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When the Indians first invented the game of lacrosse they used a field covering an area of about ten miles and permitted hundred or more braves of each side. The modern version of the same game found play restricted to a site a little larger than a football field, with twelve men to a team.

This present day era of 300 mile an hour auto speed records and the nine hour dash across the continent in an airplane, took its toll in the sports world as well, and we now find the game that was taken from the Indians narrowed down to a small enclosure about the size of a basketball court and only six men laboring to a side. This is box lacrosse.

Several fatalities were recorded when Chief Tecumser's Red, Green and Black faces, nosed out Minnehaha's Oilskinned Braves, 21 scalps to 19, but the idea of the game still persists. The lacrosse sticks today displace the tomahawks of yesterday, but the general use of the weapons are about the same. If you have watched some of these experts wrap a lacrosse stick around a foe's neck, you can readily visualize the early day exponent of the game wielding a tomahawk on the opposing speedsters, with an effort to cut down the enemy attack.

Indians were mighty warriors, hard runners and clever athletes in their day, and the game they have sent down through the ages calls for all the skill, strength and stamina exemplified by the Redskins. For this reason fans will see some red hot action when the box lacrosse season opens up at the P. M. C. practice polo field tonight. Well trained athletes will keep the game at top speed from start to finish. The athletes receive rest periods, but the action never slows down as two complete units are used by both clubs.

Porter Waite and his fellow lacrosse enthusiasts have labored long and hard to educate the public to this game. The lack of a proper playing site forced them to move out of Swarthmore, but through the kindness of Colonel Hyatt they have a natural playing arena up at Seventeenth and Chestnut streets. The game should develop at this new site, and we believe it will prove popular with local sports followers.

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