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Editorials.

M OUNDS of clay and mud holes are the only ornament of a campus which last year was the general meeting place for dozens and scores of students every evening between four and six. To all who believe in out-of-door physical recreation the contrast is painful.

Some of us still believe in rugby as a game. If there is no campus under the shadow of the college walls there is great danger that the stream of students for the 2nd and 3rd teams will begin to dry up, that interest will dwindle, that the players will become more like professionals and that the game will deteriorate.

If there is no college campus there ceases to be a side line, and in our opinion the encouragement given by the side line is indispensable. There may be a perfunctory yell now and again at a match, but the lift and cheer at the dark moment when hope sags, requires a daily acquaintance with the men on the field.

But, further, football is a means of recreation and exercise for dozens who do not play matches. Perhaps football is not essential, but it is a long way ahead of the dull promenade; and golf is not a possible alternative. Every one knows that if exercise is to furnish a maximum of advantage it should be mental as well as physical; it must recreate and divert; it must be a game. Who will deny that after the game and bath the best studying is done? And wherever possible the game should be out-of-doors. If the campus disappears or is removed half way to the city limits, study for many will become more of a task.

Then, in the third place, there is the onlooker. In Queen's, where there is no dining-hall or club-room, nothing can compare with the side-line as a means of breaking down barriers between different years and faculties, and promoting acquaintances. It is our social centre all Fall. Abolish it, and our students may yield to what has found its way into other colleges not so large as Queen's. The clique, the club, the Frat, petty rivalries, and loss of college