

## "Big Eight" Is Needed In East Among Football Teams

The reported movement in the east to establish a "Big Eight" in football is very significant from two angles.

First, it indicates that the famous big three, Yale, Harvard and Princeton, are aware of the crisis in their football lives.

Second, it indicates the ever-growing realization of the mounting supremacy of football in the west and the reason for it—organization.

Development of the game in the west—the eager adoption of the open game in all its various angles—struck the first blow at the supremacy of Yale, Harvard and Princeton. Western teams came east and by the very virtue of their dash and daring, robbed eastern teams in general of the glamor that had been theirs. Then the Big Three—with the exception of Yale—fell into dark days. Either playing or coaching material fell off. It is hard to state which hurt the two schools most.

The "little" schools, looked upon merely as early season practice material, became very nervy. Started licking Harvard and Princeton. Victory brought more nerve—and greater efforts on the part of the "outside" colleges. Meanwhile these other colleges had attracted attention by the simple method of pitting their strength against the more powerful western eleven.

And in the early intercollegiate games the Big Three, as well as the other eastern institutions, realized that the west was leading the way in the new game.

For years the east has marveled at the huge crowds drawn to the "Big Ten" or Western Conference games. No matter what the comparative strength of the teams, the interest is held at high pitch at all games because of inter-institutional rivalry and the possible effect each game may have on the final conference standing. The Missouri Valley conference and

other western and southern circuits have proved the advantages of such organizations.

A "Big Eight" would help football in the east. Yale, Harvard and Princeton must admit the presence of other schools—must ask them to join in a "mutual benefit association." Pennsylvania, Cornell, Dartmouth, Pittsburgh, Lafayette and two or three other institutions are undoubtedly willing to discuss the matter.

Years ago the early defeats sustained by the Harvard eleven meant little in the year's run. They were but practice events anyhow, leading up to the games with Yale and Princeton. Then came gloomy days when the season ended in a licking at the hands of one or both of the brother members of the Big Three. Got so, too, that earnest efforts to prevent the early season defeats met with little success. Consequently the recent beating handed Harvard by Holy Cross leaves a long face on John Harvard. Victories are needed to give Harvard confidence in its big games. Defeats are the galling habit now, not the fruit cocktail.

### REV. F. A. HUBLEY IS HURT IN RUNAWAY

RIVER HEBERT, Oct. 28.—Rev. F. A. Hubley, who recently moved from St. Martins, N. B., to take the pastorate of the Baptist church here, met with an accident last week when his horse became frightened by a train coming behind him and ran. The crossing was just ahead and while preventing the animal from getting in front of the train Mr. Hubley was thrown from the carriage when a part of the harness gave way. He suffered a bad shaking and a few minor bruises.

### RECEPTION GIVEN REV. J. W. BRITTON

OXFORD, Oct. 28.—Rev. J. W. Britton, formerly of Saint John, now pastor of the Oxford, Wallace and Pugwash Presbyterians, was tendered a reception last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. McLean. More than 100 were present. A number from Pugwash attended, coming by motor. The evening was delightfully spent in music and games. A. S. Mackintosh read an address to Mr. Britton and little Miss Barbara Mackintosh presented Mrs. Britton a beautiful bouquet of pink and white carnations. Mr. Britton responded, thanking the people. Following the presentations addresses were given by Dr. Victor Calkin, W. F. Sutherland, Dr. Mackintosh and D. J. Mitchell.

Rev. F. J. Armitage, of the United church, with Mrs. Armitage and Rev. Mr. Elgie, of the Baptist church, were present. Delightful refreshments were served.

**APPEALS FOR THRIFT DAY.** BERLIN, Oct. 28.—Chancellor Luther today issued an appeal for nationwide support for "thrift day" to be observed next Saturday, Oct. 31.

### Four Months Here Wins Dairy Prize

In just over four months from the time of her first arrival in Canada, Mrs. W. N. Smith, who with her husband and six children came to Canada under the British Family Farm Settlement Scheme at the end of last May, has become a prize winning butter, cheese and cream maker. At the fall fair recently held at Milner, B. C., Mrs. Smith won first prize for fresh butter, first for fancy butter, first for cream cheese and second for clotted cream. Mrs. Smith made good butter and cheese on her husband's farm in the Old Country and shortly after she arrived at their new 40 acre farm at

Fort Langley, B. C., early last June, she began again to put her knowledge of making dairy products to practical use. A family of six children ranging in ages from 19 to four years pronounced them excellent. Visitors registered a similar verdict. The field officer of the land settlement branch of the Department of Immigration and Colonization advised Mrs. Smith to compete with her butter and other dairy products in the Milner fall fair. She did so with the results mentioned.

**EQUIPMENT REMOVED.** All the equipment of the Lady Byng summer camp at Fair Vale, with the exception of four benches, has been removed from the cottages there and is now being stored in the Health Centre cellar. No definite decision has been arrived at with regard to the location of the camp next season.

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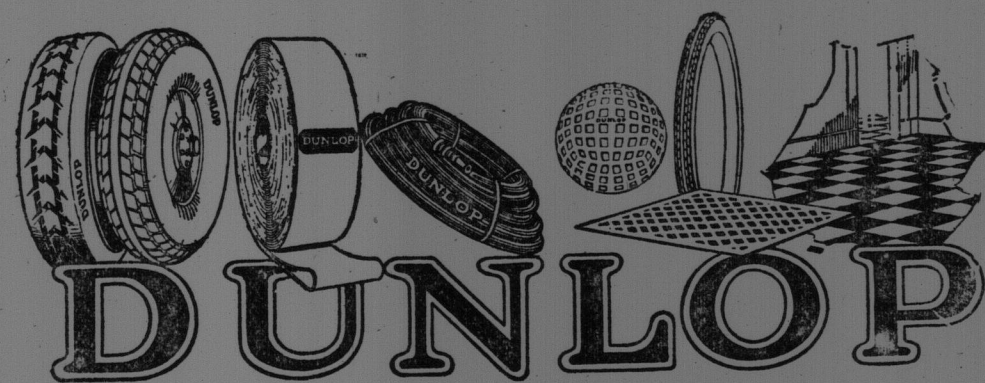
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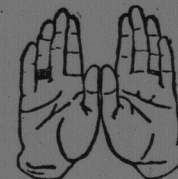


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