented by these teams; the managers are not troubled about getting out a crowd sufficient to pay the expenses, as is too often the case at Nebraska. Just why this lack of interest should exist here is hard to explain unless the ground be taken that the real spirit, the real spirit that ought to pervade football



Beltzer, Nebraska Halfback

and which certainly did pervade it on the two ocasions mentioned above, is not a deep-rooted thing here, but shallow and intermittent.

Beginning with that Kansas game a couple of weeks ago there should be a growth of genuine Nebraska moralizing and sometimes dangerous to be absolutely false, which will rec- cannot countenance or tolerate."

But this spirit, though expressed ognize that all branches of athletics stand for the same idea, and not only



Caldwell, Kansas Tackle

baseball game, and every track meet receive its full share of attention, but football also will become much greater than it is even now, and Nebraska will produce teams such as it has never produced before.

President Edmund J. James, of the University of Illinois, in an address o the students declared that hazing will not be tolerated, and that any student found guilty of it will be dismissed from the university. "Hazing is a violation of good manners and of the right of individual liberty," he said. It is provocative of public disorder. In its milder forms it is a nonsensical and almost idiotic form of amusement, unworthy of the support or favor of any sensible university student. In its coarser forms hazing is a vulgar, brutal, always de-



Kroger, Nebraska Fullback

spirit which will prove that conclusion form of sport, which the university