

English method, nor do I think their athletics except in the department of rowing are as highly developed as ours. But even in this department in which they excel, I was very much pleased to find this summer on visiting Oxford that the Varsity crew and the trial crew were coached by Gladstone and Barker, with both of whom I had rowed over twenty years ago. The objection that will be raised to amateur coaching, of course, is that old graduates have neither time nor leisure for this work. Surely that cannot be true. America is by far the richest country in the world, and I believe that if we began to develop this system of amateur coaching we would find many men who would be able and eager to do it. A college is very fortunate when the members of the faculty are able and willing to coach the various teams. At Union the tennis team is coached by the head of the civil engineering department, the Varsity hockey team by the professor of philosophy, the freshman hockey team by the professor of religious instruction. This may make you smile and you may decide that my idea of athletics is an old woman's idea but whether the idea is simple or not, it is at any rate not dishonest.

I grant you that our teams would not be so good under this system of amateur coaching, but I do not think that matters very much, although in America we have a burning desire to do well in athletics. I have been wondering what the effect of this Carnegie Report, with its story of subsidies, dishonesty, and double-dealing, will have upon the minds of other nations. It will doubtless find its way abroad and reveal to foreign people the trickery of our athletics. Is it not possible that they may become strangely suspicious of our athletes who have come up under such a system and who wish to compete in the Olympic games? As Americans we are very jealous of our good name, we do not like to have our honour impugned, nor to be regarded as hypocrites, pretending to do one thing and actually doing another. Surely some Moses must arise to lead us out of this desert in which we have been wandering and to take us into the Promised Land of Amateur Athletics.

Not only have many boys in colleges been corrupted, but the evil has permeated into the secondary schools, and the school boys have been encouraged by many athletic directors to find out what colleges or universities will give the most for the goods they have to offer. If this were done openly it would be bad enough, but it is done with secrecy and covered up with lies and hypocrisy. The