

# STOP FOR A YEAR

### Harvard President Would Stop Football Next Season.

### EXPERIMENT WITH THE RULES

#### Let Individual Colleges Try Some of Proposed Changes in Rules for Year and Then Have Meeting and Adopt More Satisfactory Rules.

New York, Dec. 27.—President Eliot of Harvard has declared himself in favor of stopping inter-collegiate football for one year in order that the game may be modified and a reasonable game devised and demonstrated in practice. He expressed his views in a letter to Chancellor MacCracken of New York University in replying to an invitation to Harvard to attend the conference of colleges on football to be held today. President Eliot, after saying that the invitation had been referred to the faculty committee on athletics, added: "I avail myself of this opportunity to let you that my own belief is that intercollegiate football should be stopped for one year so that the individual colleges may demonstrate in practice, each on its own grounds, a reasonable game of football.

"For myself, I find it impossible to believe that the committee, coach and umpires who have ruined the game are to be trusted with its reform or replacement. The fundamental difficulty with the present game is the bad spirit in which it is played. To get rid of this vicious spirit I think we must stop intercollegiate football for a time. On the whole, therefore, I favor separate action by the individual colleges, and not conferences and conventions or other attempts to continue intercollegiate football under new regulations."

This is the first official declaration of the spirit of the Harvard authorities toward the game. Heretofore in answer to all inquiries the statement was made that President Eliot would deal with the whole matter in his annual message to the university corporation in message to the university corporation in February, but that the initiative in any action for or against football did not lie with him, but in the overseers of the university.

The intercollegiate conference will open at the Murray Hill hotel this morning. It will be formidable in size and national in character. Colleges from every section will be represented, including one as far west as Leland Stanford of California and as far south as Vanderbilt University of Tennessee. None of the colleges represented on the present rules committee will send delegates but Harvard, though Professor White, chairman of its faculty committee on athletics has expressed its sympathy with the movement.

The University of Pennsylvania is the only one of the Western "Big Nine," likely to be represented. The president of the University of Iowa, in reply to the invitation to attend, wrote as follows:

"We belong to the Western conference, and are under pact to comply with the rules it may promulgate. It would not be honorable for us to make other alliances while holding to this."

Chancellor MacCracken does not expect the University of Chicago to be represented. In addition to the twelve colleges forming the inviting body, fifty-two colleges have accepted the invitation and a majority have named their delegates.

### JOLLY "WEARY WILLIE" COMING.

The happy-go-lucky "Weary Willie," will be a new exponent on the stage when the original comedy drama, "A Jolly American Tramp," will be seen at Fisher's next Monday evening. This piece is said to be more strikingly intense than the same author's other plays, "Peaceful Valley" and "A Poor Reunion," that he wrote for Sol Smith Russell. In "A Jolly American Tramp" he holds the attention of his audience by the quality of his wit, the deep touches of pathos that he has interwoven in its interesting plot, and the convincing comedy with which it is interspersed. Of course the despised tramp turns out to be a hero in rags, and the supposed millionaire whose greed for gold leads him to commit felony, simply does what all his ilk in the big trusts are doing every day. There are many scenes and incidents portrayed that will be worth witnessing in that it shows how the rights of the many are ruthlessly crushed aside by the few, but in the end the wronged triumph, and justice gets its reward. The cast that is to unfold this interesting story contains the names of

many of this country's best players, among them being Clark Ross, Berlin Farnsworth, Cora Lee Jefferson, Virginia Melville, Vera Wilson, W. S. Ely and others. Much attention has been paid to the costuming, each character presenting the exact prototype of the original from which the talented author took his conception. Seat sale opens Saturday morning at Horlor's.

### HOTEL OCCIDENT.

#### Arrivals.

- T. W. Whitt, Portland.
- C. D. Gabrielson, Portland.
- James Withycombe, Corvallis.
- S. M. Ramsby, Oregon City.
- C. D. Buchner, Portland.
- J. R. Brigham, Portland.
- H. E. Noble, Portland.
- A. M. Brown, Gray's Harbor.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brown, Toledo, Wash.

#### Deeds That Live.

In 1801 the Archduke Charles was called to take command of the army of Austria, which at the battle of Hohenlinden had been defeated by the French and Bavarians. Near the scene of action he met a number of wounded soldiers who had been abandoned on the road by their commander for want of horses to draw their carriages in the retreat.

The archduke, who on many occasions had shown his humanity, immediately ordered the horses to be taken from several pieces of cannon that were being hauled to the rear.

"The life of one brave man is better worth preserving than fifty pieces of ordnance," he said.

The abandoned guns fell into the hands of the French commander, who, when he heard of the motive that had prompted the sacrifice, immediately ordered the whole to be sent back to the gallant archduke with his compliments, observing that he should be unworthy of being the opponent of his imperial highness if he took advantage of so noble an act of humanity.

#### Furious Fighting.

"For seven years," writes Geo. W. Hoffman, of Harper, Wash., "I had a bitter battle, with chronic stomach and liver trouble, but at last I won, and cured my disease, by the use of Electric Bitters. I unhesitatingly recommend them to all, and don't intend in the future to be without them in the house. They are certainly a wonderful medicine, to have cured such a bad case as mine." Sold under guarantee to do the same for you, by Charles Rogers, druggist, at 50c a bottle. Try them today.

#### Fo's Pleasant Dreams.

"It's not everybody I'd put to sleep in this room," said Mrs. J. to the fastidious and extremely nervous young minister who was spending the night with the family. "This room is full of sacred associations to me," she went on. "My first husband died in that bed, with his head right on those very pillows, and Mr. J. died sitting right in that corner. Sometimes when I come into the room in the dark I think I can see him sitting there still. My own father died lying right on the sofa under the window. Poor pal! He was a spiritualist, and he always said he'd appear in this room again after he died, and sometimes I'm foolish enough to look for him. If you should see anything of him tonight you'd better not tell me, for it would be a sign to me that there is something in spiritualism, and I'd hate to think that. My son by my first husband fell dead with heart disease right where you stand. He was a doctor, and there's two whole skeletons in that closet that belong to him and half a dozen skulls in the lower drawer. Well, good night and pleasant dreams."—The Bits.

### STAMP OUT TUBERCULOSIS.

#### King of All Cough Medicines.

Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's cough remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

#### French Origin of "Save the King."

The British national anthem is of French origin. The Petite Republicque asserts that the words of "God Save the King" are a literal translation of a hymn in honor of Louis XIV., chanted by the young girls in residence at the convent of St. Cyr.

#### The French words of this hymn were:

- Grand Dieu, sauvez le roi!
- Grand Dieu, vengez le roi!
- Vive le roi!
- Que, toujours glorieux,
- Louis victorieux,
- Voie ses ennemis.
- Toujours soumis.

The music of this chant was copied during his visit to France by Handel, who on his return to England dedicated it to George I.

Beautifying methods that injure the skin and health are dangerous. Be beautiful without discomfort by taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Sunshine faces follow its use. 35 cents. Sold by Frank Hart.

### THE MOCKING BIRD.

#### He is the Most Versatile of All the Woodland Choir.

Early explorers of America carried back with them to Europe stories of a bird which sang more sweetly than the nightingale.

It was the southern mocker heard in the clearings and along the green banks of the water courses which chained the attention of the music loving Spaniard. The mocking bird sings as sweetly today as it sang when De Soto, journeying westward, listened all the way to its music.

Ever since the day when its notes were first heard by the ears of the pioneers the human singers have been trying to catch the inspiration of the mocker's song and to do it justice in poetry. The human singers never fully have succeeded. The mocker is the most versatile of all the woodland choir. He can, if he will, touch harshness, as he touches harmony, and at times the admiration of the listener is more for the bird's variety than for its melody.

No mocking bird in all the range of its performance ever equaled in pure music the hymnlike notes of the heath thrush, but yet the mocker is by far the greater, if not the more appealing, singer. When the bird confines itself to the notes which are its own by birthright—its native notes, as it were—there is a trace of nothing save an exalting measure. The bird, however, is a born borrower, and to that with which nature has endowed it there are constantly being added the belongings of others.

It is interesting to read the accounts of the mocker birds' songs as set down by the early ornithologists. Audubon, Wilson and Nuttall listened to the mocker and were in turn moved to sing, even though they did their singing in prose. Some of the fathers of bird science in America nearly exhausted the supply of adjectives in the English language in their endeavor to give their readers adequate description of the song of the mocking bird. One solo heard amid the surroundings of a southern spring drives from the memory all thoughts of human praise of the bird's voice, and the song itself remains to take their place.

There is a luxuriance in the singing of the mocker, and the proper setting for the song is the warmth and luxuriance of the south. The bird, however, does not entirely neglect the music lovers of the north. It sings and nests occasionally as far north as Illinois and Massachusetts, and in the northward passage it loses nothing of sweetness from its song.

Some years ago the Audubon societies of the northern states began to receive letters from the women of the southland telling of the gradual disappearance of the mocker from localities where once its song had been heard from every tree and thicket. The letters told of the robbing of the nests of the birds in order that the young might be sold in the great northern cities.

The Audubon societies took up the plea of the southern women that the traffic in the mockers might be stopped, and they succeeded in a large measure in putting an end to the sale of the songsters in the northern markets. The songs of a mocking bird caged and of a mocking bird at liberty are as different as are the spirits of slavery and of freedom.

It would be a task of days to give adequate information of all that has been written concerning the song of the southern mocking bird. Paul Hamilton Hayne lived with the bird, and he caught the ecstasy of its song. William Henry Timrod, like Hayne, a southern singer, also caught the inspiration of the bird's note. The southern poets, as would seem both natural and right, have caught best the fine frenzy of this singer of the southern forests.—Chicago Post.

#### In Praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

There is no other medicine manufactured that has received so much praise and so many expressions of gratitude as Chamberlain's cough remedy. It is effective, and prompt relief follows its use. Grateful parents everywhere do not hesitate to testify to its merits for the benefit of others. It is a certain cure for croup and will prevent the attack if given at the first appearance of disease. It is especially adapted to children as it is pleasant to take and contains nothing injurious. Mr. E. A. Humphries, a well known resident and clerk in the store of Mr. E. Lock, of Alice, Cape Colony, South Africa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to ward off croup and colds in my family. I found it to be very satisfactory and it gives me pleasure to recommend it." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

#### Tom Reed's Wit.

Congressman Morse of Massachusetts was a great admirer of Speaker Reed, to whom he said on one occasion. "Do you know, Mr. Reed, the people are talking a great deal about you for president, and I would not be surprised if they elected you president some day?" "Well, Morse," was the dry comment of the speaker, "they could do worse and I have no doubt they will."

Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is simply liquid electricity. It goes to every part of your body, bringing new blood, strength and new vigor. It makes you well and keeps you well. 35 cents. Sold by Frank Hart.

#### No Opium in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

There is not the least danger in giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to small children as it contains no opium or other harmful drug. It has an established reputation of more than thirty years as the most successful medicine in use for colds, croup and whooping cough. It always cures and is pleasant to take. Children like it. Sold by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

#### A Contradiction.

The Kriesblatt, published in the district of Hochst, Prussia, printed the other day this advertisement: "Lost, a perambulator containing a six-month-old baby, the same having been left on Sunday outside a public house in Sosenheim, or possibly in Hochst, or Unterliederbach. On the perambulator cover the following is embroidered, 'Sleep well; mother watches over you.'"

#### Of Interest to Clergy.

The Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Co., having been granted membership in the Trans-Continental Clergy Bureau, the name of that company will appear in the clergy application blanks and clergy certificates issued by the bureau for 1906, and commencing January 1st, of the coming year. These permits will be honored by all agents of the A. & C. R. R., thus eliminating the individual half-fare permits issued by that company in former years. Requests for official application blanks should be made to J. C. Mayo, general passenger agent, Astoria.

#### Necessary Training.

First Student—What are you studying law for if you don't intend to practice it? Second Student—Oh, I'm going in for politics, and I wish to know the weak points of the law.—Tom Watson's Magazine.

#### A Fearful Fate.

It is a fearful fate to have to endure the terrible torture of Piles. "I can truthfully say," writes Harry Colson, of Masonville, Ia., "that for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protruding Piles, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, is the best cure made." Also best for cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at Charles Rogers, druggist.

## Our Great Removal Sale of High Grade Wall Paper Is a Phenomenal Success.

Now is the best opportunity to secure bargains as we will move to our new location January 1st, and in the meanwhile we are selling wall paper at prices lower than you have ever seen it before. Call and inspect our elegant lines.

**B. F. Allen & Son, 365-367 Commercial St.**

## Three Routes to the East

Central or Scenic, by way of Colorado, thence to Chicago, Kansas City or St. Louis via Rock Island System.  
 Southern, by way of Los Angeles and El Paso, thence to Chicago, Kansas City or St. Louis via Rock Island System.  
 Northern, by way of Minneapolis and St. Paul, thence to Chicago via Rock Island System.  
 Notice the three eastern gateways. Direct connection in Union Stations at all three, for all important points in Eastern and Southern States.

Full information, with folder "Across the Continent in a Tourist Sleeping Car," sent on request.



A. H. McDONALD, General Agent, Rock Island System, 140 Third Street, Portland, Ore.

# JUST A MOMENT!

We Want to Talk to You ABOUT BOOK BINDING We do it in All the Latest and Best Styles of the Art...

We take your Old Magazines that you have piled away on your shelves and make Handsome Books of them fit to grace any library.  
 We take your old worn out books with the covers torn off, rebind them and return to you good as any new book.  
 Let us figure with you on fixing up your Library.

**The J. S. Dellinger Co.**  
 Makers of All Kinds of Books  
 ASTORIAN BUILDING CORNER COMMERCIAL AND 10TH STREET