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Legion Baseball Entries Show a Big Increase

Enthusiam in all sections of the country indicate that a goal of 500,-000 boys playing in the American Legion Junior baseball program for this seas n may be exceeded, answers to a questionnaire sent to post and department athletic officers by the National Americanism Commission of the Legion indicates.

All of the boys that played on the juni r basebell world champion team from Buffalo last season are now over age but are enthusiastically warking to keep the trophy in the city or Erie county, Ray Burke, of Buffalo, department athletic director reports.

"We will have 400 teams in this state outside the metropolitan dis-100 teams of boys. We will have competition going on between 16 leagues," said Burke.

A plan of financing games within the state similar to that used by the Magna post of the Legion will be tried throughout Utah, Roy Adams, of Magna, department athletic director reports.

"The Magna Legion post sold tickets for \$1 each guaranteeing four home' games and cleared \$100 after paying all expenses," said Adams in indicating the increased interest in the program throughout the state.

"By coperating with the Boy Secuts, the schools, playground associations and other bodies, Illinois will probably have 2,000 teams in the playing this season, Charles D. F. Merrill, of Hinsdale, department athletic director reports.

West Virginia expects to have 200 teams play over the number that took part last season, Mose M. Darst, of Morgantown, department athletic direct r, reported. Boys teams travel from 50 to 100 miles in South Dakota to compete, said T. C. Kasper, of Brookings, department athletic direc-

Wisconsin has 200 posts in all sections of the state backing the movement already and will have a splendid year, Dr. S. R. Cohen, of Wausau, department athletic director reports. The program is well underway in Texas, write D. W. Bartlett, of Waco. department athletic director. Arizona is taking a great deal of interest and will have 400 boys or more playing, Judge C. C. Faires, of Globe, department athletic director reports. The District of Columbia has more boys wanting to play than it has yet found rganizations to sponsor teams, said Wessal Steward, department athletic officer. Ben Ratner, department athletic director of Ohio, reports that the Buckeye state will have approximately 300 teams playing. The Idaho Legion will have approximately 1,000 movs in the game, Max Gibbons, of li ise, department athletic director reports.

Throughtout the country the movement is increasing rapidly, Legion ofherals report.

A foreigner walked by a movie theater, saw an usher and took him to be the major general of all the American troops. - Florida Times- 2050 West Railroad Ave., Evanston

Colorado Crest and Colors in N. W. Train

For the first time in the history of railroad travel the official flower, crest and colors of a state are made the basis for the design and furnishings of a train. When the Columbine, Chicago to Denver train of the Chicago & North Western railway, named for the state flower of Colorado, made its first run with entire new equipment Thursday, May 22, it caused a special Colorado Club car with exterior finished in blue and silver, official Colorado state colors, and bearing the official crest of that state on each side.

The train carries equipment with decorations and furnishings suggested by the Columbine. The figure of the blue columbine is woven into carpets, curtains and upholstery in the cars, trict. Erie county alone has entered and appears in the frescoes along the tops of the car walls, on the china and glassware of the dining, car, on perchment lamp shades, and is etched into the glass partitions of the cars. Columbine blue is the dominating color in all cars of this train.

Judd Heads Financial Dept. of State Chamber

On April 14 Frank Judd, formerly with the Chicago Journal of Commerce, assumed the duties of secretary of the newly created financial department of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce.

The department's efforts will be bent toward advertising the tremendous financial wealth and position of the state and providing articles, bulletins, etc., on various financial matters. Harvey T. Hill is chairman of the new Finance committee.



