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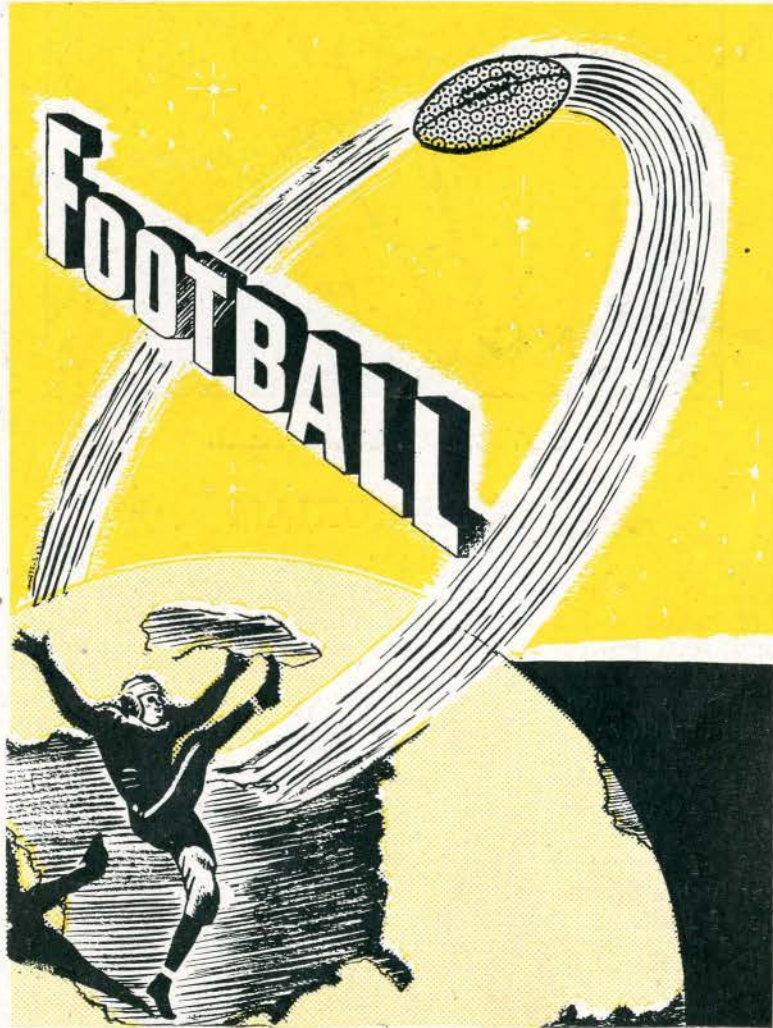


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**GOVRIEL L. ROSENTHAL**

### **IN MEMORIAM**

Govriel Rosenthal, 52, for twenty-eight years a Western Kentucky football official, died on October 13 in the Riverside Hospital, Paducah. "Gov" was head of the Rubel Dry Goods Company of Paducah. He joined the Officials' Division of the K. H. S. A. A. when it was organized in 1938, and in successive years received the "approved" and "certified" ratings, holding the latter rating since 1940. He served as field judge in the Shrine All-Star game, played in Lexington in 1942. In an editorial, the Paducah Sun-Democrat said:

"Paducah will miss Gov Rosenthal. He was not one of those citizens about whom much has been written through the years, for it was always his desire to avoid publicity for what he had done. But he was one of the community's most generous contributors of time, energy and his funds to civic enterprises. To him more than any one individual goes the credit for the establishment of the Paducah Junior college and the success it has attained, for he was head of the group that sponsored it and had been chairman of its board of trustees since its founding. As a business man he played a large part in the development of one of Paducah's greatest wholesale firms, the Rubel Dry Goods Company, and was recognized nationally by leaders in that field by his election to the presidency of the Wholesale Dry Goods Institute. The teen-agers have a word for one they consider to be all right. He is a "solid citizen". Mr. Rosenthal quite definitely was a solid citizen of Paducah."

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## It Could Happen To You

By Lyman V. Ginger  
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**R**OSCOE AND ALOYSIUS were roommates in college. They had been inseparable for four years. They both majored in physical education, minored in health and biology, played football and basketball on the varsity, and were usually considered to be inseparable. After graduation these boys started coaching. Naturally, they played each other every year. They always had a good game, followed by the usual "ribbing" and kidding, and usually topped it off with a steak dinner at the expense of the loser.

This year was a different year. The football teams were evenly matched, the sports writers said. Roscoe sent his eligibility list out the Friday preceding the game. Aloysius forgot to send his list—at least the principal had a new secretary and he forgot to tell her that such a list was necessary. Anyway, an eligibility list had not been sent, and when game time came, poor Roscoe did not know much about his friend's team. The game was played and Roscoe's team lost. After the game was over, Aloysius gave Roscoe a sheet of paper with the names of the boys who had played. At the bottom of the sheet was the statement, "I hereby certify that these boys are eligible to represent ----- school in football." Signed,-----principal.

Call it oversight, carelessness, neglect, or what you will—a friendship was strained and two rules of the K. H. S. A. A. were broken. The first rule, **By-Law 1, Section 1**, states:

The eligibility of all contestants shall be certified by the principal of the school. At the close of the week preceding each

contest, the principal of each contesting school shall mail to the other a statement to the effect that the persons named are eligible, under the rules of the Association, to represent the school on the date specified. This statement shall be made on the standard eligibility blank supplied by the Association.

Who is at fault in this case? Both teams! But poor Roscoe was the one who would have been punished for not demanding an eligibility list. Not only did Roscoe lose the game but—

### By-Law, Section 2:

"... Any school which contests against a team which has not provided an eligibility list shall be suspended from membership for the remainder of the year."

To make a long story short, Mr. Principal and Mr. Coach, please see that your list has been supplied and do not participate against a team when you have not received a list. It is the sportsman-like thing to do, but it does not follow the rules when you play without one.

"Rumor hath it" that this rule has been violated many times this fall during football. If this is so, when there are only 50 games a week involving 100 football teams, then just how bad will it become when 500 teams start playing basketball two and three games a week?

The Association is very anxious to promote the welfare of each school, team, and activity sponsored by the Association. Your cooperation is necessary if this is to be most effective.

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**Who Have Received the "Approved and "Certified" Ratings for 1947**

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Miller, Reed S.                       Weber, Edward H.  
Wadlington, C. L.                   York, Howard A.

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Bourn, Dick.                         Holeman, Fletcher D.  
Harris, Gene                         Shaw, John H.

The following schools have joined the K. H. S. A. A. since the publication of the October issue of the magazine. A supplementary list of members joining in November will appear in the December issue of the magazine. Schools joining in November may present their certificates as evidence of membership if they engage in athletic contests before the December supplementary list appears.

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## Commissioner's Message

A few weeks ago the Commissioner received a letter from the editor of a Kentucky newspaper, deploring the fact that drinking at high school athletic contests seemed to be on the increase. The editor said, "I have seen three high school football games this season and the public drinking at two of them nauseated me. In fact I do not recall seeing as much drinking in public at any events in my entire life time, except in saloons or bars . . . . The vile language and use of short, concise Anglo-Saxon words amazed and disturbed me . . . . Back of my party were a number of public drinkers, probably their ages ranging from 25 to 38. Their choice of language at times would have done credit to the Barbary Coast . . . . I am glad that I can say that I did not see any young people drinking that I judged were in the high school age, but of course I may have been mistaken as I knew none of those near me."

The problem mentioned may not be one for all Kentucky school men, but it is certainly giving many of them much concern. The curing of this ill is in our hands if we have the courage to apply the remedy. Section 244.020 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes is fairly specific. It says, "(1) No person shall drink any alcoholic beverage **in any public place**, in or upon any passenger coach, street car or other vehicle which is commonly used for the transportation of passengers, or in or about any depot, platform or waiting room. (2) No person shall be under the influence of alcoholic beverages on any public or private road, in any passenger coach, street car, or **other public place or building or at any public gathering.**

In my reply to the editor, who may be a lone voice crying in the wilderness, I said, "As Commissioner of Athletics for the high schools of the state, I have certain duties, responsibility, and authority, definitely prescribed in the Constitution of our Association. None of these have to do with my attempting to hand down an edict concerning the morals and conduct of people who attend high school football games. I understand, however, that there are laws on the statute books, apparently not enforced, which prohibit open drinking . . . . at public places. I suggest that you talk to your school author-

ities and your law enforcement officials about this problem."

To you school men who are concerned about public drinking or drunkenness at your games, may I suggest that you do not have to put up with this conduct and its attendant evils of vulgarity and profanity. You are in complete control of your athletic fields or your gymnasiums, or you should be. You can always give a drunk or a public drinker his money back and ask him to leave the field or gym. Many of your law enforcement officials are fathers. They may take a little slug or two themselves sometimes when they are out with the boys but they don't want their children who are watching their high school team play a ball game have to put up with some of the conduct mentioned above. These law enforcement officials will help you, if you will ask them. Most of them will. If they don't, your Commissioner is the worst fooled man in Kentucky.

The football season is coming to a close, and it might appear that this article is like "locking the barn after the horse is stolen". We have a year to make our plans for controlling inebriated football fans. Don't think for a minute, however, that the problem mentioned applies only to the grand old sport of football. Five times as many Kentucky schools have basketball teams as those which play football. There may not be much public drinking at basketball games, but one drunk may get your school into serious trouble. The problem, in one way, is even greater than in football. The basketball fan is much closer to the official in a gymnasium than he is in a stadium. He can follow the game closely and he can see the mistakes which the officials, even the best ones, make. Have you ever seen a fan, with a shot or two of liquor under his belt, "ride" an official all through a ball game and then offer to whip him after the home team lost? Some of these woozy boys have started fights and riots in the past, and their schools have been suspended from the Association. You are protecting your school, therefore, when you control the conduct of your crowds. Our Delegate Assembly intends for the Commissioner and the Board of Control to see to it that sportsmanship is practiced by Kentucky schools. If there is any question about your duty as a school administrator, please read By-Law 17.

If this sounds like preaching, please forgive me. I am deeply concerned about this problem and I hope that you are.

Ted Sanford.

# Referee's Corner

By  
Charlie Vettiner

Officials tell your ole Corner Guardian that there are just not enough football teams playing ball in Kentucky.

According to such outstanding arbiters as John Heldman, Peck Hickman, Jack Thompson and Harry Cover, it's because too many schools do not have enough boys enrolled to field a team of eleven gridders.

That doesn't keep schools from giving kids the old game of contact which every red-blooded American boy loves so well. There's that game of six-man football.

Sure we know the old argument which comes from people who have never seen the game. "What's six-man football? It's a sissy game".

Brother, right there you are wrong. It's a rougher, tougher game than eleven-man ball ever was, and you can take that first-hand from this "Has-Been" because after it was started in the Salt River Valley Conference back in 1939 that's the only kind of football your rambling reporter worked.

Yep, back in the years when you could buy a shoe shine for a nickel, the Daddies of the game, Herb Ockerman, Bill Buckles, Bill Chilton, Stanley McGowan, Reason Newton, Foster Sanders and Bob Turner, said, "Our schools are small but our kids are gonna have just what kids at larger schools get".

So the kids got six-man football, and, brother, they didn't get a "sissy" game. Instead they got a contest which meant lots of open play with good hard tackling and long runs which thrilled the fans.

Take it from this Corner that when you are tackled in this game you hit the ground, because there are not any fat, cushiony guards to fall on for comfort since there are five men missing you have in the other game.

You think it's "sissy", huh? Watch big Jack Coleman as he cavorts for U. of L. now, a little All-American, and remember that the only football he played before he got to college was on Bob Campbell's six-man Burgin team.

Maybe you're one of the guys who thinks a college coach would turn up his nose at Jack. If you are, then you don't know your football. If you saw those Shrine State Championship games that used to be unfolded at Lexington before the war, you'll know it's a tougher game than eleven-man football.

Sure we're plugging for more six-man teams in Kentucky next year, so more kids can play the game they want to play. It's a pretty safe bet that there'll be plenty of new teams to join Burgin, Lebanon Junction, Bloomfield, St. Joe, Western and the rest next season.

Think this over, school principals and coaches. You can play any game the larger schools play. If you want more information, contact Bill Buckles at Bloomfield. Bill's got the "dope".

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## It's the Sport That Counts

He had just homered twice for the New York Yankees and was hurrying home to the hot dinner his wife had waiting for him. The chap was feeling mighty good. It had been a great day for him all the way around. Two home runs and a great little girl waiting for his arrival to that swell meal.

Then it happened. Passing by an open lot, he noticed about twenty kids throwing a ball around, no organization at all. They were just playing the best they knew how because at least a hundred adults had passed that way during the afternoon but none of them had time to stop and show any interest in the youngsters.

The big Yankee had time. Kids were his hobby. "Come on guys. Let's get a couple of teams going", the big-timer said. And that was enough. (All you have to do is let boys know you are interested in them and you're king.) There was a great game played that afternoon that no newspapers reported. In fact, none knew about it and yet there was never a world series contest unfolded that had as much importance because a man had taken time out to play with kids.

You've guessed the rest of the story. The big Yankee didn't have a hot dinner that night but it was the best he ever had, and even Mrs. Yankee didn't mind because she was proud of her husband who loved Future America enough to play ball with them.

I met one of those kids, a grown man now, in Chicago a short ime ago and here's his remark: "The greatest guy I've ever known and the fellow who inspired me to make something of myself was that Yankee first-sacker who had time for us kids". "Yep", he went on to say, "If more adults would just take a little time out to show kids THEY CARE, there would be lots more honest-to-goodness men molded from street ur-chins."

You're right, fellow, that great guy was the immortal Lou Gehrig, showing the world that "It's The Sport That Counts" for Future America. C. V.

# The Rating of Basketball Officials

By T. K. Stone  
Vice-President, K. H. S. A. A.

Don't read this article! It's being written under protest. It's about a most fascinating subject, however, and worthwhile too as far as that's concerned. Moreover, the Commissioner "sez" it's gotta be done, so here goes.

All officials can be divided into two classes — (1) the good ones and (2) the ones who worked the games you lost. All of us, being human, the prevailing opinion of our school kids to the contrary notwithstanding, are prone to be influenced somewhat in our judgment of the officials by **not** how **he** called the game, but whether **we** won or lost.

Actually, however, we're being a little facetious. Not many school officials are of the type just mentioned. Quite the contrary is true in fact. The average school man, while apparently sometimes begrudging the poor referee his \$12.00, \$15.00 or \$17.50 fee, wouldn't undertake the job himself for twice the amount. He knows it's a tough job, and he knows, too, that nobody can call 'em all right, that anybody's apt to miss some of 'em. But he also knows that this game of basketball is growing like a mushroom, that his crowds are getting larger, noisier, rowdier, and sometimes even more difficult to control than in the past. And he knows, too, with a definite certainty that the two fellows who can do most to keep these games under control, to keep the fans in the stands, to help in promoting the high standards of sportsmanship that he wants promoted, are (1) the referee and (2) the coach. Now then, if he knows these things, and we believe he does, he should give serious consideration to this business of selecting officials. And well he might, for this is the fellow who can handle or be handled by his crowd, who can satisfy or antagonize his visitors and guests, and who can cause or prevent wild, riotous, uncalled for disturbances and exhibitions by fans and players.

And as an old ex-member of that "master-minder during the winning season, character builder during the losing season fraternity", let me say now to the coach that he himself is the most important man in that crowded gym so far as the referee is concerned. He's the fellow who, with the referee, very largely determines the type of crowd reaction that develops as the game unfolds. And from an old hair-puller, jumper-upper, face-maker, and arm-waver himself, may I urge you coaches to remember that you carry a tremendous responsibility which can be

used definitely to either "make war or promote peace".

But back to the referee and how to rate him. And remember, this is strictly one man's opinion. We've called some games, coached for 12 years, and been principal and superintendent for a few more years, and we've gradually evolved a more or less unwritten philosophy on how to judge these so-called "blind toms" who are really pretty high-class fellows after all (We haven't lost a game yet.)

First, we like a man who is prompt. We believe a man should be at the "scene of conflict" at 30 to 45 minutes before the opening gong. We think it a mighty good practice, and one which we recommend to all officials, to drop a card in the mail to the fellow for whom you're going to work a couple of days before the ball-game just to remind him you'll be there. Second, we like for our referee to have a rule book and an emblem on his shirt or sweater indicating membership in the K. H. S. A. A. Officials' Association. We also like to know his rating in this organization; that is, whether he is a (1) registered or (2) certified official. It is an interesting fact that last year our association had 1,003 registered, and only 22 approved and 26 certified officials. Now we're not trying to tell you that merely being an approved or certified official guarantees excellence, but at any rate it indicates a degree of knowledge of the rules above the average. It also indicates a knowledge of the mechanics of officiating. Third, we like for him to be ready to start the ball-game when the time comes. We like for him to check with the scorer and timer before the game, see that there's a ball to play with and not wait until the kick-off and find there's nothing to kick. Of course that detail may be the coach's job, but a coach is not always at himself just before game time. I know. I've been there. Now that the game has started, I believe that the official should have complete control of the situation and yet be as unobtrusive as possible. This belief isn't unanimous, as there are some who like the colorful, aggressive official who attracts attention to himself by pugnacious or acrobatic mannerisms. This then is a matter of opinion, but as for us, we believe the crowd comes to see the **boys** play.

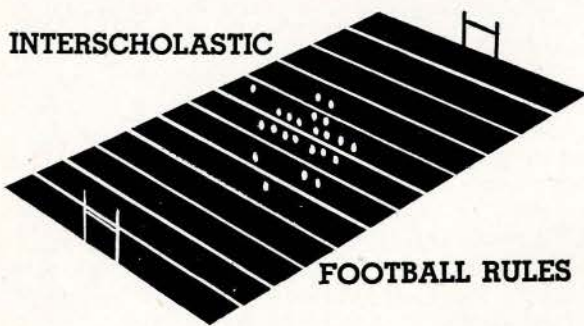
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## Is a Joint Football Code Possible or Permissible?

Each year, there has been discussion concerning the possible values in a common football code for all major groups which sponsor the game. These include the colleges and high schools. The setting up of nationwide machinery for production, publication and distribution of football rules and related materials has been of great benefit to the high schools. A progressive code has been produced and the game has been kept adapted to the high school needs. Use of the various rules materials has grown until the number of publications is more than a quarter of a million (not all football). These publications provide a valuable contact between high schools and their state and national organizations and permit the high schools to make use of the best thought among those who are in charge of high school athletic activities.

It would be a major loss to the whole high school program, if this machinery were not maintained. As far as athletic leaders are concerned, there has never been any thought of not maintaining it. The colleges have somewhat similar machinery, although it is necessary for them to deal with only a small fraction of the number which are connected with the high school game. It is assumed that the present college machinery will also be maintained. Consequently, any thought of joint action in connection with a football code and with only all of the activities which are related to the code must be based on some plan whereby present machinery will continue to function in both groups. Joint action must be a cooperative project in which each group may benefit by the exchange of

ideas which might result from joint rules activity.

Over a period of years there have been informal conferences between representatives of the National Collegiate and of the National Federation. These conferences led to the drawing up of basic principles upon which some joint activity might be built. The latest of these conferences occurred during the summer when the National Collegiate authorities invited the Federation to attend a conference for discussion of these matters. The immediate cause for this conference was action at the last meeting of the National Collegiate Football Committee, in which that group decided that the present National Collegiate Football Code is out of date and needs recodification. For the past several months, work has been done on this recodification and Collegiate authorities were interested in finding whether there is an opportunity for joint action in connection with such recodification. At this conference, the developments of the past several years were outlined and the Federation representative presented a summary of the possibilities for cooperative action which had been worked out in previous conferences and which was included in the minutes of the last meeting of the Federation Executive Committee. In brief, it was pointed out that:

1. Any plan must retain the Federation Football Rules machinery, which has been developed over a period of fifteen years and which enables representatives from each of the states to help determine the type of game which shall be played in the high schools and the way it shall be administered.

2. A football code, with a common wording for both groups, should include the best features of the Federation Code and of the National Collegiate Code, with certain listed fundamentals which would be agreed upon before any attempt should be made to fill in details of wording and arrangement.

3. This common wording and arrangement would serve as the basic code for each group. Any modifications from it which would affect **college football** would be determined by the **Collegiate Committee** and modifications which would affect **high school play** would be determined by the **Federation Committee**. Overlapping memberships would constitute a Joint Committee which would endeavor to keep the high school and college provisions properly integrated in a common code.

4. The commonly worded code would be used as the basis for the Collegiate edition to be published by the N. C. A. A. and as the basis for the Federation edition to be published by the Federation.

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## IS A JOINT FOOTBALL CODE POSSIBLE OR PERMISSABLE?

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When these proposals were presented to the various Collegiate groups, including representatives of the National Collegiate Executive Staff and the entire membership of the National Collegiate Football Committee, the groups appeared to be in accord with these proposals. At sessions of the Collegiate codification committee and of the entire Collegiate Football Committee, certain fundamentals of the Federation code were outlined and the discussion was such as to indicate that the two groups were near enough together in their thinking in connection with these fundamentals to warrant further exploration of possibilities for the production of a commonly worded code to be considered by both the Collegiate Football Committee and the Federation Football Committee at future meetings. Accordingly, a small Joint Collegiate-Federation Committee is being appointed to make an intensive study of the matter and to attempt to draw up a commonly worded code which will be based on common fundamentals but which will be elastic enough to permit the Federation Football Committee to incorporate needed high school provisions and the Collegiate Football Committee to incorporate needed college provisions. It remains to be seen whether this can be done without too great a loss by either group.

It is obvious that this will involve a great amount of work. The project will be effective only in case it is found possible to incorporate the best features of both current codes and the provisions of any other proposed code. As an illustration, the treatment of the free kicks may be taken as an example. In the interests of simplicity and without adversely influencing equity, the Federation code provides common coverage for the three free kicks. Penalty procedures for an act which occurs during any free kick are governed by the general enforcement provisions. In contrast, the Collegiate code has developed a set of rules for each one of the three free kicks and, in a number of cases, procedures do not come under the basic procedures as outlined for other types of play. Preliminary discussion indicates a willingness on the part of both groups to accept simplified procedures and to incorporate the most advantageous type of coverage. This is listed merely as one of a number of basic principles which will be involved in any deliberations of the Joint Committee.

Other similar situations are in connection with forward pass procedures. In the Federation code, a pass, either forward or backward, is merely a loose ball and enforcement

procedures are the same as for any other loose ball (such as a kick or fumble). This is in contrast to a possible method of handling the matter in such a way that a separate code within a code is required for the forward pass. There are similar problems in connection with penalty enforcement, with method of handling the fair catch, and in kick procedures. It will not be an easy matter for the two groups to agree on mutually satisfactory methods of covering the type of organization of the rules provisions.

Regardless of the difficulties, there are possibilities for mutual advantages in such a cooperative project and the great amount of time and work which will be involved are probably justified. Whether the project is brought to a successful conclusion will depend on developments during the current year. Ultimate decision will be made by the executive bodies and football committees of the two groups. All members of these groups will be kept thoroughly informed as to progress (if any) which may be made through agreement by the joint group.

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## THE RATING OF BASKETBALL OFFICIALS

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a decisive, positive manner that the impression is established that he knows his business. This indicates confidence in his ability which is immediately transmitted to players and fans alike.

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