



The Play Movement in the United States: A Study of Community Recreation (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The Play Movement in the United States: A Study of Community Recreation Every period of social advance has been accompanied by the spirit of play. The contemporary generation in our own country is no exception to that rule. Industrial developments, immigration, the growth of the democratic spirit in education and in economics as well as in government have not characterized the present age more than have amateur sports, commercialized amusements, and socialized art. Eighty thousand people have witnessed a single football contest, ninety thousand a prize fight, while baseball has become the American game and athletics a recognized feature of both high school and college life. Few cities are now without municipal bands, orchestras, or auditoriums, as well as swimming pools and public golf links. The municipal pier of Chicago extends into the lake three quarters of a mile and terminates in a magnificent auditorium seating five thousand and dedicated to amateur dramatic and musical expression. Transcontinental automobile routes outnumber the railroads, the motion picture industry is fifth in the United States, while it is...

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