

Husker Horizons The Football Bounces

During the past several weeks, several new developments have appeared on the national horizons concerning one of America's favorite pastimes, football.

Part of the furor was touched off by a statement by Judge Saul Streit, who sentenced some of the basketball players involved in the scandals of last spring. At the same time, he commented that football too has dirty hands. Widespread recruiting of football players would scandalize the nation if full details were known, he said. Several colleges including Michigan, William and Mary, Ohio State and Denver university were among those unfavorably mentioned by the judge.

The judge's statement contributed to a demand by Maryland's governor, Theodore R. McKeldin, that the athletic set-up at the University of Maryland be investigated. Judge Streit had pointed out that 60 of Maryland's 97 bowl-bound gridgers are from out of the state. Maryland's football coach, Jim Tatum, former head mentor at the University of Oklahoma, said he welcomed the probe. Democrats charged that republican Governor McKeldin was making a "political" inquiry.

Before the season started, the president of William and Mary resigned because he was in favor of the old scholarship system, while his successor, a retired admiral, favored de-emphasis.

Over the week-end, Lou Little, football coach of Columbia's Lions, told newsmen that he opposed easy courses for athletes as well as certain physical education courses. Little ridiculed players who take such courses as tenting and bait and fly-casting. (Nebraska offers a course in bait and fly casting.) He said that the solution might be to have a rigid set of entrance examinations, enforced by a national body.

In an article reprinted from The Atlantic Monthly, Reader's Digest presented the views of Allen Jackson, member of Michigan's football team for three years. Some of Jackson's views on the subject:

"One of the most harmful aspects of college football having become 'big time' is that the spontaneity has been taken out of the sport . . .

"Reason now tells me that football is only a single, minor part of a college education and should not be more important than other parts.

"Big-time coaches—and I want to point out that it is not the individuals but their position with which I find fault—are aware that, if studies come first, second-rate teams are likely to result. You are darkly frowned upon if you miss practice for the sake of study . . .

"Unreasonable emphasis upon winning is bound to lead to unsportsmanlike conduct. Virtually all of my teammates were clean players, but the atmosphere of big football often turned the team spirit into mob spirit when the group as a whole accepted actions which to the individual would seem unsportsmanlike . . .

"The so-called glory of playing in the Rose Bowl is meaningless, as is any glory which is nothing more than the product of a publicity man's imagination. . . .

"The importance of winning makes it absolutely necessary to field the best team possible on important Saturdays, regardless of injuries . . .

"The perverted bigness of football has pre-

duced overzealous alumni with a perverted interest in the sport . . . These are the men who are influential in promoting among young boys a distorted idea of what it really means to play football; these are the ones who think that football players will have no trouble finding jobs because everyone is glad to hire them.

"It would be my guess that largely because of widespread recruiting practices, the term football player has become synonymous with ape, and it is often better for the applicant to omit mention of his gridiron record until after he has the job . . .

"Bigtime football is a poor bargain for those who play the game."

Grantland Rice presented what he considered the three major schools of thought on the football question:

1. Those who think that football is fine as it is.
2. Those who enjoy football, but think that it has many ills that need to be remedied.
3. Those who think that football "has grown out of bounds" and should be abolished as an intercollegiate sport.

Rise says the second choice is the "only one which makes sense for the majority. Some of the ills which might need attention, he says, are the athletic scholarships, some of the "snap" courses offered for athletes, recruiting of outstate athletes, spring practice and post-season games. These, he says, if corrected might bring football back to what it should be: a sport.

I think Rice is very nearly correct in his statements. He says "Why shouldn't football players be taken care of? All right. But call them Bears, Giants, Packers or Rams."

Football is one of the nation's major businesses. Time was when the football team was a bunch of nice guys who played the game because they enjoyed it. Now many of the players find that the game is no longer fun, but long hours of hard work. The old motto: "It's not whether you won or lost, but how you played the game" has become obsolete. The new motto is "Win or ELSE!" Behind this motto is the philosophy that somebody has to lose, but it had "better not be us!"

Fans enjoy seeing a good game of football. But indications are that the game is being ruined by these "win or else" people who though few in number have a great deal of influence. The coach has a gun at his head which may well go off if he does not produce a winning team.

To gain this winning team, naturally the school must go out and try to obtain the best material possible whether the material be located in California, Maine or somewhere in between. To get a boy from Maine to come far away from his state requires money. Soon this contest for players becomes little more than an auction. And having paid fabulous sums for players, their eligibility must be assured. So grades may be "fixed."

And so the story goes. Once a player has been bought for a certain price, what is to prevent him from taking a little more to fix games? There is no evidence that this has occurred so far, but it isn't beyond the realm of possibility. It happened to basketball.

Football is a good sport. But it is getting a little out of hand.

Tom Rische

Dear Editor... Gratified By Convo Turnout

(The views expressed in the Dear Editor column are those of the writer and not necessarily those of The Daily Nebraskan.)

To The Editor:
The University Committee on Conventions was highly gratified at the splendid turnout for the convocation of Nov. 19, featuring Maurice Hindus. So splendid, in fact, was the attendance that the facilities of the Union were strained to their utmost.

The Director and staff of the Union deserve the highest praise for the manner in which they rose to the occasion. An apology is in order, however, to those who came and could not find a seat.

The decision to hold the convocation in the Union ballroom was made after prolonged debate in the committee. The ballroom and the Coliseum are the only places on the campus which can be considered for an All-University convocation. Neither is completely satisfactory. The committee erred in its forecast of attendance. We shall not make the same mistake again.

The 3,000 people who were jammed in the Union proved that University community will support worthwhile convocations.

The Conventions Committee, for its part, promises that it will do its best to bring to the campus programs which are worthy of your support; we shall bend every effort to make certain that adequate accommodations for everyone will be available at all future convocations.

CARL J. SCHNEIDER,
Chairman.

Thanks From CU

To the University of Nebraska Student Body:
On behalf of myself, the members of both Heart and Dagger and Mortar Board, and the students of the University of Colorado, I would like to express my greatest appreciation to the members of your Senior Men's and Women's Honoraries and the Students of Nebraska for a very great weekend.

Everyone that has spoken to me concerning your hospitality last weekend has said that they had a very wonderful time. Everything was done to show us an enjoyable weekend and we really do appreciate it.

I also wish to thank you for in-

cluding our Senior Honoraries to take part with you in beginning the "Buffalo Head Trophy" tradition between our schools.

Next year I sincerely hope that we can show you as enjoyable a time as you did us.

Very sincerely yours,
FOSTER N. GARN
President, Heart and Dagger
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado

KNUS On The Air

Tuesday
3:00 Ray Brown
3:15 Something for the Girls
3:30 Charlotte Plays
3:45 Dream Awake
4:00 Fun with Facts
4:15 Curtain Call
4:30 Curtain Call
4:45 Story of Jazz
5:00 Sign Off

NU Amylases Sent To Labs, Industries

New types of bacterial amylases developed six years ago at the University are being requested by many industrial and research laboratories, Dr. G. L. Peltier, head of the bacteriology department, said Monday.

Thirty-five laboratories of industrial concerns and educational and other governmental research agencies located in seven foreign countries and thirteen states have been shipped cultures of the bacterial amylases.

Dr. Peltier and three former University associates developed the new cultures.

Bacterial amylases are substances which have the ability to digest starch. The Nebraska-developed amylases are able to digest starch into a liquid, or into a form of sugar, more efficiently and at greater speed than other previously known amylases.

They are also more resistant to high temperatures and can be cultured or grown on both solid mediums, such as wheat bran, and liquids.

Biz Ad Honorary To Hold Initiation, Dinner Tonight

Thirteen seniors will be initiated into Beta Gamma Sigma, national honorary scholastic fraternity in the College of Business Administration, at the organization's banquet and initiation ceremony Tuesday.

Dr. James M. Reinhardt will discuss "Sociology Looks at Business," following the banquet which begins at 6 p.m. in the Union ballroom.

Initiates will be Lyle D. Altman, Jack B. Cohen, Douglas R. Dale, Richard Hoover, Jean J. Hunter, Roland R. Kasper, Paul F. Liene-mann, Dennis E. Mitchem, Leon M. Novak, Glen R. Ostdiek, Robert E. Patterson, Robert R. Reichen-bach and Lester G. Smith.

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Trial By Accusation

Don Pieper

A reputation is based only on a person's past, but it may ruin his future. Decisions he has made and steps he has taken, no matter the circumstances, make his reputation good or bad. But even the best reputations may be blasted by lies and malicious gossip.

There is a growing tendency in our country to blast reputations with shallow or hypothetical facts. The greatest exponent of this new game is a senator from Wisconsin named McCarthy. For some reason, Joe McCarthy just loves to blast reputations. He cast ugly aspersions on the character of Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, assistant secretary of defense; they were proved to be utterly false. He warned the country that Phillip Jessup, U.S. delegate to the United Nations meeting in Paris, has been prone to make decisions that are to the eventual benefit of Joe Stalin.

But the biggest surprise came when McCarthy started in on the character of Gen. George C. Marshall. Marshall, ex-secretary of defense, was a great leader in the second world war and a man of undisputed character in the minds of nearly every American. When McCarthy began slinging his lies at Marshall, many people said that here was the time that this man should be stopped. Surely, if his accusations are so obviously false, his fellow senators would put the clamps on this noisy solon from Wisconsin. But the rest of the senate just sat by and said, "tsk, tsk."

We must realize that this is a just country where no man should be considered guilty until proven so beyond any shadow of a doubt. Most important we must make our legislative representatives realize this. Even men of acknowledged reticence like Senator Taft are seemingly afraid to come out strongly against McCarthy's tactics. There have been motions made in the senate to impeach McCarthy but this body of 96 American legislators withdrew from all responsibility as quickly as possible. They were afraid.

Action on McCarthy was a political step and the United States senate did not want to step out too far until they knew how their constituents felt about character blasting gentlemen. Maybe, they must have thought, our people wish to condone lies. If they do, we of the senate must condone them also. There has been a great deal of comment that this congress has failed to do much beyond investigating. But they have failed to investigate one of the most obvious fallacies in America today, a man who hides behind senatorial immunity and accuses without sufficient proof.

Since there has been this obvious lack of initiative on the part of the senate to try to curb this trend of character blasting, the Nebraska University Council of World Affairs, better known as NUCWA, is sponsoring a petition to be sent to congressmen asking that positive action be taken to stop malicious assaults on the characters of individual citizens. Plans for this petition are definitely in the formative stage now but very shortly students may be asked to sign it.

NUCWA has no objection to anyone who finds people in our government working for ends beneficial to our enemies. It is a most worthwhile practice to find enemies before they do too much harm. But NUCWA cannot understand why citizens, especially officials in important offices, should be exposed to accusations of disloyalty when these accusations cannot be backed up with the truth.

Daffynitions Dept.

The Ursinus Weekly at Ursinus college, Penn. has come up with a good definition of the football season:

"The time of year when you can walk down the street with a blonde on one arm and a blanket on the other and no cop gives you a funny look."

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