

FOOTBALL CHANGES ARE NOT IN FAVOR

Portland Players See Death of Game in Rules Committee's Amendment.

OPEN PLAY MEANS DANGER

Division into Four Periods Criticized as Unpopular With Spectators—Return to Rules Before 1905 Favored.

Football rule changes announced by the National Intercollegiate rules committee at Saratoga last week are not in favor in Portland. Local football authorities and players who have been connected with the game for many years are almost unanimous in branding the changes as a compromise which is at once ineffectual and destructive of the game. That the game will suffer both from the viewpoint of the spectator and the player is the general opinion. One football authority denounces some of the proposed changes as ridiculous, and the beginning of the end of the game is foreseen in the sweeping changes which have been announced.

The older players did not take kindly to the changes. The general opinion vouches for that the changes add to the danger of play, rather than take from it. The innovations are called illogical, unnecessary and unsatisfactory.

Old Game Preferred.

"Give us back the old game; the game as she was played in 1904 and 1905 before they put in these many changes," was the sentiment expressed among the pigskin fans at the Multnomah Club yesterday. Even Rugby or soccer might be better than the shade of the American game which has been left, said some.

"I think they have mixed the game up so that it is ruined," said Frank Watkins, for many years the manager of the football teams at the Multnomah Club. "Many of these changes strike me as silly. The aim seems to be at more open play. Well, open play means danger, for there is where a man gets the most severe bumps. The mass play looks bad to the spectators, but it is not there the man is hurt."

"I am sorry the rules committee did not eliminate the line of scrimmage. They were about it. It was a serious mistake to put it in the first place. That is where the danger is. The runner is unprotected all the time after getting the pass and then, too, the business of the game fluky, and that's bad for any game. I'm glad if they cut down the penalty for the pass, however, as that has been too severe."

"The 20-yard rule for the onside play simply eliminates that part of the game. If the ball must be kicked 20 yards it will be punted outright and will not be recovered. The ends cannot go down on a kick of much over 20 yards, and have a fair chance of recovering the ball."

Game Is for Strong Men.

"The old game suited me best. I liked the game of making five yards in three downs. Then it was a game with big strong men. Now it is a game allowing the little fellow to take no business in football to play. Football is a game for strong, husky men. I belong to the old school and so I like the old game—the game of 1904 and 1905."

"The rule about pushing and pulling the runner and otherwise cutting down the interference is bad, as it makes the runner go to pieces. He must protect himself now, where before he was guarded. The rule allowing seven men on the line of scrimmage ought to be good, as should the rule allowing a quarterback to run anywhere through the line of scrimmage."

"The rule changing the length of the playing periods to 15 minutes is not of any use, and the rule allowing an injured man to return in a subsequent period is, it appears to me, dangerous. The American tendency is to play until a man is practically gone. Under this rule he will retire when injured, recover partially and then want to go back in the game, and in his weakened condition receive what may be a permanent injury."

"It's an entirely different game now. It is more like basketball, and while the game may be more open under the new rules, it will not be popular with the public, as there is not enough fight, and in eliminating some of the dangers I fear they have also eliminated the game."

Danger Not Lessened.

George McMillan, the dean of football in Portland, who has played almost every season since 1882 in the fastest of company, deprecates the changes. Mr. McMillan said:

"I do not think the changes will work out logically. I fail to see where the danger would be lessened. The rule affecting the snapperback is not effective in lessening the danger. It simply means more open play and open play means danger. The rule concerning the seven men on the line of scrimmage is of little effect, and the fly rule is of no force, as not in one case in 50 does a tackler leave his feet in making a tackle. The method of playing the defense will have to be improved upon in order to offset the rule allowing the first man taking the ball to run in any direction with it, but the game is not hurt there."

"The old onside kick rule was good for the game and the elimination does not help any. But that rule shortening the playing period to 15 minutes is ridiculous. No one wants short halves. The spectators certainly will not welcome such a change, and the players want to keep on playing. No man was ever hurt by playing 35 minutes. The idea of letting the injured man come back, however, strikes me as good. That has been found feasible in Rugby and soccer for ages."

"They can't do the game all they wish, but they cannot eliminate the element of physical danger. That is why the game is so interesting, but the danger to a trained eleven is not more than in soccer or Rugby, and locally there have been more injuries in soccer than there have in the intercollegiate game."

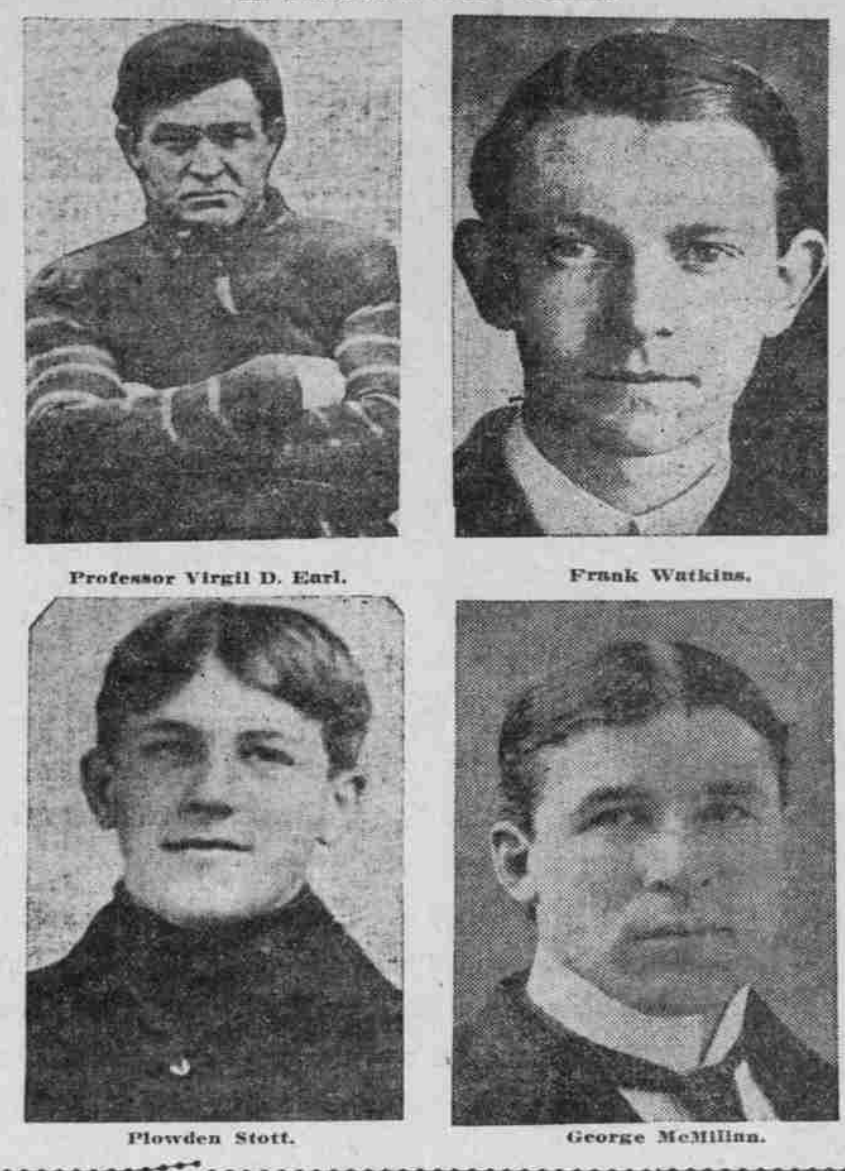
"I am glad the forward pass was left in the game. That was an interesting addition, although I am glad if they reduce the penalties, as those have been extreme."

Change Called Death Warrant.

Flowden Stott, ex-captain of the Multnomah team, a star at both the intercollegiate and Rugby games at Stanford, and one of the best field generals the Northwest ever produced, brands the changes as the death warrant of American football.

"They have mixed up everything," said Mr. Stott. "The game was already too complicated, and now it is more so. These changes, which are in effect a compromise, are an acknowledgment of the weaknesses which have been brought

PORTLAND FOOTBALL AUTHORITIES SEE DEATH OF GAME IN PROPOSED NEW RULES.



Professor Virgil D. Earl, Frank Watkins, Plowden Stott, George McMillan.

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"Football is a dead issue from a spectator's standpoint now," said he. "The new rules mean to drive at the essentials of the American game. The idea of attempting to prevent the flying tackle is preposterous. A man can't stop his opponent and say, 'Pardon me, I'm going to tackle you.' He simply must tackle the man and keep him from scoring. It is in fact the greater part of the proposed changes. The spectators must be considered. I think spectators and players would agree alike that the most satisfactory game was the old five-yard game, before the rules began to be changed."

Virgil D. Earl, professor and football coach at the Washington High School, believes that a reform has been attained by the rules but expresses a fear that they will be permanent injury. "I liked the old game better, but I am of the opinion the committee must know its business and is really eliminating the danger," said Professor Earl. "I fail to note any special advantage in changing the length of the halves. I do not like the proposal to bring the ends and factory game was the old five-yard game, before the rules began to be changed."

Rugby More Satisfactory.

"A compromise, pure and simple," said Professor James Ewing, of the Portland Academy. "I doubt the possibility of reforming the American game without doing away with it entirely. Rugby has never been seen, but from all accounts it appears to be satisfactory in California and at least is not resulting in sweeping changes every year. I cannot say that the rules will help the game for younger players, as they haven't been hurt a great deal at any rate. I do not favor the idea of allowing an injured man to re-enter the game. It is a compromise rule which will prove hard to enforce. It will be abused right along. While there are many points which I favor in the changes, as a rule the movement is a step toward the elimination of football."

Marion Dolph, a former Eastern collegiate star and later fullback for the Multnomah Club, favored the changes, and said that while the old rules, the game was being improved.

"I think the game is being improved right along for the spectators. If not for the players," said Mr. Dolph. "Where the new rules eliminate danger, I cannot see but the forward pass and other rules all tend toward making the game open and that the spectators will like. As a rule I favor the changes which have been made, but until I have studied the new rules more thoroughly I cannot say whether they tend to cut down the danger of injury."

LADS LEAVE FOR BEACH

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