

But something more is needed for the complete success of College Sports than an attractive and unobjectionable type of game. That will perhaps come of itself when it is needed in any branch of our athletics. What does not and cannot come of itself is their more spiritual and vital element, College enthusiasm and *esprit de corps*. I had intended to refer to the remaining forms of sport cultivated in the University not already noticed, and especially track athletics; but I have already exceeded my proper limits. With regard to all it may be said that they are not well supported by the University. Many reasons are given for this, and some are valid. It is possible that the number of distinct clubs and kinds of public exhibitions is too great to allow of concentrated interest. But there again is a drawback that can and will cure itself. What is more manifest and lamentable is the fact that the games which appeal to the largest body of University people are not duly patronized. The responsibility does not lie with the student body alone. Our graduates should remember "Varsity" and should always be college men first and sporting men afterwards. But the undergraduate body is largely to blame and above all those in the faculty of Arts. They should be the centre and mainstay of our athletic system. Yet it is undeniable that the federated colleges furnish most of the players and competitors in the principal games, as well as the better part of our athletic inspiration make up Varsity. It would do every man of you good to come to the grounds and give a cheer for a brilliant play whether made by one of your own team or by an outsider. And, in conclusion, don't forget the gymnasium, the power house of our whole establishment.

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