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And our thoughts will never wander though we' fiddle in the 'rough'. For a solace sweet still lingers in "The wee sma' drap o' stuff". And our hearts are filled with gladness and there's rapture in the soul. Lord bless the Scotch who had the sense to make a nineteenth hole. —P.C.M.

TO-NIGHT'S FOOTBALL.

The Juniors will go into action again to-night with hostilities, between the Cadets and St. Mary's. The youngsters are producing a good brand of football and doubtless the fans will be there in large numbers.

ARTHUR GOSLING AGAIN GOLF CHAMPION.

Successfully defending his title at Bally Haly on Saturday afternoon A. C. N. Gosling beat H. W. Dickinson by 8 up and 7 to play. Gosling's play was very steady while Dickinson appeared to be slightly nervous and decidedly off his game.

CITY FOOTBALLERS AT GRAND FALLS.

The football team to play with the Grand Falls team left by special train Saturday night at 10:30. The footballers were accompanied by several of the members of the Star Jazola Orchestra who will play at a dance to be held in Grand Falls. A large number of football fans were at the station to bid the team good luck.

Special to Telegram—Football ex-cursion arrived yesterday, all in good form. Glad to see some old familiar forms among them. Opening game of series to-night—COR.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

A meeting of the Junior League was held on Saturday night, when various matters were discussed. As several of the League players are now at Grand Falls, the League has given St. George's Field to the Juniors and they have arranged to run off as many of the remaining games as possible. The following games will therefore be played this week: Monday—Cadets vs. St. Mary's. Tuesday—Gaelic vs. Wesley. Wednesday—Forenoon—T. A. vs. Scouts; B.I.S. vs. Holy Cross. Wednesday Afternoon—Gaelic vs. Cadets; St. Mary's vs. Wesley. Wednesday Evening—T. A. vs. Holy Cross. Thursday—Scouts vs. B.I.S. Friday—Holy Cross vs. Gaelic.

The above should prove a very interesting series of games. Play will start each evening at 7 o'clock sharp owing to darkness setting in early. The Higgins-Hunt Trophy has now arrived, and is a prize well worth winning.

AMERICA NEEDS ATHLETIC PREPAREDNESS.

(By Hon. Murray Hulbert.) If the United States is to go into the Olympiad next year in Paris with assurance of retaining athletic supremacy, it is not too early for all interested in athletics to intensify that interest in the discovery and encouragement of available material to represent this country.

The American Olympic Association, at the suggestion of President William C. Frost of the A.A.U., has already appointed committees, is already represented in all parts of the country by observation committees, which attend the various meets to discover athletic talent in every branch. I believe the one great distinction which marks the difference in interest on the part of the Ameri-

can public in American professional and amateur sport, is the very genuine and sincere pride which the Nation takes in the achievement of its Olympic champions and the more formal elation evidenced when an American prize-fighter happens to annex some world's championship crown. As a matter of fact, notwithstanding the vast attendance at professional games, such as baseball and boxing, the United States is primarily a nation of lovers of amateur sport. The vast interest in football, tennis, rowing, swimming, basketball and, above all, track athletics, conclusively proves this. If the mere numbers of participants in professional and amateur games could be gathered for comparison, it would be found that the amateurs outnumbered the pros by a stupendous majority. And by amateurs, in this connection, I do not mean every runner or cornet ball player, but recognized amateurs who perform in public meets. Certainly the attendance at amateur exhibitions, when all such exhibitions are considered, vastly exceeds attendance at professional games.

It is only in the United States that professional sport is magnified in the public interest by tremendous passion. And, frankly, it does not deserve this, because it is a cold, demonstrable fact, that public interest is greater in amateur sport; more people participate in amateur sport either as athletes or as interested spectators. Certain newspapers have recognized this fact by organizing and providing prizes for amateur athletic contests, especially among high and preparatory school youngsters.

All of this is apropos of the topic of America's athletic career, especially the crucial part in that career which will be reached when, next year, the massed athletes of the world meet in the historic quadrennial games. Then, in Paris, the American love for Amateur athletics must be crystallized into terms of victory. The reputation we have made for this nation ever since we participated in the Olympic games must be sustained. The other countries of the world are taking the games seriously; even the wretched Ruhr situation is not preventing both France and Germany from turning the eyes of their youth towards the 1924 Olympiad where they hope to wrest athletic honors from the rest of the world. The games next year will be greater than the games of 1920, for several reasons, chief of which is that the year 1920 was too close upon the year 1918, when the war ended; the nations of the old world had no chance to shake down properly into peace-time pursuits. While even now it does not appear that they are shaking down any too eagerly they have, none the less, the better resources to draw from than in 1920, especially those nations who lost so heavily in man power during the great struggle. The nations that remained neutral during the war, and even the United States, whose loss was neither proportionately nor absolutely as large as the losses of Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Austria, etc., had something of an advantage in 1920, which cannot be expected to exist now. These older countries have had an opportunity to train the next ranks of athletes. The class of 1924 were mere youngsters in 1920; for four years is a long period in the life of an athlete—and we may expect to find a much tougher argument given our champions and near-champions in every division and stage of the contests.

What professionals can do with simply a financial object in view, amateurs can do with the national glory and reputation at stake. On every track in the country this year, the cream of American athletes prove we should be competing for places in the sun. Unless every recognized athlete, and every athlete striving for recognition, gets into the game this year, energetically and persistently, determined to do his utmost to make the winning extremely difficult for the winners, the United States will not be able to put her best foot forward in the great games next year, and unless we can give of our very best next year, our achievements will undoubtedly fall behind our records in previous Olympiads. Prophecy is always a hazardous occupation; but I

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am convinced that interest in the 1924 Olympic games will be amazingly keen and widespread. I believe that interest in the much-touted championship prize-fights will be dwarfed by the eagerness with which the world will follow the jousting of the nations on the Paris field of honor.

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