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CONVARIANT ON SPORTS

College Football a Poorer Game, but a Better Sport.

WHAT THE SEASON SHOWS

Suggestions Made to Carry on the Good Work to Its Completion.

Football is a poorer game, but a better sport. This expression, paradoxical as it may sound, is my opinion of football under the revised code, which has been on trial now for a full season.

Whereas the members of the rules committee worked with the single purpose in view to save the sport and whereas they did their work well, all things considered, the fact remains that many divergent views had to be reconciled so that some of them worked at cross purposes.

It has been my pleasure to see all the important games of the season, and I can say without reservation that the forward pass over the line of scrimmage is a loose, haphazard and unsound play, for the reason that it so often acts as a boomerang and opens the way for as much ground to be lost by its use as can be gained.

More important still, perhaps, is the crying need for some modification of the rules which will provide a reasonable reward for good work accomplished by more nearly equalizing the attack with the defense.

desperate chance, which, if successful, was applauded, while, if a failure, was condemned by decrying the rules. The quick acceptance of exceptional opportunities must not be put down to luck.

There are other minor objections which might well be considered. It is a grave question in my mind if the division of the game into four quarters, with its short rest between the first and second and third and fourth periods, when the players are not allowed to leave the field, is of any value.

Believing that to criticize without offering a remedy is not only unfair but unreasonable, I do not hesitate to make some suggestions which may stimulate a controversy that may lead to something better.

As said before, the forward pass is an unsound play, and the only excuse for its retention over the line of scrimmage lies in the fact that it has a tendency to weaken the secondary line of defense, and in a measure the first line, because of the importance of guarding against its use.

To devise a way properly to reward a team for work accomplished and to make scoring by straight rushing worth consideration is a harder problem to solve. The attack must be weakened, or the defense weakened, or a little of both.

Another suggestion is offered for what it is worth. To weaken the defense particularly when the attacking force has worked its way into the enemy's country. Under the present rule a ball that is punted or kicked over the goal line goes for a touchback and is brought out by the defending team and put in play on the 25-yard line.

FAVORITES IN SIX-DAY BICYCLE RACE.

THE PONY TEAM, W. L. MITTEN, OF IOWA, LEADING, WITH LLOYD THOMAS, OF CALIFORNIA.



JOHN STOLL, WHO HAS TEAMED UP WITH WALTER RUTT.

GOLFERS OFF TO SOUTH

Another Delegation Leaves Today for Warmer Climes.

Another delegation of metropolitan district golfers have arranged to depart for the South today. Among the travellers are professionals, as well as amateurs, and with the first named class the links of the Atlanta Athletic Club will be the immediate attraction.

It has been suggested, and by men whose opinions must be respected, that the man with the ball should have the privilege of "tacking on" to at least one player in hitting the line. Some go so far as to claim that this would be an added protection against injury, and it sounds fairly reasonable, but so far as I can see this would mean a return to the old-fashioned "free man" team.

The development of a football team is impossible without the assistance of a second eleven—a group of men who would seem upon first consideration to be of little or no value.

COLE THE STAR TWIRLER

Crandall a Close Second, While Matty Makes Fine Record.

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Chance King of First Basemen

Accepts Over Eight Hundred Chances, Making Only Three Errors.

Frank Chance, the captain and manager of the Chicago Cubs, was the steadiest fielder in the National League, according to the official averages. Chance played in 87 games and ended the season with the high average of .966. Chance accepted 811 chances, with only 3 errors. Konetsky, of St. Louis, finished in second place, with an average of .961 in 144 games.

Previous Winners of Six-Day Races

Table listing previous winners of six-day bicycle races from 1899 to 1909, including names like Miller and Waller, and Miles and Laps.

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RIDERS OFF HOT PAGE

Six-Day Bicycle Race Begins Shortly After Midnight.

GARDEN RINGS WITH CHEERS

Tremendous Crowd Throgs the Hall to See Start of the Long Grind.

Table titled 'SCORE IN SIX-DAY RACE AT END OF FIRST HOUR' showing names like Hehr, Goulet, and their respective miles and laps.

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AHLGREN WINS LAURELS

New Swedish Runner Surprises Throng at Mohawk A. C. Run.

SHOWS REMARKABLE FORM

Alexis Ahlgren, of the Ozanam Athletic Association, captured the annual open handicap road run of the Mohawk Athletic Club yesterday, much to the surprise of the spectators. The Swedish runner, who came to this country only two months ago, played such form that he can be stamped on a callibre with many of the local distance runners.

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MANY RETURN FULL SCORES

Fine Weather Favors Larchmont Yacht Club Gunners.

Under the most favorable conditions the gunners of the Larchmont Yacht Club faced the crowd yesterday, with the result that full scores were made in all of the six contests decided. Dr. Cooper proved to be high gun for the day, with a total of 119 to his credit out of a possible 123.

OLD CROW

Advertisement for Old Crow Rye Whiskey, featuring the brand name in large letters and a bottle illustration. Text includes 'The Standard of Rye Whiskey' and 'NOT BLENDED NOT ADULTERATED'.