

As Goes the Game of Football, So Goes Our Constitution, 122913

If you listen any to Rush Limbaugh you know that he fully expects the progressive efforts to make football a more 'safe' game will end the game of football. To under why, consider the regulations that fine players for making hard hits, click [HERE](#), or the requirements for how high to tackle and orientation of the body, click [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

Step back with beer can in hand and take a look at the players. In 2010 they weighed 22 % more than they did in 1960, click [HERE](#). They are taller and have a much higher muscle mass, click [HERE](#). Step back from the TV monitor and look at what you see. The game is now played in in-door, heated stadiums that are for the comfort and convenience of the fans. (Have you noticed that the fans are fatter then they were 20 years ago and far more than 50 years ago? It is because of all that comfort, those hot dogs, and that beer.) Where has all the snow gone? Football is no longer a 'winter' sport. Football has changed and the regulations now being made are not going to remedy the game but certainly will kill it .

The same can be said for current efforts to amend the U. S. Constitution. Compared to 50 or more years ago we are a nation of fatter, more self-indulging, more demanding-of-government-handouts, and more expecting-the-same-rewards-whether-or-not-we-earned-them people. So why then would We the People expect amendments to the Constitution to remedy the problems we see in our Federal Government? Why would We the People expect politicians to act any differently than they now do?

Thus the analogy of the game of Football with our Constitution: As long as fans want bigger, faster, more muscled players to entertain them in warm, food-laden indoor stadiums why would they expect new, additional regulations to remedy the problems in the game?. As long as We the People are not willing to remedy our expectations of rewards from the Government why would We the People expect to remedy the behavior of those in D.C., using Amendments or else?

The problem lies not in the Constitution. The problem lays with We the People and the changes in the morals and values we have let happen. I wonder if we are going to repeat the history of Rome in which elected officials escalated their self-indulgence, Coliseum games were used to entertain the Public, the morals and values of that Nation degenerated, and finally collapse. Edmund Burke is quoted as stating, "Those who don't know history are doomed to repeat it." Perhaps a more accurate statement is, "Mankind is doomed to repeat history."