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## BASKETBALL ON THRONE

ONCE again basketball reigns among the high school boys and girls and a great many of their elders in Indiana. It has frequently been remarked that "Indiana is basketball crazy." As proof of this fact it may be noted that at least 5,000 boys are participating as actual players in games in fifty-five cities and towns of the State. A total of 665 teams is represented. Never has any sport so taken a State by storm. It is safe to say the Indiana high school basketball tournaments are unique in the history of sport.

And here is another thing: Basketball players are NOT cake-eaters."

Indiana's players are real boys, boys of whom the State is proud. There are few games more strenuous—basketball requires strong muscles, good wind and quick thinking.

A boy can't be a "lounge lizard" and a basketball player at the same time.

Who said the youth of the country is going to the bow-wow?

## OWNIE BUSH'S CHANCE

THE Indianapolis baseball team, guided by Ownie Bush, home-grown manager, departs for Florida to begin spring training.

When ball clubs go South, that is when spring comes for a large part of the Nation's citizenry. Renewed hopes, new pennant castles to build, new players to discuss, the opening game, all are popular subjects eagerly snapped up for debate wherever men or boys gather.

Baseball fans here have been talking Bush all winter. His skillful playing with the Indianapolis pennant winners of 1908 always will be a happy recollection.

Owner Smith is doing what he can to give Bush the proper talent for a first division contender and the new manager is keenly desirous of delivering the goods as a step toward establishing himself permanently with the Indianapolis baseball club. Bush is of the "home boy" type and has tired of living away six months of the year.

Baseball interest in Indianapolis has lagged for some time. Various explanations for the slump have been advanced, but discussion on that point has ended. The big thing now is 1924.

Fans seem agreed that if Bush cannot revive the game it means Indianapolis has dropped from the list of live baseball towns.

From early indications the opening game, April 15, will be a record-breaker for local baseball attendance. Therefore, prediction is made Indianapolis is due for a baseball boom IF the Indians perk up under Ownie Bush.

## REMOVE THIS HANDICAP

IT is doubtful if there is full realization of the handicap under which the fight against graft and corruption in Washington is being carried on.

Politics impedes progress at every step. There are men of both parties who are earnestly trying to expose and punish the guilty and protect the public.

There are men of both parties—in and out of public office—who are trying to block the investigation.

There are others who see in the whole oil scandal little more than a matter of partisan gain or loss.

The unfortunate relation of Attorney General Daugherty removes the Government's regular legal machinery from the field.

This has been partially offset by the appropriation of \$100,000 to hire outside lawyers to try the cases.

But before cases can be tried they must be prepared as to facts. Before the Senate committee can get to the bottom of the mess it must be able to run down leads and clews.

At an enormous expense the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice is maintained for this purpose. This is Uncle Sam's police force and detective bureau.

It is supposedly a body of skilled operatives trained in the pursuit of crime and the sifting of facts. It is a powerful, secret organization that extends over the whole country—and beyond. During all these months that bureau has done nothing to assist the Government which supports it. So long as Daugherty is Attorney General he, through Burns, will control the secret service—and it will continue not to function in the public interest in the oil cases.

It is all right for Daugherty to remain in office until he has a hearing. It is indeed, quite proper, but it would seem to be a failure in public service and a diversion of public funds to permit the bureau of investigation to be palsied during these critical months.

President Coolidge could very well give an indication of the relentless purpose which he has held if he could go over the head of the absent Attorney General and take such steps as would galvanize the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice into the utmost activity and most perfect co-ordination with the Senate and the special oil attorneys.

The public is paying for this great agency and has a right to its utmost service at this moment. The President can, if he will, remove this handicap.

COOLIDGE considering Borah for Daugherty's job, says Washington dispatch. One way to silence a critic is to hire him.

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## British Ambassador Arrives in New York



Sir Esme Howard (above) is the new British ambassador to United States. He is shown on arrival at New York.

## DEMOCRATS LOOK OVER CANDIDATES

### Ralston and Copeland Appear to Be Best Bets Before Party.

By HARRY B. HUNT  
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON, March 1.—These are the dopey days for the Democrats.

Wherever two or more Democrats foregather, the inevitable first question is:

"Well, what's the dope?"

Meaning, always, the deep, inside political prognostication as evolved by the boys with their ears to the ground and their eyes on the presidency. Here it is.

Coolidge will be the Republican nominee. No Democrat disputes that. The G. O. P. must win or lose with the man now in the White House.

To repudiate him would be to admit a mistake in 1920 and concede failure of the present Administration.

With that settled, the Democratic dopes then set about picking the man to unseat Coolidge. That's a more involved problem!

Underwood? Too conservative. Lacks magnetism and popular appeal. Too southern to pull necessary northern vote. Small chance.

Cox? Outdistanced in 1920. A good campaigner, forceful, magnetic, but handicapped by his former defeat. Little chance.

McAdoo? A favorite, irreparably lame as a candidate because of his oil connections.

Personally and politically the best fighter and most alert brain in the party, but now too vulnerable. His candidacy would tie the hands of his party in using effectively the chief bludgeon by which the Democrats may be able to beat down the G. O. P.—Oil!

Ralston? Well—a possibility. Not too well known. No enemies. Made a good Governor. Rather old, rather conservative, but born in Ohio and residing in Indiana is geographically well placed.

Al Smith of New York? Too bad. He has the sort of personality and popularity that would be invaluable. But a Tammany could garner few votes in the debatable middle west and west, where the battle must be won. Not available.

Look at Copeland

If none of these, then who? Well-Copeland of New York, progressive, vigorous, magnetic. A doctor-president might restore the body politic to health.

John W. Davis? Umm. Not likely. A charming fellow personally, but a bit up-stage for a popular candidate. A silk-stocking air. Nope!

Josephine Daniels? Well, perhaps. He headed the Navy Department when the sailors covered themselves with glory in the World War. He was the object of many jobs, but he defended the naval oil lands from many assaults of those who wanted to exploit him.

Cordell Hull? Carter Glass? Homer Cummings?

Wait a bit! Homer Cummings. There's a good politician. Foxy. Think this over:

Need McAdoo Votes

If McAdoo can't be nominated, the man who is nominated will need the votes of McAdoo supporters. The decision of McAdoo backers at Chicago to keep him in the fight insures his friends having the veto power in the New York convention. If they can't put him across they can say who will or will not get across.

And while all other potential Democratic candidates were sitting back smugly, smiling to themselves at McAdoo's disfigurement, figuring how his seeming disqualification had helped their chances, Homer Cummings was up at Chicago himself shouting for McAdoo, proclaiming him the hope of progressive democracy—and incidentally making himself solid with the McAdoo forces as a potential dark horse when it is established McAdoo cannot pull down the nomination.

Well, that's the dope. Unsatisfactory stuff, always creating an appetite for more. But the supply in Washington is endless.

For these are the dopey days!

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## NATURAL BARRIERS CAUSE OF RACES

### Tendency Toward Differentiation and Assimilation Opposing Forces Throughout History of Mankind.

By DAVID DIETZ  
Science Editor of The Times  
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ONE of the outstanding facts about man today is that he is divided up into races, each possessing distinguishing characteristics.

As we have seen, even several types of true men existed in the Old Stone Age.

Two great opposing forces have been at work throughout the story of mankind. One has been the tendency toward differentiation.

The other has been assimilation, the intermingling of different types tending to bring about similarity.

Different varieties of men migrating about the world and intermingling with the types they met, have tended to make for assimilation.

But we must remember that there are many groups of peoples which do not seem to fit well into any one of these groups and others which are undoubtedly the results of mixtures.

Three thousand years ago, as already pointed out, man learned to make implements of iron.

From that point on, we must leave the story of man to the historian.

We started out with a general survey of the universe. Then we narrowed our survey to the earth upon which we live.

Let us no narrow our field to the specific phenomena of life.

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