

Zora Clevenger Dies; Dean Of I.U. Athletics

Bloomington, Ind. — Zora G. Clevenger, 88, known as "Mr. Indiana" for a 70-year span as an athlete, coach and athletic director at Indiana University,



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was pronounced dead at Bloomington Hospital after collapsing yesterday in a Bloomington store.

Mr. Clevenger was athletic director emeritus and a college football Hall of Fame member.

A native of Muncie, his athletic career spanned more than two-thirds of I.U.'s history in intercollegiate athletics, and his tenure as athletic director from 1923 to 1946 produced a golden era in Hoosier athletics.

AFTER ORGANIZING Muncie's first high school football team in 1897, "Mr. Clev," as he was known, came to I.U. in 1900 as a 140-pound halfback to star four years in both football and baseball.

In 1903 he achieved the distinction of becoming the only Hoosier to captain both teams.

His prowess in football was such that he was inducted into the National Football Foundation's Hall of Fame two years ago, one of only two former I.U. players to be so honored.

HE REMAINED at I.U. as baseball and basketball coach and as assistant football coach for a year after being

graduated in 1904, and then became assistant athletic director for another year before moving on to Nebraska Wesleyan University as athletic director.

In 1911 he became head coach of football, basketball and baseball at the University of Tennessee, and in 1914 produced Tennessee's first undefeated football team.

In 1916 he moved to Kansas State University, again as athletic director

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By SAMUEL LUBELL

Washington — Perhaps the strongest single emotion working for President Richard Nixon's re-election in 1972 is the generally shared expectation that nearly all American soldiers will be out of Vietnam before the election.

Some of this pro-Nixon sentiment reflects family gratitude, as with a draftsman's wife, normally Democratic, in Garwood, N.J., who declared: "Nixon brought my brother back. He'll get my vote."

Many other parents with sons between 14 and 18 seem to have made a mental vow. "I'll go for Nixon if he ends the war before my son is drafted," is a typical comment.

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