

GAME OF FOOTBALL NEAR PERFECTION

Edwards, Former Guard of Princeton, Says Present Rules Are Good.

PEOPLE LIKE THE SPORT BETTER THAN HERETOFORE

Complaints Are Being Made That Drop-Kick Counts Too Many Points.

Tribune Special Sporting Service.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Football is nearer perfection today than it has been since the sport was first introduced into American colleges in 1876.

Big Bill Edwards, former guard for Princeton, later a famous coach, and one of the officials in the recent Yale-Harvard game, made this statement in reply to a question as to whether the rules needed to undergo more changes before another season.

"Of course, there might be a few beneficial changes on matters of minor importance which have no direct bearing on the game, but even they could be dispensed with. I find the public better pleased with the game today than I have ever known, and, as all players must realize, the public is a very important factor in football, or any other sport that is national in character.

"The new rules have done two things of the greatest importance to football, continued Mr. Edwards. First, they have cut down the list of injured more than 50 per cent. Second, they have made the game so open that the public can better see the plays and therefore more thoroughly appreciate the science of the sport. I see no chance for improvement just now, though some changes may be suggested to the rules committee later on. It is always best to leave well enough alone. The present rules should be allowed to stand any way until the players have thoroughly mastered them."

"It was suggested to the football expert that many complaints have been made to the effect that the drop-kick is given too much value—four points. "At first that would seem true," admitted Mr. Edwards. "But I am opposed to any change in that respect. I realize that a weak team has a big advantage if it has a drop-kicker who can send a ball through the posts and escape a shut-out. But you must admit that the best team usually wins, and that is the strongest argument in favor of the rules as they stand."

"It seems pretty hard sometimes for a strong team to work hard for a touchdown and then have their opponents offset it by a lucky drop kick when unable to gain ground on straight football. But you must remember that it takes long practice to make a good drop-kicker, and the team must have a well drilled defense to hold the line long enough for him to make the trial. We cut down the value of the drop-kick from five points to four, and I think that was enough reduction. I do not believe a drop-kick from the field should count as much as a touchdown, as was the case before we made the change."

"The forward pass, in my opinion, was one of the greatest innovations we have ever had. It gives to the game a ring of uncertainty that makes it much more spectacular. It is a great thing. It is pretty hard, though, for an official to tell whether the ball crosses the line of scrimmage more than five yards from the point it was put in play. The forward pass in this respect, has given the officials much trouble."

PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN FOR SAFE AUTO RACING

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Automobile racing, which last year resulted in a large number of fatalities and serious accidents to spectators and participants, is to be shown of a great part of its ferocity by the adoption of a revised set of rules and restrictions the American Automobile association believes that automobile races will become as safe as any strenuous contests may be.

The provisions specify that the new organization will not sanction any race that is not given in accordance with all of these rules. Prior to the granting of a sanction an investigation of the tracks must be made by a competent committee and photographs of all turns, fences, buildings, stands, etc., must be submitted to the national body.

Standing of Bowlers.

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One-Sided Game.

The second Y. M. C. A. basketball team defeated the second L. D. S. team by an unimpaired score of 48 to 13 in twenty-minute halves. The association boys called in team work and held the ball in their own territory nearly all the time. The lineup was as follows:

Table with columns: Name, Position, Team. Includes names like Metcalf, Haynes, etc.

Hoppe May Return to Play Billiards.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The return to this country of Willie Hoppe is expected to cause a stir in local billiard circles. There have been no big matches in New York this fall, and until Hoppe announced that he was coming back to regain his old title there was little prospect of any. Hoppe's first opponent will probably be George Slosson. The "Boy Wonder" wants to meet Sutton and Schaefer as soon as possible, but as Albert Cutler has already challenged the winner of the 181 ball-line match between Schaefer and Sutton at Chicago next month, there seems to be no chance of the late playing a championship match before March or April.

Slosson has intimated that he will challenge Hoppe immediately for an 181 match. Of course this would not be a championship match, but it would be a big attraction. The winner has been steadily improving his game, and thinks he will be as good as he ever was in two or three weeks. Hoppe won the 181 title from Slosson in this city two years ago, and defended it successfully until last spring, when he relinquished the title and sailed for Europe. In his game with Slosson the younger performed brilliantly, while Slosson appeared nervous and unsteady. If Slosson can do as well in a match as he does in practice he should give Hoppe a much better argument this time. If the match is made, the game probably will be played at the Grand Central Palace.

FARMERS' SCHOOL IS HELD AT TREMONTON

Agricultural College Institutes Classes Which Arouse Great Interest in Work.

Special to The Tribune.

TREMONTON, Dec. 7.—During the past week the faculty of the State Agricultural college has been holding a school of agriculture and domestic science at Tremonton, Box Elder county. This is the first school of the kind in the State, and the farmers of the Bear River valley have manifested unusual interest. There are thousands of acres being planted to fruit trees in the valley, and fruit growing formed the principal subject of discussion.

During the forenoon and afternoon of each day separate sessions were held for the men and women. The evening session was attended conjointly, and subjects of general interest were discussed. Over two hundred men and women, the leading farmers of the Bear River valley, were present, from Corinne, Dewey, Collinston, Fielding, Garland, Riverside, Elwood and Tremonton.

The school was held under the auspices of the Bear River Valley Farmers' Protective association, of which John P. Holmgren is president.

When interviewed regarding the schools, Bishop Richards of Riverside said: "The farmers of Bear River valley who missed this school will perhaps never realize what they have neglected. The Agricultural college has been brought to the homes of the farmers, and they are grateful for the opportunities offered them."

T. F. Coombs of Fielding said: "The school was an unqualified success. Those in attendance were fully compensated for the time and expense." John P. Holmgren of Bear River City said: "The farmers' school here gave us valuable information. The results will be apparent not only to those in attendance, but to thousands yet unborn. The success of similar schools in Box Elder county is already assured."

C. Wheelon, engineer of the Garland sugar factory, said: "This school has brought the year's work in the experimental field to the door of the farmer, and I regard the results of vastly more benefit than the work done through the bulletins. There is no comparison between the two methods, though the bulletins are, of course, necessary."

Alvin M. West, a California fruit grower, has been present at the fifteen sessions of the school. Regarding his work, he said: "The farmers who failed to attend the lectures lost \$100 or more for every dollar they earned at home."

The sessions closed Friday with addresses by Dr. Whitson, president of the college, and Prof. L. A. Merrill. The instructors who took part in the work were Dr. E. D. Ball, Prof. W. W. McLaughlin, Prof. R. S. Northrop, Miss Blanche Cooper and Miss Hazel Love.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY MUST PAY CASSIA

Special to The Tribune.

BURLEY, Dec. 7.—In a suit which has just been tried in Twin Falls county, Cassia county is awarded a balance of \$5500 in settlement of accounts between the two counties, resulting from the division of Cassia county a year ago. According to the statement of the auditors appointed to adjust the accounts, Twin Falls county was indebted to Cassia to the extent of \$5000. This sum, the commissioners of Twin Falls county refused to order paid and suit was filed by County Auditor Joseph Y. Knight of Cassia county for the recovery of this amount, together with costs.

NEW FACTORY TO MAKE OPTICAL GOODS IN ZION

Eastern Capitalists Decide to Take Advice of M. & M. Association Officers.

Special to The Tribune.

It has been reported that a number of Eastern men are contemplating the establishment in Salt Lake of a large factory for the manufacture of all kinds of optical goods. There is no factory of this sort west of Kansas City and the new plant will have for its field the entire inter-mountain and coast region. The present optical firms here are only distributors of goods manufactured in the East so that the new plant will not compete with the trade here in any way. The Manufacturers' and Merchants' association was instrumental in bringing the firm to Salt Lake, and as the men interested in the proposed manufactory have made a careful canvass of all the cities along the Pacific coast besides many in the inter-mountain country, it is considered a great advantage for Salt Lake that they should establish their factory here.

Lon J. Haddock, secretary of the M. & M. association, said Saturday that he could not yet give the names of the men who were coming here, but that the gentlemen had assured him they considered that this city offered the best advantages for their business of any city in the West on account of its central location and distributing facilities.

REXBURG TO HAVE DAY AND NIGHT LIGHT SERVICE

Special to The Tribune.

REXBURG, Dec. 7.—J. H. Brady of the American Falls Light & Power company was in Rexburg this week on company business connected with the local electric light situation. The company with which Mr. Brady is connected owns the steam plant at Rexburg. The plant has been run at a loss, but the company has tried to give the people as good a service as possible. While here Mr. Brady stated that the American Falls Light & Power company had under construction transmission lines to Rexburg and St. Anthony. This company has 60,000 horse power generated by the American Falls plant and will, in the near future, be prepared to furnish power to a large part of the State. When the high tension line is extended to this section the cost of electric lights will be reduced and Rexburg will have day and night service. This move promises not only cheaper electric light, but also cheap power. An electric road from Pocatello to St. Anthony is already being discussed, with some hope of its construction in the near future.

State Mining Inspector Robert N. Bell passed through Rexburg a few days ago on his way to the Basin coal mines, in which he is interested. He thinks that the Teton basin has a bright future, both from a mineral and agricultural standpoint.

The Rexburg Dramatic association, recently organized, will present a series of plays this winter. The first play will be produced December 19. This organization is composed of local talent.

The weekly lectures at the academy were delivered by Professor C. J. Engar. His subject was "Music and Musicians." He discussed the lives and work of the masters of Europe and America. Selections were rendered by Professor Engar and Miss Thillie Flamm and students of the academy to illustrate the work of the great composers.

Clayton Goes Home.

Arthur Clayton, who has refereed a great many championship pool and billiard games, and who is personally acquainted with all the champions of the world, left this city Saturday morning for St. Louis, before leaving.

HOLDUP-IN-MAKING IS NIPPED IN THE BUD

Young Men Propose Street Robbery to Young Man, Who Then Notifies Police.

After leading Tom Clark, 23 years old, and Thomas L. Murphy, aged 22 years, into believing that he was ready to join them in a little "hold-up" enterprise Saturday evening, Will Connors, agreed to go for a gun, but, instead, went in search of Policeman Phillips, who arrested the men at the corner of West Temple and First South streets.

Connors met the men in a saloon on First South and the three engaged in a conversation, which Clark and Murphy lead up to a discussion of "hold-ups." Murphy made a few remarks as if to sound Connors on a proposition of that kind. He appeared willing. The three planned to start out on a little expedition and Connors excused himself for a few minutes to go for a gun. Clark and Murphy were taken to the police station. They gave their occupation as electricians.

DEFERS INSPECTION OF "U" MEDICAL SCHOOL

Dr. M. P. Colwell, secretary of the educational board of the American Medical association, who was to have inspected the medical department of the University of Utah last Monday, arrived in Salt Lake Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock on the Rio Grande Western. Owing to the fact that Dr. Colwell had to depart on the train which left at 8 o'clock, no inspection of the department was made. Dr. Colwell will spend two weeks on the coast. Upon his return to the East, he will stop at Salt Lake and spend December 17 visiting the department. Dr. Colwell was unable to fill his appointment at the university last Monday, owing to the illness of his wife in the East.

Dean Byron Cummings, Professor Ira D. Cardiff and Dr. R. W. Fisher entertained Dr. Colwell at the University club prior to his leaving for the coast, where he is to inspect several medical schools and departments.

The educational board of the American Medical society makes an annual inspection of the medical schools throughout the country, classifying them according to standing. Schools that fail to come up to standard have their weak points pointed out so they may improve. The general effect of having this annual inspection has proven by past experience an excellent means of raising and maintaining the general standard of medical schools throughout the country.

BURGLARS GET \$40.00 AT DOWNTOWN SALOON

A daring robbery was committed at the White House saloon Sunday morning about 2 o'clock, by burglars who kicked in the rear window of the saloon less than ten minutes after the proprietor had closed up for the night, broke open a cash register and took \$40. Ten dollars were overlooked. The other register of the bar was broken, but the thieves failed to open it.

After taking the money, the men opened the front door of the saloon, which faces Main street and is in the full glare of an electric light at the corner of Second South and Main streets, and made good their escape.

Hughes Looking Higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—State Senator Alfred H. Hughes, regarded as one of Governor Hughes' personal friends, said today that the Governor would not accept a renomination. He said that if the Governor continued in public life after the end of next year it would be because the Republicans elected him President of the United States.

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Names Men to Serve on Committee Recommended by Silver Convention.

The names of Governor John C. Cutler, Mayor John S. Bransford, John Dern, C. C. Goodwin, Thomas Kearns, William H. King, S. H. Love, Charles A. Quigley, and M. H. Walker were given out late Saturday afternoon as the members of the committee of nine representative men who will prepare an address to send over the country, set forth the sense of the convention held at the Commercial club last Wednesday evening. The first meeting of the committee will be held at the Commercial club at noon Tuesday, December 10, at which time the chairman will be elected. All have accepted membership on the committee.

The motion from which the authority for the selection of the committee is derived was passed during the national convention Wednesday evening by W. H. King and carried by unanimous vote. It reads as follows: "That the president and secretary of the Commercial club appoint a committee of nine representative men to prepare an address to the country containing strong resolutions along the line of the plan set forth by the original committee, and that this address be circulated among members of Congress, governors of States, mayors of cities and commercial organizations all over the country."

The committee will also discuss the suggestion that the President of the United States be asked to consider the wisdom of calling an international conference for the purpose of considering the question of bimetalism.

REPUBLICAN LEADERS GET INTO GAME EARLY

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Republican leaders already have begun to reorganize headquarters for use during the national convention of the party here next June. According to announcement made tonight, Joseph G. Cannon was the first to make reservation and as a consequence the "presidential suite" in the finest apartments in the Auditorium hotel, is now his use. Vice-President Fairbanks, Governor Hughes of New York, Secretary Taft and Senator Foraker and Senator Kiefer also asked for suites in the same hotel.

Charles G. Dawes acted for Speaker Cannon, securing the rooms for the delegates of the National House of Representatives yesterday. Today he made reservations for the Vice-President and had searched for the hotel when a message was received from Albany, N. Y., asking for apartments for the Governor of New York. In reply, Speaker Cannon, Hughes' private secretary, who stated that he would be in Chicago tomorrow or Monday to complete arrangements.

CANNON REPLIES TO PRESIDENT GOMPERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Speaker Cannon today expressed his sentiments toward organized labor and its leader, Samuel Gompers, in a letter to the latter's campaign for his (the Speaker's) defeat, the occasion being a call on him by a committee from the local union of plate engravers. A set of resolutions concerning the Speaker for his legislative work in behalf of the plate workers was presented by the chairman of the delegation, Charles T. Smith. In reply, Speaker Cannon, after expressing his gratification at the confidence conveyed, entered into an informal discussion of "One Man Political Leadership" of organized labor. He said that while he bore no enmity to the president of the American Federation of Labor, he did not believe that union men, as American citizens, would ever accept a dictatorship over their votes; that if he were a craft worker he would ally himself with a trade union, because unionism has been the vehicle of all progress toward better conditions for the wage-earner; and while his fealty toward organized labor was not waver if he was affiliated with it, he, as an American citizen, would hold his franchise above the right of any leader to direct.

"NIGHT RIDERS" RAID DEFENSELESS TOWN

"Tobacco War" Leads to Great Destruction of Property in Hopkinsville, Ky.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 7.—Five hundred "night riders" marched into Hopkinsville early today and destroyed property valued at more than \$200,000, while the citizens, in terror of their lives, feared to open their windows. The police, fire department, telephone and telegraph offices, and even the railroad stations, were in possession of a wild mob, shooting right and left, the flames from burning buildings menacingly lighting up the city and the surrounding country until it seemed the whole town was ablaze.

One or two men were injured, one of them being Lindsay Mitchell, a tobacco buyer, who was severely beaten with switches and clubs, and the other, a brakeman, who was shot in the back while trying to move his train from the path of the flames.

The raid of the "night riders" caught the city unawares, as for some time the depredations resulting from the tobacco war had been of a minor nature and it was generally thought that in the "dark district" at least the worst was over.

The property destroyed was as follows: W. H. Tandy, independent tobacco warehouse; building owned by John C. Latham, independent tobacco warehouse. B. M. Woolbridge, association warehouse. Tandy & Fairleigh, warehouse.

In addition, the entire glass front of the Hopkinsville Kentucky Mayor Meacham's paper, which has condemned the raids of the "Night Riders," was destroyed, while windows in the front of the Commercial Banking and Savings company and the Bank of Hopkinsville were pummeled with bullet holes.

A number of other business houses and residences bear the marks of the "Night Riders' bullets, and it is considered remarkable that no one was killed. The insurance is believed to be about \$60,000.

At the intersection of citizens who were being guarded on a street corner, the invaders allowed the fire department to leave their building to save property adjacent to the burning buildings, the girls in the telephone office were forced by fifteen men to leave their switchboards until the mob was ready to leave town.

As soon as the "Night Riders" left town, a posse of about fifteen, headed by Major Bassett of the local militia, and Deputy Sheriff Cravens, entered buggies and followed the trail.

As soon as the posse could get near enough, they opened fire on the fleeing mob, and the pursued returned the shots. It is believed none of the "Night Riders" was hit. Members of the posse escaped injury. They were soon out-distanced by the mounted men, and after chasing the mob past Crasy, the officers returned home.

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD LAWSUIT SETTLED

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—After sixteen years in the courts, the case of Macardell against Alcott has finally been settled by the Court of Appeals. The case grew out of the reorganization of the Houston & Central Texas railway in 1891. At that time the owners of the stock in the railroad went to bed with their stock at 95 and awoke the next morning to find that it had fallen to 5. In 1891 Macardell, a stockholder, brought suit to recover valuable lands in Texas which had been the property of the railroad company, and on the reorganization had been transferred to Frederick P. Alcott, president of the Central Trust company, in trust for the stockholders of the reorganized railroad company. The decision was in favor of the defendant.

The suit has been carried on for several years by the son of the original plaintiff, Macardell having died.

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