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Cornell's mascot, a black bear cub, must have his claws crossed.

Frank Moran, the Pittsburg heavy-weight, is to try a come-back in a bout with Jack Geyer.

Pop Geers' stable at Memphis has a new member in Geers, the yearling brother of Dundette, 2.10.

The playing of Sunday football games has been legalized in Providence and other Rhode Island towns.

So far this season Joe Ryan appears to have the edge on the all-ends of the Harvard football squad.

The Vancouver baseball team with Eider Jones as backer will apply for a Pacific Coast League franchise.

Training rules at Ohio State University forbid the eating of ice cream by any member of the football squad.

It is reported that two former American League club owners are dickering to buy the St. Louis Cardinals.

The baseball bat presented by "Babe" Ruth to the Boston Newsboys' Club brought \$150 at public auction.

The high cost of home runs is conclusively shown by "Babe" Ruth's demand for a \$5,000 salary boost.

Jimmy Clabby, the American middleweight, meets Albert Lloyd in Australia the latter part of this month.

"Biscuits" Zbyzsko, the Polish grappler, would like to wrestle for the championship, if he could find out who is champion.

Even if they are wobbly on the gridiron this season, Cornell can still boast of producing the "class" in the running game.

Charley Brickley is coaching the Harvard football squad and wearing the same shoes he wore when he starred on the Crimson eleven.

Captain Rodgers, of the University of West Virginia football team, is

the leading scorer of the east, having 92 points to his credit this season.

Boxing is making a big hit among the natives in the Philippines. Two of the Filipino scrappers performed in Australia recently and made a creditable showing.

Age doesn't seem to affect the speed of Frank L. Kramer to any extent. The veteran bicycle racer has been winning his share of the purses all season.

It is said the Athletics will train in Texas next spring, Connie Mack being satisfied that the home training in Philadelphia last spring was a fiv.

Kid Norfolk, the dusky demon, is known in some parts of the country as the "light-heavyweight" champion. Someone must have wished that title on the Kid.

In the two years John Gansel has been boss of the Kansas City American Association club, the outfit has won a pennant and finished in second place.

Walter Coffey, who was a popular boxer around New York a few years ago, tried to make a comeback in Australia recently, but he did not meet with any great measure of success in his attempt.

Professional league basketball will be tried out in and around Greater New York this winter. The league comprises teams in New York, Brooklyn, Paterson, Bridgeport, Passaic, Ansonia and Jersey City.

It is said that Manager Kid Gleason, of the White Sox, is making a still hunt for pitchers. His heavy-lift poor work in the recent big series has prompted the Kid to get busy.

Don't Favor American Game. Toronto Star: Since Saturday's McGill-Varsity game there are many around Varsity who favor either the adoption of the American rules in their entirety or the English rugby code. Nobody seems to want the Americanized version of the Canadian game as played by McGill.

Women Favor Boxing. London Sportsman:—Boxing contests have hitherto been prohibited at Acton Baths, but women councillors moved and seconded the proposal to which the committee agreed, that boxing should be permitted.

Recognition. On the ground that the military authorities encouraged football, which was considered part of the daily routine of army training, a West Midlands, Eng., Pension Committee supported an appeal by a man, dis-

Ike Dorn, the clever Salt Lake City wrestler, is out to clean up the eastern grapplers and clinch the world's middleweight championship.

Good intentions can never compensate for rude and gruff manners.

On Saturday last the writer had the pleasure, or rather the pain, of sitting through the Varsity-McGill football match, and came away more than ever convinced that the time is ripe for a revamping of the rules governing rugby football in Canada.

Whenever any suggestions are made advocating certain changes in our game, there is a general chorus from the football "authorities" of "Let the game alone; we do not want any innovations, especially any from over the line."

Is this attitude warranted? Are there not many glaring defects in our game that could be remedied and the game greatly improved, especially from the spectators' point of view?

The facts are that our neighbors across the line have been steadily improving their game, while ours has stood still for years. The American game as played today is a much more open and spectacular game to watch than many of our people will admit. The huge gates and public interest are an evidence of this.

Could we not adopt some of their rules to the great benefit of our game and, if so, which ones?

To begin with, let us agree that the Canadian football public are not in favor of the interference played under American rules.

But why have 14 men on a side? This makes 28 players and two officials, or a total of 30 men on a small field. Would not 11 men on a side, or 22 players, make for a more open and spectacular game? Would not the backs have more chance to get away or get through instead of being smothered in their tracks, as they are now nine times out of ten? Watch a football crowd get on their toes when there is a line running attack under way—that is the test.

Why not change this stupid bucking

the line type of football and open the game up?

Another change that would help in this direction would be the readoption of the snap-back instead of the heel-out. Under the present rules it, the quarterback is slow or fumbles the ball, the whole play goes dead and nothing happens. The public doesn't see the ball put into ac-

tion as they would under a clean-cut snapback. The snap-back gives the backs more time to get away and also helps the team who may be a little weak on the line. Bring back the rule; it certainly would open the game up.

Perhaps the worst feature of Canadian football is the continual delays, some short, some long, some for trivial reasons, and some for serious ones, that mar all our games. It would seem obvious that a very strict enforcement of the rules for delays and the forcing of a team to substitute practically at once, for any injury or other cause whatsoever, would be a tremendous gain, at least from the spectators' point of view.

The forward pass is another play that should be given a trial. It is often a most interesting and spectacular combination. Its adoption would also tend to open up our game.

In conclusion, it would seem self-evident that if the foregoing changes were made in our rules we would still preserve all the good features of our Canadian game with the added advantage of a much more open and spectacular game.

MOST SUPERSTITIOUS BASEBALL PLAYER DEAL

The recent death of Cy Seymour at his home in the east removed the most superstitious player that ever broke into baseball.

He was a believer in all sorts of mascots and hoodoos, but mostly in hoodoos, and was forever in quest of the fix-chasers whenever anything went wrong.

Once while with the Cincinnati Reds, Cy was in a batting slump and conceived the fantastic idea that his bat was peevish at him, that therefore it wouldn't hit.

He took the bat to the dining-room that day and poured a drink of water over it, first putting two teaspoons of ice cream on it.

"Now," said he, "I've fed it and given it a drink and my bat should not be mad at me any more." Then he went out and made two two-baggers that afternoon, and was firmly convinced that he had appeased the angry swat-stick.

On another occasion he led a mass meeting of Cincinnati Reds who voted that their stockings were a hoodoo and appointed Cy a committee of one to go down town in Boston and buy white ones for the team.

"Mugsy" McGraw has always been accused of tampering with players on other National League teams when he wanted them for his Giants.

Cy Seymour's case was one of the notable ones in which "Mugsy" was suspected. When Cy suddenly became discontented with his job on the Cincinnati Reds, he had been leading the league at bat, but all of a sudden his stickwork fell off in startling fashion.

Then came the offer from McGraw to buy him. It was first refused, but Cy's batting got worse and worse till Garry Herrmann sold him to New York.

There he began to bat like his old self once more.

Word comes from Australia that Jimmy Clabby, the American boxer, is the most popular scrapper who ever followed the mitt game in the Antipodes.

Golf may be included in the list of recognized sports at the University of California and also at Stanford University next year.

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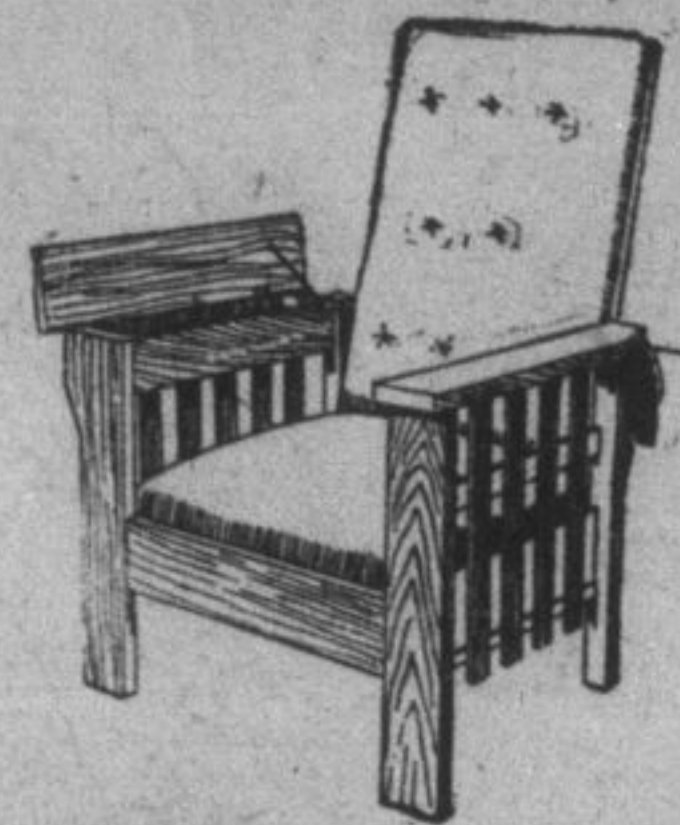
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