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WHY I THINK BASEBALL IS THE FINEST OF ALL GAMES

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Baseball is the nation's greatest pastime. People, regardless of their social rank in life, play the game, if they understand it. Baseball is not only a game for the people in the grandstand to watch and enjoy, but it is for the individual who is playing as well. No other individual can derive so many useful qualities or get so much joy and pleasure out of the game as the individual who is actually playing it.

Baseball is a game that develops men for the game of life as no other game can. It not only calls for unrestricted team play, but for careful and wise play on the part of the individual.

Baseball benefits the individual in many ways, for one it teaches him the value of his initiative and wise judgment.

Many games in baseball are lost simply through the poor judgment of the individual. Likewise in life, many of the games of life are lost through the same cause.

Football to a certain extent teaches one the value of wise judgment. But is everyone on the football team taught this? No. The team selects a quarterback and depends on his judgment as to what it shall do, and naturally everyone on the team looks to the judgment of the quarterback. But in baseball such a thing is not taught to any one individual, but is developed in everyone of the players alike. That is the thing that counts in this game of life; not the wise thinking of one for another, but the wise playing and thinking of the individual for himself.

Baseball is not only a source of great pleasure and recreation, but a means of earning a livelihood. Every man can't work the year in and year out. He needs some rest and pleasure. That is an opportunity that baseball has to offer that no other sport can. One may run a business during the winter months and yet play ball.

Baseball is everybody's game. Young or old can play it. And that is where it resembles the game of life more closely than ever; because the older one gets the wiser he can play the game.

Baseball also offers good health to the individual who plays it. No other game calls for such perfect co-ordination between the muscles, the brain, and the nerves as baseball does. Every little movement must

be done systematically, and the eye and brain must function clearly and steadily at all times.

The most successful player is the one with the best physical qualifications and the keenest mind.

No other game so benefits the individual, physically and mentally, as the every-day game of baseball does.

No cleaner game can be found anywhere. In spite of everything that can be said of clean sports, there is always foul play somewhere, and this holds true in the game of life.

Baseball is a schooling in itself, so why not more of us become ball players, and see just what the game of life is really like? Life is only a game. The more one knows of both games, naturally the better player he is.

No other sport, in my opinion, can better teach the individual the value of fair play, wise play, and co-operation, than the every-day game of baseball.

People have traveled far to witness the annual fall classic known as "The world series," played between the two best teams of the nation, and they will continue to do so as long as the game of baseball is played.

SUPT. DAVIS EXONERATED

During the past few months articles have appeared in various periodicals that have reflected upon Supt. Sam B. Davis of the Genoa (Nebraska) Indian School. There are a number of people at Chemawa who are personally acquainted with Supt. Davis and who in addition to taking no stock in the reports broadcasted throughout the country refuted them and branded them as false—standing by Supt. Davis staunchly. The truth will out, and it is now our pleasure to report the complete vindication of the maligned man. From a copy of a recent issue of the Columbus Daily Telegram, published at Columbus, Nebraska, we are running the following excerpt, which is self-explanatory:

Charges of mistreatment and neglect of children in the federal school for Indians at Genoa are pronounced unfounded in every respect by Lieutenant Governor Williams: Senator O. G. Clark, of Columbus, Representative S. B. Turner, of Fullerton, and Judge F. L. Spear, of Fremont, in a report filed today with Governor Weaver.

The governor asked for the inquiry following a re-

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